

SCHEDULE OF THE CURRENT GROUPS as at January 2019

Ancient History

As its name suggest, this group studies ancient civilizations.

Meeting on the fourth Tuesday at 10.00 am

Venue: The Peninsula Club (call convenor for directions).

Convenor: Ayad Hussona (981 0000)

Art Appreciation

We meet to discuss various artists, genres and history in selected countries. It is not required that you are an artist, just have an appreciation of excellence and a love of learning and sharing.

Meeting on the third Thursday at 1.45 pm (for a 2 pm start) to 4 pm.

Venue: The Peninsula Club

Convenor: Trish Litherland (426 4400)

Book Club

We each read the same two selected books every month and then we have good discussions about them. Some of us like the book and others don't – makes for a lively and interesting morning.

Meeting on the second Thursday at 10.00 am

Venue: In each other's homes.

Convenor: Dee Davies (428 7525)

Book Review

As the title suggests – the group discuss books which have been read by the members.

Meeting on the third Friday at 10.00 am.

Venue: In each other's homes.

Convenor: Cheril Clarke (426 9567)

Cards, Games and Puzzles: (formerly "Card Playing for Fun")

This is a cheerful, fun loving group.

We meet on the first Tuesday of the month - for a prompt start at 1.30 pm.

Venue: At members' homes.

Convenor: Diana Pipke (021 2540 442)

Church History

Discussion topics include: interaction between Christianity and other faiths, the influence of other religions and the spread of Christianity into the Gentile world. This may sound rather intellectual and deep but, in fact, is a fascinating subject for anyone, whether belonging to a faith or not.

Meeting on the first Friday at 2 pm

Venue: [13 Panorama Court, Red Beach.](#)

Convenor: Ian Mclean (027 3287363)

Cinematique

This group visits a cinema together. We try to choose a movie with a good story which will lead to interesting discussion. The group runs on an ad hoc basis, ie: when there is a movie showing at Hoyts Whanaparaoa that we deem worth viewing, an email will be sent to members who have listed their names.

Convenor: Trish Litherland (426 4400)

Discussion

Topics discussed by this group are chosen on an ad hoc basis, based on whatever its members currently find of interest or concern.

Meeting on the second and fourth Tuesdays at 10.00 am.

Venue: Hibiscus Coast Retirement Village (call convenor for directions).

Convenor: Barry Dale (426 0919)

Famous and Infamous Origins

This combined group covers a wide range of topics, whether it is famous or infamous people, places, items, cars, sport – you name it, we can make a topical meeting from it.

Meeting on the third Thursday at 10.00 am.

Venue: In each other's homes.

Convenor: Judy Lilley (424 3080)

Film Discussion

We discuss any films we have viewed together, plus any others deemed suitable.

Meeting on the last Friday of the month at 10.00 am.

Venue: The Kowhai Room – The Peninsula Club

Convenor: Trish Litherland (426 4400)

History

This group is for anyone who has a keen interest in history. It covers all aspects and members read interesting papers on a wide variety of topics.

Meeting on the first and third Tuesday at 10.00 am.

Venue: The Pohutukawa Room - Whangaparaoa Library

Convenor: John Hoby (021 252 5347)

Mahjong

Our group is a friendly group who strive to achieve as many different hands of the seventy seven available to us. It can be a frustrating game but offers plenty of challenges in order to work out which of the many hands you could try at each stage of the game. It certainly keeps the brain alive!

Convenor: Geoff or Sheila Taylor (427 4662)

Music

This group is in recession until a suitable location can be found.

Convenor: Jack Wolfe (426 9871)

Regional New Zealand

This group takes specific regions of New Zealand and studies each from an historical, economic and demographic perspective. Members with a special relationship to a region often provide insightful or humorous aspects about the area under study – a learning experience about our own country.

Meeting on the fourth Thursday at 10.00 am.

Convenor: Barbara Tucker (427 9127)

Short Film Making

This group is comprised of members with an interest in the art and craft of making short films. The group has, of necessity, no set time or venue for its meetings. Meeting times and locations vary.

Convenors: Ian and Nancy Miller (424 0388)

The World Today

The group's aim is to help members gain an understanding of the background and implications of what is happening on the world stage. Members are asked to research particular aspects of a topic and then to share what they learn with other members.

Meeting on the first Friday at 9.45 am. Contact - Pauline Wetton (427 6246)

Venue: Whangaparaoa Library

Convenor: Ria Kamerbeek (424 0486)

The Writers (formerly Scribbles)

A group for people who enjoy writing. We are now trialling a set but optional theme for the month and positively critiquing those who want to improve their writing.

Meeting on the first Friday at 10.00 am

Venue: In members' homes

Convenor: Cheril Clarke (426 9567)

Travel

The travel group meets every month to discuss aspects of travel. At most meetings a member gives a talk, usually accompanied by a slide presentation, on a trip they have been on. The range of amazing places people have visited makes this a very interesting group and promotes lots of questions from other members.

Meeting on the second Monday at 2.00 pm

Venue: Whangaparaoa Library

Convenor: Noel Newling (421 0961)

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**Group Meeting Timetable
as at January 2019**

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1st week		History 10 am			The Writers 10 am World Today 10 am
Pm		Mahjong 2 pm	Cards, Games & Puzzles, 1 pm		Church History 2 pm
2nd week	Short Film Making 11 am (time varies)	Discussion 10 am		Book Club 10 am	
pm	Travel 2 pm				
3rd week	*General* Meeting 9.40 am	History 10 am		Famous and Infamous Origins 10 am	Book Review 10 am
pm		Mahjong 2 pm		Art Appreciation. 1.45 pm	
4th week	Cinematique (Venue varies)	Discussion 10 am Ancient History 10 am		Regional New Zealand 10 am	Film Discussion 10 am (last Friday whether it be the 4 th or the 5 th Friday)
pm			Recorded Classical Music 2 pm		

**General meetings are held bi-monthly, on the third Monday of
January, March, May, July, September and November, at 9.40 am
at the Salvation Army Hall, Silverdale**