

September 2024

Good morning,
Where has this year gone to, it is September already, goodness it will be Christmas soon.
The 2024 Tour party will be leaving soon, and we wish all travellers lots of fun, but that also means we will be looking for ideas for our 2025 trip. We have received some suggestions already, they include, New Zealand, Canberra and New South Wales highlands, if you have somewhere in mind that you would like to visit, let us know. We will be looking at all

suggestions in November this year, as it takes a while to organise the early accommodation needed, especially if it means staying in small towns, some flights/buses are also hard to book in advance.
Check out the "Priceless Past" on display at the Gallery, I am not sure if any of our members have been interviewed by the students of Chanel College.
Next Meeting to be held Tuesday 15th October 2024.
See you all then,
..... Larney

GUEST SPEAKERS

5 Minute: Terry Freyling

20 Minute: Colin Boyce

SEPTEMBER CELEBRATIONS

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

Leigh Barr; Geoff Bonney; Sandi Clark; Dulcie Dunstan; Paula Dusting; Helen Evans; Barbara Gaukroger; Noel Harvey; Fred Jones; Marion Locke; **Rodney Soper**; Robyn Tidd; Lesley Tolsdorf; Greg Wakefield; Bradley West; Shirley Zeimer.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES

John & Jenny Hinde; Terry & Judy Werder.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

We need to learn to be our own best friend because we fall too easily into the trap of being our own worst enemy.

Roderick Thorp

A LITTLE HUMOUR



My winter fat has finally disappeared. It's being replaced by spring rolls.

A recent study has found women who carry a little extra weight live longer than men who mention it.

People used to laugh at me for wanting to be a comedian. "Well, no one's laughing now!"

Two antennas decided to get married, the ceremony was boring, but the reception was great.

The day had been long, and the psychiatrist had seen far too many patients. Warily she sighed, tidied her desk, turned her hearing aid on and headed home.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

From Activities Officer: Pauline

Good morning, everyone,

I would like to thank everyone who attended the High Tea last Tuesday. We had 55 members and thanks also to the people who dressed in their good gear.

The winners were Noel Tyson, Alan Pease, Trevor Heard for the men and Robyn Knopke, Pauline Bambling, Judy Finlay for the ladies. The staff of the Junction Cafe were the judges.

If you aren't able to get there for any reason can you ring me please as I may be able to adjust the booking as we have to pay for the number booked.

We have Athol Gibson to entertain us at the November meeting instead of a guest speaker. Those who go to Evenglow will know him.

CHRISTMAS DINNER, Events Centre, Yaralla, 20th November. Cost, \$20 p.p. 6.00pm M&G with dinner 6:30pm.

Dave Murray assisted by Pat on keyboard will keep us entertained between dinner and the drawing of our multi draw raffle. Once again if you can bring a gift minimum cost \$10.00, please.

Thank you as last year we had about 80 prizes.

Departure Point is now open 9am to 3pm.

Cheers,
Pauline

AROUND THE TRAPS

Glenn Butcher has given us some information in relation to hearing aids, glasses and digital energy meter installation:

Details are as follows:

Connect Hearing – Call 1300 104 730

Criteria can be found on the Dept of Health Office of Hearing Services website.

Digital Energy Meter Installation –

<https://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au/electricalsafety>

Criteria for spectacles –

<https://www.qld.gov.au/health/support/equipment/types/spectacles>

Bam – Tannum Sands Sat 5th Oct

Art Gallery – “Bush to Sea” 1st nation display until 5th Oct.

Our Priceless Past – Gladstone over 70’s interviewed by the students of Chanel College, on display until 16th Nov.

GECC

Morning Melodies – “Blue Bayou” Tuesday 15th Oct.

“Women like us” Friday 18th October

Peter Williams - A popular medium Friday 8th Oct.

Box Office 4972 2822

We are still collecting any old mobile phones you are no longer using, they will be given to QLD Police to strip all data and forwarded to Queenslanders who are in the Domestic Violence Program.

TOUR INFORMATION

From Tour Officer: Barbara

Hi Fellow Travelers,
Our departure date is not far away. I'm excited and working hard to make this tour happen. Please put my mobile number in all your phones. I may be ringing you and I'll need an answer for some reason. Noel Harvey will be my Tour Assistant. He will be collecting all the medical form envelopes and will keep them safely until we return. The envelopes are returned to each of you at the end of our tour. Last Tuesday, at the Hi-Tea, some of you filled out your meal choices at 8 locations. Today I have the personal itineraries for each couple and/or single traveler. Please transfer this information into your itinerary or have it saved safely on your phone. There are 40 of us and we want our breakfasts, lunches & dinners to be enjoyed by all. The rest of the times will be buffet or menu service & light lunches. Today, the rest of you need to see me at the back table and complete your choices. Should someone be absent pls inform me.

Please read previous emails and send any questions to me, phone or text messages. I have my phone with me almost all the time. I know all of you, but we will still need to wear our badges on tour. Not required at the airports - but you will require ID on check-in.

Driver's license is the easiest or Adult ID.

I have Helen W, Graham H & Lyn R with food requirements. Are there any of you that need to be on my list?? I'm especially needing to know, so I can request meals for you. Areas of concern; gluten, egg, diabetic (if required), food intolerances.

The Gladstone TAXI service is unreliable - please have someone to bring you to the airport early on the 25th of September. Read through your itinerary & have it in your hand luggage. Some adventures may excite spending - pearl farming, Perth mint, winery, Fremantle markets.

Yours In Travel

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Branch Meetings are held at:

Yaralla Sports Club: Corner, O'Connell and Bell Streets, Barney Point, Gladstone.

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

Contact Terry - 0418 185 380

Contact Larney - 0400 610 277

Web: <https://nationalseniors.com.au/get-involved/branches/gladstone>