

National Seniors

AUSTRALIA

Melville Branch – July 2021

We were lucky to get the June meeting held before we were plunged into another short lockdown followed by further restrictions. The situation is worrying in NSW and now Victoria. It is hoped that we can stop the delta variant from coming in to Western Australia and can continue to lead a relatively normal life.

Unfortunately our outing to Romancing the Stone Garden and the Kalamunda Hotel had to be cancelled due to the lockdown. I was worried about the forecast of rain on the day but it turned out to what would have been a very nice day. The outing has now been rescheduled to Wednesday the 6th of October leaving RAAFA at 9.15am. We had 34 members pay for the outing. At the meeting on the 27th those members who will not be in a position to attend will need to let Helen know. She can then allocate any spaces on the bus to others wishing to go. The owner of the gardens mentioned that the new date will be great as the flowers will be in full bloom and just after the open day.

JUNE SPEAKER

What an interesting presentation by Dan Dorsett (The Bee Whisperer). I am many members learnt a lot about bees just as I did. Also Dan did a roaring trade with the honey from his bees.

JULY BRANCH MEETING

A reminder to members that this meeting is the AGM followed by a guest speaker and then the Christmas in July lunch and is on Tuesday, the 27th of July commencing at 10.00am in the Function Room of the Cirrus Building.

MEETING FEES

After I sent a reminder out last week we had 9 more members transfer funds into the bank account making a total of 19. In the January to June period we had a total of 28 members pre-pay. I encourage all members to consider this option as it makes it easier on meeting day for the door people. The pre-payment system has been set up in a way that members do not lose out if they miss any meetings as this is carried forward into the next period as a credit. So those members not using this option, I encourage you to give this serious consideration.

PAYMENT FOR ORGANISED EVENTS AND OUTINGS

This was discussed at a committee meeting on Monday and it was decided to give members the option of making payment for events and outings online by bank transfer. Members must make reference in the payment what the payment is for. If not paying using this option, members will be required to put the exact amount of cash in an envelope and clearly mark their name and event/outing on the front of the envelope. The Treasurer normally does not have cash on hand to give change to members.

In most cases sufficient advance notice is given of upcoming events. Members will be advised of a cut off date, normally the date of a Branch meeting, and members wishing to go to an event or outing must make payment by this date.

If a member finds they can't make an event/outing they will need to advise the organiser immediately. If this is within 7 or less days of the event, there will be no refund. It will up to the member to find another person to fill the vacancy.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING and COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS

I am very pleased with the fact that we have received nominations for all the Executive Committee positions and that one of the newer members has come forward to take on the Treasurer position. Their name will be revealed at the AGM on the 27th of July. Other committee positions will be filled on the day. If any member has good ideas in regard to the smooth running of the Branch they are welcome to put their hand up at the meeting to be considered for the committee.

CONTAINERS FOR CASH

The Container for Change program has so far resulted in income of \$72.90. With the lockdown and subsequent restrictions I have not deposited the containers received at the June meeting. I will now wait until after the July meeting to deposit all the containers brought in. I encourage members to continue to support this program as it is bringing in value income to the Branch.

GRACE LOVELL

Members who remember Grace may like to know that she has celebrated her 100th birthday. Lorelie and Ann visited with flowers and the best wishes of our Branch.



ZONE 108 CONFERENCE

HOSTED BY KALAMUNDA DISTRICTS BRANCH

WEDNESDAY 8 SEPTEMBER 2021

VENUE: Hartfield Country Club, 90 Hartfield Road, Forrestfield

COST: \$50 per person – Includes morning tea, lunch and excellent speakers that are guaranteed to interest and entertain you.

Registration Forms will again be available at the AGM meeting on the 27th of July

GUEST SPEAKERS

Tuesday 27th July – Jon Day – History of Aviation and RAAFA Museum

Tuesday 24th August - Dorothy James who is a Life Coach. Subject: "Turning Can'ts into Cans"

Tuesday 28th Sept: Graham Mabury - Baptist Pastor, well known identity and excellent speaker

OUTINGS

Wednesday 18th August – Araluen Botanical Gardens (Tulips) and lunch at the Elizabethan Pub. – Bus departing RAAFA at 10.00am. Bus and entry to gardens \$18. To be paid to Helen by the July meeting. Elizabethan Pub has seniors' meals for \$14.

