



# Colac Otway Learn Laugh Live

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### GALLOPING GOURMETS

A huge thank you to Rob Wilmot for hosting our group at his house for



a delicious meal of pizza. They were indeed deserving of the description "gourmet". Our next lunch will be at Fusion, 58 Murray St, Colac on Tuesday 9th May at 12:30 Duncan's modern Australian menu features dishes that showcase the best that our region has to offer while delivering flavours from all over the globe. This is always a popular venue with our gourmets. Please ring Sandra on 0428 284 084 by Friday 5th May if you wish to attend.

### LET'S HAVE DINNER

The next dinner is booked at the Colac East Hotel on the fourth Wednesday of the month, 24th May at 6pm. Please ring Jacqui on 0411 296 617 by 19th May to book if you would like to attend this evening.



*Robyn, Rod, Rosemary, Judy, Clare, Juli, Margaret & Jenny*

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Angela Thomas has stepped down from President due to family commitments and at our AGM I was elected president for the coming term. Thank you, Angela, for your contribution. I would also like to thank Michael Allison and Jacqui Campbell for their contributions to our U3A over many years. They are all leaving the committee but will stay members of U3A so we will still enjoy their company.

We have a strong committee, Jen Todorovic, Clare Short, Robyn Perrin, Judy Comley & Rod Morgan returning, and we warmly welcome Margaret Evans & Juli Farquhar. Barbara Gower will continue keeping the office running smoothly, Viv Wheeler will keep us all up to date with the monthly Informer. Another behind the scenes group is the Courses Committee, Barb Gower, Judy Comley, Debbie Baillie, Lexie Picken, Sara Matthews, Sandra Gormley and Craig Webster. This group coordinates the programmes, not an easy task. With Activity Leaders who enjoy providing their courses, and yourselves who attend the courses and volunteer in the office we are well placed for the coming year.

Being on the committee is fun and satisfying, however people do leave so we always need new members. Are you interested? May be you would like to come and sit in on a committee meeting – just let us know.

Cheerily

*Rosemary Richardson*

## INDUSTRY VISIT

A visit to the Hycel Project at Deakin University's Warrnambool Campus has been organised for Thursday 18th May from 10am -12noon

Hycel is Deakin University's hydrogen program and is focused on technologies that use hydrogen rather than processes that produce it. The Hycel Technology Hub is currently under construction on the Warrnambool Campus. The Hycel Technology Hub is cofounded with State and Commonwealth support and will be a 'living laboratory' that translates lab results into real-world solutions. This bespoke building is an Australian first and uniquely places the South West Victorian region firmly on Australia's hydrogen map.

Deakin Warrnambool welcomes you to the campus for a discussion with Hycel Project Coordinator Loren Tuck and a site visit to see hydrogen research facilities first-hand. Lunch is available in the Campus Café. Please book at U3A Colac Otway Office for the information session and for lunch by 12th May. Phone 5231 4435 Hours 10-12 Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday.

Meet Rosemary at the Brother Fox Cafe at 9:45. Brother Fox Cafe is in Building H. Car Park 2 (CP) is the closest. There will be a map at the U3A office.

## GARDENERS

The Gardeners have a treat for our May event with 4 acres of garden to enjoy.



VENUE:

Graton Gardens, 48 Roadknight Street, Birregurra.

DATE:

Thursday 25th May, 1pm.

COST: \$5

Please invite

your friends to attend too.

## DANCES ON TUESDAYS at 3.00pm

Would you like to learn to dance? or revise? or just dance for fun...and fitness, improved brain function and memory?

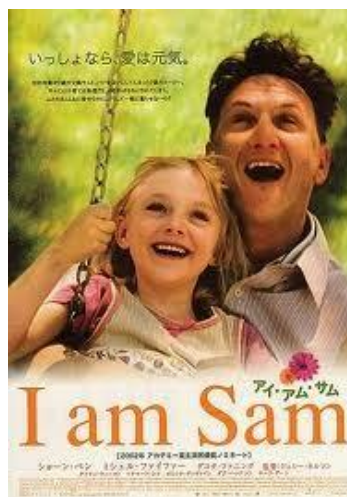
We're doing all this on Tuesday afternoons commencing on May 9 from 3.00 – 4.00pm at Kanyana back room.

Music will be from CDs. Wear flat-soled shoes that are non-grip, preferably with leather soles. Bring partners if possible, but everyone is welcome.



## MOVIE LOVERS

We will show another DVD in the back room at Kanyana on Friday 12th May at 2pm, followed by a small afternoon tea for 50 cents. This month we will show "I Am Sam". This movie tells the story of a



mentally-challenged father raising his daughter, Lucy, with the help of a unique group of friends. As she turns seven and begins to intellectually surpass her father, their close bond is threatened when

their unconventional living arrangement comes to the attention of a social worker who wants Lucy placed in foster care.

