



## **Courses 2017: Updates**

### **Changes made since the Prospectus was printed in December**

#### **Aboriginal History**

is on weeks 1 and 3 each month.

#### **Armchair Travel**

This series plans to give participants an opportunity to learn more about people, places, cultures – travel related information – from members who have “been there and done that” in very interesting and very different ways, such as travelling the world by train, cruising the Rhine, walking pilgrim trails, roughing it in the Outback or travelling in the Slow Lane. Lots of different places, people and ways of enjoying travel will be shared. No prerequisites, just an interest in travel and a desire to learn more about the wonderful world we live in.

Mondays 4pm-6.30pm      Third week of month    20 February-18 December

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#### **Bush Walking**

Bush walking is a great opportunity to improve fitness and meet others who appreciate our bushland. Our walks are generally between five and ten kms with some longer and/or more difficult, and are followed by coffee/lunch somewhere. Arrange to be away from Castlemaine until at least 1.30 -2pm unless walk notes advise differently. Walks are graded using the Australian Walking Track Grading System (Check Internet). As a minimum, walks require a reasonable level of fitness, and the ability to walk 3 km per hour for 2 - 3 hours over variable terrain. Good footwear is essential. Walks are on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays with an additional walk when there is a 5th Wednesday in the month. (2017: March, May, August and November).

Wednesdays 8.30am (9am Daylight Saving Time) Weeks 2 and 4    8 February-13December.

Course Convenor: Kevin Vallence: 0479 012 103; or Trish Balmer 0429 635 272 email: vallence@impulse.net.au

Meet to carpool at the Octopus (U3A Office) Duke Street

#### **Circle Dancing 1 and Circle Dancing 2**

are on weeks 1, 3 (and sometimes 5) each month.

There are two leaders, Joanne Thompson: 0457 388 344    joanne29t@gmail.com

and Anet McDonald: 5470 6497    anetandme@gmail.com

#### **Exploring Popular Music**

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## **Fabulous Friday Flicks**

We will view and discuss a selection of films by certain important directors and a selection of films on a variety of themes. Occasionally, guests may be invited to present or lecture to the class. No formal prerequisites. As this course will involve some online learning, a current email address and easy access to a computer ARE ESSENTIAL. Viewing or reading tasks are sometimes set as preparation for each class. Members are expected to have an open mind and a sense of humour, an interest in or love of film and a willingness to share and develop ideas, experience and knowledge about film.

There will be a gold coin collection at each session to cover the cost of the room.

Fridays 9.30am-12.30pm      Weeks 3, 4 and 5      17 February-15 December

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Auditorium, Castlemaine Hospital, Castlemaine

## **Movies of Merit**

Thanks to the new owners of the Theatre Royal, Movies of Merit will now be held there on Thursdays at 10am from 9 February. The full details are:

This course is designed for those with an interest in quality film and especially the “technical” aspects of film-making. We will watch a complete film, discuss it in small groups and rate it. This is NOT an opportunity to watch films on a casual basis, and the course requires a year-long commitment by enrollees. The numbers will be limited to ensure there is enough space on the discussion tables, and absences without apologies will be monitored. Film titles will not be advertised in advance, but only universally respected films will be shown, many from non-English speaking countries. No prerequisites, other than an interest in what constitutes a “movie of merit”.

Any changes to the venue will be communicated in our Newsletter. This class will NOT run on Public Holidays, School Holidays nor during the Castlemaine State Festival.

There will be a donation of \$5 per session.

Thursday 10am-1pm Weekly 9 February-14 December

Course Leader: John Waldie: 5472 5411      papajohn3002@gmail.com

Theatre Royal, Hargreaves Street, Castlemaine

## **Pathology Basics**

*Note new time and dates.*

Wednesdays 3pm-4pm Weekly 19 April- 28 June

Course Leader: Kate Couttie: 0419 010 609      katecouttie@gmail.com

Uniting Church, Fellowship Room, Castlemaine

## **Plato's Dialogues**

Apologies; this course will not run in 2017

## **Requiem and After**

is on weeks 1 and 3 each month

## **Versailles and Those Who Made It**

is on the 2, 16 and 30 May