

WINDS OF CHANGE

To our outgoing president and committee, whose foresight, drive and initiative has got our Tamar Valley U3A off the ground, thank you.

To the ladies and gentlemen whose courage and perseverance have driven this group forward to the success that it now is, thank you.

A membership of 170 from such a small community in such a short time is a credit to you all.

Thank you for the hours of pleasure, satisfying achievement, and mind expanding gems of knowledge that you have facilitated for our community.

We all have found new friends, new ideas, new talents and new horizons to share.

On behalf of all of us, tutors, speakers, students and hangers on, thank you.

A NEW ERA

President: Vivien Tyson
 Treasurer: Frank Thompson
 Secretary: Vacant
 Vice President: Vacant

Public Officer: Peter Kearney

Ordinary Committee Members:
 Christina Holmdhal Joanne McLean
 Peter Kearney

It's your U3A, can you help?

PRESIDENTIAL WORDS

As I have been elected as President of our group for the next year, I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to those who don't know me.

I have lived in the Tamar Valley for the past 40 years and have been involved with many community groups over that time. I was on the steering committee when the Tamar Valley U3A was in it's infancy and have remained involved since.

Our greatest challenge at the moment is to find members who are willing to share the administrative load that comes with an organisation of this size. We have been well served by Penny Willington and Pat Turner who have shouldered a great deal of the work for some time now and have recently relinquished their positions to take a rest and hopefully enjoy some of the courses we offer.

WE NEED YOU if you have an hour per week to help in the office or if you have an hour once a month to take meeting minutes or if you have any skills or a willingness to learn new skills, **WE NEED YOU**

We have people who are able to mentor you until you are confident.

Please contact me if you would consider this on **63 944 474**

-Viv Tyson -

YOU ARE WELCOME

We would like to hear your ideas for courses or short talks. It's your U3A, what would you like?

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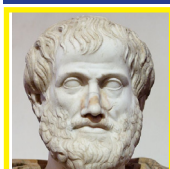
HELP THE NEWSLETTER

Praise a course or review a talk that you really enjoyed, share a photo or a funny. Come on DO IT

Caring is sharing laughing is good too

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NEW FRIENDS



NEW SKILLS

NEW ACTIVITIES

GEMS OF KNOWLEDGE

You suggested - your Committee delivers - FUN and FACTS.

Talk

Date: Thursday Oct. 1

Time: 10am – 1pm

Venue: Meet at RSL Car Park near the Community Centre Beaconsfield

Title: Nigels' Car Convoy

Presenter: Nigel Burch

Intro: This will be a most informative tour recognising the history of the mining industry, which has played such a major role in the areas surrounding Beaconsfield.

Please wear outdoor shoes or boots, suitable for paddocks and bush tracks. BYO lunch.

Areas suggested are Ilfracombe, Middle Arm, Redbill Point and Tattersall's Road (time permitting).

It is important to remember that this activity is entered into at your own risk and subject to weather permitting

Enquiries 0429 965 015 or 6383 1113

Talk

Date: October 5

Time: 10.30am -1pm

Venue: Beaconsfield House

Title: GUIDE DOGS OF TASMANIA

Presenter: Zoe Polacik

Intro:

Zoe will be talking about how Guide Dogs are raised and trained. She will be bringing a dog with her. There will be an optional donation tin available. It costs over \$30,000 to raise and train each dog.

Bring a plate of food to share for a Pot Luck Lunch.

RSVP Tuesday 3rd Oct.

Talk

Date: Thurs.22nd Oct.

Time:10:30 am – 1pm

Venue:Beaconsfield House

Title: Thylacine Talk

Presenter:David Maynard

Intro:

At a time unknown and a place unseen, the last wild Tasmanian Tiger, or Thylacine, died alone in the Tasmanian bush. Come along and listen to David as he talks about his book.

Bring a plate of food to share for a Pot Luck Lunch.

RSVP Monday 19th October.

Course

Date: Commences Oct .21

Time: 3.30 - 5pm

Venue: Tresca

Title: MUSIC APPRECIATION

Presenter: Graham Barr

Intro:

THE GRAND TOUR.

Between the fertile modal plains of the Renaissance and the dissonant, clangorous cities of the Modern Practice Era.

This term we will coast over four older peaks – Monteverdi, Vivaldi, Handel and Haydn. Faced with the final precipitous crag, Mahler, we will turn back and fly around Tchaikovsky and Mendelssohn to arrive at the highest pinnacle, Mt Beethoven.

