GLADSTONE BRANCH NEWSLETTER



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Good Morning to all members and visitors We have a very special occasion happening soon. Our Exercise Officers Sharon & Carole, along with their sister Merrian, will be celebrating their Mothers 100th birthday. We will be holding a Tree Planting Ceremony on Monday 24th June at the Council Arboretum, Tondoon Gardens commencing at 10am. Their Mother, Eileen Doris Murchie arrived in Australia as a 6mth old baby, what a lot of changes in the world she has witnessed during her time.

Our best wishes to them all, Please advise if you would like to attend. Mt. Larcom is holding their annual show on the 22nd & 23rd of June, this is always a lovely event to attend. "Luminous" will be held at the Gladstone Tondoon Botanic Gardens and is planned for 13th-14th July, 5.3pm – 9pm, a stunning event to visit. Next Meeting to be held Tuesday 16th July 2019. See you all then,

TODAY'S GUEST SPEAKER

We welcome Nikki from Gladstone Women Health Centre today. This centre hosts so many different programs benefiting women, and this morning we will find out exactly how we can take part in the activities

TODAY'S 5 MINUTE SPEAKER

Today Roy Jones will be giving some information on the background of "Evenglow". As we donate annually to this organisation, members will find this insight interesting.

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JUNE CELEBRATIONS HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

Margaret Connolly, Gudi Harm, Cheryl Heard, Larney Irvine, Franz Linder, Lyn Long, Thelma O'Brien, Wayne Price, Elaine Prowse, Merle Rains, Anya Rotondo, Ann Russell, John Shore, Debra Soper, Margaret Stolberg, Jess Warren.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES

Christine and Alan Armour, Bronnie and Terry Burgess, George and Joan Mackay, Alice and Keith Thompson, Ken and Margaret Watson, Gayle and Peter Young.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Pleasant thoughts make pleasant lives.

A LITTLE HUMOUR - travel jokes

A vulture boards a plane carrying two dead raccoons. The air hostess says, "I'm terribly sorry, Sir, but we only allow one carrion."

What did E.T.'s mother say to him when he finally got home?

"Where on Earth have you been?!"

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

..... Larney

From Activities Officer: Pauline

Good Morning Everybody.

Now that Stonestreets won't have coaches in Gladstone anymore I have been able to hire Norths Coaches from Rockhampton for much the same price with John the driver.

I have booked ferns Hideaway for "Christmas in July" on Friday 19th July.

At the moment we have 73 members booked with a couple of places still available. We will be taking 2 buses a 53 & 24 seater. Please note: Departure time has changed from 7am to 7:30am.

No activity has been planned for August as this is when Seniors Week occurs.

I am planning a morning tea at the gardens for our September activity an expression of interest form will be available at the next meeting.

Raymond has advised he is in the process of planning our visit to see "Muriel's Wedding" in Brisbane, the date being 9th October.

Expressions of interest – Stanthorpe Apple & Grape Festival 7-8 March 2020. Accom. is available at Warwick only. We need to book now if we can muster enough interest. We would need at least 40 people to make the trip viable. It would be for 4 days and 3 nights. I'll have a sheet available today for submissions of interest.

Pauline

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DONATIONS NEEDED PLEASE

Collection of travel toiletries & excess new toothbrushes and hair products for distribution. After discussion at executive, we propose that this year we will support victims of domestic violence in the various shelters & havens in the area. Please bring in or donate to this cause. I will collect today & next meeting also. Any item that is useable - soap, creams, combs, washers, useful small containers for these items - are most acceptable.

With thanks BarbK

NSA Gladstone Branch will be holding their AGM in August.

All positions will be declared vacant.

Please advise if you are thinking of joining our Committee.

Nomination forms are available, please see Larney

With the sudden cold snap we are urging all our members to take care when using heaters, fires etc as the Gladstone Fire Brigade are advising they have had to attend quite a few instances around town.

There are now Flu injections back in stock and available to all members.

A big thank you to all our members who donate to our monthly raffles, it certainly makes a lot of people happy.

Today Judy & Marg will announce their official helpers, their friends who will help them deliver the goodies.

TOUR INFORMATION

From Tour Officer: Barbara

Hi Members

We are now home from our Adelaide & Murray Princess adventure. 54 members travelled together for 8 days. We saw some of the most beautiful places of South Australia. The trip was very successful and I thank the travellers for being such a great group of proud Queenslanders. Reminder to return your lanyard & name badge to me today or take into Departure Point ASAP tks.

The voting for 2020 travel clearly indicated that the choice for next year is New Zealand - south island. I propose that we travel in the spring - October 2020 with 8-9 day tour. I have consulted with Raymond & he is commencing the required research & arrangements. Today I am taking names, email addresses & phone number contact details for expressions of interest for 2020. Ken Watson & Don Sutton were busy taking photographs & have CDs and USB compilations for sale. Please see Ken today if you have ordered or wish to order. If you missed the trip you will be able to enjoy as a visual photo gallery of the various sites and landscapes.

Thank you to Lurleen for your support & rounding you all up & we moved from place to place. Judy A will be presenting a publicity report. Judy A will also be doing a few fines & funny moments for us to enjoy.

Regards, Barb and Lurleen

Committee Members

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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.

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