

# Milton Ulladulla

*U3A Campus inc*



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Term 2 Newsletter

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## President's Message

This has been a year of change. A major activity has been the **development of a draft constitution** to replace our existing one which was outdated both at law and good governance. I want to acknowledge Carmen Champion for her effort and legal direction in producing this important document. It is anticipated that the draft will be finalized by the new committee and distributed to members prior to a **Special General Meeting** to provide ample time for its presentation, discussion and, hopefully, approval by the members.

At the last Annual General Meeting the subject of **tutors' reimbursement** of expenses was raised. The Committee took this under advisement and a new more equitable procedure was introduced.

Other changes have been made in our administration procedures. **New accounting software** has been implemented and controls on the flow of money into accounts have been strengthened. **Computerized membership records** now give an accurate count of our membership number. Class attendance is recorded against each member to ensure that only financial members are attending classes. We have found that there have been some persons attending classes without being financial members. It is imperative therefore that **all members attending classes wear their name badge** as this is the only way a tutor will know that you are a financial member. A further benefit of the system was at the last **Enrolment Day, which 200 members attended. Membership records were updated instantly by computer** and members received a computer generated name badge which also represented a cost saving. In addition we are now issuing **receipts for class fees to all attendees**. These improvements have been brought about through the efforts of our Membership Officer Robin Wingrove who also has responsibility for our web site which he is constantly refining and updating.

The **Tea and Talk** afternoons have been very successful thanks to the efforts of Enid Everingham. The **tutors' Christmas Party** was also most enjoyable but was slightly tainted by the fact that a number of tutors who had signed up to attend failed to do so nor did they notify our Social Secretary. This cost us an extra \$500.00 as we had guaranteed a given number.

One member **retiring from committee is Ross Wade our treasurer**. I would like to thank him

for his dedication over eight years in a very demanding position. I don't think that enough recognition is given to committee members who devote considerable time and effort for the benefit of the membership and are constantly open to criticism.

I can't say that I am unhappy standing down from the President position. It has been a difficult year and it is no secret that there has been some angst within the Committee. The fact has been well publicized despite the fact that what happens in the Committee Room should stay in the Committee Room. We have had three resignations, a first I believe, although one fortunately was retracted.

I want to close by **thanking the members of the Committee for their support** and I wish the new Committee a more peaceful and successful year.

**John Hayes (President U3A Milton Ulladulla)**

### New Courses this Term

**History's Greatest Military Blunders and the Lessons they Teach**

with Chris Graham

**Practical Gardening**

with Rob Attwood



## 1988 to 2018

This year celebrates 30 years of U3A Milton Ulladulla

### Ted Gordon Remembers the Early Years

In 1987 Alderman Paul Bland of Nowra City Council, having heard of U3A forming in other states, called a public meeting in Nowra and the first U3A in Nowra was formed. In 1988 a small U3A Committee was set up in Milton Ulladulla and three courses commenced. They were:-

**French—Tutor Marcia Higgs**

**Calligraphy—tutor Pauline Kates and**

**Bridge for Beginners—tutor Eileen Bathe.**

With the beginning of 1989, those three courses were still continuing, but the small committee had ceased to exist. In may 1989, Harry Higgs called a meeting at the Mollymook Bowling Club to get U3A really moving in the area. An enthusiastic group of fifty people attended and a very good Committee of seven people were elected. Harry Higgs was elected President and Ted Gordon became Secretary/Treasurer. Additional courses commenced immediately and since that date we have developed to be one of the most successful U3As in Australia. By the beginning of 1990 we had over one hundred and forty members and have been growing ever since.

Of that 1990 U3A Committee, only two members are still living and both are still members of U3A Milton Ulladulla. They are John Leyton-Jones and Ted Gordon.

### Thirty Years of U3A.

**We should celebrate**



U3A 1990 Committee member, John Leyton-Jones at the 2017 U3A Tutors' party



U3A 1990 Committee Secretary/Treasurer, Ted Gordon who still tutors in Film Appreciation and Broadway Musicals

If you have a suggestion for a suitable celebration of the 30th Anniversary of U3A Milton Ulladulla, please let a Committee member know so that the 2018/19 U3A Committee can consider all the options

**VENUES**The Campus Lecture room is The Harry Higgs Room in the Milton Cultural Centre [next to the Milton Library].

Lectures are also held at other venues throughout the area; the term newsletter and timetable contain the detail.

#### SUBSCRIPTIONS AND FEES

Annual Membership of Milton-Ulladulla U3A Campus is \$20, payable in January, or on joining.

