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U3A—UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

What is U3A? Well it technically isn’t a university—no homework, no exams, no degrees or diplomas—just a lot of fun and interest with a good humoured group of mature women and men who seek to keep mentally active.

The University of the Third Age is a worldwide movement. Each U3A, nevertheless, is autonomous but able to enjoy the benefit of being part of a large, loose-knit association.

U3A Albury-Wodonga office is located at the Albury-Wodonga Community College (AWCC), 63 High Street, Wodonga. Most classes are held at the College, with some at Trinity Uniting Church, Felltimber Community Centre and the Wodonga Tennis Centre.

Classes run during school terms, most weekly, some fortnightly or monthly. They range from gardening to games, philosophy to history, book study, the environment, current affairs and so on.

The aim is for members with a common interest to get together in order to learn from one another. All contribute according to knowledge and experience, and a volunteer coordinator helps the process run smoothly.

NEW MEMBERS ARE MOST WELCOME. One free trial session is offered and if you wish to join, pay the membership fee then you can attend as many classes as desired dependent upon available spaces. For more information please contact the U3A office, Monday to Friday on 0499 895 117 or contact us via the website www.alburywodongau3a.com or Email U3A@awcc.edu.au

MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION: $82.50 per person
(Memberhip covers the 2020 calendar year)

GENERAL NOTES

◊ Classes available to members of the U3A, Albury-Wodonga are detailed in this guide. Some short courses may be offered throughout 2020. Information will be communicated via email, website and newsletter.

◊ Enrolment forms are available from the U3A Office or can be downloaded from the website www.alburywodongau3a.com but completed forms still need to be lodged at the U3A Office, AWCC.

◊ Completed enrolment forms together with the annual fee, should be submitted by noon 13 December 2019. Enrolments will again be open daily 9.30am to noon from Monday 20 January 2020.

◊ Late enrolments will be accepted, but classes will be formed on the basis of enrolments received by Wednesday 29 January 2020.

◊ A monthly newsletter is published in the first week of each month on the website. Members and website followers are notified by Email. If you wish to receive your newsletter via Email please ensure that your Email address is printed clearly on the enrolment form.

◊ Become a “follower” on our website to ensure that you receive U3A News Bulletins and alerts automatically. Signing up as a follower is easy. Just visit the website, enter your email address where indicated then click “follow”.

◊ IF YOU HAVE ANY SKILLS OR TALENTS THAT YOU FEEL MAY BE OF INTEREST TO OTHER MEMBERS OF U3A ALBURY-WODONGA AND YOU WOULD LIKE TO OFFER A COURSE IN THIS AREA, PLEASE CONTACT THE U3A COURSE CO-ORDINATOR TO DISCUSS YOUR SPECIFIC TOPIC SO THAT WE CAN WORK OUT AN APPROPRIATE COURSE TOGETHER.

Acceptance into your nominated classes is automatic on timely submission of your enrolment form.
**SEMESTER DATES FOR 2020**

Semester 1: Monday 3rd February  
Mid-semester break: Friday 27th March  
Re-commence: Tuesday 14th April  
End semester: Friday 26th June

Semester 2: Monday 27th July  
Mid-semester break: Friday 18th September  
Re-commence: Monday 5th October  
End semester: Friday 4th December

No classes are held on Victorian public holidays.

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**COURSE VENUE ADDRESSES**

◊ Albury Wodonga Community College, 63 High Street, Wodonga  
  (all except those listed below)

◊ Trinity Uniting Church, Mate Street, Albury

◊ Wodonga Tennis Club, Lawrence Street, Wodonga

◊ Felltimber Community Centre, Cnr Melrose Dve & Felltimber Creek Road, Wodonga

◊ Music Appreciation Group is held in various private homes.

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**COMING IN 2020**

During 2019 U3A Albury-Wodonga has been forging links with La Trobe University and members are now included in invitations to attend relevant free lectures. As well, collaboration with the John Richards Centre resulted in a joint session during Seniors Week—“Keep your Brain Healthy”. Their stated purpose is to “seek to develop and implement programs of research that makes a difference to the wellbeing of a diverse range of older people living in rural communities.”

U3A AW has now been added to their mailing list to keep us informed of future events and other relevant information. Of particular interest is the “proposed ‘LIFEHub’, a transformative lifelong intergenerational facility of education, training and research at Albury-Wodonga campus.”

