

DIARY DATE CLAIMERS: All bookings/queries/payments please see John C.

May 28 AUTUMN TRAIN TRIP: See info on page 2 & speak to either Vicki or Jenny today if you have any queries. If you're interested in joining, please let Jenny T. know.

July 23 CHRISTMAS IN JULY: Cunungra & Scenic Rim. Morning Tea & lunch incl.....\$80

Sept 24 SPRING BUS TRIP: Summerland Camel Farm at Harrisville.....\$50

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: All correspondence please email: nsachernside@outlook.com

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VENUE REMINDERS:

* If the main doors are closed, enter via the Newman Rd entrance of The Cove Kitchen & Bar.

* **MEETING PARKING:** Car park entry off Newman Rd.

* **BUS TRIP PARKING:** Carpark in Collings St adjacent to the trainline.

* **BUS PICK UPS:** Wait at the BCC bus shelter on Newman Rd opposite the club carpark entry.

GENERAL REMINDERS:

Check your NSA Membership validity and renewal dates and renew if required. If unsure, please see Jeanette Daff (Membership).

For group verification and to claim any NSA Discount when ordering lunch, drinks etc, PLEASE wear your NSA name badge on all outings.

To order and purchase a badge, please see Sue Webster (Treasurer).

For payment of an event, please do **ONE** of the following ASAP:

1. **CASH:** Correct money placed in an envelope with:
Your Name – Event & Date – Amount enclosed
Please give the envelope to John C (Tours) who will issue a receipt.
.....OR.....

2. **BANK TRANSFER:** Please record your name in the "details section" of the transfer.
Acct Name: National Seniors Chermshire
BSB No: 084150 **Acct Number:** 047984369

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

If you're aware of a member who is unwell, please let **Jenny Tidey OAM** know immediately, so that she can contact them.

For apologies, if you're unable to attend a meeting and if your contact or address details have changed, please let **Jeanette Daff** our **Membership Officer** know ASAP.

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

NSA Our Generation Magazine: <https://nationalseniors.com.au/news/>

LORD MAYOR'S CITY HALL CONCERTS: FREE From 12 – 1pm Every Tuesday

Full Details: of performances: <https://tinyurl.com/LMConcerts> OR www.brisbane.qld.gov.au

- MAY 26** Beethoven Sonatas
- JUNE 2** Angela Fabian: The Magic of Whitney Houston
- JUNE 9** A Tribute to the Great Ladies of Jazz
- JUNE 16** Paradiso Strings: British Legends of Rock & Pop
- JUNE 23** Golden: A Dazzling Musical Mixtape
- JUNE 30** Danny Widdicombe & the Wandrin' Stars



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STAFFORD REPAIR CAFÉ is open on the first Saturday of every second month at The Community Place, 33 Teevan St Stafford. The next open day is Sat June 6 from 9am -12noon. This community initiative encourages residents to repair items (like we all used to do), rather than throw them away, helping reduce waste and save money. Prep now and check what you have shelved, that needs fixing. Someone there is sure to be able to help. They love a challenge; enjoy seeing interesting objects and learning about its history; finding solutions; using and maintaining skills.



National Seniors AUSTRALIA

CHERMSIDE BRANCH: PO Box 2073, Chermshire Qld. 4032

Venue: Geebung RSL, Newman Room, 323 Newman Rd, Geebung

Web Page: nationalseniors.com.au/get-involved/branches/Chermshire



NEWSLETTER May 21, 2026

Good Morning Members & Guests,

Hasn't May just flown by! Following the mild start to the beginning of the month, the cooler weather has finally come, and the recent rain will ready the ground for the onset of the Winter months. It's great to see you all here today. Some of our members have been travelling interstate and overseas, cruising and visiting family - welcome back.

Thank you to all who brought along homemade items to sell at this morning's Bring & Buy. Thank you also to members who purchased items and to the ladies manning the stall. Funds will go towards our end of year Christmas Celebration.

Last Thursday, a large group of members visited the Soul Op Shop & Café at Bridgeman Baptist Church. Despite the rainy weather, we all had a great time chatting together at the Café and eating DELICIOUS homemade treats including citrus tart, red velvet cake, passionfruit cheesecake, scones and toasties. Some people found a bargain or two whilst others enjoyed 'just looking' or wandering around the fragrant and colourful gardens. Thanks to all who came along and especially to Jenny for organising this outing. It was 'something different' and many of us will return again.

