

## Glen Eira U3A Newsletter, April 2026

### President's Report

Welcome to all 1,191 members, including the 22 who've joined us over the past month. It's a pleasure to see our community continuing to grow. This month's newsletter is filled with engaging articles covering courses, projects, volunteer profiles, member stories, and upcoming events. Together, they reflect the energy and diversity that make our organisation such a vibrant and rewarding place to be part of.

Of course, none of this happens without the dedication and goodwill of our volunteers. Their ongoing contribution is essential to everything we do. At the same time, a degree of renewal is important for any healthy organisation. If you've ever considered becoming more involved, I warmly encourage you to get in touch. I'd be delighted to meet over a cup of coffee and explore the many ways you might like to help support this extraordinary organisation. Alternatively, you may wish to join one of our ten friendly "Volunteering at U3A" teams. Details can be found at the beginning of the course catalogue, and new members are always most welcome.

Wishing all our members a Happy Easter / Passover. I hope you enjoy this month's newsletter.

Kind regards,

**Mark Rubinstein**

President – Glen Eira U3A

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### 26DIS12: Ecological Gardening in Glen Eira

Ready to transform your garden into a thriving, resilient ecosystem? We're thrilled to introduce a brand-new short course designed for anyone interested in gardening with local biodiversity. This hands-on series explores how to garden using local indigenous plants from the Glen Eira area. You'll learn how to restore and design a garden using ecological principles — perfectly timed for April/May, the ideal season for preparing indigenous plants ahead of spring growth.

Wednesdays, 1:30 – 3:00 pm | 15 April – 13 May 2026

Grow your skills, grow your garden, grow your impact. Enrol now and be part of a greener Glen Eira.

### 26CRA06: Introduction to Clay Sculpting



Check out this impressive first batch of face masks pictured at left, created by our Introduction to Clay Sculpting students. If you're interested in taking your skills further and learning to build human busts like the ones pictured at right, we invite you to join our upcoming Clay Sculpting (26CRA07) course. The start date is May 1, 2026.



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### 26COM15: Understanding A.I. – A Four-Week Introduction

This new four-week short course offers a friendly, accessible exploration of artificial intelligence — what it is, how it works, and how it's reshaping our lives. Each session blends clear explanations, real examples, and open discussion, including the ethical questions that come with rapidly evolving technology.

Over the month, participants will: Demystify A.I., see A.I. as an artist, explore our relationship with A.I., look ahead to the future, including medical breakthroughs, everyday risks such as scams, and the impact of automation on society.

Whether you're curious, cautious, or simply keen to understand the technology shaping tomorrow, this course offers a welcoming place to learn and discuss.

### Second Semester Excursions – All Aboard for New Adventures!

Our popular Sunday train trips and excursions are back for Semester Two. Margaret Summers and Rozina Stein have put together a delightful mix of art, history, scenery and good company. Each outing offers a relaxed day of exploring, with plenty of time for lunch and local wandering.

- 26SOC08. Nar Nar Goon – Sunday 19 July. Discover the charming mural-covered town that celebrates life in the 1920s and its agricultural roots.
- 26SOC09. Trentham via Woodend – Sunday 16 August. A lovely day out beginning with a browse through Woodend before a short bus ride to Trentham for lunch.
- 26SOC10. Yarra River Cruise – Sunday 13 September. Back by popular demand! Enjoy a one-hour cruise along the Yarra, followed by lunch at PJ O'Brien's at Southbank. Cost: \$36 cruise fee (paid on enrolment).
- 26SOC11. Werribee Mansion – Sunday 18 October. Wander through the grand mansion and its beautiful gardens, then enjoy lunch at the Park Hotel.
- 26SOC12. Mystery Train Trip – Sunday 15 November. A surprise destination to round out the year! Details will be revealed two weeks before the trip.

### 26GAM11: Bocce – self-managed

Bocce has bowled into the 2026 season with enthusiasm from all participants. Fresh air, exercise, laughter, good times, great shots, all by the "strict rules".  
David Sibley, Tutor.



