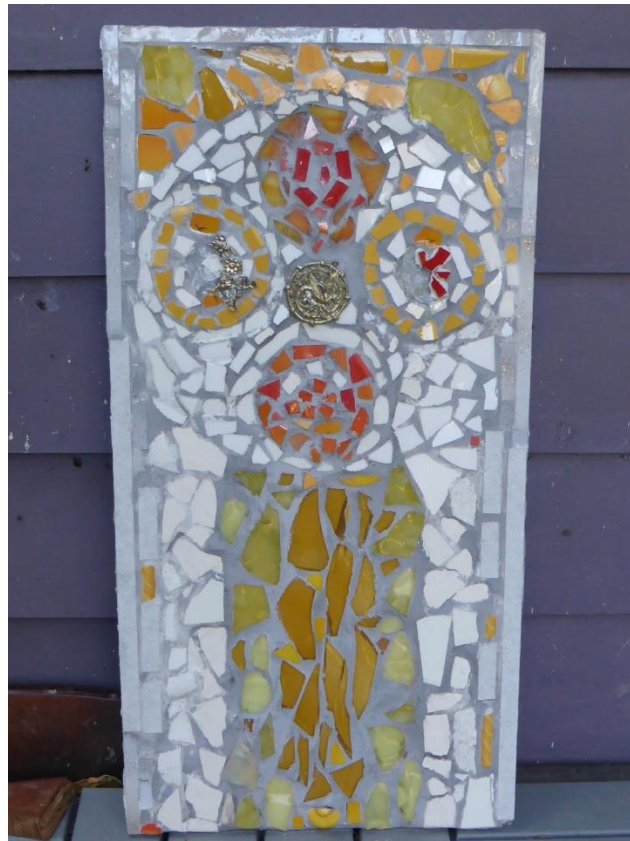


FROM LITTLE THINGS



Mosaic made in our U3A's Mosaic group

BIG THINGS GROW...

U3A Mount Dandenong and District

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Your U3A Mount Dandenong and District Committee in 2018:

President: Patrick Wallis
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Ian Blencowe
Marg Brumley
Anna Herbst (Newsletter Editor)
Virginia Schneiders



JUNE 2018 IS A FREE TRIAL MONTH

We are only a small branch of the U3A up here in Kalorama/Mt Dandenong, but we are still able to offer a great selection of courses. In order to grow our membership, the month of June 2018 has been designated a free trial month when we will welcome all who would like to spend some extra time keeping their heads and hands, bodies and minds active in the company of likeminded people to try us out for free. So, please, bring your friends and neighbours along to an activity in June. There is no defined age for when you can join the U3A – if you are happy with us, we are happy with you.



WHAT IS HAPPENING IN TERM 2?



We hope you have had a lovely Easter break and that you did not over indulge on chocolate (if that is indeed possible...).

The second term will start on 16 April and will run until the end of June and it promises to be a very exciting term with all sorts of things going on parallel to the ordinary classes.

CHESTNUT FESTIVAL

The first Sunday in May – the 6th of May - is the day of the annual Chestnut Festival at the Kalorama Oval, and as usual our U3A will have a presence there. Please put your name down on the lists at Farndon's Hall to help set up and take down the stall and to man the stall throughout the day. We are also hoping that you will be as generous as ever donating to the popular chocky toss. More information will be available at Farndon's Hall.

FREE TRIAL MONTH

June will be a very special month as we will open our doors to non-members who are keen to try out our classes before signing up to become members. Most of the existing classes will be available to try out for free, and hopefully there will be a few new activities starting in June as well including *Managing Photos and Making Albums on the Computer* and *Tai Chi*. For more information, please contact Lyn Osborne, Janice Reynolds or Helen Beck or look for posters and flyers in the community and at Farndon's Hall.

BRIDGE AND MAH JONG

There has been some interest in starting a games night playing Bridge and Mah Jong, but a few more members are needed for it to go ahead. The likely day would be Wednesday late afternoon/early evening starting in mid-May. Contact Jean Blencowe if you would like to join in the fun.



French Polishing

CLASSES IN 2018

As usual we will follow the school terms:

Mon 5 Feb - Thu 29 Mar	Mon 16 Apr – Sat 30 Jun	Mon 16 Jul - Sat 22 Sep	Mon 8 Oct - Sat 22 Dec
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NEW ENROLMENTS FOR 2018 will be accepted by the class leader. The enrolment fee for the year is \$35.00. Pay cash, check or on-line - account details on the enrolment form at the back of the Newsletter. New participants are welcome in all classes, but it is always a good idea to contact the class leader first.

Here is a list of our classes that run **weekly** for the whole term.

Spanish	Monday 10.00 am	Farndons Hall	Contact Ian Blencowe 9728 4431
Early French	Tuesday 9:30 - 10:30 am	Farndons Hall	Contact Margaret Smith 9761 3804
Ongoing French	Tuesday 11:00 am - noon	Farndons Hall	Contact Margaret Smith 9761 3804
Creative card making	Tuesday 1:00 - 3:00pm To be followed by stamping and colouring in - see next page	Farndons Hall	Contact Lyn Osborne 8201 0544
Band	Tuesday 7:00 - 8:30 pm	Farndons Hall	Contact Patrick Wallis 8761 6723
Mosaic	Wednesday 2.00 - 4.00 pm	Jenny's studio at 3 Summerlea Mt Dandenong	Contact Jenny Beaumont 9751 2047
Games night Bridge and Mah Jong	Wednesday 5.00 pm (???) Starting mid-May	Farndons Hall	Contact Jean Blencowe on 9728 4431 to express an interest and confirm time.
Craft	Thursday 10:00 am - noon	Farndons Hall	Contact Wendy Britt 9728 1437
Table tennis	Friday 4:00 - 6:00 pm	Farndons Hall	Contact Patrick Wallis 8761 6723
Drama	Will continue in Term 4	Farndons Hall	Contact Jenny Beaumont 0419 004584
French Polishing	Saturday, (Except 1 st Saturday of the month) 10:00 - 12.00 noon	Farndons Hall	Contact Margaret Rockow 9723 4097

