

HOBART U3A SUMMER PROGRAM

23 January - 20 February 2002

A program of talks on Wednesday mornings has been arranged by U3A Hobart. Members of U3A Kingborough are welcome.

Venue: Life Sciences Theatre 1, University of Tasmania (top side of Churchill Avenue)

Parking: Free parking in University car parks

Time: 10 am sharp – the one hour talks are followed by a question time of about 15 minutes. Morning tea provided

Admission cost: 50 cents

23 January **The Oxford-Prague Connection in the Middle Ages - Wycliffe and Huss** by Dr John Tooth

30 January **Kimberley Rock Art** by Dr Kim Ackermann (TMAG)

6 February **Scraping a Living on the Oboe** by Alan Greenlees (TSO)

13 February **Research for Genes that cause Human Disease** by Prof. Terry Dwyer (Menzies Centre)

20 February **Warren Boyles (40 Degrees South)** - subject to be announced

NEWSLETTER

The next issue should be published in mid-May with a deadline of 3 May. The Editor welcomes contributions from members.

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NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

May I extend a warm welcome to U3A Kingborough 2002 to all our members; they form an ever-increasing band of learners in our district south of Hobart. During the end of year break it has been gratifying to receive new applications to join us, particularly as so many have come from the Channel area. Word of our activities is obviously getting out and shows once again that a useful function in our community is being served by Kingborough U3A.

It is not only the opportunity to be interested, to be better informed or to increase our knowledge that makes U3A enjoyable, it is that chance to meet up with like-minded active senior citizens in the neighbourhood that personally I have found rewarding. It is such a pleasure to put names to faces you have encountered at the supermarket or walking the beach and to meet on common

ground as we explore fresh fields of learning.

This coming year the course list has expanded and, as always, we are indebted to our voluntary tutors for giving us of their expertise. Of course this program does not happen by accident and I would like to acknowledge with appreciation the work of the Committee who make all the arrangements, and make them so willingly and cheerfully. At the upcoming Annual General Meeting it is hoped some new members will offer to share in this organisational role so as to ensure our third year of operation is as rewarding as the previous two have been. Judged by the success of the Celebration Luncheon last November there is much conviviality and companionship to be gained from being a member of Kingborough U3A. All I can add to that is the word presently in common usage: Enjoy!

Sheila Given

PROGRAM FOR TERM 1 2002, 2 March to 24 May

Monday 10 am FRENCH or GERMAN. Adrian Harmsen, Room A1
10 sessions from 4 March to 20 May (no classes 11 March and 1 April)

Intended for students with a basic knowledge of the language. Attention will be given to pronunciation, grammar and simple conversation. Emphasis will be determined by wishes of the students. The number of enrolments will determine which language is to be taught.

Monday 10 am INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION Part 1. Gifford Causon, Room A3

10 sessions from 4 March to 20 May (no classes 11 March and 1 April)

Everyone has heard of the Revolution, but what is it really all about? Every aspect of our lives has been changed from the way we cook, to the clothes we wear, to the way we travel, and much much more.

Monday 11.30 am LATIN. David Daintree, Room A1

10 sessions from 4 March to 20 May (no classes 11 March and 1 April)

Designed to lead people from the basics of the language to the reading of some simple but genuine Latin literature. You will get most from it if you do a few hours a week before the course begins, particularly if you have never studied a language before: any basic 'teach yourself' book would be useful for this purpose.

Levy \$2

Monday 11.30 am WHAT IS THE LAW FOR? Repeat with variations.
Peter Cranswick, Room A3

10 sessions from 4 March to 20 May (no classes 11 March and 1 April)

More about law as an efficient (or inefficient) engine of social engineering, and the search for justice.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

Renewal of membership forms were enclosed with the October 2001 Newsletter and are also enclosed this time -- if you have already paid your sub please pass the form to friends. Most of our members have paid their \$25 subscription for 2002. If you intend to enrol for classes in 2002, you must be a financial member. Non-payment by 31 March will be deemed to be a resignation and no further Newsletters will be sent.

Please make cheques or Money Orders payable to U3A Kingborough Inc., and post to:

PO Box 479, KINGSTON 7051

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 2nd Annual General Meeting of U3A Kingborough Inc will be held at the Adult Education Centre, 8 Hutchins Street, Kingston, on Friday, 22 March 2002, at 10 am.

Agenda

1. Confirmation of minutes of the last AGM and those of the Special
2. General Meeting held on 8 June 2001
3. President's report
4. Treasurer's report
5. Annual subscription
6. Election of Officers and Committee members
7. Appointment of Auditor
8. Any other special business of which written notice has been given.

Morning tea will be provided at the close of the meeting

Marian Jellyman, Public Officer

Venues: All classes except computing and family history last for one hour and, except where indicated, are held in A Block, Adult Education Centre, 8 Hutchins Street, Kingston. **NO CLASSES WILL BE HELD FROM 29 MARCH TO 5 APRIL OR ON 11 MARCH AND 25 APRIL.** Please note dates carefully.

Please note:

- You are in the class for which you have enrolled unless you are notified.
- Class levies are to be paid to the Class Secretary.

