

Extra E Newsletter July 2013

Christmas Lunch: We have finally signed a contract with Epicure, the firm which has the contract with Brisbane City Council to provide catering at the City Hall. The Ithaca Auditorium and the Ithaca Foyer have been booked. The auditorium will hold up to 200 which is around the numbers who attended last year. The bookings are now open for the function and we are hoping that you will get your class or a group of friends together and book a table. If you wish to come by yourself, you are very welcome and we will seat you at a table with others. The Ithaca Foyer is large and will be pleasant to meet there before lunch. A cash bar will be available. Details:

Location: City Hall, King George Sq., Brisbane City Date: Thursday 28th November 2013 Time: 11:30am for 12 noon Cost: \$58.00 Tables: seat <u>10</u> only Guest Speaker: Noeline Brown : Ambassador for the Ageing Food: The lunch will be 2 different mains and sweets with suitable meals for those who need something different due to dietary problems. Easy access to City Hall and the Ithaca Room is through the Ann Street entrance.

The booking sheets are in the office and <u>you will need to pay when you book this year as we are</u> <u>having to pre-pay on a monthly basis.</u>

We are looking forward to seeing your happy smiling faces there again this year.

From the President, Ian Lipke:

Wanted: A local person to act as convenor for Wynnum District, U3A Brisbane. The person must have good communication skills.

District Coordinators are asked to perform two main roles:

1: Work closely with tutors and prospective tutors to organise classes and venues in the district, and

2: Act as a point of contact and communication with the Management Committee. The position has been filled for the moment by Kay Andersen.

Please contact Kay at <u>kayand@ozemail.com.au</u> if you are interested in this role.

HUGH LUNN – BRISBANE WRITERS' FESTIVAL





The Brisbane Writers' Festival runs from 4th to 8th September and Hugh Lunn will be appearing in conversation at the State Library on the following dates:

- Friday 6th 3.30 4.30pm. In panel Discussing 'A Sporting Nation', and how it can inspire the best (and the worst) of the Australian language.
- Saturday 7th 4.00 5.00pm In Conversation with Rob Hoge. Rob is the Brisbane author of 'Ugly', the inspiring memoir of a remarkable young man who overcame incredible disabilities to lead a normal life. It is his account of those years from his birth to the arrival of his daughter in 2002.
- Sunday 8th on 'Words Fail Me'. In panel How Australians uniquely use language as a source of humour, derision, power, rhythm and much more.

The Writers' Festival is an interesting way to spend a few hours and there will be something there for all ages. Children are well catered for if you want to take your grandchildren. Our State Library is a great venue, so come along and say hello to Hugh. He will be delighted to see you.

<u>Maleny Bus Trip</u>: The trip to Maleny is filled however it can be worth putting your name down on the reserve list as sometimes people drop out due to illness or other reasons. You will not have to pay unless you go on the trip. For those being picked up at Roma Street, please note you need to go to the Bus Stop <u>on Roma St</u> and it is opposite the Police Headquarters. Do not go into the Transit Centre as you will not find the bus there. Report to Jann Olsson when you get there.

<u>Tickets for Chitty Chitty Bang Bang:</u> We have plenty of tickets for this delightful show coming to QPAC prior to Christmas. Details: <u>Wednesday 11th December 2013 at 1:30pm cost</u> <u>\$64.90. They will be on sale until July 31st. Call the office on 3236 3055.</u>

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