



# Newsletter

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT

March was a productive month for your Management Committee. The biggest activity was our participation in Connecting the Community. It was a great opportunity to publicise your U3A and we took full advantage. Many thanks must go to Lynlie, Mary, Karen and Denice for their excellent and tireless efforts. Thanks also to Frank, for his invaluable work bumping in and out. Give yourselves a pat on the back, you deserve it.

Those of you attending Connecting the Community may have noticed our new "uniform". For when a unified look is appropriate, such as at publicity events, we have decided to all wear a plain white shirt and add a royal blue scarf. The shirt is the wearers own, but the scarves are now part of the publicity kit. This makes us easier to spot at a distance and looks good too!

I dropped in on the Craft Group at the library. It is a small, friendly group, happy to welcome new members. Take any craft project you like and go along to enjoy a cuppa, a chat and a productive morning. Gympie Library, every Monday from 10.00am. I hope you all enjoy the upcoming holidays, catch up with friends and family and taste some delicious Easter treats.

## FROM THE CLASS CO-ORDINATOR

It is wonderful to see so many new members and I am sure you have all enjoyed your 1st term.

Please notify your tutor if you have not yet received your badge. Tutors make note of it on your attendances sheet.

We are still looking for a replacement Spanish tutor and an Asian cooking tutor, so please ask around on our behalf.

Enjoy your break and Happy Easter.

### SOCIAL ACTIVITIES TERM 2

Tuesday lunch  
**AMBROSIA**  
Southside Shopping Centre

Coffee with Friends  
**RAFFINATI'S**  
IGA Shopping Centre

### DATES TO REMEMBER

2nd April - Tuesday Lunch  
5th April - last day term 1  
9th April - Committee meeting  
19th - 22nd April - Easter  
23rd April - first day term 2  
23rd April - Tuesday Lunch  
25th April - ANZAC Day  
30th April - Coffee With Friends  
30th April - Tuesday Lunch

**Term One Finishes Friday 5th April**  
**Term Two Starts Tuesday 23rd April**

## FROM THE TREASURER

Although U3A Gympie is run entirely by volunteers, there are still many expenses to be covered by the annual Membership, Class and Activities fees. A membership enables member's to enrol in classes and/or take part in other activities. These fees are used to pay for:

- Public liability insurance
- Copyright and performing rights fees
- Venue hire
- Maintaining and replacing equipment
- Internet access, Website & Facebook
- Advertising
- Printing and stationery

Class fees or term 2 can be paid at the first lesson of the term or prepaid by deposit to the U3A Gympie Inc account at the Bendigo Bank or as a direct debit transfer from your bank account.

Our bank details are:

Name of Account: U3A Gympie Inc;

BSB: 633 000;

Account Number: 15639963.

Members are requested to either enter their membership number and surname (**845 INMAN**) or their surname, initial and the first three letter of one of the class or activity they are attending (**INMAN, M RET**). Receipts will be issued and distributed for the fees paid.

Please contact the Treasurer (0417 433 034 or [treasurer@u3agympie.com](mailto:treasurer@u3agympie.com)) if you have any questions or concerns regarding the payment of your fees. Wishing all members a happy and safe Easter for 2019.

## From the Publicity Officer

The recent Community Connect event at the Pavilion was an exceedingly eventful day for our Gympie U3A team.

The site looked amazing! Put together with everyone helping, but it was our 'honorary roadie' Frank Reibelt, who came to the rescue and was invaluable with the setting up and dismantling.

Most of the day we were rushed off our feet with hordes of enquiries on the current schedule and suggestions for different classes in the future. New members were signed up as well as old ones returning which was an achievement in itself.

More and more we're asked for something other than what's on the curriculum, but this can only be done with sufficient tutors - people willing to share their skills, knowledge and abilities with others. So, the quest is on to attract people in the community who're interested in making a difference in the lives of others and helping the more mature members of society reach new heights, learn new skills or perhaps "tick another box" off their bucket list.

Next term the Puzzles & Games mornings held in the Food Court at Centro will expand yet again with Cryptic Crosswords being added to the existing RummyKub & Scrabble.

June will be there, at the ready, with her Cryptic Crossword Puzzles to help you learn how to complete those confusing clues. If you've got an hour or two to spare on a Wednesday, from

9.00-11.00am, come along and join the fun. It's wonderful exercise for the brain, helping those "little grey cells" tick over, keeping our minds healthy and active.

## GARDEN GROUP

### Topic - Composting

**Our next meeting 9.30am Friday 5th April**

**65 Horton Rd Chatsworth (only house on the left)**