

MEET THE 2022 MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

We'd love to hear from you with ideas, feedback or even just to keep in touch.
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RICHARD BROWN, President I have been an active member of the U3A Moreland Painting and Drawing Group for a few years and have recently joined the Committee of Management, where I convene the Marketing Team. I have a history of community involvement stretching back to the early 1970s, and have worked as an actor, university lecturer, radio producer, management consultant and project manager. I am also a keen gardener, both in my home garden and at the West Brunswick Community Garden. I enjoy following Australian and international affairs, exploring new fields of study and helping others with their learning.



GWEN ROSENGREN

Gwen had an extensive career in educational management of programs for deaf children, then in adult employment services, training and placement, finishing her long working life in hearing advisory work with adults with hearing loss. Immediately on retirement Gwen joined U3A Moreland and has been fully engaged volunteering in many aspects of our management and program development ever since, as well as offering and participating in a range of programs and activities.



GAIL GROVE, Secretary Born in the USA, I have been in Australia since the 1970s, working mostly as a teacher of French and English, but also heavily involved with the arts, especially theatre and music. In fact, it was through the French choir, *La La La*, that I became involved in teaching at U3A Moreland and that has proved very rewarding, both as a tutor and a participant. For me, the best combination of my interests in theatre and music is musicals, operas, choirs. Lately, as a senior citizen, I became part of the Heidelberg Allstars, a group that every year (except 2020 and 2021 - no surprise there) presents a lavish end-of-year concert, combining a variety of dance and vocal music selections, along with some small skits. If any of you are interested in becoming involved, just let me know.

ANN WOOKEY, Treasurer My career became rather multifaceted, giving me experience in computer applications, banking and insurance, studio ceramics, art gallery/museum curatorship and collection management, and art history. Many years schooling entailed, culminating in a PhD in art history from Latrobe University in 1996. Volunteer treasurer positions taken on over those years - for the Melbourne Experimental Film Group of the 1970s, and International Council of Museums Australia Inc during the 1980-90s - lay behind my nomination last year as U3A Moreland Treasurer. My other activities in retirement still revolve around IT, the arts, pets, cooking and garden.



CRIS GOULETSAS Historical rainfall data input was my niche at the Bureau of Meteorology for over 30 years. As an active U3A Moreland member, my outlook is altogether more sunny. My philosophy is to give everything a go, and, if you don't like it – move on. So, there aren't many courses I haven't tried. An admiration and curiosity about the background work done to keep us running as prompted me to join the committee, with a personal brief to ensure members enjoy and benefit from their involvement.

HELEN SHANAHAN I have lived in Moreland for nearly 30 years and my work life was in both administration and disability support. I enjoy water workouts at Brunswick Baths, walking, reading and our holiday home near Mansfield. My husband is now retired, so we plan to do lots of travel in the next few years as well as joining the many and varied programs of U3A.



ANNE WARD I have lived in Merri-bek most of my life. I am now enjoying learning new skills and sharing knowledge in my local neighbourhood in joining U3A Moreland in 2021. I have also become a member of CERES and Friends of Merri Creek. My working career has been in the public service, employed across a variety of fields such as cartography, business administration and environmental sustainability reporting. My other interests in retirement include doing local walks, camping and bush walking, gardening, visiting art galleries and music venues, and going to the movies.



JANE WILLIAMS I worked in the disability sector for many years, mainly supporting people with an intellectual disability. This career spanned all facets of support - residential, education, employment and accessing the community. My final position was Manager of a Disability Employment and an NDIS service, based in the Moreland area for many years. I retired in mid-2021 and became involved with U3A Moreland in 2022. I stay physically active via the gym and bushwalking. I recently started volunteering in Waterwatch's Citizen Science program, measuring the water quality of Merri Creek, after having done training at CERES. I'm now looking to add whatever value I can to the U3A Moreland Committee of Management.