

## Watson

## 16th December 2021

Hi to all members

Some of us have just started to get into the swing of enjoying our sessions start up again and now it's time for our Term 4 and end of year shut down, that's right, the last day of term is tomorrow, Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021 however, our Singalong group will have their last session on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

We had our end of year Christmas gathering at the Bacchus Marsh Golf Club last Friday, we had a great turn out of members, the venue was excellent, the service was fantastic and the food was great, there was lots of interesting conversation and comradeship within our group. That is what our Bacchus Marsh U3A is all about, lots of socialising and friendship with likeminded people.

We will start our 2022 year with our annual Meet & Greet, it will be held at the Supper Room (opposite the Lerderderg Library) on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2022 from 10.00am - 12.00pm. Please mark this date in your diary, although we will send you an email reminder before this event, you will be able to pay your annual fees at this event as well as see displays of other groups within our association.

Getting back to our Meet & Greet, the past few years of this event was left up to a hand full of committee members, from planning to set up and clean up and we found this was a big task for the few people. So, this year we are asking for any member that is able to, to please volunteer your help whether on the day or assist with planning. So far, we have the venue booked and the flyers organised, but we need assistance with handing out the flyers at the Village shopping centre on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January and Friday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2021 from 10.00am to midday and from 12.00 to 2.00pm, also we need assistance on the day of the event to set up tables and chairs, an assistant to help write out receipts for members paying on the day, someone to hand out updated information for leaders packs, assistance in the kitchen for tea and coffee making (the food will be catered for by CWA) and to pack up clean up after the event.

If you can assist us in any of the above, please contact me by phone on 0400 143 392 or email <a href="mailto:president@u3abacchus.org.au">president@u3abacchus.org.au</a> any assistance will be much appreciated. Keep in mind that if everything is left up to a few people, these few people eventually wear out and then resign their positions and if there is no one to take over these positions, the event does not continue for lack of helpers. Please, please do not let this happen to us and our association, we are all volunteers and we need your help. Many hands make light work.

Due to Covid lockdowns for most of this year, our committee have decided to once again reduce our membership renewal fees to \$10.00 per membership. Please note that you will need to complete a membership form as there is a mandatory section on Covid vaccination

At present, we still need to either sign in or QR code and show our vaccination verification. Just a reminder, if you need assistance in loading up the Service Victoria app and linking it with MyGov Medicare, you may contact John on 0468 453 340 or email <a href="mailto:john@omapa.net">john@omapa.net</a>

We are always on the look out for anyone that would like to be a Team Leader of a new activity to add to our existing time table, if you have a special skill that you would like to share with other like -minded members, let us know and we will set up a venue and advertise the activity on Watson, Newsletter and our website.

We are very happy and excited to announce that we have a new editor for our bi-monthly Newsletter that will start early next year.

<u>Book Club:</u> Thursday Book Club has a vacancy for next year, if you would like to take up this spot next year, please contact Terry 0412 939 935 or email <u>terryrandall44525@gmail.com</u>

This is the last Watson for this year, we wish you a Merry Christmas and a healthy, safe and Happy New Year.



Any queries in regard to any of the above, please contact either:

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