### Save the Date: Celebrating Our Creative Community

Glen Eira U3A is proud to announce our upcoming Public Art Exhibition, running from Saturday, 4 July to Tuesday, 7 July 2026. We invite you all to join us for the official opening on Sunday, 5 July at 11:00 am at the U3A premises.

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This exhibition is a celebration of every story told through art and craft in our classrooms. Whether you are a seasoned creator or have just picked up a brush or a piece of clay for the first time this year, this show is for you. We want to showcase the full, vibrant journey of learning at U3A – from those first experimental sketches to finished pieces. We encourage all members of our art and craft programs to submit their work. Please don't feel your work needs to be "perfect" to be shared; the community values the effort, the learning, and the unique perspective you bring.

It's a rare and valuable opportunity to share your achievements with the wider Glen Eira community and celebrate the courage it takes to create.

Keep an eye out – more information on how to participate will be shared soon.

### 26AAV07: Volunteer – Gardening Team

The recent rain has been most welcome, though it was interesting to note that about 10 cm below the surface, the ground was still bone dry. Some autumn planting has been undertaken, with more grevilleas, correas and billy buttons planted, along with three red flowering *Corymbia ficifolia* (miniature gum trees that only grow three metres tall) along the front fence. The raised herb bed is going gangbusters - and the bunches of picked parsley don't stay long in the office foyer before finding a new home. The herbs are for picking: there is parsley, thyme, coriander and dill and they do need to be cut back otherwise they will go to seed. If you can use the herbs, please help yourself with the use the scissors on the side of the bed. (Except the strawberries -they are Wendy's!)



The centre garden has had a weed clean up with the large shrubs given a haircut (leaf cut?) to keep them healthy and restrain their growth. We discovered the Lillypilly has the most amazing flowers (pictured at right) which were hidden at the base of the tree - so they were put on display in the office but sadly didn't last very long. Jenny has proven to be a 'gun' weeder and Chris is really great at digging holes! Both attributes are highly prized!

At the beginning of April we are visiting a wholesale nursery to inspect their offerings - it should be good to get some plants in the ground before the cold weather really sets in.

### 26AAV02: Volunteer – Grants Management Team

We're very pleased to share that Glen Eira U3A has received a \$1,000 grant from Glen Eira City Council's Small Grants Program for our project, "STABLE TABLES – Ensuring Safety and Promoting Connection, Learning and Wellbeing." This funding will go towards new game tables for our duplicate bridge course. Many of our current tables are old and unstable, which can be unsafe for our members. The new tables will be sturdy, safe and easy to use. This simple upgrade will make a big difference — creating a safer, more comfortable space where members can enjoy bridge, stay connected and keep mental fitness.

A big thank you to Glen Eira City Council for their support!



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### 26AAV03: Volunteer – Health, Safety & Wellbeing

The Health, Safety and Wellbeing (HSW) Team has had a busy start to 2026. We recently carried out a safety audit of our premises and identified several areas needing attention across safety, maintenance, and security.



As a volunteer-run organisation supporting around 1,200 members — all of them older adults — keeping our environment safe and well maintained is a key priority. The good news is that no issues are urgent, but there are several improvements we can make to reduce risks, strengthen safety, and better define maintenance responsibilities. These fall across areas such as building and grounds, fire and emergency preparedness, first aid, security, cleaning, and governance. We're now preparing a report with recommendations for the Committee of Management.

We've also been reviewing our policies. The Class Operations and Attendance Policy has been updated to better align with our Code of Conduct, and we're pleased to introduce a new Mission and Ethos Statement that reflects the values of our community. At its heart, our ethos is about respect, inclusion, and kindness — creating a welcoming environment where everyone feels valued and able to contribute. See website (Publications > Policies) for details.

### Vibrant and vital: celebrating our admin volunteers.

"Vibrant." It's the word Kerry uses to describe our U3A—and anyone who's spent time in the administrative office would agree it suits her just as well. "Admin" may be a small word, but it barely captures the breadth of what Kerry, and our team of volunteers do each week. They are the quiet engine behind the scenes, ensuring everything runs smoothly so tutors can focus on teaching and members can enjoy learning.

