

UPPER NORTH

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PLEASE SEE OUR 1 ENTRY IN 'EVENTS'

BEROWRA: COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Gully Rd Balcony Room. Parking available
Venue Convener: Anne Lycett j_alycett@optusnet.com.au

AFFAIRS OF INTEREST

A series of talks by specialists in their field
**Second and fourth Mondays of the month from
10 Feb 10:00 - 12:00**

1. May Gibbs - Cartoons and Comics

10 Feb Speaker: Stewart Reed

2. The History of Atheism

24 Feb Speaker: Frank Wilson

3. Small Europe - Monaco, San Marino, Vatican, Liechtenstein, Andorra

9 Mar Speaker: Graham Spindler

4. Abraham Lincoln

23 Mar Speaker: Rosemary McCulloch

5. Mines Beneath Newcastle Harbour

27 Apr Speaker: Ed Tonks

6. Afghanistan Part 1 - A Fascinating Country with a Long History

11 May Speaker Peter Sloane

7. Afghanistan Part 2

25 May Speaker: Peter Sloane

Leader and **bookings:** Anne Lycett j_alycett@optus.com.au

CURRENT WORLD (single sessions)

A series of five talks looking at what is happening in the current world viewed through the eyes of scientists and technologists. These talks are suitable for scientists and non-scientists alike

Mondays 10:00 - 12:00

1. Volcanoes

Can't live with 'em, can't live without 'em

17 Feb Speaker: Garry Lowder

2. Hazardous chemicals

Dealing with dangerous chemicals

16 Mar Speaker: Joan Scott

3. Sensory Science

How industry uses the senses to develop new and better foods

20 Apr Speaker: Greg Organ

4. The Inconvenient Truth Revisited

The uncomfortable world of climate change and its effect on man and the environment

18 May Speakers: Joan Scott and Jackie Wilson

5. Cosmology

Alternative concepts and how they may be evaluated

15 Jun Speaker: Terry Freeman

Leader and **bookings:** Joan Scott djscott@tpg.com.au

CASTLE HILL: WARRINA VILLAGE ARV

Alix Scott Community Centre Langshaw Circuit.

Parking available

Venue Convener: Jim Gray 9680 2873

ISSUES AND IDEAS

In this lively, long-surviving group we research papers (on a voluntary basis) on a wide variety of contemporary issues. We then discuss one per session

Alt Tuesdays from 28 January 10:00 - 12:00

Leaders: Jim Gray and John Brockman

Bookings: Jim Gray: jcgray01@optusnet.com.au 9680 2873

John Brockman: alban.kingslangle@gmail.com

EPPING: COMMUNITY CENTRE

9 Oxford St Meeting room. Parking available. Wheelchair access

Venue Convener: Ian De Mellow 9487 1908

ian.mellow@bigpond.com

MORE BIG MOMENTS IN SCIENCE

A scientific series of general interest which examines the impacts on human health of weapons of mass destruction, hazardous domestic chemicals, recycling of materials, rapid changes in technology, medical quackery, early medical instruments and balance and symmetry in our lives

Alt Wednesdays from 19 Feb 10:00 - 12:00

Leader and **bookings:** David Malone 0418 440 828

dymalone@bigpond.net.au

EPPING: LEISURE AND LEARNING CENTRE

1 Chambers Court off Pembroke St beneath Library.

Limited parking available accessible by boom gate

Wheelchair access

Venue Convener: Ian De Mellow 9487 1908

ian.mellow@bigpond.com

IRAN: THE ELEPHANT IN THE MOUNTAINS

A history of Iran: extraordinary civilization with roots in the Iron Age, outstanding imperial power in the ancient world; conquered by Islam, to emerge today, as the champion of the Shi'a, with ambitions towards Middle Eastern Hegemony

Alt Wednesdays from 26 Feb 1:00 – 3:00

Leader and **Bookings:** Ian De Mellow 9487 1908
ian.mellow@bigpond.com

TAI CHI (20)

