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## News Bulletin – 29th October 2021

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### **Annual General Meeting - Friday 12th November**

The **Annual General Meeting** will be held at the Senior Citizens Centre, Tawonga Crescent, Mount Beauty on **Friday 12th November 2021 starting at 10:30 am**.

**NOTE** — There won't be a guest speaker but the Red Cross ladies are providing a lavish morning tea following the meeting. There is **NO** coffee-morning on the 5th of November.

The meeting includes confirmation of minutes of the 2020 AGM, reports from the *president and the treasurer*, the election of office bearers, the setting of membership fees and any other business.

#### **Minutes of 2020 AGM**

#### **Reports**

- [President's Report](#) (Rollo Kiek)
- [Treasurer's Report](#) (Henry Ziemnicki)

Two motions, passed by the committee, will be put to the members to vote on.

1. \* *“That the couple membership category be removed and all members join as individuals”.*
2. *“All convenors for 2022 will have their membership fee waived”.*

Nominations are invited for **executive positions**: president, vice president, secretary and treasurer, and **ordinary committee** positions. **Portfolio positions** that need to be filled include course coordinator, newsletter editor, U-MAS

administrator (including membership management), website administrator, guest speaker coordinator and an events/trips coordinator. **NOTE:** portfolio positions can come from ordinary committee members or other volunteers. Please consider nominating for 2021/22.

- For a Nomination Form click [\[HERE\]](#).
- For a Proxy Form click [\[HERE\]](#)

**Note:** Both forms are in Word format and can be typed into. They will appear in your Download folder or on the Desktop of your computer.

**Nominations must be with the secretary by Wednesday 10th November.**

**Note:** Nominations can also be taken at the meeting for unfilled positions.

\*U-MAS is a single-member system and a 'couple membership' discount is not available. *(The couple-membership discount was only relevant to Alpine U3A years ago when we printed and mailed paper newsletters. We only sent one copy to each household, so couples received a discount due to the savings in postage costs).*

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## The passing of Professor David Wood

It is with sadness that we inform you that **David** passed away last Tuesday after a long battle with cancer. Our condolences go to Elene and the family.

David was a stalwart of Alpine U3A. He was a life member, he held important executive positions and taught a number of courses during his eight years as a member. He was also the driver of the *Probus Club of Mount Beauty*.

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## Film Night is back! Wednesday 10th November 7:00 pm

The seventh screening of the year will be held on Wednesday 10th November starting at 7:00 pm at the Senior Citizens Centre, Tawonga Crescent, Mount Beauty. The movie is called '**Red Joan**' and stars Dame Judi Dench.

It is the story of Joan Stanley, who was exposed as the K.G.B.'s longest-serving British spy. English-born Stanley (*Dame Judi Dench*), a Soviet and Communist Party sympathizer, becomes employed as a British government civil servant and gets recruited by the K.G.B. in the mid-1930s. She successfully transfers nuclear bomb secrets to Soviet Russia, which enables them to keep up with the west in the development of atomic weapons, and remains undetected as a spy for over half a century.

Please support this U3A initiative and bring a friend. They can be a guest. **All**

Please support the COA initiative and bring a friend. They can be a guest. All attendees need to be fully vaccinated and show their COVID Digital Certificate prior to entering.

Thanks to *Sandra Eldridge* who convenes the Film Night, orders the films and arranges for supper at the interval.

***Red Joan*** is a 2018 British spy drama film, directed by Trevor Nunn, from a screenplay by Lindsay Shapero. The film stars Sophie Cookson, Stephen Campbell Moore, Tom Hughes, Ben Miles, Nina Sosanya, Tereza Srbova, and Judi Dench.



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## Member Profiles — Rollo & Barb Kiek



[Barbara and Rollo Kiek](#) have lived in Tawonga and Tawonga South since 1998, moving from Adelaide where they spent 27 years of their long married life. Barb nursed and travelled in the UK & Europe, where, as a passenger on a camping tours bus, she met Rollo who was the driver on a trip to Spain.

Brisbane-born Barbara began her nursing career after training in Sydney, where she grew up. Adelaide-born Rollo started his career in education in Adelaide after his teenage years there and graduated from the University of Adelaide where he eventually had his final employment as a senior lecturer in Drama.

They spent an “exchange” year in Christchurch in 1983 where they and their two children learned to ski. After returning to their home in Adelaide they found the nearest ski field was Falls Creek and after a few years they bought a holiday house in Tawonga South. Bushwalking, fly fishing, golf and gardening in the beautiful Kiewa Valley were also attractions. Barbara added to her nursing training with tertiary qualifications that fitted to community health work with Family Planning, Health Promotion and Immunisation in Adelaide and Mount Beauty.