On any given day, the work is wonderfully varied: photocopying course materials, managing enrolments and absences, coordinating communication between tutors and students, and making sure essential supplies are stocked. Occasionally, it even means responding to unexpected situations, including medical incidents. It's a role that calls for flexibility, care and calm efficiency.

For Kerry, who has volunteered in the office for four years (on Thursdays, and previously Mondays), the rewards go far beyond the task list. It's about connection—making new friends, sharing conversations, and getting to know the stories of the many familiar faces who pass through the office each week. It's also about being part of a place that hums with energy and purpose.

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And while many know Kerry from her friendly presence at U3A, few may realise she once served as chairperson of the organising committee for the Dalai Lama's 1996 visit to Australia — experience that no doubt prepared her well for the lively pace of our admin office. We thank Kerry and all our admin volunteers, for the time, care and spirit they bring. They help make our U3A the vibrant community we all value.

### Volunteers Wanted !

U3A Glen Eira is fortunate to have wonderful and supportive volunteers who generously give up their time to ensure all members enjoy their experience at U3A.

If you have time and want to join one of the many volunteering groups i.e. tutors, administration, IT, gardening etc please let reception know or register your interest on the U3A online class register. Check out the ten volunteering teams under the course code AAV: Volunteering at U3A.

Regards  
Helen

### 26GAM17: Beginners Mah Jong (Afternoon)

If you think Thursday afternoons are quiet and restful, you clearly haven't wandered past our Mahjong rooms - Green rooms 1, 2 and 3 and the Gold room. You will hear a lot of laughter, lively chatter and the unmistakable clatter of tiles coming from our rooms, don't worry — nothing has gone wrong. It's just that mahjong is in full swing!

Our two beginner classes are completely full and the enthusiasm from new players has been fantastic to see. Learning mahjong can seem a little mysterious, until the tiles start moving and the first hands are played. It feels like learning a new language with phrases like "pung" and "chow" and tiles of Winds, Dragons and suits of circles, bamboos, and characters; but by about week three it should all make sense and most new players are hooked.



What makes the classes so special isn't just learning and playing the game — it's the atmosphere. Mahjong is often described as a game of skill, strategy and a little bit of luck — but in our classes it also involves plenty of laughter and good company (a bell is rung to try and quieten the room which rarely works). Mahjong is as much about community as it is about the game itself. Brains are exercised, friendships are made and strengthened, while testing our memory, sharpening our mind, and keeping us all delightfully on our toes.

It's wonderful to see people sharing the tables, encouraging each other, and enjoying the challenge together. With such strong interest, it's clear that mahjong continues to bring people together.



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To all our current players, remember that even the expert mahjong players sometimes look at their tiles and think... "Now what do I do?" I hope we all keep playing, laughing and having fun.

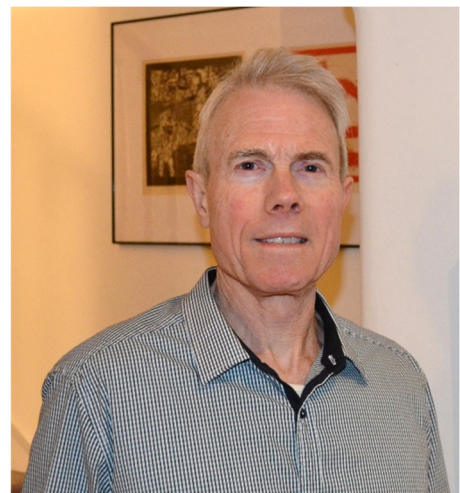
Thank you to everyone who has joined the classes and helped create such a welcoming, energetic environment. It appears that my Thursday afternoons will never be peaceful again and I am thrilled about that.

Adele Lipson

### 26HIS01: Maritime & Military History

One of the first things I did upon ceasing employment at the end of March 2014 was to search through the extensive list of courses at the Glen Eira U3A, enrolling in Maritime and Military History. The tutor, Martyn, a retired British merchant seaman, clearly put a lot of effort into preparing his classes, which were all in hardcopy, projected onto the wall, using an overhead projector.

