



# U3A HAWTHORN NEWS

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## END - OF - YEAR PARTY

Wednesday, 5 December, at 2.00 p.m.  
Hawthorn Town Hall

### ENTERTAINMENT

by

**U3A HAWTHORN CHAMBER ORCHESTRA**

and

**U3A HAWTHORN CHOIR**

**followed by drinks and afternoon tea**

Donation of \$3 at the door to help defray costs and contribute towards music copyright and performing rights fees.

Please book at the office to assist with our catering arrangements.

## ATTENDING U3A HAWTHORN CLASSES

- Since the recent review of parking rules in the Swinburne/Hawthorn area by the Boroondara Council, the parking problem seems to have become worse for those of us attending classes by car.
- Near 24 Wakefield Street, there is a battle to find spaces. Please remember that the parking behind our house is reserved for OFFICE STAFF, TUTORS and THOSE ON DUTY ONLY.
- There are two spaces for disabled drivers opposite the office in Frederick Street.
- There is a commercial parking station opposite 24 Wakefield Street, where the charge is \$3.30 all day, which could be economical for two or more members sharing the cost.
- If, as is continually discussed, parking meters are installed in the shopping carparks, the students may be compelled to leave the rest of us some parking space—here's hoping!
- At some other venues, there is sometimes a limited amount of off-street parking space available, which should not be treated as first in, best dressed—e.g., the Uniting Church in Oxley Road, the Henry Street Community house, etc. Spare a thought or two for those attending—tutors, disabled students, or those who are carrying equipment to the class—who need to park close to the venue. If you are fit and hale, and able to walk from street parking, please do so.
- A less stressful option is public transport: for 24 Wakefield St classes, try Glenferrie Station or the No. 69 tram along Glenferrie Road, even with a park-further-away-and-ride arrangement.
- Walking to class warms the feet nicely on cold mornings, and does the body a power of good, thus improving the working of the grey cells.

## DATES FOR 2001/2002

- 3 December** Opening date for **NEW** enrolments in ongoing courses and new 2002 courses (as set out in the accompanying curriculum). Membership fee for 2002 must be included with class enrolment form.
- Last week Nov.** This is the concluding period for 2001 classes.
- 5 December** End-of-year celebration and concert, Hawthorn Town Hall, 2 p.m.
- 14 December** Office closes for 2001, but enrolments/cheques for 2002 membership will be processed.
- 7 January to  
2 February 2002** Summer School:  
see accompanying programme.
- 7 January** Office open part-time, from 9.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.
- 4 February** Office open full-time, from 9.30 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.
- Week from 18 Feb.** Classes commence for 2002.

## MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2002

These are unchanged from 2001

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| 2002 membership of U3A Hawthorn                      | <b>\$30 single</b><br><b>\$50 couple/two at same address</b> |
| 2002 member from another campus studying at Hawthorn | <b>\$10 (to cover administration)</b>                        |

Some travel news for the Intrepid:

### A REMINDER—U3A INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE TAURANGA, NEW ZEALAND, 11–15 MARCH 2002

In our June 2001 Newsletter we gave some details of this interesting conference. There is still time to book to attend this at a very pleasant season in New Zealand, and there are very good extra tours available. Full details, with registration form, can be photocopied in our office.

### ANZAC TOUR TO TURKEY 21 April to 15 May 2002

Henk Overberg, a tutor at Kingston and Moorleigh U3As and Research Fellow in Middle Eastern Studies, Deakin University, will in 2002 lead his annual tour to Turkey, which includes Anzac Day at Gallipoli. The tour, with return economy air travel, fully escorted by Henk and Janet Overberg, is 25 days ex Melbourne, staying in 4- and 5-star hotels, with two meals a day, tips, etc. On a twin-share basis the price is \$5800.

For further information, you can ring Henk Overberg on (03) 9580 5651, or Mordialloc Travel on (03) 9580 8100.

### NAME BADGES

**PLEASE** remember to wear your name badge when attending a U3A function of any kind—it is both good manners and good sense (because of the medical/contact details on the back).

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

We will wind up another good year with our party in the Hawthorn Town Hall on Wednesday 5 December. If you have not yet put your name on the list, please hurry to do so, in order that we may cater accurately. The choir and orchestra are rehearsing, and refreshments are being organised, assuring us of a great celebration.

