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MESSAGE FROM YOUR PROGRAM PLANNER

Dear Members

PRODUCTION OF THIS PROGRAM - No 98

My thanks go to Speaker Planners **Dianne Vivian** (May), **Janet Newman** (June & July), and **Sheila Dickinson** (August) and Visit Planners **John Bartlett**, **Janet Newman**, and **Sheila Dickinson** for their substantial contribution to this Program.



ENROLMENT FORMS

Please return your completed Enrolment Forms as soon as possible. This will assist the Office in speedy processing and helps in determining the MC Duty Rosters. Also, those attending sessions are entitled to do so as Full Financial Members and it provides the Management Committee with a reasonably accurate figure for the number of chairs to set out for each session.

WALKING GROUP

Wednesday Walks continue as before, thanks to Judy Milford and Nola Byass. See further details elsewhere in the Program.

BOOK GROUP

Meetings are held on the third Friday of the month at 1.30 pm at Park Holme Library. See further details included elsewhere in the Program.

WRITING GROUPS

Members of the Writing Groups must follow the same procedures as other Groups and indicate their intention to attend sessions by ticking the top section on the Enrolment Form for return to the Office. This will ensure that those participating under the aegis of U3A are Full Financial Members and thus covered by our Public Indemnity Insurance Policy.

GUIDED VISITS TO THE STATE ART GALLERY

See details elsewhere in the Program.

OUTSIDE VISITS – IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Except for July, there is one Outside Visit each month. If you are successful in obtaining a place for a visit, you will **not** hear from us. If the visit has limited numbers, you can assume that, **if you do not hear from us, you have been successful in obtaining a place. Only those who are not successful will be contacted by one of our Office Volunteers.** This long-established procedure may not be fully understood by recently joined members, so I suggest that everyone should read the above instructions very carefully. The earliest enrolments will be successful.

Please remember that, if you are one of the lucky ones, and you subsequently find that you cannot attend, IT IS ONLY FAIR THAT YOU LET THE OFFICE KNOW IN GOOD TIME SO THAT SOMEONE ELSE ON THE RESERVE LIST CAN BE GIVEN THE CHANCE TO ATTEND (ph 8201 3068 – leave a message).

Ray Bown

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Special Notes: All events in this program, unless otherwise specified, will be held at Active Elders' Association Hall, Corner of Charles & Albert Streets, Ascot Park. Should it be deemed necessary, advertised events may be cancelled, postponed or changed. Reasonable effort will be made to provide timely notification of such changes to members who have enrolled.

General Information for Group Activities

The Wednesday Walking Group - General Notes for Walkers

Contact details: Nola Byass 0411 066 014, Judy Milford 0408 842 479

- **WALKS FOR THIS PROGRAM WILL START AT 10:00am. Please be at the departure point 5-10 mins before the starting time.**
- If you have registered for a walk but are unable to attend, please notify Nola or Judy so that the group knows not to wait for you and the number for coffee can be adjusted.
- **Weather conditions:** If the Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) forecast **max. temp.** for Adelaide is 32°C or over on the Tuesday evening News, the walk will be cancelled. **Forecast rain:** The walk will be held. Bring rain gear. **Lightning:** If on arrival at the meeting place, the BOM radar indicates **lightning** is imminent, the walk will not proceed.
- If you have enrolled for the next day's walk, **please check your emails and text messages the night before** in case unforeseen issues result in changes to the walk.
- **Wear:** U3A name badge with Emergency Contact details on the reverse side (in case of accident).
- **Coffee:** will be taken at the completion of each walk, unless otherwise advised.
- **Rating:** When possible, walks have been graded to indicate the level of difficulty.

The Art Gallery Group – Guided Art Gallery Visits

Contact person: Bev Bennet Ph 0417 858 246, e-mail: beverlybennet@gmail.com

Our visits to the SA Art Gallery are on the third Wednesday of each month at 1.30pm from February to November. The Gallery requires us to make groups of ten and to pay for our visits in February for the year. We have two groups operating in 2024. However, there will be times when people are unable to attend. So if you would like to be on the list to fill these spots, please contact Bev.

