

# Members' Update April 2023

#### **From your Committee**

Greetings everyone!

At our Annual General Meeting last month

members elected a committee to guide us through 2023-24.
Returning to the committee are

. . . . . Malcolm Law . . .





....Chris Jared





Don Rennie . . . . . . and . . .

Catherine Chapman as Immediate Past President.



New members are: Christine Williams ... and Ellen Ansell



**Kevin Willis** 



Lynne Birch and Mary Estcourt



Kevin Willis has taken on the role of Secretary and Chris Jared is our Treasurer.

We would welcome anyone interested in taking up the President and Vice President roles. If you're interested speak with a Committee member to find out what it involves.

## Thanks to Ray and Cheryl

The new Committee met on 21 March and agreed unanimously to write, on your behalf, to



former
President
Ray
Manning
and former



Secretary Cheryl Baughan-Manning for their generous services to U3A Hutt Valley over several years.

## No Meeting in April

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> April is Easter Monday so we will not have a meeting, but we'll be back in business on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May.

Our U3A membership is steady on 157 but we would like more people to enjoy what U3A has to offer.

Why not bring a friend to our next meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> May?

New people are welcome to come to two meetings to "look us over" but after that we expect them to join.

## Subs remain at \$20

The AGM decided to leave our subs at \$20. It has to be the best bargain in town! Ten monthly meetings with excellent speakers, a Christmas "do", and six groups to join for outings and discussions – as well as lots of interesting people to meet.

Subs are now due, and thanks to those who have already paid. You can pay to our BNZ Account number 02-0544-0209806-000.

If making an internet payment please copy our bank number and paste into your online banking payment. Put "Sub" in the Code space and your name in the Reference Box.

When you renew, use your ID number and email u3ahuttvalley@gmail.com so we know you have paid. We appreciate a stamp booklet to cover the cost of posting the Update to members who do not have email.

### **Pre-meeting cuppa**

If any members would like to help by occasionally coming to the meetings a bit early to help with the tea and bikkies – please contact Mary Estcourt ph 973 6421.

### **AGM** speakers

Can you imagine how little boys playing soccer could enable their mum to build a house? That

was one of the anecdotes Catherine Chapman told the AGM about her experiences in a range of jobs when she was a solo mum.



Second speaker Don Rennie reminded us of U3A's purposes -

to tap the knowledge, skills and experience of retired men and women and be a venue for likeminded people to learn, contribute and to make new friends in their local community.

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Have you noticed these colourful signs on rubbish bins around Hutt City?

What a good idea!

Let's hope they encourage people to use them rather than just dropping their rubbish in the street!

#### **U3A** groups & their contacts

**Antiques and Collectibles** – 4<sup>th</sup> Tue 2pm. Convenor – Catherine Chapman 970 4932

Armchair Travel - 1st Tue 1.30pm at Failoa Famili Trust Meeting Room, 1st Floor, Woburn House. Convenor - Ray Manning 0274 587 565

Current Affairs and Topics of Interest Group (CATIG) –4<sup>th</sup> Mon 1 pm. Russell Keown House, Queens Drive.

Convenor - Ken Baird 564 2579

**Film** – 1<sup>st</sup> Mon morning at Lighthouse, Petone. Convenors Judy & Gordon Heeley – 973 8816

**Local History –** last day of the month. Convenor – Brenda Baker 569 5308

**Theatre** – Sun pm several times a year. Convenor – Christine Williams ph 568 2342

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## See you at St Marks Church Woburn Road

**BUT** 

not until

1pm Monday 8th May 2023

For membership enquiries and information about U3A Hutt Valley visit our Website

https://u3ahuttvalley.weebly.com/