

Newsletter #6 2022

Welcome to those recently joining our U3A Douglas Shire Community ENews

Greetings

The month of May finished off with a very informative session at our Meet and Greet with Mike Greasley from the National Electric Ant Eradication Program. The Electric Ants are prevalent in our Shire and have potential to cause a lot of damage to our environs. The Trail Walkers was fortunate to come across the field team in action, a sniffer dog and other surveillance activities. Be careful around sharing potted plants, and look out for 'different' ants. Here is a link for more information.

<https://www.business.qld.gov.au/industries/farms-fishing-forestry/agriculture/land-management/health-pests-weeds-diseases/pests/invasive-animals/restricted/electric-ant>

"Let's Get Talking" our Meet and Greets are introducing guided discussion groups. These will follow our Guest Speaker presentations. The committee have come up with some great topics, come along and join in the 'Talk', or you can just listen too! Sounds like it is going to be lots of fun too.

A Night at the Races ~ Dinner Event

A 2 Course Meal and Entertainment

Save the date - Friday 22nd July

Ladies, wear your best hat and put on your dancing shoes.

Gentlemen, wear your most flamboyant tie, cravat or bowtie

Lots of fun and laughter is the formula for the night. Look out for more details, limited tickets.

Pizza @ the Beach. A great turnout of about 30 members and friends met at 4 Mile Beach. While there was a bit of cloud cover, we did get to see a beautiful red moon rise above the horizon, and the Pizza's were delicious, all made the better with the fun company and getting to know some new residents.

Website

Liz Kendal, our IT guru! Is putting together a Website for our very own U3A Douglas Shire. We are visualising that this additional means of

communication will meet the needs of our members and additionally inform 'the world' of the wonderful things we offer here in our Douglas shire.

Meet & Greet – 2pm Monday 27th June

Palmers Sea Reef Golf Course

"Douglas Shire Council Waste Information Session"

Please come along to learn about what can go into yellow lid recycling bins and what to do with other waste types which cannot be recycled through this bin, including plastic lids, batteries, mattresses, plastic bags, textiles etc.

This is also an opportunity to come along and meet new people, and join in our 'Let's Get Talking'

U3A Douglas Shire Committee

At our June meeting there was discussion around a new focus for our Meet & Greet Sessions, as mentioned earlier in this newsletter, 'Let's Get Talking' is an opportunity to discuss planned topics with those at your table, these will be guided by a committee member, and guests can actively participate in the discussion or just listen in.

Would you like to help our committee –

Assistant Course Coordinator

Assist the course coordinator to - support groups, maintain the class schedule, manage attendance records in the member program Memberwizard Training and support offered, what do you think?

Memberships

New members are always welcome, and you do need to be a financial member to participate in class and activities, there is a two-session complimentary access, then you are obliged to become financial.

Renewing Members

Click [Renewing Member](#) to check your recorded membership details and for renewal payment methods.

New Members

[Click](#) to join online.

Classes and Venues

Joanne Herbert is our Course and Tutor Coordinator.
- coursecoord.u3adouglas@gmail.com.
Contact Jo via email to enrol or enquire

Events and Excursions

You may have an idea about a group excursion or event and would like help organising, we welcome all suggestions. Contact Andrea who is overseeing our Events - afalstein@gmail.com

U3A Cairns Bulletin (we are a sub branch) is circulated monthly to members, please check your emails. If you are a member and don't receive the Bulletin, email members.u3acairnsinc@gmail.com and let them know or click for [Cairns Bulletin](#)

Facebook

U3A Douglas Shire [Facebook Page](#)
'Like' our Page and keep up to date with our progress including new courses. This is also a space to ask questions, we hope to reply within 24 hours.

U3A Douglas Shire Class Timetable for June / July 22					
Day	Frequency	Time	Class	Tutor	Room/Venue
Daily	Monday - Sunday	8.00am- 9.00am	Tai Chi	Frieda Van Aller	4 Mile Park
Monday	Weekly	9.30am – 12.30 pm	Mahjong	Diane Schulz dschul.54@gmail.com	Palmer Golf Club
Tuesday	Weekly	10.30-11.30am	Tai Chi Men's Group	Frieda Van Aller	4 Mile Park
	Weekly	1 – 4 pm	Mahjong	Diane Schulz dschul.54@gmail.com	Mossman Library
Wednesday	Weekly	8:00 – 10:00 am	Trail walking group	Sue Rae nalinir@bigpond.com	Various Venues check Facebook for updates
Thursday	Weekly	11.00 – 12.00 pm	Tai Chi for health	Frieda Van Aller	Bruno Reidwig Park
	Monthly 1 st Thursday	10am-11.30am	Book Chat	Margot Wainman stuartandmargot@gmail.com	Tin Shed Port Douglas
	Weekly	1.30pm-4.00pm	Games and Cards	Andrea Falstein afalstein@gmail.com	Palmers Golf Club
	4 th Week	2.00pm-4.pm	Yarning in the Park	Edna Naylor	Rex Smeal Park
Saturday	Monthly 1 st Saturday	2pm – 5pm	Everyday gardening for everyday people	Monica Prins everydaygardens2020@gmail.com	Various Venues Facebook week prior for info

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