

**TAMWORTH REGIONAL U3A  
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Post to:** The Secretary Tamworth Regional  
U3A, PO Box 1558, Tamworth NSW 2340

I enclose a cheque for \$40 made payable to  
Tamworth Regional U3A Inc

**OR**

**I have paid \$40 by direct deposit to  
Community Mutual BSB Number 932  
000 A/C Name Tamworth Regional U3A  
Inc Account Number 705311  
Deposit marked (Surname) Membership**

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New/Renewal Receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Member No. \_\_\_\_\_

Badge issued \_\_\_\_\_ Mailing list \_\_\_\_\_

**Where is Tamworth Regional U3A located?**  
Most courses are held in our rooms upstairs  
in the Treloar Building, above *Cotton On*.  
Other venues include Tamworth UNE Centre,  
Tamworth City Bowling Club, St Stephen's  
Hall, Tamworth Croquet Club, West Tam-  
worth Tennis Club, Anzac Park, Tamworth  
Hotel and other community venues.

**Address all correspondence to:**  
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Visit our web site for the latest newsletter,  
course programs, information about courses and  
presenters, photo gallery, comments and reports  
from members and more.

**<http://tamworth.u3anet.org.au>**

*We are also on Facebook at "Tamworth  
U3A" where you can keep up to date with  
what we are doing. Don't forget to **like** us.*



## Tamworth Regional U3A Inc.

Tamworth Regional U3A  
is part of the world wide  
University of the Third  
Age movement. Founded  
in June 2008 by a group  
of like-minded people,  
Tamworth U3A aims to  
provide a relaxed and  
friendly environment for  
seniors from Tamworth  
and Region to share their  
knowledge and interests.

**An active mind for a healthy  
retirement**

- Learning for pleasure
- Sharing your knowledge
- Making new friends

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# Programs

## Do I need any qualifications to join U3A?

No qualifications are needed to become a member of U3A, except that you should be 50 years or over and retired or semi-retired. Courses are quite informal with no examinations. At U3A, learning is for fun and for mental stimulation.

Courses are led *by* members, *for* members.

## How much does it cost?

Membership costs \$40 per calendar year. There may be a small additional fee for some courses, to cover costs of venue or equipment hire, photocopying etc. This additional fee is clearly stated on the course program. Additionally, some courses (eg art, music) may require the purchase of your own equipment (such as paints, brushes, instrument etc)

## What does membership offer?

As a member of Tamworth Regional U3A, you may enrol in any course you like, subject to availability of places. A waiting list is maintained if a course is full. You are entitled to attend our monthly short talks at no cost, as well as to participate in low-cost field trips and to attend any social functions organized by the committee. You will also receive a copy of the quarterly newsletter, and of the program for the coming term. All members are eligible to stand, and to vote at the AGM, for the Management Committee

## How does Tamworth Regional U3A work?

We operate on 4 terms per year, roughly corresponding to school terms. Before the start of each term, the quarterly newsletter is distributed, showing programs available for the coming term, dates for short talks and field trips etc. At the beginning of each term a Launch Day is held, at which members sign up for a course or courses of their choice. This is an opportunity to meet and socialise with other members. Some groups or courses run through from one term to the next. Others run for one term only or less. New courses are added according to the availability of leaders.

## What kinds of courses are offered?

Courses, group and activities vary from term to term, according to: demand; availability of leaders and tutors; availability of suitable venues, etc.

Recently, we have offered tutor-led courses in Bridge (card game) bird watching, TED talks, British and colonial history, cryptic crosswords, cooking, brain games, Shakespeare, handicrafts, a range of computer courses from beginners' to more advanced applications, croquet, local history and drawing. Less formal, member-led, groups include Scrabble, life writing, book discussion, Mah Jong and current affairs discussion. We also have card groups playing 500 and Canasta. Activity-based groups include Tai Chi, walking, croquet and tennis. However, we are not limited to these, and will offer many more activities and courses as we grow and develop.

We are always interested to hear from members about courses to meet their needs and interests.

*On the third Wednesday each month. we host a guest speaker from the wider community, with talks (free to members) held at our rooms upstairs in the Treloar Building at 10.00 am.*

*We also offer a field trip each term, to local places of interest.*

## Becoming a group leader or facilitator

We have a constant demand for new courses. Some require the leadership of someone willing to share their knowledge, experience and enthusiasm for a particular interest or hobby; others just need an enthusiastic leader to co-ordinate the discussions or activity of the participants. We would like more of our members to have an opportunity to lead or facilitate a group. If you are applying for U3A membership, get in touch with the program co-ordinator to discuss your ideas and suggestions.

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## Personal information

(Optional, but will assist us in planning courses and activities)

Please tell us something about your work experience and recreational interests before retirement.

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Special interests now: \_\_\_\_\_

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I would like to learn about/how to \_\_\_\_\_

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Would you consider leading a U3A group?

YES  NO  MAYBE

Topic/s? \_\_\_\_\_

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