

Members attending are welcome to wear masks.

U3A lectures are for members only.

We regret we're unable to welcome visitors to our lectures – to do so would be unfair to those on the waiting list.

9 March South Canterbury Museum Past, Present, Future Philip Howe

The South Canterbury Museum has become a key local facility for visitors, researchers, education groups and the community. It is about to undergo a major change with the construction of a new museum on Barnard Street. Museum Director Philip Howe will look at the Museum's past, current operations and planned future development.

16 March Two Big Macs who made their mark on South Canterbury Seán Brosnahan

Two 19th-century Highlanders made a big mark on South Canterbury history. James MacKenzie stole sheep from the Levels Station, bringing him notoriety and folk hero status. He also opened the way to the Mackenzie Country. John McKenzie, on the other hand 'broke up the great estates' as Minister of Lands in the 1890s and transformed much of New Zealand into a land of small family farms.

23 March Trial by Jury - The role of a Crown Solicitor Andrew McRae

Many of you will have sat on a jury or will closely follow crime news. Some may even regularly watch true-crime documentaries or listen to true-crime podcasts. This talk will be an attempt to demystify the Court process. It will traverse a day in the life of a Crown Prosecutor and touch upon some recent high-profile national cases as examples. Questions will be welcomed.

2026 PROGRAMME DATES:

SERIES 1: Mar 9, 16, 23

SERIES 2: Apr 13, 20

SERIES 3: May 11, 18, 25

SERIES 4: Jun 8, 15, 22

SERIES 5: Jul 6, 13, 20

SERIES 6: Aug 3, 10, 17

SERIES 7: Sep 7, 14, 21

SERIES 8: Oct 5, 12, 19

SERIES 9: Nov 9, 16, 23

Meetings

**are held at The West End Hall,
35a Maltby Avenue, Timaru.**

Lectures may start a few minutes before
1.30 pm and conclude about 2.30 pm,
with questions to follow.

Coffee/tea will be provided after the meeting.

**As a courtesy to our speakers
and other members, please**

be seated by 1.20 pm.

wear your name tag.

turn your cell phone off.

no talking during lectures.

wait until the end of the lecture before asking questions.

stand when asking a question, and wait for the microphone.

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PLEASE NOTE:
**Series 1 begins Monday
9 March 2026.**
**The AGM is on Monday
20 April 2026.**