

# Newsletter

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Term 1, 2011: 7 February - 8 April Term 2, 2011: 2 May - 1 July

# President's Report

Welcome to 2011. Your committee hopes you enjoyed the break and have now settled into your classes/activities provided to you by our magnificent tutors.

My thanks are extended to the Curriculum sub-committee, Enrolment team and Data management group for all their efficient and effective work that enables our smooth participation in U3A again.

# Australia Day Awards

Congratulations to **Dr Laurie Simpson** (*History of Medicine*) for his award of an OAM for services to medicine and associated education. We are very proud for him and are very thankful he finds the time to educate us.

# Menzies Awards (Manningham Community Service Awards)

David Jensz and Audrey Killey were nominated by your committee to acknowledge their outstanding services to our organisation and the community. Four other U3A members were nominated by other community service groups too. They were: Ian Charity, Jean Cuthbert, Judith Leaner and Brian Parkinson.

Congratulations to all of the above members for the recognition of their outstanding contributions to Manningham.

# Summer School

**Yvonne Thompson** brilliantly managed our inaugural Summer School held over four weeks in January. Six programs were offered on either Tuesday or Thursday each week and 200 members enthusiastically participated. Thank you to the tutors for providing their time and expertise. Yvonne has recommended that we provide the opportunity to members in January 2012, so keep your eyes open for the program and enrolment in August /September.

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# **MISSION STATEMENT**

Our mission is to provide accessible and affordable education, cultural, physical and social opportunities appropriate to the needs of the people of the Manningham community, without discrimination or bias.



Adult Education in the Community

# President's Report (Cont'd)

# Strategic Plan 2010 to 2013

I am pleased to advise that various groups/sub-committees are working hard to implement your suggestions and requirements set out in the plan. One such group has been working on Item 3.2 - use of new Technology to improve benefits to members. This group consists of most of our computer tutors and a few other knowledgeable members. Their recommendation to the COM was that we purchase new equipment and upgrade the software used in Room 1.

Purchase of the above occurred during Dec/January and will be implemented by Term 2.

# Car Parking Survey

I received 55 responses, of which 38 classes contained one or more members (total 69) who hold a Disabled Parking Permit. These members visit the PLAC (Pines Learning and Activity Centre) up to 87 times per week. I wrote to the Manningham Council advising them of these statistics and also offered suggestions from your responses. These were:

To consider additional spaces to be allocated for permit holders, because demand is exceeding supply nearly every day. Council officers have advised that current regulations provide for 1% to 2% of total spaces to be allocated specifically. Our four spaces amount to 2.8%. I have been requested to provide more detail such as number of members per class, number of permit holders per class and time of day. I will ask class reps during term 1 to gather this detail so I can forward it to Council officers.

I also suggested that more spaces be designated as "Seniors" parking in Stocklands Car Park adjacent to our building. Council has advised that I need to address this issue to Stocklands management.

The last suggestion was for a sign to be erected at PLAC car park entrance indicating that the area was for exclusive use by PLAC clients during business hours, five days a week and 10 months of the year.

Council advised that during negotiations prior to our move into the building, it was agreed by all parties that the PLAC parking area would be untimed and unrestricted. Unfortunately, this will mean we are in competition for spaces with shoppers and public transport users.

I will keep you informed of any further information following the submission of the more detailed data.

# Volunteers Required

# Audio-Visual

Currently, a small band of members set up audio visual equipment when required by tutors. If you are adept at setting up speakers, amplifiers, TVs, computers and data projection equipment, please contact **Terry Smith**.

# Computer Programmer

Our enrolment system administrator currently has no backup. This could pose a risk if he takes ill etc. If you have programming skills, particularly in Microsoft Access and Visual Basic, then please contact me. It is critical to the ongoing management of the database.

# Web Page Designer

Our current website (written in Frontpage software) is a bit outdated. I would appreciate a member volunteering to help modernise its design or alternatively, develop a new page using more recent software.

