MAY 2026 NEWSLETTER

President's Report

Fred Sacroug

Thank you to U3A Townsville members who attended our March AGM. I am honoured to be your President for 2026. I want to thank the outgoing committee members for their dedication and commitment to the roles that they took on. It's not easy to put your hand up to contribute your valuable time to assist, so I thank you for that. To the new and returning committee members, I look forward to working with you to continue what you and all former committee members have achieved to keep moving forward.

Our Admin Volunteers and Tutors/Facilitators keep U3A running smoothly every single day: your passion for sharing your knowledge and generosity with your time are the heart of our organisation. Your contributions are valued by everyone.

March has been all about settling into our new space — and what a difference it's making. After years of working comfortably, but a little too snuggly, we finally made the move into larger premises with plenty of natural light. The best part is that we didn't have to go far at all; we're still right here on the same property, just with more space and it's closer to the car park.

The transition wasn't without its bumps. Between shifting furniture, reorganising equipment and navigating a few days of mild chaos, there were moments when things felt a bit out of rhythm. Thank you for your patience during that temporary disruption. Now that the dust has settled, the payoff is clear: a brighter, more spacious environment. There's something energising about starting a new year in a fresh space — it naturally sparks ideas, motivation, and a sense of possibility.

With the move behind us, we're turning our attention to the year ahead. But one challenge we may have this year is to find another new space. The property has been sold, so another relocation may be necessary later.

I look forward to working with all of you as we continue to grow, strengthen, and celebrate this wonderful community.

Fred Sacroug

WHAT IS SUCCESS?
To laugh often and much;
to appreciate the beauty;
to find the best in others;
to know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived; to win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children;
to earn the appreciation of honest critics and endure the betrayal of false friends.
to leave the world a bit better, whether by a healthy child, a garden patch or a redeemed social condition;
This is to have succeeded! ~ Ralph Waldo Emerson

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Outgoing President's Report.

Pauline Woodbridge OAM

It has been my pleasure to act as our Branch President for 5 years and now at my 6th Annual General Meeting, it is time for me to step down from that role. There is no doubt that the last few years have thrown out a range of challenges which, with the support of the membership, the Committee members have dealt with very well.

We have another challenge this year and like the past times, Covid, and the change of leadership at Townsville Senior Citizens, this challenge was not of our doing. The premises at Vincent has been purchased by Sunny care Residential and Home Care Services. Our present lease expires at the end of June, so the committee was once again on the hunt to find an affordable space that meets our requirements for a classroom, an office, air conditioning, storage, good parking and is accessible for members.

In my years of involvement, I have found being part of the enthusiastic committee very rewarding, supportive and productive. I acknowledge and thank my fellow committee members, the Tutors and the Administration volunteers, for stepping up and providing the many elements that make the organisation work so well.

Saying that, as I finish up my President role, I intend to continue with the committee in the role of promoting the benefits of U3A Membership.

I hope this AGM brings the enthusiasm and commitment that ensures we continue as a significant support for seniors in our community. The biggest thanks go to all the members who register each year ensuring we have a vibrant, viable and rewarding local branch.

U3A's New Premises

Pauline Woodbridge OAM

As we settle comfortably into A1 in Ronan Street, Vincent, we can reflect on the reason our branch found themselves needing to move our office again. The electrical wires running to D Block and other buildings on the Fulham Road side had the copper stripped from the wires and stolen. We were no longer able to operate our D4 office space. The new owners of the complex are in Brisbane and over many calls and many days we negotiated with them about suitable space for us to use. They agreed to us using part of the A1 block, that had laid unoccupied for the past ten years. Over subsequent days, with the help of many volunteers, we moved our furniture and equipment between the two locations. There was some difficulty in dealing with the owners remotely and hold ups with getting multiple keys for the tutors and committee members. As a result, the unfortunate outcome was the closure of the Vincent operations for three weeks. All the members who have been in the new space have been impressed with the generous rooms we now have.

We held our Annual General Meeting in the large classroom. We look forward to a fresh start with the recommencement our classes at Vincent. Our current Lease is until end of June. During last few years we have found ourselves moving a few times and we are hopeful we will remain in A1 for the foreseeable future as the new owners carry out the planning to convert the complex to an older persons care home. How long that process may take is anyone's guess. In the meantime, we can enjoy the space we now occupy.

Some of the volunteers that assisted with the move, Wendy (astronomy tutor), Anne and Rita from admin and Pauline Woodbridge.

