Brighton Newsletter May 2025



Branch Meeting 20 May.



We will be entertained by a duo, Brenton and Jacqui Edgecombe. They are known as **String Fever** and are very versatile musicians, entertainers and life partners. Some of our members may have seen them on an ocean cruise. No need to spend thousands going on a cruise when you can hear them at the Lighthouse Church for \$5.

Saturday 24 May, hop on board Popeye for a pleasant trip on the River Torrens.

Experience a decadent way to see Adelaide while enjoying a Devonshire tea. The cost for Seniors is \$36. Payment to be made at the Branch Meeting 20 May. Meet at the Elder Park landing at 10.40am. Boarding will occur at 11am for the 45-minute cruise. Note in the April Newsletter



the date of the Popeye event was incorrectly shown as Saturday 25 May. The correct date is Saturday 24 May. Contact is Heather Williams Phone 0402 073 264.

Lunch on 20 May, Warradale Hotel, Warradale

After each Branch meeting there is a lunch for members who wish to attend. On 20 May the lunch will be at the Warradale Hotel, 234 Diagonal Road, Warradale. If you wish to attend, please put your name on the sheet on the back table at the meeting, so we can advise the hotel of the number of members attending.

Members' Corner



Our Annual General Meeting is coming up on 15 July. At that meeting we will elect the Committee to guide us for the following 12 months. We currently have 110 members and there are lots of talented people amongst us. This year at the AGM there will be unique opportunities for members to join the Committee and inject their enthusiasm into the Branch. The President Aileen, Treasurer Bill, and Catering Co-ordinator Lleyan, are all stepping down after 6 years in their roles. Our Vice-President and Newsletter Writer, Graham Sporn is also stepping down due to health issues.

To continue to enjoy interesting speakers, entertainment, delightful morning teas, and the important admin positions, we need members to fill these roles. Training will be provided. If we are unable to fill these roles, Brighton Branch may cease to operate. This is not what we would want. Many NSA Branches and other social and community groups have folded in recent years due to lack of people willing to run the organisations.

Brighton Branch Meetings

Our Branch Meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month, except for December when we do not have a meeting. We meet at the Lighthouse Community Church, corner Jetty Road and The Crescent, Brighton on the beach side of the railway line. The meeting starts at 10am, so arrive from 9.30am. Door entry is \$5, and this includes morning tea and a chance to win a door entry prize. Payment of your annual subscription can be made at the Branch meetings. Payment by Cash, Visa



or MasterCard Credit or Debit Card is available for Subscriptions, Outings, and Door Entry.

Catering. Lleyan and her team of helpers are pleased with the positive feedback they regularly receive from members regarding the Morning Teas. If you can help in the kitchen from time to time, talk to Lleyan. This will relieve the load from the regular band of willing volunteers, who sometimes cannot come due to other commitments, travel, or illness.



The Walking Group meet 9.30am every Tuesday except when there is a Branch

Meeting. On that week the group meet on the following day. On **Wednesday 21 May** meet near the end of Adelphi Terrace, Glenelg North (opposite Brooklyn Ave). Walk along the Patawolonga to the Oaks Plaza Pier Hotel for refreshments and return.

If you would like to join in any of the weekly walks, contact either Barbara Hansen 0448 223 075 or Rose Cearns 0405 537 910.

Upcoming activities

Tuesday 17 June, Branch Meeting – It's Not Just Books

Our speaker will be a staff member from the library of the Holdfast Bay Council. Libraries are no longer just about books. They are places the community can come together for all types of activities, for children of all ages, where adults can meet up, technology classes are held, etc etc.



Thursday 26 June – Tour Adelaide's Treasury Tunnels



Go underground and journey through winding hallways and hidden chambers to the stories within and beneath one of Adelaide's oldest buildings. The Treasury Building was at the heart of South Australia's early political life. Come and explore its secrets and forgotten stories.

The tour costs \$18 for Seniors payable in advance. The tour starts at 10.30am. Arrive 15 minutes before at the Aldina Treasury Hotel, 2 Flinders Steet, Adelaide. Contact is Lyndall Ingram Phone 0411 403 033.

Thursday 17 July – Visit to Adelaide Fire Brigade, Wakefield Street, Adelaide.

Put this date in your diary.
Further details will be included in the June Newsletter

Wednesday 6 August – Anniversary Lunch at Marion Club, 262 Sturt Road, Marion.

The lunch starts at Noon. There is a Seniors menu. Payment to be made at the hotel on the day. Put your name down on the booking sheet. As mentioned earlier in the Newsletter, we would not like this to be a wake due to the Branch folding instead of an anniversary lunch. Brighton Branch NSA has been providing wonderful activities for Seniors for nearly 24 years, and it is hoped that it can continue for many years to come. Contact is Graham Gurry Phone 8296 7646.

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