# **GLADSTONE BRANCH NEWSLETTER**



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## August 2020

Good Morning,

It seems like a long time since we have held a meeting, so we are pleased to announce that the next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> Sept. Please note the changes we have had to make to ensure that this meeting can go ahead. They are set out on the following page. Any queries please contact a member of the Committee who will only be too pleased to help you.

We have held a Management Meeting recently where

all of this was discussed in detail, and unfortunately this is what is required for our Branch to meet. The Committee will meet each month to assess the virus situation and all members will be advised accordingly of the outcome.

We have to plan our AGM also, so please take a minute or two to think about joining the Management. We do have some vacancies and would love to see you on board. See you all Tuesday, yeah Larney

Email: nsagladstonebranch@gmail.com

# AUGUST CELEBRATIONS HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

Pauline Bambling; Cheryl Bensted; Gary Connell; Inday Dunnett; Bev Ellem; Noela French; Jennifer Hinde; Robin Hunt; Val Jones; Liz Keating; Ian Learmonth; Beth Long; Suzanne Mackay; Fay McPherson; Janice Milic; Margaret Priddey; Keith Prowse; Christine Pugh; Annette Rowe; Ailsa Stitt; Edna Stokes; Anne Storey; Pat Ward; Margaret Watson; Kathy Webb.

#### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES**

Happy 50<sup>th</sup> to Mary-Ann & John Smith. Andrea & Fred Jones.

## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

The Man in the Mirror, by Dale Wimbrow

When you get what you want in your struggle for life, And the world makes you king for a day; Then go to the mirror and look at yourself, And see what that man has to say.

For it isn't a man's father, mother or wife, Whose judgement upon him must pass; The fellow whose verdict counts most in his life, Is the man staring back from the glass.

He's the fellow to please: never mind all the rest, For he's with you clear up to the end; And you've passed your most dangerous, difficult test, If the man in the glass is your friend.

You can fool the whole world down the pathway of years, And get pats on the back as you pass; But your final reward will be heartache and tears, If you've cheated the man in the glass.

#### **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

#### From Activities Officer: Pauline

Good morning everyone,

Another quiet month but I did go to the Sunshine Coast to visit my eldest son and family. It is very different on the Tilt train with social distancing only allowing one person per seat and only every second row.

The year is still flying by with Winter over again and Spring on our doorstep.

We are usually organizing our Christmas Dinner by now but it doesn't look very promising at the moment. Maybe by November we will be able to have a very scaled down event.

Lots of people out and about having morning tea, lunch and dinner again which is good to see.

Hoping to see everyone again soon. **Pauline** 

# From Tour Officer: Barbara

As you are all aware by now the New Zealand Tour has been cancelled. All members have been contacted by Raymond regarding their deposits, giving them all a choice between a credit or refund.

The 2021 tour is on hold due to the uncertainty of the pandemic. Hopefully we will be able to get one together at a later date.

Take care, Barb

We have been approached by some organisations asking for volunteers. I have listed them below for you to consider.

Calliope River Historical Village: Are looking for the following volunteers to help with the running of the Village.

- 1. Kiosk (serving drinks & light snacks)
- 2. Gardening (easy to grow plants)
- 3. Cleaning of exhibits (dusting)
- 4. Rearranging of exhibits
- 5. Building maintenance
- 6. Mechanical (tinkering with old machinery)

Contact Mary Lou 0407 632 531

PCYC are looking for Driver Mentors to take part in helping young people get their 100 hours up to gain their Driver's license, using PCYC vehicles. Conditions apply; you must hold an Open Driver's License for over 3 years.

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Please contact Lauren Coles 0417 076 462

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We have also been approached by Maxine Brushe, a program is being put together to help school children with their reading skills. Details will be given out when available.

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Friends of the Theatre are looking for volunteers to assist with ushering and meet and greet of theatre patrons. Shows are conducted both day and night. Please contact Larney if you require any further details.

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#### **MEETING INFORMATION 15TH SEPT**

Unfortunately, due to this pandemic we have had to make some changes to the running format of our General Meetings.

The door will not be open before 9am, please note.

We have been advised that there will be no tea, coffee, or biscuits available for members.

Members can bring their own WATER bottles.

There will be no raffles on the day, a safeguard against the virus.

Members might be asked by Yaralla to swipe their membership card on the way in, it might change but better to be safe than sorry.

Members must sign in, as usual before entering the function room. Please check your contact details also, as we are taking this opportunity to update the branch records.

If you are a little wary of venturing out, due to the virus, we suggest that you wear a mask.

Tables and chairs will be set out for our use. These will be set at the recommended social distance, 1.5m apart. We have been advised that they cannot be moved to allow for extra members to join friends at the table, sorry we must abide by the rules

There will be no exercises on the day, again due to the virus restrictions, don't worry - we will get you next time lol.

There will be a "Senior" paper available on the day.

There will be no entry fee for the day, also due to the restrictions of the venue. At the moment we are just taking each meeting as it comes,

We know that this seems to be a lot of changes, but at least we will be meeting.

We will still be conducting, Birthdays Vouchers, Reports, Treasurers Report and Minutes, plus any matter that you wish to be discussed, please contact Terry beforehand.

# **Committee Members**

Branch Email: nsagladstonebranch@gmail.com

## **Branch Contact Details**

Branch Meetings are held at:

Yaralla Sports Club, Cnr O'Connell and Bell Streets, Barney Point, Gladstone.

Third Tuesday of the month at 9am for 9:45am.

Contact Terry - 0418 185 380

Contact Larney - 0400 610 277