



U3A Stilbaai News Letter: No. 4, September 2015

General Meetings (GM):

I was sad to have missed **Willem Botha's** talk on the Gouritz Cluster Biosphere Reserve last month. Especially after the positive feedback I have heard afterwards. Thank You Willem!

New dates:

We are now sticking to the new slot on the last Monday of every month.

Our next GM will therefore be on **Monday, 28 September 2015 at 09h30**

Our speaker for September:

Johan van Rooyen will talk on **The Southern African Bird Atlas Project**

It is the largest of its kind in the world. The presentation will show the impact as well as the products from Project 1 (done 25 years ago). It will further illustrate the progress of the current Project 2, as well as the impact it already has on biodiversity conservation. The data for both projects has been collected by volunteers and the specific contributions of a number of Still Bay residents in the Hessequa region will also be illustrated. The scope of the project is continually growing and the presentation will also explain how those that are interested could get involved.

We will again collect membership fees (of R30 p.p., per year) from 09h00 for a GM start at 09h30.

Other speakers and topics volunteered for GMs later in the year are:

- October: "Estate planning—putting your affairs in order" : Arthur Clarke/Stefan Pretorius
- November: We are trying to follow U3A tradition by arranging something musical for the last meeting of 2015 and will let you know.
- January 2016 "Latest info on Climate Change" : Prof Mike Lucas (UCT)
- "A Sub-Antarctic Trip to Bouvet Island" : Wendy Wilson

(Most addresses will be given in part English and part Afrikaans.)

Courses:

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Contact Person</u>	<u>email</u>
Natural Science #	Stefan Pretorius	stefan877@mweb.co.za
Botanical Art Drawings/Watercolours	Julie Wilson	wilson.julie222@gmail.com
Creative Writing: Getting it Down—4weeks	Carol Malan	carol.malan@vodamail.co.za
Help with computers/tablets/smartphones*	Stefan Pretorius	stefan877@mweb.co.za

Start delay as I am about to have an operation
*One-on-one help at home: Not courses

Proposed Courses:

Armchair Travel, Cooking Demonstrations, History, Birding, Botany/Flowers, Opera/Music/Choirs, Photography, Walks/Hikes, Classic Films on DVD, and Documentary Films on DVD or Blu Ray ... You fill in the dots. We'll draw up the schedule.

(Members please volunteer to contribute in your own fields of interest or expertise. We are looking for contact people here.

**Course leaders do not have to present at each session,
they can arrange contributions from others. }**