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**June 2017**



**Next meeting:** June 12 (Monday), 9.30 am  
**Venue:** Nixon Park Community Hall,  
Sale St, Howick  
**Guest speaker:** Bob Narev  
**Topic:** Surviving the Holocaust  
**Short Story:** Marian Heywood

### **SPEAKING OF WHICH...**

MEMBERS are encouraged to recommend to the committee suitable monthly speakers on topical issues and matters of concern to the community or the nation at large. For a start, speakers for September and October are being sought. A good slate is better assured if members could contribute ideas and names. Suggestions may be sent to President Warren Yardley ([yardz@xtra.co.nz](mailto:yardz@xtra.co.nz)).

ADVANCE notification: For the August meeting, Val Sugrue (see caption story below) will give a brief talk on the South Auckland Totara Hospice. She has been closely involved in the work of this community facility. Following the talk will be a video screening of a members' trip to Motuihe Island, which took place in November last year.

### **SURVIVING IN TECHNO WORLD**

THE Howick U3A has lent its support to SeniorNet of Pakuranga in its application to Foundation North for more learning equipment. The foundation is a grant-giving trust which provides aid to non-profits engaged in community work in Auckland and Northland. SeniorNet assists older people in acquiring computer and gadget skills, otherwise known as navigating a bewildering techno world.



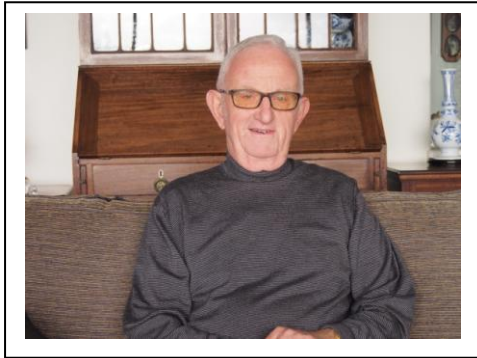
#### ***THOUSAND REASONS FOR THAT SMILE***

Val Sugrue (picture) all smiles as the South Auckland Totara Hospice, of which she is a board member, receives a \$1,000 donation from Howick U3A. Past President Tim Pearson's proposal of help was roundly applauded by members. Though well supported, the hospice faces a budget shortfall of \$3.5m.

## PhD RESEARCH: MEMBERS' HELP SOUGHT

A DOCTORAL candidate at Auckland University, Ronan Mooney, is recruiting research subjects to study brain and muscle function, which could help in understanding the process of stroke recovery. For details, call Mr Mooney on 373 7599 ext 84897 or email [r.mooney@auckland.ac.nz](mailto:r.mooney@auckland.ac.nz).

ANOTHER PhD candidate, Faeze Yavari ([faeze.yavari@vuw.ac.nz](mailto:faeze.yavari@vuw.ac.nz)) at Victoria University, is researching housing options for an ageing population, like downsizing. The help of U3A chapters is enlisted as the subject is of interest to seniors. To take part in the online survey, click on this link [http://vuw.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_3vAmTbk4gJaOTyd](http://vuw.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3vAmTbk4gJaOTyd)



### **BOB NAREV**

Today's speaker (picture) survived internment in Czechoslovakia under German occupation, and made his way to New Zealand with his mother in 1947, two years after the German surrender. He was not yet seven when he and his parents were detained in 1942 and held in a concentration camp. His father died in captivity. A life-long lawyer and active in community work, Mr Narev is a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit.

## **MEDIA BUZZ**

LAST month's speaker Helen Perry spoke of the thrills and challenges of the news publishing business, and put some volunteers through a written test in the use of concise language.

## **IF YOU'RE INTERESTED...**

++ RODIN's iconic sculpture The Kiss, on loan from Tate Britain, is on display at the Auckland Art Gallery ([aucklandartgallery.com](http://aucklandartgallery.com)) as part of the 'Bodies Laid Bare: Masterpieces From Tate' exhibition. Matisse, Turner and Picasso are among other artists featured. Ends July 16. Seniors \$18.

++ BEETHOVEN's Eroica Symphony and Shostakovich's Piano Concerto No 1 (soloist Behzod Abduraimov from Uzbekistan) are the main works in the Auckland Philharmonia's July 6 concert at the Town Hall, 8 pm. Conductor Giordano Bellincampi.

++ JANE Goodall, 83, the primatologist famed for her work with chimpanzees, will give a lecture at the Logan Campbell Centre. July 1, 6 pm. Tickets from Eventfinda ([eventfinda.co.nz](http://eventfinda.co.nz)) start at \$79.

++ ANOTHER scientist who promotes the public understanding of science is American astrophysicist Neil deGrasse Tyson, who will give a lecture cum show ('A Cosmic Perspective') at the Spark Arena (formerly Vector Arena). July 9, 7.30 pm. Tickets from \$95 at Ticketmaster ([ticketmaster.co.nz](http://ticketmaster.co.nz)).

++ BIZET's opera Carmen is on at the Aotea Centre on June 22, 24, 27, 29 and July 1. Georgian mezzo Nino Surguladze in the title role, backed by the Auckland Philharmonia and the Freemasons NZ Opera Chorus. Performance times vary, details in [nzopera.com](http://nzopera.com). Tickets from \$50, Ticketmaster.

