

# U3A CROYDON BULLETIN

## 10 February 2021

Dear Members,

Now that classes and activities have started for 2021 it is important to have some predictability around the publication of our bulletins and newsletters. So, for this term, Bulletins will be published on a fortnightly basis (dates of publication in the green box below) We will review this schedule term by term and advise of any changes.

Everyone has a story to tell. Check out our U3A website (About Us—Prism Videos) where you can view a 3 minute video all about Gwen Owen, leader of our Explore Melbourne group. Geoff Kidd, and Trevor and Joy Bellinger are also featured.

Thank you to Heather Mosley for the incredibly rendered painting of the hawk.

As always, please send your contributions for the bulletin to:

[newsletter@u3acroydon.org.au](mailto:newsletter@u3acroydon.org.au)

Ingrid - Newsletter Editor

### BULLETIN PUBLICATION DATES - TERM 1

Wednesday 24 February, 2021

Wednesday 10 March, 2021

Wednesday 24 March, 2021

**Please make sure I have your contribution by the day before publication. Thanks :)**

### Music Appreciation Class

(12:45 - 2:45 Mondays)

We are in need of additional participants to ensure our continuation.

We listen to, watch and discuss classical European music, folk and popular music, jazz and music from other cultures.

Contributions from class members are welcome.



Please contact tutor Greg Nicholas 0447 233 139 or email [g.k.nicholas@gmail.com](mailto:g.k.nicholas@gmail.com) to find out more.

### TERM DATES 2021

Term 1: Monday 1st February to Thursday 1st April

Term 2: Monday 19th April to Friday 25th June

Term 3: Monday 12th July to Friday 17th September

Term 4: Monday 4th October to Friday 3rd December



Someone sent me an email about using vodka for cleaning around the house.  
It worked !! The more vodka I drank, the cleaner the house looked.

### FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello U3A Croydon members.

The hectic last week of January enrolments has been completed after some issues with our internet connection that have now been resolved. The work of the committee and other volunteers over this time was outstanding.



I am pleased to advise that after the enrolment we had 822 members, either renewing or joining and we had been able to place 93 classes in facilities around the Croydon area. Great work by Treasurer, Sue Martin and other committee members.

We have worked closely with Maroondah Council to establish working COVID-19 protocols for each of these facilities. All tutors have been given a tote bag containing a copy of the QR Code for that class, a log sheet for manual sign ins, hand sanitiser, sanitary wipes and a disposable plastic bag. These must be used at the start and finish of each class. The QR code app can be downloaded from Google Play Store or Apple APP Store (look for the Service Victoria app).



We now have the computer room annex functioning properly and I hope that we can work in some classes there once COVID-19 allows. We also need to lobby Maroondah Council about the use of the old Council Chambers, now that the refurbishment appears to have been completed..

In the meantime, stay safe, at least until vaccinations have been completed.

Regards, Neil Rose,



### GOING TO BE ABSENT FROM A CLASS?

Please don't ring the office to advise of your absence from a class. You need to contact your tutor directly by phone or email.



All tutors should have supplied their contact details to their class members

And please ..... remember to wear your name tag to all your classes.



## IMPORTANT NOTICE !

### ELECTRICAL TESTING AND TAGGING FOR 2021

Like all organisations, the U3A is obliged to have all the electrical equipment it uses both at its venue and offices as well as in its classes tested and tagged by a professional electrician or licensed company. Our obligations are in line with WorkSafe Victoria guidelines.



**SATURDAY MARCH 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2021 – STARTING AT 8 A.M.** (please adhere to social distancing and hand sanitising according to our COVID Safe Plan). All electrical equipment used by the office, used by the U3A at our various teaching locations **and importantly used by members who bring their appliances regularly to class will be tested and tagged.**

We therefore ask all tutors and members to make their electrical devices available at the U3A on this day at this time. Testing will take approximately 2 hours. **All testing will be done at the U3A office. There will be no cost to members and appliances will be available for return to members by 10 a.m. on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> March.**

Members can leave their electrical item at the U3A office on the Friday before (March 26<sup>th</sup>) between the hours of 12.30-1.30 p.m. Each item **MUST BE** labelled with the member's name, class and phone number.

A reminder email will be sent to all tutors before the testing day asking them to work with their class to ascertain their tagging requirements.



Please contact either Sue Martin on [treasurer@u3acroydon.org.au](mailto:treasurer@u3acroydon.org.au) mobile 0411 380 688 or Allan Hawkins on [allhwk@yahoo.com.au](mailto:allhwk@yahoo.com.au) phone no 0439 301 133 for further assistance.

**FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL MEMBERS, ANY ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT THAT HAS NOT BEEN INSPECTED AND TAGGED ON SATURDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> MARCH MAY NOT BE USED DURING A U3A CLASS.**

Your support in this process is needed!

Sue Martin, Treasurer

## NEW FROM IKEA



## SOCIAL DISTANCE BENCH

## RULE NUMBER 1:



*The world tongue-twister champion just got arrested.  
I hear they're gonna give him a really tough sentence.*

## COMPUTER CORNER

COMPUTER TIPS (ONLINE)  
COURSE CODE: 21COM203

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> -31<sup>st</sup> March @ 10.00 – 11.30

This Course is being conducted online via ZOOM. You must have an understanding of how to use Zoom prior to enrolling in this class. These tips will help you to use your computer more efficiently. Although I have conducted this class before I have added more tips since such as YouTube tricks, Recovering Deleted files, QT Tabbar in File Explorer, Using Quick Parts and inserting a file path in Word and much more. Check out the website for more of the tips that will be included in this course. **Enquiries Trevor or Joy 9729 9308**

