

## March 2022

Welcome back everybody,  
Finally, we can get a bit of normality back into our lives, unfortunately though the dreaded "C-19" word is still around albeit in a lesser variant. Thank you all for being so patient with us regarding the start-up of the group, we had your welfare at heart and were taking it cautiously.

We have had a few birthdays and anniversaries whilst we have been away, but you have not been forgotten, everything will be put right today.

Sadly, our President Terry has been taken ill and is stepping down for a little while, we wish him all the best on his road to recovery, he will be back before we know it hale and hearty and roaring to go.

If you have made any changes to your personal data for example: address, phone, renewed membership could you please advise Cheryl our Membership Officer.

Next Meeting to be held Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

Cheers Larney

## 20 MINUTE SPEAKER

The Guest Speaker today will be Andre Urankar – Pilot with "Angel Flight"

## MARCH CELEBRATIONS HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

Carole Allan, Betty Betts, Judith Broome, Heather Brown, **Bronwyn Cox**, Judith Hiskens, Barbara Holgate, Cheryl Jackson, John Jones, David Noye, Teena Paul, Col Perry, Robyn Rawlins, Norma Smith, Kath Thomson, Ken L Watson, **Ken A Watson**, Faye Williamson .

## ANNIVERSARIES

**Happy 60<sup>th</sup> John & Val M Jones.**

Fay & Ron Jackson, Colleen & Roy Marek, Joan & Barry Nankivell, Pat & Col Perry, Lesley & Werner Tolsdorf, Helen & Ken Watson.

## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

It is by logic that we prove, but by intuition that we discover. – Leo Rosten.

## A LITTLE HUMOUR 😊

There are two parts to our brain, "left" and "right – right?". On the left side, there's nothing right and on the right side, there's nothing left.

Why do bees hum? They don't remember the lyrics!

I got a new pair of gloves today, but they're both lefts which, on the one hand, is great, but on the other, it's just not right.

I have a dog to provide me with unconditional love, but I also have a cat to remind me that I don't deserve it.

You can keep the dream alive by hitting your snooze button.

## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

**From Activities Officer: Pauline**

Good Morning everyone,

It is great to be able to meet again especially after the wonderful rain we have had last week. At our April meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup>, as it is our 26<sup>th</sup> birthday month, we will once again have a buffet luncheon after the meeting. The cost to the members will be \$10.00 with the club subsidizing the remaining cost. Could everyone wanting to attend please put your name on our list and pay the \$10.00 today.

Also, as this will be Easter Tuesday, we will have our Easter Bonnet Parade again this year. There will be prizes, 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>, for both male and female participants.

9 TO 5 THE MUSICAL

LYRIC THEATRE, SOUTH BANK, BRISBANE.  
24, 25, 26 MAY.

We will be traveling by train and staying in the same accommodation as previously.

On the Wednesday morning we are going to do a Brisbane Crime Tour. Raymond is organizing a coach to collect us from our motel and have us back in time to get to the theatre.

There are flyers here today with costing etc.

Ten members are interested in going already, so if you can, let me know today so I can get a list down to Departure Point as this is where you will pay the cost of the trip.

Pauline

Some useful information from our Website  
Administrator Trevor Heard

#### Be Connected?

If you need support to help you to develop your digital skills and gain online confidence, make use of the Government Sponsored "Be Connected" resources by connecting to:

<https://beconnected.esafety.gov.au>

"Be Connected" is an Australia wide initiative empowering all Australians to thrive in a digital world. We have online learning resources as well as a Network of community partners.

We will be holding another "Get Online" activity in October during Seniors month.

#### For the Gadabouts:

Combined Schools Musical 2022  
"Charlie & the Chocolate Factory"  
Commences 7pm at GECC – 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> March  
Book at the box office 4972 2822

Rotary Charity Markets Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March at Tondoon Botanic Gardens.

At GECC watch the "3 Legends" in concert, Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2pm Matinee session.  
Book at the box office 4972 2822.

Tannum Crab Classic – Tannum Sands Hotel Motel 27<sup>th</sup> March Cost is \$10 for adults free for kids, commences at 12pm.

Easter time in Gladstone is looking fun filled, with the Brisbane – Gladstone Yacht Race, 60<sup>th</sup> harbour festival to name a couple of activities.  
It all begins on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> with the B2G Village Opening Party and the opening of the festival.

## TOUR INFORMATION

### From Tour Officer: Barbara

Welcome to all our travellers. I have welcome news. In 2023 Raymond is researching and putting together a plan for a trip to the very north of Qld to include an Inland train trip and interesting things.

At this stage dates are open. Suggested August/September 2023

For 2022, I have researched to do a tour to Norfolk Island. This is still in planning stage, with all the changes in travel now. Dates are flexible at this stage as temperatures on Norfolk are moderate all year around.

To Norfolk – no passport required anymore. Accommodation will be at the one venue for the whole time. Fly out of Brisbane and return to Gladstone will work with flight times. Train down to Brisbane with overnight accommodation required to be at the airport at 7.30am for a 9.30am flight to Norfolk. Members may make their own way to and from Brisbane if they want.

Raymond will be doing a presentation at the April meeting on both tours and can answer any questions you may have.

### Around the Traps, continued,

The Harbour Festival runs from 14-17 April

Visit [www.gladstone.qld.gov.au/easter](http://www.gladstone.qld.gov.au/easter) to find out more.

The Harbour Festival organisers are always looking for extra volunteers, please contact the Festival Office on 49725111 if you wish to join in the fun.

We wish to advise that Departure Point have now reopened their premises to the public. Please contact Raymond 4972 2288 if you are looking for assistance with your travel plans.

## Committee Members

President..... Terry – 0418 185 380

Vice President ..... Carolyn – 0419 712 720

Secretary ..... Larney – 0400 610 277

Treasurer ..... Kath – 0417 381 898

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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.

Contact Terry - 0418 185 380

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