WORDS WORDS WORDS WORDS WORDS WORDS

A suggestion from a Judge to Federal Magistrates about the desirable length of their judgements:

Pythagorus' Theorem employed	24 words
The Lord's Prayer	66 words
Archimedes Principle	67 words
Gettysburg Address	286 words
Declaration of Independence	1,300 words
The European Commission's regulation on the sale of cabbages	26,911 words

From Dr Bobby Roberts, Kingston

DISPLAY AT KINGSTON LIBRARY

There will be a display at the Kingston Library publicising U3A, 11-16 February.

COFFEE or TEA

Coffee or tea is available to members in the kitchen of Block A, Adult Education Centre, but please remember that 50 cents per cup should be placed in the jar and you should wash your cup afterwards.

Monday 1.30 pm MEDIEVAL MISCELLANY. Frances Parsons, Room A3

10 sessions from 4 March to 20 May (no classes 11 March and 1 April)

A variety of events and people whose lives affected their times – and ours – significantly (for example, the Crusades, Chatelemagne, Eleanor of Aquitaine, Hildegard of Bingen).

Levy \$2

Monday 2 pm MOZART. Barrie de Jersey, at his home, 4 Fairview Drive, Redwood Village

10 sessions from 4 March to 20 May (no classes 11 March and 1 April)

A close look at the man, his music, and the historical background. Much music will be played (including some rarities!).

Tuesday 10 am ANCIENT CIVILISATIONS. Joe Priest, Room A1

10 sessions from 5 March to 14 May (no class 2 April)

The Roman Empire from Vespasian to the time of the Golden Age of Rome – the famous 2nd Century.

Levy \$2

Tuesday 11.30 am PLAY READING with Barbara Warner, Room A1

10 sessions from 5 March to 14 May (no class 2 April)

You are invited to join the group to enjoy either reading or listening to a selection of comedies and dramas. Present members please re-enrol. New members welcome.

Tuesday 1.30 pm C-19 EUROPEAN HISTORY – French Revolution to WW I. Richard Davis, Room A1

10 sessions from 5 March to 14 May (no class 2 April)

A survey of European history in the 19th century, emphasising ideas and developments still relevant: nationalism, economic rationalism, socialism, etc.

Levy \$2

Wednesday 5-7 pm COMPUTERS -- INTERMEDIATE. Joe Bondin,
Kingston High School

10 sessions from 6 March to 15 May (no class 3 April)

Designed for persons who already own a PC and have keyboard skills. WIN 98 and Office 2000 are used. Internet and E-mail are taught.

Thursday 10 am UNDERSTANDING GENETIC ENGINEERING.

Noela Foxcroft, Room A3

10 session from 7 March to 23 May (no classes 4 and 25 April)

What is a gene? DNA? a GMO? The course will look at these and the safety and ethical questions raised by genetic engineering.

Levy \$2

Thursday 11.30 am ARMCHAIR TRAVEL. Room A 3

10 session from 7 March to 23 May (no classes 4 and 25 April)

March 7 Egypt, the other side -- Gifford Causon (Egypt -- pyramids, mummies, temples -- yes but it is much more, both from the past and from modern times)

March 14 Antarctica -- Colin van den Hoff (Geographical features, role as weather generator, seasonal changes, climatic conditions, base operations and staffing)

March 21 Micronesia -- Brian Hortle (Introduction to the history, sociology, and travel potential of these fascinating islands in the northern Pacific)

March 28 Galapagos Islands and Ecuador -- Ken Gilanders (Slides showing the birds and animals of the Galapagos Islands. Also a trip from the Columbian border along the Andes to the Peruvian border showing many of the flowers growing there)

April 11 Nepal and the Himalayas - Ian Edwards

April 18 Turkey -- Marjorie Negrin (A very brief history of Turkey with slides)

May 2 & 9 Surviving Rio to the Andes -- Armin Howald (Reflection of the travels of a 'gringo' through the wetlands of the Amazon, the soaring Andean peaks, inhospitable deserts, ruins of Inca Empires, and meeting the 'real' people of South America)

May 16 & 23 Impressions of Laos -- John Hale (Are they still listening to the rice growing? These impressions through word, music and picture attempt to illustrate how a quiet and beautiful landlocked country is inevitably being drawn, perhaps against its people's will, into the maelstrom of the world economy)

Thursday 1.30 pm IMMUNOLOGY -- Angelo Negrin, Room A 3
10 session from 7 March to 23 May (no classes 4 and 25 April)

From before birth until death, the immune system is in a state of constant alert. A diverse array of molecules and cells protect us against parasites and pathogens. Without those defences, humans could not survive. This course will attempt to describe these defences.

Saturday 1.30-3.30 pm INTRODUCTION TO FAMILY HISTORY RESEARCH.

Marian Jellyman, Kingston Online Access Centre, Kingston Library
Two four-week courses, 2-23 March and 6-27 April

You will be able to:

- Organise and record your information including sources
- Search the Internet via several 'Search Engines' for items related to your family genealogy
- Be familiar with the *Family Search* site; visit specific Internet sites for information
- Be aware of the *Parish Locator* (UK), the *1881 UK census* and *Australian Vital Records*;
- Know how to join mailing lists to contact others interested in your family history
- Submit your data to other genealogy sites and share with other people
- Prepare a list of Internet genealogical sites for your on-going use
- Consider which genealogy database software is most suitable for your purposes.

Levy \$1