



It's the 4th week back to classes this term 2.

The unfortunate thing is, we are hearing of cases with some of our members testing positive to COVID-19; even though, not rampant, thank goodness!! However, the number of active cases in Victoria remains high and lives continue to be lost. For your peace of mind, I feel it is necessary for us to clarify as a group, how we are managing the situation at our U3A and expect your cooperation in the interest of yours and our members' safety and enjoyment.

Victorian Rules

Click on this link to the Victorian Coronavirus site for current statistics and rules applicable across Victoria; in particular, isolation rules www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au There are a lot of information here on what you need to know about managing Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Victoria.

Monash Facilities

Refer to our January 2022 newsletter for details relating to facilities access. Whilst checking for your vaccination status is no longer required to access Monash, we are continuing our local requirement that all members must be fully vaccinated to attend in-person classes. Accordingly, our system has been updated to require your confirmation of vaccination status before you are allowed to enrol in to classes.

Managing COVID Symptoms at U3A Wheelers Hill

1. If you test positive to COVID-19, you are required to isolate and stay at home for 7 days. Do NOT attend classes again until you have completed the 7-day isolation and confirm you are no longer COVID-19 positive. Refer Point 3 below.
2. Please inform the office immediately, so we can help to manage the situation. Whilst respecting your privacy, you will also understand, we want to make sure our members are aware of any potential exposure so they can manage their own circumstances effectively.
Email to: U3AWheelershill@gmail.com

If you have reason to suspect you were infected at the time you last attended a class, we will inform that class (and/or earlier class/es you attended, if deemed necessary). The tutor will be informed which member has COVID-19, but not the class. Members of these classes who attended classes with you, will be required to perform a Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) and return a Negative result to COVID-19 before they attend another class at U3A.

3. You will be required to confirm a negative test result before returning to your next class after your 7-day isolation.

Masks – Whilst not mandatory, it is highly recommended you wear a mask for your own protection. You are, however, required to carry a mask with you. Should your tutor require you to wear a mask at class, and they are themselves wearing one, then we ask you to comply with this requirement accordingly.

We seek your cooperation to help us keep our members and community safe and healthy.

With regards.. Ann
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