

WOTZON

Whittlesea U3A

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Sheet**

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Hello Everyone,

Great beginning to term 4 and with the longer daylight hours and somewhat better weather, the activity around events and classes is increasing. This week's WOTZON includes information about the Christmas Celebration lunch which is open to members and non-members, reports from classes and an expression of interest about the next High Tea set for January.

This coming Saturday, 26th of October is our Annual Whittlesea U3A Expo. It is being held at the May Rd Senior Citizen Centre between 10.00 and 2.00. Refer to the poster in this newsletter. We hope to see many Whittlesea U3A members and their friends there. Lots to do, see and buy. Looking forward to meeting you there some time during the day.

Last week I mentioned that the volunteers lunch (for our 2024 volunteers) was going to be held on the 3rd February. I have managed to change this to Wednesday 29th January so that it will not interfere with the beginning of the year and with the first Monthly Morning Tea. Invitations for this event will be sent out early in December and I hope all our fantastic volunteers will be able to attend.

Information about the upcoming enrolment period will start to be provided in the next WOTZON, at the next morning tea and on our website. Please keep an eye out for this information as there have been some very important changes to the enrolment process that members need to be aware of.

Hope to see you all at the Whittlesea U3A Expo this Saturday at May Rd. Don't forget to bring a friend.

Natalie Lim

WU3A President

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OFFICE HOURS for WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY 21st October

PETER LALOR CAMPUS

OFFICE WILL BE OPENED Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 10.00 TO 2.00 & Thursday 10.00 TO 1.00.

OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON FRIDAY

MAY ROAD CAMPUS OFFICE WILL BE OPENED: Tuesday 1.00PM TO 4.00 & Thursday - 9.00 TO 4.00PM

PAYMENTS FOR CHRISTMAS LUNCH AND OTHER EVENTS can be made at both offices during opening hours, Online, or at a WESTPAC bank.

Whittlesea U3A Banking details are:

Account Name: Whittlesea U3A Inc.

BSB: 033 137

Account Number: 189765

ALWAYS QUOTE YOUR MEMBER NUMBER WITH THE TRANSACTION.

Please contact the office during opening hours for assistance.

CLASSES FOR TERM 4 - THOSE WITH CHANGES AND CANCELLATION

Most classes are going ahead as normal this week with very few changes recorded at time of publication. If there are any changes those enrolled in the class will be contacted.

COMPUTER, ANDROID, SOCIAL MEDIA SUPPORT with SHOUKRY - this class will return 28th October.

WHITTLESEA U3A SENIORS' EXPO 2024



DATE: SATURDAY 26TH October

TIME: 10.00am TO 2.00pm

**LOCATION: MAY ROAD SENIOR CITIZEN CENTRE,
2B May Rd, LALOR**

Come to Whittlesea U3A Annual Expo

- * Watch DEMONSTRATIONS of Line Dancing
- * Listen to the fantastic SINGING FOR JOY choir performing at 12.00 on the main stage.
- * Visit the various MARKET STALLS and buy a bargain just in time for Christmas.
- * Buy a sausage or two at the **BBQ**.
- * Need help with your mobile phone (Apple or Android) or iPad/Tablet. Experienced members will be there to give advice and assistance.
- * Plus free tea and coffee served all day
- * Make sure you buy a ticket in our RAFFLE to be drawn at 1.00pm on the day. Ticket cost \$2 each.

MARKET STALLS ON THE DAY

- ◇ KNIITTING GARMENTS
- ◇ HOMEMADE CARDS
- ◇ ART EXHIBITION
- ◇ SEWING PRODUCTS
- ◇ EMBROIDERY
- ◇ JEWELLERY
- ◇ HOMEMADE CANDLES
- ◇ BASKETS
- ◇ HOMEMADE CLOTHING
- ◇ *And many more.*

ALSO PRESENT WILL BE REPRESENTATIVES FROM

- SHERWIN RISE RETIREMENT VILLAGE
- ARCARE AGED CARE

DON'T FORGET OUR MAJOR RAFFLE

FIRST PRIZE: \$500 VISA CARD
SECOND PRIZE: \$250 GIFT CARD donated by ARCARE
THIRD PRIZE: Hamper worth \$150.
TICKETS \$2. RAFFLE DRAWN 1PM AT EXPO

THANKS TO ALL OUR SUPPORTERS INCLUDING: Sherwin Rise, ARCARE, Kennards Hire, Harcourts Rata & Co., The Base Westfield, Wishez Flowers and Gifts, Pastry Paradise, COLES

Whittlesea U3A POLO SHIRTS

Members have indicated that they would like to purchase Whittlesea U3A polo shirts. We have been able to finalise prices with our supplier and am pleased to announce that there is no price increase. Whittlesea U3A Polo Shirts purchased this year will cost \$25. We will be placing an order at the end of October and will only be purchasing a very small number above those ordered. If you would like to order a polo shirt please contact the office on 9464 1339. Marion will contact you with information and size description. Sizes available range from Extra Small to 2 Extra Large. Shirts will need to be paid for with any order.

IF YOU HAVE TAKEN A BOOK OF RAFFLE TICKETS IT IS NOW TIME TO RETURN THE STUBS AND MONEY TO EITHER PETER LALOR OR MAY ROAD OFFICE OR AT THE OCTOBER MORNING TEA. ALL TICKETS MUST BE ACCOUNTED FOR SO PLEASE RETURN ALL STUBS, MONEY AND UNSOLD TICKETS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.



