



From The President

We have come to the end of another successful year where we celebrated our 9th birthday and maintained our membership to a little over 100. Again, the quality of our speakers and variety of topics in 2018 has been exceptional, thanks to the organisational skills and dedication of our Program Co-ordinator, Peter Wallace. Peter carried on this role almost on his own for five years and has indicated that he is leaving the committee at the end of 2018. Consequently, we have formed a subcommittee of five headed by Geraldine Smith and Pam Fidler to take on this role. An excellent array of speakers has been acquired for Semester 1 in 2019, so we can be assured of a seamless transition to the Program Co-ordinators role.

I particularly wish to welcome our new members and especially invite them to join in and participate in our diverse range of activities.

Special thanks to everyone who has contributed to the successful running of our U3A, too many of you to name individually, but thanks to all of you.

I have had very good feedback from our presenters, many who return to make multiple presentations. Their comments include:

- There is a nice feeling when talking to our group
- They feel comfortable and appreciated by our members
- We have a good attendance
- A good gender balance of female/male ratio
- It's a good venue

At the end of March 2019, we have our Annual General Meeting and, as with other years, Committee Members come and go. It is therefore imperative that we have volunteers to join the Committee. The amount of commitment is not too onerous, just an hour or two a month. Please give it some consideration.

I would like to thank Matt Cowdrey, OAM MP and his staff for their support and the printing of all our notices and Newsletters.

I extend a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all and look forward to seeing you at our Christmas lunch.

Col Levy

2019 1st Semester Program

Included in this Newsletter is our Program for Terms 1 and 2. The new Program Co-ordinator Subcommittee, headed by Geraldine Smith and Pam Fidler, has put together a varied program of interesting speakers and topics. If anyone has come across or hears of an interesting speaker, or would like to give a presentation please speak to Geraldine or Pam.

Interest Groups

In addition to the weekly event, U3A Charles Sturt has six interest groups, which meet on a regular basis. They are: **Poetry, Music, History, Current Affairs, Book Club** and **Botanic Gardens**. These meet monthly and the timetable and venue for each are set out on page 5 of this Newsletter. If you have an interest that you would like to pursue with several other members, the Committee can assist you in arranging this and in booking a meeting room.

Music Group (Jane Frankham)

Music is the language of the world. Several musicians and music lovers, producing an eclectic range of music during the year, have visited and inspired our members - Nicholas, conductor of leading Adelaide orchestras; Annika from the ASO; Lesley playing Bach on her Harpsichord; Junia producing choral music from around the world; and Wendy playing music from films.

Importantly, I wish to thank our own members Neil and Annette for sharing their music choices with us. To Colin, Ted, Ron and Peter, my thanks for assisting with the technology of getting the music to our audiences.

Who would like to share their music choices with us in 2019? If you do, please contact me on 8353 1658.

History Group (Nancy Vasileff)

I am once again pleased to report that our very enthusiastic group have had yet another successful year of interesting research. We completed this year by looking at various saints and their individual contributions that lead to their beatification. Stories about Saints Anthony, Bernadette, Christopher, Hildegard, and Nicholas to name just a few.

We will commence the New Year looking into "Myths", so do consider coming along to either participate or just listen in on what we uncover.

All members are welcome, and may I wish each and everyone a very merry festive season!

Current Affairs (Ted Manka)

Members select a wide variety of topics of interest at the local, State, National and International levels and raise them at the meetings. These topics are discussed and participants express their views, which are treated with respect. Members have indicated they find these discussions to be intellectually stimulating and thought provoking. All members are welcome to attend and participate - or just listen if they wish.

Book Club (Annette Day)

Our group is grateful that the Charles Sturt Library continues to supply us with a varied selection of book genres and authors.

"The Dry" by Jane Holden. The sufferings of a mythical Australian country town in drought and the horrors of a suspected murder /suicide made a gripping read.

"Jimmy Barnes: Working Class Boy". Mixed feelings from the group about his shocking childhood neglect and bad behaviour. However, despite everything, he became a famous singer.

"Breaking Beauty", edited by Lynette Washington, is a collection of 28 short stories written by authors who studied creative writing at Adelaide University. Some written to shock others we couldn't understand.

"Belgravia" by Julian Fellowes. The story begins in 1845 on the eve of the Battle of Waterloo and takes us to some of the consequences 25 years later.

"Gotta Love this Country" by Peter Fitzsimons. This book is a collection of Peter's favourite sports articles written for the Sydney Morning Herald.