The art of Tai Chi. Gain health benefits through its gentle exercises and relaxation; ideal for Third Agers. Tai Chi's graceful, fluid movements combine three forms of exercise: strength, stretching and breathing. Participants should provide fitness assurance

Alt Wednesdays from 19 Feb 1:00 - 3:00

Leader and **bookings:** Siang Tan 9888 7874

EPPING: UNITING CHURCH

Small hall. Cnr Chester and Oxford Sts. Short walk from station and bus interchange

Venue Convener: Sandra Luntz 9874 3382
sandra.luntz@gmail.com

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

A reading and discussion group with an occasional classic text but with the emphasis on contemporary literature. First book for discussion will be advised on registering

Alt Thursdays from 6 Feb from 10:00 - 12:00

Leader: Sandra Luntz

Bookings: Sandra Luntz on 9874 3382
sandra.luntz@gmail.com

GORDON: LIBRARY

799 Pacific Highway Parking available Wheelchair access

Venue Convener: Margaret Harragon
gordontaichi@hotmail.com

TAI CHI (15)

Learn the ancient art of tai chi and qi gong and gain health benefits through gentle strength, stretching and breathing exercises. Participants should provide assurance from their GP that they are medically fit to undertake an exercise course

Each Thursday from 6 Feb 10.00 - 12.00

Leaders: Michael Wong and Rose Pettett

Bookings: Margaret Harragon gordontaichi@hotmail.com

THE WORLD OF CLASSICAL MUSIC

Meeting Room 2. Continuing excursions into the world of classical music in all its forms, where you will meet familiar and not-so-familiar composers. (10 sessions)

Alt Wednesdays from 12 Feb 10:15 - 12:15

Leader: John Yates

Bookings: Nancy Sinden nsinden@ihug.com.au

HORNSBY CENTRAL LIBRARY

No bookings due to proposed closure for renovations in 2020. See Gordon Library for **The World of Classical Music**. See Turramurra Uniting Church for **Australian History Seminars, Italian for Travellers, Travelling Ladies**. See Waitara Girl Guides Hall for **Poetry Appreciation**

HORNSBY: LEISURE AND LEARNING CENTRE and WALLAROBBA ARTS AND CULTURAL CENTRE

25 Edgeworth David Ave Parking available
Venue convener: Pam Morpeth 0415 393 987
pam.morpeth@optusnet.com.au

MEDIUM TO ADVANCED RECORDER GROUP

This is a friendly and relaxed group whose purpose is the enjoyment of making beautiful music together. We meet in the front room at Wallarobba

Alt Wednesdays from 5 Feb 10:00 - 12:30

Leader and **bookings:** Annette Salt 0407 873 455
saltnacl@bigpond.net.au

PAINTING IN ACRYLICS

Come and join our friendly class. Encouraging basic lessons are given to beginners and guidance and assistance provided when needed, whatever your skill level

Alt Thursdays from 30 Jan 9:30 - 12:00

Leader and **bookings:** Janny Drayer 9144 1741
jannydrayer@gmail.com

WATERCOLOUR PAINTING

Discover the magic of watercolour painting in this friendly group whatever your skill level. Different techniques will be discussed and encouraged. Assistance and suggestions will be given from beginners to more experienced levels.

Everyone attending should bring their own materials

Alt Thursdays from 6 Feb 9:30 - 12:00

Leader and **bookings:** Ildy Turner 9488 9114
ipturner@bigpond.net.au

YOGA

Yoga for everybody: beginners to the experienced will enjoy the benefits of correct breathing, bending, stretching, twisting, balance, mind control and relaxation. Yoga is about health and wellbeing so start now with an experienced, certified and practicing yoga teacher

Each Wednesday from 5 Feb (except school holidays) 6:15 - 7:15

Leader and **bookings:** Graham Marshall 0400 098 756
graham.marshall3@outlook.com

KILLARA: LOURDES RETIREMENT VILLAGE

95 Stanhope Rd Village Auditorium. Parking available. Wheelchair access

Venue Convener and leader: Lesley Ransley
9880 9949 ellar1@bigpond.com

HIISTORICAL AND OTHER INTERESTING TOPICS

A lecture series on variety of topics given by people with expertise in, and enthusiasm for their subjects. The auditorium is equipped for audio-visual presentations. Comments and questions are encouraged

Bookings not required.

