

# U3A Wynyard Programme Term 1 2018

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*Anton Kole will demonstrate how gas emissions are heating the planet*

Welcome to the first term of U3A Wynyard's fourth year.

In addition to the range of courses outlined in this programme, U3A Wynyard will again present a major lecture for members, visitors and guests.

Anton Kole will explain the science behind Climate Change and its implications for Tasmania in a public.

The Climate Experimentium lecture will show five live experiments that give a personal scientific view into how human-induced greenhouse gas emissions are heating up our planet and some implications and consequences for Tasmania, both now and in the future

Anton Kole completed a Bachelor of Environmental Science with Honours at UTAS (2017) and is a member of the CAN-West group (Climate Action North West Tasmania). He also attended a three-day climate change training event with Al Gore in 2014.

## Term 1 Programme launch

**Wednesday, 14 February, at 2:00 pm in the Showground Hall, Jackson Street**

Discover the rich tapestry of your town. See what U3A Wynyard has in store this year. Meet your tutors and hear what they are offering you this term. Have a chat over a cuppa.

Detailed course descriptions and content will be on the website [www.u3awynyard.com.au](http://www.u3awynyard.com.au), from February 2.

**Cultivating community, curiosity and learning**

## Key dates for Term 1 U3A Wynyard

Term 1 Launch	<b>14 February</b>
Website live	<b>Now</b>
Membership sign-ups - on line and by mail	<b>Now</b>
Membership sign-ups at ArtsCape	<b>Friday mornings from 2 February between 10am and 12.00</b>
Enrolments accepted on-line and by mail	<b>From 16 February</b>
Enrolments accepted at ArtsCape	<b>Friday mornings from 16 February from 10am to 12.00</b>
Classes start	<b>5 March</b>

## How to join and enrol in courses

**Membership:** You can renew your membership, or sign-up as a new member from **2 February 2018**. Go to the U3AW website [www.wynyard.u3anet.org.au](http://www.wynyard.u3anet.org.au) and follow the very simple membership sign-up process.

Alternatively, come to the U3A Wynyard office from 10am to 12noon at ArtsCape, 45 Jackson Street, any Friday morning from 2 February.

**2018 Memberships fees are the same as for 2017**

**Individual: \$30 per term or \$50 per year (January-December)**

**Couple: \$50 per term or \$75 per year**

**Please note: enrolments are only accepted from current (paid up) members**

**Enrolments** will be accepted from **16 February**. We encourage you to enrol on-line. Go to the U3AW website [www.wynyard.u3anet.org.au](http://www.wynyard.u3anet.org.au) and follow the very simple enrolment process.

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## How to become a tutor for U3A Wynyard

We are always looking for new tutors, so if you have a skill or an interest you would like to share, talk to a U3AW committee member (in this Newsletter), or email us on [u3awynyard@gmail.com](mailto:u3awynyard@gmail.com)

## Courses for Term 1 2018

### Anatomy and Physiology

**When:** Thursdays, March 22, 29, April 5, 12 and 19 (5 sessions) 2:00pm to 4:00pm

**Where:** Wynyard Showground, Jackson Street **Presenter:** Frank Croucher

**A Round of Senses** — An overview of our "Special Senses" and their role in our awareness of the environment in which we live.

**The Heart of the Matter** — Functions of the heart, and its role in the cardiovascular system.

**A Breath of Fresh Air** — How lungs work, and their special relationship with the cardiovascular system.

**Eat, Drink and be Merry** — How our digestive system works and what is required to keep it healthy.

**Ashes to Celoids** — An outline of the importance of minerals to our bodies.

### Armchair Travel

**When:** Thursday, April 5, 12 and 19 (3 sessions)

10: 00 to noon

**Where:** Wynyard Showground, Jackson Street.

**Co-ordinator:** Mairin Campbell

**Alaska**, Susann Sinclair — Cruise the river at Fairbanks, let Alaskan rail through Denali Forest. Board the *Wilderness Discoverer* and cruise the pristine wilderness of mountains, glaciers and whales.

