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### **A word from the President.**

**Welcome to 2020 . On behalf of the Hume U3A Committee I wish you all the very best for your new educational year.  
We hope that you are able to achieve many positive outcomes from whatever U3A activities you decide to undertake.**

**I hope your goals include improved health and happiness.  
Also I trust you will enjoy catching up with your old friends and that you are able to make many new friends and have lots of FUN this year.**

**Regards**

*Geoff Mackay,*  
**President Hume U3A**



### **iPad Class**

This class is now confirmed to run in April.

**Note** that the dates of the class have changed from what was originally proposed.

#### **Eight (8) week course.....**

- **Start date: Friday 17 April 2020**
- **End date: Friday 5 June 2020.**

The dates were changed to avoid clashes with the school holidays and Easter. If you haven't already done so, please enrol in this class soon

### **Membership**

Marilyn was pleased to report that membership numbers remain steady at 247, with 24 new members joining for the 2020 year. Our members enjoy activities across 33 different courses. At least 3 of the courses have wait lists which says something about their popularity. Sadly not so good for the members waiting, however some have taken up other related activities while they wait.

*Reminder that you do need to:* re enrol every year  
enrol in additional classes that interest you

Enrol on line via Hume  
U3A Website or call into  
the office

End of year  
celebrations 2019

Our **quilters** enjoyed a morning tea to celebrate their end of year.



**Huff 'n' Puff Christmas breakup**



Huff 'n' Puff members enjoyed a well deserved celebratory lunch after another tough Workout, this time to Christmas music. The group was so lucky to be visited by the special man himself. None other Santa Claus who was a wee bit naughty and nice. Lunch was also an opportunity to thank Ira and John and Robyn and Barry for all their dedication throughout the year.

## Volunteer Lunch 2019



Our Hume U3A programs would not exist if it weren't for the members who volunteer their time, interest and expertise to deliver the range of programs on offer. Members also volunteer on our Committee, in support roles to tutors, working with Sandra in the office and "hands on" at the

Bunnings BBQ's .

The Volunteer lunch acknowledges the work done by all throughout the year.

This year didn't disappoint with plenty of chat and laughter served up with a yummy Christmas lunch, pudding and pavlova.

Bring on 2020 and all it has to offer.

Bernice Brownsey was  
Hume U3A's first  
President



*Spot the Ring in?*

## Hume U3A Life Members

**Life members** are recognised for service to U3A Hume over longer than a decade, and with commitment, dedication and contributions beyond that expected. We couldn't miss the opportunity to get the Life Members, attending lunch, together for a group photo.

**Front row L to R:** Maureen Stacey, Aina Crawford, Vera Crossley, Pat Townsend, Choi Foong

**Back row L to R:** Nola Alexander, Bernice Brownsey, Margaret Allen, Gloria Chandler, Norma Dugard, Win Bell, Gordon Townsend, Peter Lazarus, Sheila Clapson.



## 2020 Summer Program

### Wednesday 8 January – Movies

U3A Hume Members went to Westfield Airport West for lunch. After that they watched the movies at Village Cinemas.

### Tuesday 14 January – Essendon Airport Airways Museum

The day was warm and hazy from the long burning bushfires. Nine members arrived for a tour of the museum and were invited to morning tea and biscuits. The walls were covered with memorabilia and photos of the early Essendon airport.

We were introduced to the early days of the Department of Civil Aviation (DCA) with an introduction by Roger Meyer, President of the Civil Aviation Historical Society. Then a most interesting film was run. The film was set in the early 1950s and showed the importance of civil aviation in Australia, linking many small communities with the large cities and delivering goods, food and the mail.

There was film of aircraft taking off from Sydney airport, looking very barren and isolated. Barefoot boys on horses were filmed dismounting at a country airport. The film then went on to describe the purpose of DCA in managing aircraft movements across Australia.

The members of the museum have done an excellent job of collecting historical equipment from around Australia before the equipment could be tossed into the rubbish tip. There is a diorama which recreates the Aeradio (air-radio) room at one of the 17 standardised Aeradio Stations constructed for DCA by AWA Ltd from 1938 to service the eastern trunk routes of Australia. The next diorama is of a corrugated iron Aeradio room at Daly Waters from around 1940.

There are eight separate display areas tracing various aspects of air traffic control over the years. Our visit covered five of these displays. The museum is a comprehensive record of civil aviation in Australia. The equipment displays have been meticulously restored.

All U3A members should visit the museum. There will certainly be some items that you remember from earlier years. The exhibits show how air traffic control has been modernised over the years, but still retains many of the procedures developed in earlier times for control of aircraft.



The museum is open each Tuesday from 10.00am to 3.00pm. Group bookings are required.

