



Website address: www.u3arotorua.com

ROTORUA U3A OCTOBER 2017 NEWSLETTER

NEXT COMMUNITY FORUM

Date and time: **Wednesday 18 October - doors open at 9.30 am.**

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

*How appropriate that in New Zealand Conservation week (14-22 October)
we shall be hearing from*

The Canopy Conservation Trust

In 2012 staff of Rotorua Canopy Tours realised that the area of native forest in which they operate was overrun by possums, rats and stoats. They created a 35km trapping network using world-leading technology and have removed thousands of pests from the Dansey Road Scenic Reserve. With the support of the Department of Conservation, the Canopy Conservation Trust has been formed to continue their efforts.



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

For those who need to know, our bank account details are:

Bank: **ASB** Name: **U3A Rotorua** Account Number: **123155 0129267-01**

Rotorua U3A 2017/18 Committee

President	Peter Wood	345 5099	stpeterwood@gmail.com
Vice President	Paddi Hodgkiss	345 6639	patpaddihodgkiss@gmail.com
Secretary	Jenny Mitai	348 3903	jenettemitai@yahoo.com
Treasurer	Ann Sullivan	348 1991	annsullivan822@gmail.com
Group Coordinator	Peter Wood	345 5099	stpeterwood@gmail.com
Newsletter	Ruth Gadgil	348 1836	ruth.gadgil@xtra.co.nz
Almoner	Mel Bowen	345 3221	mel.bowen@xtra.co.nz
Members	Jim Hartwig	985 4146	wieland00@gmail.com
	Alison Brown	345 7640	alib@memoriesmatter.co.nz
	Veronica Morgan	348 2735	vlmorgan@nowmail.co.nz
Website Manager	Andrew Patterson	345 6337 or 027 9243003	andy@pat.gen.nz



Very many thanks to **Margaret Lett, Alison Simmonds and Dorothy Bowen** who make sure that tea, coffee and biscuits are ready for us at the Forum meetings.

A New Group

What was the Sulphur City Square and Round Dance Club has now reformed and joined U3A as the **Square Dancers Group**. We are looking for interested U3A members who might like to take part in or learn square dancing. We start on Tuesday 10th October at Parksyde Community Centre 10:30am-12:30. New members are very welcome and there will be a beginners class that will meet each Tuesday until the 21 November, then start again in February.

Contact Paul Smith if you are interested at 345 9585 or pc.smith5215@gmail.com



No stress!
Instructions given -
very informal.

Have you heard about FutureLearn?

FutureLearn is a massive-scale social learning platform, drawing on expertise from The Open University, BBC, social media designers and other universities. It is a new way of learning. Online courses of a few hours per week over 2-6 weeks cover a wide range of topics. It's free and would be ideal for small groups of members to tackle cooperatively. The Rotorua U3A Committee believes that FutureLearn would be a good way of adding value to what U3A has to offer. Take a look at what is available at <https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/categories> and send your comments to Peter Wood at stpeterwood@gmail.com

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

If you receive this newsletter by post and there is a coloured sticker here → → your subscription to Rotorua U3A is overdue. Please pay to:

Bank: ASB Name: U3A Rotorua Account Number: 123155 0129267-01

Or contact Peter Wood who is acting Treasurer this month (Ph 345 5099).

ROTORUA U3A INTEREST GROUPS 07.10.17

Topic	Time	Contact
Armchair Readers	2 nd Thursdays 10.00am	Joce Andrews 345 9443
Art history (1)	2 nd & 4 th Mondays, 2.00pm	Anne Hunt 348 7680 anneanddonhunt@gmail.com
Art history (2)	1 st & 3 rd Mondays, 2.00pm	Lyndall Hermitage 362 4496
Book Reviews (1)	3 rd Mondays, 2.00pm	Jill Nicholas 347 9647 jill.nicholas@gmail.com
Book Reviews (2)	4 th Mondays, 2.00pm	Di Edwards 348 3548 diedwards@kinect.co.nz
Cooking for One	Check with Kevin Quick.	Kevin Quick 357 2792 kwix41@icloud.com
Current Events (1)	1 st & 3 rd Thursdays 10.00am	Ann Bosomworth 345 8339 annbosomworth@gmail.com
Current Events (2)	1 st Wednesdays 10.00am	Blanche Kingdon 348 7990
Current Events (3)	2 nd Tuesdays 10.00am	Jim Hartwig 985 4146
Ethnic Dining	3 rd Wednesdays, 12.30pm	Annie Wells 027 4595157
Films/Theatre	1 st Mondays, 12.30pm	Jenny Mitai 348 3903 Margaret Lett 343 9223 margaretlett@gmail.com
Gilbert and Sullivan Operettas	4 th Wednesdays, 2.00pm	Ann Sullivan 348 1991 annsullivan822@gmail.com
History	2 nd & 4 th Fridays, 9.30am	Brian Gillespie 348 7611
Knitting & Crochet Enthusiasts	1 st & 3 rd Fridays 10.30am	Miriam Ruberl 027 2487542 miriam.ruberl@gmail.com
Número Group	Every Friday, 1.00pm	Margaret Neale 348 5696
Pacific Studies	2 nd Wednesdays, 10am	Graeme Ennor 348 6219 graeme.ennor@xtra.co.nz
Philosophy	2 nd & 4 th Thursdays 2.00pm	Peter Wood 345 5099 stpeterwood@gmail.com
Photography (1)	2 nd & 4 th Tuesdays 2.00pm	Jim Hartwig 985 4146 wieland00@gmail.com
Photography (2)	2 nd & 4 th Fridays, 10.00am	Carol Patterson 357 2523
Poetry	2 nd Thursdays 1.00pm	Margaret Lett 343 9223 margaretlett@gmail.com
Science & Engineering	2 nd & 4 th Mondays, 10.00am	Mel Bowen 345 3221 mel.bowen@xtra.co.nz
Singing – the “Grey Warblers”	Twice monthly – time and venue notified by e-mail	Kevin Quick 357 2792 kwix41@icloud.com
Spanish Conversation	1 st & 3 rd Fridays, 1.00pm	Helen Alquezar 347 9274
Square Dancers	Tuesdays 10.30am until 21 Nov.	Paul Smith 345 9585 pc.smith5215@gmail.com
Travel Group	4 th Thursdays, 2.00pm	Doris Scott 349 2720
Visits	1 st Fridays, 1.30pm	Judy Somerville 357 2292
Walking Group	2 nd & 4 th Fridays, 9.20am	annsullivan822@gmail.com Peter Wood 345 5099
Writing for Families (1)	1 st & 3 rd Fridays, 9.30am	Yvonne Rock 357 5665
Writing for Families (2)	2 nd Mondays, 9.30am	Pauleen Wilkinson 3486244

The best vitamin for making friends is B₁.