



Tītirangi

NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2021

The next monthly meeting is on Tuesday, 27 April at the West Lynn Garden
Meeting starts at 1.30pm

Refreshments (and social interaction) follow the speakers

Please email or phone your apology to our President or Secretary if you cannot attend.

For those who are not familiar with the U3A concept, it is for people in their "third age", post career and family who join together to continue their enjoyment of learning and sharing knowledge.

Members come from all walks of life. Anyone is welcome - all you need is some life experience and a desire to keep learning.

Our Branch's 2021 annual subscription is \$30 which covers venue rental and administration.



Wear a medical ID tag if you have a chronic health condition. If you have a condition that Committee or a medical response team should be aware of a medical ID tag can provide this information, should you be unable to.

Please let our Membership secretary know if any of your contact details change.

SPEAKERS' CORNER

Our **guest speakers** at our next meeting are

- Our member speaker this month will be Beau Johnstone, who will introduce us to the use of ICE on our cell phones. **In Case of Emergency (ICE)** enables first responders, such as paramedics, firefighters, and police officers, as well as hospital personnel, to get in touch with your ICE contact to obtain important medical or support information.
- Our guest speaker is Damon Birchfield, the CEO of New Lynn-based EcoMatters Environment Trust and it's likely a number of you took part in the dozens of events and workshops at EcoFest West which have been running for the past month.

Damon leads a team of passionate and talented eco-warriors and environmental experts who, along with teams of enthusiastic volunteers, are having a significant and positive effect in our community and further afield. He'll talk about current and future projects, the success of the community garden and Bike Hub at Olympic Place, and the partnerships formed with new and ambitious projects.

Don't miss these two speakers.

Reminder from the Auckland U3A Network's 'Celebrating U3A in Action 2021' website is now open for online registrations.

Click on <https://www.u3anz.com/event> to complete the electronic form and make \$30 payment.

ACTIVITY AND STUDY GROUPS

GROUP MEMBERS: *Best efforts have been made to keep this information correct. Please contact your Convenor to confirm time/place.*

CONVENORS: *Please update group members if any changes in meeting time/place*

ART APPRECIATION

Convenor:
Larrie Millett
Ph: 816-8754



Meetings: 2nd
Wednesday of the month
Time: 10.30am
Next meeting:
14 April
Venue: to be confirmed

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP 1

Convenor:
Rose Vivien
Ph: 816-8712



Meetings: 1st Thursday of the month
Time: 1.30pm
Next meeting:
6 May
Venue: New Lynn or Green Bay

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP 2

Convenor:
Carol Dean-McCarroll
Ph: 0211054153



Meetings: 1st Friday of the month
Time: 1.30pm
Next meeting:
7 May
Venue: Please contact for location

BUS ADVENTURES

Convenor:
Eileen Howard
Ph: 0211789562



Meetings: 3rd and 4th
Wednesdays
Time: 9am
Next meeting: tbc
Meeting Place:
Kelston Community Centre

CHESS

Convenor:
Colin Whitehouse
Ph: 816-8812



Meetings: 1st
Wednesday of the month
Time: 10am
Next meeting:
5 May
Venue: Green Bay

CREATIVE WRITING

Convenor:
Pam Sellers
Ph: 817-2176



Meetings: 2nd Friday of the month
Time: 10am
Next Meeting:
16 April
Venue: Green Bay

CURRENT AFFAIRS GROUP 1

Convenor:
Val Wike
Ph: 827-8693



Meetings: 3rd
Thursday of the month
Time: 10am
Next meeting:
15 April
Venue: New Lynn
Bus route:
170/171/172

CURRENT AFFAIRS GROUP 2

Convenor:
Karen Costello
Ph: 0212203222



Meetings: 4th
Wednesday of the month
Time: 1 pm
Next meeting:
28 April
Venue: tbc

ETHNIC CUISINE/ DINING

Convenor:
Eileen Howard
Ph: 021-1789562



Meetings: 3rd
Thursday of the month
Time: midday
Next meeting:
15 April
Venue: tbc

FIVE HUNDRED Card Game

Convenor:
Pat Labrum
Ph: 827-2415



Meetings: 4th Thursday of the month
Time: 7pm – 9.30pm
Next meeting:
22 April
Venue: New Lynn

FILM FANCIERS

Convenor:
Pat Labrum
Ph: 827-2415















Meetings: usually 2nd
Friday of the month
Time: to be confirmed
Next meeting:
16 April
Venue: to be confirmed

