

## DIARY DATES

**May 23<sup>rd</sup> BUS TRIP** Ipswich Railway Workshops & Museum, incl Morning Tea at Kholo Gardens. Lunch booked at the Workshops Café at own expense.  
*Please let John Canterbury know if you or any friends are interested.....Cost \$55*

**July 25<sup>th</sup> BUS TRIP** *Save the date.* Open to suggestions – refer any ideas to John.

**October 24<sup>th</sup> BUS TRIP** *Save the date.* Open to suggestions – refer any ideas to John.

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## REMINDERS

For group verification and to claim any NSA Discount when ordering lunch, drinks etc, you **MUST** wear your NSA name badge on all outings including lunches.  
To purchase a badge, please see Barbara Coleman (Treasurer) at the social meetings. For payment of an **event**, please do **ONE** of the following ASAP:

- CASH:** Correct money placed in an envelope with:  
**Your Name – Event & Date – Amount encl.**  
Please give the envelope to John Canterbury (Tours) or Barbara Coleman (Treasurer) who will issue a receipt.  
.....OR.....
- BANK TRANSFER:** Please remember to put your name in the details section of the transfer.  
**Acct Name:** National Seniors Chermshire  
**BSB No:** 084150 **Acct Number:** 047984369

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*Please remember to put your name in the exercise book at the Social meeting or contact Karlotta, our Activities Co-ordinator, before the date of the lunch.*

*As soon as you are aware of any club member who is unwell, please let June Kerrigan our Welfare Officer know immediately, so that she can contact them.*

*If you change your contact or address details, please let Jeanette Daff our Membership Officer know, as soon as possible.*

*If you have information for the Newsletter and/or need a lift to the meeting or to any of the social outings, including the bus trips, please let Alayne Brown our Public Relations Officer know, to help with any arrangements.*

## THE FUNNY SIDE

1. My laptop caught pneumonia, apparently, because I left **Windows** open.
2. The main function of your big toe is to make sure all the furniture in the house is in the right spot!
3. It's pretty obvious that if I run out in front of a car, I'll get tired; but if I run behind a car, I'll get exhausted!
4. My teacher's told me I'd never amount to much because I procrastinate too much. I told them you just wait.
5. 90% of bald men still own a comb; they just can't part with it.
6. What do you call a row of rabbits hopping backwards? A receding hairline.
7. I've been experimenting with breeding racing deer. People have accused me of trying to make a fast buck.
8. The word "**incorrectly**" is spelled incorrectly in every dictionary.
9. Every morning I get hit by the same bicycle...it's a vicious cycle!
10. I went to a restaurant last night and ordered the octopus. The waiter told me it takes 4 hours to cook. When I asked why, he said it's because it keeps turning the gas off.

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**Web Page:** [nationalseniors.com.au/get-involved/branches/Chermshire](http://nationalseniors.com.au/get-involved/branches/Chermshire).



## NEWSLETTER – 16<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Good Morning Members,

Firstly, I hope all our Mothers, Grandmothers, Aunts and all of you in a caring/motherly role had a lovely day on Sunday.

Beris has received copies of the "*Branching Out*" magazine recently. If you don't have a computer or don't like reading this online, you may still like to read this publication. Sure, it doesn't take the place of our old magazine, *My Generation*, but we have to be happy with what we have.

We have had a disappointing email from Club Chermshire (Bowls Club), regarding our room hire for next year. Please see my additional note on the next page regarding this.

Vicki has received a Thank you note from Young Diggers for the \$200 donation to their organisation. Your contributions to the *Pink Pig* came to \$147. Thanks everyone!

Are you all looking forward to the upcoming bus trip to the Ipswich Railway Workshops & Museum? It should be a great day out for all. Morning Tea will be at the Kholo Gardens on the way and then we'll buy our own lunch later at the complex, after an informative tour. Don't forget to pay John the \$55 and let him know you're coming. Your friends are also very welcome, but please let John know.

Hope you've all remembered to bring along something or make a purchase from our Bring & Buy stall today? All donations are gratefully received, and these will go towards the running costs of the club. Special thanks to those who have baked, brought along, or made items - as well as those who've purchased some goodies. Thank you, ladies, for setting up and manning the tables.

Enjoy your morning and have a safe trip home.

Jenny Tidey OAM  
President

## TODAY'S SOCIAL MEETING & MORNING TEA (Mobile phones off/on silent please).

Welcome: Matilda Marsh from ADA Australia. Their services are free (federally funded) to help older Australians access the support they need when navigating aged care services.

## TIP OF THE MONTH: PERSONAL PROPERTY

*When out and about, be aware of your surroundings and alert to what's going on. Listen to and trust your instincts and if you sense danger, immediately leave.*



### MAY BIRTHDAYS:

Lorraine Barichello, Maree Buckley  
Dhelma Capps, Cedric Netscher,  
Neal Wilkes

### ANNIVERSARIES:

Patricia & Eddie Felsch (1977) 47 yrs.

## NOTES FROM THE LAST MEETING

- ❖ 43 members and 3 visitors – Chris Acworth, Dawn Dillaway & Torquil MacDonald, attended our last meeting. Nine apologies were received.
- ❖ Our guest speakers, were Petrie Wheeler-Hill and Celine Lang from Young Diggers. Petrie informed us about the organisation and the valuable work they do for returned service personnel. Celine shared her journey with PTSD and how her assistance dog Lulu (who she brought along) has changed her outlook on life. A donation of \$200 was gifted to the Diggers from Members and Club contributions to the *Pink Pig*. Thank you.

