

Greensborough Gossip

Greensborough Branch Newsletter

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June 2025 — Editor Marlene Goodyear

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Dear Members,

It's official, Winter has arrived and every year the weather seems colder.

Time to put another log on the fire and beware of the Flu and Co-vid bugs lurking.

Mother Nature can seem to be quite cruel at times with many of our farmers facing serious drought while other parts of the country are suffering from floods.

It is now time for Election of the Branch Committee for 2025/2026 year. Nomination forms are now available and I urge members to consider joining the Committee.

Nomination forms to be returned to me by the end of the July meeting.

Keep warm and safe.

Peter Oaten, President

Q: When does it rain money?
A: When there is "change" in the weather.

Q: What did one hurricane say to the other?
A: I have my eye on you.

Q: What does a cloud wear under its raincoat?
A: Thunderwear!

Q: What is the Mexican weather report?
A: Chilli today and hot tamale.

Q: How do you prevent a Summer cold?
A: Catch it in Winter!!!

ATTENTION MEMBERS

PROPOSED BUS TOUR

MILDURA & SWAN HILL
19-24 APRIL 2026

See details on page 5

LIVE THEATRE SHOWS



"Beetle Juice" - 2 July @ Regent Theatre - Matinee Session. Cost: 91.00/pp.

"Annie" - 23 July @ Princess Theatre - Matinee Session. Cost: 71.00/pp.

Book with Lorraine Oaten at Branch meetings or contact Barbara - Mob: 0435 139 426.

Please note:

- Tickets are non-refundable if you cannot attend on the day.
- Stall seats can be booked instead of Dress Circle if stairs are a problem.)

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Ian Schuck, David Hewett, Marlene Goodyear

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Branch Meeting Manager

Lora Schiele

Travel Committee:

Ian Schuck - 0421 062 894, Anne Schuck,
Lorraine & Peter Oaten

*To members
celebrating
a birthday
this month*



Greensborough Branch

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Next Branch Meeting

Tuesday 15 July 2025

**Greensborough RSL
Function Room**

**Speaker: Representative from
North East Link Project**



*To members who are unwell
or recuperating, your
friends at Greensborough
Branch are thinking of
you and wishing you a
speedy recovery.*

**If you know of a member who is
unwell, please contact our new
Welfare Officer, Marg Wood.**

Marg's contact details are:

Mob: 0412 687 844

Email: margw46@gmail.com



TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance as at 30/04/2025	19,537.36
Plus Income:	
Jesus Christ Superstar	213.00
Annie	41.00
Puffing Billy	70.00
Xmas In July	545.00
RSL 2024 Xmas Lunch	60.00
Longreach/Winton	4,898.00
Membership	99.50
Attendance	286.00
Raffle	152.00
Total:	6,364.50
Less Expenses	
Theatre Tickets JC Superstar	-566.00
NSA Q'land/Memberships	-99.00
Trade Travel	-4,898.00
Speakers Lunch April Meeting	-18.50
Door/Raffle Prizes	-55.00
Total:	-5,636.50
Balance as at: 31/05/2025	20,265.36

COFFEE CLUB



Wednesday 2 July 2025 - 10.15 am
Greensborough RSL, Long Tan Café & Bar
 111 Main Road, Greensborough

LUNCH CLUB



Thursday 10 July 2025 - 12.30 pm
Diamond Creek Hotel
 29 Main Hurstbridge Road, Diamond Creek
RSVP: By Monday 7 July 2025
 Anne Schuck - 0421 062 824

DINNER CLUB



Friday 4 July 2025 - 6.30 pm
Godfathers Pizza Restaurant
 106 Mountain View Road, Briar Hill
 BYO Wine - \$6.00 per bottle
RSVP: By Monday 30 June 2025
 Bev Sharp - 0431 255 512



GOLF CLUB

*A small group play Golf on Mondays at Strathallen Golf Club.
 Strathallen now have an on-line booking system so anyone wanting
 play in our seniors group should contact Ian first on 0421 062 894.
 Please arrive at Golf Club prior to 8.45 am if you have booked to play.*



WALKING CLUB



1ST Tuesday of the month:
 Meet at 9.30 am - (Near Playground) Norris
 Bank Reserve, 135 McLeans Rd, Bundoora.

