

Welcome to our October 2021 Edition of Baw Baw's Chat Sheet

“ Yes, That was an earthquake”:



Message from the President



PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER

Dear Members,

I hope those of you who follow the footy enjoyed watching the Grand Final and related to the “dream” win for the long suffering Demons .It must have been hard for long time supporters to have to watch it from a distance but I'm sure they are still very happy with their team's efforts.

We have our own disappointment in the cancellation of the Literary Lunch. BUT, thanks to the generosity of Professor McPhee, we will be able to enjoy his talk thanks to the Zoom technology.

Please read the notice below. You will receive an email about how to connect.

I know that when we are allowed to gather again, I'm going to appreciate all that I have taken for granted until now. Until then, enjoy the offerings on Zoom and this Spring weather.

Best Wishes Mary

One day this will be over. And we will be grateful for life in ways we never felt possible before.



“Lost Literary Lunch session- Reading in a Time of Pandemic”

Presented by Professor Peter McPhee

This will be presented via Zoom at 2pm on 8th October 2021 and will be followed by a Question and Answer discussion.

We would be delighted if you could join us.

To receive a link please email Steph Wellard: courses@u3abawbaw.org.au or phone 0419 509 607 for further details. The link will be sent to your email on October 7th .

Please join the Zoom meeting at 1:45pm, to avoid any congestion.



Dear members,

We were pleased to have invited you to attend the 17th Annual Literary lunch of U3A BawBaw at the Royal Hotel, Drouin on Friday 8th of October 2021 at 12.30pm

Unfortunately the lunch has been cancelled in line with COVID restrictions but our Guest Speaker, Emeritus Professor Peter McPhee AM has generously offered to present a Zoom talk titled:

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If you need any assistance to use a zoom link, or access Zoom, please contact Steph Wellard or John Parker at: courses@u3abawbaw.org.au they will be very happy to help you.
With best wishes, Mary Howlett

Pre internet chat room using An old version of windows...



By Nigel Beresford

My biggest, most recent discovery is that exercising outside during Spring will bring you into contact with hordes of angry magpies and plovers.

Not only that but you will get a severe dose of hay fever. The runny nose and sneezing will necessitate a visit to a COVID testing site to hopefully eliminate the chance of having the dreaded disease.



Then 36 hours of strict home detention waiting for the result, during which time you consume another block of chocolate, several bowls of ice-cream and perhaps a few glasses of wine as you calculate the chances that it is not hay fever but maybe something more serious.

However it's always just hay fever!

An old friend of mine had his 2nd dose of the vaccine at the vaccination centre after which he began to have blurred vision on the way home. When he got home, he called the vaccination centre for advice and to ask if he should go see a doctor, or be hospitalised? He was told NOT to go to a doctor or a hospital, but to return to the vaccination centre immediately and pick up his glasses.



Courses Co-ordinator Report

Term 4 commences on Monday 4th October, at 10.am with What’s the Matter, all of our Courses will be running via Zoom for the remainder of the term, guided by the Covid Regulations at the time.



We have a full program of Courses to look forward to, a very interesting and enjoyable Term ahead.



We welcome back Mystery History and look forward to being entertained by selections from Virginia’s “bag of tricks”.

Remembering Melbourne beyond the golden mile part 3, will take us on a journey through the early North Western suburbs of Brunswick, Coburg, Flemington and Moonee Ponds, then on to the Eastern Suburbs.

We will visit Melbourne’s timeless Parks and Gardens, learn about the history of Melbourne University, and delve into the history of Melbourne’s water and sewage system. A trip to the sea side to visit Melbourne’s first Port at Williamstown and hear tales of the Prison hulks, the Plague ship Manlius from Scotland, Time Ball, and the CSS Shenandoah.

Please refer to the Term 4 Courses Booklet for further information regarding our Courses, or contact Steph Wellard at: courses@u3abawbaw.org.au for assistance.

Special thank you to our Webmaster, our Tutors and all members who are involved with and attend our Courses.

Course Proposal guidelines and a Course Proposal Form have been added to the Course Booklet, and we hope this will encourage members to come forward with ideas and plans for new Courses.



Steph Wellard Courses Co-ordinator
On behalf of the Courses Committee

**Realize
That nothing is impossible**

They live among us & they vote:

I live in a semi rural area.

We recently had a new neighbor call the local city council office to request the removal of the DEER CROSSING sign on our road.

The reason: 'Too many deers are being hit by cars out here! I don't think this is a good place for them to be crossing anymore.'



Film Club

Tutor : John Mckinnon



Covid has converted our pub lunches to Zoom sessions, and our cinema screenings to SBS On Demand, but our discussions have been as stimulating as ever, maybe even moreso.

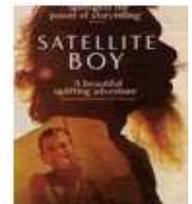
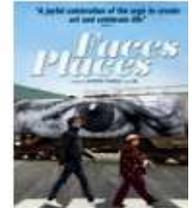
Our last meeting scores, in rank order, were:

- Faces Places (nominated by Susan Johnson) 4.9
- Satellite Boy (nominated by Greg Pearce) 4.1
- Skin (nominated by Barb Brown) 4.0
- Respect (Showcase at Warragul Cinema) 2.7

Next term our first meeting will be Friday 29 October. It will be a Zoom session but we will hopefully have some news about ongoing Covid regulations which should enable us to consider other possible arrangements for the rest of the term.

Warragul Cinema is currently subject to a limit of 20 people per screening. We may not all be able to see a film every week but you can maximize your chances if you book online from the cinema's website.

To cater for people who are unable to get to the cinema, we will continue to supplement showcase films with member-nominated movies from SBS On Demand.



Cryptic Club

Anyone who did the Cryptics Decrypted course in Term 3 is eligible to enroll in Cryptic Club. However, it is a different course. If interested, you will need to enroll separately. It is different.

The first meeting is a Zoom session at 2:00pm on Tuesday 12 October.

At that meeting we will discuss how often the group should meet, the format to be adopted and the sorts of activities we want to include.

If you have any queries about the course, please contact the tutor, John McKinnon: jmc33466@gmail.com . If you need assistance with the enrollment process, please contact Steph Wellard.

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