Please contact me if you have these skills.

# Acknowledgement

Andrew Murphy of Penguin Drycleaners, Eltham, very generously cleaned and pressed 27 tablecloths following our Christmas function – FOR NOTHING!! Please consider their services at Eltham or Bulleen when considering dry cleaning your household items.

Enjoy your year.

Bryce Normoyle, President

# Committee of Management, 2010 - 2011:

Lyn Torrens
Margaret Iden
Terry Smith
Lyn Rigg
Ex Officio member Graeme Martin

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# From the Curriculum Team

Once again our tutors and a highly committed band of supporting volunteers have made a strong contribution to Manningham U3A. In 2011 the generosity of their time and effort has enabled us to deliver a particularly diverse program at our main venue and in more than 22 additional venues in adjacent suburbs.

This year, we extend a warm MU3A welcome to the following new tutors:

Gina Denny Italian – Level 1
Bev Dittman Scrabble

Monique Leithof French Conversation Level 2

Group B

Jo McDermott Strength Training Walking for Exercise

**Geoff Sheldon** French Conversation Level 2

Group A

Jutta SzwedGerman – IntermediateJoseph WongTai Chi – Push Hand

It was not without a little sadness that we have farewelled the following tutors who are not continuing in 2011.

Jill Doyle, Val Evans, Rosemary Flora, Barbara Hetherington, Don McKelvie, Janet Pelzer, Clive Scott, Eric Stewart, and Julie Wilkins.

Our grateful thanks are extended to all of them for their high level of commitment, time, effort, and past contributions to MU3A. Our very best wishes go with them into the future.

Interest in our 2011 program has again been very high. A number of our classes were full at the start of Term 1 and have waiting lists. However, there are still

vacancies available in other classes. Prior to seeking entry into a particular class, members are encouraged to check the status of their class of interest on the list posted on the noticeboard in the North Entrance airlock in our main venue at The Pines Living & Learning Centre.

Negotiations are currently in progress for the commencement of some additional new courses, some of which are scheduled to commence in Term 2. Negotiations for the delivery of short courses and workshops are also in progress. Further details will be announced in due course.

Members of the Curriculum Team work throughout the year to ensure the smooth operation of the broad range of courses offered to our members. Curriculum Team members this year are:

Heather Bione ...... Timetable

Carol Cameron...... Co-ordinator-Computer

Tutors

Wendy Donovan ..... Publicity

Tanya Gogorosis..... Co-ordinator - New Courses

Margaret Iden...... Room Bookings/changes Fran Keogh...... Co-ordinator - Class Reps

Maureen Mitchell .... Co-ordinator -Tutors

Margaret O'Connor. Co-ordinator - Short Courses

Margaret Salomon ... External Venues

Sincerest thanks are extended to tutors and all who contributed to the development of this year's program. The Curriculum Team looks forward to working with all of you throughout 2011.

Margaret Iden, Curriculum Co-ordinator

# Healthy Living Week

Manningham's Healthy Living Week ran from 24 February - 6 March this year. We hope many of our members took advantage of the readily available HLW brochures to access the many interesting activities and classes on offer during this week, throughout the city of Manningham.

In particular, we would like to thank **David Lording** - *Music* - *History and Appreciation* and **David Jensz** - *Current Affairs* for generously allowing their classes to participate in HLW.

Next year, we will be looking for additional interesting and engaging classes to participate in HLW 2012. Any further suggestions would be welcome.

Margaret O'Connor

# Monthly Talks

These take place on the third Wednesday of the month in Rooms 13 - 14 from 3.00 to 4.30 p.m. The March talk has come and gone, and there will be no April event because U3A will be on holiday.

