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## President's Report

Welcome back to another term of participating in the many activities offered at our U3A and of meeting up with friends and fellow class members. We are indeed fortunate at U3A Manningham to have such a wide-ranging and diverse programme in such splendid surroundings. We have come a long way from the early days of our U3A exactly 25 years ago. 2016 marks our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and you will find details about this event elsewhere in the newsletter.

### Tutors' Luncheon

At the tutors' luncheon and meeting on 21 July, Certificates of Appreciation for long and enthusiastic service were awarded to **Trudy Ward** (German), **John O'Connor** (Astronomy/Cosmology), **Corale Taylor** (Healing - Mind, Body, Spirit), **Lindsay Roberts** (Marquetry) and **Lesley Catt** (Yoga Hatha). A special award was made to **Dawn Heffernan** (Social Philosophy) and **Neville Heffernan** (Italian) for 25 years of continuous tuition, which coincides with our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year. Dawn and Neville were there at the beginning in 1991 and they are still going strong. The dedication of these tutors is representative of the commitment and stamina of our tutors generally. On behalf of all our members, I would like to extend our sincere gratitude and appreciation to every one of you.

A large number of tutors, about 90, attended this luncheon but, unfortunately, **Graeme Martin** and his team only received acceptances from 65. This change put considerable pressure on catering, with barely enough food to go round. All U3A functions are by invitation only. If you do not put in an acceptance reply as directed in the invitation, please do not decide to attend at the last minute. I would like to take this opportunity to remind all members that if you are invited to a luncheon, it is both a courtesy and a practicality to reply as requested in the RSVP.

### Seniors Week

Seniors Week begins on Sunday, 2 October at Federation Square. U3A Manningham will be there again this year to demonstrate our Arts and Crafts skills and expertise. As in previous years, we shall be participating in what is a very enjoyable day out in early spring in the centre of Melbourne. You will find more details about this event elsewhere in the newsletter.

### Summer School

We shall be holding our customary Summer School in January 2017. Over a four-week period, we hope to be able to offer a variety of activities on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. A number of tutors have already volunteered to teach classes, but there is still room for more. If there are any members who would like to offer an activity that is not available in our current programme, this is a perfect opportunity to give it a go. It may be the start, perhaps, to offering a full-scale version in our main programme. Please send any suggestions to me as soon as possible. Details about the programme and arrangements for enrolling will be made towards the end of August.

## President's Report (Cont'd)

### U3A Telelink

A Telelink group, under the guidance of a facilitator, provides a free, confidential and supportive environment to share social, recreational and self-help topics over the telephone using teleconference. We can participate in this recently launched initiative by U3A Network Victoria if there are any of our members who are temporarily or permanently house-bound and are unable to travel to a classroom or activity centre. If you know anybody who could benefit from this scheme, please pass the information to me. There are no charges for this activity.

### Book Launch

One of our U3A members, **Doug Wallace**, has co-authored a history of Ford Australia. The book is already available in bookshops. There will be a celebratory launch at The Pines on Friday, 9 September in Rooms 16 - 19 at 3pm. Further details will be circulated nearer the date. You will find more information about this book and its author elsewhere in this newsletter.

### Doncare

On behalf of all our members, I would like to offer my thanks and appreciation for the many generous donations you have made to Doncare. We have supported this worthwhile and essential charity for several years and I am happy to report that your contributions last term continued in abundance. Your generosity and concern are greatly appreciated.

My very best wishes for an enjoyable, life-enriching and health-enhancing third term.

Geoff Sheldon, President

## U3A Manningham 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration



October, 2016 marks the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the inauguration of U3A Manningham, known in the early days as the Doncaster and Templestowe U3A. Originally 12 classes were on offer to 35 members at the Templestowe Orchards Retirement Village.

We have come a long way since those early days and this considerable achievement will be celebrated on the precise anniversary on Friday, 14 October. On that day, we shall be holding a special Anniversary Artistic Showcase, highlighting the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary theme, including a suitably decorated celebration cake. Also during that week, a number of 'celebratory artefacts' will appear in The Pines building to mark this auspicious milestone. Later, on Thursday, 10 November, we shall hold a special lunchtime concert in the PFR, featuring members of the Hawthorn U3A Orchestra. Further details will be given nearer the date.



