



U3A ALBURY WODONGA NEWSLETTER MARCH 2024

Hello all,

This may be a case of you can't teach an old dog new tricks, or at best, you are never too old to learn ;))



From the President -March/April

It seems that Term One has ended almost as soon as it started!

Our AGM was short and sharp and well attended by a good member base as well!

Huge bouquets and thanks to Annie Stephenson for the enormous amount of time and expertise she contributed to the Secretary role. Judy Charlton is now the holder of this important Secretary position. Also thank you Pat Pooley for taking on Newsletter Editor, another time consuming task that calls for special skills.

Your new committee faces many challenges as we explore ideas for a more comfortable and secure tenure.

Another aspect of our future planning is that of our greatest asset— our Tutor base. Please give us your suggestions, locate a tutor or offer to come up with your own class! We must always collaborate, to increase our visibility and build a culture of professional excellence and member pleasure in the sessions we offer.

Meantime, take a well-earned break. I look forward to being back with you in Term 2-stretching our minds and enjoying each other's company!

Alwyn Friedersdorff

PS A little reminder:- *If you use a paper cup and a tea bag or coffee, please contribute towards the cost. A set fee may be charged if we cannot do the honest thing!*



Committee 2024/25

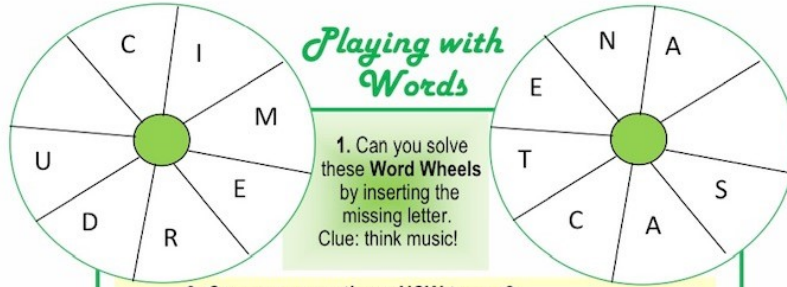


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ALBURY'S Gardenesque was held in bright, warm autumn sunshine over a March weekend in Albury's Botanic Gardens. The event is aimed at reflecting the elegance and heritage charm of the Botanic Gardens. The term *Gardenesque* means a style of garden introduced by John Claudius Loudon in the early 1800s, which places emphasis on the formal or artistic display of plants. Keynote speaker was Jamie Durie, who is a landscape designer, horticulturist and television presenter. He is pictured below right speaking at one of his engagements.





Playing with Words

1. Can you solve these **Word Wheels** by inserting the missing letter.
Clue: think music!

2. Can you name these NSW towns?

- Like the sixth month Plain
- Like an intersection Native flower
- Early garden
- Think C&W

3. **More Words.**
How many four, five and six-letters words can you create from the following letters?
S D E H T P

Infamous nicknames (continued):

- Kitkat: always taking a break.
- Butter Knife: Not the sharpest tool in the box.
- Arthur: Does "half" a job.
- Motion Light: Only works when someone walks past.
- E.T.: Always wants to go home.
- Deck Chair: Always folds under pressure.
- Lantern: Not very bright and has to be carried.

4. **More Words.**
How many four, five and six-letters words can you create from the following letters?
L P C A I H

Can readers suggest any more infamous nicknames?

5. WHAT AM I?

<p>CA SE</p> <p>CASE</p>	<p>REVIRD</p> <p>TAES</p>	<p>gobble gobble</p> <p>cluck cluck</p> <p>honk honk</p> <p>quack quack</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: 0 auto; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <p>Dom</p> </div>
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6. **Song Words:** Can you name the 1986 song that contains the following lyrics: make ends meet; stand together; make a noise.

Remember: Some cause happiness wherever they go. Others whenever they go.



THE words have been flowing at U3A's weekly Scrabble sessions. Kath had some early success using all seven tiles to create *hastened*, which earned her a good score and the 50 points bonus. Mary then trumped that with *chastened*. Kath and Ann have also had a keen match, scoring 304 and 302 respectively. Their board is our main picture and features eight-letter words such as *beelines* and *swatches*. The latter word was formed out of the word *dish*. And for those who are wondering, *hod*, in the centre of the board, is a portable trough for carrying mortar and bricks, fixed crosswise on top of a pole and carried on the shoulder, while *quire* is a set of 24 uniform sheets of paper or a gathering, according to the Macquarie Dictionary.