As you know, last weekend's by-election was triggered by the sad and untimely death of Jimmy Sullivan. The ALP has been returned and the new member for Stafford is Luke Richmond. We hope to continue our relationship with the friendly office staff and meet Luke, (possibly at a future Social meeting), once he's settled into his new role.

Take care & enjoy the cooler weather. Remember to get your flu jabs.

Barbara Coleman
President

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

Our Guest Speaker is: **Dara Tayrien** who will talk about Chair Yoga and run through a class with us. Please participate if you have signed the waiver form. If you still need to sign a form please see either Alayne or Vicki during the morning tea break to do this.

NOTE: Karlotta has made a lunch booking **downstairs at The Cove Kitchen Cafe** after today's meeting. If you'd like to stay on for a meal, chat or just a coffee, you're most welcome to join.

TIP OF THE MONTH: ENJOY SOME FREE ACTIVITIES WITH OTHERS

Your local library is often a great place to start. Gentle exercise classes, gardening clubs, book clubs, family history workshops, photography and calligraphy classes are just some of the activities on offer. Senior Citizens and Community centres ie. Kedron-Wavell and Burnie Brae have free walking groups, classes and gatherings of many kinds. Check the websites or pick up the local Chermshire directory (in the Geebung RSL foyer) for times.

MAY BIRTHDAYS: Neale Wilkes 4th, Dhelma Capps 15th (90), Ian Dunn 16th, Cedric Netscher 16th (91), Lorraine Barichello 21st (80), Brian Dreadon 21st (80), Maree Buckley 28th, Tony Burke 30th (85)

MAY ANNIVERSARIES: Patricia & Eddie Felsch (1977) 49 years

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!



NOTES FROM THE LAST MEETING:

- ❖ **Attendance:** 39 Members; **Apologies received:** 15; **New Members:** 2 Valda Sawatzki & Barry Smith
- ❖ Lindsay McCulloch from Geebung RSL spoke about his time serving in the Army. He also shared some interesting, historical and dare-devil tales of his relatives and friends who served in other campaigns. These brave men fought many battles for us and sadly some are still fighting their own demons to this day.

OTHER NOTES:

- We raised \$115.50 in the Pink Pig at our last meeting. This was rounded up to \$150 which was donated to the RSL's Mates4Mates Charity. Thank you all for contributing.
- Special thanks to Linda Lucas and Barbara Coleman for your kind donation of stamps. Your Committee is always grateful for any stamp donations, which are used for member mailouts.

Consider the postage stamp; its usefulness consists in the ability to stick to one thing until it gets there.

Josh Billings (1818 -18885) American Humourist

- **We URGENTLY require someone to please step up and help your Committee by taking on the role of organising the Guest Speakers.** Vicki has been looking after this position in addition to her demanding role as Secretary, but will not continue. Bookings have been made for speakers up to our AGM in August. If you all would like to continue with visits by guest speakers, we need someone else to do this job. Vicki will be available to help with the transition and has a list of contacts for future events.

Please bring a container if you'd like to take home any leftover morning tea scones or slices.

SOCIAL MEETINGS, MORNING TEAS & LUNCHES

May 28 AUTUMN TRAIN TRIP: Lunch in Landsborough *Bring your TransLink card 50c trips. The train leaves Platform 2 at Petrie Station at 10.01am for Landsborough.* You can also catch a Redcliffe train at Geebung Station at 9.10am or anywhere along that line (eg. Zillmere, Carseldine, Bald Hills, Strathpine etc) and get off at Petrie at 9.29am and meet others there. Arrive in Landsborough at 10.50am, with time for a cuppa at the café and a walk around and then on to lunch at the hotel. The return train departs Landsborough at 2.06pm and arrives at Petrie at 2.56pm. A connecting train back to Geebung leaves at 3.02pm and arrives at 3.20pm.

If you need further information and are interested in going please let Jenny T know by calling/texting her on 0409 108 358. In case there are changes to the trains etc on the day, she can let you know. *Come along and enjoy a fun day out!*

June 4	1pm	COMMITTEE MEETING	Geebung RSL (12pm lunch prior)
June 11	11.30am	LUNCH	Portabella Restaurant, 24/720 Albany Creek Rd, Albany Creek
June 18	9.30am for 10am Start	SOCIAL MEETING Morning Tea & Lucky door ticket.....\$10	<i>Guest Speaker: Queensland Fire & Rescue – Safety in the home.</i>
June 25	11.30am	LUNCH	Prince of Wales Hotel, 100 Buckland Road, Nundah
July 2	1pm	COMMITTEE MEETING	Geebung RSL (12pm lunch prior)
July 9	11.30am	LUNCH	Everton Park Hotel, 101 Flockton St, Everton Park
July 16	9.30am for 10am Start	SOCIAL MEETING Morning Tea & Lucky door ticket.....\$10	<i>Guest Speaker: Julie Hogarth-Williams who has developed a Seniors channel for TV and iPads etc to view at home.</i>
July 23		BUS TRIP: Christmas in July:	Cunungra & Scenic Rim. Morning Tea & lunch incl.....\$80
July 30	11.30am	LUNCH	Norths Devils Leagues Club, Franklin St, Nundah

