

National Seniors

AUSTRALIA

Melville Branch – October 2021

It was great to see an attendance of 60 members and visitors at the September Branch meeting where we were entertained with a great presentation by Graham Mabury. We had 12 visitors, mainly from the RAAFA Estate. We need to find more ways of promoting National Seniors throughout the estate with the hope of attracting more residents to become members of our Branch.

ROMANCING THE STONE GARDEN AND KALAMUNDA HOTEL

This was one of the best attended outings that we have had in my time with the Branch. A total of 26 members attended the gardens and 28 at the hotel.

What a great morning tea provided and the walk through the gardens was enthralling. What a remarkable man is Tom Hogg in the work that he has put in, turning an overgrown jungle into magnificent, well laid out gardens including a number of waterfalls.



The seniors' meal at the Kalamunda Hotel was very enjoyable and it was amazing how many people were there on a Wednesday. Although I now know what a drowned rat must have felt, when the waiter let 3 glasses of lemon, lime and bitters (including Ice) slip off his tray, landing on my back with ice finding its way inside my shirt. I was getting a number of glares from hotel patrons when I went up to the nice wood fire to stand with my back to it to try and dry out.



Photos taken at the gardens



CHRISTMAS LUNCH THURSDAY 9 DECEMBER

Subsidised payment of \$20 per member can be paid by EFT to NSA Melville account 036-084 : 434141 with your name and “Xmas”. If you wish to pay by cash, then please ensure you place the cash in a **sealed envelope with your name, amount and Xmas** clearly written, and give to Sally. It’s preferable if you could pay by EFT. Thank you to those of you who have already paid.

The Christmas lunch will again be at 10 Roebuck Drive, Salters Point at 12.00pm. A reminder you must pay for the lunch by the 23rd November or you will miss out.

Also it would be appreciated if you can bring items for the Christmas Raffle to the October or November Branch meeting and hand these to Helen Richards. Raffle tickets at the lunch will be 3 for \$5.



MEETING REGISTRATION

The registration process at the door does get quite hectic. It would be an enormous help if (for those paying by cash) that you arrive with the correct amount in a **sealed envelope clearly marked with your name, the amount and date**. Also please check that the money you tender is Australian as New Zealand currency doesn’t work!!!! There is no change available.

Containers for Change

Thanks to the members who brought in containers at the September meeting resulting in \$13.90, bringing the year to date figure to \$124.40.

GUEST SPEAKERS

Tuesday 26th Oct Dr Ronniet Orlando – Music and its benefits. She will play her violin.

Tuesday 23rd Nov John Cannon, retired psychologist – “Good sleep, bad sleep and outcomes”. He is a RAAFA Estate resident.

OUTINGS

Thursday 9th December- Christmas Breakup lunch

THEATRE VISITS, Etc (Lorelie)

SUNDAY 31ST OCTOBER, 3 P.M. ACE CINEMA, 294 GREAT EASTERN HWY., MIDLAND.

SYDNEY II LOST & FOUND

There is upper-level parking, and the entrance to the theatre is upstairs.

Allow yourself time to park and to get settled.

I will collect our tickets at the office and distribute them.

FRIDAY 26TH NOVEMBER, 8 P.M. MELVILLE THEATRE, PALMYRA \$21

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE'S, LONG LOST FIRST PLAY.

A comedy in which many of the famous speeches and characters of Shakespeare's thirty-nine plays are used to create a fast, funny and entirely fictional fortieth!

CHINESE BANQUET at Golden Gate at 6 pm. \$22

FRIDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 7.30 PM OLD MILL THEATRE, SOUTH PERTH \$20

LITTLE WOMEN, THE BROADWAY MUSICAL

Based on the novel by Louisa May Alcott

Because all bookings nowadays are made and paid for in advance, I would be grateful if members could be very careful in recording their bookings in their diaries and arriving in time

to receive their tickets and get seated well before starting time. Please remember that if you place your name in my book that is a commitment and you will be required to pay for your ticket if you cannot come on the date or if you forget to come.

Many thanks,

Lorelie.

LIFE'S SIMPLE TRICK

I did not write this but WOW does it speak to my heart!!! Worth the read.
"Barely the day started and it's already six in the evening. Barely arrived on Monday and it's already Friday and the month is already over and the year is almost over, and already 40, 50, 60, 70 or 80 years of our lives have passed. We realize that we lost our parents, friends and we realize it's too late to go back. So let's try, despite everything, to enjoy the remaining time. Let's keep looking for activities that we like. Let's put some colour in our grey. Let's smile at the little things in life that put balm in our hearts. Despite everything, we must continue to enjoy with serenity this time we have left. Let's try to eliminate the afters, I'm doing it after. I'll say after. I'll think about it after. We leave everything for later like " after " is ours. Because what we don't understand is that: Afterwards, the coffee gets cold. afterwards, priorities change. Afterwards, the charm is broken. Afterwards, health passes. Afterwards, the kids grow up. Afterwards parents get old. Afterwards, promises are forgotten. Afterwards, the day becomes the night. Afterwards, life ends. And then it's often too late. So let's leave nothing for later. Because still waiting to see later, we can lose the best moments, the best experiences, best friends, the best family. The day is today. The moment is now. We are no longer at the age where we can afford to postpone what needs to be done right away." It Looks Like An Eternity, But It's A Short Trip, Enjoy Life And Always Be Kind.

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Dates of Melville NSA Events 2021

Tuesday 26th October – 10.00am – Branch Meeting

Sunday 31st October – Ace Theatre

Monday 8th November 2.00pm – Committee Meeting (Sally and John)

Tuesday 23rd November – 10.00am – Branch Meeting

Friday 26th November – Melville Theatre

Thursday 9th December – 12.00pm – Christmas Lunch

Friday 17th December – Old Mill Theatre