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President's Message

From Janese Lowe

We were so early with the April Newsletter, that we forgot to wish everyone a Happy Easter. Belated Happy Easter and I hope you all enjoyed this special time in the religious calendar, as well as a chance to spend quality time with family and friends.

I confess that I was in a hurry to escape in the caravan to the South Burnett region, with its slogan "Uncork the magic". So of course we did uncork the magic, by visiting

many wineries, including a two night stay at Kingsley Grove winery. The weather was beautiful, there were no crowds and the area was



a perfect place to relax for the week. With batteries recharged, I have not stopped since I have returned.

During April, I attended the CDSHS Anzac ceremony with Julie Porteous. I was also invited to present at the Redlands Friendship Group to tell them about our range of U3A Redlands classes. I was made to feel most welcome; enjoyed a lovely morning tea; made some new friends and chatted to many U3A friends who also attended the meeting.

In 2021, I remember commenting on all the events made possible by the committee for the period January to April. I'd like to mention that members of this year's U3A committee have all been working extremely

hard in their various roles and some are involved in sub-committees as well.

Although we did not have any events in Term 1 this year, I can assure you there has been a lot going on behind the scenes. All was revealed at our first event for the year - 'Building Our Future' Morning Tea. It was announced that U3A Redlands plans to build a purpose-built building at the Research Facility in Delancey Street Cleveland, to house an administration office; reception; kitchenette; meeting and training rooms by early to mid-2024.

The committee and building sub-committee are extremely excited about this project, but we will need the help of our members. We need you to share our enthusiasm and support for the concept; for our fundraising events; and for donations to help fund the project.

Right now, we have a site, a team, and an initial plan, together with a vision of an Administrative Centre able to cater for the increased needs in our community and to provide a service that we can be proud of. We will provide more information by way of regular updates in our future newsletters.

Finally, thanks to all those who responded to our call for helpers to promote our U3A Redlands services at the annual Celebration of Volunteers run by STAR Community Services and Volunteering Redlands. U3A Redlands will be manning a stall at Raby Bay Harbour Park Cleveland on 14 May from 12.00 to 5.30 pm. Members, please tell your friends to visit us between 2.00pm and 4.00pm for our Calligraphy demonstration and a chance to win some great raffle prizes. Don't forget to say hello to our wonderful volunteers, while you are there!





Birthday Wishes to all U3A Redlands members celebrating a MAY Birthday



We wish all our Mother's a beautiful day. It is an opportunity to show our Love for all the women in our life.





Celebrating ANZAC Day

The 2022 Anzac Day Ceremony was held at Cleveland District State High School, Paul Bancroft Centre on Wednesday, 20 April. President Janese Lowe and Vice President Julie Porteous attended the ceremony and took part in the Presentation of Books, accepted by Rivca Swinson P&C Vice President. During our long association with the school, this has been a regular event on the U3A Redlands calendar.

The gardens looked a treat with 1200 hand-made crocheted poppies.



Poppy Garden (From CDSHS Facebook)

On Monday the 18th of April (Easter Monday Public holiday), students and various volunteers helped install poppies around the Paul Bancroft Centre and U block to honour our veterans for 2022 Anzac Day. This poppy garden started last year with 300 poppies so this year we have 1200 red and purple poppies. We have added purple poppies alongside red poppies, to remember the animals that lost their lives in war.

The poppies were made by Judy Krohn, Browyn Knowles, Jaleyna, Helen Pugh, Marie Wood, Jeanette Alexander, Val McGregor, Judy Miller and Redlands Centre for Women Craft Group.

Cleveland High thanks these wonderful women for their efforts. The gardens look wonderful. We installed close to 1200 poppies in just under one hour, it was a great team effort.





U3A VACCINATION POLICY

From 14 April 2022

The U3A Redlands Committee voted unanimously to continue with our existing Vaccination Policy, as follows:

To protect our vulnerable (over 60s) membership **entry to U3A Redlands** Admin Office and to all classes and events during 2022 will require every person to be **fully vaccinated** (being two doses of an approved vaccine), **or medically exempt.**

COVID-19 VACCINATION POLICY

U3A Redlands District Inc. requires that all members and visitors meet the requirements for entry to U3A office, classes, activities and venues and that they meet the following conditions:

- 1. attendees comply with any COVID-19 Safe Plan; and
- 2. those eligible for a COVID-19 vaccination are fully vaccinated;
- 3. evidence of COVID-19 vaccination status or
- 4. proof of medical exemption is provided

The policy will be subject to a review in accordance with any material changes.





Writing for Pleasure

The pen is mightier than the sword.

