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NOTICEBOARD Month 2023

Congratulations to all members of the 2023 committee. It is wonderful to see people stepping forward for the executive roles and keeping our U3A going after 3 fairly tumultuous years. It was also gratifying to see such a good attendance at the recent AGM. Also, much gratitude to the outgoing committee. Your work is much appreciated by all members.

The 2023 Committee is: <u>President</u>: Irene Telford <u>Secretary</u>: Jo Gooden <u>Treasurers</u>: Margaret Flynn and Heather Baetge <u>General Committee Members</u>:

Trish Archer, John Stares, Carol Smith, David Clarey

Requests from the Committee

A Welfare Officer has been appointed (Alice Hall) and, to help her with her responsibilities, when anyone knows of a member who is going through a rough patch or is ill and whose spirits would be lifted by a heartfelt card, please let the U3A office, or a committee member, know.

Also, as the Notice Board will be used to send publicity to the Seymour Telegraph, it would be really appreciated if everyone could tell us what is going to happen rather than just what has happened in each group. Maybe we can entice a few more members to join when they know what they are going to do.

We, the members of U3A, pay for room usage from our funds. If the room is not used but has been booked, we still have to pay for the room. As a very easy way to save money please let Irene know if, for any reason, you will not be using a room that has been booked, so that it can be unbooked. About a week's warning will be necessary.

Reports from Groups

Luncheon Club

On Thursday 9th Feb 16 members of the Luncheon group met at the Seymour Club for a delicious lunch and to greet each other again after the Christmas break. It was good to meet new member Rhonda and to say hello to Louise again.

On Thursday 9th March we are meeting at the Trawool Shed at mid-day – hosts are Ginny and John Jennings. E-mail will be sent out to members next week with fuller details and phone numbers.

- Margaret Flynn

Mahjong

As always new members are most welcomed. As Heather will be absent from the sessions at times Dawn would really like someone else with whom to play.

- Heather

Garden Matters

Wednesday 15th February group members met at Pat's property in Anzac Ave Seymour. Under sunny skies, Pat gave a brief history of the old Station Master's house and the cottage garden she has been developing for the past twelve years.

Pat's garden held many interesting plants and wildlife including bird baths, a newly installed pond, metal animals, reading nooks, several chooks, fruit trees and a unique ivy tree. Pat showed members her solutions to pesky birds, lots of beautiful roses and abundant wisteria which surround her house.

Many thanks to Pat for showing us her beautiful garden and her generous hospitality. March meeting details will be forwarded directly to registered members. The theme of this next visit will be garden design.

For general info:

Open Garden March 18 & 19 – Sunnymeade Kithbrooke, located between Kelvin View & Strathbogie town.

March 29 to April 2 - Melbourne Flower Show

- Pam Lawler

Melting Pot

There will be no Melting Pot in March but plans are underway for a speaker in April. More details to follow in the next Notice Board.

Potted History

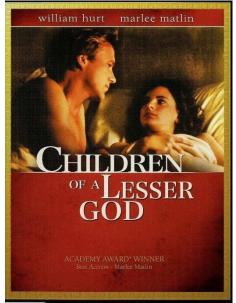
Our February session was a planning session with some plans coming together for the next few months. The March session will be a visit to Violet Town. As one member said, "I go up for the market but have never visited any other part of the town." We will be meeting at Chittick Park at 9.30am where car pooling will occur. Two sites to be visited are the site of the Southern Aurora crash and the Memorial Park in Violet Town dedicated to the crash. It has some wonderful etched glass displays and explanations regarding the crash. There are also some historical sites in Violet Town to be visited. Depending on time, a visit to the dingo haven may be on the agenda. Morning tea at the memorial would be a good time to have a break so bring along your thermos and some nibbles.

- Heather

Travellers

Our trip to Melbourne on February 23rd was extremely successful. Anne and Marnie would like to have a planning session with all members, and potential members, of the group. It was too noisy and fragmented last Thursday to have a successful meeting. There will be a meeting at Baracca Lane this Thursday, March 2nd, at 10am. See you there.

Thursday Matinee Showing March 16th.



Starting his new job as an instructor at a New England school for the deaf, James Leeds (William Hurt) meets Sarah Norman (Marlee Matlin), a young deaf woman who works at the school as a member of the custodial staff. A romance slowly develops between the pair in spite of Sarah's withdrawn emotional state due in part to her difficult relationship with her mother (Piper Laurie). Matlin, who is deaf in real life, won the Academy Award for Best Actress for this, her first film role.

Walk & Wonder

On a recent walk we went out to Hughes Creek, where we were immediately struck by the swathes of white sand smothering the vegetation and creating the appearance of a different creek. Huge trees had been carried down, and the vegetation was smothered or washed away, the bare bones of the creek were laid bare. This has never been seen in living memory. Where did the sand come from? Near, and above Bungleboorie, the sand in the creek was non-existent. So much to be amazed at. The educated guess was that this was the famous sand slugs, lifted and deposited by high wild water flows. Now we can keep an eye on the regeneration. Glad we were there and feeling awed.

- Lesley

All notices for the next Noticeboard need to be emailed to U3A (<u>seymu3a@gmail.com</u>) and Heather (<u>123hbee@gmail.com</u>) on or before

March 22nd

If you have any photographs of any activities, or busy groups, please email them to U3A <u>and</u> Heather.

Noticeboard will be sent out on March 27th.