

Mid North Coast - Coffs Harbour, Dorrigo Plateau, Foster-Tuncurry, Gloucester District, Kempsey-Macleay, Manning Valley, Nambucca Valley, Port Macquarie Hastings

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INVITATION TO REGIONAL FORUM

The President, Committee Members and Members of Gloucester District U3A are cordially invited to attend the Mid North Coast Region of NSW U3A to be held at the Port Macquarie Hastings U3A Centre 1 Lochinvar Place Port Macquarie from 9.00 am to 3.30 pm on Saturday November 09 2019. The event will begin with morning tea at 9.00 am and finish with afternoon tea at 3.30pm.

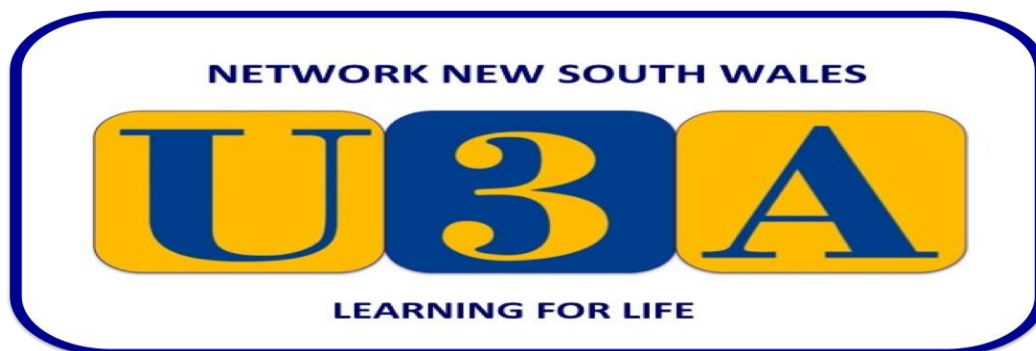
1. Aim of the Regional Forum

The aim of the 2019 Regional Forum is to gather together in one place as many of the 80 committee members and other members, who are part of the Mid North Coast Region of the NSW U3A Network so that we can:

- get to know one another better,
- understand what the NSW U3A Network can do for us;
- share the good things we have done during the year in our U3As;
- share the challenges and difficulties we have faced this year in your U3As;
- seek common answers to joint challenges;
- share our hopes and dreams for the future; and
- plan together for joint initiatives.

RESPONSE TO INVITATION

2. Enrolment for the Forum



The NSW U3A Network has taken a decision that all enrolments for Network events such as a Regional Forum, through *Trybooking*, an electronic system. The website and forum electronic address for this event is <https://www.trybooking.com/BFSDB>. One person can book all your participants in to the Forum or each participant can book themselves in using their credit card.

In consultation with the host U3A, Port Macquarie Hastings U3A, the Network has determined that **the fee for this course will be \$20.00 per participant**, which covers the cost of the venue, tea and coffee, and a lunch of sandwiches. There is a **50-cents booking fee**, which is payable when you enrol for the Forum.

Bookings for the Regional Forum will open on Monday September 16 and close on Tuesday October 31 2019.

The travelling and any other costs for each participant are their own responsibility, but as you are attending for the benefit of your U3A, in accordance with U3A Principles you will need to seek reimbursement of your expenses from your own U3A, in accordance with its Reimbursement Policy.

3. Tentative Agenda – Version 2

At present, the second proposed Agenda for the day will be:

9.00 am: Gathering and Morning Tea;

9.30 am: Welcome to Country;

Welcome from the PMH U3A President;

Welcome from Regional Rep;

Getting to know one another

10.30 am: Presentation by the NSW Network President, Laurene Mulcahy 11.30 am:

11.30 am: Question Time with President (if required)

12.15 pm: Lunch:

1.00 pm: A five-minute presentation from each U3A in the Region and two (2) issues each U3A would like to talk about on the day.

2.00 pm: Discussion on Raised Issues; and

3.00 pm: Afternoon Tea before leaving



4. We are now taking topics of conversation for the Forum. Version 2 of the tentative Agenda is below. Do you have any topics you or your U3A would like to raise at the forum?			Yes/No
Topic	Name of Presenter/Leader	How much time required?	Equipment Required

5. No of Committee Members coming to the Forum from your U3A::			
Name	Position	Phone No	Email

You will need the information above to register members your members for the Forum. You may also need to correct any changes to the participants.



DIETARY REQUIREMENTS - REGIONAL FORUM

6. Diet Requirements: This piece of information needs to come back to me as Organiser so that you can get is the only one that needs come back to me as Organiser.

Name	Diet Requirements

If you need anything further from me, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best regards,

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