

May 2019

Good Morning,
Gladstone certainly turned it on over Easter, with the Harbour Festival and the many exhibitions all over town. Next was Anzac Day which seems to be getting bigger and better every year. Last but not least we had Mothers Day. Hope all our members received lots of TLC and were spoilt with the presents they received. Upcoming events include The Biggest Morning Tea hosted by the Gladstone branch of CCQ. Where GPC Social Club, Lord St, when Thurs 30th May, doors open 9am for a 9.30am start. Tickets \$15 available from T leaf Clothing, My State Bank & Coastline Fashions. Please see Col & Pat Perry. Or enquire Glenda 0429 420 302 "All things feminine" an exhibition featuring hand and commercially made sleepwear undergarments & adornments from the 1900 – 1970, where Gladstone Art Gallery, 4th May – 15th June, entry free.

GRC are putting on a "Luminous" festival, a play on lights 13/14th July save the date it looks really interesting. Terry, Roy & Val Jones, Pauline and myself attended the Zone Conference in Murgon. What a lovely bunch of people, they made us feel at home. During the conference there was a guest speaker from head office, Sandra Philpot. We received a lot of info and many questions regarding the Issues of Concern were resolved. Looking forward to hearing about the 2020 Tour options, hopefully one of the options will suit you, Congrats to the Easter Bonnet winners, Female Gayle Young, Male Don Sutton. It was good to see 3 males entering, maybe more next year
Next Meeting to be held Tuesday 18th June 2019.

TODAY'S GUEST SPEAKER

Raymond from Departure Point will be presenting the 2020 tour options. Hopefully you will pleasantly surprised and spoilt for choice

TODAY'S 5 MINUTE SPEAKER

We have a few requests for assistance with gaining access to the website – Terry is going to give us a few pointers.

MAY CELEBRATIONS

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

Colin Carleton, Rose Carleton, William Elms, Daphne Green, Leah Hall, Robyn Harvey, Betty Holzheimer, Joan Lennon, Graham Linder, Lyn McKewin, Sandra Palmer, Alan Pease, Peg Pendreigh, Fay Philp, Roy Rains, Kaye Shore, Madeleine Spry, Janet Tolan, Claire Vloedmans, Maurice Ward, Dianne Webster, Terry Werder, Dick Woolcock. A belated birthday apology to Geraldine Althorpe

HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES

Meg and Ross Armitage, Graham and Patricia Linder, David and Margaret Noye, Lawrie and Amy Price, Annette and Hugh Rowe, David and Peg Pendreigh.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Life is a canvas. You fill in the picture.

A LITTLE HUMOUR

Q: How many politicians does it take to change a light bulb?

A: Two: One to change it and the other to change it back again. ☺

An elderly couple are in church. The wife leans over and whispers to her husband, "I just let out a long, silent fart. What should I do?" The husband replies, "First off, I'd replace the batteries in your hearing aid!" ☺

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

From Activities Officer: Pauline

We have had a wonderful response to our lunch today with 155 members expected to attend. This is also our birthday month.

FRIDAY 19TH JULY—FERNS HIDEAWAY—CHRISTMAS IN JULY. COST \$90.

This will be a 2 course hot lunch, tea and coffee, with bar service available.

Marty entertains us from the time of our arrival until we leave.

Depart Phillip Street Bus Stop 7.00am. We will have morning tea at the Gardens Tea House, Botanic Gardens, Rockhampton.

I have checked out other places but nothing as convenient or cost wise as the Gardens.

We will leave about 10.00am and arrive at Ferns approx 11.30am.

Depart 2.30am to arrive Gladstone hopefully before 5.00pm.

There are 73 members indicating they will go which means only 4 spaces left.

Seniors week is in August with lots of activities during the 8 days provided by the GRC.

MURIEL'S WEDDING, LYRIC THEATRE, BRISBANE. 8-9-10 OCTOBER.

CHRISTMAS DINNER 28th NOVEMBER.
PAULINE

GLADSTONE GADABOUTS

37 Gladstonites and 3 Mt Larcomites boarded a Rod North coach on Tuesday, 30th April at 7am and headed north to a much appreciated comfort stop at Rockhampton Botanical Gardens. All enjoyed a very welcomed cuppa and scones. It was great having the time to leisurely walk around the zoo to view all the animals and birds. Have to say the older Chimps didn't want to get out from under their blankets, despite Capri's efforts to wake/annoy them.

All aboard again at 10.30am and away to The Caves. Due to the cloud cover and occasional shower the day's outside ambience was very, very pleasant. Our driver John surprised us with a short trip around The Range area looking at all the beautifully appointed Queenslanders. (homes).

Enthusiastic, cheerful, gentle tour guide, Emilie, guided us for 60-70 minutes into and around, informing us about the cave area and environment. Some did share their singing voices in The Cathedral cave where the chatter of the resident Bats could be heard from an adjoining cave.

After a walk, all sat around long tables and enjoyed each other's company and chat over lunch before heading homewards. Checked out the Vietnam war memorial in Kershaw Gardens. Proved to be "find the needle in the haystack" hunt to locate the simple memorial and meeting area. Our legs got exercised and a light shower blessed us.

Again thank you Pauline and each of you who shared the day. Judy.

TOUR INFORMATION

From Tour Officer: Barbara

Good Morning.

Everything is almost complete for our 2019 tour. A few meals still to be finalised - will sort at the meeting today

Itineraries will be handed out today.

Anyone not at the meeting may collect from Departure Point.

Weather will be cool so take a warm jacket, cap, scarf & wear layer. Accommodation will be comfortable in Adelaide & on the Murray Princess.

Don't forget the luggage limit on the Murray Princess

Raymond will be coming to the meeting to present 2020 tour offers.

Canberra & surrounds includes Floriade so will probably be Oct 2020

Central Australia & Uluru maybe Aug/Sept 2020

South Island New Zealand Sept 2020

Voting to take place today as Raymond needs to book accommodation this far ahead for our large group

Tks

Barb & Lurleen

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