2ND Tuesday of the month:
 Meet at 9.30 am - Henry Street end of
 Greensborough Memorial Park.

3RD Wednesday of the month:
 Meet at 9.30 am as per venue for 2nd Tues-
 day of the month) **NOTE:** 3rd Tuesday is our
 Branch Meeting Day.

4TH Tuesday of the month:
 Meet at 9.30 am at Lower Car Park, Lower
 Plenty Hotel.

A little confusing ???
Contact Coordinator:
 Jane Fisher - 0408 129 914



LOW IMPACT WALKING CLUB



NOT UP TO HILLS?

**Walkers meet Tuesdays at 9.30 am at
 Willinda Park Athletics Track, end of Nell
 Street, Greensborough (except on Branch
 meeting days when the group walk on
 Wednesdays).**

**On the last Tuesday of the month the
 group meet at 9.30 am at the Lower Car
 Park, Lower Plenty Hotel for a gentle
 walk.**

Upcoming Branch Activities



'Christmas in July' at Highlands Hotel, Craigeburn - Friday 25 July

Christmas in July is popular in Australia, where it's a midwinter celebration of Christmas, often on July 25. It's seen as an opportunity to enjoy traditional Christmas meals, log fires, family gatherings, mirroring the Christmas season in the Northern Hemisphere's winter.

Highlands Hotel is hosting Christmas Lunch with Entertainment & Hamper giveaways to get into the Christmas spirit.



Includes:

Christmas Lunch with 'Entertainment'

COST: \$65.00/pp for up to 40x people.

Pickup by Broadway Travel & Tours coach: **9:30am** from Greensborough Memorial Park
& Return: **3:00pm.**

Puffing Billy Railway incl Yarra Valley - Date in October TBA



Includes:

Visit to Yarra Valley Chocolaterie (*Morning Tea own expense*).

Delicious Buffet Lunch at Ferntree Gully Hotel.

1 hour train ride from Belgrave to Lakeside on 'Puffing Billy Train'.

COST: \$100.00/pp.

Pick up by Broadway Travel & Tours coach: **8.50 am** from Greensborough Memorial Park
& Return: **6.00 pm.**

*** Please register your interest as we need 40 people for this event to go ahead.**

"A BIG WEEK OUTBACK IN LONGREACH & WINTON"

Note: Some changes made to this trip re departure times & s/s cost.

Depart Thursday 28 August
Return Tuesday 2 September 2025

Tour cost ex Melbourne: fly Qantas \$5098.00/pp twin share, S/S \$815.00.

Deposit of \$200/pp is due on booking. Final payment due no later Friday 20 June 2025.

Updated tour brochures & booking forms with Lorraine Oaten - Mob: 0449 594 301.

MILDURA & SWAN HILL TOUR 19-24 APRIL 2026

Advance notice for the above tour in April 2026.....