First Thursday of each month 10:00 - 12:00

1. Meeting Sydney's Freshwater Needs

Learn why Sydney has seemingly unlimited clean, fresh water
6 Feb Speaker: David Robinson

2. Weather and the Animal Kingdom

We look at evolution and climate, and how members of the animal kingdom around the world, including insects, adapt to changing weather throughout the year

5 Mar Speaker: Ian Thompson

3. Celebrating Sydney's 'Destination Pagoda'

Discover Sydney's spectacularly beautiful pagoda landscape near Lithgow not found anywhere else in the world that has the potential to transform Lithgow into an eco-tourist destination

2 Apr Speaker: Janine Kitson

4. Cockatoo Island

Hear about the island's convict and shipbuilding past and more with historic and current photos and tales of hardship, escape and triumph

7 May Speaker: Marie Palmer from The Harbour Trust

5. Signs and Symbols: Their History and Significance

Symbols are a universal language, an ancient method of expression predating alphabets and are increasingly prevalent in today's world

4 Jun Speaker: John Flint

LINDFIELD GARDENS

2 Ulmarra Place Lindfield. Meetings held at the village centre. Parking available

Book through the office 9416 8466.

Thursdays 10:00 -12:00

1. Early Ku-Ring-Gai

27 Feb Speaker: Jo Harris

2. How to care for your Cells and Chromosomes to Minimise the Effects of Aging

26 Mar Speaker: Dr Judy Ford

3. The Ghosts of Everest

23 Apr Speaker: Tony McCurdy

4. The Impact of Weather on the Animal Kingdom

28 May Speaker: Ian Thompson

5. Sydney Trams of Yesteryear

25 Jun Speaker: Peter Kahn

LINDFIELD: SENIOR CITIZENS RESOURCE CENTRE

271 Pacific Hwy Behind Library; limited on-site parking available. Wheelchair access

Venue Convener: Marika McLachlan

marikamclachlan@bigpond.com 9988 3199

GERMAN ADVANCED

Students need to have a sound knowledge of German. New members welcome

Each Friday from 14 Feb 9:30 - 11:00

Leader and **bookings**: Marika McLachlan 9988 3199 or 0411 151 722

GERMAN INTERMEDIATE

Text book: *em neu 2008 Deutsch als Fremdsprache - Niveaustufe B2. *Hauptkurs Kursbuch Hueber Verlag ISBN9 783195016957 Sechs Bausteine: Lesen, Sprechen, Hören, Schreiben, Grammatik, Wortschatz.* Basic German grammar required. New members welcome

Each Friday from 14 Feb 11:00 - 12:30

Leader and **bookings**: Marika McLachlan 9988 3199 or 0411 151 722

HOW TO READ AND WRITE MUSIC (BEGINNERS)

How to understand and create those black dots. Class will write and perform own rhythm and melody work for a variety of instruments and voice in various styles

Alt. Wednesday 5 Feb 2:00 - 4:00 in the Senior Citizen Resource Centre Hall

Leader and **bookings** Dawn Nettheim 9869 0451 dawn@bigpond.net.au

LATIN INTERMEDIATE

This continuing course will proceed to Stage 54 of the *Oxford Latin Course Part III* and more complex grammar enhanced by passages of prose and poetry from classical authors

Each Wednesday from 5 Feb 1:45 - 3:45

Leader and **bookings**: Helen Ledwidge 9489 7161 hledwidge@iprimus.com.au

MODERN AND CLASSIC NOVELS

A literary discussion group studying 10 or 11 books each semester in a friendly and informal setting. All enthusiastic readers welcome. The first two books for first term are *The Fortunes of Richard Mahoney*, Henry Handel Richardson, and *Machines like me*, Ian McEwan

