



**MINUTES OF U3A CORANGAMITE COMMITTEE**

**Minutes of Meeting 1/2023 held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2023  
@ Mt Noorat**

**Meeting opened at 10.30am**

**1. Present**

Eve Black, David Mernagh, Linda Castaldo, Heather Petrie, Maureen O'Connor, Sue McInnes

**2. Apologies**

Gary Kimber, Dominique Fowler, Helen James, Dallas Petrie

**3. Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Minutes of Committee meeting 11/2022 held on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2022 had been circulated previously to Committee members.

Moved: Maureen O'Connor, seconded: Heather Petrie *Carried*

**4. Correspondence**

The Secretary gave a summary of recent correspondence received.

**5. Treasurer's Report**

The U3A Corangamite Finance Report for the month ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022 and Petty Cash summary for 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022 had been attached to the agenda.

The Treasurer advised that there are currently 113 members enrolled of which 15 are new members.

The Committee asked the Treasurer if she would speak to the Cobden and Districts Community Bank with view to arranging for our account to be available via on-line internet banking so that the use of a cheque book is for emergency situations only.

Moved: Linda Castaldo; seconded: Maureen O'Connor *Carried*

**6. Business Arising from Previous Meeting**

**6.1 New Activities**

The following additional new activities were noted.

**Let's Do Lunch**

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February, **The Fat Cow**, Timboon @ 12.30pm.

**Tea and Tour for Ten**

***Cobden Pioneer Park***

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February @ 1.30pm, Cobden Pioneer Park, Grayland Street, Cobden

**Travel Tales**

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February, Cobden Senior Citizen's Centre @ 1.30pm  
Sue and Don McInnes, ***Kalkarindji, Northern Territory.***

## **Bird Watching and Bird Identification**

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023 @ 10.30am, Lake Purrumbete

## **Bike ride**

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February @ 10.30am - Cobden/Naroghid return on the rail trail; meet near laundrette in Cobden. Approx 15km.

## **Hike**

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February: Mt Leura with an earlier start of 10.00am; meet at the base car park.

NOTE: Full details of these activities will be included in the next newsletter.

Sue McInnes agreed to put together a proposal for a revised trip to Warnambool Wildlife Encounters and Allansford Hotel; this was an event that was proposed initially in May 2022. However, this time it will use car-pooling and staying on for lunch at the hotel will be optional. Sue also has ideas for couple of other events that she will bring to the Committee in due course.

### **6.2 U3A Corangamite Committee for 2023**

Members were advised that if they wished to continue on the Committee in 2023 and if they had not already done so, to sign the nomination form provided.

### **6.3 Certificates of Appreciation**

It was noted that Certificates of Appreciation for Gwen Steele, the Commercial Hotel in Terang and Cobden and Districts Community Bank and Camperdown Branch (Bendigo Bank) had been distributed.

### **6.4 Peter Conroy re: Karate for Over 50s**

It was noted that Peter Conroy has been advised that an item for information will be placed in the February members' newsletter that will be distributed at the end of the month.

## **7. General Business**

### **7.1 Data Security and Retention**

At the suggestion of the Treasurer, a note from U3A Network Victoria concerning Data Security had been provided. Due to recent security breaches that have occurred in Australia, these events are an opportunity to review all data collected and to only maintain and record information that is applicable and relevant.

The Treasurer mentioned members' vaccination data currently being held. The Secretary indicated that as the vaccination status had been validated and 'ticked' on the green box on the 2022 membership card, there really is no reason for us to retain this data. This is also supported by recent changes to government regulations re: COVID and vaccinations.

The Treasurer advised that this data will be disposed of in the appropriate manner.

## **7.2 Annual General Meeting - Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

The Secretary advised that he will be preparing the agenda for the Annual General Meeting during the next week to be forwarded in due course to members. As in previous years a Powerpoint presentation and a photo gallery on a loop will be prepared.

The Secretary agreed to follow up on whether there had been any discussions with the Bendigo Bank Manager at Cobden about being present at the AGM to give a brief promotional talk or if anyone from the Corangamite Shire had been approached to attend as the returning officer for the Committee elections.

It was also agreed that if arrangements for AGM catering have not been finalised yet, then Rustic Tarts should be approached to cater for the event.

It was also agreed that a special note of acknowledgement and appreciation should be given at the AGM to non-Committee member Marilyn Kimber for her exceptional work behind the scenes in organizing speakers and catering for a range of activities during the year.

## **7.3 U3A Corangamite Financial Statements**

The Committee noted the financial statements for U3A Corangamite for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022 that had been reviewed and compiled by member Colin Hayman. It was agreed that these statements will be included in the AGM agenda papers that will be sent to members.

## **7.4 Next U3A Committee Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2023 @ 10.30am at Mt Noorat.

Meeting closed @ 11.10 am