



President's Message

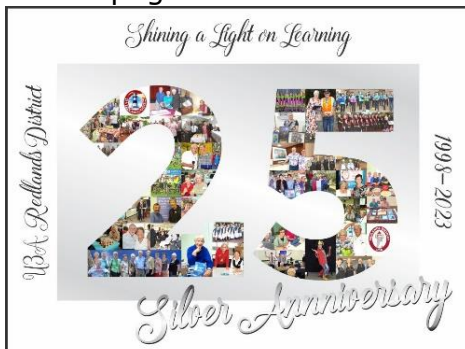
From Janese Lowe

May was another busy month, with U3A Redland delegates Julie Porteous, Liz Jeffs, and myself attending the U3A Network Queensland State Conference in Rockhampton from 8 to 11 May. This year, the conference was extended by an extra day and included international guests who joined with us to celebrate 50 Years of the U3A movement worldwide.

Any organisation that achieves 50 years worldwide is an organisation that is as relevant in 2023 as it was in 1973. Worldwide and for the first time in history, we are experiencing an ageing population and U3As play an important role in improving the lifestyle and wellbeing of our seniors.

Also in 2023, U3A Redlands is proud to be celebrating our 25th Anniversary Year commencing with an exhibition of static and dynamic displays to celebrate 25 wonderful years of **U3A Redlands – Shining a Light on Learning.**

There will be an invitation only Opening Event on Saturday 17 June. The exhibition will be held **at the Redland Museum, 60 Smith Street Cleveland** and will be open for general admission to U3A members and the general public for six weeks **from 7 June to 31 July.** More details on page 3.



Tell Us What You Like About U3A Redlands!

As part of our U3A Redlands 25 Year Celebrations, our March & April newsletters asked members to complete and submit a form entitled "What U3A Means to Me".

Submissions were a little slow, so we offered a coffee and cake voucher in April. Also, those who attended the Tutor and Volunteer Forum were advised that the 30 April deadline would be extended until the end of May, with two vouchers on offer. Thank you and congratulations to our **two coffee voucher winners:**

Di Colefax and Dale Andrews



Building Project Update

Quotation requests have been delivered. It is now time for comparison of results and the due diligence process before settling on a preferred builder and announcing a start date for our project!

Remember?

- We are taking donations now.
- Donations over \$2 to the Building Fund are 'tax deductible'.
- **Reduce your 30 June tax bill by claiming a tax-deductible donation.**

Building Fund Account Details

For Direct Deposits:

- Bank of Qld BSB: 124025
- Account: 23387501
- Ref: Name and Donation

OR Donate by credit card via our new-look website

<https://u3aredlands.com.au>

- Click Building Project at top right
- Click Donate Here button
- Then follow the prompts

U3A Rockhampton hosted U3A Network Queensland State Conference 8–12 May



L to R: President Network Qld Rhonda Weston AM; Conference Chair Henry Cope; U3A Rockhampton President Cheryl Wicks; Professor Francois Vellas, President AIUTA

Congratulations to U3A Rockhampton for a most successful annual conference and to celebrate 50 Years of U3A Worldwide. The theme of "U3A Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow" allowed us to look back with pride, enjoy today and look forward with enthusiasm.

The conference was opened by international guest Professor Francois Vellas, President AIUTA (Assoc International Universities of the Third Age) and the son of the U3A founder from Toulouse, France. There were approximately 190 delegates from around Queensland, Victoria, New South Wales and Western Australia.

Below are our U3A Redlands delegates enjoying the U3A Network Qld conference dinner.



L to R: Vice Pres Julie Porteous; Tutor Liaison Elizabeth Jeffs; and President Janese Lowe

Don't Miss Out 7 Days at the Seaside for just \$5 a Ticket Closing soon



- 1st Prize:** 7 nights holiday at Alexandra Headlands - Alex Seaside Resort Ocean View 2 Bed Apartment with Spa bath. Valued at \$1515 (Prize valid for 12 months)
- 2nd Prize:** \$100 Petrol Voucher.
- 3rd Prize:** 2 x Single or 1 Couple – U3A Redlands Annual 2024 Memberships. Value of \$60

DRAWN: Monday, 17 July 2023.
Proceeds to U3AR Building Our Future Project.