Fees per term are: \$10 for the first course, and \$5 for the second; the third course is free

#### TERM DATES 2018

Term 2	Tuesday 01 May to Friday 06 July [10 weeks]
Term 3	Tuesday 24 July to Friday 28 September
Term 4	Monday 15 October to Wednesday 19 December

*U3A Tutors are volunteers who give their time to preparing and presenting interesting courses for U3A members out of enthusiasm for their subjects and a desire to share them with others.*

*Without our tutors U3A would not exist. Thank you Tutors for generously enriching the lives of U3A members.*

## THE 2018 TERM 2 PROGRAMME

### NEW COURSES

We have two new courses this term ...

History's greatest Military Blunders and the lessons they teach  
Chris Graham 4454 3025

Overconfidence, communication breakdown, opponent misjudgement, poor planning, misinformation, stubbornness, technology misuse, arrogance, incompetence, failure to adjust, and simple bad luck ... such factors have played a central role in determining the outcome of military conflict - where errors lead to the loss of that most precious commodity ... human life. This course - taken from a Great Course DVD - will examine some of the most notable military failures in history, from ancient Greece to modern times, and analyse them to determine what went wrong. Full of dramatic turns of fortune and colourful characters, explore with Chris the tragic but illuminating record of military misfortune. Sometimes there is more to be learnt from failure than success

### Practical Gardening

Rob Attwood 0404 010 774

Rob is offering a course on horticulture and conservation land management which provides not only practical advice on growing plants and vegetables but also informative advice on conservation and sustainability. Rob studied horticulture and conservation land management with TAFE NSW 1982-84 and 1990, having worked in the field both in Australia and in Great Britain. He then taught horticulture and conservation land management for many years for TAFE NSW. During his years as a full time teacher he also undertook consulting work on environmental matters. He is currently involved in two of these: monitoring the success of a carbon capture tree planting program, and planning and effecting the relocation of endangered species on a property where development approval is dependent on the successful relocation and propagation of two species. So if you want ongoing practical advice about gardening on the South Coast, join Robert on Wednesday afternoons between 2.45 and 4pm at the Harry Higgs Room; Rob is also planning visits to local nurseries

### RETURNING COURSES

#### Writing your Memoires

Anna Flynn 4455 3279

Anna will again show you how to capture and to retain those magical family memories and moments for subsequent recall and enjoyment in a way that, hopefully, the next generation will not only appreciate, but also be motivated to continue building a family testament. Maximum of 8 people

### CONTINUING COURSES

#### Cryptic Crosswords [Intermediate]

John Dallimore 4454 1453

John's class is aimed at those who are grappling with the cryptic mindset, and still need a bit of guidance. As well having participants work on puzzles, he looks at solutions to other offerings, and dissects the clues to reveal the answers

### **Tea'n'Talk Term 2**

**Will be held**

**On Saturday, 16th June, 2018**

**From 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.**

**At the Dunn Lewis Centre**

**In the Alley Gallery**

**Louise Walsh, CEO of Future Generation Investment Company & Future Generation Global Investment Company, will speak about her Career and Trends in Philanthropy and Impact Investment.**

Louise's career commenced as a solicitor at Allens Arthur Robinson before she was seconded in 1991 to be the community relations manager for the Sydney Olympic Bid. Louise then went on to be the head of sponsorships for the Sydney Olympic Games until 1998 when her career took another dramatic turn into the world of arts and culture and philanthropy.

Prior to establishing Artsupport Australia, Louise was the Director of Development at the Sydney Symphony Orchestra.

She is the Chief Executive Officer of Philanthropy Australia, Australia's peak body for philanthropic trusts and foundations



### **The Annual General Meeting 2018**

**Of U3A Milton Ulladulla Inc.**

**Will be held**

**On Tuesday, 24th April, 2018,**

**At 2:00 p.m.**

**In the Alley Gallery**

**At the Dunn Lewis Centre, Ulladulla.**

**Afternoon tea will be served.**

**Come along, bring a friend, stand for a U3A Committee position.**

## POTENTIAL COURSES - TERM 3 AND BEYOND [IE, TREATS IN STORE]

We may see some or all of these courses starting or returning in the coming terms. If you are interested in any, give the tutors a ring to let them know - it all helps with their planning. Contacting them now is not a commitment by you to attend later - we all understand people's circumstances change.