Keep an eye out for the specially designed celebratory pop-up banner which will be on show from the beginning of August.

Geoff Sheldon, President

# A Celebration for Margot Roth

On 28 July, there was a special celebration for **Margot Roth** to mark two milestones. Some people write books and some people turn ninety-five years old. Few do both at the same time, unless they are as remarkable as Margot.

The launch of her book, *Roll on the revolution, but not till after Xmas!*, was a festive occasion with family, friends and colleagues from New Zealand celebrating Margot's achievements. The book was initiated by the Women's Studies Association of New Zealand/ Pae Akoranga Wahine. It brings together Margot's journal articles, written over seventy years, on an eclectic range of topics from a feminist perspective. While the wit and wisdom of these articles were evident when they were published, by having them collected in one volume, the reader can appreciate what one colleague called "the singular voice Margot has brought to observing the world around her, and the place of women in it".

Many of the pieces in her long-running column, 'Gripes of Roth', are collected here and reflect the strong sense of justice and fairness that have been areas of constant concern throughout her life. Margot acts on what she believes in, whether by bringing issues into focus through her writing, or by taking an active role in education and politics. The book provides a biography of Margot's life reflected in her writing, and the wry title emphasises the importance both of her family and of her commitment to change.



The second occasion for celebration on this day was Margot's ninety-fifth birthday. Everyone joined together to express their admiration for this remarkable person. It was clear from the speeches that Margot has been an inspiration and supporter for many women in New Zealand. Her friends and family spoke of Margot's sense of humour, her intelligence and her supportive friendships, as well as her commitment to the things she believed in. 'Inspiration' was a word used often to describe Margot.

After the speeches, in Maori Waiata tradition, the audience joined in singing two rousing songs to mark the occasion: 'Don't Be Too Polite, Girls' and 'Bread and Roses'. These were followed by a joyous version of 'Happy Birthday' before it was time for Margot to sign her book.

Asked whether writing a book or turning ninety-five was the greater challenge, Margot replied, "Turning ninety-five. I have written all my life, but I've never turned ninety-five before!". Happy Birthday, Margot, and thank you for sharing your ideas with us.

**Diane Baird**

*Margot's book is available from Readings bookstores.*

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## Newsletter Email Contact

If you have contributions or feedback for any issue of the newsletter, please use this new address: U3A Manningham Newsletter ([u3amnews@gmail.com](mailto:u3amnews@gmail.com)). As always, we look forward to your participation in sharing news and events with our members.

Deadline for the last issue of the newsletter this year is 14 October (for the November newsletter).

**Diane Baird, Editor**

# Curriculum Coordinator's Report

The Curriculum Planning Team has commenced processing all submitted Tutor forms for courses to be offered in 2017. There will be a number of new courses offered next year, but sadly, we will lose a few currently offered courses due to Tutors retiring or developing new initiatives.

The CPR workshop has been well received by members and it will be offered again in 2017, with support from the Red Cross.

There are three new courses to commence in Term 4: two new music courses and one iPad for beginners course (offered only to members already on the waiting list). Watch out for the new courses to be advertised some time in Term 3.

If you are interested in joining the Curriculum Team and sharing your expertise, please contact the volunteer coordinator, **Heather Ambrose**, at the U3A office. If you would like to offer new courses, please contact me and explore the possibilities. All ideas are welcome!

**Milly Ching, Curriculum Coordinator**

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## Office Manager's Report

Term 2 in the office ran very smoothly. We have continued the one-on-one training of new office workers and have found this to be very beneficial.

My sincere thanks to **Tess Gibbs** and **Ruth Jenz** and to the members of the Office Duty Team: **Vicky Curtis**, **Laurine Eames**, **Maretta Frolley**, **Audrey Killey**, **Jan McAuliffe**, **Mike Perry** and **Elizabeth Voce**. All these people work efficiently behind the scenes to organise the huge team of office workers.

We welcome a number of new office volunteers for Term 3 - thank you for joining us.

**Jeanette Shaw, Office Manager**

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## **Tutors for Migrant English** Workshop **'Building Confidence'**

A workshop for Migrant English tutors, conducted by AMES (Adult Multicultural Education Service), will be held on Thursday, 1 September from 1.30-4.00pm in Room 13. If attending, please notify Jeanette Badge on 9850 3077 or at [lewnet@badgefamly.net](mailto:lewnet@badgefamly.net).