**Tickets or Books available at the
U3A Office.
Phone Jules on 3821 3888**





This year University of the Third Age (U3A) Redlands District celebrates 25 years of "Shining a Light on Learning".

Please join us for celebrations that will include an exhibition at the Redland Museum, Cleveland from the **7 June to 31 July**.

The Exhibition will feature important historical moments and achievements in the life of the U3A Redlands District, and also promote the wide range of academic and leisure courses currently on offer.

REDLANDS DISTRICT U3A

Shining a Light on Learning

U3A REDLANDS EXHIBITION DYNAMIC DISPLAY PROGRAM

Thursday 13 July 2023

- 10.30am Theatre
- 11.00am Scottish Country Dancing
- 11.30am Singing in the Chapel
- 12.00pm French
- 12.30pm Singing for Fun

Monday 17 July 2023

- 10.30am Ukuleles
- 11.00am Jewellery
- 11.30am Drawing and Watercolour
- 12.00pm Singing in the Chapel
- 12.30pm Piano Recitals

Tuesday 25 July 2023

- 10.30am Jazz and Tap
- 11.00am Singing in the Chapel
- 11.30am Piano Recitals
- 12.00pm Writers Reading
- 12.30pm Singing for Fun

GENERAL ADMISSION APPLIES
 60 Smith Street Cleveland Qld 4163
 Ph 3286 3494
 www.redlandmuseum.org.au

Located on Redlands Coast
 Redland Museum is sponsored & supported by Redland City Council

First Trivia Night in 4 Years

Book your table for a Fun Night
Saturday 15 July
 Redlands Memorial Hall

Remember the rivalry between the Foxy Trotters; the Bright Sparks; the Mad Hatters; the Evergreens and many more?

It is time to assemble your groups, name your teams and captain (table contact) and book your tables.

If you don't have a team, we will also take names for individuals wanting to join a group.

Register your Team Name; Table Contact; and upfront payment.

Full details and payment methods are in the flyer below.

Contact U3A Office (Jules) via Email:
admin@u3aredlands.com.au or **3821 3888**

REDLANDS DISTRICT U3A

Trivia Night

Saturday 15th July 2023

HAVE FUN - TEASE YOUR BRAIN!

Redlands Memorial Hall, 46 Smith Street CLEVELAND

Doors open 6pm, trivia starts 6:30pm

GAMES, PRIZES, MULTI-DRAW RAFFLE

Tickets \$15 each, or \$120 for a table of 8

BYO NIBBLES AND DRINKS - Complimentary tea, coffee, biscuits

Bookings: now open – email admin@u3aredlands.com.au or phone the U3A office with your credit card and table name

Direct Debit BSB 124 025, Account 23387501

Reference Surname and Trivia please

**** ALL MONEY RAISED WILL HELP OUR "BUILDING OUR FUTURE" FUNDRAISING FOR OUR NEW OFFICE ****



Writing for Pleasure

The pen is mightier than the sword.

This month our writers were asked to use a given picture of pebbles for inspiration for a very short piece. Geoff Hillier's story will send shivers down all our spines. Enjoy.



As I sat staring at my screen, thoughts about inanimate stones stifled any inspiration, but then the one in the centre, the ruby coloured and the blue bit actually moved. I stared at it and slowly the stone appeared to grow in size, the blue bit became a window. It spread out across the screen and little black dots grew larger and the screen went blank. The computer pinged and a message appeared 'We have emptied your bank account and taken your data, have a good day.'



Haywards Beach, near Camel Rock, Wallaga, NSW.

If you want to learn more about taking photographs with your digital camera, join the **CAMERAS AND PHOTOGRAPHY** Zoom sessions held on the first Wednesday of the month at 11:00am. Topics include focusing, exposures, composition, shutter speeds and the use of filters. Following many of the Zoom sessions is a workshop field trip so you can practise your new skills.

