



8 January 2017



Enrolment Day

Enrolment Day - a day for information, enrolments, catching up and picking up.

Many members who will be away over the Christmas period may prefer to enrol on Enrolment Day and all members are invited to attend Enrolment Day.

We currently have about 90 enrolments but we are expecting many more on Enrolment Day.

When:

Wednesday 18th January 2017

Where:

CWA Hall Church Street Maitland

Time:

10.00am until 3.00pm

See you there!

Invite your friends to join Maitland U3A. Send them this newsletter! You can also access the newsletter from our U3A website <http://u3amaitland.org.au>

To contact U3A Maitland you can -

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OR Write to the Secretary of Maitland U3A PO Box 502, MAITLAND 2320

President's Report for 2016

I would like to thank everyone for a wonderful year for U3A.

So many goals have been achieved which has resulted in the smoother running of the club.

Our Data Base is proving to be very efficient and our Enrolments are processed with speed. The Website is easy to use and informative.

The venues are looking

healthy as is the bank account. Our Newsletter is vibrant and interesting.

The Social committee works hard to bring us outings and our special days and the Program committee keeps us on track. This ability to work in harmony and friendship is the cornerstone of U3A.

However the beating heart of the organisations is our Leaders and Members. With these growing the future

looks positive.

Already for 2017 U3A is indicating a thrilling year ahead. Members are straining at the leash to join our courses. We will have the usual challenges and hurdles as in previous years, but I have every confidence that these will be surmountable.

We have steady hands at the wheel!

Human Anatomy and Physiology

Please refer to your updated 2017 Course Program on our U3A website.

Please note that the start time for Course C042 "Human Anatomy and Physiology" has been put back to 2:00PM and the finish time to 3:30PM. Same day and venue as advertised.

Christmas Party

Over 75 members enjoyed our annual Christmas Party at Billabongs restaurant on Wednesday 14th December. We enjoyed lunch, conversation, laughter, lucky door prizes, jokes from our bon bons and the sing a long led by our Ukele Group.

Well done everyone.



Message from our WebMaster

I've added a new feature to the web site that I hope that you will find useful.

In the Courses section of the site you can now click/tap on the Course title and your device will talk to you. Click or

tap on the title again to stop the chatter.

Depending upon your device you may get Steven Hawkings like voice, a chirpy young man or a pleasant speaking lady.

NB: I can get this to work on my laptop computer but not on my old smart phone. Your experience may be different.

Jeff North
Webmaster

Enrolments Corner

Enrolments are flowing in and we are continuing to attract new members. Our membership is currently 229 and we have processed 79 enrolments so far for 2017. Writing for Pleasure (1) has just filled, and there are still places in WFP (2). Mahjong has also just reached full capacity but with currently no one on the Wait List, it is worth putting your name down in case someone withdraws.

There has been plenty of interest in taking the Cruise on Brisbane Waters on Tuesday January 31st however there are still places available. It promises to be a wonderful day out.

Some things to note:

- Backgammon is a Term 2 course.
- Thursday Thinkers starts at 1.00pm with the kitchen of the Lorn Park Bowling Club opening shortly after midday should you wish to have lunch beforehand.
- For those who enrol before Enrolment Day on Wednesday January 18th, your Course Confirmations, receipts and name badges will be all together in a name labelled envelope available for pick up on the day. Please try to drop by and collect them as it will save U3A Mait-

land the expense of posting these items. It will also be a great chance to catch up with your U3A friends in the holiday break.

At this time last year, our wonderful Course Coordinator Peter was building the data base as we went along and generally pedalling very fast. It has all paid off. This year the finely tuned data base is working like a dream and the enrolment process is much quicker and simpler.

Bravo Peter.

Jill Slatter

