

## **\$ 5,000 GRANTS UPDATE - HELP PLEASE?**

Our application to the Federal Government's *Be Connected* department has been very well received and, in order to be awarded the \$ 5,000, we need to register at least 30 of us on their website; we have about 23 so far. Each person needs to create their own account, as follows. The Training Centre is U3A Wheelers Hill in the drop down list:

<https://beconnected.esafety.gov.au/login/signup.php?>

We **urgently** need funds to expand our Smartphones for Dummies courses, which the Government is keen for us to do as part of their wish to teach older Australians how to use their Smartphones, Tablets (iPads) and home computers. New courses will include Tablets for Dummies and PC's for Dummies, among others.

So, please help us by allowing me to register you on the Be Connected website by sending me your NAME, EMAIL and Date of Birth by email or phone (**0419 332 498**). By COB Wed this week or just phone me.

Finally, we received an initial grant of \$ 1,500 from them, with which we are buying new classroom equipment presently

**Tony Danino**

## **Great news**

***FREE Flu Vaccination***      **Fight the Flu**

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June at 1 Jacksons Road - U3A Wheelers Hill all members so register by email [u3awheelershill@gmail.com](mailto:u3awheelershill@gmail.com) or ph 8822 8376 and book a time. **YES** we have vaccine.

***Security*** as many of you know has been tightened because of the Childrens Centre here at 1 Jacksons Road. Please acknowledge those who have given their time to support your class entry.

***Welcome Team*** U3A Wheelers Hill is in need of people to be part of the **Welcome Team**.

The Welcome Team members greet our members and ensure that they get to their classes, ensure that the class leader has the attendance register, the doors are opened and locked as well as looking after heating and cooling as required. You will be handling enquiries and taking phone calls too. Your role is one of importance. Phone 8822 8376 or sends us an email to show your interest.

***Emergency:*** Two weeks ago there was a medical emergency at U3A Wheelers Hill. The tutor was put in a very awkward situation because the member did not have their U3A I.D badge, refused the support to get her home and held up volunteers for some considerable time until a family member arrived. As the person was unable to drive this became a very difficult situation. **HAVE YOUR I.D.** emergency contact with you at all times when on U3A Wheelers Hill activities.

We will call an ambulance in future.

**Taboo Topics:** Yesterday there was a lively discussion in Taboo Topics around price gouging especially concerning petrol prices. This led to a wide variety of ideas and concepts around power, availability of product and international products to name but a few. Next week the topic will be VCAT (Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal) – town planning, local community...

**Great Courses:** *We are starting a series of Great Courses which will be guided by interested members here at U3A Wheelers Hill.* These will start in June with a date to be verified. 1<sup>st</sup> The Science of Flight, 2<sup>nd</sup> July will go ahead with Your Deceptive Mind, a Scientific Guide to Critical Thinking Skills, 3<sup>rd</sup> Food Science and the Human Body, 4<sup>th</sup> Scepticism 101: How to Think Like a Scientist.

Can you help with a short series or a one off presentation?

### **NEW CLASSROOM EQUIPMENT - BUY**

We have ordered the following equipment to help our Course Leaders deliver their courses:

- Whiteboards on wheels, 1.2 x 0.9m Qty 2
- Overhead projector screen Qty 1

In addition, we hope to buy more equipment as follows:

- Electronic whiteboard with paper printer
- Overhead projector (we have 1 already)
- Overhead projector stands, quantity 2
- Tablets for our new Tablets for Dummies Course
- Software for our computers

More updates will follow in the next newsletter, by which time we should hopefully have heard that we have won a \$ 5,000 Grant from the federal government.

**Next Newsletter:** We ask [you](#) to send in news and stories for the Newsletter to [u3awheelershill@gmail.com](mailto:u3awheelershill@gmail.com) It is so good to hear of your experiences.

**Stop Press:** Have you submitted your name, email and DOB to Tony Danino?

See above. Support you U3A by close of business Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> i.e. this week!

Cheers to you all

Judy Cox, President, U3A Wheelers Hill.