Tuesday 14th September – Bert Tyler Museum Armadale (Perth Hills Armadale Visitors Centre – 40 Jull St) and lunch at the Happy Gathering Chinese.

Wednesday 6th October – Romancing the Stone Garden and Kalamunda hotel for lunch

THEATRE VISITS, Etc (Lorelie)

Wednesday 11th August, 7.30 p.m. - OLD MILL THEATRE, SOUTH PERTH: \$20.

'TOUCH & GO" - Comedy

"When Brian takes up jogging, his wife Hilary is not surprised. She has often told him he should exercise more after all the business lunches he consumes. But when Brian is ostensibly running round the park, he is, in fact, spending a couple of hours with his girlfriend, Wendy, in his good friend George's flat. The arrangement works well for some time, for while Brian is visiting Wendy, helpful George knows that there is no danger of his own dalliance being discovered; for the object of his affection is Brian's wife, Hilary! It is all plain sailing until George's wife, Jessica, returns too soon from a business trip and puts the cat among the pigeons.

Friday 20th August. 7.30 p.m. TIVOLI THEATRE, APPLECROSS. \$17

JUKE BOX JIVE'N

Head on down Route 66 and see this energetic show full of some of the best juke box hits from the 50s and 60s.

Chicken and chips served at interval. B.Y.O. drinks and nibbles.

Many members enjoyed A Fortunate Life at the Cygnet last June. The same company is presenting SYDNEY II - LOST & FOUND, live theatre performed in cinemas. From the dark days of World War II comes a true story of love, courage and fateful decisions. This show is not coming to the Cygnet but will be presented at the Ace Cinema, MIDLAND on 31st October. Would you be interested in going to Midland to see this show? Please let me know at the meeting on 27th July. Lorelie.

Two IRISH JOKES FOR THE MONTH

1.) On a golf tour in Ireland, Tiger Woods drives his BMW into a petrol station in a remote part of the Irish countryside.

The pump attendant obviously knows nothing about golf, greets him in a typical Irish manner completely unaware of who the golfing pro is.

Top of the mornin' to yer, sir" says the attendant.

Tiger nods a quick "hello" and bends forward to pick up the nozzle.

As he does so, two tees fall out of his shirt pocket onto the ground.

"What are dose? asks the attendant.

"They're called tees" replies Tiger.

"Well, what on the god's earth are dey for?" inquires the Irishman.

"They're for resting my balls on when I'm driving", says Tiger.

2) Two Irishmen were sitting in a four-engined plane flying back from a shopping trip to Paris when the captain's voice came over the loudspeaker. "Ladies and Gentlemen, one of the engines appear to have failed. There's nothing to worry about but we will be 15 minutes late in landing at Gatwick."

Five minutes later he said, "Nothing to worry about, ladies and Gentlemen, but one of the other engines has failed, and we will now be an hour late."

A moment later, "Er...sorry about this ladies and gentlemen, but the third engine has also given up and we will now be two hours later than expected."

One of the Irishmen tapped his friend on the shoulder. "Good heavens, Patrick, do you realise that if the other engine fails, we'll be here all night"

Les Davey

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Dates of Melville NSA Events 2021

Tuesday 27th July – 10.00am – Branch Meeting (AGM) and Christmas in July

Wednesday 18th August – 10.00am -Araluen Botanical Gardens (Tulips) and Lunch

Tuesday 24th August – 10.00-am - Branch Meeting

Monday 13th September – 2.00pm – Committee Meeting ((Lorelie)

Tuesday 14th September 10.30am – Bert Tyler Museum and lunch

Tuesday 28th September – 10.00am – Branch Meeting

Wednesday 6th October – Romancing the Stone Garden/Kalamunda Hotel

Tuesday 26th October – 10.00am – Branch Meeting

Monday 8th November 2.00pm – Committee Meeting (Fred and Marlene)

Tuesday 23rd November – 10.00am – Branch Meeting

Thursday 9th December – 12.00pm – Christmas Lunch