## SOCIAL MEETINGS, MORNING TEAS & LUNCHES

**May 23<sup>rd</sup> 9am Departure BUS TRIP – Ipswich Railway Workshops & Museum**

**May 30<sup>th</sup> 11.30am - LUNCH – The Kitchen @ Kedron-Wavell Services Club**

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**June 6<sup>th</sup> 1.00pm - COMMITTEE MEETING - Chermshire Library**

**June 13<sup>th</sup> 11.30am - LUNCH – Prince of Wales Hotel, 100 Buckland Rd, Nundah**

**June 20<sup>th</sup> 9am for 10am Start – SOCIAL MEETING & MORNING TEA.....\$10**

Our guest speaker will be Margaret Warren from Inspired Outcomes – covering all facets (legal, financial etc) of downsizing and relocating to retirement villages and nursing homes.

**June 27<sup>th</sup> 11.30am - LUNCH – Aspley Leagues Club, 29 Kirby Road, Aspley**

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## SENIOR'S CITY HALL \*MAY & JUNE CONCERTS\* Tues 12 – 1pm

### 21<sup>st</sup> May – A celebration of Great Piano Music – Lev Vlassenko Piano Academy 2024

A concert featuring the finest young pianists aged between 6 and 30 from across Australia and NZ competing at International level, prior to the Grand Final held in July 2024.

### 28<sup>th</sup> May – Classic Brass & Majestic Organ

Qld Conservatorium of Music Brass Ensemble will perform alongside Churchill Fellowship recipient and organist for St Stephens Cathedral, Dominic Perissinotto.

### 4<sup>th</sup> June – Artemii Safonov

A concert featuring the young pianist and composer as he plays a range of piano works ranging from celebrated classics to hidden gems of the 20<sup>th</sup> century to modern day.

### 11<sup>th</sup> June – Songs & Soiree

Talented Sopranos Luisa Tarnawski and Gabrielle Jack join with former *Ten Tenor* Roger Davy, to perform a showcase of beloved opera classics and popular musical hits.

### 18<sup>th</sup> June – Pauline Maudy Presents: Songs from “Take me to Paris”

Accompanied by piano, guitar and cello/double bass, Pauline sings hits from her show - in French and English - transporting audiences from Parisian alleyways to New York jazz bars in a heartbeat.

### 25<sup>th</sup> June – Organ Music for the Soul: Titus Grenyer

Composer, conductor, teacher and Sydney's City Organist, Titus will perform his own transcriptions of famous music alongside works of old masters rarely heard on the organ.

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## NSA My Generation Magazine

To access, you need to log into the NSA website with your membership number and password, then click on the link: <https://nationalseniors.com.au/members/our-generation/our-generation-read-online>

Paper & Printing courtesy – Jimmy Sullivan MP, Member for Stafford

## SOCIAL OUTING: Lunch at the Sands Thursday 9/5/24



*Last Thursday, a group of 20 members and friends, enjoyed a get-together for lunch at the Sands Social Club at Sandgate. It was great to see so many members attend, as well as others - who for various reasons - have been absent from club meetings. Thank you, Karlotta, for organising an enjoyable day.*

## AN ADDITIONAL NOTE TO MEMBERS FROM PRESIDENT JENNY TIDEY OAM

We've had an email from Club Chermshire (Bowls Club), informing us that they can't support or sponsor us with reduced room hire fees for 2025. The new fee is to be \$450 per meeting, which is a significant increase of \$200, from previous years.

With an average of 45 - 50 members regularly attending our Social meetings @ \$10/person, we can't possibly absorb this cost inflation without increasing our meeting fees and WE DON'T WANT TO DO THAT!! We haven't been told that we can't hire the room next year, but we can't get a cheaper rate. So, how do we find the extra \$250 to stay here? This has been our home venue for 25 years!! We can't get a grant for a non-tangible item - namely rent - so we need to find another suitable venue.

Your Committee members have been busy checking out and discussing several alternative venue options. Unfortunately, at many of them we would have to set out the tables and chairs and then put them away and/or do our own catering and cleaning. Also, some venues don't have public transport nearby or don't offer adequate parking and/or suitable access. We are not dismissing these options however but are trying to find somewhere suitable and similar to what we have been used to.

We're still open to suggestions and ideas, so please share them with your Committee.

## HAVE A LAUGH AT YOURSELF

*A frog goes into a bank and approaches the teller. He can see from her name badge that her name is Patty Whack. "Miss Whack, I'd like to get a \$30,000 loan for a holiday". Patty looks at the frog in disbelief and asks him for his name. The frog says that his name is Kermit Jagger, his dad is Mick Jagger...and that's ok - he knows the bank manager.*

*Patty explains that he will need to secure the loan with some collateral. The frog says "Sure. I have this," and produces a tiny porcelain elephant, about an inch tall, bright pink and perfectly formed. Very confused, Patty explains that she'll have to consult with the bank manager and disappears into a back office.*

*She finds the manager and says to him, "Sir, there's a frog called Kermit Jagger out there who claims to know you and wants to borrow \$30,000 and he wants to use this as collateral". She holds up the pink elephant. "I mean, what in the world is this?" (You're really gonna love this!)*

*The bank manager looks back at her and says, "It's a knick-knack, Patty Whack. Give the frog a loan. His old man's a Rolling Stone". (You sang it, didn't you. Yep, we all know you did.)*