Following a survey carried out with U3A AW membership in preparation for 2020, the following needs have been identified to be further developed and implemented in the New Year:

- U3A Social Club
- Activities and classes during January and July
- U3A members visiting AWCC Childcare Centre
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**U2001 BONSAI FOR BEGINNERS**

This program is designed for people like me who have an interest in horticulture, but are past the point of being able to carry out the back-breaking tasks associated with maintaining a larger garden. We will begin with a brief study of the philosophy of bonsai and proceed to deal with the principles and practices involved before moving on to consider the art of bonsai-ing, particular plant varieties that may be of interest. It may be possible to include practical sessions with the Theory of Bonsai.

**Coordinator:** Vince Black  
**Venue:** Felltimber Community Centre  
**Day/Time:** Mondays 9.00am—11.00am (Semester 1)  
**Starting:** 3rd February  
**Cost:** Nil

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**U2002 FAMILY HISTORY**

This group will learn how to use the internet as a tool in researching family history, whilst recognising the pitfalls the internet contains. The group will be shown how to get the most from websites related to genealogy. The class will be interactive and members will be using computers with access to the internet. Beginners to family history as well as experienced researchers are welcome, but class members will need to have basic computer skills. This course is limited to ten participants.

**Coordinator:** Gail Gillis  
**Venue:** AWCC, 63 High Street, Wodonga  
**Day/Time:** Monday 10.00am—12.00 noon  
**Starting:** 3rd February  
**Cost:** $30 for year (this levy is for access to the internet)
**CONVERSATIONS IN WODONGA**

“Conversations”, an opportunity to discuss selected topics chosen by the group, using insights drawn from philosophy and the life experience of members. The discussion will touch on the relevance of the topic to us personally, its place in history and its ethical implications. We look at questions, rather than supply answers. We don’t have to agree and we don’t have to reach consensus. Michael will provide some written remarks with some suggested reading and links for those who wish to delve more deeply into the topic. Prerequisites: curiosity, thoughtfulness and life experience.

The group will select from the list of topics offered for discussion each week. Class size limited to 23.

Coordinator: Michael Evans  
Venue: AWCC, 63 High Street, Wodonga  
Day/Time: Mondays 10.00am—12.00 noon  
Starting: Fortnightly, starting 3rd February  
Cost: Nil

**SPIRITUAL SELF-DEVELOPMENT DISCUSSION GROUP**

Self-development comes from the increased awareness of where you are right now and learning what is needed for further growth. This course will give you a means of understanding and developing your full spiritual potential. You will gain imperative knowledge to assist you in discovering a way to master the journey from fear to love and the assured outcome of that journey is finding inner peace in every situation. The books chosen for this adventure include:

- “The Bhagavad Gita” a walkthrough for Westerners by Author Jack Hawley.
- A Course in Miracles by Foundation for Inner Peace

Coordinator: Lynette McAuliffe  
Venue: Felltimber Community Centre  
Day/Time: Mondays 10.00am—12.00 noon  
Starting: 3rd February  
Cost: Nil

**ECONOMICS & POLITICS**

Available to students who have been members of the 2019 class or have a background in Economics. This course will continue to explore economic concepts and deal with Global and Australian Economic issues.

Coordinator: Edward Voogt  
Venue: AWCC, 63 High Street, Wodonga  
Day/Time: Mondays 1.00pm—3.00pm  
Starting: 3rd February  
Cost: Nil

**CAE BOOK STUDY (Monthly)**

Books for study are supplied by the Council of Adult Education, Melbourne and have been selected earlier. We study one book a month. Notes are provided for discussion.

Coordinator: Carol Antonello  
Venue: AWCC, 63 High Street, Wodonga  
Day/Time: 2nd Monday of each month 1.30pm  
Starting: 10th February  
Cost: $149.00 Full Fee for the whole year  
$135.00 Seniors Card - for the whole year  
$98.00 Concession (Health Care Card only) - for the whole year.
**MONDAY**

**U2007 ARTS APPRECIATION**

Members’ interests range from all forms of music, art, film, literature, concert and live theatre. We encourage members to take part in the many local cultural activities by providing them with information about coming events. Where possible we will make group bookings. Occasionally, members of the group may also visit Melbourne, Swanpool-Benalla, Corowa or Canberra. At meetings, members share opinions about events they have been to and discuss and plan for future events. We also encourage members to report on art, theatre and music they have experienced during their travels, both in Australia and overseas.

