



# Mt Aspiring U3A

## *News Letter*

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**Next Meeting**      **AGM July 23**      **1.45pm**

**Venue**                      **St Johns Room**                      **4 Link Way**

### **Annual General Meeting Mt Aspiring U3A**

Some of our current committee will not be seeking re-election. Nomination forms for committee positions and committee members attached. Any queries contact John Binney at [johnbinney@iinet.net.au](mailto:johnbinney@iinet.net.au)

He will be very happy to hear from you. This is a great opportunity to be more active and make new friends.

### **Constitutional Changes**

With the June newsletter we included the proposed constitutional change. You can check out the current Mt Aspiring U3A Constitution on the website. Go to <http://www.u3a.nz/directory.htm> And select Mt Aspiring U3A

**Our AGM will be followed by our Main Speaker.**

**Dr Chris Judd** "Fake news, conspiracy theories and lies: a Threat to Democracy?"

**Dr Chris Rudd** is a senior lecturer in the Politics Programme at the University of Otago where he teaches courses on politics and the media, and New Zealand public policy. He is the co-editor of the two editions of Politics and the Media (Auckland University Press, 2013 and 2016) and a third edition is planned 2021.

**Abstract** What is fake news? How does such news spread so rapidly and why do extremist ideas and movements flourish as a result? Does fake news pose a genuine threat to democracy?