

U3A CROYDON BULLETIN - WEEK 35

Dear Members,

Did you try to get on to the Zoom Special General Meeting last Thursday and had no luck? Yep, me too! It turns out our Zoom licence had a limit of 100 participants, which happily was reached very quickly and the special resolution was passed, but a little frustrating for those who were keen to get involved. But can I say, well done, to everyone who answered the call to attend, even if you ultimately couldn't get in. We very much appreciate your commitment to Croydon U3A.



There's a lot of information to absorb in the coming weeks about enrolment for 2021, so I have devoted a second page of this Bulletin to the messages from Merv Amos, who is Course Coordinating and Sue Lakeland who is managing the enrolments roster.

You should have received an enrolment pack via email which gives you instructions and tips on how to navigate the

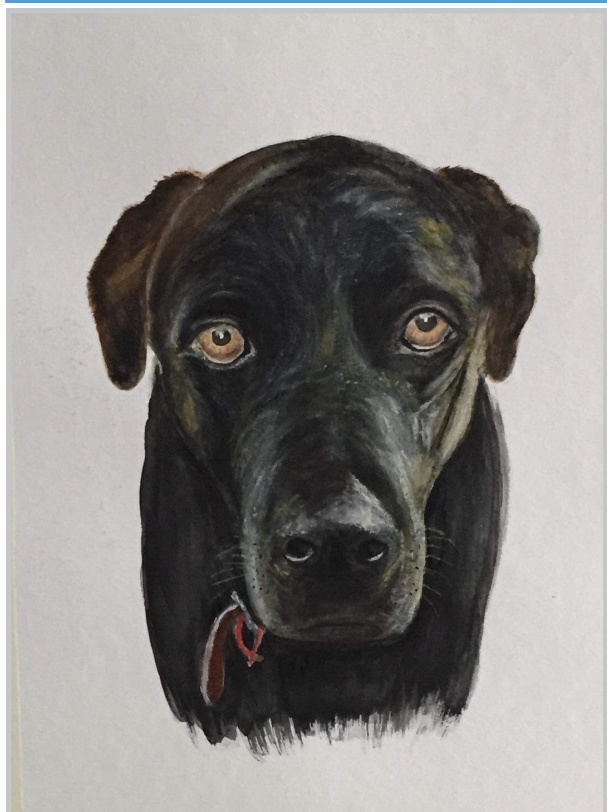
website for 2021 enrolment. While many of you have enrolled online before, it's a little different this year with the upgraded member section but if you follow the instructions you won't have any problems, and hopefully find it easier. For those of you who don't usually enrol online, can I urge you to give it a go? Like all things new, it may seem a little daunting at first but please give it a shot. Perhaps a friend or relative can give you a hand.

I hope you are enjoying the great art work being provided by Jenny Tiller's art class. Last week was a clematis on a trellis which I wrongly credited to Jilly Fletcher. The credit for that lovely painting should have gone to Barbara Ferdinands. This week's painting of the adorable lab is by Jilly Fletcher. My apologies to both those artists for getting it wrong.

If you would like to submit an item for the bulletin, please write to: newsletter@u3acroydon.org.au

Take care, keep busy and keep in touch with friends and family. Ingrid

give
it a
Go!



MaroondahConnect

A call to MaroondahConnect, our community support phone line, can help you access a range of local resources, services and community organisations.



Has COVID-19 left you feeling lonely, more anxious or worried than usual? Or are you in need of some help?

Are you finding you need a little extra help during these challenging times? We can help you access a range of emotional, practical and social supports if you are feeling lonely or isolated or facing some difficulties. Reach out to our friendly team during business hours.

Phone: **1300 88 22 33 or 9298 4598**

Email: maroondah@maroondah.vic.gov.au

Some things are better unsaid
which I usually realise right after I've said them!



**You said everything
would be back to
normal after June.
JULYED!**



A small group have been practising Yoga in the Park at Cheong Park. We have found a lovely shady, quiet spot, to spread out our mats. There is so much joy and peace, practising in the fresh air, looking up to blue sky, the canopy of trees and hearing bird song. Then after a good stretch and relaxation, as if on cue, to hear the raucous cackle of a kookaburra. I truly can recommend practising in the outdoors! Namaste, Dee Morice.

ENROLMENT - 2021

It was great to see so many of our dedicated Tutors attending our Zoom meeting last Thursday. With the world of uncertainty we have endured this year our planning for a return has never stopped.

Presently we are able to offer our members 53 different courses and these courses will be either run on Zoom or in outdoor areas.

At this stage we have not been given permission from council to enter our venues without a strict cleaning regime. Conditions may change before we commence our 2021 year and if so, you can be sure we will be ready to open up all the other courses for enrolling.

In the new "UMAS for Members" all 2021 courses have been loaded. Initially you will not see the courses that are closed (*ie courses that we can't run until we can get back into our venues*). In order to view these courses, you need to click the "Filter" button at the top of the list. This will open up the many ways you can filter the courses you are interested in. On the left-hand side under the heading "Exclude" click on the box "Closed Course" to remove the tick, then select "Apply Changes" at the bottom of the page. All the closed courses will then be visible but with a lock against them so you will not be able to select the course to go in your cart but you will be able to see all the details of the course. As soon as we have confirmation that the venues are available to us these courses will be opened up to members for enrolment.



A request to tutors: Please go onto the site as soon as possible and check all the details on the screen to see that your course information is still relevant. Take particular note of the maximum number as we may be restricted with the numbers for each of the venues due to DHHS guidelines. Also check that your description is current. Could you also let me know if you have a Co-Tutor for your class? All changes can be sent to Merv at:

u3amamo@gmail.com

Merv Amos

**TRY OUT
YOUR
PASSWORD
BEFORE
ENROLMENT
DAY**

TUTORS Would you like to promote your class for next year? Send me some information to include in future bulletins.



2021 membership fee for Croydon U3A is only \$35 for new and existing members



Enrolment Week 2020

Online enrolments will commence **Monday 7th December at 10am**. Please check you know your password before enrolment week. There is a Password reset day Wednesday December 2nd 10am-12noon, for anyone having a problem resetting their password. Instructions are in the Enrolment Pack.

For members who are unable to enter their enrolment online there will be phone assistance available as per the days and times listed in the Enrolment Pack. Trouble shooters will also be available by phone should members have a problem completing their own enrolment online. Full details are in the Enrolment Pack which has been emailed to all members, with an email address. Please check your junk or spam boxes, if you have not received it.



For those people who don't have an email address the Enrolment Pack has been mailed. Please take the time to sit down and **read the Enrolment Pack thoroughly**. There is a lot of information in it to help you with your enrolment and resetting your password.

Sue Lakeland

KEEP AN EYE ON THE COURSE LIST FOR 2021

A lot can happen between now and February 2021. As restrictions ease more courses and activities may become available. Check out the website regularly to see if anything has been added.



Croydon U3A website

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