Alt Thursdays from 6 Feb 10:15 - 12:15

Leader and **bookings**: Maurice O'Donovan 9411 8717 odonovan.1@bigpond.com

PRE-INTERMEDIATE SPANISH

For those who have already completed some study of the language, this is a course offering instruction in basic grammar with the introduction of useful phrases and opportunities for conversation. A variety of teaching methods will be used. Continuing course

Alt Mondays from 10 Feb 2:00 - 4:00

Leader and **bookings**: Jenny Brady 9966 8510 jennybry03@hotmail.com

ROMAN HISTORY: The City of Rome

Founded in fratricide, peopled by outlaws and rapists, the small settlement of Rome grew over the centuries to rule most of Western Europe. What changes did the city undergo? What sort of lives did the inhabitants live?

Alt Mondays from 16 Mar 10:00 - 12:00

Leader and **bookings**: Leonie Hayne 9417 2894
Secretary: Jenny Johnston 94163639 jennyj37@bigpond.com

RUSSIAN ADVANCED CONVERSATION

This is a continuing course where new members with an adequate level of Russian are very welcome

Alt. Mondays from 10 Feb 10:00 - 12:00

Bookings: Dr. Richard Brettell 0423 488 023 richardbrettell@hotmail.com

SPANISH CONVERSATION

Most of the time we discuss current affairs, cultural events or a subject previously decided upon. Spanish is spoken 90 percent of the time. Good knowledge of the language is required

Alt Tuesdays from 4 Feb 2:00 - 4:00

Leader: Maria Criado 0424 939 767

Bookings: Jenny Brady 9966 8510

PENNANT HILLS: COMMUNITY CENTRE

Cnr Yarrara Rd and Ramsay St. small hall (lower level, library building). Parking available

Venue Convener: Graeme Marshall 9489 8648

g.marshall1@bigpond.com

FRENCH INFORMAL CONVERSATION GROUP

This group aims to encourage conversation in modern French in a relaxed atmosphere, with correction of grammar and usage. Topics for discussion include shared experiences, literature, music and current affairs

Alt Wednesdays from 5 Feb 1:00 - 3:00

Leader: Chimene Hortense

Bookings: Jenny Beadell 9683 6145

Helen Reed 9680 4548

PENNANT HILLS: LEISURE AND LEARNING CENTRE

8 Warne St Parking available

Venue Convener: Graeme Marshall 9489 8648

g.marshall1@bigpond.com

ART PRACTICE GROUP

Love art? Join this fun, relaxed class whether you are good at art or want to be good. Experiment with any media, explore your own style and develop your creative expression by learning to look. Beginners welcome.

(Own materials needed)

Alt Mondays from 3 Feb 1:00 - 4:00

Leader and **bookings:** Bob Talbot 0412 470 854

btalbot6@gmail.com

PYMBLE UNITING CHURCH

Cnr Pacific Hwy and Livingstone Ave, opposite station.

Downstairs classroom. Parking available

Venue Convener: Graeme Marshall 9489 8648

g.marshall1@bigpond.com

FRENCH READING AND WRITING

For those with a good basic knowledge of French grammar and pronunciation. The aim of the course is to develop students' skills in reading, writing and speaking French

Alt Wednesdays from 5 Feb 1:30 - 3:30

Leader and **bookings:** Peter Rennie 9451 8538

FRENCH READING AND WRITING - INTERMEDIATE (10)

For those having completed at least three years of a preliminary course. The aim of this course is to develop skills in reading, writing and speaking French

Alt Wednesdays from 12 Feb 1:30 - 3:30

Leader and **bookings:** Peter Rennie 9451 8538

ST. IVES: UNITING CHURCH

Cnr Douglas St and Mona Vale Rd, St. Ives. Entrance to car park in Douglas Street. Wheelchair accessible

