

NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2021

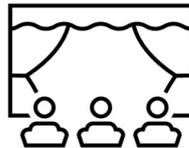
From the President's desk

Hello Fellow U3A Members.

Spring has definitely sprung with lots of growth in gardens and parks, largely due I think, to the steady downpours of rain recently. Vaccination rates are going up, covid cases are coming down and restrictions are becoming less and less. We can visit our friends and families anywhere within the state and hopefully borders will come down in time for Christmas. We're heading for covid "normal". Activities and courses are still on schedule although we are coming to the end of the term. I look forward to seeing you all at the AGM followed by a social get together on December 14th.

Your President - *Evelyn*

From the Treasurers desk



Mamma Mia

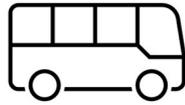
If everything stays as planned, we should be able to see Mamma Mia on the new planned date of **Saturday 29th January 2022 for a 2pm performance**. I will be assuming that anyone already booked and paid will be going unless you advise otherwise by the Annual General Meeting which is Tuesday 14th December. For the few people who have not paid but indicated they are definitely going it is now time to pay the \$60.00. If anyone is interested in going there are extra seats booked but will not be available after the 14th December. Contact Trevor on **0438205519**.

As this will be the last newsletter before the performance the coach will be leaving the Victoria Park bus stop at 10.30am. You will have time for lunch in Orange before the performance.

Membership 2022

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We hope that the Forbes U3A will be able to operate close to normal next year. As a result, membership fees for 2022 will be \$15.00 again but it will include a new name badge. You may pay at the AGM or the first meeting in February 2022.



Travel ideas

An opportunity has arisen for Forbes U3A to apply for a grant to subsidise a trip over a few days next year. Suggestions so far are Goulburn or Mildura. We have sent out an email to those who have given us their address asking for an expression of interest so that we can gauge the amount of people who are likely to want to go, results so far have been disappointing to say the least. Writing a submission to a government department for money is a very time-consuming task. We need to know how many people are interested and we are not asking for a commitment at this stage. I would like those members who don't have an email address to consider the opportunity to travel and to contact Anne Stewart on 0403874855 quickly as the application has to be in by November 15th.

Course/ activities attendances

In spite of the restrictions around covid 19, courses and activities have been reasonably well attended in a covid safe manner. There seems to be some reticence around attending which we assume is due to the covid 19 situation even as the restrictions decline. We would like to encourage everyone to dip their toe in the water so to speak next year and come along and enjoy the courses and activities. We also welcome suggestions and ideas for things to do.



Annual General meeting 2021 incorporating a social meeting

The AGM of the Forbes U3A will be held at **10:30am on Tuesday 14th December** in the Uniting Church Hall, you will all be aware that the restrictions on the numbers of people allowed in the hall have been reduced to 2 square metre's per person. Please put the date in your calendar. In the spirit of the upcoming Christmas season, we thought it would be nice to combine our last opportunity of the year to get together socially for a light lunch, **with everyone bringing a plate of finger food to share.**

IF you would like to nominate for a position on the committee. Please contact Anne Stewart on 0403874855. We would love some fresh committee members and fresh ideas.