Writers' Group

Contact person: Ted Flaherty

This is a long-established group of experienced writers. Members read and critique work in a mutually supportive environment. If you are interested in finding out how this group operates, contact the U3A Office in the first instance and your details will be passed on to the organiser. There are limited new spaces available. Sessions are held at Park Holme Library, Duncan Avenue, Park Holme. If you are an existing member, please tick the appropriate box on the Enrolment Form.

Every Thursday during term time. From 9.30 am – 12.30 pm.

Wednesday Scribblers' Writing Group

Contact person (via U3A Office): Alison McDonald

This group could be your first foray into the field of creative writing within a supportive environment, with mentorship of more experienced authors available to grow your skills. New members are welcome. Sessions are held at Park Holme Library, Duncan Avenue, Park Holme. Anyone interested in finding out more about how this group operates can contact the U3A Office in the first instance.

Every Wednesday during term time. From 2.30 pm – 4.30 pm

Book Group

Contact Judy Milford: 0408 842 479, e-mail judymilford39@gmail.com

These meetings are usually held on the third Friday of each month at 1.30 pm at Park Holme Library, Duncan Ave, Park Holme. Members take turns (if they wish to) at choosing the book of the month (fiction or non-fiction), which appears in the U3A program. They source their own copies to read (from libraries, e-books, book shop etc) then come along to discuss the book – even if they don't like it! Interesting discussions ensue. New members always welcome.

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- 1) Walk No 1 – West Beach heading north** **Map ref: UBD 127 Q5**
Meet at the end of West Beach Road on Seaview Road, West Beach.
Please also refer to General Notes for Walkers on Page 3.
Wednesday 1st May at 10.00am **Easy**
- 2) River Torrens to Darlington T2D Project.** **By Malcolm Short**
Malcolm is the Director of Engineering for the T2D project. He is a chartered engineer, a Fellow of the Institution of Engineers and of the Australian Tunnelling Society. He has 40 years of experience.
The T2D project is the final 10.5km section of the North South Corridor, and will complete 78km of non-stop, traffic light free motorway between Gawler & Old Noarlunga. Drivers will be able to by-pass 21 sets of traffic lights as they travel through two separate tunnels, connected by an open motorway.
Thursday 2nd May at 2pm
- 3) OUTSIDE VISIT: Oaklands Wetland and Reserve** **Led by John Bartlett**
A self-guided tour using information provided by the City of Marion. Visit the Wetland and the site of the original "Oaklands" homestead which was the subject of previous presentations at U3A by David Jarman. Meet in the main carpark accessed via the entry opposite Hendrie Street off Oaklands Road.
Tuesday 7th May at 10:00am
- 4) The Wonderful World of Bats** **by Shane Mc Cann & Pauline Cameron.**
Shane & Pauline are ex-military, have run their own business and now are retired volunteers with Fauna Rescue of SA. Their talk will cover their Flying Fox & Microbats volunteer work as educators, rescuers, carers, orphan rearers and emergency hotline operators.
Thursday 9th May at 2pm
- 5) Walk No 2 – Glenthorne National Park Loop, O’Halloran Hill** **Map ref: UBD 165 E5**
Entry on southern side of Majors Road, O’Halloran, meet in Carpark 1.
Some undulating terrain, sturdy shoes recommended.
Please also refer to General Notes for Walkers on Page 3.
Wednesday 15th May at 10.00am **Moderate**
- 6) Guided Art Gallery Visit** **led by Bev Bennet**
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Wednesday 15th May at 1.30pm
- 7) A picture is worth a thousand words – if only they could talk.** **by Alison Hicks**
Alison volunteers at Genealogy SA as a family history course presenter and member of the schools photographic collection and external records team. She also volunteers at Pioneers SA as a librarian & transcriber. Alison’s talk will cover strategies for finding information about old photos – where, when & who. Genealogy SA has a collection of over 11,000 photographs, most of which are available to the public through the Society’s library catalogue and a selection on Flickr.
Thursday 16th May at 2pm
- 8) Book Group: ‘Tis by Frank McCourt** **led by Judy Milford**
After a lively discussion last November on *Angela’s Ashes*, we now look at the sequel, a memoir about Frank’s life after he left Ireland to reside in America. We follow his sometimes sad but moving and funny life’s journey.
Friday 17th May at 1-30pm