Octavian Pauline was dynamic in finding the new location, cleaning, packing, moving and motivating others to join her with the move. Special thanks to Larry Fraser overseeing the management of the keys and Christine Titmus for keeping communications open while travelling on leave.

GLIMPSES OF THE PAST Margaret Hooper's memories

I am almost 92, which means I grew up in a very different era to today's young people. I would like to share some childhood memories with you.

When I was nine years old, dad went share-farming in Allora, with my aunt, who had been recently widowed. As the eldest, I drove a horse and sulky to school with my sister and two cousins. There was horse paddock at school, so the big boys would un-harness the horse and harness her again in the afternoon.

Before I went to school I had to milk nine cows by hand. I still remember how I hated being woken by dad while it was still dark to do the milking.

One day when I was riding to school the horse shied at a train. I fell off and she trampled on my forehead. I carried on to school and spent the day lying in the dormitory. Mum and dad made me ride home.

While in Allora, two girls were evacuated from boarding school in Townsville to Allora convent, because of the war. Quite an experience for 10-year-olds. Their names were Shirley O'Sullivan and Maragret Rail. They could even be reading this newsletter! We had air raid trenches in the school yard, and we had air raid drill. When the war ended, we were in Warwick and I remember the church bells ringing.

Some of the games we played were queenie-o, hide and seek, what's the time Mr Wolf, brandings, hopscotch and skipping.

Growing up there was no TV, so we had singsongs around the pianola. Dad loved music. I still have the pianola cabinet where the rolls were kept.

As a teenager I went to lots of country dances. The whole family used to go. The ladies made a delicious supper, while the men played euchre and the littlies slept on the floor. Prior to getting married there was a Gift Evening (Dances) and the couple received the proceeds. I don't remember how much we got.

I look forward to reading other people's stories.

Please send your stories to Anne at the U3A office. **admin@u3atownsville.com**

TODAY

This is the beginning of a new day given to me to use as I will. I can waste it or use it for good. What I do today is important because I am exchanging a day of my life for it.

When tomorrow comes, this day will be gone forever, leaving it its place something I have traded for it. I want it to be for gain and not loss, good and not evil, success not failure, in order that I do not regret the price I paid for it.

TAKE TIME

Take time to think— it is the source of power
Take time to play—it is the secret to perpetual youth
Take time to read—it is the fountain of wisdom
Take time to love and be loved—it is a privilege
Take time to laugh—it is the music of the soul
Take time to give—it is too short a day to be selfish
Take time to work—it is the price of success.

Why I Joined U3A

FRED SACROUG

When I first retired, I'll admit I was a little worried about how I'd fill my time. After years of routines, deadlines, and the 'daily grind,' I suddenly had a calendar full of empty white squares. I didn't just want to 'retire' from work - I wanted to start a new chapter. That's when I discovered U3A Townsville, through the assistance of Volunteering North Queensland.

I joined for two simple reasons: to keep my brain active by working in the office and to get to know people in a community-minded environment.

I've found that joining U3A Townsville isn't just about picking up a hobby or an interest. It's about the coffee and the chats afterwards. It's about meeting people who have lived incredible lives and have wonderful stories to tell and share.

Here I am today, as the President, and this is a chapter within the chapter. I look forward to getting to know as many of you as possible.

MARGARET HOOPER

I am 92 and have been playing mahjong for about 47 years.

An elderly friend had a set that a family member had brought back from overseas and a lady from church said she would teach us to play. Initially, four of us played at one another's houses at night. After a few years a couple of the ladies moved away.

Soon after, I heard about U3A and joined. I play three times a week and am so grateful I learned to play. I call it my 'sanity saver!'

RITA TOMBA

I'm a new retiree of 3 years and enjoying the freedom of no longer being bound by working hours. I'm still exploring options in terms of volunteering, but I had heard of U3A many years ago while I was still working and I began looking at the U3A website regularly to find out more. I am now a volunteer admin / office person at U3A and enjoying my sessions, following up on enquires via email and telephone and meeting so many new people.

I've enjoyed the Friday Talks and look forward to more this year. I enjoyed being part of the Scrabble group for a short time, I've also attended some of the Science classes. I enjoy being a member of U3A and I look forward to attending more classes in 2026.

Women over 65 are much more likely than men to engage in informal volunteering (e.g., helping neighbours, community members), with 51.3% of women doing so compared to 41.5% of men. Source: April edition of Trcota newsletter.