**Museum is located :**

Edgar Johnston Lane ( turn from Wirraway Drive)

Essendon Airport

**Phone:** (03) 9374 3905

*Peter Lazarus*

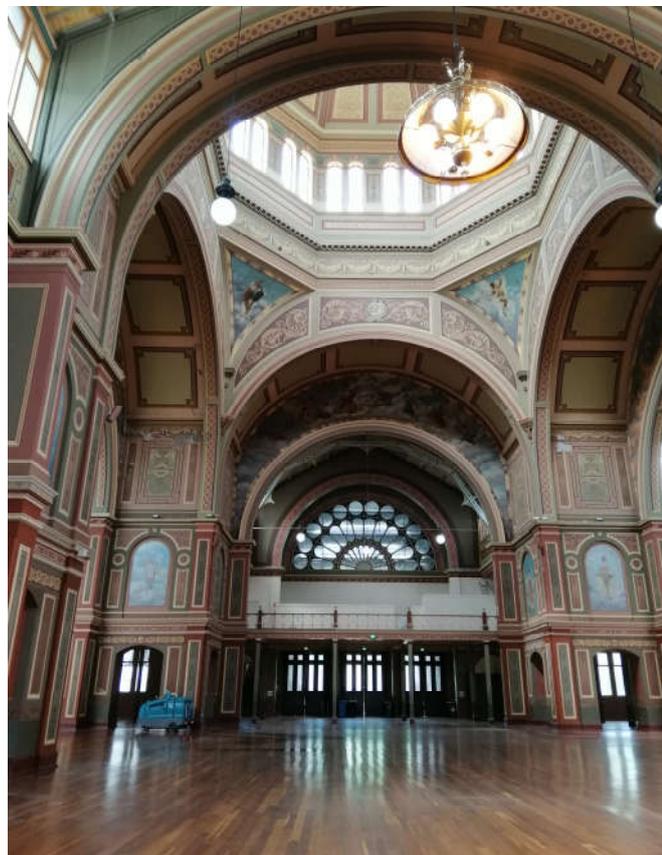
Wednesday January 22<sup>nd</sup>

*Apparently if you buy a cabbage from Coles you must by law also buy carrots and mayonnaise.*

*It's Coles Law*



Hume U3A members visited the newly renovated/updated Exhibition Building as part of our Summer program.



Judging by this photo the building must be truly magnificent. More photos on website

Trivia questions. No cheating.  
Answers later in the newsletter



1. **The first male African-American tennis player to win the U.S Open and the Wimbledon tournaments was?**
2. **Which famous golf player was nicknamed "Golden Bear"?**
3. **What are dried plums called?**
4. **In a Disney movie, who is Thumper's best friend?**
5. **In a movie title Elvis Presley said Viva to where?**
6. **What is the largest internal organ of the human body?**

**Here's a funny one.....**

Three old Grandmas were sitting on a bench outside the nursing home when an old Grandpa walked by. One of the old Grandmas yelled out, 'Hey, we bet we can tell exactly how old you are!'

The old man said, 'There is no way you can guess my age!' One of the Grandmas said, 'Sure we can! Just drop your pants and underpants and we can tell your exact age.' Embarrassed, but anxious to prove they couldn't do it, he dropped his drawers. The Grandmas asked him to first turn around a couple of times and then jump up and down several times. Determined to prove them wrong, he did it. Then they all said in unison, 'You're 87-years-old!.'

Standing with his pants down around his ankles, the old gent asked, 'How in the world did you guess my age?'

Slapping their knees, high-fiving and grinning from ear to ear, the three old ladies happily crowed.....

'We were at your birthday party yesterday

**Notes from Social Secretary .....**



**Dine Out**

**When:** Friday February 28<sup>th</sup> at 6.00pm  
**Where:** Old School Pizza and Stone Grill  
Shop 1-4 , 13 Fawkner Street WESTMEADOWS

**When:** Friday March 28<sup>th</sup> at 6pm  
**Where:** The Highlands Hotel  
301Grand Boulevard CRAGIEBURN

**Reminder:**

**Call Anne on 0403 067 626, at least 3 days prior to book your place.**



Money for BILLY ELLIOTT is due now. .....\$79

**Please note:** Due to the Show ending on April 19<sup>th</sup> Ticketmaster has changed our date from April 29 to April 15<sup>th</sup>.

**New Date WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> APRIL @1PM**

Anne



To any of our Hume U3A family who are not feeling the chirpiest we send you thoughts and wishes for the fastest recovery.....



Early Reminder that our first Bunnings Sausage Sizzle for the year is May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Catch up with Peter Lazarus at [webmaster@humeu3a.org.au](mailto:webmaster@humeu3a.org.au)

Alternatively call Peter on mobile 0400 621 400

The **Floral Art course** has been a huge success. Rumour has it the classes will continue in Term 2. Look what was achieved after only one session. Imagine what you would create after a full term.



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April 2020

1.Arthur Ashe	2. Jack Nicklaus	3.Prunes
4.Bambi	5. Las Vegas	6.Liver

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