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THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

Newsletter July 2022

Port Hills U3A



Face masks and social distancing rules are still in place for our monthly meetings during the winter months.

Good News for SuperGold Card Holders

Environment Canterbury (ECan) has voted to change the rules of their free bus service for SuperGold Card holders. Currently free bus service is available starting after 9am, stopping between 3:00pm and 6:30pm, and then starting again after 6:30pm. ECan has now approved a resolution to **extend free travel for SuperGold Card holders, to include all travel after 9am.**

There are also some other changes to bus fares. From February 2023 Community Services Card holders, those aged under 25, tertiary students and Total Mobility card holders will pay a \$1 flat fare, and all other customers a \$2 flat fare.

ECan Chairperson Jenny Hughey said that “It is a balancing act. We have kept social equity at the forefront, through agreeing on a new public transport fare structure and finding ways to reduce the rates increase as much as possible, while not taking our eye off the huge task ahead of us in the region”.

Next Meeting: Wednesday 6, July 2022

Venue: St Martin's Presbyterian Church, 43 St Martins Road, St Martins

10:00 Coroner Sue Johnson *The Role Of The Coroner*

Sue Johnson grew up in Blackpool, England. She trained and worked as a nurse in Liverpool in a paediatric intensive care unit. She later moved to New Zealand in 1984, and in 1993 gained a Bachelor of Laws with first class honours from the University of Canterbury.

She has worked as a solicitor doing civil litigation and medical law. In 2007 she was appointed as a coroner. All coroners in New Zealand must be barristers and solicitors of the High Court. Sue finds her background in nursing extremely helpful in her role as coroner.

11:00 Our Monthly Meeting

Mid-Winter Lunch

Last chance to book for the Mid-winter Lunch. You must book by Sunday 26th June

Rosendale Wines, 100 Old Taitapu Road, Kennedys Bush

Wednesday 6 July at 12noon

Following our regular July monthly meeting.

Lunch is offered at a **reduced members price of \$25 per member.**

Port Hills U3A is contributing \$25 to each members' lunch

No refunds will be made if you are unable to attend.

Make your internet payment to our bank account: 38-90060413325-00

Please put your name in the reference box and the word 'Lunch' in the code or particulars box.

Please Note:

If you require a **vegetarian option** for the main course, please let Joy Evans know by emailing her by **Sunday 26th June** on joy.paulevans@gmail.com.



Special Interest Groups

Check out the full list of special interest groups on our website www.u3aporthills.org.nz .

To find the list on our website:

1. Click on the bottom left blue button Int Group Grid.
2. On the next page click on words Interest Group Grid.

The grid gives the list of all the special interest groups along with the names and contact details of group convenors.



Our Future Meeting Speakers

<u>August 3rd</u>	William Stedman	<u>High Performance Paralympian</u>
<u>September 7th</u>	Caroline Johnson	<u>The Past, the Present and the Future of the NZ Red Cross</u>
<u>October 5th</u>	John Sullivan	<u>Canterbury Community Law</u>

Contributions and Donations

Thanks to our members for their continued support of Food Aotearoa and our collection of knitting wool. These are two very important and worthwhile community projects.

You are welcome to donate cans and/or packaged food, including baby food, as well as fresh food such as fruits and vegetables.

The wool is used by volunteer knitters to crochet blankets or knit jerseys for pre-schoolers. Finished items are mainly given to the Plunket Outreach programme, Salvation Army programme and other charities as needed.



Please contact Naida Murray on 338 5030 if you have any questions, or check at our monthly meeting.



Your contributions can be placed in the boxes in the entrance foyer.

Thanks

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