++ FOR the intimacy of chamber music, catch the Kuijken Quartet from Belgium playing Haydn and Mozart string quartets at the Town Hall on July 9, 5 pm. Concessions from \$30, at Ticketmaster.

	Date	Venue	Topic	Convenor
Anthropology H 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thurs 10 am	June 15	BM Theatre 795 Chapel Rd	<i>Bodily Adornment</i> Cora Young	Alison O'Connell 534 7539
Anthropology L 4 <sup>th</sup> Mon 10 am	June 26	Cora Young's 55 Rodney St	<i>Bodily Adornment</i> Cora Young	Margaret Heatt 534 9131
Architecture 1 <sup>st</sup> Fri 10 am	July 7	Jessica Pybus's 4 Tranquility Rise	<i>Gulf States</i>	Maurice Taylor 534 8538
Aspects of Civilisation 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mon 1 pm	June 19	Cora Young's 55 Rodney St	<i>The Aztecs</i> All contribute	Cora Young 534 8623
Book Discussion 4 <sup>th</sup> Thurs 2 pm	June 22	25 Centre Court Sunnyhills	Latest reads	Margaret Smith 576 3206
Earth and the Universe 4 <sup>th</sup> Tues 10 am	June 27	BM Theatre 795 Chapel Rd	<i>Climate Change: Fact or Fiction?</i>	Celia Martin 533 1625
Famous & Infamous 1 1 <sup>st</sup> Tues 10 am	July 4	H. Hanlon's K102 Dannemora Gardens	<i>Jeffrey Archer</i> Hazel Hanlon	Peter Garrick 535 4085
Famous & Infamous 2 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thurs 2 pm	June 15	Glenda van der Maas's 50 Sale St	Potpourri	Allan Reid 534 9895
Famous & Infamous 3 1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs 10 am	July 6	Jeanette Fenn's 70 Cantora Ave	<i>American Vicereine</i> Cheryl Cameron	Jean Fitzgerald 577 5546
Forum 3 <sup>rd</sup> Fri 10 am	June 16	Geoff Mooney's 2/36 Astoria Place	Open discussion	Geoff Mooney 535 1015
French 4 <sup>th</sup> Fri 1 pm	June 23	David D's 74-A Aberfeldy Ave	<i>French Polynesia</i> Ros Vallings	David Dwerryhouse 534 4829
History 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues 10 am	June 20	Fencible Lounge Colleen W presents	<i>Irish Adventures in Revolutionary France</i>	Judy Lee 535 8547
History of NZ 2 <sup>nd</sup> Thurs 10 am	June 8		Event concluded	Tim Pearson 576 4091
Literature 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wed 10 am	June 21	Judy Wilson's 32 Butley Drive	<i>Contemporary German Literature</i>	Judy Wilson 576 6340
World of Music 4 <sup>th</sup> Wed 1.30 pm	June 28	Jean Denholm's 2/21 Drake St	<i>George Gershwin</i> Margaret Jones	Ngaire Taylor 534 8538
Nature Walks and Talks 2nd Fri 9 am	June 9	Meet outside Howick Historical Village	To the Cascades waterfall	Alan La Roche 534 7366
Opera 1 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues 9.30 am	June 13	BM Theatre 795 Chapel Rd	Verdi's <i>Ernani</i> Placido Domingo	Hilary Paterson 533 8785
Opera 2 4 <sup>th</sup> Tues 1 pm	June 27	BM Theatre 795 Chapel Rd	Lehar's <i>Merry Widow</i> Sutherland/Stevens 155m	Moya Nixon 535 5309
Philosophy 1 <sup>st</sup> Mon 10 am	July 3	BM Theatre 795 Chapel Rd	<i>Gandhi</i> dvd	Neville Brandon 534 9817
Poetry 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues 2 pm	June 13	Colleen Williams's 1/139 Clovelly Rd	<i>Shakespeare's Sonnets</i> Personal favourites	Beth Voogd 534 7468
Science 4 <sup>th</sup> Wed 10 am	June 28	BM Theatre 795 Chapel Rd	Potpourri	Jim Hine 534 4259
Sunday Discussion 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun 12 noon	June 18	Hancocks Café Howick	Free-flowing discussion	Joan Clarkson 537 6397
Travel 1 <sup>st</sup> Wed 10 am	July 5	Gordon Hudson's 1 Elsemore Cr .	<i>New Caledonia</i> David Dwerryhouse	Gordon Hudson 576 8262
World of Art 1 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mon 10 am	June 19	Auckland Art Gallery	<i>Bodies Laid Bare: Tate Collection</i>	Jennie Leyland 534 4034
World of Art 2 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues 1.30 pm	June 20	BM Theatre 795 Chapel Rd	<i>The Big Picture Part 2</i> Hamish Keith	Heather Watson 274 4747
World War II 2 <sup>nd</sup> Thurs 2pm	June 8	Allan Reid's 4A Paton Rd	<i>The Real Louis Mountbatten</i>	Ron Clifton 537 1592
Writing 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues 1.30 pm	June 20	Bev Johnson's Apt 144 BM Village	<i>'We Will Have To Substitute'</i>	Marian Heywood 534 1159

