

Greensborough Gossip

Greensborough Branch Newsletter

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June 2020 — Editor Marlene Goodyear

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Dear Members,

Marlene and I hope that all members are keeping well.

The other day I was thinking about how we complain that time passes so quickly and the years seem to be getting shorter for us. However in these challenging times life has slowed down and although we are enjoying the break from the hustle and bustle, we are now starting to look forward to resuming normal activities and meeting up with friends, etc.

We have been re-organising our study. Marlene inherited the previous secretary's documents and also kept copies herself of all branch documents. We had over 16 years of correspondence, documents, minutes, newsletters, etc to shred. Needless to say, the shredder has been running hot!!!

Branch Meetings/Activities:

Even though many restrictions have been lifted, we still cannot conduct meetings or organise activities yet.

For your info, we received an email from the Bistro & Functions Manager (Amy) at Greensborough RSL as follows:

"I hope you and the National Seniors members have all been keeping well during these tough times, we have all missed seeing you.

Just wanted to get in touch and let you know as restrictions are still up in the air, once we know a confirmed date on when we can have you back in the function room for your monthly meetings I will be in touch straight away to get you book in."

Thankyou to those members who wrote and told us telling us how they are and what they are doing during the challenging times in lockdown. Here are some of the comments we received.....

"We are doing ok, still talking. We go for a walk couple of days a week on the trail from Eltham to Diamond Creek. Trying new recipes. Doing lots of cleaning. Go shopping at 7.00am once a week. Missing our grandchildren."

"I have been making lots of knitted and crocheted items for the Christmas boxes and that has helped to keep me occupied. It will be lovely when we can all catch up again, but unless we hire a drive-in movie theatre and sit in our cars, it seems it will be a while yet. Stay well and keep smiling."

"I have been enjoying my backyard, enjoying taking photos of flowers, watching the bees at work, mowing, tidying, and sometimes just sitting and enjoying the sunshine. Apart from that I've been learning to do my grocery shopping online and generally finding interesting things to read or listen to. And there are the phone calls with family and friends. Hoping to get around to the housework sometime soon. Ha. Ha."

Hopefully we will return to normality in the not too distant future. Keep well.

Regards, Bob Goodyear

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Past Presidents:

Christina McDonald - 2003/04

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Branch Meetings

**Due to COVID-19
Branch Meetings have been temporarily suspended until restrictions on large social gatherings have been lifted**

To members who are unwell or recuperating, your friends at the Greensborough Branch are thinking of you and send best wishes for a speedy recovery.

**If you know of any member who is unwell, please contact our Welfare Officer, Judy Harvey
Tel: 9401 6752 or
email: judy.harvey43@yahoo.com**

To those celebrating a birthday!



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COFFEE CLUB



LUNCH CLUB



DINNER CLUB



DUE TO THE CURRENT DISTANCING RESTRICTIONS IN PLACE, IT IS NOT FEASIBLE TO HOLD OUR COFFEE, LUNCH & DINNER CLUBS AT THE PRESENT TIME. WE LOOK FORWARD TO RESUMING THESE ACTIVITIES WHEN POSSIBLE.



GOLF CLUB

Golf started back in May on Mondays, but in strict accordance with Strathallan Golf Club restrictions & social distancing rules.

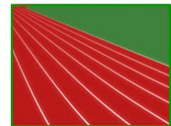
If you wish to play a round please ring or email Ian Schuck on 9434 2829 / ian_schuck@hotmail.com



WALKING CLUB



LOW IMPACT WALKING CLUB



Both Walking groups recommenced in May on Tuesdays. Ken Pickett's group are meeting at Memorial Park (Henry Street end) for now.

The Low Impact group are meeting at Willinda Park Athletics Track (Nell Street end).

Social distancing rules apply.

Please ring Ken Pickett on 9435 0076 if you have any queries.

Walking Group Update:

Most of our walkers have returned. At the end of a session they purchase a coffee, bring it back to the carpark and stand around having a chin-wag.

Ken missed a session a few weeks ago - he tripped on the edge of a nearby to break his fall, unfortunately on the concrete! He is OK now but prizefighter.



ago - he needed to have surgery on a fractured garden step. Ken reached out for the 'wheelie bin' the bin wheeled away from him and fell face-down looked like he had done a couple of rounds with a

(Moral of story: Don't make a grab for anything on wheels if you know you are falling!)

Golf Group Update:

Golf has been attracting good numbers. Don't forget you are required to book with Ian (see contact details above) if you wish to play a game. Tee off times are 9.00 am and 9.10 am on Mondays with a maximum of 4 people each group.

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For all enquiries please contact:

Residents' Coordinator - Karen Ernest on 9433 1100