

From the President

Our consultation sessions

Thanks to all members for your patience in attending the small presentations that the Secretary and I have given over the last month in respect of club insurances and a new U3A specific constitution. I am pleased to inform you that your committee agreed to the purchase of the insurance cover at its meeting on Tuesday 4th June. The template for the constitution is now up on the website and you can [click through to it here](#). I still want some advice on how we can incorporate reference to life members and honorary members before I put the proposed document to members but, in the meantime, I would be pleased to get any feedback or suggestions from members.

Old and Gold

This long weekend brings the annual Old and Gold Festival to Brunswick Heads. The Visitor Centre has recommended two features of the music performances outside the Memorial Hall on Saturday to U3A members:

Rhydian Lewis - Swing and Jazz between 10am and noon, and
Hub Cap Stan and the Sidewalk Stompers from 12.30

The Brunswick Heads Parking Review

While we are talking about Brunswick Heads, U3A has been invited to participate with the Brunswick Chamber in developing a position to go to Council on 27 June when paid parking will be up for discussion again. Your club has, just a couple of days ago, been invited to send a representative or two to a meeting at Terrace Cafe on Monday afternoon (10th June). RSVP is tomorrow, Saturday 8th June. I will accept for a couple of places at this meeting on the basis that I will be able to inform club members and, if there is a mood for us to take a position, we can have our own meeting to appoint representatives. Let me know how you feel asap at president@bv3a.org

Annual General Meeting

The Committee has confirmed the date for our AGM as 20 August 2019. Our AGM is one of the few times in the year we all come together and we encourage attendance by putting on a spectacular morning tea. Please put this event in your calendar now.

Annual Report

We budget for the Annual Report to run to as many pages as we need because we want to include reports and photos from as many of our activity groups that care to submit them. Please gather what you can by the beginning of August for publication.

Twenty Years of Brunswick Valley U3A

September 2nd marks the twentieth anniversary of the registration of U3A Brunswick Valley Inc. Our Annual Report will celebrate this milestone so I look forward to your contributions and reminiscences and photographs to share in print with other members.

Committee and other positions of responsibility in the club

One aspect of U3A membership which has its own reward is service on the committee and/or contributing to the running of club activities. We need volunteers and 'new blood' if we want to see another twenty years of Brunswick Valley U3A. We'll have a full list of positions for you to consider in the next newsletter but we are also happy for you to come up with your own role in promoting and growing the club. What can you offer?

Roger Curran
President
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Ocean Shores Country Club Art Competition and Exhibition

Congratulations to two of our members - Norma Pritchard (Shibashi) and Caroline Geidl (French) for their success in the recent Ocean Shores Country Club Art Competition and Exhibition. It is the 13th time that the Country Club has organised this competition so it is well supported in the Northern Rivers and South East Queensland. Uki artist Hobie Porter judged this year's event. His careful explanations for his decisions are sure to help the entrants with their 2020 entries.



*Winning artists – l to r
Norma Pritchard, Jenny
Lui Leung, Caroline
Geidl, Angela Parr and
Dellene Strong.*

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Tuesday Forum Speakers for June



June 11 – Robert Crossley and Don Hennessy

New Brighton Coastal History

Rob is the New Brighton Village Association President. He will present an overview of historical changes to the coastline seen through aerial imagery dating back to 1947.

We all know Don as the man who fixes our computers. But he is wearing a different hat today – that of photographer. Don has lived in New Brighton for over 40 years and has a fascinating collection of photos that he has taken during

this time. He will present his photos in a way that tells the history of New Brighton and shows the changes that have taken place in this sleepy little hamlet over this period.



June 18 – Kadri Kutt

Byron Arts, Food and Industrial Estate???

We're all familiar with the Byron Arts and Industrial Estate ... or are we? There are changes afoot. There are now a lot more food producers operating out of the estate. We know about Byron Bay Cookies and maybe Brookfarm Muesli. We see the new Stone & Wood Brewery as we drive by. But there are now so many more. Come and find

out about this exciting new phase in the development of businesses that reflect the character of the environment in which they operate. Kadri, another young entrepreneur, operates a food tour centered on the estate.



July 9 – End of Term Outing

Term 2 excursion and luncheon

The award winning Byron Bay Train is the first solar train in the world. Join us and relax on vintage lounge seats in the first class carriage or chat to fellow passengers in coach class as you pass through littoral rainforest, endangered coastal wetlands and over the stunning tea tree Belongil Creek, part of Cape Byron Marine Park. To

make this excursion complete we are staying on for lunch at the Sun Bistro, just a short walk from the train station. Purchase your \$25 ticket from the North Beach station near Elements.

The plan is to catch the 10am train which will get us to Byron at 10:10. We have just short of an hour to stroll around Byron before getting back on the train for an 11:15 departure. When we return to North Beach station it is just a leisurely stroll over to the Sun Bistro for lunch.

We all know that the traffic can be a bother getting into Byron in the morning. If you don't make it in time for the 10am train there is another at 11 am. That will take you to Byron where you can join the rest of us for the return journey and lunch. Your \$25 return ticket is punched on departure and return and then is punched at the Sun Bistro when you order your lunch and drink. Choose

from a selection of comforting winter main courses - fish and chips, schnitzel or bangers and mash - and enjoy either a schooner of Stone & Wood on tap, a glass of house wine, soft drink, tea or coffee.

There is no need to pay upfront but please RSVP (0423 778 573) or put your name on the sign up sheet at Tuesday Forum so that we know how many people to book for.