

National Seniors Australia ~ Centenary Branch

MAY 2019- Newsletter

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Good morning members – your committee puts in some effort to organize an entertainer/speaker in an effort to make our meetings enjoyable. Sometimes this may not be of particular interest to you but I would ask that you be considerate of others, whose hearing may not be what it used to, and if you have an overwhelming desire for a chat perhaps you could just sneak out into the lobby for a moment. This should also apply to the formal part of our meeting. Thank you for your consideration.

Please complete updated name/address/phone/email sheet available from Marjorie at front door as I have had difficulty contacting some members. Return completed sheet to Hugh.

A member of our branch for the last 5 years, Elizabeth (Liz) Edwards, passed away on Easter Monday. She was the mother of our Secretary, Cheryl Williams.

Ponderings: What did people go back to before they invented the drawing board?

MAY ENTERTAINER - David Cheales (Musician)

JUNE GUEST SPEAKER – Dr. James Lergessner (Author/Editor)

Best wishes are extended to all our valued members celebrating birthdays during May. We hope you have a wonderful day.



MANY HAPPY RETURNS

UPCOMING EVENTS:

CWA Oxley Annual Trivia Luncheon. Wed. 22 May at Oxley Bowls Club, Englefield Rd Oxley. \$10pp including light lunch. RSVP 15 May. Bookings to Pat on 33791318.

JUNE EXPLORER TRIP:

Bus and Citycat to Northpoint at Hamilton for lunch.

RECENT EVENTS:

DINNER at The Ox was very well attended.

LUNCH at Monier on 21st April was enjoyed by 20 members.

EUMUNDI MARKETS – 33 people enjoyed the day out.

COACH TRIP – 21 MAY 2019 – CAMPUS HISTORY OF UQ GATTON - 9am.

UQ Gatton dates back to 1897 when the Qld Agricultural College opened. It has since been a high school, US Army Field Hospital and finally a campus of the University of Qld.

It has beautiful grounds, historical buildings and state of the art teaching and research facilities. Devonshire morning tea, lunch and guided tour included. \$55.

Names and money to Ann today.

Please note **FULL PAYMENT FOR BUS TRIPS IS TO BE MADE AT THE MONTHLY MEETING BEFORE TRIP. NAME BADGES ARE COMPULSORY FOR ALL BUS TRIPS. BRANCH REFUND POLICY FOR BUS TRIPS.**

- Notify Ann 48 hours beforehand.
- In case of sudden medical emergency on the day, which can not be prevented, the Committee will consider the matter with respect to a refund.
- When we book seats on a bus or give numbers for a booked luncheon (and are still required to pay even in the case of a cancellation) a refund will not be given.
- In the event of a trip being cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances beyond our control and cannot be rescheduled, then members will receive a full refund.

BRAIN TEASERS

1. A man rides into town on Wednesday, stays two days then leaves on Wednesday. How is this possible?
2. A bat and ball combined cost \$1.10. The bat costs \$1.00 more than the ball. How much does the ball cost?
3. David's father has three sons: Snap, Crackle and what is the name of the third son
4. What's full of holes but can still hold water?
5. What can travel around the world while staying in a corner?
6. A is the father of B. But B is not the son of A. How is that possible?
7. Some months have 30 days, some have 31. How many months have 28?

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NEWSLETTER (INCLUDES MEMBERS WISHING TO HAVE THEIR NEWSLETTER EMAILED, OR PUT IN AN APOLOGY FOR GENERAL MEETING)	CHERYL	3376 1146

CENTENARY NATIONAL SENIORS WEBPAGE –
[https://nationalseniors.com.au/about/branches/centenary.](https://nationalseniors.com.au/about/branches/centenary)

Do you know of any Centenary Seniors members who are unwell? Often we do not know of anyone who has been unwell or in hospital. If you know of any members please call Carol Uren on 3818 5047.

MEMBERS PROFILE – (courtesy of Teena Oost).

HOME IS WHERE MY HEART IS

My earliest memory is being washed in a tub in a house in a small Dutch village called Nieuw Weerdinge, and sharing that house with many brothers and sisters. I remember I had a pram and a doll and one of my brothers got a pull along car. We learned to swim in the canal outside our house, as my father pulled us along on a pole and a rubber band.

When I became 4 years old, we moved into a shop. The house attached had no bedding so we slept in cupboard drawers. I also learned to skate on a nearby canal with my father piggybacking me along until I could do it myself. I was the eighth child with seven older siblings and another seven siblings came after me. Yes, I am the middle child of fifteen. My future husband, Frank, also returned to my village during World War II to stay with relatives, but I didn't know him then.