KAREN FOURIE

Arriving in Australia 21 years ago from South Africa, I landed up in Bunbury, WA with my husband at the time & our 4 sons. We had to escape from Rhodesia, losing all our family's inheritance of a farm, moving to South Africa. Fifteen years later, the horrendous crime and having four sons with no future there, we were driven to follow other family members to Australia in 2006. We lived in WA for 16 years, but due to my marriage ending I moved to Cairns for 'a six-month break'. And then covid hit! I landed up being stuck in Babinda, QLD for 2.5 years before I could return to WA. Went back and could not settle because I had fallen in love with Queensland. I somehow landed up here in Townsville and have slowly been finding my feet again. My sons are still in WA, so I am alone here.

I have done some bus driving for a Christian school after closing my small shop and now I am happy to come on board and be of assistance to U3A Townsville, as the Class Coordinator. Taking over from Antonia Gerrard is no small feat, so please come alongside me and help if you can! I'm just a creative girl looking to enjoy what U3A has to offer and meet some awesome people on the journey. I have many creative talents and a storage container full of creative stock just waiting to be used, so please contact me if you would like to make use of them to do a class.

I have started a friendly **Canasta** "Key Wild" group. We meet on **Tuesdays & Thursdays – 9.30am – 1.30pm** in the **new Vincent rooms**. Please come along & BYO lunch. You can register your interest with the admin people or just show up. **admin@u3atownsville.com**

U3A HISTORY GROUP INVITATION

The History Group are having an Excursion to The Cowboys House. An invitation is extended to the general membership of U3A to join us.

WHERE **COWBOYS HOUSE, HUGH STREET, PIMLICO**
WHEN **TUESDAY 28TH APRIL 2026**
TIME **2pm to 4pm**

AFTERNOON TEA WILL BE PROVIDED
PLEASE DO NOT PARK ON THEIR FORECOURT

FURTHER DETAILS: Nanette Grace - 0499 892 558/Michele Cloonan 0404 689 252

MAHJONG

Mahjong players were treated with some Easter festivities with a cute presentation by Pat Caddies, chocolate Easter eggs and cheesecake provided by Lorraine Heath. Chinese heritage Annie provided lime popcorn brought back from her American travels. Delicious. We are so fortunate to have such generous members.

5 CROWNS CARD GROUP

Change of Venue

The Card Group has moved from Aitkenvale Library to one of the rooms at our new venue in the U3A A1 building at **Vincent**. It will be at the same time with the same tutor, Kaye Martin.

WHERE: A1 U3A Rooms Vincent
WHEN: Wednesdays
TIME: 1.30 – 3.30p.m.
Cost: $2

SPANISH CLASS

Jane Miguel is the new tutor for the Spanish class, taking over from Graham Collins, who has retired.

WHERE: Vincent U3A Room
WHEN: Tuesdays
TIME: 9.30a.m. to 11.00a.m.
Cost: $2

SPEAK CANTONESE AND WRITE IN CHINESE

The U3A Chinese Class is about **CANTONESE** speaking, not MANDARIN. Learn traditional Chinese writing. Class structure is flexible.

Tutor: Phoebe Chan
WHERE: Private Residence
WHEN: Wednesdays
TIME: 3.30p.m.-5.00pm.
Cost: $2

YOGA: **Not** chair yoga. Not suitable for people with serious mobility / health issues

Tutor **Jan Harvey,** our Yoga Guru classes
Venue: Ba Hai Community Hall (Airconditioned)
67 Morey Street, Sth Townsville.
Day: Wednesdays **Term 2** Apr. 29 – 24 June;
Term 3 29 July – 2 Sept.
Time: 9.30a.m.-10.30a.m.
Cost: $5pp to cover the hall costs.
What to bring: mat, block, and comfy clothes.
All are welcome. Get fit and have some fun!

New Classes Promoted this year

We have a few new courses and the latest update to our existing courses. Please always check our website for any changes to your course, at www.u3atownsville.com

If you are interested in any of the new classes, please register with Karen on (0466 590 330) or the Office: admin@u3atownsville.com

MENS SINGING GROUP

Facilitator: Russell Savage
Venue: **Classes** held upstairs at the Centenary Hotel, Pimlico
Time: 5.30 – 7.30pm Monday nights (8-week blocks during school terms)
Cost: **No** fee for venue
This group is open to any bloke who likes to sing with no prior experience or level of expertise is required. Classes include vocal exercises and learning fun songs suitable for male voices.
There is space for 10 new participants each term, possibly more if the need arises.