**Guatemala**, June Risdon — A visit to the remains of the ancient Mayan civilization in Central America, mainly in Mexico and Guatemala, led to exciting and unexpected events.

**Iceland**, Mairin Campbell — Explore the Viking settlement, its location, its rocks, mountains, glaciers, volcanoes and geothermal waters. Find out why this island a favoured tourist destination.

### Art with Sally Sadler

**When:** 10:00am to 3:00pm Monday, March 5, then Mondays 10:00am to 12noon, March 12 and 19

**Where:** Wynyard Showground, Jackson Street

**Presenter:** Sally Sadler

Join Sally on a one-day Art excursion on 5 March, then two workshop sessions over the following two Monday mornings.

### Asbestos

**When:** Mondays, April 23 and 30 (2 sessions)

2:00pm to 4:00pm

**Where:** Wynyard Showground, Jackson Street

**Presenter:** Ian Ferris

What is asbestos, its historical and modern uses, its types and identification, current usage and local occurrences, health impacts, and a bit about risk. We look at regulations, litigation, removals and protective equipment. And last but not least, a little psychology.

## Courses for Term 1 2018

### Beachcombing

**When:** Monday, March 26 (1 session)

1:45pm to 4:00pm

**Where:** Meet at car park, Fossil Bluff, Wynyard

**Presenter:** Rees Campbell

Explore the little worlds in the rockpools at Fossil Bluff. From crabs in camouflage to elephant snails, we are blessed with extraordinary riches in the pools so close to home. The littoral zone has some of the highest biodiversity in the world. Bring your camera because we may find creatures you've never seen before. Wear sandshoes you don't mind getting wet, or gumboots, as we'll be in the pools.

### Book Club #1 (Ongoing from 2017)

**When:** Mondays

4:30pm to 6:00pm

**Where:** Various venues

**Presenter:** Anne Hamilton

This monthly book group will meet to discuss and share ideas about novels, short stories and authors. Enrolment will depend on vacancies occurring.

### Book Club #2

**When:** Tuesdays

2:00pm to 4:00pm

**Where:** LINC, Wynyard

**Presenter:** Gill Wowles

This monthly book group will meet to discuss and share ideas about novels, short stories and authors. Books will be available through LINC and group members will be involved in their choice.

### Chess — How to beat your grandchildren

**When:** Monday, March 26, April 9 and 16. (3 sessions)

10:00 to noon.

**Where:** Wynyard Showground, Jackson Street

**Presenter:** Ian Rout

The rules (or laws) of chess are easy to learn, but the "rules" of distinguishing good, indifferent or bad moves are subtle. We will start from the laws and work through to how we choose the good moves, and exploit an advantageous position once achieved. [Note: course is also suitable for people who want to learn chess for other reasons.]

**Maximum Class Size:** 15

### Doctors Rocks Treasure Hunting

**When:** Monday, March 12

2:00pm to 4:00pm.

**Where:** Doctors Rocks, Bass Highway

**Presenter:** Peter Radel

Whether it's gold, or geological marvels, there is treasure to be found at Doctors Rocks. Peter will guide your exploration of the various forms of basalt, and you'll also learn about the general geology of the area and how to pan for the elusive Doctors Rocks gold.

