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Series 3 2014

BYRON'S DON JUAN

Dates: Tuesday, September 2 to October 7

Time: 2:15 pm to 4:15 pm

Venue: Salmond College, Knox Street, North East Valley

Enrolments for this course will be limited to 30

Course Fee: \$40.00

Tea and Coffee provided

Course Organiser: Sue Harvey (478 0057)

Course Assistant: Judith Cowley (471 0026)

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You may apply to enrol in more than one course. If you wish to do so, you must indicate your choice preferences on the application form, and include payment of the appropriate fee(s).

All applications must be received by noon on Wednesday, 13 August, A response to your application will be mailed out on August 22nd.

Any questions about this course after August 22nd should be referred to Marjan Lousberg, U3A Dunedin, telephone 473 8224 or on email at marjan.lousberg@gmail.com

Please keep this brochure as a reminder of venue, dates, and times for the courses for which you apply.

BYRON'S DON JUAN

No wonder the U3A owl is looking scandalized. Lord George Gordon Byron was the *enfant terrible* of his age, as a poet the first sell-out literary celebrity in England.

Into his huge (16 cantos and never completed) narrative poem about the great lover Don Juan—he himself called it 'an Epic Satire'—he packed his own life experience, his opinions on every conceivable subject from sex to politics, and several kinds of story. In this course we will hear a fine professional reading of selected passages and follow up with a Byronically relaxed discussion of the many topics this Romantic masterpiece of a poem offers.

The most useful text is the Penguin Classics volume, but any text will do. Start reading now! You have 10,000 lines of sheer pleasure to go.

This course will be presented by Emeritus Professor Colin Gibson.

The session dates for this course are on consecutive Tuesday afternoons, namely September 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 and October 7.