

**U3A Geelong**  
**Bulletin - 14<sup>th</sup> July 2024**

We begin Term 3 just so happy to be back to classes and the opportunities to catch up with friends. This Bulletin contains important information, as usual, about the rest of the year.

**SOCIAL EVENTS:**

We still do not have full access to the kitchen however we expect our licence to arrive and the plumbing work to be done. I know it's cold and many of you might choose to stay at home, however, the prospect of a Happy Hour and a Half may lure you to the comfort of the Chapel.

**HAPPY HOUR** (and a HALF!) The Committee of Management are pleased to invite you.

Friday the 26<sup>th</sup> of July

Time 3.00pm – 4.30pm

Cobbin Farm Chapel

Nothing to bring except yourselves and a happy disposition!

**TUTORS' WORKING LUNCH**

This will be the only one for the year and it is very important that you attend. Much has changed in administration requirements for everyone and we need tutors to be up to speed and work with us.

Jill Lewis will be speaking about administrative changes.

Anne Miller will be informing you of the new Health and Safety requirements.

Both of these Committee members have worked incredibly hard to review and update everything in line with 2024 requirements.

I will be speaking to you about your 2025 arrangements. I can hardly believe that it is timetable time again. Where has the year gone? For me to get the Course Booklet done for Open Day I really need your co-operation with this please. I will also have the new Tutors' Manual for each of you.

WHEN: MONDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> JULY

WHERE: COBBIN FARM CHAPEL

TIME: 11.00AM – 2.00PM

Lunch will be provided for you. We will break halfway through.

You will need to register your attendance (for catering purposes) with the Office no later than Wednesday the 24<sup>th</sup> of July. Please notify any dietary requirements.

**LET'S DO LUNCH** WILL RETURN when the okay for the kitchen has come through.

**MELBOURNE CUP DAY:** TUESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> OF NOVEMBER

Yes, the annual Cup luncheon will be going ahead. Time to start planning.

**OTHER IMPORTANT DATES:**

**OPEN DAY:** will be on WEDNESDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER. I will be looking for details of those classes wanting to mount exhibitions.

**SENIORS' FESTIVAL:** This runs from the 1<sup>st</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> of October right around Victoria. The Committee is working on a special event for our members as well as being open to members of the community.

**ENROLMENT DAY:** Will be on Friday the 29<sup>th</sup> of November. More details to follow.

**TUTOR'S AND VOLUNTEERS BREAK UP LUNCH:** This will be earlier this year in mid-November. More details to follow.

**DON'T FORGET OUR UPCOMING LECTURE:**

## **WRITING FROM IRAN TO AUSTRALIA**

Born in Iran in 1972, Shokoofeh Azar is an Iranian refugee - arriving in Australia in 2011 via Turkey, Indonesia and a boat to Christmas Island.

She was a journalist in Iran and had to leave. Since, she has written a book: *The Enlightenment of the Greengage Tree* (2020). Shortlisted for Booker Prize and Stella Prize in 2020. She has a daughter at the end of primary school in Geelong.

Shokoofeh will talk about her time in Iran and her family, her escape and now her time in Geelong. And why her book.

You will need to enrol online or through the Office.

This is one-off presentation.

This promises to be fascinating.

Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> of August

Cobbin Farm Chapel

1.00pm – 2.00pm

### **TECH CAFÉ:**

I've had a few enquiries about this new program which will run on a Monday from 12.00pm – 1.00pm. It is run on a drop-in basis if you want some help with your phone, ipad, tablet, laptop or all of the above.

Grant Wilson sends his apologies – this will not start for a couple of weeks – he is ill and has a 90<sup>th</sup> birthday that he must attend (not his it must be said) I will update you in the next Bulletin.

I think that is enough for you to take on board – the Newsletter for Term 3 will be published shortly so make sure you catch up on what has been happening and read about some interesting people. My thanks, as always, to Daphne Sands.

Kind regards,

Nanette Tunnicliffe

U3A Geelong President/Secretary