



Message from the President

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### **QR Codes**

By now you would have seen posters with QR Codes displayed across all Monash facilities. Whilst I can't confirm QR Codes are displayed at all other non-Monash facilities where our U3A have classes, I'd be surprised if they are not. The mandatory use of QR Codes came into effect across Victoria in April this year and is necessary for contact tracing and electronic record keeping purposes in the event of potential exposure to confirmed COVID cases and individuals need to be contacted. Curiously, some of these posters have been taken down, gone missing or moved and Monash is having to continually replace them and have requested all users of the facilities to **not remove or move the posters**. When you enter any of the premises (just as you do at restaurants and other premises), please ensure you check in by scanning the QR Codes. Businesses and individuals may be exposed to fines and penalties for inadequate record keeping.

As you will be aware, U3A Wheelers Hill implemented a sign-in register at all our classes from Term 1 this year. The tutors may appoint someone to assist or remind you to sign-in but it remains your responsibility to do so.

Please ensure you sign-in when attending - even when you are there on guest appearance.

### **New DANCE FITNESS class – More places available!**

We've had an overwhelming response to this new class; by the second day the enrolment opened, it was already over-subscribed!

In response, Jenny, the tutor has agreed to open up the class to allow additional members to enrol. We have also been able to secure the large Sports Hall at the Southern Community Centre to cater for the extra numbers. Numbers are limited even if the space allows.

Beyond the additional numbers, you will need to stay on waiting list until someone leaves. So, get in quick!

### **Winter Webinar – Exploring the hidden harms of gambling**

Attached is a flyer for a 3-session webinar series that CaseyU3A and Gamblers Help is conducting on Zoom in June. It may be of interest or useful to someone you may happen to know or you may simply want to be informed or be a part of such discussions.

Instructions to join the webinars are in the attachment.

All the best and Happy days!

Ann Findlay, President

## A Winter webinar series: Exploring the hidden harms of gambling

(brought to you by CaseyU3A and Gamblers Help)

Did you know Australia has recorded the worst Gambling losses, per head of population, in the world? (and it has nothing to do with one's capabilities!)



This series of **free** community talks, with guest speakers, are designed to **inform, to inspire and to create discussions about the impact of gambling.**

### About this Event

**Session 1:** Community change makers - we'll hear from those directly impacted by gambling and how they have turned their lives around.

Wed June 2nd 3:00 - 4:00pm

**Session 2:** The move online and the impact on our young people - we'll learn how potential risks increase with the ease of online advertising and gambling, especially for our younger people.

Wed June 9th 3:00 - 4:00pm

**Session 3:** Loneliness, isolation and the link to gambling harm - we'll explore how these risk factors may lead to gambling harm and discuss how we can support vulnerable people - friends, family and our local communities.

Wed June 16th 3:00 - 4:00pm

### Register today!

To join the webinars - one or all 3 click on this link

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/a-winter-webinar-series-exploring-the-hidden-harms-of-gambling-tickets-152192974283> (a zoom link will be forwarded to you)

Or alternatively simply email Chris and she will forward the Zoom link to you

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