The first class I attended was about Sir Frances Drake, a topic of minimal interest to me. Although Martyn was a very good tutor, and it seemed a nice group of people, I felt that probably it wasn't for me, and decided not to continue. But before the next, fortnightly, class I changed my mind and fronted up again.



And of course I'm extremely glad I did. I quickly warmed to Martyn, who was very knowledgeable, and who created a friendly and inviting learning environment. I was also beginning to learn more about the U3A, how it was all volunteer-run, and that there were a lot of very good people involved in it. I became friendly with one of our class members, a Russian chap who was born in Danzig, and whose family had a most interesting history, very much impacted on by military action. He and I began attending public lectures together, mostly at the University of Melbourne. I have become separately friendly with numerous other members over the years also, a real bonus.

At some stage during the year I learned that Martyn was in remission from bowel cancer, and that it had returned, but he fought back and classes continued into 2015. Towards the end of the year though, it became obvious that Martyn would have to relinquish his beloved U3A class, and for some unknown reason he asked me if I would be interested in taking over as tutor. Maybe it was because I often asked questions, and so stood out a bit, because it had nothing to do with any background in pedagogy or history – I had neither.

So, from the start of 2016 I became tutor, thereby enabling the class to continue. Martyn had given me about forty large envelopes each containing a prepared class, with additional material such as maps, all painstakingly prepared by hand. However, I soon decided this type of presentation didn't suit me, so I switched over to preparing classes on my computer, reading from this whilst showing images via the U3A computer on the Green Room screen. Wikipedia became my new best friend. Because I know precious little about most of the topics I present, classes are very interactive, in that asking questions and making comments is strongly encouraged, with insightful answers and responses unfailingly coming from the floor – we have always had many knowledgeable members of class, and everyone is encouraged to share that knowledge, all part of the learning experience. This

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helps create a convivial and stimulating environment, an esprit de corps, as one learned member kindly noted, with witty wisecracks especially welcome – on topic only, of course. Having unintentionally fallen into the role of tutor, but now commencing my second decade, I feel the class has progressed very well, and whilst I'm an integral part of this success, it is really the whole membership that has made the class what it is now, and I am most grateful, to past and present members, for their interest in and support of the Maritime and Military History class.

Stephen Peterson

### Margaret Blight ..... Hooray for U3A!

I was in hospital for many weeks over Summer but thankfully I was home in mid-January to enrol in 2026 classes. Then - major spinal surgery on January 23rd and a further stay in hospital. However, I comforted myself with the knowledge that I had U3A classes to return to ASAP. I emailed many times to apologise for absences from classes, with a great number of the tutors emailing me to wish me well and hoping for a speedy recovery. One reception desk volunteer even rang me and enrolled me for a sixth class.

So far, I've managed a Scrabble class and a Behind the News session. I'm looking forward to a Book Discussion class on April 13th, a Trivial Thursday class and Wine Appreciation on 2nd April and a War Poems of Wilfred Owen on Tuesdays. Thoughts of U3A classes and the wonderful people there sustained me through the hospital stays and the nurses and doctors who came to my home after the hospital discharge.

Thanks again. Margaret

### Happy East Everyone!

After another delightful choir session yesterday where we ran through an Easter concert programme for next Tuesday, a large number of choristers donned "Easter Bonnets" to celebrate the season. My bonnet was eagerly "snapped" by our President, Mark Rubinstein, to appear in this month's newsletter with a short accompaniment written by me. Last year I was a new choir member so just enjoyed being there, but this year I decided to raid my "Easter Decorations Chest" and join the hat brigade. Such fun and much enjoyment later, this was the resulting chapeau.



We had a lovely sing-song conducted by the amazing Val and incredible accompanist, Nola. Thank you both of you for the way you come every week to give us all such pleasure. You are great inspirations to all of us. Christine Charles

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### Current affairs – up close and personal

Missive received from Howard Arber on 03 March 2026 : “I’m currently in Tel Aviv and I am unsure when we will be back. We are all safe and know the bomb shelters quite well... We came here to study history, not to actively participate in it.”

