

Hi,

Last meeting, we were very fortunate having Suky Thompson, the recently



retired manager of the Rod Donald Trust who has managed the Trust for the past ten years from its infancy, to speak to us. Suky enthusiastically spoke about the aims of the Trust and their achievements. The vision of the Trust (which was part of a film shown) was to develop environmental guardians of the future through improved public walking and biking access, enhancing biodiversity, promoting knowledge, and working in partnership with others who share their commitment to Banks Peninsula. From track building and maintenance to support for

biodiversity and the active promotion of knowledge about the Peninsula, the trust activities are far reaching. A fascinating talk.

November 2022 Meeting:

Date: 4th November 2022 ***Note: First Friday of the Month.***

Venue: Darfield Baptist Church, 15 Greendale Road, Darfield.

Time: 10am (There will be a cuppa, so the session will start at 10:15am with member's announcements followed by the speaker).

Topic: Malvern Hills Geology

The speaker is Prof James Shulmeister is a geomorphologist and Quaternary Scientist who specialises in the long-term climate history of the Australasian region. He is President of the Australia New Zealand Geomorphology Group. He is involved in ARC and Marsden projects with a current focus on providing landscape interpretation for archaeological projects. From 2009 to 2019 he was a Professor in the School of Earth and Environmental Sciences, University of Queensland. In early 2020 he took up the role of Head of School of Earth and Environment at the University of Canterbury, New Zealand.

Attendance Notice

Attendance at Darfield Baptist Church in 2022 for U3A meetings will be in accordance with current Covid-19 practice.

Attendees will need to register their presence by telling the people on the desk.

We will ensure well-spaced seating and masks can still be worn while in the meeting. Anyone who is unwell is encouraged to stay at home and that is the same if you feel uncomfortable about being in crowds at this time.

Programme for End of 2022 and proposed for first 6 months of 2023.

December 2nd 2022 Forensic Anthropology Dr Rachel Scott
Reminder this is our Christmas meeting, and you will also a chance to donate items to the Food Bank. It is also the first Friday of the month.

Proposed 2023

February 10th 2023	The Ming Dynasty – a lens on today. An emphasis on porcelain.	Alan Blackburn
March 10th 21023	Music and Singing in Rehab	Kimberley Wade
April 14th 2023	Cemetries	Linda Seaton
May 12th 2023	AGM - TBA	Frieda Looser
June 9th 2023	Brain Health and Dementia prevention	Matthew Croucher

Subscriptions

The subscription year starts on 1st April 2022. New members who paid after 31st December 2021 and before 1st April 2022 will have valid membership until 31st March 2023.

The subscription will remain at \$25 for the 2022 – 2023 year and is due from 1st April 2022. Those who are not financial members are casual attendees and will be asked for a koha per meeting until joining.

Bank Account with Kiwi Bank

Account Name: U3A Malvern

Account number: 38 9022 0205868 00

When paying subs please include a name so we can identify the payee. This is especially important if you are paying for more than one person. Those who were not members in the last financial year will get a name tag at the next meeting.

Special Interest Groups

We have the following groups operating and will start a waiting list for those groups that are full so contact the Group leaders to register your interest. Note: Meetings are dependent on being in an appropriate Covid 19 level.

Mahjong. 8 members are meeting 1st and 3rd Monday of the month from June. Please let Ruth know if you are interested. Contact Ruth Warren:
rwifwarren@gmail.com

Current Affairs 9 members meeting on 4th Monday of the month. Interesting discussions on elections, economic recovery etc. A topic is set at each meeting so members can research for the next meeting. Contact Ian Warren:
rwifwarren@gmail.com

Local and NZ History.

Meetings are on the 4th Wednesday of the month for 2022.
Contact Jim 03 318 1712 or adjimcopland@gmail.com

Everyday Te Reo. With 5 members currently meeting weekly at 4pm on Wednesdays in Darfield. The group uses mixed media to assist with language and are progressing well. Current focus is on using the vocabulary we have learnt and the grammar points to form sentences. Contact Margaret Copland:
coplalex@snap.net.nz

Judith Pascoe is keen to hear from you with ideas for **new topics for interest groups**. There will be a box to post ideas in at each meeting. For Judith Phone 021 1522900 or email jcpascoe@xtra.co.nz

We look forward to seeing you at our meeting this month.

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