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## Newsletter October 2022

### Port Hills U3A



## Morning Tea is Back

Now that Spring is here with its warmer weather, and the instances and possible transmission of covid and flu are lower, the Port Hills U3A Committee has decided that we will resume holding morning tea before our meeting with our speaker. Morning tea will be available from **9:30am**.

We know that mask wearing is now voluntary but to try and keep everyone safe we would highly recommend that you wear a mask during our main meeting

### Our Next Meeting: Wednesday 5th October 2022

**Venue:** St Martins Presbyterian Church, 43 St Martins Road, St Martins

**9:30** Socialising at Morning Tea

**10:00 Speakers:** John Sullivan and Julia Yoo from Community Law Canterbury.

Community Law Canterbury is a not-for-profit organisation that works to make legal help for the people of Canterbury and the West Coast more accessible.

It offers general legal advice, information and specialist advice and education services.

John Sullivan is a Community Lawyer with a keen interest in social justice. He is a senior solicitor at Community Law Canterbury and was previously in private legal practice in Christchurch.

Married to Cathie, he has three daughters (one living in Denmark) and three grandchildren. John's interests include Toastmasters, the Canterbury WEA, the Book Discussion Scheme, the Christchurch Dickens Fellowship and following the cricket.

Julia Yoo is a lawyer at Community Law Canterbury. She started working for the law centre 5.5 years ago as a legal educator. Julia has been completing her legal qualifications and she obtained her practising certificate as a solicitor a few months ago. She has mainly been working in civil law, particularly employment issues.

Outside work, Julia enjoys watching football and going for walks around the city.

## **11:00** Our Monthly Meeting

### Our Future Meeting Speakers

<u>November 2nd</u>	Dr Judith Coullie	History and Recent Tales of Safaris
<u>December 7th</u>	Joe Bennett	Topic to be confirmed. Followed by our Christmas Function

### **Courses in October**

Short courses available in October:

1. Introduction to Astronomy at Rolleston Community Centre.  
Monday 10th October – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October. Time: 9am-12pm  
Cost: \$50 inc. morning tea. Contact Oana Jones at  
[Oana.Jones@selwyn.govt](mailto:Oana.Jones@selwyn.govt).
2. U3a online course. Preventing Dementia from Wicking Institute.  
There are six sessions starting on 11<sup>th</sup> Oct and finishing on 10<sup>th</sup> Nov.  
All you need to know at: <https://mooc.utas.edu.au/courses/30>

## Study courses for 2023

2023 is fast approaching and we need to start planning for our courses for next year. We purchased two courses last year but were never able to set up any study groups.

These were: Thoreau Emerson - The Conduct of Life  
And  
Design in Your Life

The content of both of these courses can be viewed at  
u3a online

We are also suggesting another u3a course on Climate Change. An overview of this can also be viewed as above.

If you want to join a new study group next year please check out these courses. We will be circulating a list in November to ask people to register their interest.

## Contributions and Donations

### Food Aotearoa and Knitting Wool

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 can help with the knitting.

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

Joy Evans for Helene (our usual editor)