- The Great Tours - Experiencing Medieval Europe with Ted Gordon [4455 2313]  
 Writing your Memoires with Anna Flynn [4455 3279]  
 Easy Line Dancing with Helen Reeson [4455 2805]  
 Hatha Yoga with Annette Craig [04 4890 0086]  
 Square Dancing with Margo Lester [4455 1652]  
 World War 1 with John Hayes [4454 3025]  
 Philosophy - Descartes to Derrida with Ari van der Lely [04 0983 4678]  
 Food Handling and Safety with Debbie Peters [04 2521 0746]  
 Sculpting with Hebel with Rane Hanlen [04 4968 5116]  
 Japanese with Takako Holstegge [4454 4865] [term 4]

Throughout history, religious expression has been an essential human activity, deeply influencing the development of cultures and civilizations. Today, even after centuries of scientific empiricism, the world's major religions are as active as ever, continuing to speak profoundly to their believers' self-conception and ways of living. With few exceptions, humanity's religions are grounded in their sacred texts—foundational writings that crystallize the principles and vision of the faiths, forming the basis of belief and action. The worldwide library of sacred texts is a vast and extraordinary canon that includes a large number of the most impactful books ever written. Beyond the Hebrew and Christian scriptures and Islam's Qur'an, jewels of the world's sacred writings include the Hindu Vedas, the Buddhist Sutras, Daoism's Daodejing, and the Analects of Confucius, as well as the revered texts of traditions such as Zoroastrianism and Jainism, and modern faiths such as Baha'i. These are texts that people around the world live by and, at times, are willing to die for. Remarkable in their centrality and enduring appeal, sacred writings offer a uniquely revealing window into global thought, culture, and history. Join Ann and be immersed in these matters through a Great Course DVD presented by a world authority who reflects a wide-ranging knowledge of the texts and the societies that produced them, and enriches the inquiry with fascinating and often surprising details of religious culture. This is the final term of this course

### Bonsai for Beginners

Russell Baker 4454 1602

Join Russell at his home at 32 Leigh Crescent in Ulladulla on Tuesdays at 1000 and explore the gentle art of Bonsai. He will run a hands-on workshop where participants will learn how to create a Bonsai, to care and to feed it, and to identify the different styles. During the course they will get practical experience in shaping, wiring, and re-potting techniques, plus pot selection ... but - more importantly - they will see how easy it is to start their own bonsai collection, as well to care for a living hobby. Maximum of 8 people

### The Engineering Marvels of Everyday Life

Chris Graham 4454 3025

Look around you ... great masterpieces of engineering are everywhere. The moment you start your day, you are putting centuries of scientific and ingenuity to use. So familiar are you with these structures, inventions, and services that they are all but invisible; yet they are just as remarkable as accepted great works such as the Parthenon or the Panama Canal. Consider for a moment the wonders that residential construction, telecommunications, transportation, water and power play every day keeping us safe and healthy. But further - those who use the marvels that surround them, and know how they come together are more empowered since the development and use of everyday technologies often strongly influence public policy; hence understanding everyday engineering helps us make more informed decisions about the kinds of policy initiatives we wish to support. Notwithstanding this, the achievements of everyday engineering are worth admiring for their own sake; they represent some of the most inspired thinking of our civilization. For these reasons and more, this course, taken from a Great Course DVD, is an indispensable guide to the value of the built environment and the way it works. Chris is facilitating these sessions in which these matters are presented by an award-winning engineer and a nationally honoured leader in engineering education. This is the final term of this course, but its structure enables it to be joined at any time - so don't be put-off by the fact it is half completed.

### The M-U 20<sup>th</sup> Century Poetry Club

Jenny Strachan strachan.jenny@gmail.com 04 5109 8408

Using the anthology *The 20<sup>th</sup> Century in Poetry* [containing over 400 poems] edited by Michael Hulse, the group will select poems to read and to discuss, looking at each poem within its historical context as well as the century's overall poetic development. Jenny's intent is that her fortnightly lunchtime course would run as a book club, for which each member of the group needs to purchase the anthology (it costs \$35) and then select poems from it for group discussion. Held every two weeks and starting on 1 May, there will be a maximum of 10 on this course. Jenny prefers e-mail contact

### Film Appreciation

Ted Gordon 4455 2313

Join Ted to watch classic films; this term includes *The Lion in Winter*, *Roman Holiday*, *The Treasure of Sierra Madre*, and *Miss Potter*. Usually, Ted has a full complement, but check with him in case vacancies have arisen

### Making Mosaics

Colleen Ringe 04 1608 1011

Mosaic patterns can be applied to many shapes, surfaces and structures. If you are a newcomer to this course, Colleen will get you started by working on small items to learn the basics, and - once mastered - you can go where your imagination takes you ...

