



## **E Newsletter**

### **September 2013**



Happy spring to you all. This is the first rose from my new rose bush and I am really pleased as I am a rank novice when it comes to gardens. So I do hope you have some lovely blooms in your garden and that you enjoy the wonderful weather.

**Social Committee:** The day trip to Maleny is on Wednesday 11th September and this is a reminder that the bus will pick us up at **7:45am** from Macgregor Park and Ride in Kessells Rd and **8:15am** from Roma St at Bus stop 125 outside the Transit Centre directly opposite Police Headquarters. Jann Olsson will be there with the list of those going from Roma St so do check in with her when you arrive. We will only wait 5 minutes for late comers. I will be at Kessells Rd so check in with me as well please. It should be a really pleasant day.

**Term 4:** Term 3 classes will finish on September 20th. Term 4 Class Schedule and Social Calendar will be posted out on September 16th so you will be able to select your subjects for term 4 soon. Classes will commence on October 8th. The year is fast disappearing.



**Christmas Lunch:** Many of you have sorted out your tables for this function but there are others who claimed a table but have no bookings listed. There is another table that has become available due to Chris Purser's group not able to attend. If you have not booked yet give some thought to getting a table together. It would be useful if you could continue to fill your table as we do need to know numbers for the caterers.

### **Logan district news from Jean Townsend:**

We hope to start another social group in term 4 and there will be three new classes. **Robert Brunton** will give an insider's view of the *Australian Defense Force's military equipment*. **Sue Mitchell** will hold outdoor *Tai Chi and Qi-gong* classes on Monday mornings in Beenleigh, possibly in Doug Larsen Park, but this has yet to be confirmed. **Nick Bricknell** will teach a new course on the *Victorian Era*. He says students will learn about wars, exploration and annexations, invention, trade, and economic and industrial growth, society and cultural norms and the flowering of literature and the arts.

## **From Ross Barber, Thursday photography:**



The Thursday Photography Group, possibly the class with the longest history in U3A, celebrated its 20th Anniversary at the Japanese Restaurant in the Stamford Plaza, Edward Street. About 60% of the original Members are still very active. Over the years most have been successful in a variety of Photography competitions. Congratulations to this group. That is a very good innings

## **From the President, Ian Lipke:**

Be part of a unique study abroad program. Spend a week exploring Shakespeare's engagement with Rome and classical culture. Sessions will include: lectures, play readings, and excursions to the **Colosseum**, **Forum ruins** and **Galleria Borghese** art collection, together with a day trip to the Renaissance gardens of **Villa d'Este** and **Hadrian's Villa, Tivoli**.

No prior experience is necessary: all welcome!

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**(Victoria will be leading a class at U3A Brisbane in Term 4).**

A Ph D student asked me to assist with a survey. She has done everything right by U3A and I would like to help her. The survey is available online via the following link <https://psych.sci.usq.edu.au/ols/?p=FIQL2013> or in a paper version.

Anyone who would like to complete the paper version (which the student will supply) will be able to send it back in a reply-paid envelope.

If you want to take part, use the link or ask me about the paper version

## **Ian Lipke**

### **From Sally Pritchard at Northside district:**

For Term 4 at Northside district, we will have 2 new classes being held at the newly refurbished Hamilton Town Hall.

**Martyn Butler**, who presented very successful classes at both the Winter school and at Creek St will be giving three classes for Northside covering *iPhone and iPad* commencing October 10th.

**Stephen Baggaley**, a former 4MBS, 2MBS, and ABC FM announcer brings a wealth of knowledge to his present class at Creek St—*Enjoying Classical Music*. Stephen will be presenting for us for the remaining 7 weeks of Term 4, beginning October 31st, *Classical Music 1*.

### **Visit to City Hall:**



The August visit to the City Hall was very pleasant and we were lucky to have Jann Olsson's daughter who, along with the guide, took us to the Council Chamber. This area is not a part of usual tours of the building, but was an extra for us as she works for the Lord Mayor. The restoration to the building has been excellent and will see us out. If you have not been to see the building, do go. The Museum of Brisbane is great.

## **Stephen Baggaley writes about U3A Brisbane's Facebook**

### **What you can do for our Facebook page ...**

U3A Brisbane's Facebook page has been set up for three main reasons, to provide news and information to our existing members, to attract new members and thereby increase participation in our activities, and to let the wider community know who we are and what we do.

To achieve these things, our Facebook page needs to be kept alive with stories about forthcoming events, reports on what has happened in the recent past, and, most important of all, lots and lots of photographs.

So if you are a Convenor in any of the Districts, one of our valuable tutors, a leader of our many groups, or a member who happens to have a camera in the right place at the right time, please send all your relevant material to my email address, **[baggaley.u3a@gmail.com](mailto:baggaley.u3a@gmail.com)**

### **What our Facebook page can do for you ...**

Our Facebook page is open to the public and anyone can read it at any time without having to log in. To enter, all you need to do is click on the icon which appears on the top right-hand corner of our website pages and this will take you directly across to Facebook.

The better option is, if you are not already using it, to join Facebook and then click the Like icon on U3A Brisbane's page. By doing this, as every new entry is uploaded to our Facebook page, it will be sent across to you, thereby keeping you up to date with things as they happen.

If you are cautious about using Facebook, bear in mind that you have the option to set up your security on Facebook so your own page is absolutely confidential. In addition, the less information you provide about yourself, the safer you will be.

Happy reading!



**Pauline Foster**: For many years Pauline has been the convenor for the Southside District, taught Country dancing and worked in the office at U3A. Time has caught up with Pauline and she has elected to retire and rest on her laurels.

Our sincere thanks to Pauline for all the time she has given to our organisation and our good wishes go to Pauline for a very happy retirement.

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