

South West Christchurch U3A Incorporated

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Newsletter April 2017

Welcome to the 2nd bi-monthly newsletter. Our next meeting is on 11 April in the Hao Room at 10:00am.

Election of Officers

At the meeting held in February the Committee was duly elected as follows:

President: Ros Thornley 322 9484
Secretary: Jo Winfield 322 8723
Treasurer: Lynne Newton 338 1581
Members of Committee: Terry Baird, Linda Baird, Janet Crump, Janet Newall, Mike Chaney,
Kevin Coakley, Lois Sidery.

The committee has also seconded Naida Murray and George Murray. Both have been invaluable in getting this club off the ground.

Meeting Dates to diary for the year

11th April
9th May
13th June
11th July
8th August
12th September
10th October
14th November

Speakers for April and May

April - Dr Charles Merfield. Head of Future Farming Centre at the Biological Husbandry Unit, Lincoln University. Will be talking about sustainable production of food.

May - Isla Rackham. Business Development Manager, Kilmarnock Enterprises. Talking about the work and philosophy of Kilmarnock Enterprises.

Invitation to members of South West U3A

From U3A Network Canterbury

- 1 *The AGM to be held on Thursday 4th May 2017 at South Christchurch Library, Colombo St at 1pm*
- 2 *The Network Canterbury Seminar to be held on Friday 26 May at St Christopher's Church, Avonhead. Cost for the day: \$25 including morning tea and lunch. 5 Speakers including Sir Ray Avery, New Zealander of the year 2010. More details will be sent out in April.*

Hopefully I will have more information at our April meeting.

Incorporation

I am pleased to report that we are now lodged with the Companies Office as an Incorporated Society. My thanks to Graeme McNally for his assistance with this application. The Rules/Constitution are now available if any member wishes to get a copy sent to them via email.

Special Interest Groups

At the club meeting on 14th March a list of special interest groups was updated. This is the current list: Please advise a committee member if you would like a particular group started. Remember that U3A online has approximately 90 courses available for study either as a group or independently. Contact me for details. Leaders please let me know if any of these details are incorrect.

Group	Time/Day	Leader
Current Affairs	3 rd Wed at 11:15	Graeme McNally
Mah Jong*	Every Thur 10-12	Naida Murray
Genealogy	1 st Tues at 1:30	Pamela Hoyle
Coffee Group	1 st Fri of month	Lynne Newton
Movies	4 th Tue of month	Pam Pawinski
Book Club	2 nd Mon in Library	Diane Campbell
Cycling	Various times	Mike Chaney
History	4 th Thur at 10:00	Ros Thornley
Living Economies	New group	Chrys Horn

* the Mah Jong group is currently full

Reminders:

- Sales Table contributions welcomed
- Visitors can attend up to 2 meetings at a cost of \$3 each time to cover costs

Thank you

Ros Thornley, President