**Maximum Class Size:** 20

## Courses for Term 1 2018

### Flowerdale Flowers Excursion

**When:** Tuesday, May 22 2:00pm to 3:30pm  
**Where:** 16931 Bass Hwy Flowerdale Wynyard **Presenter:** Rod Sadler  
This family business grew from a tractor shed on a Tasmanian dairy farm in 1982 to one of the best producers of premium lilies. In 2014 a 20,000-m<sup>2</sup> glasshouse was designed and built to maintain a perfect growing climate for lilies. Flowers are now transported from Wynyard to all major Australian cities and regional hubs. **Minimum:** 8 — **Maximum:** 15

### Fossil Bluff: What the rocks tell us about climate change

**When:** Monday, April 16 2:00pm to 4:00pm  
**Where:** Fossil Bluff, Wynyard **Presenter:** Paul O'Halloran  
Tasmania is one of the most geologically diverse places on Earth, especially on the NW Coast. Investigate the evidence in the rocks that shows how the climate has changed dramatically through geological time. A repeat of the popular 2016 class. **Maximum class size:** 20

### Harmonica for beginners

**When:** Wednesday, 7, 14, 21 and 28 March 2:00pm to 4:00pm  
**Where:** Wynyard Showground, Jackson Street **Presenter:** Ken Nichols  
This informal class is to learn the basics of getting a tune out of the harmonica, and gradually become a more harmonious group. Ken has been playing the harp for over 60 years!  
Students need their own Suzuki MR-250 Bluesmaster in C  
**Maximum class size:** 10

### Kitchen Knife Skills

**When:** Wednesdays, May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, June 6 (6 sessions) 2:00pm to 4:00pm  
**Where:** Wynyard Showground, Jackson Street **Presenter:** Stephen Tamassey

1. Knife types and uses, choosing knives, maintenance and sharpening.
2. Chicken Schnitzels; how to use knife skills to cut chicken breast
3. Boning out chicken, lamb and fish
4. Prepare and cook a lamb stew using boning-out skills plus knife skills to cut up vegies
5. Dry curing and hot smoking. Processes of curing fish and hot smoking fish
6. Gravlox (cured) and hot smoked salmon. Practice the previous week's skills

**Maximum class size:** 15

## Courses for Term 1 2018

### Maths for grandparents

**When:** Thursday, March 8, 22 and 29 (3 sessions) 10:00am to noon  
**Where:** Wynyard Showground, Jackson Street **Presenter:** Tich Ferencz  
Three workshops in which current school mathematics will be visited. The emphasis will be hands-on problem solving. We'll explore the place of technology in classrooms, the difference between numeracy and mathematics and the oft-repeated statement, "they don't teach times tables anymore". You will leave with an understanding of basic Algebra.

### Cooking With Curie — Love it or hate it, you can't escape it

**When:** Mondays, May 7, 14 and 21 2:00pm to 4:00pm  
**Where:** Wynyard Showground, Jackson Street **Presenters:** Mervyn Mitchell and Ian Ferris  
Radiation is something we live with every day. So, what is radiation? How was it discovered and where does it come from? What does it do to us and how can we protect ourselves from it? And what can we do with it – from determining the ages of archaeological remains and rocks, through detecting and curing diseases, to proving whether Napoleon was poisoned by the perfidious Poms?

### Origins of Language

**When:** Monday, April 9 2:00pm to 4:00pm  
**Where:** Wynyard Showground, Jackson Street **Presenter:** John Lamb  
The development of complex spoken language is a uniquely human achievement. How could this come about? When did it begin? What influences were there? What part did language play in the story of human ascendancy? How do we learn language?

### Politics in the 21<sup>st</sup> century; change and dysfunction

**When:** Wednesdays, April 4, 11 and 18 (3 sessions) 2:00pm to 4:00pm  
**Where:** Wynyard Showground, Jackson Street **Presenter:** Mike Buky  
Looks at rapid change in the political sphere starting with Australia, its problems and its place in the world, progressing to our region. Are our alliances changing? Is a SWOT analysis timely? Each lecture will entail a high level of class participation with a current problem, whether national or international, 'war-gamed' between teams.

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### Scottish Country Dancing

**When:** Thursdays, April 26, May 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31 (6 sessions) 10:00am to 12noon  
**Where:** Wynyard Showground, Jackson Street **Presenter:** Nikki Tamassey  
Scottish Country Dancing is a fun and a social form of country dancing dating back to the 18<sup>th</sup> century, which provides both mental and physical exercise. Dancers dance in sets of three or more couples and each dance consists of a sequence of formations. Level of agility required is akin to light skipping.