Coordinator: Ian Sutherland  
Venue: AWCC, 63 High Street, Wodonga  
Day/Time: 1st Monday of each month 2.30pm—4.30pm  
Starting: 3rd February  
Cost: Nil

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**U2008 TRAVEL AND CHAT—ADVENTURE BEFORE DEMENTIA**

A social and educational group of armchair and active travellers, both domestic and international. Enjoy and share each other's travelling experiences covering all aspects of travel, touring, caravanning, flying, cruising, car, bus and train. Learn from each other. Celebrate our beautiful world.

NOTE: Please refer to insurance notes on last page.

Coordinator: Pauline Harris  
Venue: AWCC, 63 High Street, Wodonga  
Day/Time: 2nd Monday of each month 2.00pm—4.00pm  
Starting: 10th February  
Cost: Nil

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**U2009 THE MOVIE BUFFS**

This program is for like minded U3A members who enjoy the movies, flicks, cinemas and pictures. Current movies and the old time Heroes and Heroines from the early 20th Century up to modern times. Gather together to watch movies at the Community College. Enjoy each others company and have fun. Genre: action, comedy, drama, fantasy, musical, mystery, history or wherever our imagination and dreams lead us. “Life moves pretty fast. If you don’t stop and look around once in a while, you could miss it. Nobody is gunna hit as hard as life, but it ain’t how hard you can hit. It’s how hard you can get hit and keep moving forward.” Ferris Bueller’s Day Off

Coordinator: Pauline Harris  
Venue: AWCC, 63 High Street, Wodonga  
Day/Time: 4th Monday of each month 1.30pm—3.30pm  
Starting: 24th February  
Cost: Nil

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**TUESDAY**

**U2010 SUSTAINABILITY**

Our group looks at the whole gamut of sustainability across domestic, community, national and global issues. The materials discussed include resources, food, pollution, energy, technological development, population, species decline, climate change and other matters, right through to an occasional look at social, economic and political sustainability.

Coordinator: Bruce Key  
Venue: AWCC, 63 High St, Wodonga  
Day/Time: Tuesdays 10.00-12 noon  
Starting: 4th February  
Cost: Nil
**TUESDAY**

**U2011 MEDITATION**

An introduction to various aspects of Meditation that brings about a greater Mindfulness, using some led meditation, visualisation and relaxation.

**Coordinator:** Helen Casey  
**Venue:** AWCC, 63 High St, Wodonga  
**Day/Time:** **Tuesdays 10.00am—12.00noon**  
**Starting:** 4th February  
**Cost:** Nil

**U2012 RANDOM THOUGHTS AND IDEAS**

In this class any member may present any topic of interest which is then discussed by the whole group. Members can join the group at any time. Members who have completed a short course on another topic may like to join in for the remainder of the semester.

**Coordinator:** Peter Massey  
**Venue:** AWCC 63 High St, Wodonga  
**Day/Time:** **Tuesdays 1.30pm—3.30pm**  
**Starting:** 4th February  
**Cost:** Nil

**U2013 MUSIC APPRECIATION**

The main focus of the group is listening to classical music, however, we have recently included music composed for film, the stage, opera or wherever member’s interests take us. Group members are invited (but with no obligation) to present programs which may include DVDs giving them the opportunity to both hear and see the artist performing. Discussions about the music are encouraged. Meetings are held at members’ homes. Enrolments limited to 12.

**Coordinator:** Helen Voogt  
**Venue:** First meeting will be held at Unit 33, 36 Mountford Cres, East Albury. Members of the group will be advised by the co-ordinator of the venues for future meetings.  
**Day/Time:** **2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month 2.00pm—4.00pm**  
**Starting:** 11th February  
**Cost:** Nil  
**Note:** Please refer to insurance notes on last page.

**U2014 GARDEN GROUP 1**

A supportive group for garden enthusiasts where knowledge, ideas and experiences are exchanged. Topics include speciality gardens, plants, vegie patch, lawns, soil, composting, water, worm farming, pots and striking experiences. Visits to open gardens, nurseries and guest speakers. Limitless interest in places, plants and people with discussion on all things horticultural. For beginners, experts, weekend weeder and interested observers. Members’ input will be sought. Members are also encouraged to take an active role in the facilitation of sessions.

