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ROTORUA U3A APRIL 2019 NEWSLETTER

NEXT COMMUNITY FORUM

Date and time: **Wednesday 17 April - doors open at 9.30 am.**

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

Topic: **Language, a lifetime skill**

Speaker: **Annette Stock, Speech Therapist**

Annette is an innovative teacher and speech language therapist who works alongside parents and teachers with students who have difficulties in the area of speech, language and literacy development.



Light refreshments will be provided at the beginning of the meeting

All U3A members and friends are invited to attend.

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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

Rotorua U3A is still expanding

We now have 405 financial members

We are still working hard at publicity. A table has been booked at the Age Concern Expo to be held at the Energy Events Centre on 14 April. Committee and members will be there from 9am to 5pm to demonstrate our activities and to answer questions. Jim Hartwig is even preparing a video for the occasion!



CHRISTCHURCH

When it's dark enough you can see the stars.
Why do we need the darkness in order to see the stars?

Writing For families – Group Two.

Do you have family stories floating around in your head?
Why not get them down on paper so that the next generation can see what life was like, back in the day? We are an enthusiastic bunch who meet on **second Mondays of the month at Parksyde 10.00 am-12.00 noon.** Some of us even stay on for lunch and a debrief.
Looking forward to hearing from you.
Contact Pauleen; 3486244 or pauleen.w@xtra.co.nz



Were you fooled?

There are several theories about the origin of April Fool's Day. Some speculate that it dates back to 1582 when France switched from the Julian calendar to the Gregorian calendar. People unwilling to accept January 1 as the date of the new year became the butt of jokes and hoaxes. These included having paper fish placed on their backs and being referred to as "poissons d'Avril" (April fish), said to symbolise young, easily-caught fish or gullible persons. Others think it was tied to the vernal equinox or first day of spring in the northern hemisphere, when Mother Nature fooled people with changing, unpredictable weather.



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

ROTORUA U3A INTEREST GROUPS

Shading indicates that the group currently has vacancies (April 2019)

Topic	Time	Contact
Armchair Readers	2 nd Thursdays 10.00am	Coral Day 349 3336 seeday@xtra.co.nz
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	Cate Frey 3468562
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
Current Events (2)	1 st Wednesdays, 10.00am	Blanche Kingdon 348 7990
Current Events (3)	2 nd Tuesdays, 10.00am	Jim Hartwig 985 4146
DVD Movies Group	3 rd Thursdays, 2.00pm	Ann Sullivan 348 1991 annsullivan822@gmail.com
Ethnic Dining	3 rd Wednesdays, 12.30pm	Annie Wells 027 4595157
Films/Theatre	1 st Mondays, 12.30pm	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, 10.00am	Brian Gillespie 348 7611
Numero Group	Every Friday, 1.00pm	Margaret Neale 348 5696
Philosophy	2 nd & 4 th Thursdays, 2.00pm	Peter Wood 345 5099 stpeterwood@gmail.com
Photography (1)	2 nd & 4 th Tuesdays, 2.00pm	Rose Hendry 3575194
Photography (2)	2 nd & 4 th Fridays, 10.00am	Carol Patterson 357 2523
Poetry	2 nd Thursdays, 2.00pm	Margaret Lett 343 9223 margaretlett@gmail.com
Science and Engineering	2 nd & 4 th Mondays, 9.30am	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	Jenny Joyce genevievejoyce@gmail.com
Square Dancers	Tuesdays 10.30am	Ann Sullivan 348 1991 annsullivan822@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, 10.am	Pauleen Wilkinson 348 6244 Pauleen.w@xtra.co.nz