- 9) SAPOL Dog Operations Unit.** **By Tim Schoemaker**
 Tim has been the Dog unit since 2021. Tim joined SAPOL in 2012 as a police officer general duties member in the metro area as well as officer in charge of Quorn Police Station in the Flinders Ranges. He has also worked in the State Tactical Response section. Brevet Sergeant Tim Schoemaker will talk about his work with drug detection dog Varli.
Thursday 23rd May at 2pm
- 10) Walk 3 – Mike Turtur Bikeway** **Map ref: UBD 140 L4**
 Meet on the corner of Maxwell Terrace and Butler Crescent, Glengowrie.
 Please also refer to General Notes for Walkers on Page 3.
Wednesday 29th May at 10.00am **Easy**
- 11) Creating an Urban River – can it really hold platypus again?** **By Chris Daniels**
 Professor Christopher Daniels is chair of the Green Adelaide Landscape Board, and member of 30 other Environmental Boards and committees, and he's leading many efforts to 'rewild' the city and connect citizens with nature.
 The Torrens is Adelaide's most iconic river. Destroyed in the 19th Century and restructured in the 20th, does the Torrens deliver enough quality environment to enhance Adelaide and perhaps ultimately support Platypuses? Green Adelaide is proposing to reintroduce platypuses into the River Torrens after an absence of more than a hundred years. Prof Daniels will discuss the problems to be addressed and a timeline for their reintroduction.
Thursday 30th May at 2pm
- 12) Australian Foundation for Fostering Learning in the Philippines (AFFLIP)** **by Alistair Douglas**
 Alistair is the Co-Founder and Chairperson of AFFLIP. Previously he was a principal in the Department of Education and Children's Services in South Australia and has worked extensively as a consultant in education internationally over the last 25 years, including the Philippines and Mindanao in particular. Alistair's talk will introduce us to the story of this wonderful foundation, its invaluable work in the Philippines and in particular its origins, purpose and programs.
Thursday 6th June at 2pm
- 13) Walk No 4 – Marion – Oaklands Estate** **Map ref: UBD 153 F1**
 Meet on the corner of Finnis and George Streets, Marion.
 Please also refer to General Notes for Walkers on Page 3.
Wednesday 12th June at 10.00am **Easy**
- 14) RAA – Emerging and Current Vehicle Technology** **by Andrew Clark**
 Andrew is a qualified automotive technician who has worked at the RAA's Car Advice Service for the last twenty years and is currently the Car Advice Service Manager. Andrew's talk will look at the modern features that many modern cars now have fitted including some of which you may not be aware, and improvements in combustion engine technology and transmission types. He will also give a brief overview of EV's, hybrids and hydrogen cars.
Thursday 13th June at 2pm
- 15) OUTSIDE VISIT: The Patritti Winery**
 The Patritti family has been making wine at their current Dover Gardens site continuously since 1926. Today the winery retains the charm of the traditional cellars but is also a fully functioning, modern, commercial winery. This is an opportunity to learn about the history of the company, including recent changes and developments and to gain an insight into wine making. Please note there will be no wine tasting included this tour but the cellar door will be open after the tour (and every day of the week) and members can book with Patritti for a wine tasting via their website.
 Duration: 1 hour; Address: 13-23 Clacton Road, Dover Gardens; Minimum number in group: 12
 Maximum number in group: 20; Cost: Free
Tuesday 18th June at 10.30am

16) Guided Art Gallery Visitled by **Bev Bennet**

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Wednesday 19th June at 1.30pm**17) The Mystery Behind Clotting Disorders in Covid Vaccination**by **Professor Tom Gordon**

Tom Gordon is Professor and Head of the Department of Immunology at Flinders University and the Flinders Medical Centre. He is a clinical immunologist, rheumatologist and immunopathologist with an interest in systemic autoimmune diseases, particularly lupus and Sjögren's syndrome. In today's talk he will explain how a rogue antibody was discovered that had caused the very rare bleeding and clotting complications in 2021 following COVID19 vaccinations. This discovery had a major global impact around the world and led to the cancellation of adenoviral-based vaccines in Australia, Europe and the USA.

