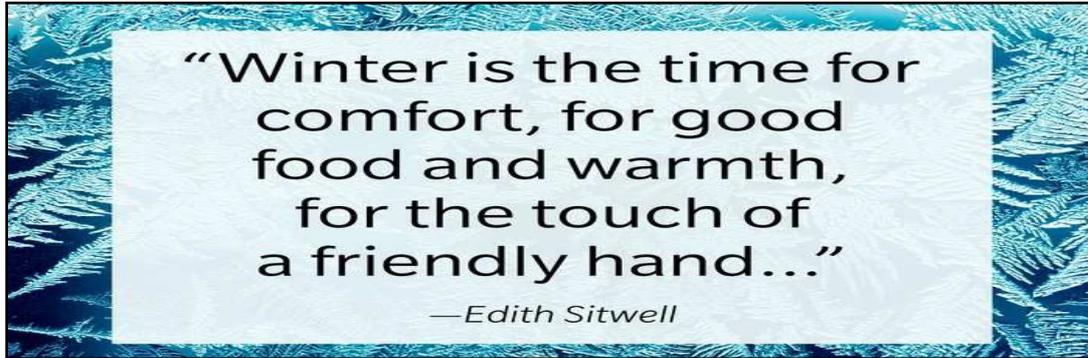


Welcome to the June 2021 edition of the U3A Baw Baw Chat Sheet.



*** June Gathering: Friday 11th @ 12:30pm ***

At the Royal Hotel , Drouin.

Members are invited to attend Lunch at their own expense.

As it is essential to book due for COVID-19 reasons, please advise **if you are able to attend No later than Wednesday, 9th of June.**

Steph Wellard ,email: courses@u3abawbaw.org.au or phone:0419 509 607



***You will be notified if government restrictions will not permit this U3A Gathering.**



A Message from the President

Dear Members,

I am writing this on the coldest May morning since the 1940s but the sun is shining and the day outside the window looks beautiful.

As you are aware, we are still at the mercy of the spread of Covid and so will continue to present courses via Zoom for the foreseeable future.

The Committee meeting (via Zoom) discussed a Risk Assessment document for U3ABawBaw, the upcoming Course Committee meeting, an initiative to promote U3ABawBaw and the ongoing work of the IT Committee.

We all have cause to be grateful to the work of the Committee.

A speaker, Professor Peter McPhee has been booked for the Literary Lunch on October the 8th-make sure you have this date in your Diary.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Gathering on June the 11th.

Hoping you all keep well and warm.

Best Wishes MARY



Courses Report

Dear members,

We are already half way through a very interesting and enjoyable Term 2.



Mystery History, Virginia Rowley

We had a very late start to the term due to sickness but we are back on track now.

Instead of doing a History of Medicine - and that would have been great - we are doing a series of stand-alone sessions. Our first was the

History of Ice Cream and the second week was a bit more gruesome with the History of Bonnie and Clyde.

This week is the history of the beginnings of the English detective novel.

More interesting things to come and then a break for term 3.

The History of Medicine will be in term 4 when we are back in the rooms - hopefully!

Earthly Delights and Frights. Rod Wellard

We are seeing plenty of Earthly Delights and Frights as we travel the world in our trusty Tardis.

We have flown across the oceans, we have sailed down the streams and crossed the deserts, looking at so many wonderful and amazing land falls. We are off to scale the mountains in the next episode. Come join us in our travels.

What's the matter? Jim Connelly

Jim Connelly continues to provide us with challenging, interesting, thought provoking issues for discussion on local and international events.



Film Club. John McKinnon

The Fine Films program at the Warragul Cinema are well underway, our membership has grown and we are enjoying the monthly film discussions and lunch at the Railway Hotel in Warragul.

Art History. Steph Wellard

Our Art History members are planning a trip to the Potter Gallery to see the amazing She-Oak and Sunlight exhibition.

We are enjoying spending time with the French Impressionists, preparing for the major NGV exhibition coming soon from the Boston Museum of Fine Arts.



Book Club. Steph Wellard. Mary Howlett

We are reading the Novels of Rose Tremain and John Le Carre this term, so lots of wonderful Historical Fiction and thrilling tales of Espionage to share and discuss at our monthly lunch at La Passion in Warragul .

Thanks to our Tutors and members who participate and assist in running our Courses. The Courses Committee will be meeting very soon to plan for Term 3.

Steph Wellard

Courses Co-ordinator



A cashless society means no cash. Zero.