Wednesday, 18 May, 3-4.30 p.m., rooms 13-14

**Lola Mathews,** is a former *Age* journalist who will talk about her book: *My mother, my writing and me.* 

\$2 donation – refreshments provided. All welcome – bring a friend

**Coral Vercoe**, Coordinator, Monthly Talks.

# **About Our Members**

A great many members will be delighted to learn that Laurie Simpson received the Order of Australia Medal at the Australia Day awards (see the President's report). U3A knows him as the tutor of the very popular History of Medicine, and Dr Laurence Simpson's honour is for services to medicine as a clinician and educator. A former thoracic surgeon, he is now a Melbourne University administrator. He has worked in several leading Melbourne hospitals, and told the Manningham Leader that the highlight of his career was between 1958 and 1963, when he was the medical director of the Kwangi Christian Hospital in South Korea. There, Laurie set up a surgical centre in a tuberculosis sanatorium, which developed into a general hospital which is now rated as the fifth best in the country.

Six of our U3A members received Menzies Community Australia Day awards. The two nominated by our Committee of Management were **David Jensz** and **Audrey Killey.** 

**David** has just completed four years as President of Manningham U3A.

David oversaw the expansion of this U3A to 1,500 members, over 140 courses and moving to larger premises at The Pines Learning and Activity Centre. He continues to tutor two classes per week, is a member of Doncaster Bowling Club, Pilgrim Uniting Church and a life member of the Victorian Association of Secondary School Principals.

**Audrey** stepped down last year as Secretary of Manningham U3A after 10 years of dedicated service. She also had seen this U3A's expansion and move to The Pines.

She is the co-convenor of the Walking for Pleasure group, a passionate member of Koonung Bushwalkers' group and is a member of Doncaster Ladies Probus Club.

Other U3A recipients of these awards and the organisations that nominated them were: Ian Charity - the Lions Club of Doncaster; Jean Cuthbert - Manningham City Council Food Service; Judith Leaney - Doncaster-Templestowe Historical Society; Brian Parkinson - Doncaster Uniting Church.

# Happy Band

To **John Driver** and his happy band of enrolment assistants, the data entry crew, the office staff and other willing volunteers, thank you all for your efforts in making the 2011 enrolment processing a successful and smooth operation.

Lyn Torrens, Enrolment and Data Administrator.

# What A Success!

Two hundred enthusiastic participants thoroughly enjoyed Manningham U3A's first Summer School, which took place in January. (See the President's Report). Organised by **Yvonne Thompson**, the various programs covered both intellectual and physical activities. Topics offered were:

- Walking
- Look Good, Feel Good
- Marvellous Melbourne
- Strength Training
- Vital Living
- Bridge

Yvonne said the feedback she received was all positive. The success of this initial venture meant that there would be another Summer School next year, with the possibility of the addition of more classes.

# Kaffeeklatsch

Do you wish to have a friendly chat in German over a cup of coffee?

Date: Monday, 28 March Time: 9.00 -10.20 a.m.

Place: Indulgence Café The Pines Shopping

Centre, opposite U3A Cost: A cup of coffee, or?

Apply to: Our U3A Office

If this event proves successful, we plan to have a **Kaffeeklatsch** monthly. Your level of German doesn't matter - however, we would like you to participate in German.

# Sie sind herzlich willkommen!

Enquiries: Leave your name at the office for **Jutta Szwed** 

# In Memoriam

### Norm Dodds

Norm Dodds died on 4 January 2011 after a long and brave battle with cancer. Many Manningham U3A members attended his funeral at the Montsalvat Great Hall on Friday, 14 January.

Norm joined Manningham U3A with his wife, Elaine, in 1996 just after he retired. Manningham U3A had about 400 members at that time and both Norm and Elaine greatly enjoyed their U3A classes and made many new friends. Norm says that he and Elaine were "conned" into back seat enrolment duties in 1998. He said this with a wry smile because he enjoyed the challenge. Within two years, he was in charge of Manningham's unique enrolment system, which was much admired by other U3As. Elaine was his extremely able and hard working deputy.

Norm set about meticulously documenting the system. He knew that Manningham U3A enrolments would dramatically increase and he drew up a very detailed set of procedures for enrolling members quickly and efficiently. His enrolment system included the production of class lists, setting up membership data bases and a range of other matters. He had to take into account a range of policies and guidelines.

