GLADSTONE BRANCH NEWSLETTER



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Good morning to all our members and visitors. A warm welcome to our visitors and hope you enjoy your morning with us.

We are experiencing a colder winter, especially in Calliope. I'm sure it's colder out here than in Gladstone.

We will be holding our AGM in August; nomination forms are with me.

Terry has indicated that he will not be nominating for the role of President, so if you have some time, please consider taking up this position.

I hope you enjoy your meeting today; I am looking forward to Larney having Larney back.

Next Meeting will be our Annual Meeting and election of officers and followed by the General Meeting on the 19th of August – see you all then.

.... Carolyn

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GUEST SPEAKERS

20 Minute: Pam, Community Engagement and Development Specialist.

JULY CELEBRATIONS HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

Julie Brodie; Sybil Browning; Buddy Budd; Karen Christensen; Christine Dennis; Pamela Elliott; Ria Forrest; Kaylene Fry; *Val Mary Jones; Roy Jones; Marie-Ann Martin*; Gaye Nicolson; Pamela Small; Trevor Small; Brian Smith; Nick Swettenham; *Narelle Wright.*

HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES

Trevor & Cheryl Heard.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Ask some people what time it is and they'll tell you how to make a watch. Tom Gill

A LITTLE HUMOUR



Why do kangaroos carry a pencil? In case they need to draw some attention.

Why did the emu start podcasting? It wanted to share egg-citing stories.

Why did the kookaburra join the comedy club? It wanted to share its best laughs!

Why did the chicken join the band? Because it already had drumsticks.

What do you call a funny mountain? Hill-arious!

Ha, Ha, Ha! Good old Dad – at it again - always the joker.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

From Activities Officer: Pauline

Good morning everyone,

38 members enjoyed a full day in Bundaberg on Tuesday 24th. Weather was perfect and all the staff at every attraction were friendly and very helpful. Branka Medlock who lives in Bundy and has shared some of our holidays joined us for lunch at the Melbourne Hotel as did some of Kathy Wakefield's family. We travelled in a new CDC coach valued at \$1.1million. Everything was touch button so a learning curve for the drivers. We were not allowed to undo our seatbelt until the coach had stopped. We all came home with a 6 pack of drinks from the Ginger Beer Barrel as part of our tour and some found treats to buy at the Bundy Rum Distillery.

I have a list of names for you to collect your tickets for Christmas in July at the Bowls Club tomorrow. Don't forget them or you will not be admitted.

PORT OF GLADSTONE CRUISE

27 July -11.00am -1.00pm. Cost \$40.00. 35 members have paid with 5 still to pay today if you are still going. If anyone still wants to go, that is ok, but final numbers are needed next week.

PRETTY WOMAN, LYRIC THEATRE BRISBANE

11-12-13 November

We still haven't had time to organize this trip and the cost. If anybody has a suggestion for an activity on the Wednesday let me know and we can look at it.

CHRISTMAS DINNER EVENTS CENTRE YARALLA.

Thursday 20th NOVEMBER.

I will have the cost next meeting. Sheet here today for you to check your names.

EDINBURGH TATTOO

There are 23 going to the TATTOO next February. **Pauline**

AROUND THE TRAPS

GLADSTONE SENIORS EXPO

Philip St Precinct Tuesday 15th July 10am – 1pm.

Philip St Precinct

CHRISTMAS IN JULY, and, Kidney Support Network Cent Sale Sat 19th July - Bookings essential ph. 0403 116 520

GEEC -

Luminous 2025

17th – 19th July 5.30pm-9.30pm

The life & times of Led Zeppelin

26th July 7.30pm

Robertson Brothers

14th August 7pm



Coral growing at Monsoon Aquatics, Bundaberg

TOUR INFORMATION

From Tour Officer: Barbara

Hi members and Travelers.

We have 35 travelling to Melbourne 11-19 October 2025. Should you wish to join us, you can share or have a single room. Your choice - single supplement is extra cost. The air flights are booked; other travel details are in the pipeline. Raymond Lewis at Departure Point in Goondoon St is our travel agent and he will take your booking deposit or ongoing payment to suit your needs.

Pricing for this event is \$4110 for shared travel. There is very little to pay out once you start your journey. Personal purchases, some drinks & souvenirs are about it. Travel insurance is included in the pricing.

I have one lady requiring a share lady and a man requiring a share??? Opps is there a man wishing to join this tour. We are open to invite others to join this tour. Should you have a neighbour, relative or friends who would like to come along - please invite them and let me know. They don't even have to live in Gladstone.

This is a great opportunity to experience National Seniors travel, make new friends and have wonderful memories, BUT there is always a BUT, they will need to JOIN National Seniors Australia.

Membership is currently \$49.90 as a single and \$80.00 couple for the year. There are other payment offers on the National Seniors website or speak with Cheryl, our Membership Officer, or Ria, our Treasurer. Payment can be online or direct to the Treasurer for cash payments.

I also need contact info for each of the travelers so I can touch base with each of you as required. I currently have up to date records of the people this year.

Please put MY mobile number in YOUR phone so you know when, and if I phone you.

Branch Contact Details

Yaralla Sports Club: Corner, O'Connell and

Third Tuesday of the month at 9am for 9:45am.

Yours in Travel BarbK - 0412 049 390

Committee Members

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