



Dear Fellow Members

At a meeting of the U3A Overberg Management committee on Tuesday 24 August, the following important decisions about the way ahead were taken:

- * We intend opening for some in-person meetings in the Catholic Church Hall from Monday 30 August.
- * All meetings on Mondays and Fridays will be hybrid meetings, until further notice.

Presenters will EITHER be in the Hall, presenting to a live audience, with the presentation simultaneously being on Zoom for members not present,

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presenters will present on Zoom, as usual, and the presentation will be zoomed onto the screen for members present in the Hall.

- * All meetings scheduled for Tuesdays will be in the Hall only.

Copyright regulations do not allow for these presentations to be relayed on the Zoom platform.

- * All arrangements will be in accordance with Government Covid-19 regulations and the following protocols will apply to members who wish to attend meetings.

PROTOCOLS

1. Attendance in the CCH will be limited to 46 members.

This will be in addition to committee members managing the protocols.

2. The doors will open at 9:30.
3. If a queue forms during admission, social distancing protocols will apply in the queue.
4. For admission to the Hall, each member will have to provide her/his name, a contact number and verification of vaccination (with the second dose at least 2 weeks before the meeting)
5. Members will be required to have a temperature check and to sanitise hands.

6. The usual entrance fee of R10 for members and R25 for guests will apply.
 - * Bring an extra R100 if you have not yet renewed your membership!
7. On entering the Hall, members will have to wear a mask, which must be worn throughout the meeting.
8. People in the Hall will be seated at a distance of 1,5 metres from each other.

U3A will arrange seating in accordance with this protocol.

However, a limited number of chairs will be adjacent to each other and are strictly reserved for couples or co-habiting persons. **Seating may not be moved.**

The Committee of U3A Overberg believes that safe and effective meetings can be held under these protocols. We have scheduled a total of 40 meetings in the period September to November, which means that some 1800 members will be able to attend live meetings that they would otherwise have to attend by Zoom or not benefit from at all.

If members choose not to attend meetings in the Hall, every live presentation will still be available on Zoom at the same time, and on YouTube within a week after the meeting.

I look forward to seeing many of you in the weeks and months ahead – either in the Hall or on Zoom. We are really doing our best to cater for the needs of all our members.

And I encourage those of you who have not yet done so, to renew your membership so that you can participate in our activities - only R100 for the remainder of this year.

Regards

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