Norm was an expert at putting ideas into practice. His *Enrolment Manual* has eight Sections and 29 appendices; Norm's name doesn't appear anywhere – such was his modesty.

On Australia Day 2005, Norm and Elaine Dodds received Menzies Australia Day awards for their services to U3A.

Norm was a gentleman and a gentle man; he was polite and respectful of others; he was a clear thinker and a skilled practitioner; he was fair, decisive, reliable and supportive; and, he was good company. He had a wonderful sense of humour and was the owner of an infectious smirk and smile.

Norm Dodds was admired, liked and respected at Manningham U3A. He will be sadly missed.

# David Jensz and Lyn Torrens

## Adelle Harries

We are saddened to learn of the passing of **Adelle Harries** in late December, 2010.

Adelle was a tutor-member of U3A for close on 10 years. She conducted three classes – *Drawing with Pastels* (two groups) and *Calligraphy with Illumination*. Two years ago, because of her declining health she moved to Caulfield to be with her daughter and family.

She still painted, and was an active member of the Doncaster-Templestowe Historical Society until late 2010.

Her talent, her wonderful sense of humour and her love of chocolate will be remembered by all who were fortunate to know her. Good-bye to the little lady with pink hair.

We extend our condolences to Adelle's family for their sad loss.

Laurie Bicknell

# Faye Neyland

We mourn the passing of a dear member, **Faye Neyland**, on February 3, 2011.

A U3A participant of many years in various classes, Faye also served on an Office Workers' Sub-Committee.

Vale.

Jan McAuliffe

# Thank You

A special thanks to all Manningham U3A members who assisted and supported Norm during his illness over the last two years. His U3A friends meant a great deal to him and he always looked forward to attending classes even when he was very ill. I would also like to thank the numerous members who supported me during this difficult time in so many ways. The Manningham U3A community is a truly wonderful, friendly and supportive organization.

Elaine Dodds

# Migrant English

By the time Manningham U3A was eight years old, we noticed that people from diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds were underrepresented among our members. We wanted to encourage diversity but realized that language could be a difficulty for many older people.

We approached AMES (Adult Multicultural Education Service), a major provider of language services for Victorian migrants. AMES offers free training to volunteers who wish to assist people individually with English conversation. U3A provides the venue for the training sessions. Each volunteer tutor is partnered with a migrant and meets with their students each week, either at the student's home or at a convenient place such as the library, a coffee shop or a park.

We received \$500 as a seeding grant from our local Council's Community Grants Program. This was sufficient to purchase resources to commence the program.

The response from our members was sufficient to run two training sessions in the first year (2000), and for one or two sessions each year since. More than 120 members have participated in the training, with 87 currently working, each with one or two students.

When tutors first meet their students they find out their particular needs and interests and prepare a program for them accordingly. The level of ability to use English varies: some students require basic introduction to the language; others wish to improve their pronunciation or conversation. Some need an introduction to our transport system or to our health care system.

Many of the students have joined additional classes at U3A, often favouring the activity classes such as *Dancing, Badminton, Table Tennis* and/or *Arts* and *Craft* classes.

Some Migrant English tutors, on completing their training, have also provided classroom assistance to tutors of English in Community and Neighbourhood Houses.

When some of the migrant students had made progress, we began an English Conversation Class for them as part of the U3A curriculum. Two years later, a retired ESL (English as a Second Language) teacher volunteered to take an intermediate Conversation Class and a basic English Writing class. In 2008, we added another intermediate English Conversation class, also led by a retired ESL teacher, so that our curriculum now offers four such classes.

The continuing interest in this program by both the volunteer tutors and the participating students is evidence of its success. Many strongly committed tutors have continued with the work for several years. Each year, new volunteers enroll to undertake the training.

The next meeting of Migrant English tutors is on:

Wednesday, 6 April at 3 p.m. in Room 13 at U3A.

