

National Seniors Australia ~ Centenary Branch

AUGUST 2019- Newsletter

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE –

Good morning members. A very important meeting today, it's time for you to have your say. At the end of this meeting you will have the committee you chose – either by election or complacency. We work hard to have a friendly, social club but we need your feedback regarding its operation. Let us know if you have a speaker, entertainer, excursion, bus trip or anything that may be of interest to the club.

Words of Wisdom – It's a tough world with lots of horrid things happening, but I have been told it's harder to kidnap heavy peopleeat the cake!!

We are compiling an accurate membership list. Please show your member number at the door.

AUGUST GUEST SPEAKER – Barry Collis from Angel Flight (Donation Box will be available).
SEPTEMBER ENTERTAINER - David Pal (Singer).

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

MANY HAPPY RETURNS

RECENT EVENTS:

DINNER at Le Bonne Saigon was very well attended.

LUNCH at Monier on 18th July was enjoyed by 14 members.

XMAS IN JULY AT RIVERDECK TEWANTIN was a great day out.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

AUGUST TUES 20th – Picnic in the Park. BYO or plate to share. Club provides cake.

AUGUST WED. 21st – Senior Expo at Riverlife 17 Mile Rocks.

SEPTEMBER Mon. 2nd – Jindalee Bowls Club Annual Portofino Fashion Parade.

COACH TRIP – SEPTEMBER TUESDAY 17TH - \$55. – 7.30AM – BUCKS AT CHILLINGHAM.

This is a tour of a different kind. We make our way down to Chillingham to visit Buck The Barefoot Bushman at his Tweed Valley Farm. Buck and his wife will provide an entertaining presentation of the farm's history and its unique and innovative produce. Sample fresh farm produce and see Buck's very own unique cosmetic products. Today's tour includes morning tea, farm experience and lunch at a local venue.

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 FUTURE ALL CANCELLATIONS WILL INCUR \$15 FEE.**
- 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.

CONTACTS

PRESIDENT: BEV 0424525230

EXPLORER TRIPS

COACH TRIPS ANN 3376 3760

DINNERS, FUNCTIONS JENNY 3376 3616

MUSIC AT THE HUB MARJORIE 3376 2030

CHANGES TO ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBERS HUGH 3376 1371

NEWSLETTER CHERYL 3376 1146

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

CENTENARY NATIONAL SENIORS WEBPAGE

<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 0415 722 940.

TRADESMEN LIST: Please add to your list

Grant Anderson, Electrician. 0420 382 497.

Trevor Mann, Registered Pool Builder, maintenance & repairs 0448 664 277.

JOKE

A minister decided that a visual demonstration would add emphasis to his Sunday sermon.

Four worms were placed into four jars.

The first worm was put into a jar of alcohol, the second worm was put into a jar of cigarette smoke, the third worm was put into a jar of chocolate syrup, and the fourth worm was put into a jar of good clean soil.

At the conclusion of the sermon, the Minister reported the results

The first worm in alcohol – DEAD

The second worm in cigarette smoke – DEAD

The third worm in chocolate syrup – DEAD

The fourth worm in good clean soil – ALIVE.

The Minister asked the congregation what did they learn from this.

Maxine sitting quietly in the back raised her hand and said “As long as you drink, smoke and eat chocolate, you won’t have worms.”

That pretty much ended the service.

Meetings are first Tuesday each month, February to October, except November (second Tuesday) at the Jindalee Bowls Club at 9.30am. Secretary: Cheryl Williams. P.O. Box 470 Mt Ommaney

Our thanks to Matthew Bourke, Councillor for Jamboree Ward, for provision of photocopying facilities.

MEMBER’S PROFILE:

The life and times of Marjorie Green

I was born on a farm, in a small village called Stock, in Essex, England. I was born at

home with the local midwife in attendance as was the way in those days. Those of you who follow the television show “Call the Midwives” will understand. My two sisters and brother were born in the next 12 years in the same way.

I went to the village school where I didn’t learn very much and failed the 11+ exam which determined that I would not go to a high school. I went to a Modern Secondary School where I hung around the bottom of the class. School finished before I was 15. I had no idea what I wanted to do so I went on to Technical College; I had a great time here being the only girl in the science course. However, I didn’t do very well educationally. During this time I worked in a Department store, in the glass and china department and in the toy department. I quite enjoyed this and the store must have seen something in me and offered to train me as a buyer but I couldn’t see myself in this type of career.

