

U3A Inner North acknowledges the traditions and culture of the Kurna People, the First Peoples of the Adelaide plains . We respect and acknowledge their Elders, past, present, and emerging.



Welcome back to returning members, with a special welcome to new members. As your President, I look forward to a wonderful year for all associated with U3A Inner North and with the growth of new members and tutors. U3A has hit the ground running as we start 2024. Our membership level at this stage looks like it will easily exceed that of 2023.

Whilst most members completed their renewal, payment and enrolment on-line, the enrolment day was also a successful event. Members were able to re-new their membership using cash payments as well as have face to face conversations about various courses prior to enrolling.

The 2024 program has over 90 courses and activities, more than 40 tutors and group leaders. This provides a lot of variety for members to consider when enrolling. Some courses and activities are already full which unfortunately has led to wait lists. If you are considering changing or adding to your activities, then consider some of the programs that are not yet full. Remember, there is a huge variety of courses and activities across the 2024 program. Please remember to advise your tutor or group leader whenever you are going to be absent from a course or activity.

I would also like to add that 2023 was successfully closed through the final event of the year on December 14th - the annual Christmas Party morning tea. Over 100 members and friends attended. It was a wonderful conclusion to the year, with opportunity to socialise and for the Management Committee to thank members for their participation throughout the year. Very importantly it was an opportunity to recognise and thank our volunteer tutors and group leaders for their exceptional effort in organising and providing their course or activity during the year. Enjoy 2024!

Wayne Turner

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2023 CHRISTMAS CRAFT STALL!

The craft group, mosaic group and other U3A members were busy late last year creating items for the Xmas Craft stall. \$1077 was raised.

A huge thankyou to those members who donated their time and materials to make such wonderful items for sale. Also thankyou to our members who bought the items.

The monies raised went to purchasing Christmas goodies and toys for disadvantaged children and families. Bringing a bit of Christmas cheer! Some of the monies raised also went to purchasing regular food parcels, distributed in mid January.



The goodies were distributed to our local Foodbank, operating at Randalls Hardware shop on Prospect Road, where Eric and Heather gratefully accepted our donations.



2023 Christmas Party Morning Tea



A joyous end to a successful 2023 with Marie's Italian and French class presenting Christmas carols in each of the languages



A big thank you to the many volunteers who helped shop, cut, create, prepare and present, a wonderful morning tea! Not to mention the clearing, cleaning and washing up.



NEW MEMBERS AND TUTORS MORNING TEA

All new members were warmly welcomed by the committee with a special afternoon tea on Tuesday 30th January. We also thanked new tutors for offering courses to further enhance our extensive, broad and exciting program for 2024.



Tutors and group leaders are the life blood of our organisation. Without their enthusiasm and dedication, we would not be able to offer such a strong and varied program, catering to over 300 members. Thank you also to our wonderful tutors who have volunteered to continue their courses.



2024 U3A TERM DATES

Term 1 Monday 5 February - Friday 12 April

Term 2 Monday 29 April - Friday 5 July

Term 3 Monday 22 July - Friday 27 September

Term 4 Monday 14 October - Friday 6 December



2024 Class Enrolments – “Wow, Awesome, Terrific, Marvellous”

A message from our Program Coordinator Angy Henn

It is absolutely fabulous the number of members who have enrolled in our U3A Inner North courses and activities for 2024 - Well done and thank you for your interest.

However there's something I'd like you to do now (or very soon)

Go into your member page, log on and double check the courses you are enrolled in. Then make sure you have entered all your courses and activities in your calendar/diary or whatever system you use.

If you no longer wish, or can't do a course or activity, then please log back into your member page and cancel your choice. This is can be done at any time of the year.

We acknowledge that during the year other events such as a holiday, medical appointments, and family situations may arise. Please contact your Tutor if you're unable to attend.

Why this emphasis?

Currently there are 25 courses/activities that have a waiting list, therefore it would be really appreciated that you cancel any courses/activities that you no longer are able to attend.

We appreciate our volunteer tutors who give up their time and knowledge freely. Their enthusiasm, effort and goodwill makes our association work so well.



A big thank you to Angy for another great Program! The logistics of liaising with all tutors and ensuring the finished booklet is of such a high quality is mind boggling!





SPOTLIGHT ON SOME VERY INTERESTING AND DIVERSE TOPICS ON OFFER THIS YEAR!



The SA Community Visitor Scheme

Have you ever wondered how the quality of government care or services of people with a mental health condition is monitored? Community Visitors are trained volunteers who work in pairs to visit and inspect mental health or state-run disability services. During visits and inspections, Community Visitors speak and engage with clients to hear their views, ideas, feedback and experiences about the service and their care. They may also advocate for a client regarding their care and treatment.

Rondelle Oster's presentation is on Tuesday April 30th - Guest Speaker Session

Science Fiction Book Group

Yes, U3A Inner North has other book groups but this year we welcome our first Science Fiction Book Group. There is the Science part, that creatively depicts real or imaginary science and technology as part of its plot, setting, or theme combined with the fiction part of Science which of course it's not a real-life account – or is it? 8 classic Science Fiction books will be on the reading list including Jules Verne's "A Journey to the Centre of the Earth" and Aldous Huxley "Brave New World."

David's book group is held on the 4th Wednesday each month from 9.30 to 11.00am.

Ask The IT Expert

It's not often you get free one on one time to be with an IT expert. What a great opportunity to ask our IT expert Arno anything and everything about technology. It doesn't matter what level you're at, what system you use, what phone you have. Arno will come to your rescue.

Sessions are on 19 March; 09 April, 25 June, 23 July, and

Dr Chris Bunn Sheep Scab – A horror of the 19th Century

Sheep scab sounds awful and it was, not only for the sheep but also stockowners plus the devastating effect to Australia's economic welfare. That's exactly what happened in the 19th century! Listen to Dr Chris Bunn as he talks about *Psoroptes communis ovis* and how devastating this mite was for 30 years, the problem with eradicating and eventually how it was eradicated. Who's going to be the first to scratch themselves?

Tuesday 20th February 9.30 to 12.30



Back left to right: Janet Angy Wayne Akram Helen Kristina

Front left to right: Lyn Louise Jude Cathy

Akram was our guest representing Andrea Michaels MP at our Christmas Party.

COMMITTEE ROLES FOR 2024

President Wayne Turner

Program Co-ordinator/Vice President

Angy Henn

Secretary Louise Kennedy

Treasurer Lyn McRostie

Venue Manager Jude Hennig

Policies Kristina Barnett

Membership Officer Janet Bradshaw

Out & About Coordinator Helen Johnston

Newsletter Cathy Birchmore

PLEASE NOTE NEW OFFICE HOURS

Office Hours: Wednesdays from 9.30am to 10.30am during term time in the Hall. Cash only.

Location: Enfield Community Centre (ECC), 540 Regency Road, Enfield, South Australia

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