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NEWSLETTER

Youthfulness is not determined by age.
It is determined by one's life force.
One who possesses hope
is forever young.
One who continually advances
is forever beautiful.

Anonymous

Hello U3A members!

It is the beginning of July and half of 2010 is already past us. Time really flies. We are a bit quieter with lectures at the moment, but watch out for August and the following months! Lots of great topics and speakers are lined up.

In July we will have one lecture on “**Legal Ramifications of Ageing**” with **Simon Stammers-Smith**.

Date: **Monday, July 19th**.

Time: **10am to 12pm**

Location: **Queenstown Events Centre, Mezzanine Function Room**
(upstairs)

Entrance is \$5 on admission.

Looking forward to seeing lots of you there! 😊

At the moment there are three study groups under way. They are all having a great time and here are some updates:



Keats and the Romantic Period

A poet who died at the age of just twenty-five is the focus of our first study groups on literature. The ten people in each of the two study groups are meeting for two hours each week for six weeks. We're investigating Keats's poetry and life, and the literary, historical and artistic movements of the early

1800s in which many of the values of modern times were developing. Everyone is contributing to the discussions around our hosts' large tables, and chasing up books, poems and ideas between the meetings.

Leader: Marion Borrell (MA Hons, M Lit)

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International Cuisine report

At the time of writing, those of us participating in this “fun with foreign food” course have five of the six sessions under our belts (you could say literally !), and can report that since our sessions began, Tuesday lunch times have assumed a culinary life of their own, eagerly-awaited, with expectations invariably surpassed – the only thing to suffer, as indicated above, has been our waistlines!

Although all of us have admitted to a certain amount of trepidation before, and a corresponding sense of relief after our turn at being a temporary “celebrity chef”, we have had lots of fun and laughs, and thoroughly enjoyed both the delicious dishes, and each other’s company.

Through our willing exposure to the intricacies of French, Italian, Chinese, Thai, and Indian (with Greek to go) dishes , we’ve extended our culinary repertoires, researched further historical etc. details of each cuisine, swapped further recipes, and carried that on to preparing a much wider and more adventurous range of everyday meals (till the novelty wears off anyway!) than the comfortable cooking ruts we were probably in.

Meantime we are all looking forward to our Grand Finale when along with our lucky husbands we will be preparing and dining on a six-way International Cuisine Banquet of Banquets – bon appétit!

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Economics Study Group

The economics study group - now comprising 14 members - will hold its first meeting on 13 July. Some six sessions are envisaged but the list of topics that members have raised for discussion will inevitably mean more sessions. We are hopeful that some of the topics will be of interest to the wider group as well.

There is still time to join us - contact Bill Dolan billdolan@kahurise.co.nz

or Catherine Robinson catherine@therobinsons.net.nz .

Leaders: Catherine Robinson (ACTD, MEd, Ph.D) and Bill Dolan (MA (Hons) Economics, UN Diploma in Industrial Development Administration)

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To come:

For **August** we have planned a series of lectures on **Education**.
September will follow with the interesting topic of **Sustainability**.
In **October** we will learn more about our **Local History**,
and **November** is filled with **Music!**

Great speakers are already lined up, but if you are an expert in any of those fields or know of experts that live in the area or are quite happy to speak, please let Gitti know on 03 441 3219 or email gitti@reap.co.nz

Also, we have the **AGM** planned for the **beginning of November**. It should be quite a fun, social gathering too.

I would also like to call on any retired accountant, who would be happy to do our auditing in September. Please let Gitti know if you can help. (03 441 3219 or email gitti@reap.co.nz)

A big Thank You to SBS!

Last but not least I have to say a big Thank you to SBS, especially our banking ladies Honor Mathieson and Patricia Muir.
SBS has been a great supporter of our U3A Wakatipu. You will see them regularly now at the lectures, providing our morning tea.

That is it from me for now!
Stay warm and safe.

Regards,
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