I knew that I wanted to work in a hospital but not as a nurse and I wasn’t clever enough to be a doctor. I quite fancied social work but my lack of academic qualifications would not allow entrance into University. I then discovered Pathology which was not very advanced in those days. I was lucky enough to get a job in the local pathology laboratory on the condition that I got my General Certificate of Education, Ordinary Level in four subjects. I had to do this by correspondence. I had to do this while also studying for the Intermediate level certificate in medical technology. This study involved three nights a week at the London Hospital, Whitechapel. This took three years and four different hospitals. During this time I met my future husband at a psychiatric hospital we both worked in he worked in the supply department.

I then went to work in a London Hospital in order to train for the Associateship of the Institute of Medical Laboratory Scientists. My fiancé followed me and worked in the records department of the same hospital. With the basic training in all the pathology disciplines of haematology, microbiology, histology and biochemistry achieved. I now had to specialise. I chose Clinical Biochemistry again with night classes three nights a week at the local technical college while working full time and doing “on call” one night a week and occasional weekends. During this time 1963 I married my late husband John who put up with all the time I spent away from home and the study when at home. I did pass the Associate examinations and decided to go on for a Fellowship which meant specialising in a second discipline microbiology. However, we decided to immigrate to Australia in 1965 before I obtained the Fellowship. We wanted to travel but had no money so we became ten pound POMs. We boarded the Fairstar and spent six weeks travelling to Brisbane.

I got a job in the biochemistry department of the Princess Alexandra Hospital and then decided to move into medical research with the University of Queensland, Department of Medicine. This is another story to be told at another time.

CALENDAR 2019

AUGUST 2019

Thursday 1 st	MahJong	9-12noon	Library Meeting Room	
Monday 5 th	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Tuesday 6 th	General Meeting/AGM	9.30am	Jindalee Bowls Club	\$5

Wednesday 7th	Evening Dinner	6pm	Asian Lily Graceville	
Thursday 8th	MahJong	9-12noon	Library Meeting Room	
Monday 12th	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Wed. 14th	PUBLIC HOLIDAY		EXHIBITION HOLIDAY	
Thursday 15th	Book Club	10am-12noon	The Hub	
Thursday 15 th	Lunch	12noon	Monier Hotel Darra	
Saturday 17 th	Music	6pm	The Hub	\$10
Monday 19th	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Tuesday 20 th	Picnic in the Park	10.30am	Rocks Riverside - BYO	
Wednesday 21 st	Seniors Expo	8AM-2.30PM	Riverlife 17 Mile Rocks	
Monday 26th	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Tuesday 27th	Coffee & Conversation	10am	Mt.Ommaney Food Court	
Tuesday 27th	Committee Meeting	1pm	Library Meeting Room	

SEPTEMBER 2019

Monday 2 nd	Fashion Parade	9.30am	Jindalee Bowls Club	\$20
Monday 2nd	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Tuesday 3rd	General Meeting	9.30am	Jindalee Bowls Club	\$5
Thursday 5th	MahJong	9-12noon	Library Meeting Room	
Monday 9th	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Wednesday 11 th	Evening Dinner	6pm	Border Grill, J'lee Golf Club	
Thursday 12th	MahJong	9-12noon	Library Meeting Room	
Monday 16th	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Tuesday 17 th	Coach Trip	7.30am	Bucks Farm	\$55
Thursday 19th	Book Club	10am – 12noon	The Hub	
Thursday 19th	Lunch	12noon	Monier Hotel Darra	
Thursday 19th	Committee Meeting	1.30pm	Monier Hotel Darra	
Sat 21–Sat 28th	Longreach/Winton Trip			
Monday 23rd	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Tuesday 24th	Coffee & Conversation	10am	Mt.Ommaney Food Court	
Monday 30 th	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7

OCTOBER 2019

Tuesday 1 st	General Meeting	9.30am	Jindalee Bowls Club	\$5
Thursday 3 rd	MahJong	9-12noon	Library Meeting Room	
Monday 7th	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Monday 7 th	PUBLIC HOLIDAY			
Wednesday 9 th	Evening Dinner	6PM	TBA	
Thursday 10th	MahJong	9-12noon	Library Meeting Room	
Monday 14th	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Wednesday 16th	Explorer Trip	8.30am	TBA	

Thursday 17th	Book Club	10am – 12noon	The Hub	
Thursday 17th	Lunch	12noon	Monier Hotel Darra	
Monday 21st	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Monday 28th	Steady Steps	9am for 9.15am	Cent.Uniting Church Hall	\$7
Tuesday 29th	Coffee & Conversation	10am	Mt.Ommaney Food Court	
Tuesday 29th	Committee Meeting	1pm	Library Meeting Room	