



Dear U3A Castlemaine Member,

On 16 March 2020, the Committee of U3A Castlemaine met again to consider the impact of the coronavirus pandemic on the activities of U3A Castlemaine. The Committee noted that the State of Victoria is now in a state of emergency and that incidences of the Covid-19 virus are understood to have arisen in the Castlemaine community. The imposition of suitable social distancing and hygiene precautions on ongoing activities would be difficult and of uncertain effectiveness, particularly when the membership group is in a high-risk category. As a result, continuing those activities is inadvisable.

It has now been decided to cancel all U3A Castlemaine activities until further notice.

The Committee will keep the situation under active review and will communicate with members again when it is anticipated that activities may be anticipated to recommence.

Members are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the advice relevant to the pandemic which is published by governments and to follow that advice. We note that this advice has altered significantly in the last day or so and is expected to alter again as circumstances change.

Trevor Lloyd
President

Terry Murphy
Secretary