# 5Q

## Five Questions for...

### Bridget Halge



You have received several awards for your dedicated community work as a volunteer, including Outstanding Volunteer in the Menzies Electorate in 2001 and Manningham's Volunteer of the Year award in 2007. You are also a Life Member of our U3A. What motivates you to devote so much time as a volunteer?

Addressing the problems associated with disadvantage is at the heart of what motivates me. I have always been keenly interested in administrative structures and processes too. It all began when I took early retirement. I had heard about U3A and my husband and I enrolled. Within a few months of being in **Heather Ambrose's** Psychology class, she talked me into joining the Committee of Management (CoM).

While enjoying all that U3A had to offer, I also felt the need to volunteer in the wider community so I completed a Community Workers' Training Course. Later, I joined WIRE (Women's Information Referral Exchange), which is similar to Lifeline. After intensive training as a telephone counsellor, I volunteered there for several years, an experience I enjoyed immensely.

Our Class Rep system was born out of the success I had had in the education system in recruiting, training and organizing volunteers to support teachers in the classroom. Now at U3A, we have volunteers supporting volunteer tutors!

Working in education, I noticed that parents without sufficient English struggled to become involved in the school community and to participate in parent-teacher interviews. To address this problem, I set up a community-based Migrant English Program at our U3A with support from AMES (Adult Multicultural Education Service) and a seeding grant from Manningham Council. Some years later, I offered an English conversation class and invited **Jean de Neef** to teach an English writing class. Today we offer five ESL (English as a second language) classes. It does my heart good to know that several hundred members of the Manningham community have benefited from these programs.

The costs at a gym can be prohibitive for some of our members, which is one reason Yoga and Tai Chi were introduced into the curriculum. A couple of years later, I worked with **Moira Axtens** to develop and set up our Strength Training program. More recently, I worked with **Sandra Marshall** to develop and set up the chair-based exercise class. Assisting members to maintain fitness and stay healthy at little cost is a very satisfying outcome of these initiatives.

You have been involved in many roles since U3A Manningham began, including Tutor, Newsletter Editor, Curriculum Co-coordinator, Vice President and President. What do you think have been some of the most significant changes in our U3A over its twenty-five years?

The first is securing our own home in a purpose built building - the first for a U3A in Australia. Following ten years of unrelenting and tireless pursuit of Council by **Les Dale**, Heather and myself to provide U3A with a home of our own, our dreams were realized. Council CEO **John Bennie**

# 5Q Five Questions for Bridget Halge (Cont'd)

finally agreed to fund a building to house Pines Learning and our U3A. The subsequent efforts of consultation with all key stakeholders and the detailed discussions with the architects and Council officers resulted in the beautiful and well-equipped building we now occupy.

The second is our Volunteer System. After the establishment and success of the Class Rep System and our subsequent move to Templestowe, the obvious next step was to create volunteer jobs to support the CoM, which began with the recruitment of one hundred office workers. As president and vice president, **Heather Ambrose** and I worked closely to develop a Strategic Plan, including a succession plan. From this flowed the recruitment of volunteers to convene sub-committees. We set up the early enrolment incentive for volunteering and all of this resulted in our very successful Volunteer System which has been unique to our U3A.

**One of your many interests is Aboriginal reconciliation. Why do you think honouring Aboriginal heritage is so important, not only in Manningham, but in all of Australia?**

When I came to Australia in 1969, I was dismayed that there was little or no reference to Australia's Indigenous history and culture, either in schools or among the people I was meeting socially. I became increasingly aware that because of the dominance of British history and the lack of recognition of Indigenous people, generations of Australians have been dislocated from their heritage and the rich history and culture of our first peoples.

In 1992, I was invited by a colleague to visit Palm Island and spend time in the school there. My first-hand experience of the results of displacement and disadvantage was heart-wrenching, so my interest to do something about it was sparked. Aboriginal content was introduced eventually into our school curriculum and when I retired, I joined the local reconciliation group and I am now the Chair. Because of forced removal from their land, only a handful of Wurundjeri people have returned to their own country in Manningham so, sadly, direct contact with local Indigenous people is very limited. Our charter is to educate non-indigenous Australians about the cultural practices, history and historical sites of this area. We are very encouraged by the growing sympathy and interest from those who attend our events.