Their “tree change” from suburban Adelaide to rural Tawonga brought voluntary engagement in local community activities such as the CFA and the Arts Council, now Upper Kiewa Valley Regional Arts, of which Rollo has been Secretary for many years. He is also *President of Alpine U3A* and *Mount Beauty Senior Citizens Centre*. They helped establish the Mount Beauty Music Festival where Rollo was Director and Barbara coordinated volunteers at different times. *Rollo was awarded the Alpine Shire’s Citizen of the Year for the Kiewa Valley in 2019.*

Barbara is active in Kiewa Valley Historical Society, Mount Beauty Emergency Relief, Mount Beauty Neighbourhood Centre and has been the convenor of the U3A Wednesday Bushwalking group for a number of years.

They love to travel. Their visits to friends and family in Britain, where they married and lived for several years in the late 1960s, river cruises in Asia and Europe, and cruises to other parts of the world have been halted due to the pandemic, but that hasn’t stopped the planning for future trips! Meanwhile, there are still a few places in Australia yet to be visited when restrictions are lifted.

They love the close sense of community that prevails in the Kiewa Valley and enjoy showing visiting friends and family, including grandchildren, the beautiful natural landscapes in the ever-changing colours of the Kiewa Valley and high plains over the four seasons.

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## **Electronic Copy Board for Senior Citizens Centre**

With assistance from a Federal Government Grant – Stronger Communities Program, we have purchased an **Electronic Copy Board** for the Senior Citizens Centre

This will be very useful for convenors conducting classes in the Centre and for other groups who need this type of teaching tool. The big advantage will be that information written on the whiteboard can be printed off or saved to a memory stick and kept by class participants.


The copy board should arrive next week.



# Electronic Copy Board

Improve collaboration and meetings with the versatile Electronic Copy- board. The Copy- board features the option of double sided printing due to the 2 whiteboard panels on the board. The electronic copy- board also comes with a colour HP Desk Jet printer which enables you to instantly print your meetings notes written on the whiteboard. The Copy- board also features a USB plug which allows you to save all of your notes directly onto your USB or computer. Being 40% slimmer than previous models the Electronic Copy- board comes in two different sizes which are both easy to move around.

FEATURES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2 Whiteboard Panels</li><li>• Hand Scrollable Sheet</li><li>• Colour / Monochrome Print</li><li>• Save to USB Memory Stick or Computer</li><li>• Low Power Consumption</li><li>• Quiet Operation</li><li>• Magnet Attachable Panel</li><li>• One Touch Print</li><li>• One Touch Save</li><li>• Includes HP Desk Jet Printer</li><li>• Wall Mount Brackets Included</li><li>• Easy to Use</li><li>• Screen Size 1300 x 910, 1800 x 910</li><li>• 12 Month Warranty</li></ul>



## Alpine U3A COVID-19 Policy

The U3A Committee met online last week and agreed on a **COVID-19 Policy** and an updated **Membership Terms and Conditions Policy**.

As of Monday 25th October, these two policies apply to all members of Alpine



...and membership form booklet, these two policies apply to all members of Alpine U3A. Both policies are attached. Please read them by clicking the links below.

- [COVID-19 Policy](#)
- [Membership Terms & Conditions Policy](#)

The COVID-19 sections of both policies highlight that, in order to attend any Alpine U3A course or activity, you need to be double vaccinated or have a valid medical exemption, and must show proof to the Convenor or to a responsible nominated person in each group. The same applies to events such as coffee mornings and film nights.

**For Convenors** — The new form in the foyer of the Senior Citizens Centre is to be used to record members' names and to sign off that a 'Digital COVID Certificate' has been sighted, either on a mobile phone/tablet or a printed version of the Certificate, or a valid medical exemption certificate is presented. Convenors are to retain the form for privacy reasons and at the end of Term 4, hand it to the secretary along with your roll.

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## Enrolments for 2022

This is a heads up on enrolment for 2022. **With the introduction of U-MAS (Membership Administration System) this year, enrolments will be required to be done ONLINE for 2022.** All 20 new members for 2021 enrolled online, and the system works well.

Those members who don't have access to a computer, or the digital skills to do that, will still be able to enrol, of course. A date and time will be given when members can visit the SC Centre where there will be volunteers sitting at a computer who can enrol for them. Membership fees will be accepted via bank transfer or paying over the counter at the Bendigo Bank (no cash to be given to U3A).

**For current and prospective convenors** — If you intend to conduct a course or activity in 2022, it would be helpful if you could indicate this to the secretary by mid-December (including some course or activity information) so that details can be entered into the system in preparation for ONLINE enrolments starting in early January 2022. U3A activities would still start at the usual time i.e. start of the first school term in February 2022. We would appreciate an early response to this request, please.

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## Alpine U3A Facebook Page

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