

U3A PEGASUS BULLETIN No 16 January 2025

Update from President Jorgen



Dear Members,

This is my last editorial for Pegasus U3A as we are heading towards the 2025 year, beginning with our AGM on Monday February 17. We have experimented with

several formats for the AGM over the years, and this time is no exception. We will begin with a lecture and then move on to the AGM. You can attend the AGM if you have paid your 2024 subscription. Some people have formally resigned as they want to move to U3A $\bar{O}p\bar{a}$ waho. If you officially resigned before the AGM, you cannot attend. If you have chosen to belong to both organisations, there is no problem.

At our last meeting, we discussed how best to capture the potential synergy between the two organisations, particularly regarding the interest groups. There is a strong commitment to continue working on this. Recruiting new committee members can be very difficult. As I write this, I do not know who the next President will be. Please step up and fill the gaps. Nominations have to be signed and given to the secretary Pat Whitman no later than 10 February. As I sign off, I would like to thank you, the membership for your support and encouragement. I would also like to thank the committee I have chaired. These 9 people have shown a dedication and a commitment to their portfolios rarely found in any board or committee. I hope 2025 will bring new and exciting learning opportunities to Pegasus U3A.

AGM & Guest Speaker

This year the AGM will follow our guest speaker. Judith Coulie will give a lecture on the topic of 'Memory.' Judith immigrated to NZ from South Africa in 2012, first to Auckland and then settling in Christchurch in 2014. Since then, she has been a learning Advisor at Canterbury University. Judith was Professor of English at the University of KwaZulu-Natal prior to coming to New Zealand. Her specialisation was life writing (autobiography, memoir, testimony) and her PhD focused on life writing published by South Africans in English during the apartheid period. As usual, coffee/tea will be available from 10am with our meeting to begin promptly at 10.30am.

Nomination forms for U3A Pegasus Committee will be sent to members by Jorgen with the papers for the AGM.

Reminder Re Subs

Subscriptions of \$30 per member are now due for the 2025 financial year. We would be grateful if you could pay direct to U3A PEGASUS at ANZ Bank. BSB010811 Account 0943061000. Please enter your name in the reference field. I if you wish to pay by cash Sue Beardsley will be available at the Meeting on 17th February to receive this.

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