**How do you relax?**

I have four children and eight grandchildren whom I see often. I enjoy spending time with them at our many celebrations and birthday gatherings. After many years of neglecting my garden, over the last fifteen years I have developed a keen interest in gardening. I love spending time making it a place in which to work and relax. I enjoy reading and belong to a book discussion group. I practise yoga and meditation and I allow myself lots of time to contemplate life. I find these experiences very enriching and enjoyable.

**What is on your Wish List for our U3A?**

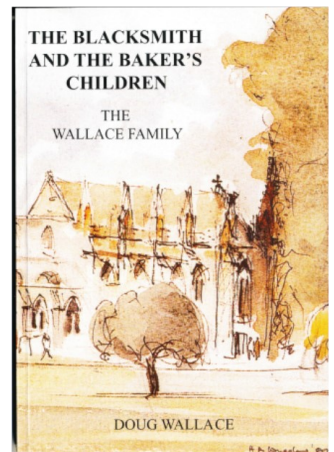
That we will remain a friendly, cohesive and inclusive community of people, working to make learning and exercising a very rewarding experience for all our members. Also, that we continue to find successful ways to tap into the wealth of ideas and talents of our members to make our U3A the best that it can be.

## Views and Reviews

*Views and Reviews* is a forum for our U3A members. Contributions on a range of topics of interest to our members are invited, with a limit of 500 words. Selection for publication will be made by the Editorial Committee. Send contributions to [u3amnews@gmail.com](mailto:u3amnews@gmail.com).

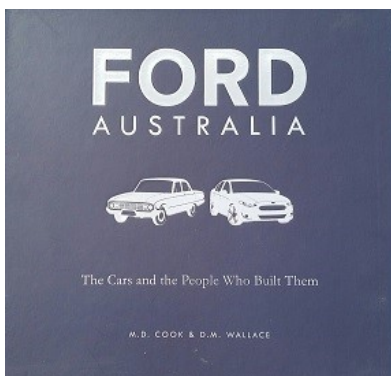
### Writing a Book By Doug Wallace

Why do people write books? Some write for enjoyment, or to record life history. For many it's a compulsion, but few make money from writing. As a student, manager and business consultant, I had written theses, proposals and reports. But when I retired, why did I keep writing? Being interested in family history, I had researched my family back to the 1700s and had a wealth of information. At a family reunion, some cousins suggested that the information should be preserved. The result? The Wallace family history, *The Blacksmith and the Baker's Children*.



Writing a book has several steps. The first step is to have an interest. Next, develop a plan and a timetable and stick to them. Write every day. Talk to other people and get them to edit, comment, and criticize, but stick to your plan. Then comes the decision: how to publish. The *Written Word* group at U3A Manningham helped me considerably. Using their contacts and expertise and looking at other books, a format was developed, the cover designed and a printer found.

I eventually found myself in business mode with some questions: How to sell? Quantity to print? Marketing? I was lucky that my family were interested in the history, so I had found my market. Finally, there was the absolute thrill of seeing the finished product, my book. There also were doubts: Will they like it? Could I have done better? Then, I felt a determination to do better next time. Next time?! What am I thinking? Do I really want to do it all again? Of course I do; the writing bug had bitten.



After another self-published book and two abortive attempts at writing fiction, I was working in the Ford Australia archives when Ford announced their closure of manufacturing in Australia. The archivist and I, both having worked at Ford for many years, decided to write a history of the company, including stories of employees. The idea for the book, *Ford Australia: The Cars and the People Who Built Them*, was born.

Failing to get Ford to sponsor the book, we decided to proceed independently and approached publishers with a book proposal. As usual, we got knockbacks - five in all - before we found a publisher. Now, in twelve months, all we had to do was interview about seventy people all over Australia, write 120,000 words and select 650 photographs! It sounds daunting, but we broke it into small bites and chewed like mad.

