

Mana U3A (Inc)



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Newsletter No. 79 November 2014

Please find attached to this Newsletter

- AGM Agenda
- Minutes of AGM 2013
- Committee nomination form
- Membership renewal form

Please bring these papers to the AGM, plus your subscription, your name badge and \$2 door fee.

The Financial Report will be available at the AGM.

Subscription Proposal for Annual General Meeting.
Subscriptions to remain as for 2014
Single \$10 Double \$15

All members receive the printed February newsletter by mail. **However, those who wish to receive printed copies of other Newsletters will need to pay an additional \$5, to cover costs.**

Please assist your committee by completing the Membership Renewal form and enclosing this with your subscription in a named envelope.

Payment at the November meeting would be appreciated.

Annual General Meeting

*Followed by
Guest Speaker*

**Peter Allport
Honorary Consul
Mongolia**

Mongolia Unplugged - the strange tale of an aspiring diplomat and part time Camel herder. Peter's presentation will include many photos.

**Thursday 20
November**

*St Mary's Church
Corner Discovery Drive
and entrance to Whitby
Shopping complex*

**Doors open 1:00 pm for
a 1:15 pm start**

\$2

*Followed by a
Christmas
afternoon tea*

President's Newsletter

Welcome to summer and the U3A AGM!

This is my last President's letter as I have completed three years in this role. I want to thank you all for making it a satisfying experience.

Geoff Cassels is retiring from the committee after seven years service. Geoff produced the newsletter for several years and has established and maintained the web site amongst other tasks. The success of the web site reflects his skill and capabilities. Thank you Geoff for your service.

The committee is a good one. We only meet five or six times a year and everyone takes responsibilities that enable our organisation to function smoothly. Please consider standing for the committee. A nomination form is attached to the newsletter.

Since our last newsletter we have held an afternoon event for our co-ordinators and tutors to say thank you on your behalf for all they do to make the interest groups successful.

There's been two seminars that were informative.

One task the committee has, could be eliminated. Each May we share out the list of those people who have not paid their subs and chase them up. There are usually about twenty five and I see the same names popping up each year. The sub will be set at the AGM and can be paid immediately. Please try to get yours in smartly. There I think that's the first nag I've had in three years!

The committee wishes you a happy festive season and good U3A times in the coming year.

The first meeting will be the February luncheon and co-ordinators are asked to be ready to talk about your group's activities. If you can't be there please arrange for someone to do it.

I know we will continue to enjoy our involvement in 2015.

Patsy Williamson

1.15pm AGM Agenda.

- Welcome
- Apologies
- Minutes of 2013 AGM to be passed for signature
- Matters arising from the minutes
- Correspondence - if relevant to the 2013 AGM
- President's report
- Treasurer's report. Financial report, Financial Reviewer's report
- Setting of subscriptions for 2014-2015 financial year
- Appointment of Financial Reviewer
- Election of Officers and Committee members
- Any other business relevant to this AGM

Nominations for Committee Membership: We are legally required, along with the Notice of AGM, to send out nomination forms for a new committee. PLEASE consider putting your name forward.

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Nomination for Membership of Mana U3A Inc Committee

- At our Annual General Meeting in November, members vote to elect a new Committee for the coming year.
- Committee membership is not onerous and does provide some very rewarding insights and experiences for those involved.
- To ensure the right mix of experience and new blood, it is desirable that those who stand for office can commit to making themselves available for re-election for the next two or three years.
- However it is vital to the continued success of Mana U3A inc. that we have several new members joining the Committee every year.
- Committee membership is open to all financial members.
- Please seriously consider taking your turn or nominating (with their consent) another member who may be interested.

The Secretary,
Mana U3A ((Inc)
P.O. Box 57042
Mana.

I nominate: _____

For the position of: _____

Signed: _____

Seconded: _____

I agree to nomination: _____

Date: _____



MANA U3A (INC) ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2013

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held at St Mary's on Thursday 21st November 2013, commencing at 1.30pm.

WELCOME: The President welcomed the 58 members present.

APOLOGIES were received from N Withers, J Ingham, A v d Walt, B Stevens, G Greaves, B Harris, E Barton, D Jaye, E & D Turner, M Baird, and R Mitchell.

