

Hi,

Our mini-series is off to a good start with the second session on today. A reminder that our meeting this Friday should be very informative as our seasoned speaker Frieda Looser talks about the Chatham Islands History.

September 2022 Meeting:

Date: 9th September 2022

Venue: Darfield Baptist Church, 15 Greendale Road, Darfield.

Time: 10am (There will be a cuppa, so the session will start at 10:15am with member's announcements followed by the speaker).

Topic: Rēkohu Chatham Islands and Moriori

About 500 years ago some Polynesians, related to Waitaha living on Te Waipounamu, set sail eastwards to islands they called Rēkohu – 'misty skies'. These first settlers are known as Moriori and today the islands are officially named the Chatham Islands. The embarkation coincided with the movement south of the early Māori tribe Ngāti Mamoe. All the various Polynesian groups are ethnically and culturally inter-related, but with distinctive family groupings and linguistic dialects. For 300 years the Moriori culture developed in isolation, with minimal European contact from 1791, until the fateful and traumatic Māori invasion of 1835. This illustrated lecture will highlight the recent Moriori renaissance and explore the history of the current diverse community living on Rēkohu Chatham Islands.

Speaker:

Frieda Looser has an MA (Hons) in History and is the author of *Fendall's Legacy, a history of Fendalton and Northwest Christchurch*. She was a Senior Tutor in the History Department at the University of Canterbury, tutoring and lecturing in a number of courses, and currently teaches in the UC Academic Skills Centre. Frieda was a contributor to the University's Community Education programme from 1998 to 2012, offering a wide range of courses exploring European, as well as New Zealand and local Canterbury history. When the University disestablished Continuing Education, Frieda founded her own business and teaches history courses, leads overseas study tours, and offers talks to U3A and other community groups.

Attendance Notice

Attendance at Darfield Baptist Church in 2022 for U3A meetings will be in accordance with current Covid-19 practice. Currently this is at orange.

Attendees will need to register their presence by telling the people on the desk.

We will ensure well-spaced seating and masks will be worn by all members of the committee and should be worn by attendees while in the meeting. Anyone who is unwell is encouraged to stay at home and that is the same if you feel uncomfortable about being in crowds at this time.

Programme from August to December 2022.

October 14th 2022	Guardians of the Future	Suky Thompson
November 4th 2022	Malvern Hills Geology	Prof James Shulmeister
December 2nd 2022	Forensic Anthropology	Dr Rachel Scott

Subscriptions

The subscription year starts on 1st April 2022. New members who paid after 31st December 2021 and before 1st April 2022 will have valid membership until 31st March 2023.

The subscription will remain at \$25 for the 2022 – 2023 year and is due from 1st April 2022. Those who are not financial members are casual attendees and will be asked for a koha per meeting until joining.

Bank Account with Kiwi Bank

Account Name: U3A Malvern

Account number: 38 9022 0205868 00

When paying subs please include a name so we can identify the payee. This is especially important if you are paying for more than one person. Those who were not members in the last financial year will get a name tag at the next meeting.

Mini-Series

Lifestyle Change with Age

7th September 1.30pm

3 Succession Planning with Kate Warren from Tavendale and Partners

With a Master of Laws with Honours, specialising in insurance, commercial and land law, Kate is highly regarded by her clients for her expertise across a range of areas.

Kate has a wealth of knowledge in personal and property law. She takes a thoughtful approach to conveyancing transactions and has experience in complex issues surrounding high-risk property developments and “as is” properties.

Before joining TP, Kate previously worked in Washington D.C in the office of the late Congressman John Lewis and also gained valuable experience assisting Nigel Hampton QC with private prosecutions. Kate has volunteered with Christchurch Riding for Disabled, Prison Information Service and is the Honorary Solicitor of the Samoyed Club

4 What does Age Concern do? with Diedre McGrath from Age Concern

Deirdre McGrath works as an Information Coordinator & Keeping Editor at Age Concern Canterbury, an Elderly Care Services company

Special Interest Groups

We have the following groups operating and will start a waiting list for those groups that are full so contact the Group leaders to register your interest. Note: Meetings are dependent on being in an appropriate Covid 19 level.

Mahjong. 8 members are meeting 1st and 3rd Monday of the month from June. Please let Ruth know if you are interested. Contact Ruth Warren: rwifwarren@gmail.com

Current Affairs 7 members meeting on 4th Monday of the month. Interesting discussions on elections, economic recovery etc. A topic is set at each meeting so members can research for the next meeting. Contact Ian Warren: rwifwarren@gmail.com

Local and NZ History.

Meetings are on the 4th Wednesday of the month for 2022.
Contact Jim 03 318 1712 or adjimcopland@gmail.com

Everyday Te Reo. With 4 members currently meeting weekly at 4pm on Wednesdays in Darfield. The group uses mixed media to assist with language and are progressing well. The subject of the Māori calendar has been the focus of recent study. Contact Margaret Copland: coplalex@snap.net.nz

Judith Pascoe is keen to hear from you with ideas for **new topics for interest groups**. There will be a box to post ideas in at each meeting. For Judith Phone 021 1522900 or email jcpascoe@xtra.co.nz

We look forward to seeing you at our meeting this month.

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