

Brighton Newsletter

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Recent Activities

- **June Branch Meeting**

We were given an overview of all the things that we can do at the local libraries, by 2 staff from the Holdfast Bay Council Library. Libraries are no longer just about books. Are you having trouble with your computer then book a session with an IT expert at the local library. There are all sorts of activities, for children of all ages, where adults can meet up for technology lessons, etc etc.

- **Walk along the new Port Noarlunga walkway.**



A small number of our Walking Group braved the chilly weather to walk along the recently opened Port Noarlunga Walkway which goes between Christies Beach and Port Noarlunga. When the weather is warmer it is an activity that more members could do. Photo supplied by Paul Appleby

- **Tour of Adelaide's Treasury Tunnels**

Thursday 26 June, 14 Brighton Members went underground to journey through the winding hallways and hidden chambers to discover the stories within and under the streets of Adelaide. The tour started at the Treasury Building which was at the heart of South Australia's early political life.



Upcoming Activities

- **Annual General Meeting 15 July 2025**



At the AGM we will elect the Committee to guide us for the next 12 months. We currently have 108 members and there are lots of talented people amongst us. The President Aileen, Treasurer Bill, Catering Co-ordinator Lleyan, are all stepping down after 6 years in their roles. Our Vice-President and Newsletter Writer, Graham Sporn is also unavailable due to health issues. To continue to enjoy interesting speakers, entertainment, morning tea, we need members to fill these roles. We are pleased that 7 of our existing Committee will continue, but we need people to take on the key management roles.

At the AGM we will celebrate the 24 year Anniversary of the Brighton Branch with a special Anniversary Cake. The cake will be cut by one of our foundation members Valerie Edwards. That is a wonderful achievement to be a member for 24 years. After the AGM and Morning Tea, we would like 3 or 4 members to talk to us for 10 minutes about something that interests them. Advise Julie Hockley if you would like to participate.

- **Lunch on 15 July, Holdfast Hotel, 83 Brighton Road. Glenelg South**

After each Branch meeting there is a lunch for members who wish to attend. On 15 July the lunch will be at the Holdfast Hotel, Brighton Road. If you wish to attend, please put your name on the sheet on the back table at the meeting, so we can advise the hotel of the number of members attending.

- **Thursday 17 July – Visit to Adelaide Fire Brigade, Wakefield Street, Adelaide.**

Come along to the Adelaide Fire Brigade station and learn how this emergency service protects us. Their role is not only to put out fires but to educate us to stop fires starting. The visit starts at 10.30am. If you would like to attend, put your name on the sheet on the back table at the Branch Meeting. There is no cost. A luncheon venue can be arranged after the visit. Contact is Brian Hockley, Phone 0412 995 691.

- **Wednesday 6 August – Anniversary Lunch at Marion Club, 262 Sturt Road, Marion**



The lunch starts at 12 Noon. Payment to be made at the hotel on the day. Put your name down on the booking sheet at the next meeting. Brighton Branch NSA has been providing wonderful activities for Seniors for nearly 24 years, and it is hoped that it can continue for many years to come. Contact is Graham Gurry Phone 8296 7646.

- **The Walking Group**

The Walking Group meet 9.30am every Tuesday except when there is a Branch Meeting. On that week the group meet on the following day. On **Wednesday 16 July** meet at **Brighton Jetty** walk to **Inclusive Café (Minda Café)** Jack Frost Drive behind Somerton Life Saving Club. Refreshments and return. If you would like to join in any of the weekly walks, contact either Barbara Hansen 0448 223 075 or Rose Cearnas 0405 537 910.

- **Thursday 25 September - Bus Trip to Anlaby Station**

Step back in time with a guided tour of the homestead and heritage listed gardens. Discover 10 acres of English garden displays and a glimpse into one of the great South Australian rural houses. Anlaby Station is a historic heritage tourism destination located about 12 kilometres southeast of Marrabel and 14 kilometres north of Kapunda in South Australia. The property was originally established in 1839 by Frederick Dutton, and is home to the oldest Merino stud in South Australia and the second-oldest in Australia. The cost is \$95 for members and \$105 for non-members, and this includes a 2-course lunch. We will start taking payments in July but put your name down on the booking sheet if you are interested. Contact is Brian Hockley, Phone 0412 995 691.



- **Brighton Branch Meetings**

Our Branch Meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month, except for December when we do not have a meeting. We meet at the Lighthouse Community Church, corner Jetty Road and The Crescent, Brighton on the beach side of the railway line. The meeting starts at 10am, so arrive from 9.30am. Door entry is \$5, and this includes morning tea and a chance to win a door entry prize. Payment of your annual subscription can be made at the Branch meetings. Payment by Cash, Visa or MasterCard Credit or Debit Card is available for Subscriptions, Outings, and Door Entry.

- **Catering.**

Lleyan and her team of helpers are pleased with the positive feedback they regularly receive from members regarding the Morning Teas. If you can help in the kitchen from time to time, talk to Lleyan. This will relieve the load from the regular band of willing volunteers, who sometimes cannot come due to other commitments, travel, or illness.



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