It doesn't mean mostly cashless and you can still use a 'wee bit of cash here & there'.

Cashless means fully digital, fully traceable, fully controlled.

- * No more garage sales.
- * No more cash donations to hungry homeless you pass.
- * No more cash slipped into the hands of a child from their grandparent.
- * No more money in birthday cards.
- * No more piggy banks or tooth fairy for your child.
- * No more selling bits & pieces from your home that you no longer want/need for a bit of cash in return.
- * Less choices of where you purchase based on affordability.



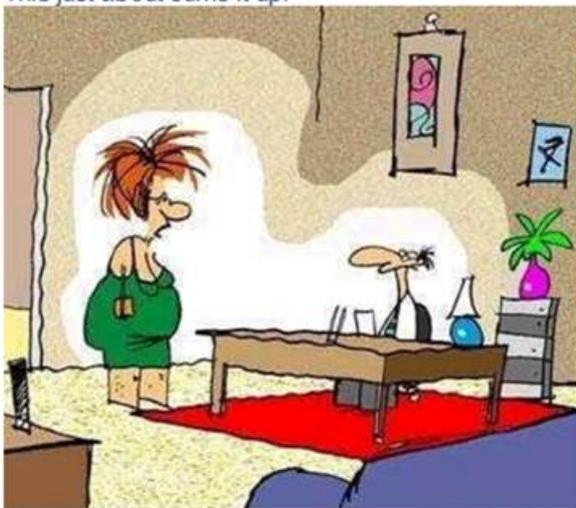
What a cashless society does guarantee:

Banks have full control of every single cent you own.

- * Every transaction you make is recorded.
- * All your movements & actions are traceable.
- * Access to your money can be blocked at the click of a button when/if banks need 'clarification' from you which could take weeks, a hundred questions answered & one hundred passwords.
- * If your transactions are deemed in any way questionable, by those who create the questions, your money will be frozen, 'for your own good'.

Forget about cash being dirty. Cash has been around for a very, very long time & it gives you control over how you trade with the world. It gives you independence.

This just about sums it up.



"All the other women in the office are suing you for sexual harassment. Since you haven't sexually harassed me, I'm suing you for discrimination."



DID YOU KNOW?

THERE ARE 10,000 BEACHES IN AUSTRALIA - YOU COULD VISIT A DIFFERENT BEACH FOR 27 YEARS AND STILL NOT SEE THEM ALL.



A View from the Bunker

Robert Dunlop

Recently, when faced with an alarming and controversial situation in the Parliament, our illustrious Prime Minister had to ask his dear wife, Jenny, for advice as to how he should respond to the situation. This approach seemed unusual to many people, but in fact it has happened many times in the past.

A few days before the Battle of Waterloo, Napoleon Bonaparte asked his wife Josephine, whom he should place in charge of his army. The dashing, impetuous Marshal Michel Ney, or the brilliant and well organized Marshal Louis–Nicolas Davout.

Josephine, who was lounging on a chaise lounge, quaffing Veuve Cliquot while nibbling croquembouche, said — "Darling, you must choose Michel. He is dashing of course and handsome, and besides, I am playing bridge with his wife Aglaé on Friday. Louis–Nicolas is far too staid and unimaginative."

And so Napoleon placed Ney in charge of his army to face the allies at Waterloo, and Davout was left to defend Paris. The result we know. Ney, who should probably have been directing the whole army from headquarters, led the cavalry in a great charge against the Allied line, but the British squares held firm and the cavalry were exhausted. The allied army was victorious and Napoleon was defeated.

Meanwhile, back in Paris, Louis-Nicolas was lying back on a chaise lounge quaffing Veuve Cliquot and nibbling croquembouche and thinking — "This sure beats charging the British!"

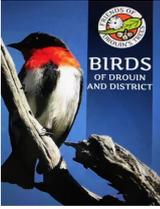
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You are invited
to the launch of the
brand new 'Birds of Drouin & District' book
& the opening of the
Drouin Mural



"We need the Trees"
Painted by Dan Wenn 90 Degrees Art

Date: Friday 11th June 2021
Time: 4.00-4.45pm
At: Memorial Park Drouin








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**Q: My child will not eat fish,
what can I replace it with?**

A: A cat. Cats love fish.



**I put the
thingamabob inside
the whatchamacallit,
turned the
doohickey and the
wuteveritis still
doesn't work.
Any idea's?**

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