Poetry (Terry Paterson)

The poetry reading group had its inaugural meeting on the 1st March 2018. Ten members have attended at various times and on average we have had about 6 people in attendance.

At our meetings, members have the opportunity to read to the group their favourite or newly discovered poems. In turn, they have the opportunity to listen to poems other members have brought along to read.

Some members possess their own library of poetry books, whilst others enjoy the adventure of seeking out anthologies in op-shops, etc. Others search the internet. At each meeting members can also access a small collection of books that the convenor brings along.

So if you think that this group would interest you, meetings are held at 1.30pm on the first Thursday of each month in the Learning Room at the Henley Library.

We look forward to seeing you there in 2019.

Botanic Gardens (June Littleford)

We have enjoyed walks through the Adelaide Botanic Gardens on the second Monday of the month throughout the year.

A small group have turned up each time and we have explored all corners of our wonderful garden.

As the seasons change there are new things to see.

The tram now travels along North Terrace to the 'Botanic' stop so public transport has marginally improved. The East Wing of the hospital is no more.

Thank you to my participants, I really enjoyed our laid-back walk and talks.

U3A Outings

Outings are an important part of the U3A Charles Sturt education program. All members are encouraged to suggest possible outing destinations to me.

I would like to thank everyone who took the time to complete the survey I circulated earlier in the year. It gave excellent feedback on your expectations, suggestions, and programming requirements.

The first semester outing for 2019 will be at 11 am on Wednesday 20th March to the Old Adelaide Treasury Building and Tunnels, Victoria Square, in the city (see program attached). At this stage, I hope that the second semester outing will be a day trip by coach – details to be supplied next year.

A report on our recent visit to the David Roche Foundation and Gallery is presented below.

Ros Emms

Outing: David Roche Foundation

On a very pleasant spring afternoon in early November twenty of our members set off for a visit to Fermoy House in Melbourne Street, North Adelaide, the home of the David Roche Foundation.

David was an International Dog Judge, Exhibitor, and breeder of Afghan Hounds and Kerry Blue Terriers. Fermoy was his kennel name - after his French-Irish grandparents.

David visited many countries judging dog shows, and during his trips he never failed to add to his unique collection of European antiques.

Our group was welcomed in the 'Roman Room' by Martyn Cook – the David Roche Foundation Director, who gave us a brief overview of David's life.

We then split into two groups, each with very knowledgeable volunteer guides who showed us the wonders of this unbelievable collection. Both our groups were really well looked after, with the guides even carrying folding chairs for visitors to use, if necessary, during the tour.

It would be very hard to describe all the wonderful things we saw (see our website for some photographs). Every area we visited was full of David's prized possessions. Each separate room reflected how David lived among these priceless treasures.

After the tour of the house we were taken to the Gallery where there is currently an exhibition of Edo Style – Art of Japan. The exhibitions in the Museum do change from time to time.

It was impossible to see all the items in this collection in one visit, but it has certainly whetted my appetite to pay a return visit.

A big thank you to Ros Emms for making this visit possible.

Gillian Smith

U3A members at the David Roche Foundation



See U3A Charles Sturt website for other pictures.

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Enrolment Day: Tuesday, 29th January 2019

Time: 1.00 – 3.00pm

**Venue: Fulham Uniting Church Hall
16 Madeline Cres. Fulham**

Enrolment Form attached

Dates for your Diary

Term Times 2019

Term 1	5 th February	-	9 th April
Term 2	30 th April	-	2 nd July
Term 3	23 rd July	-	24 th September
Term 4	15 th October	-	10 th December

Events

Birthday Lunch	Monday 5 th August
Christmas Lunch/ End of Year	Tuesday, 10 th December



U3A CHARLES STURT

You are cordially invited to

Xmas Lunch

On Tuesday, 11th December 2018.

1.00 - 3.00 pm

at the

**Fulham Uniting Church Hall
Madeline Crescent, Fulham**

Please bring a plate to share

U3A Charles Sturt Committee Office Bearers 2018/19

President	Col Levy
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Secretary	Pauline Lane
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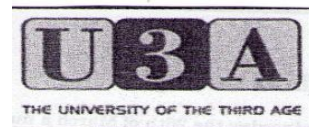
The Committee meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month immediately following the U3A meeting.