Editor’s note: Howard and Ruth eventually did make it back safely to Australia – although the return journey was quite an adventure – including a six-hour taxi ride to Amman in Jordan.

### The thrill of an overseas adventure ...

Received from Rosie Hersch, 2nd March 2026: “Currently I am on the Princess Sapphire cruise ship somewhere off the coast of Spain heading to Gibraltar on Monday March 2. In six day’s time I will disembark in Rome with nowhere to go as my flight home to Melbourne is via Dubai. Like tens of thousands of travellers, we are stranded and hope Qantas with whom I booked can eventually find me an alternate route.

But let me go back a step as though this is the biggest crisis to yet unfold there have been a few along the way. Our stop in Stanley capital of the Falkland Islands was cancelled due to rough seas in its harbour and it was closed to all vessels but prior to this cancelled stop we sailed the unique pristine Antarctica peninsula. There were three medical emergencies and unfortunately one of the three did not make it. Then in Rio the ship could not berth as the harbour authorities had booked a spot where the water was not deep enough for our ship. Miraculously after many hours the captain managed to turn the ship 180 degrees so, luckily, we did not miss this port but we lost many sightseeing hours. However, many sea days later we could not dock in Casablanca because again the harbour was closed as 40 containers fell off a cargo ship and no ships could enter that port and then the news came of the USA and Israel attacking Iran and the closing of all air space in the Middle East with 100,000 of us Aussies trapped. Luckily, I am on a ship but I cannot imagine how terrifying it is for those trapped in Dubai or Doha etc.

When I get to Rome, I have to find somewhere to stay for who knows how long so please accept my apologies for my writing Class with Virginia and my pastel art class with Kylie; of course, it all pales into insignificance with the loss of lives of army personnel and civilians. We live in very unpredictable times. See you when I see you whenever that may be.  
Cheers, Rosie”

### Happy Birthday, Harry!



A happy Harry Pose (in front of the birthday cake), posing for a photo to celebrate his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday, ably assisted by other members of Monday’s art course: 26ART10: Painting – Any Medium.



