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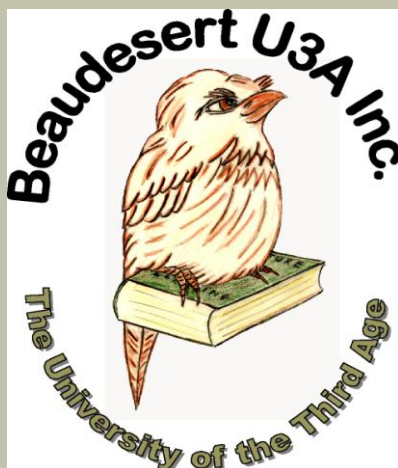
# Beaudesert U3A Inc. Newsletter

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## Beaudesert University of the Third Age

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Membership stands at 89!

### New Term Starts 8 October 2012

#### Welcome to New Members

The Management and Membership of the Beaudesert U3A extend a big welcome to the following new members:

**John Dowrie**  
**Gloria Redmond**

We hope your association with the Beaudesert U3A will be a long and fruitful one for both you and the group. Membership continues to expand steadily.



#### Date Claimer: 30<sup>th</sup> November End of Year Celebration

Can you believe another year is almost over! The achievements we have made in the two years we have been operating are to be celebrated and an invitation is extended to all and sundry to join with us by way of an **End of Year Celebration** Open Day.

This celebration will be held at The Bistro Room at Centacare on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November from 1.30 – 3.30pm. Displays of courses and a live display by our popular Line Dancing group will surely spark your interest to join in these activities and have fun in 2013. We may even attract a group of singers to entertain us!

This is also a chance for you to thank the tutors who have held these courses in 2012 and the Management Committee of our U3A as well as get a glimpse of what we have in store for the next year. Please bring along friends who may be interested in joining us for our exciting journey in the coming year and to talk to those who have attended courses this year. We have had a great year and this is a perfect way to finish off 2012 with a bang.

We would appreciate members bringing a small plate of yummies for afternoon tea.

**JOIN US FOR OUR GET TOGETHER**



## Notes from Our President

### Annual Members Day

The purpose of our Annual Members day on the 30th November is to celebrate our second successful year and to further involve all our members in our activities through highlighting what we have been and are doing and plan to do in 2013. It's also the members' chance to discover how to become more involved in any of the course or management related activities. These could be as simple as practical support to a tutor/facilitator or management committee member.

It provides an opportunity to show support and recognition to our tutors/facilitators for their commitment and dedication for the courses undertaken, their time involvement, and the occasional frustration. Tutors/facilitators recognise the rewards for their efforts, making it more than worthwhile by gaining new friendships and great personal satisfaction.

If you have any suggestions to help making the meeting a success we would be pleased to hear from you.

### Our fourth Term

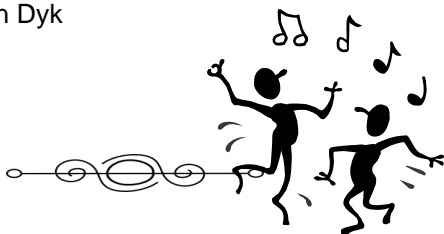
Our membership has continued to grow reaching 89 with more waiting to join in the near future. We have several members (and prospective members) interested in learning about the French language but need a tutor/facilitator to arrange this course. Few seem interested in learning Spanish, ironically in this case we may have tutors available.

This brings me to the point that during the couple of years of operation we have done well with several popular courses and activities but despite having a wide range of interesting courses and activity suggestions - see our "Future Courses" website page - we are struggling to find members or any non member to lead any of the requested activities.

Our newsletter remains popular and members are submitting their views on why they joined Beaudesert U3A for publication on our website. **Please take advantage of our latest facility**". Use the link to the comments page on the front page of the website.

Hoping to see you all on the 30th

Hennie van Dyk  
President



## Tutor-Course Coordinator's Report

Here we are at the beginning of the 4<sup>th</sup> Term. Term 3 was a really good term with pleasing average attendances for the majority of courses. Line Dancing and Computers remain the strongest groups.

The groups meeting at Centacare's premises contributed \$348 to Centacare - such a small amount for all the help and assistance we have been given. We are so lucky. Thank you Sharon!