This month one of the challenges our U3A Writers had was that of continuing a very short story given the initial hook. The part in italics is what they were given. Below is how two of our writers handled it.

Improvisation by Ros Wight

Cathy ran down the stairs to the front door. It was locked. She turned and headed to the back. It was open, ajar. She stepped through. Never would Cathy have to live in a share house again. She walked down the treelined avenue, admiring the freshly cut lawns, the spring green foliage of the trees. 'Free at last' she sighed. The goodbyes were painful. Cathy had become fond of her companions at the home, but the restraints were too much for a girl who required open spaces and the ability to control her own actions. She ran across the busy road, not looking, not caring, exhilarated by the freedom on offer. A screech and a loud bang summoned the locals. "An ambulance required here" screamed the shaken driver to the onlookers. Sirens in the distance heralded Cathy's newfound freedom that would last forever.

Improvisation by Helen Goleby

Cathy ran down the stairs to the front door. It was locked. She turned and headed to the back. It was open, ajar. She stepped through. Never would she have to live in a share house again. She ran full speed along the footpath, looking back to see if she was being pursued. She wasn't. People stared at her as she passed them, a few bending towards her to try to encourage her to stop. Cathy was panting and in need of water. She raced across the road, paying little heed to the screech of brakes and yells of abuse as she headed down the bank to the creek. There she sated her thirst and hid in the long grass as she recovered her energy, her eyelids drooping as she fell into a deep sleep. As the sun dipped behind the hill Cathy woke, hungry. Mosquitoes buzzed around her, toads croaked in the creek and insects created a cacophony of sounds that unnerved her. Maybe running away wasn't as much fun as she'd thought. She made her way

back to the dog pound.

U3A Philosophy for Everyone

You are welcome to join this class for discussions on ideas and history of philosophy from ancient Greece to the 21st Century. No previous skill or knowledge of the subject required, but an inquiring mind is an advantage.

TIME: 10:00 – 11:30am

each Friday during school terms.

COST: \$5.00 per class paid on entry.

VENUE: Donald Simpson Centre

172 Bloomfield Street, Cleveland

Plenty of free car parking or 250 bus service or Cleveland train from city.

Contact: Lindsay Shepherd Mobile: 0450 212 483

Email: shepherd.lindsay1@qmail.com

HELP!

We Need Mahjong Sets

Do you have a Mahjong set you no longer need? Your donation for use by U3A players would be appreciated. If you can help, please contact the Office:

Phone: 3821 3888

Monday to Friday between 9:00-12:00

Email: admin@u3aredlands.com.au



Armchair Travel

You are welcome to come along and enjoy Armchair

Travel. Held on the First Thursday of the month from 9:30–11:00am at the Cleveland Uniting Church (*Large Hall*) 36 Passage St, Cleveland.

Back-up support for Jennifer Brew is always welcome in the case of her being absent. Being an assistant is very easy, so please talk to Jennifer if you are interested.

Thursday, 5 May – Russell Twomey Presenting the journey of a Cruise from Dubai to the UK.

ART DRAWING AND WATERCOLOUR

This group of talented U3A Artists have displayed a collection of their artwork for viewing enjoyment and purchase in the dining room of the "Redlands Multi Sports Club", cnr Randall & Bailey Rd, Birkdale. You are welcome to call in, support the Club by enjoying a meal there, and view the artwork. Co-ordinator: Carolyn West



Margaret Olive June Ayla INWOOD VENZ PHILLIPS RELF







FINANCIAL LITERACY IN 2022

A social outing with the opportunity for financial discussions (Superannuation,

Aged Care, Aged Pensions, Retirement living options, cash flow and budgeting etc).

First Tuesday of the month, **Carol Roberts** will run a **Coffee Q&A Financial Literacy** session from 9:00 to 11:00am at **Uncle**

Bobs Bakery Redland Bay.

Please Note: Carol does not give financial advice, just factual information. Please phone (3821 3888) or email (admin@u3aredlands.com.au) to express your interest!



Mahjong

Thursday Morning Group

Mahjong is a great strategy game that is appealing for both gentlemen and ladies. New players are always welcome, so please consider joining our group.

Each Thursday from 8:30 to 11:30am at the Lions Club Hall, 122 Shore Street Cleveland. (Group previously met at Mandalay Retreat Cleveland)

New members are welcome and Tutor Patricia Simmons is happy to train beginners.

Please call Patricia on 0407 765 678 to book your place.

U₃A REDLANDS OFFERS A PICKLEBALL TRIAL!



