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ROTORUA U3A FEBRUARY 2017 NEWSLETTER

NEXT COMMUNITY FORUM

Date and time: **Wednesday 15 February – 10 am** (doors open 9.30 am)

Venue: **Bridge Club Rooms, Neil Hunt Park, Tarawera Rd., Lynmore.**

Guest Speaker: **Phil Andrews**

Topic: **"Tarawera, Terraces and Travellers' Tales –
an illustrated talk about the Pink and White Terraces"**.



Rotorua U3A member Philip Andrews has written several volumes of history about the Rotorua district as well as a biography of Reverend Thomas Chapman, about whom he has also written for *The Dictionary of New Zealand Biography*.

All U3A members (and friends) are invited to attend

Light refreshments will be provided at the beginning of the meeting.

A reminder to all Rotorua U3A members

Mel Bowen is our **U3A Almoner**. He is always ready and willing to visit, call on or telephone any one of our members who may be unwell. If you (or someone you know) would like to get in touch with Mel, please call him on

345 3221, or email almoner@u3arotorua.com

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The Committee was pleased to acknowledge the sterling work done by Rotorua U3A Group Convenors by inviting them to a celebratory lunch in January. Here's one sample of the reactions:

"Hello Peter, I would like to say just how much I enjoyed the luncheon yesterday and especially meeting with the other Convenors; I was made to feel very welcome. It was great seeing a group of such enthusiastic leaders enjoying each other's company. No wonder the groups are attracting more members - having fun is what it's all about. Thank you."

Group News

Do remember to check out our U3A website, www.u3arotorua.com which features a profile (with photograph) of one of our groups each month.

"Writing for Families" has proved to be so popular that Pauleen Wilkinson has started a second group. See the list on page 3 for contact details. Pauleen says:

"Writing for families - for future generations - is a very satisfying hobby. Getting started is not always easy, but by joining our group of like-minded writers, the sharing of ideas, will have you tapping on your key board. It may be just an item which evokes a memory long forgotten, or, it could be family history; the choice is yours. Come and join us."

Ian McPherson, who has been teaching yoga for 25 years has offered to start a **Yoga Group** in March. There may be a small charge for venue hire.

Please contact Peter Wood (3455099 or st.peter@paradise.net.nz) if you are interested.

Phil Andrews, our speaker at the next Community Forum, has just published his twelfth book, a biography of Rotorua's 19th century geyser expert Camille Malfroy. Malfroy moved to Rotorua days after the 1886 eruption to take charge of the township's water supply, and was later made chairman of the government-appointed Rotorua Town Board. Phil will have copies of the book available at the Forum.

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Or contact our Treasurer, Ann Sullivan (Ph 3481991).

CURRENT ROTORUA U3A INTEREST GROUPS

Topic	Time	Contact
Armchair Readers	2 nd Thursdays 10.00am	Joce Andrews 3459443
Art history (1)	2 nd & 4 th Mondays, 2.00pm	Anne Hunt 3487680 annedon@clear.net.nz
Art history (2)	2 nd & 4 th Thursdays 2.00pm	Lyndall Hermitage 3624496
Book Reviews (1)	3 rd Mondays, 2.00pm	Jill Nicholas 3479647 jill.nicholas@gmail.com
Book Reviews (2)	4 th Mondays, 2.00pm	Di Edwards 3483548 diedwards@kinect.co.nz
Cooking for One	Check with Kevin Quick.	Kevin Quick 3572792 kwix@xtra.co.nz
Current Events (1)	1 st & 3 rd Thursdays 10.00am	Ann Bosomworth 3458339 annbos189@gmail.com
Current Events (2)	1 st Wednesdays 10.00am	Blanche Kingdon 3487990
Current Events (3)	2 nd Tuesdays 10.00am	Jim Hartwig 9854146
Ethnic Dining	3 rd Wednesdays, 6.00pm	Annie Wells 3458494 or 027 4595157
Films/Theatre	1 st Mondays, 12.30pm	Jenny Mitai 3483903 Margaret Lett 3439223 margaretlett@gmail.com
Gilbert and Sullivan Operettas	4 th Wednesdays, 2.00pm	Ann Sullivan 3481991 annsullivan822@gmail.com
History	2 nd & 4 th Fridays, 9.30am	Brian Gillespie 3487611
Knitting & Crochet Enthusiasts	1 st & 3 rd Fridays 10.30am	Miriam Ruberl 027 2487542 miriam.ruberl@gmail.com
Numero Group	Every Friday, 1.00pm	Margaret Neale 3485696
Pacific Studies	2 nd Wednesdays, 10am	Graeme Ennor 3486219 graeme.ennor@xtra.co.nz
Philosophy	2 nd & 4 th Thursdays 2.00pm	Peter Wood 3455099 st.peter@paradise.net.nz
Photography (1)	2 nd & 4 th Tuesdays 2.00pm	Jim Hartwig 9854146 wieland00@gmail.com
Photography (2)	2 nd & 4 th Fridays, 10.00am	Carol Patterson 3572523
Poetry	2 nd Thursdays 1.00pm	Margaret Lett 3439223 margaretlett@gmail.com
Science & Engineering	2 nd & 4 th Mondays, 10.00am	Tony Charlton 3322183
Singing – the “Grey Warblers”	Twice monthly – time and venue notified by e-mail	Kevin Quick 3572792 kwix@xtra.co.nz
Spanish Conversation	1 st & 3 rd Fridays, 1.00pm	joan.wood@paradise.net.nz
Travel Group	4 th Thursdays, 2.00pm	Doris Scott 3492720
Visits	1 st Fridays, 1.30pm	Judy Somerville 3572292
Walking Group	2 nd & 4 th Fridays, 9.20am	annsullivan822@gmail.com Peter Wood 3455099
Writing for Families (1)	1 st & 3 rd Fridays, 9.30am	Yvonne Rock 3575665
Writing for Families (2)	2 nd Mondays, 9.30am	Pauleen Wilkinson 3486244