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*Learning for Life*

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U3A Deniliquin Inc

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**Dear Member,**

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**You will undoubtedly have noticed that the days are getting longer, but, have no fear, it is not quite Spring yet, so no immediate need for gardening travails or spring-cleaning. It could be a good time to come and savour the interesting sessions your U3A is presenting. For details see the timetable below. There are very few changes. One change is that Margaret Russell’s interesting session between 3 & 4 on Wednesday afternoon is switching from *Australian Literature* to *Australian History.***

**To enable us to join the modern world our president Alison Wilson is engaged with the U3A whizzes and we will soon have our own website. More details later, and accompanying this newsletter is a report from our president on the 2015 U3A conference.**

‘LUNCHEON WITH A LAWYER’

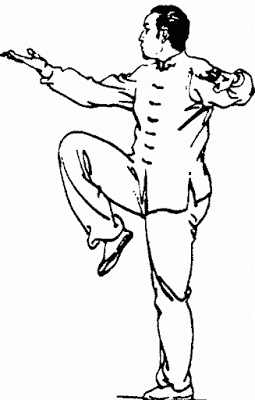
**Our usual *opening of new term* luncheonis scheduled for Thursday the 16th of July, with our guest speaker Karen Bowley, a lawyer who visits Deniliquin regularly. She will speak from 11am - Noon on the topic *Wills, & General or Enduring Powers-of-Attorney*. She will also be happy to answer any questions that you would like to put to her. As usual, come along with food to share, to listen, ask questions and renew acquaintances.**

**The game of Bridge is still the flavour of the month. Never tried bridge!! It’s so popular that it must have something----beginners, improvers and intermediate, all with our U3A, plus clubs, international tournaments and social games with friends.**

**Our *Improvers* and *Beginner’s* classes are on Friday morning with Dinny Downie and Tony Cullenward, chalk in their hands. Intermediate bridge is held on Thursday mornings with Steve Briggs.**

**For full details see the timetable below----there are very few changes.**

**I was somewhat mystified by the failure of the once-a-month *Walking* to attract a few more. It used to be a fairly well attended activity. It has been dropped for the time being, but if it had escaped your notice and you would really enjoy, say, a two-hour stroll through nature’s fields, let us know and we will try again.**

**Jan Renwick’s Monday morning session of Taichi certainly has a regular clientele. I’m not sure whether it’s the music or the exercise, but it is a healthy way to start the week.**

**Incidentally, we are always open to any suggestions for other subjects or activities, whether physical or mental, or even both.**

**Things to do on Monday**

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| **9 – 10am** | **Taichi with Jan Renwick. A popular activity designed as health-giving, suitable for the unfit as well as the fit.** |
| **2 – 4pm** | ***I-Pads* with Anne Sinclair, June Moon and Jan Cook** |

**Things to do on Tuesday**

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| **11am–12 noon** | **C:\Users\Workventures\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\RHYXCPRA\3863187045_da2df89379[1].jpg*Music for Everyone* with Wendy Beck. Bring along music you would like to share** |

**Things to do on Wednesday**

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| **10–11 am** | ***Scattegories* etc*.* with Sue McMillan** |
| **11– noon** | ***Discussion Group* with Helen Burnham & Ray Kirby.** |
| **12 – 1pm** | ***Italian for beginners* with Sonia Slatich** |
| **1 – 2pm** | **LUNCH BREAK** |
| **2-3pm** | ***German for beginners* with David Schoeffel** |
| **3-4pm** | **C:\Users\Workventures\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\34EDTUQ2\australia_flag_map[1].png*Australian History* with Margaret Russell** |

**Things to do on Thursday**

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| **9 – 11 *a*m** | ***Intermediate bridge* with Steve Briggs** |
| **11 - 12** | ***French for Travellers* with Margaret Russell** |
| **12 -1 pm** | ***French for Beginners* with Margaret Russell** |
| **2 – 4pm** | ***Mahjong with* Diane Ho** |

**Things to do on Friday**

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| **9 – 11am**  **And also at**  **9 – 11am** | ***Improvers* *Bridge* under the still amusing tutelage of Dinny Downie in Room 1 and the *Beginners Bridge* with Tony Cullenward in1our usual room.** |
| **11 – 1pm** | ***Play reading* with Robert Apedaile and ‘Thespians’.** |

**Sympathy. Where is it in the dictionary??.**

**Barry returned from a doctor's visit one day and told his wife Carol that the doctor said he only had 24 hours to live. Wiping away her tears, he asked her to make love with him. Of course she agreed and they made passionate love. Six hours later, Barry went to her again, and said, 'Darling, now I only have 18 hours left to live. Maybe we could make love again?' Carol agreed and again they made love.**

**Later, Barry was getting into bed when he realized he now had only eight hours of life left. He touched Carol's shoulder and said, 'Darling? Please? Just one more time before I die?' She agreed, and then afterwards she rolled over and fell asleep. Barry, however, lay there awake and listened to the clock ticking in his head, tossing and turning until he was down to only four more hours.**

**He tapped his wife on the shoulder to wake her up. 'Darling, I only have four hours left! Could we...?' His wife sat up abruptly, turned to him and said, 'Listen, I'm not trying to be funny, Barry, but I have to get up in the morning - you don't.'**

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**If you wish to communicate with fellow members to advertise anything such as an event you are involved in, let us know and we will find space for it.**

**U3A 2015 Conference**

**13th June, 2015**

**Sue Gatacre and I attended the NSW 2015 conference hosted by Southern Highland U3A. We went to the Don Bradman Museum for a meet and greet. We were given a dance card with the idea being to speak with and get as many signatures on your card, whilst juggling a glass of punch and some finger food. This we found too challenging and left early.**

**Thursday was at the Mittagong RSL as per programme (tabled). The keynote speaker was Hugh Mackay author of the Art of Belonging and he spoke on the subject.**

**We were networking throughout the day and the following is what we achieved.**

1. **The setting up of the Deniliquin U3A website by the webmaster Ern Hollerbone. He will email me later this week with the details.**
2. **How to get access to the U3A resource library. Given a copy of a double DVD for us to watch.**
3. **Speaking with Beth Denny about balance and bones. She said every U3A has been given a copy.**
4. **Spoke with members of Cootamundra U3A regarding Anne Delaney talkback radio – we get on the programme to promote Deni U3A.**

**The Southern Highland newspaper attended on Thursday and you can view these photos on** [**http://www.southernhighlandnews.com.au/story/3048003/u3a-state-conference-photos/#slide=12**](http://www.southernhighlandnews.com.au/story/3048003/u3a-state-conference-photos/#slide=12)**.**

**About 30 musicians from the Southern Highland Buskers played some music for us.**

**The dinner on Thursday night was great, lovely meal, good company and 3 quizzes (we needed Sue on our table).**

**Friday was the AGM and Forum. I will report on this later.**

**Conference closed with about 50 Southern Highland Choir members (singing a bracket of songs, beautifully I might add).**

**Overall I believe this was a very productive time for us.**

**Alison Wilson,**

**President**

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