Courses are in the Calvin Room unless otherwise indicated

Venue Convener: Vicky Davies 0422 522 550

vdavies710@gmail.com

5000 THOUSAND YEARS OF CHINESE HISTORY

In a world growing increasingly smaller, China still seems a faraway and exotic land, with secrets and mysteries of ages past. For most of its 5000 year existence China has been the largest, most populous, wealthiest and mightiest nation on earth

Alt Wednesdays from 12 Feb 1:00 - 3:00

Leader and **bookings:** Barrie Heath 0450 405 526

foxv217@gmail.com

CURRENT AFFAIRS FORUM 1

We provide an opportunity and encouragement to each member to participate in discussion and exchange of views and opinions on a wide range of domestic and international topics chosen by our members as of being particular interest to them

Alt Thursdays from 13 Feb 10:00 - 12:00

Leader and **bookings:** Derrick Heywood 0402 240 189

dsheywood1@gmail.com

CURRENT AFFAIRS FORUM 2

We discuss and debate actively, current news topics on which our members have strong and often different views. New members welcome

Alt Thursdays from 6 Feb 10:00 - 12:00

Leader and **bookings:** Alan Barge 0478 663 930

barge.alan@gmail.com

HEALTHY EATING FOR ONE

This course covers the signs of good health in mature years, nutritional needs of mature adults to prevent age-related disease, healthy food choices and meals, together with demystifying food labels. (4 sessions)

Alt Fridays from 7 Feb 1:00 - 3:00

Leader and **bookings:** Susanne Hledik 0414 497 512

hledik@bigpond.net.au

1. What you Eat Today, Walks and Talks Tomorrow
7 Feb

2. What's on your Plate
21 Feb

3. Food Labels Demystified
6 Mar

4. Allergy or Intolerance
20 Mar

MONDAY AT ST IVES

This is a series of separate presentations by talented speakers on topics of general interest

Alt Mondays from 3 Feb 10:00 - 12:00

Leader and **bookings:** Joy Liddell 9449 5193
jjliddell@bigpond.com

1. The Australian Museum

Sydney's major natural history museum dates from 1827. The session covers the museum's objectives, its collection (almost 20,000,000 items), buildings, people and important events during its 190 year history

3 Feb Speaker: Stewart Reed

2. The Brontes of Haworth - Session 1

The bicentenary of the birth of Charlotte Bronte in 2016 marked the beginning of celebrations for this remarkable Yorkshire family. Cindy's illustrated talk looks at the lives of the Bronte sisters

17 Feb Speaker: Cindy Broadbent

3. The Brontes of Haworth - Session 2

A close reading of Charlotte's novel, Jane Eyre

2 Mar Speaker: Cindy Broadbent

4. Plastic Free Living

Every week the average person ingests one teaspoon of microplastic in the air we breathe and the water we drink. Most is not recycled and so released into the environment. Learn about alternatives to help make a difference

16 Mar Speaker: Val de Rome

5. Hornsby Ku-Ring-Gai Women's Shelter

A look inside the women's shelter. Find out about the wonderful work done there for women in the community

30 Mar Speaker: Sallianne McClelland

6. My Mind's made up. Don't Confuse me with Facts!

An interactive and challenging presentation where we look at popular perceptions about the world and contrast them with reality. Prepare to be surprised

27 Apr Speaker: Tony McCurdy

7. Should Nuclear Power be Part of Australia's 2050 Clean Energy Commitment?

11 May Speaker: Martin Thomas

8. Phoenix from the Ashes

The Venetian theatre La Felice, destroyed three times by fire, re-opened in 2003, has premiered operas by Rossini, Verdi, Wagner and Britten. Musical extracts, film clips and pictures accompany this outline of its history

25 May Speakers: John Flint and Nora Hitchen

9. Gore Hill Memorial Cemetery

The heritage listed cemetery at St Leonards is the resting place of about 14,000 people, many noteworthy in their walks of life. Hear who is buried here and issues involved in its preservation

22 Jun Speaker: John Flint

PHILOSOPHY

We research and study philosophers and the issues they raised. Are they still valid today? How and why? Members of the group choose topics. There are no formal lectures, but lots of discussion

Alt Tuesdays from 4 Feb 10:30 - 12:30

Leader and **bookings:** Margot Taverne 9449 2923
margottaverne@gmail.com

ROMAN HISTORY: CHRISTIANITY IN LATE ANTIQUITY

Wesley Room. By the end of the C4th the Roman Empire was officially Christian. What changes in lifestyle did this have upon its inhabitants? What effect did it have on the church and its relationship with the state?