Tricia's **Genealogy** course will now be meeting every second Thursday, starting on 11th of October.

In addition, Tricia will be running "**Our Violent Earth (Part II)**" on Thursday afternoons starting on 18<sup>th</sup> of October.

**Aqua Aerobics:** Our Aqua Aerobics group is starting up again for the summer. The first meeting will be at the Beaudesert Pool on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2012 commencing at 8am. Any members interested in joining this group please contact Trish Fraser on phone 0417 440584 after 21<sup>st</sup> October (she is away on holiday until then) or phone Val on phone 5541 3660 in the meantime. Members are advised they need to bring water, sunscreen, and a hat to these sessions. Cost is entry to pool only. This gives our course list a little boost.

**Writers Group:** A few of our members have expressed an interest in establishing a Writers Group. The group could make use of a pre-existing course developed by U3A online. If any members are interested in this please contact Margaret Kendrick on Phone 5541 0745

There will be no set course for the Camera Group in Term 4. I will meet with Carol in January to review 2013.

The new timetable appears later in this newsletter and on the website.

Happy U3Aing  
Margaret



### Advance Notice

#### 2013 U3A Creative Arts Show

Following the enormous success of the Inaugural Art Show in June this year, a fighting fund is being established to enable us to mount a second multi-discipline art show next year. It has been suggested that group members donate a small amount each week towards this fund.

Alternatively, members may donate an equivalent lump sum towards the venture.

Dates and venues will be considered during the first term next year. Margaret has suggested that October may be a suitable time. Comments and suggestions are welcome

## **Our Violent Earth (Part II)**

Term 4 brings a new series on the subject of geology. The first part of this course was presented in term 1 and proved quite popular and interesting.

Term 4 will feature items on:

**Week 1** (18<sup>th</sup> October at 1.30pm) **Krakatoa** – one of the deadliest volcanoes in our time. In 1893 it exploded, wiping itself out, causing the loudest recorded sound in the world and killing 36,000 people. Will it happen again with Anak Krakatoa (Child of Krakatoa).

**Week 2** (25<sup>th</sup> October at 1.30pm) **The Deepest Place On Earth** – the Marianas Trench with its bizarre geological features. It contains the deepest point of all the oceans discovered in 1872 by the “Challenger” expedition which measured a depth of 4,475 fathoms (5 miles) and this was increased to 7 miles with more recent sonar recording. How did this feature occur?

**Week 3** (1<sup>st</sup> November at 1.30pm) **New York** – A look at the 450 million year history made up of volcanoes, ice sheets, ancient reptiles and massive floods. This intense look at this great city provides a window into the earth itself.

**Week 4** (8<sup>th</sup> November at 1.30pm) **The Great Lakes Of America** – these hold 20% of the world’s water and provides 10% of Americas drinking water. The largest salt mine in the world is beneath 2 of these lakes which were partially formed by a 1mile high glacier and massive floods. A natural wonder and a puzzle for us to ponder.

**Week 5** (15<sup>th</sup> November at 1.30pm) **The European Alps** – these contain the highest peaks and longest glaciers in Europe. There are more than 100 peaks over 12,000 ft. in height. It is 750 miles long and 125 miles wide and yet they were formed only 30 million years ago. When they formed they were twice the height. What is their future?

If you are interested in any of the above please contact Tricia on 5544 1462 or email [shikeo@bigpond.com](mailto:shikeo@bigpond.com) and join us. Each session commences with a 45min. DVD on the subject followed by discussions.

## **Art Appreciation Trip Wednesday 17th October**

First of all, I would like to thank Tricia for running the Art Appreciation activities so ably during the last couple of months. Well done Tricia!

The October trip provides an opportunity for some of us to catch up on things we may have missed out on, or would like to see again.

Due to various circumstances some of us have missed out on the fabulous **Prado** Exhibition at the **Queensland Art Gallery**, (led by Jean) and others on the **Mummy** exhibition at the **Queensland Museum** next door (led by Joy).

For those wanting something new, there is a fabulous **Sculpture is Everything** exhibition at **GoMA** in the same complex. This features works by international artists including the famous Ai Weiwei.

As all exhibitions are close to each other, we can still travel, park, meet-up, and lunch together! If you are interested and/or want to car pool contact Jean on 55413706 or email “harrynjean@bigpond.com”. Otherwise we will see you at the QA Gallery about 10am.