We have had a number of serious illnesses amongst our tutors this year, and our thoughts and good wishes have been with them. Mostly the students have marshalled their resources and carried on during the tutor's absence, which has been good to see. There is a great deal of caring for each other among the members of our U3A, especially in the classes that meet regularly throughout the year. This is one of the reasons we offer a preferential early enrolment for the next year to those already in a class. It is important that the friendships made should continue, especially as we grow older.

Where there is a demand for a particular class, every effort is made to start a second course. Please remember that if you do not attend for two or more classes without an apology to the tutor or the office, you may be deleted from the class and your place given to a waiting member. Not many members are disappointed in joining a class, and I am sure all will agree that we have a splendid list of courses on offer each year from which to choose. As well, there are the Saturday Series of lectures, the Summer School and the concerts presented by our orchestra and our choir throughout the year.

The 2002 curriculum and the list of Summer School courses accompany this Newsletter. Again we thank Joan Donlon and Derek Readman and their assistants for all their planning and achievements. Our thanks go too to those tutors who are retiring this year, to those who are continuing in 2002, and to the new tutors who are joining us.

During the year the Boroondara Volunteer Resource Centre and also the Premier's Department have asked us for a list of our volunteers, in order that they might be recognised officially in this, the Year of the Volunteer. We have declined, as we would not know where to start in listing all those who work to keep our organisation afloat. In any case, we consider ourselves to be PROPRIETORS—we own Hawthorn U3A and we ALL (we hope) pitch in to make it work.

As announced previously, we have arranged a Post Office Box—No. 2210—as on some days our mail was ending up scattered on the verandah. Members are requested to use the box number when communicating by post. The office is open every weekday for those who wish to call in to pay subscriptions and enrol in courses for 2002. The membership subscription remains the same as last year—\$30 for one or \$50 for two at the same address. See page 2 for office hours during the holidays.

Thank you to everyone for another great year past and happy learning and friendships in 2002.

*Jean Giese*  
President

### U3A CHAMBER ORCHESTRA CONCERT

On Thursday morning, 1 November, our Chamber Orchestra, directed by Christopher Martin, gave us a very enjoyable concert at St Mark's Anglican Church in Burke Road, Camberwell. Bassoonist Max Neil was the soloist in the Vivaldi Concerto in E minor, and cellist Annette Martin, from our own orchestra, was the soloist in Bruch's Kol Nidrie. The large audience was rightly most enthusiastic and appreciative.

## News from the U3A NETWORK

The U3A Network people are currently reviewing their operations to see how they can assist the various U3As in Victoria. The Network are asking U3As to tell them about their current problems (the main one, we fancy, being the universal one of accommodation for classes).

## News from U3A HAWTHORN

We are at present looking at some new venues in Kew for some of our classes. We hope that these will be more convenient for members living in the north-eastern part of our area.

## OUR 2002 SUMMER SCHOOL

You will see separately with this *Newsletter* the details of our Summer School, which has again been put together by Derek Readman. The series of lectures runs for four weeks during our recess from regular classes, and there is such a wide range of subjects that all our diverse tastes will surely be catered for.

The enrolment procedures are set out in the attached leaflet, and it would be appreciated if our members could please follow the guidelines.

However, the warning is—BE QUICK in enrolling, because many of the classes fill very fast. Please also keep your own record of the sessions you have booked.

## PHD STUDY ON CARING FOR THE ELDERLY—another chapter

In our March 2001 Newsletter we published details of a projected study by Gery Karantzas, asking for volunteers from our group. Several members of the U3A Committee of Management wrote to the Editor of this Newsletter, as they felt that the study in question placed too much emphasis on dependance in older parents and not enough on their independence.

Mr Karantzas has replied in too great detail to be reproduced here; however, he agrees on the issue of independence and says that 'my study is out to challenge the myths and stereotypes associated with aging'. He also extends his grateful thanks to those of our members who participated in his study.

## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK...

Two older gentlemen were chatting in their club:

*George* By the way, your fiftieth wedding anniversary is coming up soon. What are you going to give your wife?

*William* I thought perhaps I might take her to Paris.

*George* She'll be thrilled! But that's a hard act to follow—what on earth could you do for your sixtieth anniversary?

*William* I thought I might go and bring her back.

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