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Hello Everyone,

This week I would like to remind everyone about the 2026 AGM which is being held tomorrow Monday 7th September at Robert Street Campus, Robert Street Lalor starting at 10.00. ALL MORNING CLASSES AT ALL VENUES WILL BE CANCELLED ON MONDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER to give everyone the opportunity to attend the AGM. This means that venues will not be booked for WhittleseaU3A classes during the morning of the 7th of September. All classes have been cancelled for the whole day at Robert Street. More information has been sent to members enrolled in these classes last week. Hope to see many members at the AGM.

Natalie.

WHITTLESEA U3A AGM 2026

This year the **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** is being held on Monday 7th of September. It will be held at **ROBERT STREET CAMPUS, Robert Street Lalor** beginning at 10.00am. All members are welcome to attend. This is your opportunity to decide who will be part of the Committee for 2026/2027, and to ask any questions you might have about classes, programs, yearly costs etc. It is important you have your say.

THERE WILL BE NO CLASSES AT ANY VENUE ON MONDAY MORNING, 7th SEPTEMBER AND ALL-DAY AT ROBERT STREET.

Bring a plate of food to share after the AGM whilst socializing with other members.

The following members have nominated to be part of the 2026/2027 Whittlesea U3A Committee of Management:

President	**Glen Wall**
Vice President 1	**Chris Czerny**
Vice President 2	**Kathy Lizio**
Secretary	**Jodi Lang**
Treasurer	**Peter Rodaughan**
General Committee	**Natalie Lim**
	Oliver Mc Aulay
	Kumar Chandra
	Kevin Whelan
	Marion Gaylard
	Bev Moore

THANK YOU,

Glen Wall,

President 2026

CLASSES AND ACTIVITIES INFORMATION TERM 3

LISA'S FRIDAY COMPUTER CLASS FOR BEGINNERS will not be held in Term 3. It will resume in Term 4.
CHRISTINA'S JEWELLERY CLASS will not be held between 2nd September and 18th October.
POLLY'S INTERMEDIATE CLASS has been cancelled on Thursday 17th September.

CLASS CANCELLATION – THE FOLLOWING CLASSES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED ON MONDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER DUE TO THE AGM

• Canasta with Christine	• Scrabble with June
• Exercise for Fitness with Helen	• Crochet with Freda
• Walk and Talk with Judy	• Indoor Walking Aerobics with Mary
• Mature Positively with Martes	• Line Dancing with Bev
• Tai Chi with Stick with Phu	• Tai Chi with Sword with Phu
• Tai Chi Class 1 with Phu	• Tai Chi Class 2 with Phu

NEW CLASSES

RAFFIA AND PAPER BASKET MAKING CLASS - 261MON26

DATES – MONDAY 28TH September 26TH October and 23RD November.
TIME – START 11.00 FINISH 14.00
TUTOR - BRUNA GAN
LOCATION – ROBERT STREET CAMPUS, Robert Street, Lalor
DESCRIPTION – ***this is the third set of classes being held this year. Class involves learning how to make baskets with either raffia or with paper. Kits to make Raffia baskets will be available to purchase in class for $10 and Paper baskets for $5. ***Please bring your own Sticky tape on a dispenser (for easier use) or Glue stick**** ***If you have projects from previous classes that you'd like to continue working on, you're very welcome to bring them along. You can also bring your own kit.***

CANASTA - MERNDA - 265FRI25

DATES – Weekly every Friday from Friday 9th October to 18th December.
TIME – START 13.00 FINISH 16.00
TUTOR - EDDIE DALFONSO (new tutor to Whittlesea U3A)
LOCATION – MERNDA SS SUPPORT CENTRE, 70 Mernda Village Drive MERNDA
DESCRIPTION – ***this is our second Canasta class and our first in the Mernda area. Canasta is a team card game. Playing canasta is a very sociable game where conversation flows between game status to social in nature. The main outcome of the class is to finish the activity with a sense of achievement and a sense of having had lots of fun. The activity is open to any level of canasta skills, so if you always had an interest to learn to play canasta, teaching the basics is always available.***

END OF YEAR LINE DANCING SOCIAL - 267SUN05

DATES – Sunday 6th December.
TIME – START 11.00 FINISH 16.00
LOCATION – EPPING MEMORIAL HALL, HIGH STREET EPPING
DESCRIPTION –This year the END OF YEAR Line Dancing Social is being held on Sunday 6th December starting at 11.00 (Doors open at 10.45). If you would like to attend, you need to enrol. Cost of this social is $5 for members and $10 for non-members. Remember to bring all food and a cup. Tea and coffee will be supplied. There are no designated tables so if you want a specific table with friends you need to get there early. As this is part of the Christmas/end of year celebration there will be a door prize and a number of spot prizes during the event. Doors open at 10.45am

WHITTLESEA U3A BANKING DETAILS ***for those paying online or at a Westpac bank.***

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Account Name: Whittlesea U3A Inc.
BSB: 033 137
Account Number: 189765

- **IF YOU PAY ONLINE, PLEASE PUT YOUR MEMBER NUMBER IN THE REFERENCE SECTION.**
- **IF YOU PAY AT A WESTPAC BANK, PLEASE ASK THE BANK TELLER TO INCLUDE YOUR U3A MEMBERSHIP NUMBER IN THE REFERENCE SECTION**

DON'T FORGET

SMOKING IS NOT PERMITTED INSIDE THE GROUNDS OF ANY OF OUR VENUES.

This is just a reminder that according to Government legislation smoking is not permitted inside any venues. This means that if you are at Robert Street you need to go outside the gate. If you are at a library or other Council venue you need to follow the signs placed near the front door. Fines may apply for anyone who does not follow these regulations.