## Writing a Book By Doug Wallace (Cont'd)

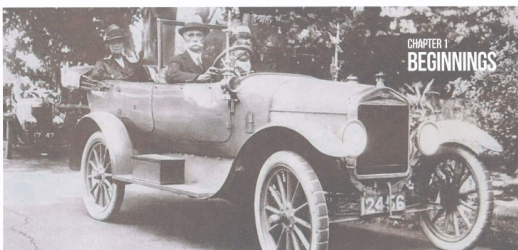
Discipline was essential! We interviewed three people every week for six months and researched and wrote 300 words a day. When the subject is interesting and you have researched it thoroughly, the words flow relatively easily. The hardest part was reducing the initial 6,000 photographs to 1,200, then further again. Then we had to negotiate to get copyright approval to use the photographs. Accuracy in books is paramount and proofreading and editing the manuscript may take as long as writing it. After three years, with deadlines met and publishers happy, the marketing and sales people took over. Now for the next one...

If you are considering writing a book, the biggest step is the first one. Take it.

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### Ford Australia: The Cars and the People Who Built Them A Review by Geoff Sheldon

In the Foreword to this comprehensive and multi-faceted history of Ford Australia, the authors describe it as “*a book for those who worked at Ford, Ford owners and car enthusiasts*”. It is all of



that but also much more. One of our U3A members, **Doug Wallace**, and his co-author, **Michele Cook**, have successfully woven individual stories into this commercial and industrial history of Ford. The human stories of hundreds of individuals whose working lives revolved around Ford are placed in the context of the social history of Australia. Profusely illustrated with photographs of every Australian Ford model, the book covers the history of Ford from the importation of their first vehicle in 1904 to full-

scale production and major employment opportunities in Australia throughout the twentieth century.

The authors provide not only a history of the development of the Australian motor industry in the last hundred years, but also a vivid commentary and evocation of Australian social history over that time. This carefully researched narrative includes the drama of human relationships in Ford's early attempts to establish a motor vehicle construction industry in 1920s Australia. There is also a poignant account of stories of the social suffering experienced during the 1930s recession, along with anecdotes of communal support and solidarity in the face of adversity.



Ford's role in the Second World War makes interesting reading. On the industrial side, Ford moved skilfully from vehicle manufacture to armaments production, including sea mines. The authors document the important role Ford played in opening the doors of employment in the manufacturing sector to women. By 1944, women were estimated to be more than 40% of Ford's workforce, thus creating an important template for women's role in society in the post-war world. In addition, the Australian experience of the economically dynamic 1950s is strikingly captured in stories of migrants from non-English speaking European countries stepping off the boat and being immediately hired by Ford to work on its production lines.



## Ford Australia: The Cars and the People Who Built Them A Review by Geoff Sheldon (Cont'd)

The book is a treasure-house of many anecdotes and vignettes of Australians in Ford's employ: from the need to wear gumboots when developing the Broadmeadows factory because of the presence of snakes, to massive power failures halting the production lines caused by possums eating through the electric cables, to the problems encountered when vehicles transported from Western Australia across the Nullarbor were used as moving targets by local shooters.

Australia's role as a successful vehicle designer and manufacturer at national and international levels is vividly evoked in the chapters dealing with Ford's development in the 1970s and 1980s. Competition with Holden was constant, and the twists and turns of that rivalry are spiritedly recounted. At the international level, the authors unravel the intricate complexities of building the modern motor vehicle evident in the problems involved in trying to unite Italian designers, Japanese engineers and Australian assembly workers.

As we are aware, Ford has come to the end of its manufacturing road in Australia and the authors end their history with a frank and uncompromising assessment of the successes and failures of Ford. Here too, the keynote balance of the human, social and economic factors, prominent throughout the book, is maintained as they evaluate the degree to which "*The protection of a viable manufacturing industry should be weighed against ... social problems and welfare costs*". The book does not claim to have the answers, but it demonstrates with understanding, clarity and insight the problems involved in trying to resolve the equation.

*The book will be launched on Friday, 9 September at 3.00pm at U3A Manningham in Rooms 16-18. Copies of the book will be available for sale.*

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## Monthly Talks

Monthly Talks are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 3.00-4.30pm in Room 13. All are welcome - bring a friend. Entry by \$2 donation; refreshments are provided.

**17 August: The Life Assistance Program for Seniors** Vicky Triantaflaros is from the Uniting Care Life Assist organisation. This group is a provider of community-based long or short term support for older people, their carers and family members. The way people are supported at home will change greatly in the next two years. Current and future planning is important in assisting people to stay at home as long as possible. This talk will provide information about the options available now and into the future.