### Ukulele and Singers Jam

**When:** Wednesdays, 14 sessions from March 7 12:30pm to 1:30pm  
**Where:** Wynyard Showground, Jackson Street **Presenter:** Peter Sutcliffe

Informal singing and playing session with other players and singers. Generally songs are played from “the grey book” — The Ukulele Club songbook — available from Foster’s Music in Burnie. Not suitable for complete beginners, but if you can play a few chords, join us.

### Video — Introduction to Digital Film Making

**When:** Thursdays, April 26, May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 2:00pm to 4:00pm  
**Where:** Wynyard Showground, Jackson Street **Presenter:** Darren Gray  
Learn the theory and practice of developing short drama films and documentaries using basic video recording devices such as phones, video enabled still cameras and basic video cameras. You will learn easy to understand step-by-step processes that can be used no matter what subject matter you work with. Topics covered include scripting, directing, acting, sound, lighting, editing and more.  
**Maximum class size:** 12

### Visit to SED Industry

**When:** Monday, March 19 2:00pm to 3:00pm  
**Where:** 16443 Bass Highway, Wynyard **Presenter:** Matthew Brown

A Wynyard company is a world leader in manufacturing oyster grading systems. Equipment made at the SED factory in Wynyard is exported to markets in Mexico, Canada, the United States, the UK, Ireland, France, New Zealand and, of course, the mainland. Enrol early so you don’t miss the opportunity to learn more about Wynyard’s global seafood connections. The get there from Wynyard, turn left off the highway into Stennings Road which is immediately west of Calder Road. About. 150m up Stennings Rd is a right turn into Stennings Access Road. The SED factory is about 150m along Stennings Access Road. The turn-off and site entry are both clearly marked with a SED sign. **Maximum number:** 15

## Courses for Term 1 2018

### Magic of Watercolour

**When:** Mondays, April 23, 30, May 7, 14, 21, 28, June 4 (7 sessions) 9:15am to noon  
**Where:** Wynyard Showground, Jackson Street **Presenter:** Alan Wright

This course is for anyone who would like to explore the wonderful world of watercolour painting. It will be suitable for those who have never painted before but also for those with previous experience in watercolours, acrylics or any other medium. We shall also be exploring several related topics, such as the basics of drawing, composition and presentation. **Maximum class size:** 15

### Why Things Happen

**When:** Monday, May 28 2:00pm to 4:00pm  
**Where:** Wynyard Showground, Jackson Street **Presenter:** Mervyn Mitchell  
What are the impulses that drive all changes throughout the universe – from the exploding of a star, the eruption of a volcano, the composition of a sonata, the conception of a child? We will examine (in a light-hearted sort of way) the laws of thermodynamics – and how they affect everything, everywhere, through all time.

Contact a committee member if you would like to be a tutor or suggest program ideas.

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### With thanks to . . .

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Wynyard and Burnie LINC  
and all our tutors

## Serendipity for Term 1 2018

**Serendipity classes are on Wednesdays at 10:00am in the Showground Hall, Jackson Street. Visitors and guests are welcome.**

**March 7: Electric Vehicles** — Alan Gregory. Electric cars are now in the news and on the streets, and we'll discuss the pros and cons, and also take a look at other electric vehicles

**March 14: How to build a ukulele** — Peter Sutcliffe (our ukulele tutor) will give an illustrated overview of how he builds a ukulele and similar stringed instruments, starting from raw wood and turning them into useful instruments that sound and look good.

**March 21: Ships** — David Cooper

**March 28: How Things Work** — Frank van Kann. Physics is about people trying to understand the physical universe, which they inhabit — and this has also given us technology. Today, we rely on technology to provide most of our needs, from sustenance to communication and entertainment.