Greensborough National Seniors Mildura & Swan Hill Tour	
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Rio Vista</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p style="color: red;">Sunday 19 – Friday 24 April 2026</p> </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 10px;">   </div>	<p>BRIEF ITINERARY:</p> <p>Sunday 19 April: Meet at Greensborough at 7.30am for 8am departure. Make a stop for morning tea from the bus at Marong. Drive via Wedderburn to Wycheproof for a picnic lunch. Stop at Nullawil Silo & Sea Lake to Mildura. Check in to the Inlander Motor Inn with dinner in-house.</p> <p>Monday 20 April: This morning visit the Mildura Botanical Gardens and hop on the tractor/train for a guided tour of the property. See the wonderful rose garden, hectares of flora. At Wentworth visit the Gaol & The Museum before a visit to Langtree Hall, Mildura's first public hall built in 1889 with an important link in Mildura's Heritage. See the great display of historical memorabilia, large collection of international dolls, christening gowns, toys, clothing, embroideries, and an old musical instrument collection.</p> <p>Tuesday 21 April: Woodsies Gem Shop is first stop where a fascinating display will take your breath away. Next enjoy a morning Paddlesteamer Cruise along the Murray River. After time for lunch, visit Rio Vista Historic House - first occupied by WB Chaffey and his family in 1892. Rio Vista was designed as a large family home in domestic Queen Anne style and stayed a family home until the 1950s. The Art Gallery has various exhibitions.</p> <p>Wednesday 22 April: Today we visit Orangeworld. Enjoy the banter of 'Mario' as he takes you on a tractor trailer ride around the property, after which his wife 'Maria' will serve orange cake and a cuppa. Leaving Mildura we drive via Robinvale to Andrew Peace Winery en route to Swan Hill. Check-in to the Jane Eliza Motor Inn with dinner in the RSL next door.</p> <p>Thursday 23 April: After breakfast visit the Catalina Flying Boat Museum and hear about the services provided during wartime. See the nearby silo artwork followed by time at the Pioneer Settlement including a PYAP Cruise along the Murray. After dinner this evening enjoy the spectacular Light & Sound Show 'Heartbeat of the Murray'.</p> <p>Friday 24 April: Checking out of the motel, we depart and make a stop for morning tea at Serpentine before continuing to The Great Stupa in Bendigo. Time for lunch at Maldon before the final journey back to Greensborough with ETA 5pm.</p> <p style="font-size: small; color: gray;"><i>The itinerary is subject to change due to inclement weather or reasons beyond our control</i></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transfers and touring by Coach* Accommodation for 5 nights: 3 nts Inlander Motor Inn, Mildura & 2 nts at the Jane Eliza Motor Inn, Swan Hill All Dinners & Breakfasts Extensive sightseeing and attractions including: Wedderburn, Nullawil Silo, Sea Lake, Botanic Gardens, Orange World Tour, Paddlesteamer Cruise in Mildura, Langtree Hall, Wentworth Gaol & Museum, Robinvale, Andrew Peace Winery, Catalina Flying Boat Museum, Pioneer Settlement, PYAP Paddlesteamer Cruise, Heartbeat of the Murray Light & Sound Show, The Great Stupa & more 	<div style="text-align: center;"> <p style="color: red; font-weight: bold;">COST: \$1,690pp</p> <p style="font-size: small; color: gray;">twin/double share Single Supplement \$400 Cancellation conditions apply *Minimum 30 people on coach 18-26 people on bus with Tony \$300pp deposit due upon booking Balance by 27 Feb 2026</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;">  <p>Mildura</p> </div>
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: left;"> <p>Bookings & Enquiries Ian Schuck</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; color: red;">S P I R I T</p> <p style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; color: red;">T R A V E L & T O U R S</p> <p style="font-size: small; color: gray;">email: debbieb@spirit-travel.com.au</p> </div> </div>	



NOTICE BOARD



Fancy a Game?

If you are interested in playing tennis in a very relaxed atmosphere on a **MONDAY morning between 9.30 am — 12 noon**, please see **Glenda Sundstrom at the branch meeting or ring on 0417 357 534** or just turn up (weather permitting) for a game. The only criteria is that correct tennis shoes must be worn.

Cost is \$3.00 per morning (incl a cuppa & biscuit).

The courts are located at the rear of the **Diamond Valley Baptist Church, 309 Diamond Creek.**



BOOK EXCHANGE

Our free Book Exchange operates on Branch Meeting days.

Coordinator is Arlene Cates.

Members can browse/borrow books from the table located at the rear of RSL Function Room.



Eltham Men's Shed

Do you know men with spare time and skills to share?

At the shed we get involved in projects helping out local community groups & school projects.

Feel free to drop in and meet the men involved, you will be most welcome.

We also organise outings & guest speakers.

**Drop in any Monday or Wednesday
10.00 am - 3.00 pm
20 Wattletree Road, Eltham North.**

Garden Workshops



Along with Garden workshops, Bunnings Eltham also have a number of other workshops and members are invited to attend.

**Bookings are required. Please contact:
Tel: 9430 0100 or preferably google 'Bunnings Eltham' to register on line.**

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Liscombe House, our aged care facility, offers quality care and support to our residents in an environment that encourages and actively supports independence. All areas of the facility are open and available for residents to enjoy. We have an activities program that provides a broad range of activities to cater for both individual and group settings.

For all enquiries please contact:
Leith Park Village Site Supervisor – Matthew Cattell on 9433 1100

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