

# Bathurst U3A Newsletter



## Term 3: July 31 - September 8, 2017

The Bathurst U3A kicks off another fun term of interesting courses on July 31, continuing on from the enjoyment of last term, as can be seen in our cover photo above, of the Read and Share group.

There is a new course, some returning courses, and some courses which are not being offered for the third term.

There are some courses being run at different venues, and at different times. Please note the changes, as listed on page 2 of the newsletter.

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A new course has been offered to add to the 2017 U3A course timetable starting 3rd term.  
**Creative Calligraphy**

Many U3A members may have had an opportunity of writing or learning calligraphy in the past.

Kimberley Cole, a new U3A member offers a course in calligraphy to inspire and awaken past skills as written communicators.

She is returning to her craft - calligraphy - and would love to teach a calligraphy hand to those who are interested.

She taught an ancient Celtic an ancient Celtic alphabet called UNCIAL, a capital letter alphabet commonly used in the 4th - 8th centuries AD by Latin and Greek scribes.

It is a great alphabet to learn how to write special greetings or create personalised cards for loved ones.

No messy ink or dip pens to use, just a steady hand, a little confidence and the willingness to try a new way of writing the alphabet.

An Artline Calligraphy pen, alphabet sheets and practice paper will be supplied.

Once the alphabet letters are mastered, there will be small projects to complete.

UNZIAL  
ABCDEFGHI  
JKLMNOP  
NOPQR  
STUVW  
XYZ

Classes are small, up to 8 members - as each member will need one-on-one assistance to master the art of drawing the 26 letters and numbers of the UNCIAL alphabet.

All enrolments for Term 3 close Wednesday 19th July.

# Important Course Changes

## Important Notes

1. Your current enrolment(s) carry over from term 2. You only need to complete new enrolment forms for new courses you are attending in term 3 (including the returning courses Shakespeare and German).
2. Please complete and deliver your enrolment forms by Wednesday, July 19th.
3. Some courses are running for 8 weeks instead of 6 weeks. This is a fore-runner to 2018 when our terms will be of 8 weeks duration. Check with your facilitator for your course(s).
4. If you have suggestions for new courses, and/or would like to run a course next year, please contact Pixie Lincoln on 6334 3863 or [vicepresident@bathurstu3a.com](mailto:vicepresident@bathurstu3a.com).
5. Our facilitators volunteer their time and efforts into providing interesting courses for your benefit. Please return the favour by notifying them of your absence(s) and/or discontinuation of their course.

### The following courses are not being offered in Term 3:

Lawn Bowls  
Woodcarving  
Modern Dance  
Introduction to Woodwork  
Music Appreciation  
French with Jeanine.

### The following courses are returning in Term 3:

Shakespeare on Fridays 2-3:30pm at the Library Meeting Room, by Petah Burns  
German on Thursdays 10:15-11:45am at Panthers, by Jenny McLennan

### The following course is new in Term 3:

Calligraphy on Wednesdays 2-3:30pm, at the Seymour Centre, by Kimberley Cole.

### The following courses are meeting at a different venue, different time, different facilitator:

Spanish is now on Wednesdays 10:15-11:45 at Panthers, by Jenny McLennan.  
Creative Writing is now on Tuesdays 10:15-11:45 at Panthers, by Jenny McLennan.  
Just Write is now on Wednesdays 10-12pm at the Seymour Centre, by Wendy Casey.  
Philosophy is now being facilitated by Lindsay Cox, and is starting 26th July.  
Metaphysics is now being run by Graham Withers.  
Literature is now being run by Bob Harris on 0431 690 058.

### The following course is starting at a different time:

Current Affairs, run by Andrew Wells, is starting on the 24th July.

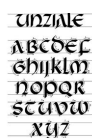
### The following course has a name change:

Old and Middle Kingdoms, Egypt is now called History of the Middle East.

## New Course Descriptions



**Shakespeare:** A Mid Summers Night Dream, is a magical play with some of Shakespeare's loveliest lyric verse. The story follows the antics of the Romantic Lovers, mischievous fairies and rude mechanicals, through an enchanted fantasy, governed by Moonlight . Or is it just an erotic nightmare. You decide.



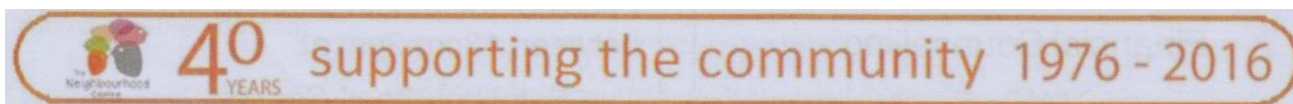
**Calligraphy:** Discover the art of beautiful writing. Learn an ancient calligraphy alphabet called UNCIAL. With some practice you will enjoy adding a creative lettering style to your hand written messages. Cost \$8 for pen and paper.

## Notes to Facilitators

1. Please keep accurate rolls and attendance sheets (which are available from the Bathurst Neighbourhood Centre).
2. Return you rolls and attendance sheets to the Bathurst Neighbourhood Centre soon after the end of term.
3. New members to your class must enrol in the Bathurst U3A and your class, prior to attending your class.

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## News from the Bathurst Neighbourhood Centre

The Bathurst Neighbourhood Centre are very supportive of the Bathurst U3A, and we thank them many times over for their helpful and friendly support. As with the Bathurst U3A, they are volunteers, and we thank you for continuing your respect for their assistance in collecting our rolls, moneys, and many other things.

Some of the services offered by the Bathurst Neighbourhood Centre include:

1. Cannot pay your fines? The Work and Development Orders offers a way forward to people who cannot pay their fines.
2. Free legal advice for such issues as loans/money you owe, access to your kids, legal issues for older people, family law matters, crime matters, etc.
3. The Josephine Foundation provides assistance to people on limited incomes with no interest, and StepUP loans.

## If you have got this far..

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| <b>An Adult:</b>         | A person who has stopped growing at both ends and is now growing in the middle. |
| <b>A beauty parlour:</b> | A place where women curl up and dye.  |
| <b>A cannibal:</b>       | Someone who is fed up with people.  |
| <b>Chickens:</b>         | The only animals you eat before they are born and after they are dead.          |
| <b>A handkerchief:</b>   | Cold Storage.   |
| <b>A mosquito:</b>       | An insect that makes you like flies better.                                     |
| <b>A secret:</b>         | Something you tell to one person at a time.                                     |

## The 26th NSW U3A Network Conference

Three Bathurst U3A Committee members attended the conference in Sydney.

Allison Aspden and Jenny Barnes attended the large U3A Meeting on Wednesday afternoon. Issues facing these larger NSW U3As were shared. They included difficulty of finding and affording venues, class members not turning up to enrolled classes, finding tutors and so on.

On Thursday 29 June, Allison, Jenny and Greg attended the main conference held at the Sydney Town Hall. Greg especially attended to participate in the discussion regarding the MyU3A software, being used by several larger branches.

The Sydney U3A who were the Conference organisers, arranged some great speakers for conference attendees. The speakers included Prof David Christian (Big history), Margaret Meagher (Benefits of arts and healthy ageing), Chris Mead (Purpose driven engagement where older people are challenged), Prof Toni Robertson (The Potential of networked technologies to enhance active ageing). All of these speakers were stimulating and introduced concepts, together with technological apps to enhance healthy and active ageing.

The 2018 NSW Network Conference will be held in Canberra, from the 12 April to the 13 April. The venue will be the campus of the University of Canberra. All U3A members are welcome to attend. See Allison Aspden (6332 3036) for details.

### Acknowledgement

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