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January 20th 2020

Happy New Year to you all and we hope you are all looking forward to another year of fun, learning and socialising with U3A groups.

We'll be kicking off the new year with a "Meet and Greet" at Darley Neighbourhood House. This will be at 10.00 am on Tuesday 4th February. The address is 33 - 35 Jonathan Drive, Darley. All welcome and invite any friends or acquaintances who may be interested in what we do. There will be a morning tea and a chance to reacquaint yourselves with fellow U3A'ers and have a chat about what you did over the break.

Memberships:

Annual subscriptions fee of \$30 will be due then and the treasurer will be on hand if you wish to pay your subs. Please bring correct money if possible and don't forget to fill out a new Membership Application form, available on the website.

Alternatively, you can do a direct debit to our bank account (details are on membership form) and bring along your completed membership form to Meet & Greet or post it to our Post Box number 1074, Bacchus Marsh.

Committee

On a personal note I have decided that after 6 years I will not be re nominating for the committee, it is time to give someone else a go. At the next Annual General Meeting, we will have 4 committee positions to fill. Please give it some thought, U3A Bacchus Marsh is the organisation you are a member of and your organisation is in need of new committee members. It is not an onerous position and it can be very rewarding taking part in the running of such a worthwhile organisation. There is a Nomination Form available on the website and they will also be available at the Meet and Greet, or can be obtained by contacting those below.

Classes: See Timetable attached

Most activities are the same as last year but there are a few changes.

Book clubs we have some vacancies at present, please contact Sharon on 0407 480 207 For Monday book club, Terry 0412 939 935 for Tuesday book club or Heather 0427 095 080 for Thursday book club.

Due to a personal change in circumstances Lena Silkova will be spending more time in Melbourne and is thus unable to continue with the **Meditation** Classes.

The **Coffee club** is increasing its frequency. It is a wonderful way of achieving one of our aims as in providing socialisation. Sharon is now coordinating a Coffee club gathering twice a month, 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 10.30 am at various venues. See the Timetable for times and dates.

On a pleasing note Pamela "The Doc" is back and will be resuming both of her **Science** classes this term. Hooray!

Classes will be resuming as of the first week in February with the exception of the French and the Science groups which will start in the week, beginning 10th February.

We are looking to start a **Walking group**. The proposal is for slow paced stroll through the fresh morning air. Louise Simmons already leads such a group and is extending a welcome to any U3A members or friends who may wish to join her. The starting point is Peppertree Park near the swimming pool in Grant Street.

For further enquiries please contact Louise on 5300 4980 / 0415 105 655.

That's all for now, any queries regarding any of the above please contact either myself Adrian Rowell 5367 5341 or Helen Brown 0400 143 392.