Alt Wednesdays from 18 Mar 10:00 - 12:00

Leader Leonie Hayne 9417 2894

Bookings and Secretary Geoff Wicks 9451 7277
gcandjawicks@optusnet.com.au

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY; GLIMPSES OF OUR PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE

Wesley Room. Covers a full range of scientific disciplines (physics, medical, biological, climate, engineering and others). Remain relevant and be informed by the quality of lectures offered. We have run for 15 well subscribed years

Alt. Wednesdays from 26 Feb 10:00 - 12:00

Leader: Howard Ferrer

Bookings: Andrew Bean 9983 1225
andrewrosbean@bigpond.com

THE GOLDEN AGE OF CINEMA

Films were made to be seen by an audience, so why not get this great feeling again by joining our group? Interesting films from a great range of sources will be screened, notes and information are provided (7 sessions)

Alt Fridays from 14 Feb 10:00 - 12:30

Leader and **bookings:** Gary Tyrell
talk2gary@gmail.com

TUESDAY WORDSMITHS

Wesley Room. Everyone has a story to tell. Our friendly interactive group will help you find the key to unlock the door to your imagination. Leaders will rotate.

Alt Tuesdays from 4 Feb 10:00 - 12:00

Leader and **Bookings:** Liz Lazlett 0410 498 621

UKULELE FOR FUN

Knox Room. Have a lot of fun with a friendly group

Each Wednesday from 5 Feb 9:00 - 12:00

Leader: Dennis Simmonds

Bookings: Barrie Heath 0450 405 526
fox217@gmail.com

TURRAMURRA: ROHINI VILLAGE

53 Rohini St Cowper Place. Parking available
Venue Convener: Marilyn Pryor 0414 493 415
marilynpryor7@gmail.com

MIND- BODY PHILOSOPHY

A DVD course (Great Courses series *Mind-Body Philosophy* Prof. Patrick Grim, Stony Brook University) will be presented and discussed in 24 separate lectures exploring how the brain produces the phenomena of consciousness, memory, emotion, perception and our sense of ourselves

Alt Mondays from 3 Feb 10:00 - 12:00

Leader: Jock Buselli 9484 7041 jockbuselli@tpg.com.au
Bookings: Stanis Osterly 9487 6634
stanisosterly@hotmail.com

MUSIC WE HAVE GROWN UP WITH

Moves into 5th semester. We look at modern popular composers from the 50's and 60's but now include light opera, classical-variety and the great American Song Book. Delivered using music videos. You will need to reserve your place

Alt Thursdays from 6 Feb 10:00 - 12:00

Leader: Howard Ferrer **Bookings:** Ros Markham 9416 8486
roslyn.markham@bigpond.com

TURRAMURRA NORTH: THE LANDINGS

440 Bobbin Head Rd North Turrumurra Clubhouse.

Parking available in village

Venue Convener: Wendy Bull 9488 5268

thelandingsvilla@gmail.com

TOPICS OF INTEREST

A variety of speakers lecture on their favourite subjects in the comfortable and well-equipped auditorium