**MANDARIN.** On Monday 1st of May we will meet at Kanyana to discuss frequency of lessons, time and day etc. Anyone interested please contact Sue Holmes -52338438

## KNITTING GROUP:

Our Knitting/Crochet group had a great start welcoming new members. Our Charity Beanies are progressing well so we will hand over our supplies to a social worker contact in Colac in July. So, for those who wanted to contribute by knitting them at home, it is not too late. Contact Sue Reid for wool if you need it.



## SOCIAL MACHINE EMBROIDERY:

**PLEASE NOTE :** There will be NO social machine embroidery in May.

## COMING IN JULY

Excursion to the National Gallery of Vic.

## REMBRANDT Exhibition

Wednesday 5th July. More details later.



## BEGINNERS FRENCH

Monday 1st May 1-2.30pm  
at COPACC  
All welcome.

## FIRST NATIONS - course overview

A course which takes us from 70,000 years ago to today. The course gives the history of the Australian Indigenous people from the Day of Creation to the landing of Captain Cook, ending with the Uluru statement from the Heart. Videos showcasing the Indigenous voice followed by discussion are at the core of the program followed by discussion. Commencing **Tuesday 9th May at 4pm.** at Kanyana.



Enthusiastic music lovers and players came together for “**All about Chords**” - Rob, (who must get a **gold star** for tutoring this month & making pizza) along with Garry and Matt played and explained chord structures in music.

## BIGGEST MORNING TEA

Cancer research fundraiser. Every dollar raised makes an incredible difference to those impacted by cancer. Enjoy a social morning tea & help us raise funds for the Cancer Council. Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May, 10am-12noon, at Kanyana  
RSVP Jenny by 22nd May - 0409 026 406  
**Gold coin donation.**



*Before you criticize someone, walk a mile in their shoes. That way, when you do criticize them, you're a mile away and you have their shoes.*

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**U3A Committee:** Rosemary Richardson (Pres), ?(V.Pres), Clare Short (Min.Sec), Jenny Todorovic,(Corr.Sec) Robyn Perrin (Treas), Judy Comley, Rod Morgan, Juli Farquhar, Margaret Evans, (members).

**U3A Other Positions:** Janet Forbes (Membership) Barbara Gower (Office manager), Vivienne Wheeler (Informer Editor);

**Course list 2022 – Ring the office to book into classes & information. Kanyana - F = front room, B = back room, O = office.**

<b>ARTS AND CRAFTS</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>DAY</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VENUE</b>	<b>DETAILS</b>	<b>OTHER COMMENTS</b>
Embroidery	Weekly	Thursday	10 – 12.30	Colac Library		
Knitting & Crochet	3rd May	Wednesday	10-12noon	New Deli Cafe	First Wed. of month	See Informer
Patchwork and Quilting	26th May	Friday	9.30-12.00	Kanyana F –		
<b>BRAIN FOOD</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>DAY</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VENUE</b>	<b>DETAILS</b>	<b>OTHER COMMENTS</b>
Book Club	11th May	Thursday	2-4pm	Colac Library	2nd Thursday	
Bridge	Weekly	Monday	12.00 – 4.00pm	Kanyana B		New Players welcome
Bridge – teaching session	26th May	Friday	12.15 – 2.45pm	Kanyana B		Last Friday of month
Chess	Weekly	Friday	10am – 12 noon	Kanyana F		New members & beginners welcome
Colac Writers Guild	Weekly	Tuesday	10am – 12noon	Colac Library		New members always welcome.
Cryptic Crosswords	Weekly	Thursday	11am – 12 noon	Kanyana F		Beginners welcome
First Nations	9th May	Tuesday	4pm	Kanyana	See Informer	
Mahjong	Weekly	Wednesday	1.30 -4.00pm	Kanyana F	Please enroll at the office	
Puzzles	1st & 15th 29th May	Monday	10-11am	Library	1st & 3rd & 5th Mondays	
Shakespeare	2nd, 16th, 23rd, 30th May	Tuesday	10am-12noon	Kanyana B		Weekly but not 2nd Tuesday
Social Cards & Scrabble	Weekly	Tuesdays & Thursdays	10am – 12 noon	Kanyana F		Scrabble Tuesday only
What’s in the news	8th & 22nd May	Monday	11am-12.00	Kanyana B	2nd & 4th Mondays	
<b>LANGUAGES</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>DAY</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VENUE</b>	<b>DETAILS</b>	<b>OTHER COMMENTS</b>
French Conversation	Weekly	Monday	2.30 - 4.30pm	Colac Library	Beginners 1pm at COPACC 1st May	See Informer
Mandarin	1st May	Monday	4pm.	Kanyana		See Informer