WALKING FOOTBALL GETTING READY FOR QUEENSLAND

"Members of the men's team which will go to the Pan Pacific games in Queensland in November were invited to play a friendly game against players from the Golden Sun Seniors Macedonian Community group. It was part of a festival run by the Community group on Sunday 13th October. Everyone enjoyed the game which ended in a draw and was watched by many spectators. After the game the players from Whittlesea U3A and City of Whittlesea were invited to stay for lunch. The Macedonian group presented us with \$200 to go towards the fund raising to get the teams to Queensland. A massive big thank you to Goran, his committee and all the members for their support"

PROPOSED HIGH TEA AT PARLIAMENT HOUSE - THURSDAY 23RD JANUARY 2025

With the success this year of our High Tea program it is proposed to run a one off event on Thursday 23rd January 2025 giving members (limited enrolment) the opportunity to attend a High Tea at Parliament House followed by a tour. The cost will be \$80. Unfortunately no discount is available.

There is a limit of 20 members and nonmembers who can attend the event. If you are interested in attending this function please contact me as soon as possible so I can make a booking. Because of the cost of this event payment will need to be finalised and money deposited into the Whittlesea U3A account no later than mid December. There is a minimum of 4 and a maximum of 20 who can attend.

Please contact me on 0412 230 561, (either by phone or text) or email me on natalie.l@whittleseau3a.org.au, if you are interested in attending. Once I have the minimum required number I will create the class. Both members and non-members can attend. Dietary needs are accommodated.

Thank You, Natalie Lim

END OF YEAR CHRISTMAS LUNCH (241MON36)

The Christmas lunch is on again this year and WOW there is no price increase. Check the calendar and either enrol online or call the office for assistance. It is open to both members (\$35) and non-members (\$40). There are already 90 people enrolled so don't miss out.

DATE: MONDAY 2nd DECEMBER

TIME: 11.15 – 15.00

COST: \$35 Members & \$40 Non Members

LOCATION: EPPING RSL, Harvest Home Road, Epping.

MAIN MENU

***MAIN:** TRIO OF ROASTS served with seasonal vegetables. Each plate will have a serving of ham, pork and turkey with roast potatoes and seasonal vegetables. All servings will be the same.*

***DESSERT:** Plum Pudding with custard.*

VEGETARIAN OPTION: (THIS MUST BE PRE BOOKED - CANNOT BE ORDERED ON THE DAY)

***MAIN:** Stir Fried vegetables with rice*

***DESSERT:** Individually served plum pudding with custard*

Other special Dietary changes may be available, however you will need to notify the course coordinator when you book as no last minute changes can be made.

DRINKS:

Tea and coffee and some soft drinks provided. Other drinks including alcohol can be bought at the bar.

SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS INCLUDING VEGETARIAN:

If you need a special meal please contact the course coordinator on 0412 230 561. **DO NOT CONTACT THE VENUE.** Not all requests can be accommodated so please call to discuss your needs.

Members need to enrol for this class as usual. Payments need to be finalised by Friday, November 22nd. No further bookings can be made after this date as the venue requires time to prepare. As you can see Non Members are also welcome to this event at a cost of \$40. Members who wish to invite non members need to contact the course coordinator on 0412 230 561 to book.

GROUPS/CLASSES MAY WISH TO BOOK A TABLE. PLEASE BOOK EARLY. All tables are made up of 12 people.

CALENDAR OF MAIN EVENTS - Term 4 2024 & Term 1 2025

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
OCTOBER 2024		
Saturday 26th 10.00— 2.00pm	Whittlesea U3A EXPO and Market	MAY ROAD CAMPUS
NOVEMBER 2024		
Monday 4th @ 10.30	Monthly Morning Tea FOCUS ENROLMENT 2025	Epping RSL
Monday 4th	PETER LALOR OFFICE CLOSED TODAY	Closed for Monthly Morning Tea
Monday 11th @ 9.30	Committee Meeting	Mernda Support Centre
WEEK OF 25th - 29th	LAST WEEK OF CLASSES FOR 2024	
Sunday 24th	Last Breaking News published for 2024	
DECEMBER 2024		
Sunday 1st	Last WOTZON published for 2024	
Monday 2nd @ 12.000	Whittlesea U3A CHRISTMAS FUNCTION	Epping RSL
Wednesday 4th 10.00	1ST REENROLMENT DAY	VENUE PETER LALOR CAMPUS
Thursday 5th 10.00	2ND REENROLMENT DAY	VENUE MAY ROAD CAMPUS
Sunday 8th @ 11.00	Line Dancing Christmas Social	Epping Memorial Hall
JANUARY 2025		
Thursday 23rd @ 12.00	Proposed High Tea (TO BE CONFIRMED)	Parliament House
Wednesday 29th	2024 Volunteers Lunch (By invitation)	Epping RSL
FEBRUARY 2025		
Monday 3rd	Monthly Morning Tea	Epping RSL
Monday 3rd	Beginning of Term 1 - most classes begin this week	Various Venuee

"Your Life Choices" is a publication that might be of interest to some members. It is a digital publication for the 50+ community. Its core focus is helping and informing Australians navigate midlife and retirement landscape. It provides the latest information in all subjects from health to finance etc. Best of all, it is completely free! The information was provided by one of our tutors. Hope you find it useful.

For more information they can just go to [Your Life Choices website](#).