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13th May 2022

Hi to all Bacchus Marsh U3A Members

We are now into our 3rd week of Term 2. Most of our sessions have started and by all accounts are well attended.

AGM – We invite you all to attend this very important annual event in support of our organisation. If you haven't already, please mark this date in your diary. We are happy to announce that we have a replacement for our retiring Vice-President, we also have a new member that has volunteered to be nominated to our committee, up to date we have 4 executive and 4 ordinary committee members. It would be nice to have 1 or 2 more ordinary committee members to assist in making decisions and keeping our organisation going. Our committee meetings are held on the second Wednesday morning of every month and go for approximately one and half hours. If you would like more information or if you would like to become a committee member, you may let Helen or Sharon know on the below phone or emails and we can organise your nomination.

Our **Annual General Meeting** will be held on Wednesday 25th May 2022 at Darley Neighbourhood House – ex childcare centre starting at 10.00am, our team leaders will give a short talk about the sessions they run, then election of committee nominations, ending with morning tea and social chat.

Garden Group – will be meeting at Rosa's place, 3304 Geelong-Bacchus Marsh Rd Balliang East on Friday 27th May 2022 for lunch and swap plants and goods. Time 11.30am. Please bring small plate of sandwiches or something to share. For further details phone Mazi 0409 245 881 and let her know if you can attend.

1st Thursday Book club – have a vacancy, they meet at Lerderderg Library 2.00-4.00pm. If you would like to join this group, you may like to contact Team leader Terry 0412 939 935.

Coffee Club – meet at 10.30am on 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at various venues. If you enjoy social conversation or a chat you are very welcome to come along. The next meeting will be on Wednesday 18th May 2022 at Mel & Joe's. For further information you may contact Sharon on 0407 480 207.

We are looking for expressions of interest for some new U3A activities that are looking to start as soon as we have enough interested members. Sharing a skill or interest can be very rewarding.

If you are interested in joining a Poetry writing group with Jennie who teaches participants to write their own poetry by something that may be of interest to you, whether it may be of family or objects or maybe something that you may be wearing or doing. Jennie is very hands on and is great at helping you to explore the poet within you. If you may be interested in participating in this course, please contact Jennie on 0447 695 205 or email jennief@westnet.com.au

We are also looking for anyone that may be interested in playing Table Tennis. We have a person that is very keen to start up a group of social players. Please contact Karen 0490 378 076 or email: karendavey@yahoo.com.au for further details.

Bacchus Marsh U3A now has a Facebook page, thank you to John Spain for setting this up for us. It would be great if all our members that follow Facebook could like and share this page and spread the word, you can also write a comment if you like.

Darley Neighbourhood House – a few of our members attended DNH- Cancer Counsel's big morning tea last Wednesday, there was a great turn out of people as well as lots of food and stimulating conversations. Well done to the manager and staff of DNH.

We were also advised that Darley Neighbourhood House are holding a session on making our community Dementia friendly. See attachment for further details.

Community Service:

Melton Botanical Gardens are having a Botanical Garden Day and an invitation was extended to us, if you would like to attend, please see brochure in attachment for further details.

Moorabool Light Orchestra will be having a concert on Sunday 22nd May 2022 at the Public Hall, Main Street Bacchus Marsh starting at 2.00pm. Tickets are available for purchase through Eventbrite. Sorry I do not have a brochure but you can google MLO for further details.

That's all for now. Any queries in regard to any of the above, please contact either:

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