WHISKY RAFFLE *(Kindly donated by Bruce Blundell)*

We are raffling this Rare Collector's Edition Glenfiddich "Robert the Bruce" Single Malt Speyside Scotch Whisky. Bottled in the 1980's (approximately 45yo), in a distinctive 750ml ceramic decanter/jug, with stopper, featuring the Scottish king. (Note: The box for illustrative purposes only and is not included).



Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5 and will be drawn at our AGM in August.

FUNNIES

A Police patrol officer waited outside a popular pub, hoping for a bust. At closing time everyone came out, and he spotted his potential quarry. The man was so obviously inebriated that he could barely walk. He stumbled around the parking lot for a few minutes, looking for his car. After trying his keys on five other cars, he finally found his own vehicle. He sat in the car a good ten minutes, as the other patrons left. He turned his lights on, then off, wipers on, then off. He started to pull forward into the grass, then stopped. Finally, when he was the last car, he pulled out onto the road and started to drive away. The police officer, waiting for this, turned on his lights and pulled the man over. He administered the breathalyser test, and to his great surprise, the man blew a 0.00. The police officer was dumbfounded. "This equipment must be broken!" he exclaimed. "I doubt it," said the man, "Tonight I am the designated decoy!"

An avid duck hunter was in the market for a new bird dog. His search ended when he found a dog that could actually walk on water to retrieve a duck. Shocked by his find, he was sure none of his friends would ever believe him. He decided to try to break the news to a friend of his, a pessimist by nature, and invited him to hunt with him and his new dog. As they waited by the shore, a flock of ducks flew by. They fired and a duck fell. The dog responded and jumped into the water. The dog, however, did not sink but instead ran across the water to retrieve the bird, never getting more than his paws wet. The friend saw everything but did not say a single word. On the drive home the hunter asked his friend, "Did you notice anything unusual about my new dog?". "I sure did," responded his pessimist friend, "He can't swim."

An elderly man rear-ends a young man driving an expensive sports car. Enraged, the guy hops out of his car and confronts the old man. "Look what you did to my car" he yells, "you're gonna give me \$10,000 right now or I'm gonna beat you to a pulp!" "Oh my" says the old man, I don't have that kind of money. Let me call my son, he trains dolphins and he'll know what to do." "Dolphins...", the other driver huffs, while rolling his eyes. The old man pulls out his phone, dials his son and just as the son answers, the irate man snatches the phone away from the old man. "So, YOU'RE a dolphin trainer, huh? Well, your old man here just rear ended my car and I need ten grand right now or I'm gonna beat you AND your old man to a pulp. So, you better train those dolphins to bring you some cash!" "I'll be there in 10 minutes" says the voice calmly on the other end. Exactly ten minutes later a pickup truck pulls up. A huge guy hops out and proceeds to walk calmly towards the bully. Before the enraged young man can speak, the man smoothly rams his head against the other man's forehead. The bully crumples like paper and the other man catches him, leaving him in a heap on the side of the road. When he's finished, he walks over to the old man and says: "For the last time dad...I train seals...Navy Seals...NOT dolphins."

A police officer in a small town stopped a motorist who was speeding down the main street. "But officer" the man began, "I can explain". "Just be quiet," snapped the officer. "I'm going to let you cool your heels in a cell until the chief gets back..." "But officer, I just wanted to say...." "And I said to keep quiet! You're going to jail!" A few hours later the officer looked in on his prisoner and said, "Lucky for you that the chief is at his daughter's wedding. He'll be in a good mood when he gets back." "Don't count on it," answered the fellow in the cell. "I'm the groom."

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Develop an interest in life as you see it; in people, things, literature, music – the world is so rich, and simply throbbing with rich treasures, beautiful souls and interesting people. Forget yourself. Henry Miller (1891 – 1980) American Author

Silence is golden. Unless you have the grandkids over. Then silence is suspicious.

Don't forget to make time to rest, it is important to your health.