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### President's Report

As the end of third term approaches, we have commenced our preparation for 2019. Our Course Coordinator has asked tutors to advise their proposals for next year's classes and is now working to determine which rooms are most suited to classes and what time slots are available. Class size alone does not determine the room allocation. Items such as the tutors' preferences for specific items of AV equipment are also important to the success of each class. Also our growth in membership and desire to add more courses make this task more challenging. We have been approached by tutors who have classes scheduled to meet every second week to convert them to weekly classes.

We understand the need for the change but in order to accommodate the request we simply have to find additional class rooms, which will necessitate some classes not meeting at the Jordanville Hub. We regularly consider alternatives such as this and are doing so for next year. Items that have to be considered are, can we provide tea and coffee at the alternate venue and does the facility have the equipment to support the tutor's requirements? All of this makes the Course Coordinator's task more challenging and time consuming. All requests are considered and every effort is made to accommodate them within the interests of our membership.

For your information, enrolments for 2019 classes will be on the first Tuesday and Wednesday in December. This is a departure from recent years, but after the problems we experienced last year we have elected to use the Monday to test our system more thoroughly before enrolment.

Next year we will celebrate our 35<sup>th</sup> year in the u3a movement, together with the three other foundation members. At this time we have not decided if we will have a specific event to celebrate the occasion.

Finally, for those of you whose football team has made the finals, enjoy the moment.

**David**

### The continuing request for a one-way system in Batesford Road car park.

We have been asked to tell our members not to report any car park incidents to the Reception desk on the ground floor as they cannot be forwarded to Monash Council.

However, the increase in vehicle and pedestrian use in this car park has recently led to a number of near misses and at least one case of serious car damage.

David Kemp again intends to follow up with Monash Council the need for one-way traffic signs, and keeping a log of reports of unsafe incidents will add more weight to his request. So if you witness any traffic incidents that appear unsafe, please tell one of our office volunteers. We will note them down in the log which is kept in our office.

Thank you.

When you are dissatisfied and would like to go back to youth, think of algebra.

Life is like a roll of toilet paper. The closer it gets to the end, the faster it goes.

You know you're getting old when the candles cost more than the cake.



## NOTE FROM THE SECRETARY

From time to time, U3A receives requests from researchers seeking participants for research projects specifically targeted at older Australians. We also receive information from Link Health and Community Services – who operate from the Ground Floor of our building – which may be of interest to members.

We have now organised for copies of these requests/information to be placed in a brochure holder in the kitchen, on the window sill. Please take a look and ask the office volunteer to photocopy anything you are specifically interested in.

As David has already mentioned in previous Newsletters, after four years in the role of Secretary, I will be resigning at next year's Annual General Meeting.

If you have an interest in how your U3A is run, have reasonable computer skills and some experience with writing – perhaps gained through preparing school or other work-related reports – and organisational ability, then please think about taking on the role of Secretary.

I have met some wonderful like-minded people and enjoyed my time, but it is time to pass the baton onto someone new.

Please don't wait for "somebody else" to volunteer, because "somebody else" is probably waiting too!

**Brenda Hateley**

A couple of elderly men were grumbling about the drawbacks of modern technology. "I just can't ever seem to remember my passwords," complained one of them.

The other one smiled. "Oh really? I can never forget mine"

"How do you manage that?" asked the first guy.

"Well, I set all my passwords to 'Incorrect' so that whenever I'm told that my password is incorrect, I'll remember it!"

## OPERATIONAL DATES 2018

Term		Ends	Public Holidays
3	16 July	21 Sept	
4	8 October	30 Nov	Mon 5 & Tues 6 Nov. Mel Cup Eve & Cup Day

## David Hutchinson - Practical Photography



Originally I became interested in Photography when doing an apprenticeship in the Printing Trade. Working with film and developers all day as I was it just seemed natural.

Later I taught Printing at TAFE then upgraded my teaching qualifications and transitioned to Secondary. Here I taught VCE Studio Arts Photography video and IT. At the latter stages of my career I transitioned over to the IT industry and became a consultant to an Australian Software Company.

Last year I taught Photography on mobile phones but there seemed more demand for conventional cameras. perhaps we could run a survey and get expressions of interest?

## Are You Missing Something In Your Life?

Our lost property basket in the office is filling up again and we would love to say goodbye to the 14+ items in it. Any that are not claimed by the end of the year will be going to an Op Shop near you.

Do you recognize any of these?

- \* Grey hoodie with white fluffy lining.
- \* Black knit cardigan, brand name Sanci.
- \* Women's pink fitted shirt with pink check trim (impeccably ironed).
- \* Scarf/shawl - black & white with a trace of red.
- \* Green Ryman Health drink bottle.
- \* Two umbrellas.
- \* 'Vogue' spectacles in a black OPSM case.
- \* Black beanie.
- \* One brown leather glove (hope you haven't already thrown its partner away).
- \* Pair of black 'thinsulate' gloves.
- \* Green plastic clipboard.
- \* Two keep cups.
- \* and a partridge in a pear tr....a variety of other small items, including a tennis ball!