STRICTLY CLASSICAL GUITAR

If you are interested in learning Classical Guitar commencing in **July** with **Phil Young**, please register your interest with the admin people. Due to numbers, people may be waitlisted. admin@u3atownsville.com
WHERE: U3A Rooms, Vincent
WHEN: Monday 11.30a.m. to 12.30p.m. **Cost:** $2

CANASTA

A **Canasta** "Key Wild" group has begun. You can **register** your interest with **Karen Fourie (0466 590 330)** or just show up.
WHERE: U3A Rooms, Vincent
WHEN: Tuesdays and Thursdays
TIME: 8.45a.m. to 1.30p.m. BYO Lunch
BEGINNERS: Saturdays 2nd May at 1.00p.m. to 3.30p.m.
COST $2

PEGS and JOKERS

WHERE: U3A Vincent Rooms
WHEN: Fridays
TIME: 10a.m. to 1p.m.
COST: $2
TUTOR: Ricky Jordan
Register your interest.
admin@u3atownsville.com

Pegs & Jockers is a team-based strategy board game (often 4-8 players) where players use cards to move five pegs around a track, aiming to get all pegs into their 'home' area before opponents. Players start with five cards, drawing one per turn to move, and must use face cards or aces to enter the track.

MAHJONG

A **new session** of Mahjong is starting on **Wed June 3**.
Register your interest with admin@u3atownsville.com by **Fri. May 22**
WHERE: U3A Vincent rooms. (Late comers may be accommodated.)
WHEN: Wednesday
TIME: 1p.m. to 4p.m. Cost $3
Tutor and **Coordinator:** Christine Douglas.
BYO: Cup and mahjong set if you have one.

BYO CRAFT TO DO

Creative “tactile materials” meet, where members can enjoy working with their hands across a variety of crafts. Activities may include sewing, mosaic, handcrafts, air-dry pottery, bag-making, beading, macramé, small woodwork projects, or whatever inspires you.
It’s a flexible and welcoming space to explore your creativity at your own pace, share ideas, and learn from one another. Each quarter, we’ll also invite a guest crafter to guide the group through a special project, offering new skills and inspiration along the way.

WHERE: Thursday
WHEN: U3A Vincent Rooms
TIME: 1-4pm. Cost $2
Tutor: Joanne Gilesppie.
BYO: Your own project to work on.
Register your interest with the admin people at U3A. **admin@u3atownsville.com**

MAKING PHOTOBOOKS USING SNAPFISH -

Commencing **May 23 – 27 June**
Do you have lots of photos and want to turn them into photo books? Have you seen other people’s photo books and want to learn how to make ones for yourself? What photo-book providers are on the market, and which are the better ones?

Recommended: BYO your own laptop **after** the first session to work on your own projects.
NOTE: Course does not show you how to get photos on to your laptop. Downloading the app to your phone to work on is not recommended.
6 weeks course.

WHERE: **U3A Vincent Rooms**
WHEN: **Saturdays**
TIME: **10a.m. – 12p.m. Cost $2**
Tutor: Anne Thomson
Register your interest. **admin@u3atownsville.com**

Morning Melodies: U3A **Social Event**. Join other U3A members to attend the Morning Melodies at the Townsville Civic Centre, Boundary St.
Register your interest as a group at **U3A admin**. **admin@u3atownsville.com**

June 9: Tuesday 11am – 12.30pm. **$15 -20.** The **Frankies. Valli & Sinatra.**
July 22: Wednesday. 11am – 12.30pm. **$15 -20. Eva Cassidy. Bloom.**

Fridays are **FUN DAYS** and the start to a weekend. What better idea than to come and play a few board games with others. Come for an hour, come for three. You are welcome to come and go as you please. We will have some games ready for players in the main teaching room, just come along.

Firstly, we have the SCRABBLE group who are in the room next door, they would love to have you come test your word skills.

Then, we have Rocky & Sherry Jordan who are starting a game called "PEGS & JOKERS". A game that can adapt in player numbers while you chase around the connecting arms to move your pegs home. Great game to get you thinking strategically.

We will have CHESS, WORDSUP, BANANAGRAMS, RUMMIKUB, SEQUENCE, JIGSAW PUZZLE and CARDS to choose from. Love your games? Come along on Fridays and have a go.

DO YOU HAVE A COURSE THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO PROPOSE?

Contact **Karen Fourie (0466 590 330)** to discuss content, venue, time and day plus costs involved.

Download or ask for a Course Proposal form to be sent to you.