**April 4: Water birds in our region** — Col Meyers. This session looks at the water birds of our region as a follow on from last term's land birds session. A slide show of excellent photographs with informal commentary and questions answered.

**April 11: History of Optics in Art** — Alex Nicholas. An illustrated journey describing how discoveries in optics and the development of the camera influenced the course of the Visual Arts in Western civilization, and how and why Western Art was influenced by developments in Science.

**April 18: Climate Change** — Anton Kole. Demonstrations and experiments will give a personal and up-close view of how greenhouse gases heat up the planet, and what some of the impacts and consequences are from increasing the global temperature. 3C Hall, 30 Austin St, Wynyard

**April 25: No Serendipity** — Anzac Day

**May 2: Native Orchids of NW Tasmania** — Ian Ferris. A look at the range of native orchid species for the interested beginner. We will examine what, where, why, which, when and how, using lots of pretty pictures and very few big words.

**May 9: On Splintered Rails Part 2 Marawah Tram** — Mark Fry. This was a government line but it fed several private tramways. Original historical photographs explained through fascinating, entertaining and at times hilarious anecdotal accounts provided by men and women who worked in the bush.

**May 16: Plant Names and Their Meanings** — Phil Milner. The origins and rules used to name plants and the application of botanical Latin in garden plants and Tasmanian plants in particular.

**May 23: Visit to the United Nations in New York** — Alwyn Friedersdorff. Share Alwyn's journey to the United Nations event to promote women's empowerment and gender equality and accelerate progress to meet the needs of women and girls world-wide.

**May 30: Voluntary Euthanasia** — Norma Jamieson. Voluntary euthanasia pro's and con's as various states consider new enabling legislation. Advance Care Directives, for your future care in a given set of circumstance.

**June 6: Australian Electoral Systems; How they work** — Julian Type. As a former Tasmanian Electoral Commissioner, Julian will outline the electoral systems used for Australian, Tasmanian and local government elections and will answer students' questions. Students are encouraged to email questions on notice to Julian to ensure he can provide up-to-date answers on complex topics.

## Meet a U3A Wynyard member — Margaret Pegus

Margaret Pegus describes Wynyard as friendly, picturesque and with plenty of activities and events to keep locals occupied and interested.

She should know; she has lived in the district for her almost 80 years.

Born and raised on a farm, then married to a farmer, she reared her family on the land at Mount Hicks.

It was a wonderful life, she said.

Her son once told her that every child should grow up with a barn and a puddle.

Margaret was one of the first to join U3A Wynyard when it formed four years ago after many years of taking courses on the U3A Internet site.

When it started in Wynyard, it was a chance to add a social element to the continued learning.

A life-long love of music has led to Margaret playing piano at countless local venues and occasions.

"It's given me so much pleasure over the years and I hope I have given others the same pleasure," she said.

It's still a joy for her to play on the piano that has a pride of place in her living room.

She has been a widow since 1979 but her family had a surprise extension a few months ago when she found she had an older sister, Joan, who was born in Hobart but now lives in Victoria.

Joan's family were doing some genealogical research and wanted to get in touch with her family, the Flowers.

Reports of a social function at Parkham mentioned the Flower family, so one of Joan's relatives wrote to the "Flower Family, Parkham".

The letter found its way to Margaret's cousin, who called the family in Victoria.

Soon after, the cousin visited Margaret and told her of her new-found sibling.

Margaret was naturally surprised, but thrilled.

Joan's family almost didn't send the letter because they were concerned that Margaret or her family might be upset by the news.

A few days later, with her son and other family in tow, Margaret was on her way to Victoria to meet Joan.

The sisters have regular contact, usually through Joan's family because she has hearing and sight problems.

"You don't really have to have a conversation," Margaret said on their meeting. "We just sit and hold hands."



*Margaret Pegus with a picture of her recently discovered older sister.*