**The Glen Eira U3A  
Recorder Ensemble  
presents**

**A MUSICAL JOURNEY AROUND  
THE WORLD**



Date; Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> of May 2026 at 3pm

Venue; Glen Eira Campus Green Rooms  
1151 Glenhuntly Rd, Glenhuntly

Free admission - all welcome

Afternoon tea will be provided

Guest performers will enhance  
the programme

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### Courses with Vacancies

| Parent Code | Code    | Course Title                          | Start Date | Finish Date | Available | Tutor                | Frequency | Day |
|-------------|---------|---------------------------------------|------------|-------------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|-----|
| AAV         | 26AAV01 | Volunteer: Building Management Team   | 9/02/2026  | 23/11/2026  | 4         | Howard Arber         | Fort      | Mon |
| AAV         | 26AAV02 | Volunteer: Grants Management Team     | 11/03/2026 | 11/11/2026  | 1         | Shirley Moore        | Mthly     | Wed |
| AAV         | 26AAV03 | Volunteer: Health, Safety & Wellbeing | 9/02/2026  | 23/11/2026  | 1         | Cheryl Rubinstein    | Fort      | Mon |
| AAV         | 26AAV04 | Volunteer: Marketing Team             | 9/02/2026  | 23/11/2026  | 2         | Cheryl Gelfand       | Fort      | Mon |
| AAV         | 26AAV05 | Volunteer: Newsletter Management Team | 9/02/2026  | 23/11/2026  | 5         | Mark Rubinstein      | Fort      | Mon |
| AAV         | 26AAV06 | Volunteer: Website Management Team    | 9/02/2026  | 23/11/2026  | 4         | Alan Woodgyer        | Fort      | Mon |
| AAV         | 26AAV07 | Volunteer: Gardening Team             | 20/02/2026 | 27/11/2026  | 15        | Sue Hayward          | Mthly     | Fri |
| AAV         | 26AAV08 | Volunteer: Events Support Team        | 9/02/2026  | 23/11/2026  | 8         | Cynthia Tait         | Mthly     | Mon |
| AAV         | 26AAV09 | Volunteer: Technology Project Support | 9/02/2026  | 23/11/2026  | 4         | Scott Gordon         | Fort      | Mon |
| AAV         | 26AAV10 | Volunteer: Art Exhibition 2026        | 9/02/2026  | 27/07/2026  | 6         | Eitan Froumine       | Fort      | Mon |
| ART         | 26ART02 | Drawing - Semester 2                  | 15/07/2026 | 18/11/2026  | 14        | Ellie Potter         | Fort      | Wed |
| ART         | 26ART05 | Art: Mixed Media                      | 13/02/2026 | 27/11/2026  | 2         | Don Kampf            | Wkly      | Fri |
| ART         | 26ART07 | Art Inspiration - YouTube Videos      | 9/02/2026  | 23/11/2026  | 7         | Ancita Beale         | Wkly      | Mon |
| ART         | 26ART11 | Art Workshop                          | 13/02/2026 | 27/11/2026  | 2         | Don Kampf            | Wkly      | Fri |
| ART         | 26ART21 | Intro to Doodling                     | 10/02/2026 | 23/06/2026  | 1         | Jane Xing            | Wkly      | Tue |
| COM         | 26COM01 | Create a Photobook                    | 10/02/2026 | 17/03/2026  | 3         | Erica Hurwitz        | Wkly      | Tue |
| COM         | 26COM04 | Getting Started with Apple Watch      | 24/02/2026 | 3/03/2026   | 4         | Lorraine Czerniewicz | Wkly      | Tue |

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| COM         | 26COM09  | Android Phone and Tablets for Beginners  | 2/06/2026  | 23/06/2026  | 3         | Aaron Blicblau  | Wkly      | Tue |
| COM         | 26COM12  | WhatsApp on your Smartphone              | 8/09/2026  | 15/09/2026  | 4         | Aaron Blicblau  | Wkly      | Tue |
| COM         | 26COM13  | Android Phone and Tablets for Beginners  | 6/10/2026  | 27/10/2026  | 10        | Aaron Blicblau  | Wkly      | Tue |
| COM         | 26COM14  | Gmail Essentials                         | 10/11/2026 | 17/11/2026  | 5         | Susan Weser     | Wkly      | Tue |
| COM         | 26COM15  | Understanding A.I : Function and Ethics  | 21/04/2026 | 12/05/2026  | 10        | David Giles     | Wkly      | Tue |
| CRA         | 26CRA02  | The Joy of Fibre Art                     | 10/02/2026 | 24/11/2026  | 1         | Sigal Levin     | Wkly      | Tue |
| CRA         | 26CRA07  | Clay Sculpting                           | 1/05/2026  | 27/11/2026  | 6         | Eitan Froumine  | Wkly      | Fri |
| CRA         | 26CRA12  | Clay Modelling (Thu morning)             | 12/02/2026 | 26/11/2026  | 1         | Dafna Dvier     | Wkly      | Thu |
| DAN         | 26DAN02  | Israeli Dancing (Marsha) New Beg. / Int. | 9/02/2026  | 23/11/2026  | 27        | Marsha Erlich   | Wkly      | Mon |
| DAN         | 26DAN03  | Israeli Dancing (Marsha) Low Int.        | 12/02/2026 | 26/11/2026  | 16        | Marsha Erlich   | Wkly      | Thu |
| DAN         | 26DAN04  | Israeli Dancing (Marsha) Int. to Hi Int. | 12/02/2026 | 26/11/2026  | 13        | Marsha Erlich   | Wkly      | Thu |
| DAN         | 26DAN06  | Tap Dancing: Beginners                   | 9/02/2026  | 23/11/2026  | 4         | Sala Rubinstein | Wkly      | Mon |
| DAN         | 26DAN07  | Tap Dancing: Intermediate                | 9/02/2026  | 23/11/2026  | 6         | Sala Rubinstein | Wkly      | Mon |
| DAN         | 26DAN08  | Dance and All that Jazz...               | 15/07/2026 | 25/11/2026  | 20        | Pam Goldman     | Wkly      | Wed |
| DAN         | 26DAN10  | Israeli Dancing (Ilana) Inter to Advance | 10/02/2026 | 24/11/2026  | 20        | Ilana Cohen     | Wkly      | Tue |
| DIS         | 26DIS01Z | Current and International Affairs (ZOOM) | 9/02/2026  | 23/11/2026  | 19        | Michael Shamir  | Wkly      | Mon |
| DIS         | 26DIS02Z | The Ancient Wisdom (ZOOM)                | 27/01/2026 | 24/11/2026  | 6         | Andrew Rooke    | Wkly      | Tue |
| DIS         | 26DIS04  | Behind the News Semester 2               | 24/07/2026 | 27/11/2026  | 25        | Graham Ihlein   | Fort      | Fri |
| DIS         | 26DIS07  | Overseas Travel in '26                   | 10/02/2026 | 10/03/2026  | 1         | John Storey     | Wkly      | Tue |

