



Newsletter

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

It has been a jam-packed time for me recently. Starting with the Conference at the end of May, I have had a hectic few weeks, with the cruise a real highlight. Those of us on the cruise found the Great Barrier Reef a delightful place to visit, especially in winter.

Active Tours dropped us just a few paces from check-in and we boarded in time for lunch. Each day aboard we enjoyed friendly competitions, easy craft activities, relaxing with a good book, chatting to fellow cruisers and generally having a good time.

On shore days we chose from a variety of excursions, visiting markets, riding the Skyrail to Kuranda, taking a joy flight over the tropical coastline, and mingling with wildlife. Evenings brought a different stage show every night, musicians playing various genres and themed parties to enjoy. We ate delicious food, drank cool cocktails and had a thoroughly good time.

On Wednesday 18th July there will be another opportunity to have a thoroughly good time. Winter Trees on Mary will be holding its annual street party. U3A Gympie has a tree to decorate outside Tom Grady's, with Tempo and Retro Jukebox Singers performing a little further up the street outside Pazazz Fabrics. Come along and listen for a while, then check out the numerous other offerings up and down Mary Street. It's always fun.

Finally, some reminders. Don't forget Feast With Friends in the second week of the holidays. Come along and meet some new faces while enjoying a tasty lunch and some great views over the ocean. Also remember to let Denice know if you will be joining either Traveller's French or our Craft Group. A separate email will be sent detailing these early next week. Lastly, if you think we need to make changes to either our Constitution or our By-Laws, please let us know. Your Committee is presently reviewing these documents ahead of the AGM in November.

**Computer Classes only resume
Wednesday 25th July**

**All other classes resume Monday 16th
July**

TRAVEL GROUP

New Travel Group Starts in August –A lot of people in our age group find their friends and family don't have the time to travel, have other financial priorities or just don't fancy the same destinations. So we face the prospect of solo travel and additional costs of single supplements. While that may suit some, it doesn't suit everyone.

U3A Gympie is forming a Travel Group. The new group is intended as a way for travellers to find travelling companions and roommates. This new group will not function as a de facto travel agency, so travellers will need to participate in planning their holiday.

We will meet once a term to discuss possible destinations. From that meeting, those people interested in a particular destination will meet separately to actually plan their holiday. Whether it's a small group of people joining a commercial tour or cruise, a large group hiring coaches and booking admissions or just two people heading for a more esoteric destination will be up to you.

Once planning starts, I will put something onto our website and into our newsletter seeking additional travellers. We can also contact other Queensland U3As to invite them to join any trips planned, and they may invite us to join trips they are planning. Come to our first meeting on the afternoon of Thursday, 23rd August. Check the August newsletter for time and place.

Feast With Friends

Coolum Surf Club

12.00, Wednesday 11th July

RSVP to Susan
(0416 158 648)

by 5.00pm Friday 6th July
(Car pool available)



DATES TO REMEMBER

10th July – Committee Meeting

11th July – Feast With Friends
(Coolum)

12th July – Publicity items to Lynlie

16th July – Classes resume

17th July – Pub Lunch

18th July – Winter Trees on Mary

24th July – Pub Lunch

25th July – Newsletter items to
Susan

31st July – Coffee With Friends

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Pub Lunches at Phoenix Hotel

Coffee With Friends at Rendezvous Cafe