Second and fourth Tuesday of each month Feb - Jun 10:00 - 11:15

No bookings required

1. Hypnotherapy

11 Feb Speaker: Dr Leon Cowan

2. The Evolution of the Universe

25 Feb Speakers: Kevin & Glenys Murray

3. Poetry

10 Mar Speaker: Kathy Bradley

4. Cracking the Enigma Code of WW11

24 Mar Speaker: Ross Clements

5. Gallipoli 1915

14 Apr Speaker: Peter Headley

6. The Vietnam War

28 Apr Speaker: David Wilkins

7. Current issues in Criminal War in NSW

12 May Speaker: Nick Cowdery

8. The History of Nursing

26 May Speaker: David Malone

9. My Mind's Made Up: Don't Confuse me with the Facts

9 Jun Speaker: Tony McCurdy

10. The Fatal Fire at Adams Hotel and the Day the Ferries Broke Free

23 Jun Speaker: Kevin Murray

TURRAMURRA SOUTH: UNITING CHURCH

Vestry. Cnr Chisholm and Vernon St South Turrumurra.

Parking available

Venue Convener: Grahame Marr 9487 3806

gwmarr1@bigpond.com

FRENCH PRE-INTERMEDIATE (18)

For those who have completed at least two years of a preliminary French course. Develop your skills in speaking, listening to, reading and writing French in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. Two text books required. (Phone leader for details)

Each Tuesday from 4 Feb 1:00 - 3:00

Leader and **bookings:** Shirley Beck 9634 4214

FRENCH INTERMEDIATE (18)

This course is for those who have completed at least three years of a preliminary French course. Develop your skills in speaking, listening to, reading and writing French in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. Two text books are required. (Phone leader for details)

Each Thursday from 6 Feb 1:00 - 3:00

Leader and **bookings:** Shirley Beck 9634 4214

FRENCH INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED (12)

This course aims to develop skills in understanding, reading, writing, and speaking French

Each Wednesday 5 Feb 10:00 - 12:00

Leader and **bookings:** Ethleen Low 9476 4259
ethlow@bigpond.net.au

TURRAMURRA: UNITING CHURCH

Turrumurra Ave Parking available Wheelchair access

Venue Convener: Margaret Marshall 0418 253 949

shalldo15@gmail.com

AUSTRALIAN HISTORY SEMINARS

Chapel. Historians, academics and family historians present topics dealing with a diverse range of subjects. Speakers encourage debate and questions on each topic

Alt Tuesdays from 4 Feb 10:00 - 12:00

Leader: Garry Smith

Bookings: William Davies 0404 072 562
dtiger@optusnet.com.au

CURRENT AFFAIRS DISCUSSION GROUP

Garden Room. We discuss current affairs and associated ideas based on media reports in an informal and objective manner. Subjects for discussion by a leader who is rostered on a voluntary basis in each session. New members welcome

Alt Tuesdays from 28 Jan 10:00 - 12:00

Leader and **bookings:** Jan Martin 9456 7774

FRENCH CONVERSATION (12)

Garden Room. We discuss current affairs, articles of interest from magazines and journals, also topics previously agreed on. Members with a good knowledge of French are welcome

Alt Fridays from 7 Feb 2:00 - 4:00

Leader and **bookings:** Mary Lambert 9440 2531

FUN PROBLEM SOLVING TO KEEP OUR MINDS ACTIVE

Garden Room. Challenge our brains and keep mentally young and agile by learning how to solve geometric puzzles like tangrams and pentominoes, as well as space problems, number puzzles, word problems and logic problems. (Please bring paper, pencils, scissors and an eraser.)

Alt Tuesdays from 4 Feb 9:30 - 11:30

Leader and **bookings:** Sandra Sadler 9484 5513
spsadler@dodo.com.au

GERMAN BEGINNERS (Continuing)

Garden Room. For those with an elementary understanding of German grammar and have a vocabulary including commonly-used words and expressions. Students should be able to make themselves understood in simple, routine situations. The course aims to develop reading, writing, listening and speaking skills

Each Monday from 3 Feb 10:00 - 12:00

Leader and **bookings:** Michael Hummel 9869 1023
michael.hummel48@gmail.com

ITALIAN FOR TRAVELLERS

Garden Room. Planning to visit Italy or having been there, are you longing to return? I assume no prior knowledge of Italian and deal with everyday travel situations. With the language basics, I cover cultural topics to enhance your travel experience