Glimpses of Bach and Mozart will be seen in the distance. Climbing gear supplied.

Minimum of 6 passengers.

[NO maximum – it is a big plane]

Pilot & Guide is Graham Barr.

MEANING v PURPOSE

Whenever you work, you work for some purpose. If it weren't for that purpose, you'd have better things to do than work.

Work and purpose are so closely connected that your work comes to an end, once your purpose is achieved. Or how are you going to continue fixing your car once it is fixed?...

In play, all the emphasis falls on the meaning of your activity... Play needs no purpose. That is why play can go on and on as long as players find it meaningful. After all, we do not dance in order to get somewhere. We dance around and around.

A piece of music doesn't come to an end when its purpose is accomplished. It has no purpose, strictly speaking. It is the playful unfolding of meaning that is there in each of its movements, in every theme, every passage: a celebration of meaning.

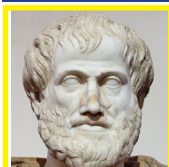
Pachelbel's Canon is one of the magnificent superfluities of life. Every time I listen to it, I realize anew that some of the most superfluous things are the most important for us because they give meaning to our human lives.

Essential Writings.
- David Steindl-Rast -

It is the
supreme art of the
teacher to awaken joy
in creative expression
and knowledge.

-Albert Einstein-

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REGISTRATION

Days & Times:

1. Wednesday, 7th October at Pages Café at Legana Shopping Centre between 11am and 2 pm.
BRING A FRIEND - HAVE A CUPPA

2. Tuesday, 6th October at Tresca between 10am and midday.
BRING A FRIEND - HAVE A LOOK

3. During the office hours at The Online Centre, Grubb Street, Beaconsfield on or before the registration days as above.
BRING A FRIEND - SAY G'DAY

4. Use our website:
<http://tamarvalleyu3a.com.au>
SHOW A FRIEND - SHARE THE IDEA

5. Enrolment after the start of term is at the discretion of the leader/tutor.
BUT IT'S WORTH A TRY!

6. PLEASE ASSUME THAT YOU HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED FOR YOUR NOMINATED COURSES, UNLESS NOTIFIED OTHERWISE.

"But I don't want to go among mad people", said Alice. "Oh, you can't help that" said the cat. "we're all mad here..."

PLAY READING

I loved having the chance to be a part of Frances Mamo's play reading class. She had the knack of finding suitable short plays for us to get our teeth into .

Having done some Theatre classes at Uni over the past 15 years , when I did "Contemporary Arts " , I felt quite challenged to try some of the techniques I had learned.

I hope Frances is able to continue with her classes when she has the opportunity so that I can learn more from her.

Her teaching style is very relaxed and knowledgeable.

—Annie—

(Thank you Annie. There is no opportunity in the near future for my further involvement. But I do hope that someone else can take this on. There is much that could be explored Fran.).

PARLEZ VOUS?

"I have been one of the French students this year and wanted to say how much I enjoyed it.

Sadly we are having a break until fourth term when I hope the class will resume.

It's been great to learn some more and polish some things I learned a very long time ago! Apart from that it's been FUN!

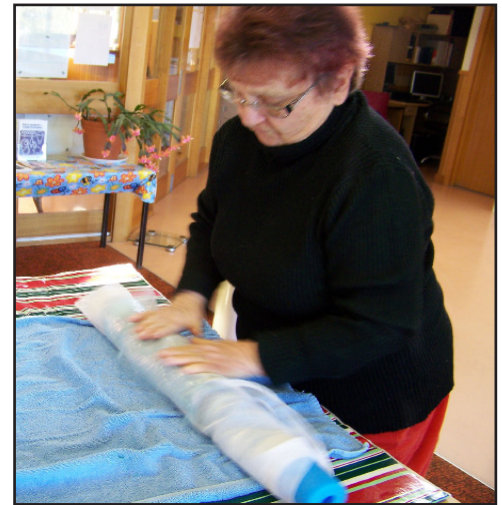
At times we had a good laugh, other times found it hard going but overall, it has been a great experience and one I hope to share in later again. Thanks U3A for making this possible!"

—Sue McMurtrie—

Wed. 9:30 - 11am Comm. Oct 21

FIBRE FUN

Margaret rolls 100 strokes



Margaret Hynds-Ryman demonstrating the art of felting. Just one of the art forms covered in Margaret's class titled "Fibre Fun"

Tues. 1:30 – 3:00pm Comm. Oct. 20

GIVE IT TO US BABY!