Joan Creber, Program Coordinator Bridget Halge, Initiator and Developer of the Program

# **Tutor Profile**

# **Lindsay Roberts:**

Tutor and official M U3A Photographer

If you have seen Lindsay's photographs of the COM members, displayed in the office, you know he has skills as a photographer. At the end of last year, at the request of our President **Bryce Normoyle**, Lindsay took these individual photos. During Seniors' Week at the Carnival of Learning, many of his photos were on display in our stand. His photos can also be found on our website.

Lindsay has had the role of tutor of the marquetry class for nine years. However, as it is a self help group, the actual tutoring role along with that of sharing, encouraging and giving guidance is taken up by the whole class. His interest in marquetry came from a course he took with CAE (Council for Adult Education), and when he retired, he decided he now had the time to pursue this hobby. Lindsay has lived all his life in Melbourne. After studying, he became a survey draftsman. He worked for the state public service, first in the Forests Commission and then the Lands Department.

Lindsay and his wife, Gwyn, have four children and thirteen grandchildren and do lots of babysitting! They both enjoy their involvement with our U3A. Lindsay participates in *Current Affairs*, two *Walking Group*, *Table Tennis* and *Strength Training*.

His other interests include being a member of The Doncaster Uniting Church and the Manningham Reconciliation Group.

Lindsay says, "U3A is a great organization, it's lively, has a good social aspect and very interesting and varied courses".

Wendy Donovan

# U3A Equipment - Making a Difference

In his report (page 2), the President referred to the purchase of new equipment "to improve the benefits to members". **Terry Smith** is the Committee of Management person who oversees the purchase and maintenance of all the equipment. He has commented that the Manningham City Council, which owns our building, has been very helpful in agreeing to make the small alterations sometimes necessary to accommodate new technology.

Terry explains what is involved in the buying, maintenance and updating of all the items as follows:

Our Continuous Improvement group consists of tutors, technical people and other members with appropriate knowledge, to advise on purchases and development of our course offerings and facilities. For those of you who have ideas to improve the quality of our facilities and training, please contact me.

# Special Needs

If you have a problem with *mobility, hearing or sight*, please discuss this with your tutor, or with me.

The COM is interested in making a difference.

We already have some hearing aid systems, amplifiers, and a walking frame.

# Audio-visual equipment - The Borrowing Book

We have a black book in the office for reserving audio-visual equipment. To ensure that your courses get the equipment they require, please enter what you are borrowing in the book – including the date, the times you will be using it, and the name of the piece of equipment.

If there is a clash with another class, please contact me ASAP and I will try to help.

# Repairs

If equipment is faulty, please contact me. I have issued a new email address for maintenance issues: **manunipines@gmail.com**..

Defect slips are clipped to the wall in store cupboard 13. Please fill in and put these in my pigeon hole in the office. We have a fault reporting book in the office. Please give me as much detail as you can. If the problem is more urgent, please ask the office to call me at home.

# Purchasing

We have recently purchased three new CD players.

The large black SONY unit is intended for The Pines function room. Please use the trolley with this, and I suggest that two people do the lifting. This unit will run with an ipod.

The two SONY CFDS- 350 units can be used in the smaller rooms, and they are OK for dance music.

We have also purchased a 46 inch Samsung LCD flat screen TV. A stand with castors is being built for it so it can be wheeled into any room. It includes VCR, DVD, and also Blu Ray, if anyone needs it.

We have purchased three new Toshiba laptop computers with software; Windows 7 pro, Microsoft office 2007 and 2010 for a start, and some textbooks, more on the way, to enable our computer tutors to develop their courses for the next few years.

I would like to hear from anyone interested in Storybook, Proshow or other display software.

# Network Victoria Conference 2011

Ageing with Interest: Vitality, Knowledge, Growth.

Monday, 9 May – Wednesday, 11 May

Venue: Melbourne Town Hall, 90 -120 Swanston St.

