



# PORT FAIRY

## UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

**Welcome to our first U3A Port Fairy Newsletter.**

**With our very successful official launch on 12th October, we are now up and running and ready to start courses from February 2019.**

**We are the 109th member of U3A Network Victoria and part of a world wide movement.**

**Our motto is..... LEARN, LAUGH, LIVE!**

### U3A PORT FAIRY LAUNCH

U3A was warmly welcomed to Port Fairy with a function of over 60 people, representing local community organisations and individuals who contribute to the Port Fairy community.

Councillor Mick Wolfe, the Mayor of Moyne Shire, officially launched U3A Port Fairy and congratulated the Port Fairy Community House and the U3A Committee for getting this initiative up and running.

He said that U3A aligns with the Moyne Shire's commitment to positive ageing in this community.



Our President, Dr. Kate Donelan said that our mission is to foster active, positive ageing through social inclusion and community engagement. She thanked the Mayor and Moyne staff for their invaluable support and assistance. She also thanked The Port Fairy Community House for their great support and partnership.

The day was abuzz with support and encouragement from those present for the development of our U3A. Quite a few people had ideas for courses and others expressed interest in facilitating a course.



Dr Kate Donelan, President of U3A Port Fairy, receiving the membership certificate from President of U3A Network Victoria, Susan Webster.

#### CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGE FOR:

- ◆ More Photos of the Launch
- ◆ Membership Forms
- ◆ Courses
- ◆ Further Information

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**U3A will be at the  
PFCH Markets**

3, 10, 24 November

8 December

Information—Membership—

Course details—Ideas

*Can you do a couple of hours at  
these Markets?? RSVP Maggie!  
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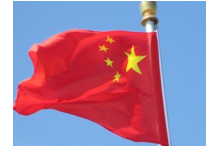
Spread the word and get Port Fairy Signed Up.

We need more members.

More Members = More Courses = More Learning, Laughing and Living!

PS: Google says China

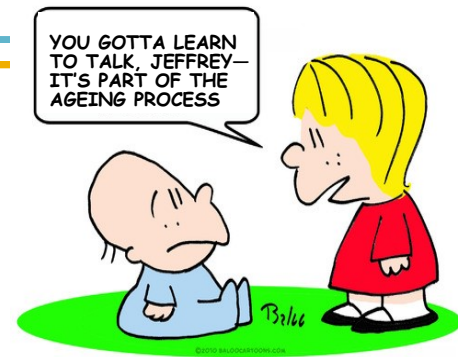
has 60,000 U3As and 7 Million members!



**We have heard that U3A Network Victoria is running TV advertisements - watch out for them on SBS and 7two (maybe others) keep looking!**

### Membership Officer Report

Our membership is growing daily with a healthy mix of 52% women and 48% men. Ages range from the 50s through to the over 80s. Members have identified —



A) that they have skills in the following areas they may be able to share

- Literature
- Drama
- Art History
- History
- Computer accounting apps
- Philosophy
- Teaching
- Botanical art
- Music appreciation
- Life experiences
- Travel
- Patchwork
- Horticulture
- Human animal interaction
- Local knowledge
- Cooking

B) that they have interests in the following areas they would like to pursue

- Book Club
- Current Affairs
- History of Port Fairy
- Arts & Crafts, including Mosaics
- Creative writing
- Literature
- Cultural themes
- Creative problem solving
- Languages
- Film & discussion
- Natural Environment
- Photography
- Botany
- Gardens
- Food & wine appreciation
- History
- Local indigenous affairs

There is certainly a wealth of knowledge across our membership and a yearning to learn across a wide range of subjects— plenty of scope for future courses for U3A Port Fairy.

Jill Burgoyne, Membership Officer