

U3A CROYDON BULLETIN - WEEK 36

Dear Members,

I was cycling past a business in Ringwood yesterday and couldn't help but notice the big sign on the window. It said "People Matter and Change is Possible". Those words made me think of Croydon U3A. Whilst our core business is courses and activities for retirees, all provided by our terrific volunteers ... the most important and vital aspect of Croydon U3A is you, the people. Making new friends, enjoying the companionship, sharing interests and leading an active and engaged life is what makes Croydon U3A tick.



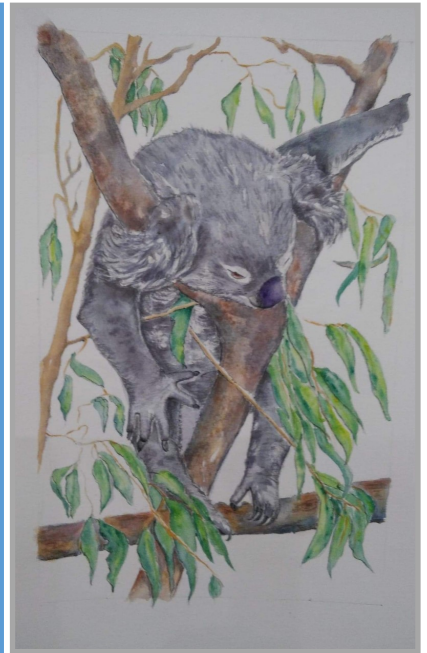
"Change is possible" .. another statement that is particularly relevant this year and for the future. Being flexible and embracing change is what gives you the tools to optimise your future. Consider all possibilities and make the most of opportunities, even if they are not exactly what you are familiar with. Who knows where it could take you.

Thank you to Heather Mosley for the lovely painting of the koala.

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

Term 1, 2021
commences on
Monday 1st
February



EXPLORE MELBOURNE

We will be running in 2021 in a slightly different form. As soon as we have the go ahead from the office our intention is to source places of interest to which we can drive.



Have a good safe Christmas. We look forward to seeing everyone next year.
Gwen and Joy



I've realised much during this isolation period. That it isn't so much that I miss going to the cinema, it's about being able to eat my chocolate in the dark where no one can see me or interrupt me eating my secret stash!



(Thank you Marion W)

AUSTRALIAN HISTORY

Every week the members of our Australian History class contribute to a fascinating bulletin with stories of our past.

Last week's edition tells an amazing story about a little Aussie Battler from Leongatha in country Victoria and his determination to see the newly built Sydney Harbour Bridge. The story is too long to reproduce here but if you Google *Lennie Gwyther* you will find several entries about this plucky little boy. There's even a bronze statue of him in the town of Leongatha.



The Official flag of 2020



Husband and I went grocery shopping with masks, got home, took off masks, brought home wrong husband! Stay alert people!

Join the Sunflower Effect project



Free sunflower seeds for Maroondah residents!

Be a sunflower in someone's day



Where to collect your sunflower seed packs

Council's customer service centres at Realm and Croydon Library
Arabab Community House - Allamban Drive, Bayswater North
9294 7530

Central Ringwood Community Centre - Bedford Road, Ringwood
9870 2602

Glen Park Community Centre - Glen Park Road, Bayswater
9720 5097

North Ringwood Community House - 35 Tortice Drive, Ringwood North
9876 3421

Yarrunga Community Centre - Croydon Hills Drive, Croydon Hills
9722 8942

Plant the sunflower seeds to share hope and brightness in your street.
Why not collect some for your neighbours too?

More information

For more information email bekind@maroondah.vic.gov.au or call 1300 88 22 33.