*"Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at
twenty or eighty.
Anyone who keeps learning stays young."*

Henry Ford

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TERM 1 - 2019

TERM 2 - 2019

5 Feb.	Swimming for Australia <i>Matt Cowdrey OAM MP</i>	30 April	Phalaenopsis Orchids <i>Brian Lyttle</i>
12 Feb.	Geology <i>Asst. Prof. Victor Gostin</i>	7 May	Life Below Stairs <i>Sandy Whitelaw</i>
19 Feb.	The Pretenders: Bonnie Prince Charlie <i>Sue Garforth</i>	14 May	The Pretenders : The Tichbourne Claimant <i>Sue Garforth</i>
26 Feb.	Life in Law <i>Barry Jennings</i>	21 May	Broken Hill – The Silver City <i>Geraldine Smith</i>
5 March	Technology for Aged and Disabled <i>Ian Beaton</i>	28 May	SANTOS - Reg Sprigg <i>Kristen Weidenbach</i>
12 March	Justice Issues <i>Dr Robert Moles</i>	4 June	Early Theatre in Adelaide <i>Sandy Whitelaw</i>
19 March	How did the Afghan Cameleers Shape our State <i>Pamela Rajkowski</i>	11 June	Postcards <i>Ron Kandelaars</i>
20 March	OUTING : Old Treasury Building and Tunnels. Victoria Square, Adelaide <i>11.00am start</i>	18 June	Dementia Prevention <i>Jenny Adams</i>
26 March	Ancient Egypt <i>Michael O'Donoghue</i>	25 June	The Koala Farm <i>Trevor Klein</i>
2 April	Russian Icons <i>Sr. Cynthia Griffen</i>	2 July	Mahomet Allum and the Afghan Herbalists of Australia <i>Pamela Rajkowski</i>
9 April	The Pretenders : Anastasia – daughter of the Russian Tsar <i>Sue Garforth</i>		Term 2 Outing – to be advised

Timetable for Special Interest Groups

POETRY	MUSIC	HISTORY	CURRENT AFFAIRS	BOOK CLUB	BOTANIC GARDENS
1.30 – 3.00pm Thursday	3.15 – 4.15pm Tuesday	1.30 – 3.00pm Thursday	1.30 – 3.00pm Thursday	1.30 – 3.00pm Thursday	11.00am-noon Monday
Convener : Terry Paterson	Convener : Jane Frankham	Convener : Nancy Vasileff	Convener : Ted Manka	Convener : Annette Day	Guide : June Littleford (0403 107 215)
Venue : Henley Library Learning Room 379 Seaview Rd. Henley Beach	Venue : Fulham Uniting Church Hall, Madeline Crs. Fulham	Venue : Henley Library Learning Room 379 Seaview Rd. Henley Beach	Venue : Henley Library Learning Room 379 Seaview Rd. Henley Beach	Venue : Henley Library Learning Room 379 Seaview Rd. Henley Beach	Venue : Meet at the North Terrace Gate If forecast is 36° or over, walk is cancelled A donation of \$2 is appreciated by the Gardens.
1st Thursday in month	1st Tuesday in month	2nd Thursday in month	3rd Thursday in month	4th Thursday in month	2nd Monday in month
7 th February	5 th February	14 th February	21 st February	28 th February	11 th February
7 th March	5 th March	14 th March	21 st March	28 th March	-
4 th April	-	-	-	18 th April	-
2 nd May	7 th May	9 th May	16 th May	23 rd May	13 th May
6 th June	4 th June	13 th June	20 th June	27 th June	-
-	-	-	-	25 th July	-
1 st August	6 th August	8 th August	15 th August	22 nd August	12 th August
5 th September	3 rd September	12 th September	19 th September	26 th September	-
-	-	-	17 th October	24 th October	14 th October
7 th November	12 th November	14 th November	21 st November	28 th November	11 th November
5 th December	3 rd December	-	-	-	9 th December

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Enrolment Form – 2019

To be completed by all current and new members

Enrolment Day : Tuesday, 29th January 2019 1.00 – 3.00 pm

Venue : Uniting Church Hall, 16 Madeline Crescent, Fulham.

Please be sure to complete all questions in clear print.

(Use one form for couples)			
Surname	First Name	Year of Birth	Country of Birth
Address :			
Email Address :			
Phone No :		Mobile No :	
Emergency Contact Name :		Phone Number :	
Annual Fee : \$40.00 single / \$60.00 couple			
Are you a member of any other U3A group ?			
Please complete : How did you hear about U3A Charles Sturt ?			
Friend Local Paper Library Website Other			
I have read the Code of Conduct.... Yes / no			

Returning members :

Have any of your contact details changed since 2018 including emergency numbers..... yes / no

Need a name tagyes / no

I can present a topic on
I can recommend a presenter
I could lead a small group with a topic of interest
Suggestions/Comments

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