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|-------------|----------|-----------------------------------------|------------|-------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-----------|-----|
| DIS         | 26DIS12  | Ecological Gardening in Glen Eira       | 15/04/2026 | 13/05/2026  | 14        | Kaye Mackay                 | Wkly      | Wed |
| EXE         | 26EXE06  | Meditation and Mindfulness              | 9/02/2026  | 23/11/2026  | 2         | Tova Seelig                 | Wkly      | Mon |
| GAM         | 26GAM06  | Scrabble                                | 9/02/2026  | 23/11/2026  | 3         | Del Stitz                   | Wkly      | Mon |
| GAM         | 26GAM07  | Thursday Scrabble                       | 12/02/2026 | 26/11/2026  | 2         | Susan Catherall             | Wkly      | Thu |
| GAM         | 26GAM10  | Cryptic Crosswords for Beginners        | 14/10/2026 | 25/11/2026  | 7         | Stephen Moskowitz           | Wkly      | Wed |
| GAM         | 26GAM12  | Petanque: Come & Play With Us           | 10/02/2026 | 24/11/2026  | 2         | Jean-Louis Coquillat        | Wkly      | Tue |
| GAM         | 26GAM18  | Learn to Play Lawn Bowls (Elwood)       | 12/03/2026 | 2/04/2026   | 1         | Nicole Rose                 | S-Wkly    | Thu |
| HIS         | 26HIS02Z | Jewish Civilization (Zoom)              | 11/02/2026 | 25/11/2026  | 20        | Henry Erlich                | Wkly      | Wed |
| HIS         | 26HIS03  | Writing a Family History                | 9/02/2026  | 13/04/2026  | 9         | Garry Fabian                | Wkly      | Mon |
| HIS         | 26HIS05  | From the Bible to Babylon and Beyond    | 19/02/2026 | 23/04/2026  | 1         | Zvi Civins                  | Wkly      | Thu |
| HIS         | 26HIS06  | Sand to Skyline: Industrial Glassmaking | 16/02/2026 | 15/06/2026  | 5         | Chris Zolich                | Fort      | Mon |
| HIS         | 26HIS09Z | Trade - Shaping Rulers and Empires      | 14/07/2026 | 24/11/2026  | 8         | David Collier               | Wkly      | Tue |
| LANF        | 26LANF03 | French Conversation B                   | 12/02/2026 | 26/11/2026  | 1         | Bertha Dembo                | Wkly      | Thu |
| LANF        | 26LANF04 | French Conversation C                   | 13/02/2026 | 27/11/2026  | 1         | Jean-Louis Coquillat        | Wkly      | Fri |
| LANG        | 26LANG01 | German Conversation                     | 11/02/2026 | 25/11/2026  | 3         | Gerlinde Mohr               | Wkly      | Wed |
| LANH        | 26LANH01 | Hebrew Intermediate (Thursday)          | 12/02/2026 | 26/11/2026  | 2         | Shirley Cohen               | Wkly      | Thu |
| LANH        | 26LANH02 | Hebrew Intermediate (Monday)            | 9/02/2026  | 26/06/2026  | 3         | Ester Silver                | Wkly      | Mon |
| LANI        | 26LANI04 | Italian: Intermediate 2                 | 12/02/2026 | 26/11/2026  | 1         | Margherita Ingaramo-Arrighi | Wkly      | Thu |
| LANI        | 26LANI05 | Italian: Ongoing B1 Intermediate        | 10/02/2026 | 24/11/2026  | 2         | Charmaine Hart              | Wkly      | Tue |
| LANI        | 26LANI06 | Italian: Ongoing Year 3                 | 10/02/2026 | 24/11/2026  | 5         | Charmaine Hart              | Wkly      | Tue |
| LANI        | 26LANI08 | Italian: Advanced (Zoom)                | 13/02/2026 | 27/11/2026  | 9         | Margherita Ingaramo-Arrighi | Wkly      | Fri |
| LANR        | 26LANR01 | Let's Speak Russian                     | 17/02/2026 | 24/11/2026  | 5         | Elizabeth Dermansky         | Wkly      | Tue |