As my older siblings moved to start their families, we moved to Borne, a village that specialized in the fabric industry. There I met the Oost family in our church. My mother said later as a joke that Frank had a choice of three sisters but I was the lucky one. My mother always said he couldn't complain about me because he had a choice back then.

After marriage Frank and I immigrated to Australia where one of my sisters already lived. We started in Fortesque Street in Brisbane City which was a small flat. It was difficult in the beginning, for example, people would say things like "you know" at the end of everything and the problem was I didn't know. Soon followed a place in Ashgrove where I became pregnant with my first child and the landlady made us leave because of that. So then we moved to East Brisbane with crooked floors and believe it or not, no kitchen.

About a year later we ended up in Noreen Street in Chapel Hill, where the landlord greeted us on horseback. Soon after, our three boys were born and we built our first real house next door in Chapman Street. We raised our children from that wonderful house and when they had moved out, we moved to Sinnamon Park. It became the focus of our grandchildren, a most enjoyable phase of our lives. After a while we moved into our current home which is smaller and has introduced us to yet another community of great people.

We have returned to the Netherlands many times over the years and driven past many of those places, both there and the ones in Australia including a few that I haven't mentioned. They all feel like home. We don't know if this will be our last home but you can be guaranteed if there is another one, it will also be filled with love just like all the rest. After living here in Australia in many different places, I really feel that this is my home and we have been successful immigrants to this wonderful country. A large part of that success comes from the people we have met and especially the ones we have been fortunate to call our friends.

CALENDAR 2019

MAY 2019

Thursday 2 nd	MahJong	9-12noon	Library Meeting Room	
Monday 6 th	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Tuesday 7 th	General Meeting	9.30am	Jindalee Bowls Club	\$5
Wednesday 8 th	Evening Dinner	6pm	Roadhouse Grill. J'lee Hotel	
Thursday 9 th	MahJong	9-12noon	Library Meeting Room	
Monday 13 th	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Thursday 16 th	Book Club	10am-12noon	Library Meeting Room	
Thursday 16 th	Lunch	12noon	Monier Hotel Darra	
Monday 20 th	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Tuesday 21 st	Bus Trip	9am	UQ Gatton Campus	\$55
Monday 27 th	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Tuesday 28 th	Coffee & Conversation	10am	Mt.Ommaney Food Court	
Tuesday 28 th	Committee Meeting	1 3 pm	Li Library Meeting Room	
Tuesday 28 th	Zone Conference	9. 00am		

JUNE 2019

Monday 3 rd	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Tuesday 4 th	General Meeting	9.30am	Jindalee Bowls Club	\$5
Thursday 6 th	MahJong	9-12noon	Library Meeting Room	
Monday 10 th	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Wednesday 12 th	Evening Dinner	6pm	Café 63 Westlake	
Thursday 13 th	MahJong	9-12noon	Library Meeting Room	
Saturday 15 th	The Hub - Music	6pm		\$10
Monday 17 th	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Tuesday 18 th	Explorer Trip	8.30am	Bus/Citicat to Northpoint	
Thursday 20 th	Book Club	10am – 12noon	The Hub	
Thursday 20 th	Lunch	12noon	Monier Hotel Darra	
Monday 24 th	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Tuesday 25 th	Coffee & Conversation	10am	Mt.Ommaney Food Court	
Tuesday 25 th	Committee Meeting	1pm	Library Meeting Room	

JULY 2019

Monday 1 st	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Tuesday 2 nd	General Meeting	9.30am	Jindalee Bowls Club	\$5
Thursday 4 th	MahJong	9-12noon	Library Meeting Room	
Monday 8 th	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Wednesday 10 th	Evening Dinner	6PM	TBA	
Thursday 11 th	MahJong	9-12noon	Library Meeting Room	
Monday 15 th	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Tuesday 16 th	Bus Trip Xmas in July	8am	Riverdeck Tewantin	\$55
Thursday 18 th	Book Club	10am – 12noon	The Hub	

Thursday 18th	Lunch	12noon	Monier Hotel Darra	
Monday 22nd	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Monday 29th	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Tuesday 30th	Coffee & Conversation	10am	Mt.Ommaney Food Court	
Tuesday 30th	Committee Meeting	1pm	Library Meeting Room	

Answers to Brain Teasers:

Horse named Wednesday; \$0.05; David; sponge; stamp, B is the daughter of A, all of them.