And here is a list of classes that run less frequently:

Stamping & Colouring in	Tuesday 3.00 - 4.00 pm	Farndons Hall	Monthly follow on from Card Making • Contact Lyn Osborne 8201 0544
Walking Group Easy level about 2 hrs	Thursday 9.30 a.m TBC	Venue will vary and be announced closer to the date	2nd Thursday of the month • Contact Jean Blencowe 9728 4431 to express an interest
Daytime Book Group	Currently on hold		
Night-time Book Group	Thursday 7:30pm	Various	3 rd Thursday of month • Contact Helen Edwards 9752 5452
Poetry Appreciation	Thursday 7.30 - 9.00 pm	Farndons Hall	2 nd and 4 th Thursday of the month • Contact Anna Herbst 9728 6627
Be Connected	A broadband modem and three Windows 10 computers are available for all seniors to use at Farndons Hall whenever there is a class on (see U3A class times above). If you need help with specific software and/or computer issues, please contact David Beaumont on 9751 2047		
e-Bay and Digital Devices workshops	Workshops looking at trading on e-Bay and how to use your tablets, iPads and smart phones will be organised at varying dates to be advertised at Farndon's Hall. News Notes with dates and times will be sent out to members.		
Bush Dance	Currently on hold		
Theatre Group	Interested U3A members attend some local live theatre. Usually the live theatre is a performance at the 1812 theatre in Upper Ferntree Gully and, less frequently, at The Basin theatre. Dates vary according to the performance schedule of these theatres. If you would like to be part of the group • Contact Patrick Wallis on 8761 6723		

Can't find the activity you're looking for?

Would you like to start a new class?

Please talk to your class leader or a committee member and together we can make it happen!

**New members are welcome to all of our classes.
It's a great way to meet like-minded people and learn
some new skills. Simply contact the class leader or ring
Jean Blencowe on 9728 4431**

New Classes?

If you have a talent or an interest to share or if there is something new you want to learn, don't hesitate to talk to a committee member or contact Patrick Wallis on 8761 6723 and we'll advertise it in the next newsletter.

Combined Yarra Ranges U3As

A booklet outlining the courses available in the Combined Yarra Ranges Regional Group of U3A: Yarra Ranges, Upper Yarra, Healesville, Sherbrooke, Walmsley and Mt Dandenong and District is now available in Farndons Hall.

By paying the Combined membership fee of \$10 to U3A Mt Dandenong in addition to your annual membership of \$35, your membership card will be stamped and you can apply to the other U3As in the region for vacancies (if any) in their classes.

Speak to Patrick Wallis on 8761 6723 if you need further information.

Please remember that our class leaders are all volunteers. Participants are encouraged to help with photocopying, setting up the room, making tea and coffee, cleaning up and contacting other class members when necessary, for example about change of venue, class time etc.



MEMBERSHIP LANYARDS

After you have enrolled you will be provided with a membership lanyard. Please try to bring it to all subsequent classes. It has a form where you nominate who will be your contact person in case of emergencies.

FIRST AID

There is a First Aid bag in the kitchen on top of the red cupboard. It has band-aids etc. for minor problems. On the door of the red cupboard are the emergency phone numbers in case you need them. Behind the kitchen door there is a St John's first aid kit and book for other emergencies. The defibrillator is kept in the annex near the kitchen door on a hook above the recycling bin.

U3A Mt Dandenong and District

Annual Membership Form

Membership Details

Surname _____ **Name** _____

Preferred Name for Membership Card _____

Phone _____ **Mobile No** _____

e-mail address _____

Postal Address _____

AGE: (Needed for U3A statistical information)

Less than 45 45 – 50 51 – 55 56 – 60 61 – 65 66 – 70 71 – 75 76 – 80 81+

I WOULD LIKE TO JOIN / RENEW MY MEMBERSHIP OF U3A MT DANDENONG AND DISTRICT

Signed **AND ENCLOSE MEMBERSHIP FEE (From information below)**

An INVITATION TO BECOME A U3A ACTIVITY LEADER Please list any expertise in any field that you would like to share with others	VOLUNTEERING FOR OUR U3A – I am prepared to help with

PLEASE ATTACH YOUR MEMBERSHIP FEE TO THIS FORM

Cost of Membership of U3A Mt Dandenong and District is:

- Full membership** \$35 per annum
Associate membership \$15 per annum (for members of other U3A groups who wish to participate in **U3A Mt Dandenong and District** activities.)
Combined U3A YRC \$10 per annum (which is kept by our U3A)

FULL FEES ARE PAYABLE BY 1 NOVEMBER FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR

PAYMENT may be made by **Cash, Cheques** made payable to **U3A Mt Dandenong and District** or **Direct Deposit** to our account at **Bendigo Bank, Mt. Dandenong: BSB 633-000 Account Number 135678266** (Indicate **U3A + your surname** so that we know who has paid).

Completed Forms with Fees or confirmation of Bank Deposit should be returned to
The Secretary, U3A Mt Dandenong and District Inc., P.O Box 73, Kalorama, Vic. 3766

OFFICE USE ONLY	Date	Receipt No.
Paid by: Cash Cheque Direct		
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