**Coordinator:** Shirley Farr  
**Venue:** Felltimber Community Centre, Wodonga  
**Day/Time:** **Tuesdays 1.00pm—3.00pm**  
**Starting:** 4th February  
**Cost:** Occasional Bus Trip  
**Note:** Please refer to insurance notes on last page.
TUESDAY

U2015  HOLLYWOOD IN THE 1930s
The 1930s were the ‘golden years’ of Hollywood. The studio system was well established, stars were created by the studios and Hollywood offered entertainment and a glamorous respite from the day to day realities of the Great Depression. Yet, the films produced by Hollywood between the stock market collapse and the (belated) entry of the United States into the Second World War also offer insights into American culture during the 1930s. This subject looks at these issues by examining six Hollywood films made between 1931 and 1942, two from the beginning of the decade and three from the end of the decade as the United States prepared for war. The course concludes with a film that used the 1930s to comment on American society three decades later.

Coordinator:  John McQuilton
Venue:  AWCC, 63 High Street, Wodonga
Day/Time:  Tuesday 1.00pm—3.00pm (Semester 1)
Starting:  4th February
Cost:  Nil

WEDNESDAY

U2016  GARDEN GROUP 2
A supportive group for garden enthusiasts where knowledge, ideas and experiences are exchanged. Topics include speciality gardens, plants, vegie patch, lawns, soil, composting, water, worm farming, pots and striking experiences. Visits to open gardens, nurseries and guest speakers. Limitless interest in places, plants and people with discussion on all things horticultural. For beginners, experts, weekend weeders and interested observers. Members’ input will be sought. Members are also encouraged to take an active role in the facilitation of sessions.

Coordinator:  Shirley Farr
Venue:  AWCC, 63 High Street, Wodonga
Day/Time:  1st & 3rd Wednesdays 10.00am—12.00 noon
Starting:  5th February
Cost:  Nil
Note:  Please refer to insurance notes on last page.

U2017  GARDEN GROUP 3
A supportive group for garden enthusiasts where knowledge, ideas and experiences are exchanged. Topics include speciality gardens, plants, vegie patch, lawns, soil, composting, water, worm farming, pots and striking experiences. Visits to open gardens, nurseries and guest speakers. Limitless interest in places, plants and people with discussion on all things horticultural. For beginners, experts, weekend weeders and interested observers. Members’ input will be sought. Members are also encouraged to take an active role in the facilitation of sessions.

Coordinator:  Shirley Farr
Venue:  AWCC, 63 High Street, Wodonga
Day/Time:  2nd & 4th Wednesdays 10.00am—12.00pm
Starting:  12th February
Cost:  Nil
Note:  Please refer to insurance notes on last page.
U2018  THE SOCIAL GARDENER
The Social Gardener is for those of us who admire gardens (but are not necessarily gardeners) and would like to meet on a social basis for coffee and a chat. We will visit gardens and on occasion discuss flowers, trees, butterflies and all that blooms (or not in some cases)!! Please note that this group is limited to 16 members.

Coordinator: Pauline Harris
Venue: Predetermined Coffee Shop, Nursery or home garden
Day/Time: **10.00am—12.00pm 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month**
Starting: 5th February
Cost: Nil
Note: Please refer to insurance notes on last page.

U2019  THE BIBLE: READING ANCIENT DOCUMENTS FROM THE MEDITERRANEAN WORLD IN ENGLISH TRANSLATION
If you don't see eye to eye with the powers that be, then you are quoting the Bible; if you've weighed them in the balance and found them wanting, then you are quoting the Bible. If the apple of your eye has left the strait and narrow and fallen by the wayside, leaving you with a broken heart and at your wit's end, you are quoting the Bible; if you get to be as old as Methuselah, as wise as Solomon and as patient as Job, and you realise that there is nothing new under the sun and we all have feet of clay, then, yes, you are quoting the Bible. But who were Methuselah, and Solomon and Job? What was the original context of such quotations, and the original languages? In this overview of the Bible, we will survey its structure, sample each genre (history, law, poetry, prophecy, letters) and briefly look at how it has inspired art, music and culture.

Coordinator: Kath White
Venue: AWCC, 63 High St, Wodonga
Day/Time: **Wednesdays 10.00am—12.00 noon**
Starting: 5th February
Cost: Nil

U2020  ECONOMICS A
A study of basic Economics concepts based on textbook “Economics for Today” by Layton, Robinson, Tucker. 5th Edition. This course will deal with basic economic concepts of scarcity, production and the financial system. Course outline on request by email from co-ordinator.

Coordinator: Edward Voogt
Venue: AWCC 63 High Street, Wodonga
Day/Time: **Wednesdays 10.00am—12.00 noon**
Starting: 5th February
Cost: Nil
**U2021  THE RISE AND FALL OF THE THIRD REICH**

In this unit of study we will briefly consider early German history from ancient times through to the middle ages and then review its unification and subsequent development as a modern industrial nation leading up to its involvement in the Great War of 1914 to 1918.