<b>HEALTH AND WELL BEING</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>DAY</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VENUE</b>	<b>DETAILS</b>	<b>OTHER COMMENTS</b>
Bushwalking	10th & 24th May	Wednesday	9.00am to finish of walk	Various	2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4th Wednesday each month	If you are new, contact leader via the Office.
Cycling - SLICS	Weekly	Monday	9-10am	Botanic Gardens		Contact Sue on 0419136704
Dancing on Tuesdays	Weekly Starts 9th May	Tuesdays	3-4pm	Kanyana B		Old time/New Vogue, some instruction.
Tai Chi / Qi Gong beginners	3rd, 10th & 17th May	Wednesday	12:15 -1.15	Kanyana B	3 weeks only	
Tai Chi / Qi Gong skillbuilders	3rd, 10th & 17th May	Wednesday	1.30 – 2.45	Kanyana B	3 weeks only	
Walking Group	Weekly	Friday	9 – 10am.	Botanic Gardens Meet at the gate	Participants choose walks. Cuppa to follow	
<b>MUSIC</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>DAY</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VENUE</b>	<b>DETAILS</b>	<b>OTHER COMMENTS</b>
Classic Music Evening 1 & 2	15th May	Monday	6:30 to 9 pm	Members' homes	3rd Monday of month	
<b>SOCIAL INVOLVEMENT</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>DAY</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VENUE</b>	<b>DETAILS</b>	<b>OTHER COMMENTS</b>
Biggest Morning Tea	25th May	Thursday	10-12noon	Kanyana	Gold coin donation	RSVP - 0409 026 406 by 22nd May
Galloping Gourmets	9th May	Tuesday	12.30	Fusion 58 Murray St. Colac	Details in the Informer	Book- Sandra, 0428 284084
Gardeners – Potting Shed	25th May	Thursday	1 pm.	Graton Gardens Birregurra	Details in the Informer	Cost \$5
Let's have Dinner	24th May	Wednesday	6.00pm	Colac East Hotel	Details in Informer	Book- Jacqui, 0411 296 617 by 19th May
Movies	12th May	Friday	2pm.	Kanyana B	2nd Friday.	Movie - I am Sam
Industry Visit Hycel	18th May	Thursday	10-12noon	Deacon Uni .Warrnambool	See all details in the Informer	Book by at Office by 12th May
<b>TECHNOLOGY</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>DAY</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VENUE</b>	<b>DETAILS</b>	<b>OTHER COMMENTS</b>
Macbooks, iPads, & iPhones	Weekly	Thursday	1.30 – 3.30pm	Kanyana B		Weekly
Windows Laptop	Weekly	Wednesday	10am-12noon	Kanyana B		Weekly

Classes by week days - some are single session\*, others are weekly, twice monthly or monthly  
See course lists.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun.
<p>9.00 Cycling-Slics</p> <p>10.00 Puzzles</p> <p>10.30 Activities C'tee meeting</p> <p>11am What's in the news</p> <p>1pm.French Beginners</p> <p>12.00 Bridge</p> <p>2.30 French Conversation</p> <p>6.30pm Classic Music - both groups.</p> <p>4.00 Mandarin</p>	<p>10.00 Social Cards &amp; Scrabble</p> <p>10.00 Committee Meeting</p> <p>10.00 Colac Writers Guild</p> <p>10:00 Shakespeare</p> <p>12:30 Galloping Gourmets</p> <p>3.00 Dancing</p> <p>4.00 First Nations</p>	<p>9.00 Bushwalking</p> <p>10.00 Windows Laptop Surface</p> <p>10.00 Knit. &amp; Crochet</p> <p>12.15 Tai Chi beginners</p> <p>1.30. Tai Chi skillbuilders</p> <p>1.30pm Mahjong</p> <p>6:00pm Lets Have Dinner</p>	<p>10.00 Industry Visit*</p> <p>10.00 Social Cards</p> <p>10.00 Embroidery</p> <p>10.00 Biggest Morning Tea *</p> <p>11.00 Cryptic Xwords</p> <p>1.00 Gardeners</p> <p>1.30 Mac, iPad, iPhone</p> <p>2.00 Book Club</p>	<p>9.00am Walking</p> <p>9.30 Patchwork &amp; Quilting</p> <p>10.00 Chess Club</p> <p>12:15 Bridge beginners</p> <p>2.00 Movie Lovers</p>	<p>Sat</p> <p>Sun</p>