U3A WALKING GROUP - MAY TO AUGUST

Meet on Fridays at 6.45am for 7am start – 8.15

Coordinator: Angela Ward. Phone U3A office **4724-3530** for details

Please bring your: hat, sunscreen, water bottle, & wear comfortable shoes.

May	1	Alpins Weir Carpark Cnr O'Reilly & Burt St	Mundingburra side, downstream.
	8	Reana Park, Greenwood Dr, Kirwan	Catchment area & park
	15	56 Yolanda Dr. (Small shopping centre)	Annandale circuit
	22	Otto's carpark. 12 Village Dr, Idalia.	Ross River upstream
	29	Rossiter Park, Kimball St, Aitkenvale	Ross River, upstream.
June	5	Carpark at roundabout, Pallarenda.	Lagoons Walk
	12	Palmer St. (Near Maritime Museum)	Palmer St to Cruise Ship Terminal
	19	Weir School Carpark	Riverway Loop
	26	End of Carmody St. Hermit Park	Bicentennial Park Circuit
July	3	Borrow Pits, Riverside Dr. On right, just before Ross Rr Daem	Walk round Pit. Option to view dam.
	10	Tobruk Pool, The Strand, North Ward	Anzac Park to The Ville
	17	Robertson Park, Cape Pallarenda Rd. (3 Mile Creek Carpark.)	Foreshore towards city.
	24	Alpins Weir. Cnr O'Reilly & Burt St	Annandale side, downstream
	31	Cnr. Pallarenda Rd & Esk St. (Rowes Bay, (beachside)	Soroptimist Park & foreshore to Jezzine
Aug	7	Roundabout at Riverside Blvd & Riverbend Ave, Douglas	Ross River downstream
	14	Otto's carpark. 12 Village Dr, Idalia.	Fairfield Waters, downstream,
	21	Park near "Chubby Magpie" Café, 71 Eyre St.	Queens Garden
	28	Palmetum Carpark	Ross River, upstream

*On behalf of U3A, I wish to **thank Chris Bugeja** and the team at **Computer Workshop** for their generosity as being a sponsor of U3A Townsville.* Larry Frazer, U3A Treasurer.

U3A Townsville Class Timetable	
Monday:	
Be Connected: Basic Computer (Aitkenvale) **Time: Session 1: 9.00am – 10.00am** **Tutor: Malcolm Hall** **Location: Aitkenvale Library**	**Session 2: 10.00am – 11.00am** **BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL**
Mahjong **Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm** **Location: Riverway Library**	**Tutor: Anne Thomson**
Craft Group **Time: 9.00am – 11.00am** **Location: U3A Vincent**	**Tutor: Genevieve Caldwell**
Book Club Vincent 3rd Monday of the Month **Time: 10.00am – 11.00am** **Location: U3A Vincent**	**Tutor: Antonia Gerrard**
Strictly Classical Guitar **Time: 11.30am - 12.30pm** **Location: U3A Vincent**	**Tutor: Phil Young**
Family History & Ancestry DNA **Time: 10.00am - 3.15pm** **Location: Aitkenvale Library**	**Tutor: Angela Cundy**
Book Club Flinders St 2nd Monday of the Month **Time: 12.00pm – 1.00pm** **Location: Flinders St Library**	**Tutor: Christine Stewart**
Amateur Astronomy **Time: 1.00pm – 2.00pm** **Location: U3A Vincent**	**Tutor: Bill Simpkins**
Mens Singing Group **Time: 5.30pm – 7.30pm** **Location: Centenary Hotel, 37 French St, Pimlico**	**Tutor: Russell Savage**
Tuesday:	
Canasta Key Wild **Time: 8.50am – 1.00pm** **Location: U3A Vincent**	**Tutor: Karen Fourie**
Spanish Conversation **Time: 9.30am – 11.00am** **Location: U3A Vincent**	**Tutor: Jane Miguel**
Creative Writing **Time: 9.30am - 12.00pm** **Location: Suite 106, 228-244, Riverside Boulevard, Douglas,**	**BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL** **Tutor: Margaret Pepper**
Computer Programming **Time: 12.00pm - 1.00pm** **Location: Private Residence**	**Tutor: David Browning**
Guitar Lessons **Time: 12.00pm to 1.00pm Beginners** **Time: 1.30pm – 3.30pm Intermediate** **Location: U3A Vincent**	**Tutor: Phil Young**