Costs: Pre-Conference dinner \$55

Two days \$80 One day \$40

Enquiries to:

Conference Convenor, Elsie Mutton:

Phone: (03) 9878 3898 Mobile: 0408 584 072

e-mail: <u>u3anuna@bigpond.com</u>

# Other U3As

If you would like to read what our U3A colleagues in other districts are doing, their newsletters are in a red display folder in the store room beside the office.

**U3A Network Victoria** is the organization that oversees, encourages and negotiates for U3As across Victoria. According to its January newsletter (edited by Manningham's **Paul O'Connor)**, the Network now has 97 member U3As, while several more groups in different areas are "exploring options for development". Other items from Network include an invitation to participate in a research study.

# Testosterone? Memory?

Network's actual headline for this article is: *Could testosterone prevent memory loss in women?* It goes on – In this study, women will be randomly allocated to receive a small dose of testosterone applied to the skin, or an identical placebo that does not contain any active ingredient. The effects of therapy will be evaluated by comparing how well women complete memory and learning tasks before treatment and after six months of treatment.

Women in good health and aged between 55 and 70 years, who are interested in participating in this research, should contact the Women's Health Program, Monash University, on (03) **9903 0820** or email at womens.health@monash.edu

# More Network News:

## Older Learners Benefit

The National Seniors Australia report (entitled Later Life Learning: Unlocking the Potential for Productive Ageing) has found that to reap the social and economic benefits of learning in later life, it is important for governments and providers of adult learning to do more to address the barriers currently in place.

National Senior Australia's general manager, Peter Matwijiw, said despite all the positive research which links being mentally active to living longer and healthier lives, the issue is not being taken seriously enough.

"There is all the talk about increasing training and learning opportunities to ensure older people are able to work for longer. but there is not a mutual recognition of what is being invested", he said.

Investment should continue to include benefits to employers for providing training for older workers, but expand to give access to low cost courses for individuals who are both in and out of the labour force, as well as supporting increased awareness about lifelong learning.

"In a study of older learners, 80 per cent reported an improvement in life satisfaction, self-confidence, self-image or ability to cope due to engagement in learning.

"Engagement in learning and education is linked to economic, social and health benefits, especially in the older age groups, but compared to our international counterparts, there is much more we can do".

With a quarter of a million members nation-wide, National Seniors is the consumer lobby for the over 50s. It is the fourth largest organization of its type in the world.

The February – March newsletter of **Melbourne City U3A** also has a call for participants in research:

### Vision Volunteers

People aged between 60 - 75 years are required for a research study assessing how vision affects the accuracy of hand movements. Participants must have normal vision (either with or without glasses) and have no health problems known to affect vision.

Up to three sessions of two hours are involved, which include an abbreviated clinical eye examination, interview and computer-based testing. Volunteers will be reimbursed \$20 per session to contribute to travel expenses.

For more information contact: Dr Allison McKendrick, Department of Optometry and Vision Sciences, University of Melbourne.

Phone: 9349 7479 or e-mail:

allisonm@unimelb.edu.au

# **PROPERTY MAINTENANCE**

Carpentry, painting, tiling, garage & shed clean outs.

Contact Doug Brewer 9850 1710—0412 017 133 (U3A Member)

# Our U3A Anthem

Tutor **Beryl Nichols** reports that a former Manningham U3A member, **Ray Marmion**, sent this anthem to her *Singing for Pleasure* group, who performed it at the end of year concert last November. Words are by Anon, and it is sung to the tune of *Gaudeamus Igitur*.

All together now!

U3A is what we are
Great by any measure,
Round the world, both near and far.
Thoughts converge together.
Minds refreshed and stimulated
By the courses we created.
Something new to mark our leisure,
Learning is a joy and pleasure.