• Scrabble is played on Thursdays from 12pm.



Clever signs

In a shoe repair store in Vancouver:

- We will heel you
- We will save your sole
- We will even dye for you.

In a podiatrist's office:

Time wounds all heels.

On a septic tank truck:

Yesterday's Meals on Wheels

At an Optometrists's Office

If you don't see what you're looking for,
You've come to the right place.

On a Plumber's truck

We repair what your husband fixed.

On another Plumber's truck

Don't sleep with a drip. Call your plumber.

At a Tyre Shop in Milwaukee

Invite us to your next blowout.

On an Electrician's truck

Let us remove your shorts.

In a Non-Smoking area

If we see smoke, we will assume you are on fire and will take appropriate action/

On the Maternity Room door

Push. Push. Push.

In a Restaurant window

Don't stand there and be hungry: come on in and get fed up.

In a Chicago Radiator shop

Best place in town to take a leak.

At the Car Dealership

The best way to get back on your feet_ miss a car payment.

Outside an Exhaust Shop

No appointment necessary. We hear you coming.

In a Veterinarian's waiting room

Be back in 5 minutes. Sit! Stay!

In an Electric Supply Company

We would be delighted if you send your payment on time. However, if you don't, YOU will be de-lighted

At a Propane Filling Station

Thank Heaven for little grills.

Sign on the back of another Septic Tank Truck

Caution— This truck is full of Political promises.

**Punctuation counts**

A woman, without her man, is nothing.

A woman: without her, man is nothing.

**Run, don't walk**

The Great Escaper, currently showing at the Regent Cinema Albury, is well worth viewing. Starring almost 90 year old Michael Caine, Glenda Jackson and John Standing, it is based on a true story about Bernie Jordan who, in 2014, absconded from his care home in Hove, UK to attend an event commemorating the 70th anniversary of the D Day Landings.

Glenda Jackson died several weeks after the movie was made.

**March arrivals :-**

Alexander Graham Bell 1847

David Niven 1910

King Henry 11 1133

Mrs Isabella Beeton 1836

Vera Lynn 1917

Henry Royce 1863

And departures

Stalin 1953

Julius Caesar 100BC

Queen Elizabeth 1 1603

Isaac Newton 1726

Beethoven 1827

Thomas Aquinas 1274



Local events

Gardenesque 2024	Saturday 2 – Sunday 3 March 10.00am – 3.00pm	Albury Botanic Gardens, Wodonga Place, Albury
UNSEEN Arts Hub	Friday 8 – Sunday 10 March Various times	Various locations, Albury alburycity.nsw.gov.au
Jindera Pioneer Museum RFS Family Fun Day	Saturday 9 March 4.00pm – 8.00pm	Jindera Pioneer Museum, Urana Road, Jindera
Pinot & Picasso Pop Up	Wednesday 13 March 6.00pm	Thirsty Devil Brewery Townsend Street, South Albury
Stories of Antarctica	Friday 15 March 6.00pm-7.30pm	Albury LibraryMuseum, Kiewa Street, Albury
ArtBar	Friday 15 March 6.00pm – 7.30pm	Hyphen–Wodonga Library Gallery, Hovell Street, Wodonga
Fridays in the Square	Friday 15 March 6.00pm – 9.00pm	Junction Square, Elgin Boulevard, Wodonga
Albury Wellfest	Saturday 16 March 9.30am - 12.30pm	QEII Square, Dean Street, Albury
Border Easter Egg Hunt	Saturday 16 March 9.00am to 12.15pm	Albury Botanic Gardens, Wodonga Place, Albury
Chryslers on the Murray	Saturday 16 – Sunday 17 March Various times	Gateway Lakes, Lincoln Causeway, Wodonga
Music in the Gardens	Sunday 17 March 1.00pm	Albury Botanic Gardens, Wodonga Place, Albury
Commercial Club Albury Gold Cup	Thursday 21 – Friday 22 March Various times	Albury Racing Club, Fallon Street, North Albury
Albury Gold Cup Luncheon	Thursday 21 March 11.30am	Albury Racing Club, Fallon Street, North Albury
Grigoryan Brothers concert at Jindera Pioneer Museum	Saturday 23 March 6.30pm	Jindera Pioneer Museum, Urana Road, Jindera
Camero & Firebird Nationals	Friday 29 March – Monday 1 April, various times	Various locations. cfnats.com.au