Contact: Tutor, John Burt - 0423 019 445



GERMAN - Continuing



(L to R): Keith Rigby, John Barker, Gordon Siebrecht, Debra Barker and Kay Long

The continuing German class took the opportunity recently to step out of the classroom and into the cinema to watch a film during the annual German Film Festival hosted by the Palace Cinemas in Brisbane. The film *Der verlorene Transport* (The lost transport) is based on real events. In the spring of 1945, a train deporting hundreds of Jewish prisoners gets stranded near a small German village occupied by the Red Army. Condemned to each other and in a context of deep mistrust, desperation and revenge, an unexpected friendship emerges between Russian sniper Vera, village girl Winnie and Jewish-Dutch woman Simone. *Continuing German runs Tuesday afternoons from 3:00-4:00pm at the Cleveland District State High School.*

New students are most welcome.

Contact: Tutor, John Barker - 0439746236.



**2023 Redlands Ekka
Show Holiday
Monday 14 August**

MAHJONG MADNESS!

**Experienced Mahjong
enthusiasts
Save the Date
for this fun event.**



ACCOUNTS HELP NEEDED PLEASE

Accounts is becoming extremely busy, and we need helpers in the office with the following:

- Writing Receipts
- Banking Money
- Reconciling
- Spreadsheets
- MYOB accounts processing

Alternatively, you may wish to volunteer to assist with some of our upcoming events.

If you have accounts experience or are keen to learn and can spare a couple of hours, please phone Jules in the office (3821 3888).



On Line Course.

- It's FREE and enrolments are now open
- Course opens on Tuesday, 4th July 2023
- Duration is 7 weeks, with an estimated effort of 3 hours per week
- You can study day or night, on your smartphone, tablet or computer
- Receive a personalised certificate on completion
- Our MOOCs are free and aimed at the general community
- Please encourage your friends, family and colleagues to sign up and enrol at: mooc.utas.edu.au/landing/ud5share

U3A Redlands members who have previously taken part in these online courses recommend them highly.

Thank You

COMMUNITY CELEBRATION OF VOLUNTEERS

The Community Celebrations event was held at Raby Bay Harbour Park on Saturday 13 May. This is an annual event to celebrate National Volunteer Week from 15 to 21 May and this year the theme was 'Change Makers'.

Huge thanks to Trevor Simmons and Deb Mitchell who co-ordinated U3A's part in this event and helped with set up and take down, plus manning the stall throughout the day. Others who volunteered were Charles De Wet; Patricia Simmons; Sally Roth; Mary Smith and Laraine Gon Chee. Thank you everyone for your help and ongoing support. It is very much appreciated.

We are also most grateful to Di Colefax for providing our brand new gazebo for the day.



Left to Right: Treasurer Charles De Wet; Office Co-ordinator Debra Mitchell and Tutor Patricia Simmons



Monday 9:00 for 9:30am
Donald Simpson
Community Centre
172 Bloomfield Street,
Cleveland

June 12: HUME AND HOVELL
Philip Castle, retired Journalist and History Enthusiast.

June 19: THINGS!
Jacinta Messer, Senior Commercial and Events Manager Qld Rugby Union

In an EMERGENCY
dial TRIPLE ZERO
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For NON-URGENT
Police contact call
POLICELINK
131 444

Crime Prevention Corner

Vehicle Security Tips for Families





- The majority of crimes reported in the bayside suburbs every week involve motor vehicles. Vehicles are either stolen or have valuables stolen from inside the vehicle. Vehicles parked in public places including streets and carparks at night are particularly vulnerable.
- Most of these crimes are committed by juveniles or young adult males.
- A significant factor why these crimes occur are that as many as one in seven (approximately 15%) of vehicles are left unlocked and / or insecure i.e.: valuables left in plain sight inside the vehicle.

Owners can minimise the risk of becoming victims of crime by taking some simple precautions.

- Lock it or lose it! Make sure your vehicle is secured and remove belongings when you leave it unattended - right down to loose coins. GPS units, dash cameras, mobile phones, tablets are very popular with thieves.
- Keep your car keys out of sight inside your home – not on the kitchen table. Often keys are stolen during house break-ins.
- Keep your garage door closed and secure at all times, even when you are at home.
- Lock your car when it is garaged and do not leave the key somewhere nearby.

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