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Newsletter October- November 2005, #5

From the President

Back from tropical North Queensland, I am pleased to be home and am looking forward to spring which I am sure is just around the corner. Yesterday, encouraged by a week of sunny days, I potted up some annuals but this morning felt compelled to re-visit them to apologise for the wintry weather which had returned unheralded and unwanted.

Before he left for Sydney and the Blue Mountains, Alan Spicer told me that has had a number of people registered to receive their Newsletter by e mail, but at that time he did not have his database complete, so this month all Newsletters will be mailed. We are grateful to Ken and Sylvia Diprose for stepping into the Editor's slot once again during Alan's absence. The advantages of e mail delivery are that members receive their letter in advance and there is less work and cost involved. Printing and postage are expensive items, so if you have a computer, printer and the skills, we would be pleased to hear from you.

The painting competition organised by the U3A Network is over, the judging is done and the bookmarks will be available at the next General Meeting.

See you there,
Iris Mee
September 2005

Editor's Desk

Alan Spicer is currently on holiday so this newsletter comes from the former editorial team of Ken and Sylvia Diprose.

This issue has again an interesting Group News section and the contributions received are most appreciated.

You will note this newsletter includes details of the next **two** General Meetings (October and November) since this will be the last full issue for the 2005 year. We will repeat the arrangement of last year whereby a supplementary newsletter is sent to members in early November regarding the all important Christmas function.

Ken Diprose

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Monday 10th October 9.45 am at the New Masonic Hall
(The entrance is on top floor of Council/New World car park building)

10.00 am Meeting Commences

DUTY GROUP– NZ Art Appreciation
CONVENOR: - Berris Spicer (422 2685)

The programme will be as follows:-

9:15 a.m.	Duty Group arrive to set up
9:45 a.m.	Assemble
10:00 a.m.	General Business
	Mini Speaker – Geoffrey Goodwin ‘Reflections on Growing up in England’
10.40 a.m.	Morning Tea
11:00 a.m.	Main Speaker– Dr. R. (Bob) Large ‘Your Memory - Can you rely on it?’

NB: *It would be appreciated if the Duty Group could also assist with the room preparation for the Meeting The Hall will be open from 9.15 a.m*

SPEAKERS

Geoffrey Goodwin

Geoffrey is a member who lives amongst oranges in Omaha

Dr. R. (Bob) Large

Bob is a psychiatrist involved in pain service at Green Lane Hospital. He has been Associate Professor for Research into Pain Management and Hypnosis at Auckland University. Bob has a special interest in disassociated memory and general psychology

NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING

Monday 14TH November at 9.45 am at the New Masonic Hall
(The entrance is on top floor of Council/New World car park building)

10.00 am Meeting Commences

DUTY GROUP– Film Appreciation
CONVENOR: - Beulah Heaven (425 6545)

Timetable as per the October Meeting

SPEAKERS AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING WILL BE:

Mini Speaker:	Dr. John Gray – ‘What is a living will – do you want or need one?’
Main Speaker:	Dr. Andy Allan – ‘Gene Therapy and how it can affect the fruit industry’. Andy is a Horticultural Research Scientist

GROUP NEWS

STUDY GROUPS

This is the time of year when groups need to think about next year's leaders. It is recommended by the Committee that five years be a suggested maximum for leaders – so if someone begs to step down, don't let that plea fall on deaf ears! Remember – change isn't essential, but it can be invigorating.

Also, may I remind groups to arrange the topics (where appropriate) and venues for the February/March group meetings before the end of this year. Then the first meeting schedule actually says something!

Thanks in anticipation,

Linda Moore

Polite Request – again!

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, CAN PEOPLE WHO ARE GOING TO MISS A REGULAR STUDY GROUP MEETING LET THE HOST(ESS) OR GROUP CONVENOR KNOW IN ADVANCE. THIS ENABLES HOSTS TO CATER APPROPRIATELY.

Why not visit a new Group? – You may become a convert.

Music Appreciation Group

Our September meeting was a delightful descent into childhood memories triggered by some rather grown-up arrangements of well known nursery rhymes. It was a shame that so many of you couldn't attend and we wish a speedy recovery to Joan E-D, Bev and Richie. For those of you who did attend the last meeting, please note that there has been a change to our future programme as follows:

October's meeting will now be in Warkworth (“Modern Classics”) and November's will be in Omaha with the theme of “Music we'd like played at our funeral”. We'd like your input into this one please, so perhaps you could give this some thought over the next few weeks and then bring along a piece of music to share with the group.