The talk for October is to be confirmed. Information will be posted on notice boards and details will be read in classes prior to the talk.

**Please Note:** In 2016, all Monthly Talks will begin promptly at 3.10pm. To respect our speakers and the audience, *no entry* will be allowed after 3.10pm.

Coral Vercoe

# Monthly Talk Follow-up: A Holocaust Survivor's Story

*The Monthly Talk in June was presented by **Celina Rose** about her family's experience of the Holocaust. Celina has followed up this presentation with a summary of the talk, along with a YouTube clip of her story.*

I was honoured to be invited to speak to U3A Manningham about my family's experiences of the Holocaust in Poland and of Oskar Schindler who saved many of us. It's a grand and terrible story about how good and decent people will act when terrible events happen around them. A doctor's gift of sedative for a small child, coins from the dead hand of a Polish Jew deemed too sick to be worth transporting, a dance hall owner who hid a Jewish child amongst those of her dancers, a Polish couple who took in that blonde and blue-eyed abandoned child, and of course the Schindlers, who lied, cajoled and fought from within the Nazi system to save as many people as they could. All of these people, aware or not, helped to save me and my family from the worst that often happened to Polish Jewish families, socialists, the Roma - anyone who didn't fit the Aryan ideal. If you read my story in a book, you might not believe it.

Thank you to everyone who came to the talk and listened, and cared, and asked questions and witnessed my story. If you missed my talk, a short video is available on YouTube <https://youtu.be/R2ORdTPJ6Ak>. The definitive film on the Holocaust is *Shoah*, directed by Claude Lanzmann and released as a two-part, eight-hour movie in 1985. Parts of this film and many other survivor testimonies are accessible via the YouTube link.

**Celina Rose**

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## Mobile Phone Messages

### Emergency Information

Have you got 'ICE' on your mobile phone contact list? It's very important that you do. ICE is an acronym for 'In Case of Emergency' and all emergency services personnel are familiar with this term. If you are involved in an accident, emergency personnel at the scene can contact the person you have nominated on your mobile phone ICE list and let them know what has happened.

The tutors for the mobile phone class at U3A Manningham provide helpful information like ICE, along with many other aspects of operating your iPhone or Android mobile phone. Members of the course team are **Diana Gristwood**, **Yau Ai Joo** and **Tony Thomas**.

If you need help to operate or revise the basic operation of your mobile phone, all you need to do is complete a blue application form at the office. A tutor will contact you to arrange a mutual time for one-on-one tuition.



### Put Your Old Phone to New Use

Many of our members receive mobile phones from family members who have upgraded their own. In most cases, the old mobile still works. Or perhaps you have replaced your mobile after a two-year contract and no longer need your old phone. Some of our members don't have that advantage and would welcome the opportunity to upgrade their phones. If you have a mobile that is still working and you are prepared to donate it to help another member, please contact me on 0451 458 500. Thank you in anticipation.

**Ken Hosking, Mobile Phone Co-ordinator and Tutor**



Celebration Day marks a special event in Melbourne and the official opening of the Victorian Seniors Festival. On Sunday, 2 October, the Main Stage at Fed Square will feature great performances and entertainment, with roving buskers and many dancing exhibitions. The Line Dancing will include forty of our U3A dancers at the River Terrace.

The Celebration Day event is for Seniors and will demonstrate the numerous community programs loaded with information to encourage a fun and active life. These will include the areas of sport, social activities, relaxation, health and well-being.

The format of our U3A displays has been changed this year to include two larger marquees, one at Federation Square and the other at the River Terrace. Our demonstrations will include calligraphy, mandalas, handcraft, marquetry, card-making and cosmology/astronomy. Other U3As will be participating with contributions during the day.

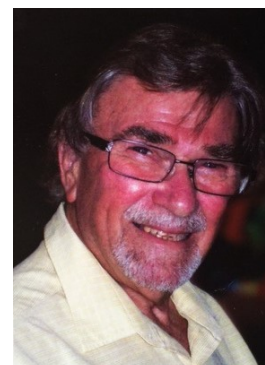
Ron McQuade

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## Tribute to Ray Haynes

**Ray Haynes** died suddenly during the Term Two holiday break. He was a dearly loved and valued member of our U3A.

He was a talented musician and generously shared his amazing musical ability. U3A Manningham members may remember his lively piano playing and accompaniment for performances at many functions, such as UniFest and Art Exhibitions. Ray loved to sing and belonged to Singing for Pleasure, where he also shared the accompaniment with **Marjorie Christian**, even though he really wanted the opportunity to sing. He also belonged to The Happy Singers and Table Tennis classes. We were always grateful for his generous and reliable musical contribution.