We will consider how, at the end of that mammoth conflict, the resulting Treaty of Versailles may have subjected the German people to the harsh conditions that simultaneously undermined the fledgling operations of its democratic Weimar Republic, while creating an environment that promoted German pride and anti-Semitism, two traits that infused Nazi Germany.

Our core studies will focus on the ‘German Third Reich’ in reference to the twelve year period in modern German history from 1933 to 1945 during which the nation was subjected to the totalitarian dictatorship of Adolph Hitler and the Nazi Party.

The presentations will be based largely on the research of William L Schirer, an American journalist in Germany for much of the Nazi era, who in the post war era subsequently wrote the widely renowned work ”The Rise and Fall of the Third Reich”.

Coordinator: Vince Black  
Venue: AWCC, 63 High St, Wodonga  
Day/Time: **Wednesdays 9.30am—12.30pm : Semester One**  
Starting: 5th February  
Cost: Nil

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**U2022  MAH-JONG**

This class will consist of both learners and experienced players. This is a friendly group who help newcomers to learn the game and also welcomes people at any level.

Coordinator: Karen Ferguson  
Venue: Wodonga Tennis Centre  
Day/Time: **Wednesdays 1.00pm—4.00pm**  
Starting: 22nd January  
Cost: Nil

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**U2023  CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS**

Unravel the mysteries and enjoy the pastime.

Coordinator: Jean Evans  
Venue: Trinity Uniting Church  
Mate Street, Albury  
Day/Time: **Wednesdays 1.30pm—3.30pm**  
Starting: 5th February  
Cost: Nil
U2024  ADVENTURES IN PHILOSOPHY

Adventures in Philosophy is a course which will provide a sound grounding to allow members to analyse underlying philosophical principals. A topic will be presented in depth each week, followed by discussions. No textbook is required.

Coordinator: Martyn Stevens
Venue: AWCC, 63 High St, Wodonga
Day/Time: Wednesdays 1.00pm—3.00pm
Starting: 5th February
Cost: Nil

U2025  INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS 1

These sessions are background briefings to current issues internationally but may also include other issues that may impinge on relations between nation states such as history, geopolitics and social movements. This course will examine issues of international concern on a weekly basis. Topics to be covered can be tailored to suit the wishes and interests of the group where possible, however the course may include some or all of the following:

The Defence of Australia, Trump and US foreign policy. Saudi Arabia and Iran and so on. Topics may also include the rise and fall of Empires and Australia from the Goldfields to the First World War. For a more complete list please go to: https://alburywodongau3a.com/courseware/international-relations/ The class format will be based on a background lecture accompanied by a PowerPoint presentation which will be made available to class members via direct email. Tone—informal and chatty with lots of audience input.

Coordinator: Gerry Engwerda
Venue: AWCC, 63 High St, Wodonga
Day/Time: Wednesdays 1.00pm—3.00pm Fortnightly
Starting: 5th February
Cost: Nil
### U2026 PHILOSOPHICAL DISCUSSIONS

In this group, members discuss a variety of philosophical and ethical issues, including topical philosophical ideas. A book will be decided within the group at the beginning of the year.

**Coordinator:** Anthony White and Martyn Stevens  
**Venue:** AWCC, 63 High St, Wodonga  
**Day/Time:** Thursdays 10.00am—12.00 noon  
**Starting:** 6th February  
**Cost:** Possible Book purchase—approx. $25.00

### U2027 INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS 2

These sessions are background briefings to current issues internationally and follows on from Thursday’s sessions last year. However, attendance at last year’s session is not a pre-requisite. The course runs fortnightly. This course will examine issues of international concerns on a fortnightly basis. Topics to be covered can be tailored to suit the wishes and interests of the group where possible, however the course may include some or all of the following: The rise of civilisations, the South-China Sea Crisis in 2019, a Brexit update, the rise of populism and China vs the US. The class format will be based on a background lecture accompanied by a PowerPoint presentation which will be made available to class members via email. Tone - informal and chatty with lots of audience input.

**Coordinator:** Gerry Engwerda  
**Venue:** AWCC, 63 High St, Wodonga  
**Day/Time:** Thursdays 10.00am-12.00pm Fortnightly  
**Starting:** 13th February  
**Cost:** Nil

### U2028 WRITING FOR PLEASURE

A supportive group that meets to share life experiences by writing short stories, memoirs, poetry etc. The workshop format will encourage all members to work together as a team, providing ideas and feedback that will help us develop our writing skills.

