

HAVELOCK NORTH



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Greetings from the President ----

I wish you an Abundant and Joyful 2017.

Our lifetimes have seen many changes to the “norms” of our society, but the results of the recent Brexit and Presidential election in USA have to be eye-openers.

Even living in our beautiful, tranquil and bountiful Hawke's Bay, we will be affected by these results. We also have a different “balance of power” in our Regional Council, a new PM and it is the General Election year in NZ, not forgetting our U3A Havelock North AGM on 9 Feb.

I will “stand again” for the position of President. Most of our current Committee members are available, but we would like another Committee member. Your individual enthusiasm ensures that U3A Havelock North is in good heart.

Meantime, here's a saying that I like ..

**Ability is what you're capable of doing.
Motivation determines what you do.
Attitude determines how well you do it.**

.....Lou Holtz

I look forward to joining you in a dynamic U3A.

Ross McLean, Jan 2017

As usual our U3A year will begin with the Annual General Meeting to be held on Thursday 9th February at 10am.

The meeting will follow our usual format of a coffee morning at the Havelock North Function Centre and the outgoing committee hopes that as many members as possible will come along and enjoy meeting with each other again. See the notice on the next page for further details.

Your committee have agreed to subsidise the usual \$10.00 menu so you only pay **\$5.00** per person to attend, just to cover some of the costs of venue hire and catering. We look forward to as many members as possible attending.

*As the caterers require our numbers attending the AGM it would be appreciated if you could advise of your attendance before **Tuesday the 7th of February. Please notify the Secretary, Trish as soon as possible.***

The AGM also provides a good opportunity to hand in your enrolment form and pay your subscription and any course fees (if applicable) if you have not already done so. For your convenience the enrolment form and group list is included or attached for those that are on the email listing. Our online bank account details are included if you wish to pay by Internet Banking.

Please enrol not later than at the meeting on the 9th February and be sure to nominate which groups you would like to attend.

There is a waiting list for some groups and current financial members will take preference.

Remember - you must be a financial member of U3A to attend any group.

University of the Third Age (U3A) Havelock North, New Zealand.

The objects of the Society shall be:-

- (1) To advance the educational and social interests of people in the community, particularly the middle-aged and older people who are retired, redundant or unemployed.
- (2) To Provide educational programmes for those who are free during the day, or at such times as are applicable.
- (3) To enable mature people to exercise their minds and thus keep more healthy and active.
- (4) To join with, affiliate to, co-operate with, or assist any similar organization as may seem fit.
- (5) The objects of the Society shall be limited to New Zealand.

The Annual General Meeting of the
Havelock North U3A

Thursday 9th February 2017 at 10.00 a.m. at the Havelock
North Function Centre

The President's report will be followed by the Treasurer's financial
report and by the election of officers for the coming year.

Our speaker for the meeting is:

Roy Sye

Director of Education Hawke's Bay, Tairāwhiti,

Sector Enablement and Support.

Come along and enjoy a get together and excellent morning tea.

\$5.00 per person payable at the door

Includes morning tea or coffee

Spot raffle prizes for members.

**Please do let Trish Loye know if you are coming.
Advise of your attendance before Tuesday 7th February.**

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Roy Sye is a local boy who went to Karamu High School and continued his education at Massey. He has had several appointments around the country and is now back in Hawke's Bay. He is married with two children.

Roy will talk about what's happening in Education today - current trends and priorities.

His talk will include a power point display and should be interesting and informative to us all, with question time to follow.

ELECTION OF COMMITTEE

An important and necessary function of our Annual General Meeting is the election of our committee for the coming year.

Our constitution provides for a committee of at least 5 and up to 9 members including the principal officers of President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Would **YOU** like to join our committee, it is not arduous but a lot of fun at our meetings held approximately once every two months to decide on business matters relating to the running of our U3A.

We would very much like to have another one or two committee members and would appreciate any expressions of interest in the positions.

Dave Ward, our longstanding committee member is retiring from committee this year and we take this opportunity to thank him for all the contributions and service he has provided over the last few years. He will be missed.

Please note that nominations must be received by the Secretary at least seven (7) days before the AGM, and nominees must be a financial member of U3A Havelock North.

Nominations received for our 2017 Committee are:

President	----	Ross McLean
Secretary	----	Trish Loye
Treasurer	----	John Tait

Committee:

Bobbi Allen, Joy Palmer, Joan Sye, Jenny Setford.

Any other nominations are most welcome.

Nomination forms are available from the Secretary, Trish Loye.

Please contact Trish before the 30th January 2017 and a form can be emailed or posted out to interested parties.

Commencing dates for some of our Groups are as follows:

MAHJONG GROUP - Convenor, Janet Hood.

Tuesday, 14th February, commencing at 1.30pm at the Havelock North Bridge Club, Brookvale Rd as usual.

BOOKS, WEDNESDAY - Convenor, Janet Hood.

Wednesday 1st February at 9.30am.

RUMMIKUB GROUP - Convenor, Val Galbraith

Friday 3rd February at the Havelock North Club, Campbell St at 1.30 pm

COMPUTER GROUP - Convenor, Tony Briggs

Monday 27th February at the Havelock North Bridge Club, Brookvale Rd at 2pm.

All others at their usual times and venues. Please contact your Convenor if you wish to confirm any dates.

Any enquiries regarding enrolment, group vacancies, group venues etc please contact your Secretary, Trish Loye by phone or email.

An organisation that may be of interest to members is the:

Royal Society of New Zealand.

They have a Hawke's Bay branch which present a variety of lectures to their members and any one interested in attending. The Society has provided us with the following information on an upcoming lecture to be held on ***Tuesday 31st January 2017, at Holt's Planetarium, Napier Boys High School, Chambers St, Napier, commencing at 7.30pm.***

"Too Many Immigrants"

"Professor Richard Bedford is the President of the Royal Society of New Zealand and is an esteemed leader in his field of Population and Immigration and this presentation addresses an issue of interest, if not concern, for many. On the day of the lecture, the 2016 immigration figures are due to be published and these will be incorporated into the presentation; we cannot be any more up to date than that."

Richard will also touch on the role of the Royal Society of New Zealand as they begin the celebrations of its 150th year. Their meetings are open to the public usually at "No charge" but possibly a gold coin donation.

Further information can be obtained on their website:

www.royalsociety.org.nz

Recent Bereavements

It is with regret that we advise the passing of *Louise Ross* who participated in several groups within our U3A. She will be missed by her many friends and co-members.

The outgoing committee extends best wishes for 2017 to all convenors and members. We hope you enjoy participating in the groups you have chosen. We extend our sincere thanks to the many group convenors and ask our members to give them our support and assistance in the coming year.

Our outgoing committee for 2016

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