Every Tuesday from 4 Feb 1:00 - 3:00 (20 sessions)

Leader and **bookings:** Paddy Gunning 9456 1291
gunnosp@gmail.com

TRAVELLING LADIES

Lounge Room. Be enthralled by the experiences of adventurous ladies whose forgotten stories we retell of journeys made a century ago to little-known parts of the world, including Siam, Tibet, Mauretania, Sudan, Madagascar and Japan

First and Third Tuesdays from 4 Feb to 21 Apr. 1:00 - 3:00

Leader: Nola Bramble

Bookings: Lynette Trupp 9484 2641
roblyntrupp@bigpond.com.au

TRUTH IN HISTORY

Garden Room. Join us in discovering some fascinating facts as we explore historical topics and discuss new revelations. This is a light-hearted course backed by solid research

Alt Thursdays from 13 Feb 9:30 - 11:30

Leader: Phil Pryor

Bookings are essential. We encourage you to book this course online as part of our pilot project for online bookings (see further details at front of book). **To book** go to www.sydneyu3a.org or contact Marilyn Pryor 0414493415 9449 3415 marilynpryor7@gmail.com

WAHROONGA: THE WONIORA

9 Woniora Ave. Wheelchair access

Venue Convener: Tina Vander Heyden 0414 473 712
albertinav@icloud.com

GERMAN INTERMEDIATE (12)

This course assumes that students have studied German in the past and want to brush up on their speaking, reading skills and basic grammar. The emphasis is on oral German and some necessary grammar

Each Monday from 3 Feb 10:00 - 12:00

Leader and **bookings:** Dorothee Schifter 9487 2578
dorothee.schifter@bigpond.com

WAITARA GIRL GUIDES HALL

Behind Willow Park, Sherbrook Rd

POETRY APPRECIATION

Listen to and discuss a wide range of poets and their work including some of your old favourites. There will be occasional references to literary terms used in poetry. Please bring your poems of pleasure!

Alt Wednesdays from 5 Feb: 1:00 - 3:00

Leader and **bookings:** Robert Plumbe 0407 160 835
robert.plumbe@gmail.com

PRIVATE HOMES

Venue Convener: Marjorie Perry 9440 7131
marjorieperry@iinet.net.au

A WAY WITH WORDS (Pymble)

Join our writing group in a motivating and supporting environment. Knowledgeable feedback is given to help you develop your writing skills. Close to bus stop and Pymble Station. Street parking

Alt Thursdays from 20 Feb 10:00 - 12:00

Leader: Margaret Thomason 9488 8960

Bookings: Margot Taverne 9449 2923
margottaverne@gmail.com

INDONESIAN BEGINNERS (Wahroonga)

Learn the language of our closest neighbours.

Textbook: *Colloquial Indonesian* by Sutanto Atmosumarto

Alt Tuesdays from 17 Mar 1:30 - 3:30

Leader and **bookings:** Tina Vander Heyden 0414 473 712
albertinav@icloud.com

INDONESIAN BEYOND BEGINNERS (Wahroonga)

Progress your knowledge of Indonesian with a small group of like-minded people in a relaxed atmosphere.

Textbook: continuing with *Colloquial Indonesian* by Sutanto Atmosumarto

Alt Mondays from 9 Mar 1:30 - 3:30

Leader and **bookings:** Tina Vander Heyden 0414 473 712
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PLAY READING (Wahroonga)

No need for acting skills, just an interest in reading plays with a friendly group

Third Friday of each month from 21 Feb 1:30 - 3:30

Leader and **bookings:** Jill Baxter 9487 5972

WITH RHYME AND REASON (Eastwood) (10)

We are a group of published poets and poetry lovers who meet together to study and discuss C20th poets and poetry from all over the world. Material is distributed before each meeting. The atmosphere is relaxed and convivial

Alt Thursdays from 13 Feb 10:30 - 12:30

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