

## THIS MONTH'S FEATURED GROUPS

*For contact details of these and all groups see the group schedule page.*

*This month we have 2 featured groups covering totally different topics from very talented members.*

### **From the Humour group....**

What, people ask, do we actually **do** in the Humour Group? Well, the idea is to keep the creative part of the brains ticking over. This is accomplished by set, highly imaginative, written homework tasks which are listened to, discussed and generally cause a great deal of interest and amusement.

Formed in the mid 1990's by Pat Varney, the Humour Group to date, has already filled four books of humorous material written by our members. And more to come!

For example: Add seven lines to:

**“Don't worry – he's trained not to bite”**

Said the old lion trainer with pride  
Then he lay on the floor with his head in the jaw  
Of a moth-eaten lion named Clyde.  
But suddenly things went awry  
As his head disappeared with a crunch  
And that crafty old Clyde gave a satisfied sigh  
And said, “Thanks very much for the lunch.”



Short (very short) stories with surprise endings are also popular. Here's one with **exactly** 50 words.

*Midnight struck. Trembling with fear I walked past the Haunted House.  
Then from the fog loomed a ghostly apparition –a MOVING HEARSE WITHOUT A DRIVER.  
Frozen in horror I watched it approaching slowly.  
Then heard an eerie voice –“Hey you - Don't just stand there.  
Help me push the damn thing.”*



Our meetings also include lively discussions on interesting subjects, so if this is the sort of thing that appeals you are welcome to meet us in our new venue.

**We meet on the second Wednesday of the month at 10.00a.m.in Maygrove Village.  
Phone Jacqui Driscoll, 427 0426 for further information.**

## The Short Film Making Group

*Now on YouTube, see the links below*

*See the groups schedule page for contact details of this and all other groups.*

Of the ten or so regulars, original story ideas and acting are the current strengths of these U3A film makers. To develop our skills so we can manage more complex productions we've worked out a way to hone our art by making improvised stories.

Most recently the group met at Hobbs Wharf Café. We divided into two groups, each group spent ten minutes creating a story, then pitched their story to the whole group. The one we liked best was chosen, then we cast ourselves in the parts and filmed it. We think the result is a cracking yarn, but soon we will finish it and our fellow U3Aers can judge.

**It's clear this group stretches the creativity muscle and is lots of fun.**

*"I'd forgotten how much fun "play acting" can be" Mel*

*"Enjoy the interaction involved in giving ideas a visual life through the talents and resources available" Terry*

*"Such fun – filming – life minus the boring bits" Cynthia*



*Also here are URLs for the YouTube videos of these*

### Still Keen

Your video has been published at <http://youtu.be/2K1viRVb984>

### Gossip

Your video has been published at <http://youtu.be/Wh7EdVIXJ30>

## **The Secret**

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Your video has been published at <http://youtu.be/azuGchyJ6dY>

## **Fishing with ego**

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