

International


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U3A is an international organisation, although each branch is independently run. Some members may however wish to visit other branches either in New Zealand or around the world. The protocol for doing this is to contact the secretary on the NZ national website and request that she emails for permission to do so. This should result in an invitation to attend meetings when you are travelling. We of course we love a report on how others do it.

Overseas groups of have additional programmes or campaigns. In the UK at present the campaign nationally is against ageism. Their data indicated that 40% of their membership had experienced it, with many finding the term *elderly* offensive. The movement believes that everyone has a positive contribution to make to the community around them. They want a society that accepts that every age brings new and exciting opportunities in a world where people are seen as who they are and not based on perceptions to do with their age.

TERM THREE

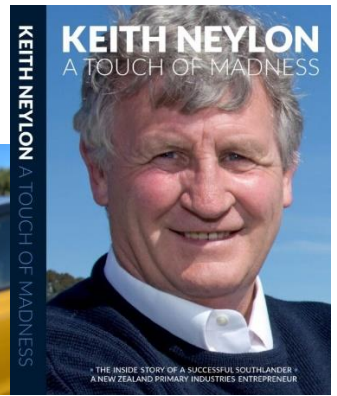
We will be starting our first series A Quartet of Mid-Winter Treats, organised by Maria, on July 26 after the holidays. This will be a mix of topics.

Our second series will start on September 6th on Literacy. This is organized by Noel.

FROM THE COMMITTEE

- The committee will now be meeting every two months instead of one, the next meeting will be on September 11th, 3.30 at the Library.
- All of our funds are now with Westpac as SBS has withdrawn from non-profit organisational banking.
- Our membership continues to grow, we have 133 subs paid so far this year.
- We sometimes have days when neither the Stadium nor Ascot is available for use. We have negotiated for the use of the Lindisfarne Centre when this occurs in the future.
- In Term 4 Maurice is planning a trip to the Waiau and Manapouri/Te Anau.

A Quartet of Mid-winter Treats



Speaking on the Dunedin study will be Dr Ashleigh Barrett- Young BA(Hons), Cert Arts, Dip Grad, BSc (Hons), PhD. She recently completed her PhD in psychology using the data from the study and was a research interviewer for the latest phase *Age 45*.

Mellisa Vining is a well-known advocate for Cancer support. She became well known for the support of her husband Blair in his struggle with terminal cancer and their campaign to create a community hospital.

Barbara Walker became a missionary nurse and midwife at an early age, upon leaving New Zealand she spent 20 years in Africa and Asia working in war zones, refugee camps, with boat people and mission hospitals. Barbara Was ordained an Anglican priest in 2004. When she retired in 2021, she returned to Southland to become a volunteer rural chaplain.

Keith Neylon is another successful Southlander. He left school in Nightcaps at 15 and has had 50 years as a successful primary industries entrepreneur. He has also been involved in the racing industry as an owner, breeder and administrator.

Literacy



Literacy in its purest form includes the ability to listen, speak, read and write. Being literate is central to us for understanding the world around us in expressing our thoughts in day today living. It allows us to make sense of written, spoken and visual texts including books, newspapers, magazines, timetables, DVDs, television and radio programmes, signs, maps conversations and instructions. Bing literate is an understanding the world around us and expressing our thoughts.

During our lifetime the concept of a literate person has expanded to include digital, financial and cultural understandings.

Our series “Embracing Literacy” features four speakers, who by describing their life experience and love of writing will both entertain us and challenge our thinking. The four-part series begins on September 6 and concludes on Friday September 27.

As a forerunner to the series, you may like to respond to this section of the newsletter by letting us know the author of your favourite book or magazine.

Please email: noelmathews64@gmail.com.

These contributions can then be compiled into a list of U3A Southland favourites.