**Coordinator:** Catherine Cutler  
**Venue:** AWCC 63, High Street, Wodonga  
**Day/Time:** Thursday 1.00pm—3.00pm  
**Starting:** 6th February  
**Cost:** Nil
**THURSDAY**

**U2029 CHESS**

Chess is good for the brain and fascinates most of the people who try it. This class will teach you the very fundamentals of the game. No previous knowledge or experience will be assumed. Continuous learning is scheduled and all levels of players welcome.

**Coordinator:** Steve Currell  
**Venue:** AWCC, 63 High Street, Wodonga  
**Day/Time:** Thursdays 1.00pm-3.00pm  
**Starting:** 6th February  
**Cost:** Nil

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**U2030 INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS 3**

These sessions are background briefings to current issues internationally and follows on from Thursday’s sessions last year. However, attendance at last year’s session is not a pre-requisite. This course will examine issues of international concerns on a fortnightly basis. Topics to be covered can be tailored to suit the wishes and interests of the group where possible, however the course may include some or all of the following: The rise of civilisations, the South-China Sea Crisis in 2019, a Brexit update, the rise of populism and China vs the US. The class format will be based on a background lecture accompanied by a PowerPoint presentation which will be made available to class members via email. Tone - informal and chatty with lots of audience input.

**Coordinator:** Gerry Engwerda  
**Venue:** AWCC, 63 High St, Wodonga  
**Day/Time:** Thursdays 1.00pm—3.00pm  
**Starting:** 6th February  
**Cost:** Nil

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**FRIDAY**

**U2031 PLAY READING GROUP**

Release your inner actor/actress. The aim is to read, perform, enjoy and study various types of plays—comic, tragic and historic. Maybe write a few short scripts.

**Coordinator:** Helen Casey  
**Venue:** AWCC, 63 High St, Wodonga  
**Day/Time:** 1st & 3rd Fridays 10.00am—12.00 Noon  
**Starting:** 7th February  
**Cost:** Nil
U2032  EXPLORING PODCASTS

Since the word first entered the language in 2004, podcasts—digital audio files which can be downloaded to a computer or mobile device—have exploded. There are over 700,000 to choose from, on a huge range of topics, and the number is increasing. One in four Australians are regular podcast users. Are you missing out? Join this group to explore what is happening in this burgeoning arena, and how to access podcasts and listen to some recommended ones. As we become more familiar with what is out there, the group will share recommendations and discuss podcasts recommended by members. The course would involve listening to a podcast between classes.

Coordinator: Lynne Keys  
Venue: AWCC, 63 High St, Wodonga  
Day/Time: 3rd Friday of each month 1.00pm—3.00pm  
Starting: 21st February  
Cost: Nil

U2033  TALKS ON ART AND ARCHITECTURE

There will be 4 talks in 2020, one each term presented by Ellen Evans and David Geruga. The first talk is titled, “Two French Artists”.

Here are some hints as to who they may be:

- Paris was the centre of Modern art for more than 50 years
- One of our artists began his career there
- The other really only passed through
- Who are they? What did they do? When did hey do it? Did they have any influence on each other? Or anyone else for that matter?
- Come and explore French modern art and two artists of the era.

Topics for the following talks will be discussed at the first session in Term 1.

Presenters: Ellen Evans & David Geruga  
Venue: AWCC, 63 High St, Wodonga  
Day/Time: Friday 1.00pm—3.00pm  
Date: 1st Talk: 20th March  
Cost: Nil
**U3A COFFEE MORNINGS**

Held once a **month** (excluding January, April and July)  
at Albury Wodonga Community College, 63 High Street, Wodonga.  
Times and venues yet to be confirmed

**Tea/Coffee and chat with other members.**  
**Guest Speaker**—as advertised in the newsletter,  
Website, newspapers or radio.

Coffee Mornings are free and members of the public are welcome.

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**U3A Insurance and Indemnity Policy**

U3A Albury Wodonga Inc. is insured under the Victorian Managed Insurance Authority (VMIA) Community Service Organisations Insurance Programme 2019-2020 (CSO). For public liability, professional and medical indemnity, and personal accident.

Contractors, other than those providing educational and training services, non U3A members and other persons participating in U3A classes, events or functions are NOT covered under this Insurance Policy.

Further information regarding details of this policy can be accessed at the following web site  