History **Time: 2.00pm – 4.00pm** **Location: Oonoonba Community Centre, 2 Shannon Street, Oonoonba**	**Tutor: Andy Cole & Michele Cloonan**
Wednesday:	
Tai Chi **Time: 8.00am – 9.00am Beginners** **Location: PCYC 126 Wellington St Aitkenvale**	**Tutor: Johannes Boyke**
Creative Art **Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm** **Location: U3A Vincent**	**Tutor: Kate Eagling**
Yoga **Time: 9.30am – 10.30pm** **Location: Ba Hai Community Hall 65 Mory St South Townsville**	**Tutor: Jan Harvey**
Philosophy **Time: 10.00am – 11.30am** **Location: Aitkenvale Library**	**Tutor: Neil Renison, Madonna Drew**
Mahjong **Time: 1.00pm - 4.00pm** **Location: U3A Vincent**	**Tutor: Christine Douglas**
Indonesian Language and Culture **Time: 12.00pm – 1.30pm** **Location: Aitkenvale Library**	**Tutor: Anni Hurst, Val Colquhoun—Coordinator**
5 Crowns Card Group **Time: 1.30pm - 3.30pm** **Location: U3A Vincent**	**Tutor: Kaye Martin**
Speak Cantonese, Write Chinese **Time: 3.30pm - 5.00pm** **Location: Private Residence**	**Tutor: Phoebe Chan**
Thursday:	
Canasta Key Wild **Time: 8.50am – 1.00pm** **Location: U3A Vincent**	**Tutor: Karen Fourie**
Digital Photography **Time: 9.00am - 11.00am** **Location: U3A Vincent**	**Tutor: John Webster**
French, Conversation **Time: 11.30am – 1.00pm** **Location: 382B Charles St, Kirwan**	**Tutor: Georgina Valdeter**
Science **Time: 1.00pm – 2.00pm** **Location: U3A Vincent**	**Tutor: John Webster, Ian Cormack**
BYO Craft to do **Time: 1.00pm – 4.00pm** **Location: U3A Vincent**	**Tutor: Joanne Gillespie**
Friday:	
Walking **Time: 6.45am – 8.00am** **Location: Various Walking Paths**	**SEE WEBSITE FOR PROGRAM** **Tutor: Angela Ward**
Harmonica **Time: 9.00am – 10.00am** **Location: U3A Vincent**	**Every 2nd week** **Tutor: Scott McInnes**

Basic Computer & Technology (Riverway)	
Time: Session 1: 9.00am - 10.00am	**Session 2: 10.00am – 11.00am**
Tutor: Gaye Higgins | Malcolm Hall	**Ivor Preston**
Location: Riverway Library	**BOOKING ESSENTIAL**
Mahjong	
Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm	**Tutor: Anne Thomson**
Location: Riverway Library	
Friday Fun Day - Various Board Games	
Time: 10.00am - 1.00pm	**Tutor: Various - Karen Fourie**
Venue: U3A Vincent	
Scrabble	
Time: 10.00am – 12.30pm	**Tutor: Kate Eagling**
Location: U3A Vincent	
Saturday:	
Making Photobooks using Snapfish	**Starts May 23rd**
Time: 10.00am - 12.00pm	**Tutor: Anne Thomson**
Venue: U3A Vincent	
Canasta Key Wild Beginners	
Time: 1.00pm – 3.30pm	**Tutor: Karen Fourie**
Location: U3A Vincent	
All enquiries to admin@u3atownsville.com Phone; 4724 3530	
Magnetic Island ONLY - See Below	
Monday	
Monday Talks, Magnetic Island	
Time: 10.00am – 12.00pm	**Tutor: TBA**
Location: RSL Arcdia	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
French	
Time: 8.15am – 10.30am	**Tutor: Una Glavin**
Location: Private Residence	
U3A Singers, Magnetic Island	
Time: 06:00pm-07:30pm	**Tutor: Una Glavin**
Location: St Margaret's Anglican Church Endeavour St, Arcadia	
Thursday	
Recorder Ensemble, Magnetic Island	
Time: 8.15am – 10.30am	**Tutor: Una Glavin**
Location: Private Residence	
Friday	
Italian Elementary	
Time: 10:00am-12:00pm	**Tutor: Lucia Parigi/Facilitator Dian Strand**
Location: Private Residence	
Please report any errors or omissions to the U3A Office.	

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Important Dates for 2026

QLD School Terms:

Term 2: Mon 20 Ap — Fri 26 June

Term 3: Mon 13 July — Fri 18 Sept

Term 4: Tue 6 Oct — Fri 11 Dec

Next Newsletter deadline for articles & photos is **Tues July. 14.** Preferably before.