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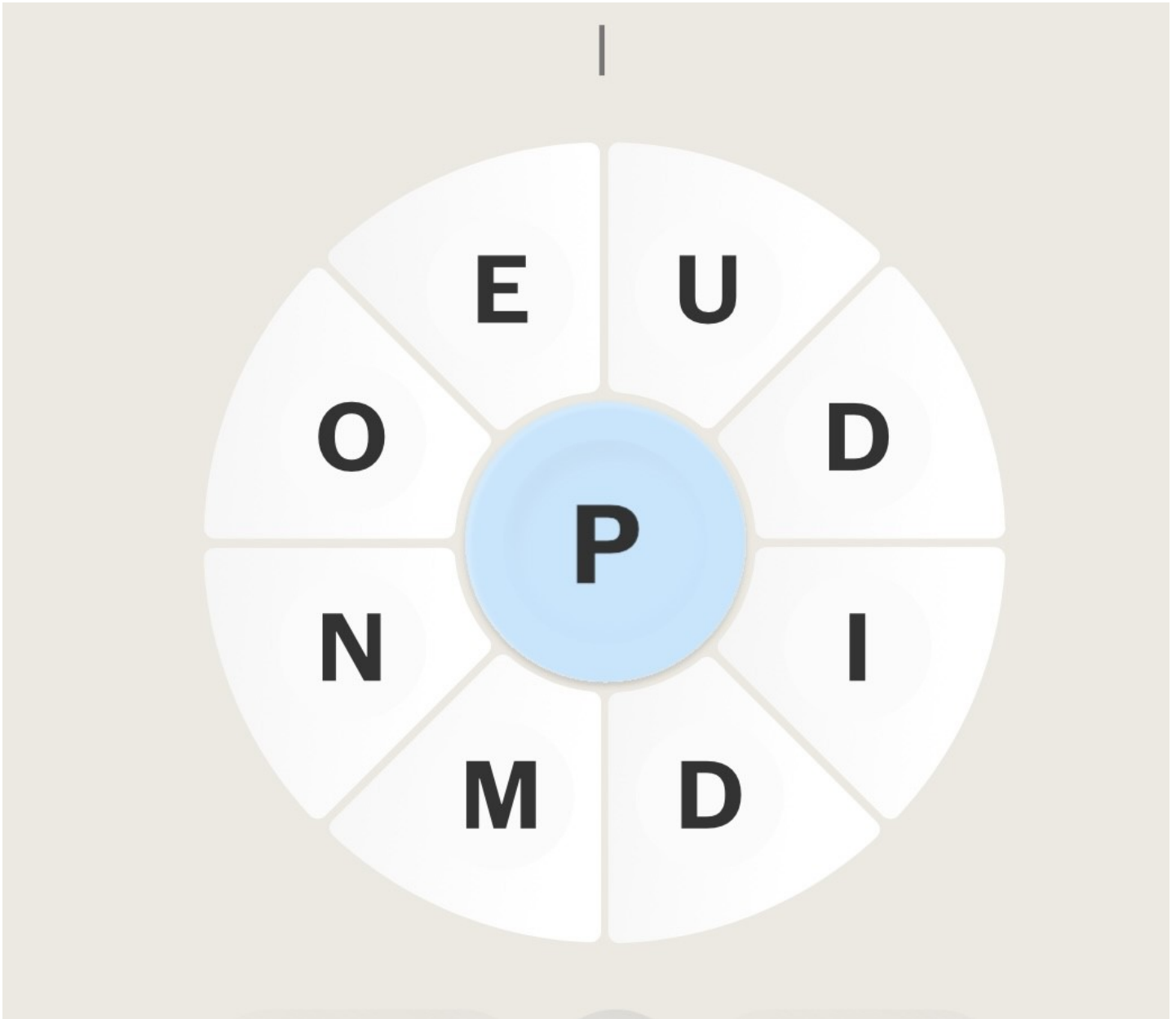
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Take care. Stay safe. The next newsletter will be after Easter.

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Happy Pangramming!! The middle letter **MUST** be used in each word.



March Newsletter-

Answers:

1. Word Wheels: dulcimer, castanet. **2. NSW towns:** Junee, Bland, Eden, The Junction, Waratah, Tamworth. **3. More Words:** pest, pets, shed, sped, step; depth; depths. **4. More Words:** chap, chip, clap, clip, hail, pail, pica; phial; caliph. **5. What am I:** open and shut case, back seat driver, foul language, domino. **6. Song Words:** John Farnham's You're the Voice.