(Contributed by **Pip Perrins**)

Jazz Listening Group

Recent Warkworth U3A Jazz Listening Group presentations have been:

Jazz Trombone: presented by one of our group members, Bob Ward, who plays trombone in local and Auckland bands. Other trombone players that were listened to on recordings included Jack Teagarden, Kid Ory, Eddie Edwards, J.J. Johnson – all on slide trombone and bandleader Maynard Ferguson on valve trombone.

Orchestrated Jazz: presented by Graham Ryburn was sparked by Kiwi Nathan Haines on his return from London when he played with the NZ Symphony Orchestra in Wellington and Auckland during December 2004. A CD has been released entitled “Life Time”. Many jazz aficionados believe Classical Orchestras are too stiff to play jazz, but the Haines family of Nathan (saxophone & flute), brother Joel (guitar) and their father Kevin (bass) have shaken them up!

Jazz Vocalese and Scat Singing: also presented by Graham, was sparked on finding an old LP of Lambert Hendrix & Ross in a bargain bin. Scat singing is the art of making an instrumental-style improvisation vocally, and was made famous by Louis Armstrong and Ella Fitzgerald. Vocalese on the other hand is more orchestral where the voices become instruments in harmony with the orchestra. The musical boundaries are very hard to define, but Lambert Hendrix & Ross at the forefront of vocalese were described by “Newsweek” as *vocal lightning*

I am in no doubt there will be many more Jazz Programmes to keep our musically inclined members’ brains working.

(Contributed by **Graham Ryburn**)

Diary notes:

The next General Meeting of U3A will be on 10th October.

Please make a note in your diary that our U3A Christmas luncheon will be held on Monday 12th December. Planning is well underway and details will be provided to members once the arrangements are finalised.

WARKWORTH/WELLSFORD HOSPICE is looking for volunteers to help with their “Open Home” fund raising event on Sunday 13th November. If you have some time to spare, please contact June or Helen at Hospice House, phone 425 9535.

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U3A WARKWORTH STUDY GROUP MEETINGS

October-November 2005

STUDY GROUP	Convenor	Phone	Time	Date	October	Date	November
Ancient History	Jim McKinlay	422-9063	9:30 a.m.	7th	Chapter 4 "A Short History of Progress" 57 Willjames Ave, Point Wells	4th	Chapter 5 "A Short History of Progress" 9 Mariners Grove, Algies Bay
Book Talk	Lorraine Edwards	422-7071	10:00 a.m.	4th	8 Harbour View Rd, Point Wells	1st	40 Point Wells Rd, Point Wells
Current Affairs	Elaine Ellison-Smith	425-9138	2:00 p.m.	20th	988 Matakana Rd, Matakana	17th	43 Fidelis Ave, Snells Beach
Film Appreciation	Beulah Heaven	425-6545	Varies	17th	Ring Beulah for information	28th	Ring Beulah for informati
Grandparent Writing	Margaret Cross	425-8915	1:00 p.m.	20th	Venue TBA	17th	Venue TBA
Jazz Listening	Graham Ryburn	425-0536	2:00 p.m.	20th	Topic to be confirmed 199 Omaha Flats Road, Omaha	17th	Piano Jazz 32a Rivendell Place, Warkworth
Mediaeval History	Chris Hoogerwerf	425-5022	9:30 a.m.	21st	Sir Francis Drake 1/10 Pound St, Warkworth	18th	TBA 19 Katene Place, Snells Beach
Music Appreciation	Pip Perrins	425-6889	1:30 p.m.	6th	Modern Classics 32a Rivendell Place, Warkworth	3rd	What to play our funeral 199 Omaha Flats Road, Omaha
NZ Art Appreciation	Berris Spicer	422-2685	10:00 a.m.	5th	In-house Exhibition - Gwen Knight 1140 Sandspit Road, Sandspit	2nd	Gallery Tour Kaiwaka / Mangawhai
Opera Appreciation	Jim McKinlay	422-9063			Organisation in progress - Ring Jim if interested		
Play Reading	Iris Mee & Lorna Laxton	425-7934 422-7840	9:30 a.m.	11th	"The Crucible" - Acts 3-4 6 Amanda Lane, Snells Beach	8th	TBA
Poetry Reading	Yolande Carter	425-5988	1:30 p.m.	19th	Fleur Adcock 16 Clagues Road, Wellsford	16th	Pot Pourri 16b Amanada Lane, Snells Beach
Stories from Life-An Incident in your Life	Averil Lovegrove	422-6365	1:30 p.m.	10th	Venue TBA	14th	Venue TBA