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| Parent Code | Code     | Course Title                              | Start Date | Finish Date | Available | Tutor            | Frequency | Day |
|-------------|----------|-------------------------------------------|------------|-------------|-----------|------------------|-----------|-----|
| LANS        | 26LANS03 | Spanish Class 3: Elementary               | 13/02/2026 | 27/11/2026  | 1         | Rod Moran        | Wkly      | Fri |
| LANS        | 26LANS07 | Spanish Class 7: Fluency in Spanish       | 9/02/2026  | 23/11/2026  | 5         | Lyn McCutcheon   | Wkly      | Mon |
| LANS        | 26LANS08 | Spanish - Self Help                       | 12/02/2026 | 26/11/2026  | 5         | Kay Fisher       | Wkly      | Thu |
| LIT         | 26LIT04  | Reading Poetry                            | 13/02/2026 | 27/11/2026  | 1         | David McVilly    | Wkly      | Fri |
| LIT         | 26LIT06  | Writers: Every Good Story Begins with You | 17/02/2026 | 24/11/2026  | 3         | Nicole Rose      | Fort      | Tue |
| LIT         | 26LIT08  | Books that Matter to Me                   | 1/09/2026  | 22/09/2026  | 1         | Nigel Wilkinson  | Wkly      | Tue |
| SOC         | 26SOC03  | Train Trip: Ballarat Begonia 15 March     | 15/03/2026 | 15/03/2026  | 3         | Margaret Summers | 1 day     | Sun |
| SOC         | 26SOC04  | Tram trip: National Gallery of Victoria   | 19/04/2026 | 19/04/2026  | 9         | Margaret Summers | 1 day     | Sun |
| SOC         | 26SOC07  | Train Trip: Ballarat Begonia 22 March     | 22/03/2026 | 22/03/2026  | 1         | Margaret Summers | 1 day     | Sun |
| SOC         | 26SOC08  | Train Trip: Nar Nar Goon 19 July          | 19/07/2026 | 19/07/2026  | 16        | Margaret Summers | 1 day     | Sun |
| SOC         | 26SOC09  | Train Trip: Trentham 16 August            | 16/08/2026 | 16/08/2026  | 16        | Margaret Summers | 1 day     | Sun |
| SOC         | 26SOC10  | Train Trip: River Cruise 13 September     | 13/09/2026 | 13/09/2026  | 16        | Margaret Summers | 1 day     | Sun |
| SOC         | 26SOC11  | Train Trip: Werribee Mansion              | 18/10/2026 | 18/10/2026  | 16        | Margaret Summers | 1 day     | Sun |
| SOC         | 26SOC12  | Train Trip - Mystery Train Trip           | 15/11/2026 | 15/11/2026  | 16        | Margaret Summers | 1 day     | Sun |