GENEALOGY FOR BEGINNERS

Convenor:
Peter Nash
Ph: 817-3520



Meetings: 2nd
Wednesday of the month
Time: 10am
Next meeting:
14 April
Venue: Green Bay

<p>HISTORY</p> <p>Convenor: Colin Whitehouse Ph: 816-8812</p>  <p>Meetings: 4th Monday of the month Time: 10.30am Next meeting: 26 April Venue: Green Bay</p>	<p>JAPANESE STYLE Study Group Convenors: Bev and Julian Cole Ph: 0210873223/ 8178682</p>  <p>Meetings: 1st Wednesday of the month Time: 1pm Next meeting: 5 May Venue: Titirangi</p>	<p>MAH JONG</p> <p>Convenor: Helen Grant Ph: 0225674306</p>  <p>Meetings: 1st Thursday of the month Time: 1.00pm Next meeting: 6 May Venue: Titirangi Community Centre Cost: \$2 per session</p>	<p>MUSIC APPRECIATION</p> <p>Convenor: Pauline Jennings Ph: 8177281/ 0272786146</p>  <p>Meetings: 1st Tuesday of the month Time: 10am Next meeting: 4 May Venue: Titirangi</p>
<p>MYTHS, LEGENDS & FAIRY TALES</p> <p>Convenor: Pam Sellers Ph: 8172176</p>  <p>Meetings: 4th Friday of the month Time: 10.30am Next meeting: 30 April Venue: Green Bay</p>	<p>(Aspects of) NZ HISTORY</p> <p>Convenor: Bruce Deverell Ph: 02146485/ 0274770266</p>  <p>Meetings: 2nd Monday of the month Time: 10am Next meeting: 10 May Venue: New Lynn</p>	<p>OPERA APPRECIATION</p> <p>Convenor: Kate Methven</p>  <p>Ph: 817-9804 Meetings: 4th Friday of the month Time: 10am Next meeting: 30 April Venue: Matai Room, Pinesong</p>	<p>POP UP SWIMMING and Shared Morning Tea</p> <p>Convenor: Heather Tanguay Ph: 818-8809</p>  <p>Next meeting: In summer</p>
<p>QUIZ</p> <p>Convenor: Ann Whitehouse Ph: 816-8812</p>  <p>Meetings: 1st Tuesday of the month Time: 6.45pm for 7pm Next meeting: 4 May Venue: Bricklane, New Lynn</p>	<p>SCRABBLE</p> <p>Convenor: Pauline Jennings Ph: 0272786146/ 817-728</p>  <p>Meetings: 2nd Thursday of the month Time: 1pm Next meeting: 13 May Venue: Blockhouse Bay</p>	<p>TRAVEL GROUP</p> <p>Convenor: Heather Tanguay Ph: 818-8809</p>  <p>Meetings: 3rd Tuesday of the month Time: 10am Next meetings: 20 April Venue: Glen Eden</p>	<p>WALKS AND TALKS</p> <p>Convenor: Ann Whitehouse Ph: 816-8812</p>  <p>Meetings: 3rd Friday of the month Time: 10am Next meeting: 23 April Venue: to be confirmed</p>

GROUP REPORTS – APRIL 2021

At each monthly meeting abstracts of current Activity and Study Groups are set out on a display table and are available for members to view together along with sign up lists for members to join groups.

Ideas for new groups are always welcome.

If you would like to know about the role of a Convenor and would be interested in offering a group, please discuss this with our Study Group Co-ordinator, Lynne Mackie.

This year we are considering some new groups:

HISTORY OF PLANTS

Please let Lynne know if you would like to attend a different group as vacancies occur from time to time and she can add you to a waiting list rather than limiting you to just those groups with vacancies at present.

Currently the following groups have vacancies.

- Book Discussion 2
- Current Affairs 2
- Opera Studies
- Film Fanciers
- Genealogy
- Chess
- MahJong
- Japanese Style
- 500 Card Game

Groups meet in various locations, including members' homes. Small donations may be required towards venue rental and costs for tea/coffee and biscuits. Some groups organise special excursions and these incur costs to cover transport, entry fees etc.

All members of an Activity and Study group must be paid up members of our Branch.

All members of the Branch are expected to belong to at least one Activity or Study group.

Members need to sign up for a group with the Study Group Co-ordinator and this can be done at any Branch meeting.

The Convenor of your chosen group/s will invite you by e-mail to attend a group meeting when a vacancy becomes available.

YOUR 2021 COMMITTEE

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