Sunday, 29 May 11:00am - 12:30pm Ormiston State School courts

Gordon Street, Ormiston

* Equipment provided*

* Wear comfortable clothes and shoes *

U.S.A. R. members. \$5 session

INTERESTED?

Firstly: Phone or email Jules (3821 3888 / admin@u3aredlands.com.au) to register.

Secondly: Deposit \$5 into our bank account
(BSB 124 025 Account 1054 5277)
with your surname and "Pickleball" as reference.
NUMBERS ARE LIMITED!

For more information, please contact **Deb Barker** barkerjd77@qmail.com / 0438 781 648 or **Jules**



RSVP by 22.4.22 please!



EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST



CALLIGRAPHY

Graham Robbins has offered to share his expertise and run an afternoon Calligraphy (or Penmanship) Course for interested members, once we have numbers and a suitable venue and day. Please phone the office on 3821 3888 to register.

If you would like to see Graham in action, drop down to see his demonstrations from **2.00 to 4.00 pm at the U3A Redlands stand** at **Celebration of Volunteers Expo** at Raby Bay Park on **14 May**. Say hello and take away a souvenir card with your name.

ARE YOU COMING TO THE CONFERENCE?





Wednesday 8th – Thursday 9th June 2022 North Lakes Hotel and Conference Centre 22 Lakefield Drive, NORTH LAKES All conference activities at the one venue

Optional:

- Welcome canapes & drinks
- Conference dinner
- Choose your own adventure to explore the Pine Rivers area before or after the conference



Go to the website to register and find out more, including the exciting guest speakers.

Scan the QR code on the right to complete a survey.

https://u3agldconference.org







CATEGORIES FOR 2022: PAINTING & DRAWING





Theme: 'spread your wings'

Transcend your horizons through art

FIRST PRIZE IN EACH CATEGORY: \$200.00 RUNNERS UP IN EACH CATEGORY: \$100.00

COMPETITION OPENS 1 MARCH 2022, CLOSES 29 MAY 2022

WINNERS ANNOUNCED AT NETWORK STATE CONFERENCE 8 JUNE 2022

Entry forms and conditions of entry available at: u3aqld.org.au or email competitions@u3aqld.com.au





Monday at 9.00 for 9.30 am **Donald Simpson Community Centre 172 Bloomfield St, Cleveland**

Monday, 16 May

The Empire has an Answer: The Empire Air Training Scheme (EATS)

Dr Tony Brady, Recipient of RAAF Heritage Fellowship.

Introduced by Dr John Moss

Monday, 23 May

The Joy of Writing

Paul Bland, Retired Secondary School Principal and Priest. Introduced by Brian Hedges

Monday, 30 May

Five Moons of Pluto – A film shot in the Redlands

Dr Graeme Dennis – Conductor, Redlands Sinfonia

Monday, 6 June - Keith Boulton Qld Maritime Museum member and volunteer. Histories of the South Brisbane Dry Dock and the Queensland Maritime Museum.

Please note COVID Vaccination DSC and U3AR Policies.

Per Donald Simpson Centre and U3A
Redlands Vaccination Policies, you must
be fully vaccinated to attend.
Please show proof of vaccination or
medical exemption on entry.

COORDINATOR FOR WATER AEROBICS NEEDED!

(to replace retired Coordinator)
Fridays, 1.30pm-2.30pm

Eldridge Swim School, 51 Woodlands Dve,
Thornlands

Contact: Mary (Tutor Liaison Officer) 0404 460 251





STAR Community Services and Volunteering Redlands are celebrating National Volunteer Week 2022, and we invite the whole community to join our biggest ever Celebration of Volunteers!

When: Saturday 14 May 2022

Time: 12pm - 5.30pm

Where: 146 Shore Street West, Raby Bay Harbour Park in Cleveland.

Volunteers are the backbone of a strong and resilient community like ours. They freely give their time, energy, skills and experience and passion to support their local community. Let's get together and show how grateful we are of their contributions and also give them the thanks they truly deserve!

Enjoy the following activities at this free event:

- · Laser display, live entertainment, food stalls and kids rides
- Volunteer of the Year Awards 2021-22 Presentation
- Explore the best volunteering opportunities
- Stalls hosted by many community organisations and not for profits

Don't miss the U3A Redlands stall:



Calligraphy expert and U3A member Graham Robbins will be demonstrating 'Calligraphy Name Art' between 2.00 pm and 4.00 pm.

Chat with Graham about details of his new Calligraphy Course and he will take Expressions of Interest and also reproduce your name on a souvenir card for you to take home.

Building Our Future

U3A Redlands was excited to announce their plans to build a U3A Redlands Centre on land offered through the Redlands Research Facility, Delancey Street Cleveland.



