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Promotion and Launch of the Eltham Campus

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Tale of Two Campuses

I am pleased to confirm that our Eltham campus will become a reality in July when we will offer at least 10 courses at venues close to the centre of Eltham town. My congratulations and thanks to all those who have helped to make what once seemed an improbable dream into reality.

Importantly, the new Eltham campus has been achieved in a way and with a spirit which I believe can only strengthen our foundation campus at Hurstbridge particularly through the closer relationship which the development process has created with the Nillumbik Shire Council.

This special edition of our newsletter is for both existing and prospective members of the two campuses.

Inside this newsletter you will see a call for volunteers to assist with promotion for our new campus and at the Launch of this exciting project on Thursday 5th July. You can also play an important part by sharing this newsletter with friends whom you think may be interested,

U3A aims to establish low cost, learning cooperatives of mature age people to encourage healthy ageing through sharing educational, creative and leisure activities is particularly well suited to the Nillumbik Shire demographic.

The Eltham and District Community Bank branch has agreed to be the first course sponsor for the new Eltham campus. The Community Bank was helpful during the establishment of the original Nillumbik U3A campus at Hurstbridge and their commitment to the new venture is most welcome. Premises and equipment are significant costs in setting up a U3A campus and any assistance helps.

Thanks must also go to the ongoing support of the Nillumbik Community Health Service and the Nillumbik Shire Council.

So, to all members and prospective members I wish you many fulfilling hours of learning, sharing and friendship. Our U3A is run by volunteers among our membership. If you feel you can contribute in any way it will add to a rich and vibrant U3A Nillumbik. Here's to the next chapter!

Doug Rutherford

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR PROMOTION OF NILLUMBIK U3A ELTHAM CAMPUS

The plan to promote our new Eltham campus has drawn support from the Eltham Community Market, the Eltham Village Shopping Centre and the Shire of Nillumbik.

They have all offered help to publicize the new campus. To make the most of their support we are going to need a lot of volunteer assistance to staff information tables.

If you are a U3A Nillumbik member or a prospective member of the new Eltham Campus and can make some time available we would love to hear from you.

Contact the Roster Secretary - Rob Rankin on 0417 509 311

or email rrankin@bigpond.net.au

and let him know where and when you can help.

Here is the program of events and dates where help is needed:

INFORMATION DAYS

- **Sunday May 20 and June 17th 8 a.m. -2 p.m.**

Eltham Community Market Panther Place Eltham (Near the Library)

INFORMATION AND MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION DAYS

- **Thursday June 28 10 a.m.-5 p.m.**
- **Friday June 29 10 a.m. -5 p.m.**
- **Saturday June 30 10 a.m. -1 p.m.**

Eltham Village Shopping Centre (Coles Arcade)

LAUNCH DAY and enrollment in classes

- **Thursday July 5 12 noon to 6 p.m.**

Eltham Community and Reception Centre



CAN YOU HELP?



INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER?

In order to enrol in courses with U3A Nillumbik it is necessary to become a member. The cost is \$40 per year and this allows you to attend any classes of your choice as long as the class numbers permit.

THERE ARE A NUMBER OF WAYS TO BECOME A MEMBER:

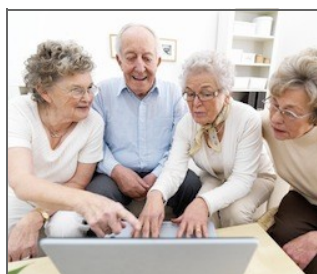
- Print off the membership form included with this newsletter, fill it out and post it with a cheque to **Nillumbik U3A, PO Box 322 Hurstbridge 3099**
or
- Download a membership form from U3A Nillumbik website:
<http://home.vicnet.net.au/~nillu3a>
or
- Phone **0438 992 513** or email: nillumbiku3a@live.co and request a membership form to be posted to you.
or
- Attend the information days and pay and join instantly.
28 & 29 June 10am-5pm U3A Information Booth at
Eltham Village Shopping Centre

*As a member of U3a Nillumbik you are able to attend courses at both the
Hurstbridge and Eltham campuses.*

WHEN AND WHERE WILL THE ELTHAM COURSES BE HELD?

The draft timetable for courses has been developed and this will be firmed up over the next 4-6 weeks with a view to **commence in the week beginning July 16th.**

Offers have been made of two classroom venues in **central Eltham.** One or both will be used to commence the program for the Eltham campus.



COURSES OFFERED IN ELTHAM AND HURSTBRIDGE

Thanks to those who have already volunteered to offer courses to get the new Eltham campus on the way.

The range of courses to date for Eltham includes:

Value Investing	Latin
Creative Writing	The Power Within
The Story of Air	Life writing
Social Humanism	Astronomy and Cosmology
The History and Mystery of Chemistry	French
Card Games	Poetry Writing
Italian	Effective Communications
Playing Bridge	The History of Glass Making in Australia
Public Speaking and Debating	Greek Island Travel

Hurstbridge campus has some well-established courses, thanks to the generosity of their tutors. These include:

Mind Games and Brain Gym	Music Appreciation
Spanish For Fun	Earth in the Cosmos
Contract Bridge	Art
French	Australian History through Music
Current Affairs	Computers—Beginners
Short Story and Poetry	Craft
Recorder	Sustainable Living

Eltham Campus are also looking for course leaders for -

- basic computing including selecting and buying the computer you need; to sending, filing and deleting E-Mails; managing internet banking; storing, filing and printing digital photographs; and on to power point, desk top publishing; playing, transferring and storing music; E-Books; etc.
- current affairs involving selecting and chairing discussions about matters of international, national, state and local importance possibly involving external specialist presenters
- local history involving organizing a program of speakers from the Eltham Historical Society and other specialists

The course development team is also exploring a number of other potential courses including genealogy, jazz appreciation and Tai Chi.

If you have any ideas or think you can help, please contact John Stuyfbergen on 9844 0208 or e-mail: j.stuyfbergen@latrobe.edu.au.

When you have finished reading this Newsletter, please pass it on to a friend who might be interested in becoming a member of U3A Nillumbik.

As you can see from our Newsletter, we have some interesting courses and all new members will be warmly welcomed.