Thursday 20th June at 2pm**18) Book group - "The Elegance of the Hedgehog" by Muriel Barbery.**led by **Margaret Milford**

The observations of a concierge of a grand Parisian Apartment building. Clever, informative, quirky. Over 10 million copies sold worldwide.

Friday 21st June at 2pm**19) Walk No 5 – River Torrens Walk, Adelaide****Map ref: UBD 1 G15**

Turn south off War Memorial Drive, Adelaide, onto the road leading to the Par 3 Golf Course & Café. Meet at the southern end of this road near the Café.

Please also refer to General Notes for Walkers on Page 3.

Wednesday 26th June at 10.00am**Easy****20) The Quad**by **Professor Purnendra Jain**

Professor Jain is Emeritus Professor in the Department of Asian Studies at the University of Adelaide. His research has focused on contemporary Japanese politics and foreign policy. He has also researched and written extensively on Japan-India and Japan-South Asia relations, Australia-Asia relations; regionalism and regional institutions; energy and foreign aid issues, and comparative studies of the politics and foreign policy of Japan, China and India. In this talk he will introduce us to the Quad (the Quadrilateral Security Agreement) of which Australia is a member and which has come sharply into focus with the rise of tensions between Quad members and China.

Thursday 27th June at 2pm**21) The Histories of West Lakes**by **Dr Susan Marsden**

Susan is a professional historian of longstanding whose public work includes social media posts and other history-related projects for the philanthropic Marsden-Szwarcbord Foundation, founded in 2013 to support history. In this talk she will introduce us to research she undertook while writing her book, *The Histories of West Lakes*. Susan will provide information about where her book can be bought and will bring along a few copies for sale.

Thursday 4th July at 2pm**22) Walk No 6 – Goodwood Historic****Map ref: UBD 130 C6**

Meet at the Florence Street entrance to the car park near the Goodwood Community Centre and Library (the car park runs between Rosa and Florence Streets, just east of Goodwood Road).

Please also refer to General Notes for Walkers on Page 3.

Wednesday 10th July at 10.00am**Easy****23) A Brief History of the Archibald Prize**by **Coralie Creevey**

Coralie is a regular contributor to U3A programs and has provided well researched and illustrated presentations on a wide variety of art-related topics. In this talk Coralie will trace the history of the Archibald Prize and discuss the judging criteria applied at various points in that history.

Thursday 11th July at 2pm

24) Guided Art Gallery Visit**led by Bev Bennet**

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Wednesday 17th July at 1.30pm**25) What is an End of Life Doula?****by Jo Fuller**

Jo is a practising 'end of life' doula. She has a previous working background as an enrolled nurse working within general nursing, palliative and aged care as well as pathology and the medical research field. She has also completed a Professional Management Program with Adelaide University. Her talk will explain the role of the end of life doula and the services that they can offer.

Thursday 18th July at 2pm**26) Book Group: – *The Passion of Private White* by Don Watson****led by Janet Newman).**

The Passion of Private White describes the meeting of two worlds: the world of the fiercely driven biologist and anthropologist Neville White and the world of the hunter-gatherer clans of remote northern Australia.

Friday 19th July at 1.30 pm**27) Walk No 7 – Westside Bikeway and North Plympton****Map Ref: UBD 128 P16**

Meet near the corner of Gunnawarra Avenue and Morphett Road, Camden Park.

Please also refer to General Notes for Walkers on Page 3.

Wednesday 24th July at 10.00am**28) Ecosystem Connections and the Common Brushtail Possum****by Tara McKenzie**

Tara is a post graduate researcher working towards her PhD at the University of Adelaide. She is an animal scientist with a passion for wildlife and ecosystem health and conservation. Working in the "One Health" discipline, she strives to understand how improving ecosystem health can have benefits to wildlife, domestic animals and human health.