Ray's wicked sense of humour, quick wit, cheerfulness and wonderful sense of fun will truly be sadly missed.

Written by Singing for Pleasure Class Members

## VALE – Johanna Eden 19.11.1926 – 16.5.2016

Johanna was a much loved and respected member of the Handcrafts class since its inception. She was also the Tutor of the Embroidery - Needles & Threads class for several years. She was extremely generous with her time and expertise, and she will be sadly missed by all.

We would like to thank her family for donating Johanna's extensive range of craft equipment to U3A Manningham for use by its Handcrafts members. The gift of this equipment is much appreciated.

Pam Stewart, Handcrafts Tutor

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### Network News



#### Victorian Seniors Festival

This year the Victorian Seniors Festival will be held throughout October. A calendar of events will be available in September. On 2 October, the annual Seniors Festival Celebration Day will be held at Fed Square with participating U3As from all over Victoria. Special displays and demonstrations will be held throughout the day.

#### Upcoming Vacancy at Network

The current Network President, **Elsie Mutton**, will not renominate for this position in March 2017. Network is looking for someone to take on this important role from next year. If you are interested or would like to have more information, contact the Network Office on (03) 9670 365 or [info@u3avictoria.com.au](mailto:info@u3avictoria.com.au).



### Seniors' Information on COTA

Do you have a query about concessions for seniors, pensions, aged care or other topics related to seniors? The COTA website (<http://cotavic.org.au/information/looking-for-information/>) has a section with updated information on these and other topics. Info is listed by topic with a link to more details. Answers may be just a click away and if you don't find what you are looking for, you can talk with an information officer. There are also links to a range of useful state and local government websites.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### TERM 3

Monday, 11 July  
 Monday, 15 August  
 Wednesday, 17 August  
 Thursday, 8 September  
 Monday, 12 September  
 Thursday, 15 September  
 Friday, 16 September

**TERM 3 commenced (10 weeks)**  
 Committee of Management Meeting (Rm 8) 1.30pm  
 Monthly Talk (Rm 13) 3.00pm  
 Summer School Enrolment (PFR) 2.30 - 3.30pm  
 Committee of Management Meeting (Rm 8) 1.30pm  
**Class Representatives Luncheon (PFR)** 12.15 - 2.30pm  
**TERM 3 finishes**

[Term break – 2 weeks]

### TERM 4

*Special 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations will be held in October and November. Details will be given closer to the time.*

Monday, 3 October	<b>TERM 4 commences (8 weeks)</b>	
Thursday, 13 October	<b>Office Workers Luncheon (PFR)</b>	12.15-2.30pm
Friday, 14 October	Newsletter Deadline	
Monday, 17 October	Committee of Management Meeting (Rm8)	1.30pm
Wednesday, 19 October	Monthly Talk (Rm 13),	3.00pm
Tuesday, 1 November	<b>MELBOURNE CUP DAY HOLIDAY</b>	
Monday, 21 November	Committee of Management Meeting (Rm8),	1.30pm
Wednesday, 23 November	<b>Artistic Showcase</b>	10.00am – 3.00pm
Thursday, 24 November	<b>uniFEST 2016</b>	12 noon – 3.30pm
Friday, 25 November	<b>TERM 4 finishes</b>	

**PFR - Pines Function Room**

## And finally...

Joy is increased when shared with another.  
 Anon

### The Newsletter

Editorial team: **Diane Baird, Frances Langdon, Liew Staras**; CoM Advisor: **Jillian Gange**;  
 Website Manager: **Kevin Chan**; Distribution: **Lewis Badge, Angela Burns and Warren Trompf**.

*Information contained in this newsletter was correct at the time of publication. U3A Manningham makes no guarantee that the information contained in the newsletter is always accurate.*



#### MISSION STATEMENT

*Our mission is to provide accessible and affordable educational, cultural, physical and social opportunities appropriate to the needs of retired and semi-retired people.*