Now we've seen what life's about,
Comes our chance to ponder
All those facts we've learnt about
In the wide world yonder.
Ours to know and visualize
Secrets of the earth and skies,
Through this century of wondrous strife

# E-Mail Addresses

If you can receive the newsletter by e-mail, U3A saves postage. If you have changed your e-mail address, please be sure to let the office know. This saves time and trouble for those trying to communicate with you. Office phone: **9894 5955.** 



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# C'est Magnifique - Pétanque at the Vineyard

Last year, a team of seven Pétanque players from Manningham U3A took part in a French boules tournament at the vineyard of Dominique Portet at Coldstream. The U3A team looked very professional in their new red caps and monogrammed blue shirts but were beaten by an experienced team of Frenchmen, who showed both skill and Gallic panache. After the game, they all enjoyed lunch and a glass of wine beneath the umbrellas on the terrace beside the winery. The vigneron, Dominique Portet, chatted with the U3A team after the game and they were invited to visit again later in the year.

So in December, a group of 26 boulists drove up to the winery for a morning of Pétanque, followed by a wine tasting and delightful French lunch in the barrel room of the winery hosted by Domenique Portet. The winery is set in the beautiful Yarra Valley and has an excellent gravel piste. Boules can be provided for visitors but our players used their own boules which they use at their regular games each week.

Every Monday morning, a group of around 28 boulists plays Pétanque at Reischecks Reserve in East Doncaster under the watchful eye of tutor, Don Gay.

Pétanque is a game of bowls played with steel *boules* and a wooden *cochonnet* or jack, on a gravel surface called the *piste*. Teams are allocated and play three games against different opponents. The game is easy to learn, very social and great fun.

Deirdre Meredith



Ruth Foxtell throws a boule and Deirdre Meredith anxiously looks on.



Ruth Foxtell with John and Deirdre Meredith wearing Manningham U3A Pétanque team's uniform.

# The Newsletter

The newsletter was planned, typed, formatted, addressed and distributed by the following members (and their helpers): Wendy Donovan (co-chair, Publicity and Publications Committee); Margaret Salomon (co-chair, Vice-President); Jeannette and Lewis Badge (coordinators, mailout team); John Driver (e-mailing); Frances Langdon (formatter); Margot Roth (editor); Liew Staras (assistant editor) Warren Trompf (Sponsorship).



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# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

# Terms 1 & 2, 2011

Monday 7 February TERM 1 commences (9 weeks)

Wednesday, 16 February Monthly Talk (Rms 13-14) 3.00pm

Friday, 25 February Newsletter Deadline

Monday, 21 February Office Training (Rm 13) 3.30-4.30pm

Wednesday 2 March Class Representatives Meeting (Rms 13-14) 3.00-4.00pm

Monday 14 March LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY

Wednesday, 16 March Monthly Talk (Rms 13-14) 3.00pm Monday, 21 March Committee of Management Meeting (Rm 8) 2.30pm

Monday, 21 March Newsletter Posted (Rm 15) 1.30-4.30pm

Wednesday, 6 April Migrant English Tutors

**Afternoon Tea** (Rm 13) 3.00-4.20pm

Friday, 8 April TERM 1 finishes

Friday, 22 April-26 April Good Friday/Easter/Anzac Day

3 weeks Holiday

Monday, 2 May TERM 2 commences (9 weeks)

Friday 6 May Newsletter Deadline

Monday, 9 May –

Wednesday, 11 May Network Victoria Conference, Melbourne Town Hall.

(details elsewhere in the newsletter)

Monday, 16 May

Committee of Management Meeting (Rm 8) 2.30pm

Wednesday, 18 May Monthly Talk (Rms 13-14) 3.00-4.30pm

(details elsewhere in the newsletter).

Monday, 30 May Newsletter posted (Rm 15) 1.30-4.30pm

Monday, 13 June QUEENS BIRTHDAY

Wednesday, 15 June Monthly Talk (Rms 13-14) 3.00-4.30pm

(details elsewhere in the newsletter).

Monday, 20 June Committee of Management Meeting (Rm 8) 2.30pm

Friday, 1 July **TERM 2 finishes** 

COM meetings usually held 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of month.