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General Meeting – Wednesday 2nd March at 10:00 a.m

This will be a Zoom meeting which will be recorded and posted to our Website

THIS MONTH, WEDNESDAY, 2nd March – Main Speaker - Alex Rogers – Executive Officer, Hauraki Gulf Forum

Our guest speaker, Alex Rogers, will talk on “The state of the Hauraki Gulf and actions underway to return it to health”. Epsom U3A will join us for his presentation.

You will find a recorded version of our Zoom meeting on our website under "What's On" or alternatively click this link <https://www.stheliersu3auckland.com/what-s-on>

The recording of our meeting will be posted to our website by end of day Thursday, 3 March.

Mini Speaker: Margaret Horsburgh– “Sub-Antarctic Islands of Aotearoa New Zealand” will present online on the third Wednesday – 16 March at 10am. The topic will be “New Zealand’s sub-Antarctic Islands”. Margaret spent Christmas Day 2021 on Campbell Island and is looking forward to sharing photos and some of what she learned on this amazing trip.

If we are unable to meet face to face in April, we may continue with this approach!

NEXT MONTH – Wednesday, 6th April – Venue to be advised

Main speaker: T.B.A

Study Group Presentations: T.B.A

Mini Speaker: T.B.A

Kitchen Duty:

President’s Message:

2022 is now underway and your committee is taking what seems like the only planning approach possible – adaptability with a three stage approach : plan, learn and review. We are committed in this uncertain environment to having a vibrant and interesting U3A group of life-long learners. We are trying some ‘online’ ideas in March and I am hoping that we may meet at the Community Centre in April. Study groups will continue to be the main stay of activities and convenors will continue to organise these as appropriate.

Study Groups: Your committee is always keen to learn of any subjects or topics for Study Groups that members would like to be considered for inclusion in our Schedule. Please contact our Study Group Co-ordinator, Gary Preston gcwpreston@gmail.com with your ideas.

St. Heliers U3A Website: Our website www.stheliersu3auckland.com is updated every month by Kathy Slater. Newsletters, recent photos, relevant information on study groups and much more can be found on this interesting site.

U3A On-line Courses: These are available to all members. The online contact details are: www.u3aonline.org.au There is no requirement for payment to access the course content. Access will enable a review of the study content and further details relating to independent or supervised study. If you are interested in any of the papers, please let Kathy Slater know, kathyslater@xtra.co.nz or phone 5783232, and she will download the material as Auckland U3A network has already been registered and paid.

Name Badge: A reminder to all members, and especially our new members, that you should put the name and contact details of your preferred contact person on the back on your name badge in case of any emergency. Please ensure that you wear your Name Badge to all U3A meetings.

U3A St. Heliers History Booklet: This interesting booklet was updated and reprinted for our 25th Anniversary and is available for purchase for \$10. Copies will be available at the next meeting. Highly recommended especially for our new members.

U3A Lapel Badges: We are now able to offer 'pin' as well as 'magnet' lapel badges. These will be available for purchase (\$5 each) at the next meeting. See Heather Baigent.

Almoner: If you are aware of any member who is ill or incapacitated, or suffering bereavement, would you please contact our Almoner, Susan Soper, 0211444242 or email suesoper2@yahoo.com

Monthly Meeting Protocol: Please ensure that you register at the Greeting Table when you arrive. Please send any apologies to Stella McDonald, at stella@dataquest.co.nz, (09) 575 1661.

DEADLINE for April 2022 Newsletter & Study Groups Update: email to Margaret Waters, at maggierae34@gmail.com by Sunday, 27 March or earlier which is my preference.