FEEDBACK

We always welcome feedback on our classes, as well as ideas for future courses.

If there is anything you believe we should know about then we would like to hear from you.

For example:

- Are you happy with the range of courses being offered?

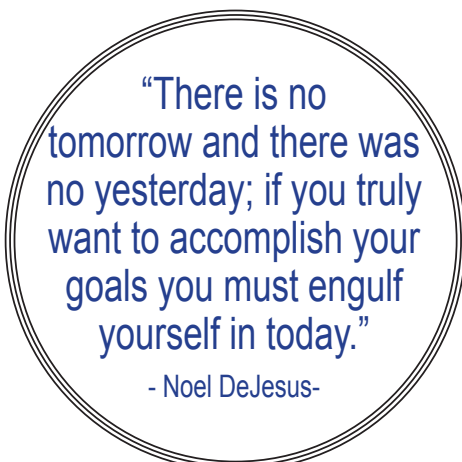
- Are there courses you would like included?

- Can we do things better?

- Any ideas for social events/1- day forums

- What issues would you like covered in the Newsletter?

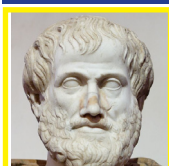
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WE'RE SINGIN IN THE PARK 🎵 SIZZLIN IN THE PARK

To celebrate Seniors Week

We invite all members to join us at Jubilee Park, Beaconsfield

Wednesday, October 14th, 12-2pm

☐ **Sausages, bread and sauce provided**

☐ **BYO drinks and any other requirements such as seating, picnic rugs, etc (there will be some seating supplied)**

We are privileged to be joined and entertained by

“The Tassie Tenor”

Joe Di Sario



Food by West Tamar Rotary

For catering purposes please RSVP by phone 63 831113

or email tamarvalleyu3a@gmail.com

by Monday, October 12th 2015

GEMS OF KNOWLEDGE

The Gem of Knowledge with Maria Boersma as she told of her experiences as an Eye Care volunteer in Afghanistan for three years, was made even more personal as she dressed Ros, Pat and young Sam in traditional dress; fine in our Tasmanian climate in an insulated room, but as we watched Pat piling on metres of beautiful fine yet warm fabric, we wondered what it must have been like for Maria as she dressed this way to go to work in a tin shed in the extreme temperatures of Kabul.

The time passed very quickly as this warm caring lady showed us the people of Kabul through her (healthy) eyes. She showed how it was for her to work in a society where the lifestyle and cultural rules are very different to ours, through memories, handicrafts and a Power Point presentation. It was a delight to get to know the Afghani people just as people; not refugees or terrorists, but ordinary people who face life with strength and determination, and to also get to see the amazing work the medical teams do under such difficult circumstances, a very special experience.

- Maggie -



EDUARD

It is a tad cool on the porch these days. The huge oaks have lost their leaves and the weak wintery sun filters through a web of bare branches to into our luncheon corner.

There, a warm jacket, steaming cup and quiet companion allow a pleasant midday break.

Eduard has graduated to a chair position cushioned with a carpet piece. He listens patiently as I try phrases out loud, approving whatever. He is just like that.

Today's musings involved 'causal effect', somehow an extension of the commands 'know thyself' and 'strive to be happy'. A tad confusing really in my head, going round and round, but actually muttering through some of these things out loud was, 'stating the bleeding obvious' as my Dad would have said.

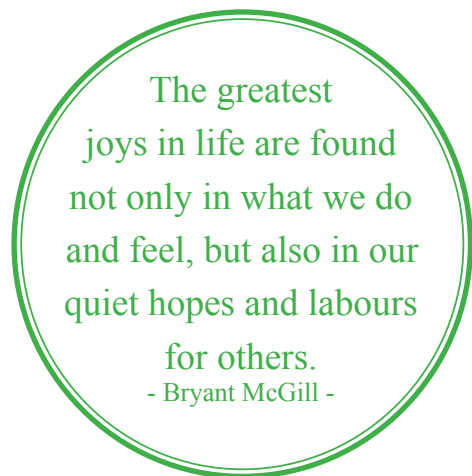
'Just do your best no one can ask for more'.

So there we are, think but don't over think, be kind, be true, be helpful. Work at it!

Eduard de Nono nods his head happily, 'no no, you're ok, keep going'.

-From the porch. 2-

Causal Effect - The Classical Tradition
Thurs.1 - 3pm Comm. Feb.12



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