### Italian Conversation

Judy Johnston 4455 3028

Judy co-ordinates our long-running Italian class, which concentrates more on practice than practise. However, Judy would be pleased to take on newcomers who have a smattering of the language; phone her if you think you may be able to cope, and hence are able to be accommodated

### Leadlighting

Brian Brown 4457 1260

Brian's course is well established, but beginners are more than welcome to come along. Brian will cover the basics, the techniques, and the equipment you will need to get under way. A reasonable outlay is required on tools and materials, but Brian has some starter kits available to get beginners going. Participants will decide what they want to do, and progress at their own level and pace. The course is now being held at the Kioloa/Bawley Point Sport and Tennis Recreation Club, Murramarang Road, Kioloa [just down the road from the Bawley

Fire Shed]

**Shibashi****Irene Mitchell 4454 0747**

Start the day undertaking gentle body movement and balance with vision and music with Irene at the Burrill Lake Community Hall

**French - Continuing****Judith Pearce [ude.pearce@bigpond.com](mailto:pearce@bigpond.com) 4454 4477**

Judith's and Pauline's courses have amalgamated this term. Judith is offering a post-beginners' course which builds further on the foundations of the language and looks in greater detail at the grammatical aspects of the language, and on speaking, reading and writing. If you are new to our French courses, e-mail Judith to discuss your proficiency and register for her course

**Introduction to the Harmonica[continuing]****Lyn Willett [ynpenguin3@gmail.com](mailto:ynpenguin3@gmail.com) 04 1220 2375**

Learn to play your favourite tunes on this versatile, inexpensive, pocket-sized instrument. Good for your mood, lungs and brain! Prior knowledge of music is helpful, but not essential. Equipment needed is a 10 hole diatonic harmonica in the key of C - costing about \$20. Interested members should contact Lyn [e-mail preferred] for more information about the course and buying an instrument - but they can also visit the campus website [<http://www.miltonulladulla3a.org.au/courseSchedule.php>] to get it. Lyn cannot accommodate newcomers this term since she is continuing her tuition from term 1; she will start another beginners' class from next year, so contact her if you are interested in joining her then.

**Mah-Jong****Bill Lampard 4455 7740**

Bill's course is for both beginners and those who would like to brush-up their skills; it is held on Thursdays from 0930 to 1200 at the Mollymook Golf Club. The course is full this term with continuing participants, but register with him if you would like to join later.

**The Western Intellectual Tradition****Roy Liegel 04 8828 4457**

Roy's course is now held in the Community Resources Centre [next to Coles] on Thursdays between 10:30 and midday; he is mentoring the course from selected literature. It is a comprehensive survey of the 3000-year history of Western philosophy from its origins in classical Greece to the present day; the format is to study selected authors from purchased texts and then enjoy a group discussion on the content. Because of the extensive nature of the subject, the course will be conducted over a number of terms. Roy intends to issue information about each session in advance, so that participants can be aware of what is coming and prepare themselves for the group exchange

**Current Affairs****Mary Whelan 4454 5260**

Mary is ready to focus the minds (and hearts) of those who attend this lively discussion group on the implications of everyday events and trends

**Cryptic Crosswords [advanced]****John Dallimore 4454 1453**

Cryptic Crosswords can be a source of immense satisfaction when you solve them ... and immense frustration when you can't! This course is for those who are already well into them, but would like pointers on how to tackle them more competently, and collectively enjoy solving particularly tricky brain teasers

**German - Beginners/Intermediate****Brigitte Nairn 04 1339 3756**

Brigitte is continuing with the German starters' course whilst Elke takes a break. Not only will she teach the language, but also devote time to looking at German history and customs

**German - Advanced****Brigitte Nairn 04 1339 3756**

Brigitte is continuing with the German advanced course whilst Elke takes a break. She will delve deeper into the German language, and devote more time to the country's history and culture. You will need to be at a certain standard to participate, so talk to Brigitte if you are joining from outside her beginners' course

**French - Beginners****Noelene Hunt and Roger Parrish 04 18 1829 1381**

Noelene and Roger are adding to our clutch of French courses with a much-needed beginners' course. Join them in the knowledge that as you improve there are more advanced courses available to you as you progress with this eloquent language

**French - Literature and Conversation****Val Barnes 4455 5796**

Val welcomes fluent French-speakers to join her between 10 and 11:30 on Friday mornings at her home [55 South Pacific Crescent, Ulladulla] to discuss, in French, French poetry and modern fiction

