

Gladstone Branch Newsletter

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Good morning.

The weather has turned nippy, to say the least, but it is super nice not to be tossing and turning in bed trying to find a cool spot. I have made friends again with my winter PJ's – love it.

We have had some exciting events taking place in Gladstone over the last few weeks, Eco Fest, Flossie, World Oceans Day, World Science Festival, Mt Larcom Show and last but not least the Cabinet meeting held at GECC. So many events to choose

from. I hope you made it to some of them.

It is hard to believe that we are halfway through the year, Christmas will be on us before we know it, so we had better start planning.

Please send an email if you have anything you would like to include in the newsletter, be it notices, jokes or even short tales. We aim to make the newsletter interesting to all our members.

Next meeting will be held on Tuesday 19th July 2022. Cheers, Larney

5 MINUTE SPEAKER

Mr Roy Jones will be speaking about Evenglow – the activities they provide and the luncheon we sponsor.

20 MINUTE SPEAKER

Sharyn Manitzky from "Anglicare" is our quest speaker today, she will be outlining the different services provided.

JUNE CELEBRATIONS HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

Teresa Briggs; Margaret Connolly; Cheryl Heard; *Larney Irvine*; Franz Linder; Thelma O'Brien; Wayne Price; Anya Rotonda; John Shore; Debra Soper; Margaret Stolberg; Marie Sweeney.

ANNIVERSARIES

Happy 60th George & Joan Mackay. Ken & Margaret Watson; Gayle & Peter Young.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"A life lived in fear is a life half lived." - Baz Luhrmann

A LITTLE HUMOUR



My Maths teacher called me average. She's really mean.

"I was playing chess with my friend and he said, 'Lets make this interesting'. So we stopped playing chess".

"I was raised as an only child, which really annoyed my sister". – Will Marsh

The person who invented knock-knock jokes should get a no bell prize.

"Don't talk to me about Valentine's Day. At my age, an affair of the heart is usually a bypass" – Joan Rivers

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

From Activities Officer: Pauline

Good morning, everyone.

Our trip to Brisbane last month was enjoyed by 22 members. I found it very different seeing Marina Prior playing a comedy roll after seeing her playing Christine in Phantom of the Opera etc. It was a very different roll for Edie Perfect as I hadn't seen him in a stage show before. He was certainly dealt with by the girls in the office.

The "Brisbane Crime Scenes" tour was enjoyed by all with requests that next time we go to Brisbane we stay 3 nights so we can do another couple of these tours.

Rockhampton Heritage Village – Thursday 14 July – Depart Phillip Street bus stop 7:30am, returning 4:30pm.

Cost \$60.00 pp (bus hire, admission to the Village, morning tea, lunch at Frenchville Club). If anyone would like to go in the tram instead of walking through the Village, it is a cost of \$7:00.

We still have 8 places available if anyone would like to come.

I have booked Yaralla for our Christmas Dinner, 17 November 2022. This year is certainly moving very fast.

Regards, Pauline.

Around the Traps:

The Gladabouts Report:

I thoroughly enjoyed '9 to 5' and the hilarity woven into the story. I laughed and laughed in different segments. The characters were portrayed so masterly and professionally.

I have to say it was the first time I gained a real appreciation of the acting talents of Casey Donavan and the range of her gifted voice.

A fabulous show all about

(the employee/employer/genre culture in the 80's and the lack of gender equity in workplaces. The Boy's club mentality towards the rise of (lack thereof) of women's equality in pay, work promotion and C E O's gratification asks, based on a true story, introduced and exited by Dolly Parton per a video.

Some of the members found it a bit prudish but I felt the show did portray the era and despite the success of the three women in this company, I question whether much has changed today.

Write up by Judy Aitkenhead

Events happening in our region:

Sydney Dance Company "Impermanence"

Where: GECC

When: Wednesday 22nd June 2022

Box Office:4972 2822

Tickets range between \$30.00 to \$45.00

Calliope Historical Markets

Will be held again until 10th July 2022

"This Place Exhibition"

Where: Gladstone Regional Art Gallery and Museum

When: 4th June 2022 to 23rd July 2022

The exhibition will explore Connection to Place and the idea of Belonging – coinciding with NAIDOC week.

TOUR INFORMATION

From Tour Officer: Barbara

Hi Fellow Members and Travellers,

Our Norfolk Island experience is being processed and going along well. We leave Gladstone for Brisbane on the Tilt train, Friday 26th August at 8:28am - Fly to Norfolk Island at 9:30am on Saturday 27th – Have a wonderful time - Fly to Brisbane on Saturday 3rd September – Tilt train to Gladstone leaving Sunday 4th September at 11:00am – Arrive home Gladstone 5:12pm

Should you make any private arrangements for travel to and from Brisbane – please ensure that you have contacted and had conversations with Raymond Lewis. Your travel costs will be amended for this. PS: Final payments are due in July 22.

Today is voting day for our next annual holiday.

Only vote if you are wanting and available to travel.

There are 3 options:

- Canberra and surrounds including Floriade see open gardens at Bowal (these are fabulous)
- Nth Qld including Gulflander train experience.
 Other historic sights in the very North of Qld. (Tour has recommendations).
- South Island of New Zealand (requires a passport) – I had this tour organised for 2021 but COVID put a stop on this event.

Choose 1 for your first preference, 2 for second, and 3 for third. Should you only be interested in 1 tour, only vote for 1 please.

You may vote 1 and 2. This way I will see what most of our members are interested in when the management committee decides for 2023.

Bookings will start to take effect later in the year. I plan for these events to be in Sept/Oct 2023.

Thanks for supporting me and making this travel experience a wonderful memory for each of us.

Yours in travel: Barb K

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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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