Thursday 25th July at 2pm**29) The Life of a Spy****by Rod Barton**

Rod will tell his remarkable story of how he eventually became one of Australia's top intelligence officers. He will tell of his time working with British Intelligence Agencies in London, his assignment to war-ravaged Somalia and his role in uncovering a secret biological weapons program in Iraq. At times he worked with, and for, the CIA where his life was at risk. Rod will bring photos and his book "The Life of a Spy" which will be on sale for \$25 (cash only)

Thursday 1st August at 2pm**30) Walk No 8 – Kingswood****Map ref: UBD 130 K16**

Meet on the corner of Belair and Princes Roads, Kingswood (Torrens Arms Hotel).

Please also refer to General Notes for Walkers on Page 3.

Wednesday 7th August at 10.00am**Easy****31) Utopia in New Australia****by Bob Lunn**

A true story about 400 Australians who left Australia in the 1890s to set up a new socialist community named New Australia in Paraguay and how they fared. The story is largely taken from a book called "A Peculiar People" by Gavin Souter.

Thursday 8th August at 2pm**32) The History of Chocolate****by Alan Starks**

A light-hearted but informative journey through the ages. A journey from AD 250-1100 when Mayo Nobles drank foamy 'ocacau', to 1866 when Fry launched its most mass produced chocolate bar Chocolate Cream. Alan will ask what does the movie 'Psycho' and chocolate have in common? Alan will hand out sample packs with his presentation.

Thursday 15th August at 2pm

33) Book Group: *Perfume - a story of a murderer* by Patrick Suskind led by **Mary Dickson**

The story follows Jean-Baptiste Grenouille, an unloved orphan in 18th-century France who is born with an exceptional sense of smell, capable of distinguishing a vast range of scents in the world around him. Grenouille becomes a perfumer but later becomes involved in murder when he encounters a young girl with an unsurpassed wondrous scent.

Friday 16th August at 1.30pm

34) OUTSIDE VISIT: Cummins House

The life of our early Pioneers is a fascinating story and Cummins House will take you back in time, and promote awareness and knowledge of Sir John and Lady Elizabeth Morphett and their family, and their connection to the early settlement of South Australia. Enjoy Devonshire morning tea with fresh cream and home-made jam, tea or coffee and a Guided Tour of Historic Cummins House.

Meet at: 23 Sheoak Avenue, Novar Gardens; Minimum number in group: 16

Cost (includes Devonshire Morning Tea): \$20 per person if the group is less than 20, or \$15 if 20 or more. Cash only, to be paid on arrival at the venue.

Tuesday 20th August at 10.30am

35) Walk No 9 – Centennial Park Cemetery (SALA)

Map ref: UBD 142 D11

Meet outside Wildflower Café inside the Cemetery grounds. Enter via Main Entrance from Goodwood Road (hands sculpture) and keep left to carpark near Café.

Please also refer to General Notes for Walkers on Page 3.

Wednesday 21st August at 10.00am

Easy

36) Guided Art Gallery Visit

led by **Bev Bennet**

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Wednesday 21st August at 1.30pm

37) My Experiences While Compiling My First Book

by Pamela Rajkowski

Pamela is a research author specialising in the history, heritage and contribution of the Australian Afghan Cameleers (1860-1930). Pamela will explain to us how she collaborates and has ongoing conversations with Afghan Cameleer descendants across Australia but also uses archives, newspapers and previously unknown files of stolen aboriginal children.

Thursday 22nd August at 2pm

38) Moving the Vickers Vimy

by Ian Miles

Ian Miles is the Senior Metals Conservator at Artlab Australia. Artlab staff led by Ian undertook all aspects of the planning and activities required to relocate the Vickers Vimy aircraft flown by brothers Sir Keith and Ross Smith in the famous London to Australia air race of 1919-1920. It was moved from the Memorial Building at Adelaide Airport to a new public exhibition space at the main terminal in order to permanently display the aircraft. Ian will explain how he led a team which included Adelaide Airport staff, traffic management, specialised aircraft movers, Australian Federal Police and many volunteers to move the aircraft on the night of Thursday 19th May 2022.

Thursday 29th August at 2pm