**Linguistics -The Science of Language****Enid Everingham 4454 2430**

We use one of the World's 6000 spoken languages every day of our lives; it is the tool we use to express our wants, our needs, and our feelings. Recently, many experts who study language are warming to the idea that the capacity for spoken language and its structure are not cultural but universal - a set of rules shared by humans in every culture - and that this capacity may be hardwired into our brains. But what are these rules? How do they work? And how can knowing them enhance your experience of the world? Join Enid as she presents these 36 lectures taken from a Great Course DVD taught by an acclaimed linguist and author; they are your opportunity to take a revealing journey through the fascinating terrain of linguistics. You will focus on the scientific aspects of human language that were left out of any classes you may have taken in English or a foreign language, and you will emerge from your journey with a new-found appreciation of the mysterious machinery built into all of us - an appreciation likely to surface time and again in your everyday life. This is the second

*"Be yourself; everyone else is  
already taken."*

— *Oscar Wilde*



term of 2-term course

### Be the most Rational Person in any room

Carmen Champion [carmenchampion18@gmail.com](mailto:carmenchampion18@gmail.com)  
04 1348 9537

Thinking is at the heart of our everyday lives, yet our thinking can go awry in any number of ways. Bad arguments, fallacious reasoning, misleading language, and built-in cognitive biases are all traps that keep us from rational decision making—to say nothing of advertisers and politicians who want to convince us with half-truths and empty rhetoric. What can we do to avoid these traps and think better? Is it possible to think faster, more efficiently, and more systematically? Taken from a Great Course DVD and presented by Carmen, this applied philosophy course is taught by Professor Patrick Grim of the State University of New York; it arms you against the perils of bad thinking and supplies you with an arsenal of strategies to help you be more creative, logical, inventive, realistic, and rational in all aspects of your daily life, from the office to the voting booth. Carmen prefers e-mail contact

M-U U3A Book Club #3 Carmen Champion  
[carmenchampion18@gmail.com](mailto:carmenchampion18@gmail.com) 04 1348 9537

Carmen's club meets on the third Friday of the month at one o'clock in the Harry Higgs Room; again, this club is full - but check with Carmen in case a vacancy has arisen. Carmen prefers e-mail contact

### Recorder Group

Vern Flay 4454 5860

The Recorder Group is conducted by Vern Flay, who has a wealth of experience coaching musical ensembles. Recorder Choirs have a unique and startlingly sweet sound ... and there is plenty of scope to enjoy the fun of making music with others - even if you have not played the instrument before. If you feel like joining the Group but are a newcomer to the instrument do not despair ... 'phone Vern who will determine the best way for you to get started - including his offering basic tuition before the group assembles for practice

### AFFILIATED COURSES

The following courses are self-organising, but are run under the auspices of, or are supported by, M-U U3A

### Milton and District Concert Band

Vern Flay 4454 5860

The Milton and District Concert Band conducted by Vern practices every Thursday evening in the Milton School; it plays out regularly in the community. It comprises brass, reed and percussion instruments, and welcomes newcomers to its ranks; in particular, clarinet players are eagerly sought. Be-

**Chris Graham (4454 3025; [chrisjoan@hotmail.net.au](mailto:chrisjoan@hotmail.net.au))**

would be delighted to hear from you if you feel you could lead a group, and present a course on one of your favourite topics. As food-for-thought, is there a China Painting practitioner or Bookbinder in our community? Could you run a Scrabble or Eucre group? The more variation we can offer from and to our very experienced and knowledgeable membership the more diverse and fulfilling our local U3A community will be. Don't be shy

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ginner can be coached before full band practice starts at 1930. The band runs its own budget, so there is no course fee

### Birdwatching

Marg Hamon 4457 1129

Birdwatching sorties are launched every fortnight on Friday mornings. Contact Marg or visit [mubirdclub@gmail.com](mailto:mubirdclub@gmail.com) for details of excursions and protocols [procedures and equipment], and other activities

### Mah Jong

Jennifer Millen 4454 5452

Jennifer has taken over Enid's friendly group which meets every Saturday afternoon in the Harry Higgs Room. You should have a good grasp of the game ... so if you play at a reasonable standard, Jennifer would be delighted to welcome you

### MEMBERSHIP BADGES

Your Membership Badge for 2018 signifies you are a current financial member.

Please wear your membership badge to classes and functions; it so does help identify you to those around you.

### HARRY HIGGS ROOM We all like to enter the Harry Higgs

Room and see it in good condition. We ask that at the end of sessions, tables and chairs are put away, boards are cleaned, and general tidying up is completed - including wiping down tables if you have enjoyed drink or food on them; also, if the rubbish bin is full or contains decomposables please empty it in the council bins outside the room.

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