President Janese Lowe with Mark Robinson MP, and LNP Candidate for Bowman, Henry Pike.

Over 80 people attended and special guests included: U3A Redlands Patron and Mayor, Cr Karen Williams; Leonard McKeown, Executive Principal of Cleveland District State High School; Mark Robinson MP Oodgeroo; Kim Richards MP Redlands; Henry Pike electoral candidate for Bowman; Robyn Robinson, President, RDCOTA.

President Janese Lowe spoke about U3A Redlands long standing association with Cleveland District State High School, which had only been intended as temporary accommodation back in 1999 and the need for a purpose-built standalone building.

Shane Holborn, Redland Research Station Facility Manager, gave an overview of the research being carried out by various companies, Universities and community tenants already on the facility, and welcomed the opportunity for U3A Redlands to create an Administration Centre alongside the existing U3A Garden.

Mayor Karen Williams applauded the venture and spoke of the long-standing commitment U3A Redlands has shown to the seniors in our community.

The new Centre project will take many months to complete and will rely on the generosity of members. At the moment it is a piece of land looking green and inviting!





President Janese Lowe and Vice President Julie Porteous asked for everyone's support and advised there will be a lot of fundraising over the next 12 months. Raffle tickets on the day were hot stuff!



Shane Holborn Facility Manager showing members the site

The presentation was followed by a delicious morning tea prepared by a team of willing helpers headed by Events Co-ordinator Edwina Potter.



Our Catering Team: Edwina Potter; Bev Romanovski; Heather Bass and Marilyn Ireland

Thanks to everyone who helped on the day, including Ian Mc Fadzen below who directed traffic. Huge thank you to Deb Barker who collected our raffle tickets from Australia Post the same morning and to our committee members/ticket sellers Joan Johnstone and Mary Smith. Best of luck with our holiday raffle. Don't miss out. Tickets are still available at the U3A office.

Photos below from L to R Mayor Karen William; Vice President Julie Porteous; Past President Debra Barker; Ian Mc Fadzen; Joan Johnstone and Mary Smith.





Building Our Future Project

One had to jostle through the crowd Cake in hand The talking, noise so loud Speech was difficult to understand Coffee break at a gathering about U3A The future, and the way The organisation, just may Build a permanent home In which to stav Cease the need to roam Building our future project Has taken, and will, I suspect Take much work to construct With hopefully none to obstruct A solid building on a block of land So all can see and understand That U3A will continue to play Around and about the Redlands Bay A vital role in society For the health and interests of you and me Seems the odds are pretty fair Amongst the dignitaries there was The Mayor Politicians who had some clout being aware of what it was all about seems funding is difficult to obtain but optimistic they remain a small raffle a tentative start each ticket \$5 we were asked to part our purchase a small way to say good luck with project now on its way a new U3A volunteer home here to stay to be here for the future for others in another day

Quentin Turner-Smith. 27/04/2022

if they win a holiday as a prize.

and for some lucky winner a great surprise



Quentin Turner-Smith attended on the day and very cleverly penned this poem of his version of events. Thanks so much Quentin.



Past Committee member Ian Mc Fadzen:

Official morning tea tester.

What an amazing selection of goodies.



Mark Robinson MP; Kim Richards MP; Mayor Karen Williams and Vice President Julie Porteous.



Mayor, Cr Karen Williams addressing the crowd.

Thanks to Camera Club Zoom Tutor John Burt for giving us of his time and once again acting as our official photographer for this very special day.

In an EMERGENCY dial TRIPLE ZERO (000)



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Rules for personal mobility devices (e scooters)

A broad range of personal mobility devices or rideables including e scooters, e skateboards and segway's can be used in public spaces and road related areas in Queensland. You must comply with the road rules to use them. Rideables in Queensland **must**:

Be designed for use by a single person only; Fit the following dimensions: 1250mm in length, 700mm in width, 1350mm in height, OR 700mm in length, 1250mm in width, 1350mm in height; Have a maximum speed of 25 kph; Have a maximum weight of 60kg; Be powered by an electric motor; Have one or more wheels; Have a braking system; and have no sharp protrusions.

For everyone's safety ride in a safe and respectable manner, especially around pedestrians. Rideables don't need to be registered. You **must:**

Be at least 16 years of age or 12 with adult supervision; Wear an approved bicycle helmet; Not carry
passengers; Not use a mobile device; Not drink and ride; Have a working or steady white light on the
front, and a red light + reflector at the rear when travelling at night.

For more information on rideable rules, visit:

www.qld.gov.au/transport/safety/rules/wheeled-devices/personal-mobility-devices

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