MINUTES OF THE 2012 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: These had been circulated to all members prior to the meeting, were taken as read, accepted as an accurate record of business and passed for signature.

Moved and Seconded L McGregor/R McKubre.

MATTERS ARISING AND RELEVANT TO THE ABOVE MINUTES: None.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Patsy Williamson gave her report.

Moved and seconded P Williamson/R McKubre. Carried.

There was no discussion.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer's Report was presented by B Mosen in the absence overseas of A van der Walt, the Treasurer.

Moved and seconded B Mosen/G Cassels. Carried.

Auditor's Report was received.

Moved and seconded B Mosen/G Cassels. Carried.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT:

Secretary S Young read the following proposed amendment to Clause 10 of the Constitution, replacing the current clause.

Current clause: "The accounts of the Society shall be audited by an auditor to be appointed each year at the preceding Annual General Meeting"

Proposed new clause: "The accounts of the Society shall be reviewed by a financial reviewer to be appointed each year at the preceding Annual General Meeting"

The amendment was proposed by B Mosen, seconded P Williamson. Carried, after some questions were asked and responded to.

Subscriptions for the forthcoming financial year are to be unchanged at single \$10, household \$15, however those who wished to receive printed copies of newsletters other than the February issue would need to pay an additional \$5, to cover costs.

B Mosen/R Williamson. Carried.

Gillian Cross was proposed as the financial reviewer for the ensuing year.
B Mosen/P Williamson. Carried.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE FOR 2013-2014:

Correctly completed and signed nomination forms were received for the following:

President P Williamson (C Rait/B Mosen)

Vice President B Mosen (L Webber/G Kropp)

Secretary S Young (L Webber/G Kropp)

Treasurer A Van Der Walt (B Mosen/C Rait)

Committee: G Cassels (R Williamson/C Rait), C Rait (G Kropp/L Webber), R Hickey (P Williamson/L Webber), T Cudby (P Williamson/L Webber).

There were no further nominations from the floor. The nominees were elected ~~on a~~ bloc.

Moved and seconded S Young/ P Williamson. Carried with a round of applause.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Patsy Williamson advised the AGM that in May 2014 there will be a course on Classic Movies, to be co-ordinated by Brian Mosen, with Alan Brown as tutor.

She also paid tributes to former President Lisa Webber, who was standing down from the Committee after sterling service over many years; and to retiring Committee members Ross Williamson, Glenda Kropp and Jenny Finlay. She welcomed the new Committee members Robyn Hickey and Trevor Cudby.

The meeting closed at 1.53pm.

P Williamson
President

Suggestions for new courses / seminars will be mentioned. Please register your interest on the forms at the back of the church.

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Annual Subscriptions and Membership Renewal

Current annual subscription cost is \$10 per individual or \$15 for a couple. The February Newsletter is delivered to all members but subsequent newsletters are sent by email. Should you wish to receive ALL newsletters in printed form there is an additional \$5 to pay. Annual subscriptions are due for payment following the AGM in November.

Payment can be made by:

- personal cheque to Mana U3A and mailed to, the Treasurer, Mana U3A P O Box 57-042 MANA 5026
- cash or personal cheque handed to the Treasurer at a quarterly meeting in an envelope (with your name clearly marked outside).
- internet banking. Direct credit to: MANA U3A (INC) a/c No 031533 0008763 00
- **Make sure you include your name** under particulars to appear on our account.

There are no course fees but the costs of any resources used are shared by the course participants.

Important

However you pay your subscription, please help us to maintain accurate records of your membership, contact details, interests and willingness to contribute to the continued success of our U3A by completing the attached details and forwarding by post or email to:

The Treasurer, Mana U3A P O Box 57-042 MANA 5026
attievdwalt@yahoo.co.nz

Name (s).....New Member
 Continuing Member

Postal Address:

.....Post Code.....

Email address

Telephone No.:.....

Paid Cash () Cheque () Internet () \$10 (Single) Please tick relevant fees.

\$15 (Double)

ALL printed Newsletters

\$5

TOTAL

Date.....

Would you like to help? To keep our costs down we rely on our members to help plan, run and host courses. If you can help, please indicate below.

	Yes/No	Subject Area
Tutor a Group		
Be a Coordinator		
Offer Your Home as Venue		
Serve on the Committee		

What are your interests?