## **Success at Beaudesert Show**

The Management Committee would like to congratulate members of the Fellowship of Artists for their success with their artwork entered in the Beaudesert Show last month.

Christine Purtle won first, highly commended and champion in the local artists section. She also came first in the Any Animal section, first and champion in the portrait section, thus being the Champion Exhibitor in the Art Section.

Michael Goebel also did well, getting first in the Heritage Section, third in landscape, second in the seascape, and highly commended in the Any Animal Section.

Joy Drescher got a first for an Installation and second for horn and pewter earrings in any other craft. Well done Christine, Michael and Joy.

The Fellowship of Artists is planning another exhibition of its paintings in 2013.



Beaudesert U3A has two Art Groups – The Fellowship of Artists which meet at the Beaudesert Tennis Centre on Tuesday from 9am, and – The Limners Art Group which meet at Centacare on Wednesday from 9am. Members welcome to join these groups.

## Foundation Stars

Two of our foundation members, George and Sylvia Long, are currently appearing in the BAMS Theatre Company's satirical comedy, Urinetown. This is a further example of the diverse talents of Beaudesert U3A members.

As well as being active members of U3A, George and Sylvia are members of the Acquired Taste Choir. We wish them every success in this production and from all reports this musical is well worth seeing so if you haven't already booked your seat we suggest you get along and do so and give George and Sylvia your support.

Peter and Val Chapman



## Additional Notes

- Display copies of the book celebrating our wonderful Inaugural Art Exhibition will hopefully be on show at **the end of year celebration**. You may place advance orders (tentative price \$15). They should make excellent Christmas presents
- Thank you for all the offers of help that I received while indisposed. It is comforting to know there are so many members of the U3A willing to offer assistance. It is a great morale-booster to hear a friendly voice, and you should all be aware you can rely on fellow members to help you out if you need assistance.
- Several members of the Management Committee and Tutors have fallen by the wayside over the winter – due to illness, holidays or other demands. Well done to the remaining organisers for carrying on regardless – especially those who kept this newsletter going!  
Jean


## Thanks to Our Sponsors

Many thanks to our sponsors for their ongoing support





**Beaudesert U3A Time-Table: Term 4 2012**

Day	Start-Time	Morning Session	Venue	Start-Time	Afternoon Session	Venue
<b>Monday</b>	10 am 8th Oct	<b>Computer Group</b> Weekly 10 – noon	Centa care	1.30 pm 8th Oct	<b>Mosaics</b> Weekly 1.30 – 4pm	20 Lincoln Court
					<b>Self-Publishing</b> By arrangement	Centa care
<b>Tues day</b>	9 am	Art Group 1 <b>Fellowship of Artists</b>	Tennis Club	2.30 pm 9th Oct	<b>Line Dancing</b> Weekly 2.30 – 4pm	Uniting Church Hall
	9.30 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	<b>Discussion Group</b> Weekly 9.30 – 11.30	Kaths House 27 Dunsinane			
<b>Wednes day</b>	9 am 10th Oct	Art Group 2 <b>The Limmers</b> Weekly 9am-noon	Centacare			
	10 am* 17th Oct	<b>Art Appreciation</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month Nominally 10-12 noon*	Centacare/ excursion			
<b>Thurs day</b>	10 am* 11th Oct	<b>Genealogy</b> Every 2nd Thursday 10-12 noon	Centacare/ excursion	1.30 pm 18th Oct	<b>Our Violent Earth</b> Weekly 1.30-3.30	Centacare
<b>Friday</b>	8 am 26th Oct	<b>Aquarobics</b> Weekly 8am	Beaudesert Pool	12 noon 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct	<b>Jigsaw Library Exchange</b> Phone in advance	20 Lincoln Court
	tba	<b>Recipe Club</b> Third week of each month	Members homes			

All courses are held at the Centacare rooms, 6–12 Peterson Street, Beaudesert, unless otherwise indicated.

All participants must be paid up members of Beaudesert U3A (\$25.00) per annum (couples \$40.00) and each session has a minimum fee of \$2.00 towards Centacare expenses (tea/coffee, aircon etc). If necessary extra Course costs for photocopying, travel etc., will be set by Tutors.

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