MARK THE DATE

The Whittlesea U3A Market Day, previously called Whittlesea U3A Expo has been organised for Saturday 17th October between 9.30 and 3.00. This year the Market will be held at Robert Street Campus, Robert Street Lalor and we will be sharing the day with the Lalor and District Men's Shed. There will be lots of activities and some great bargains to buy just in time for Christmas. Tables will once again be available for members to hire and sell their HOME-MADE articles. Christine will be sending out information very soon about the cost of table hire and the process. Our major raffle for the year will also be starting soon. Cost of tickets will be $2 and prizes will be 1st prize $500 GIFT card; 2nd prize $300 GIFT card and 3rd prize $100 GIFT card. Limited number of tickets are still available from the office at Robert Street. Please help us by taking a book or 2 to sell to your family and friends.

Whittlesea U3A MAJOR ANNUAL RAFFLE.

Tickets to our major annual raffle are now available from some tutors and at the Robert Street Campus office from Monday 10th August. Cost of tickets are $2 each.

PRIZES ARE 1st prize: $500 gift card; 2nd prize: $300 gift card; and 3rd prize $100 gift card.

This is a very important raffle for Whittlesea U3A as it helps with the provision of programs, equipment and facilities that members enjoy over the year. It would be greatly appreciated if members could buy tickets and maybe even take a book or two to sell to family and friends.

Prizes will be drawn at the Market Day on Saturday 17th October at 2.00pm at Robert Street Campus, Robert Street Lalor, and you do not need to be in attendance to win.

YOU'RE INVITED!

Sherwin Rise Family & Friends Day

Enjoy footy & fizz

Get into the AFL Grand Final spirit with AFL legends David & Travis Cloke, enjoy a free BBQ, family-friendly entertainment, and connect with your local community.

Saturday 19 September, 11am – 2pm
Sherwin Rise, Clubhouse
40 Chetwynd Grove, Wollert

What's on:

- Meet & greet with AFL legends David & Travis Cloke
- Enjoy a delicious free U3A BBQ
- Family-friendly entertainment including giveaways
- Discover the Sherwin Rise community

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Whittlesea U3A Inc.

Whether you're a passionate footy fan or simply looking for a fun day out, come along and discover why so many residents love calling Sherwin Rise home.

To RSVP or to learn more visit sherwinrise.com.au
or call 1800 550 550.
Retire with confidence.

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WOTWEDO CORNER

Hi Everyone,
My name is Oliver.
For all enquiries, contact me by email: oliver.m@whittleseau3a.org.au
I hope you are well and welcome to my ninth edition of: **"WOTWEDO CORNER"**
My aim is to create a "***Buy Swap and Sell***" environment on a small scale (nothing commercial) and to **Showcase** what we do.
So, let's begin…

With a special thank-you to Samad Mahkri for use of his drawing/artistic skills obtained from Jill's Drawing and Art Class. He has been a great asset in helping us paint our 3D printed models.

Some background. An issue arises when we want to print an object that contains many colours. This would generally take *many, many* hours to print on the 3D printer. And so, we "cheat" a little bit. We print the object in one colour and then hand paint it with the various colours needed. After a few painting failures, we found we had a resident "Rembrandt" in our 3D class, by the name of Samad. Attached are two of his artworks. The "Alien" was originally all grey (including deck chair) and the "Buddha" was all white.

Whittlesea U3A Class Survey 2026

Just a reminder that Class Survey forms will be available at the AGM on Monday 7th September. Please take a few moments to complete the questions. Your feedback will then be used to better improve or deliver services to our membership.
If you cannot attend the AGM, then spare forms will be available at Robert Street reception or else contact me on my email address above.

English Grammar:
Which sentence is correct and why?

a) *If I was a rich man, I would…*
b) *If I were a rich man, I would…*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS – Term 3/4 2026

DAY	EVENT	COMMENTS
SEPTEMBER 2026		
Monday 7th 10.00	AGM	Robert Street Campus, Robert Street, Lalor
Monday 14th 9.30am	COMMITTEE MEETING	Robert Street Campus, Robert Street, Lalor
Friday 18th	END OF TERM 3	MOST CLASSES END TODAY
Saturday 19th 10,00 - 1pm	World Reflexology Day Bookings essential	Epping Memorial Hall – Function Room
OCTOBER 2026		
Monday 5th	TERM 4 BEGINS	Most classes begin this week
Monday 5th 10.00	MONTHLY MORNING TEA	Robert Street Campus, Robert Street, Lalor
Monday 12th 9.30am	COMMITTEE MEETING	Robert Street Campus, Robert Street, Lalor
Saturday 17TH	WHITTLESEA U3A & MEN'S SHED MARKET	Robert Street Campus, Robert Street, Lalor
NOVEMBER 2026		
Monday 2nd 10.00	MONTHLY MORNING TEA	Robert Street Campus, Robert Street, Lalor
Tuesday 3rd	MELBOURNE CUP HOLIDAY	NO CLASSES TODAY
Monday 9th 9.30am	COMMITTEE MEETING	Robert Street Campus, Robert Street, Lalor
Friday 27th	END OF YEAR CLASSES	MOST CLASSES FINISH TODAY
Monday 30th	END OF YEAR CELEBRATION	VENUE TO BE DECIDED
DECEMBER 2026		
Tuesday 1st	2027 ENROLMENT BEGIN	ONLINE AND FACE TO FACE AT ROBERT STREET CAMPUS
Sunday 6th	END OF YEAR LINE DANCING SOCIAL	Epping Memorial Hall