

September 2026

Good morning,

Today, we are having our AGM with our guest, Karen Furnivall, Community Engagement Manager, National Seniors Australia in the chair, followed by our general meeting.

We still have some vacancies on the Committee, these include the Raffles, Assistant Activity Officer, if interested please see Larney.

We will be meeting for lunch at the Harvey Rd Tavern after the meeting at member's own expense.

At the last management meeting the Committee discussed the General meeting start and finish time. Some members have indicated that we are finishing later than 11.30am which makes it hard for them to stay if appointments have been made.

Therefore, as of Jan 2027 we will be opening the meeting at 9.30am instead of 9.45am, this will be discussed today.

Next Meeting to be held Tuesday 20th October 2026. See you all then, Larney

GUEST SPEAKERS

20 Minute: Karen Furnivall, Community Engagement Manager.

SEPTEMBER CELEBRATIONS

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

Leigh Barr; Geoff Bonney; Sandi Clark; **Paula Dusting**; Helen Evans; Noel Harvey; Fred Jones; Marion Locke; Cheryl Petersen; Rodney Soper; Robyn Tidd; Greg Wakefield; Bradley West.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES

John & Jennifer Hinde; Ross & Cheryl Paroz; Terry & Judy Werder.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Responsibility walks hand in hand with capacity and power.

A LITTLE HUMOUR

- I asked Alan, an electrician, for the secret to a lower power bill. He whispered, "Just turn off the main switch".
- I gave my kids a lesson in resilience. Now they argue even longer.
- I bought a pair of shoes from a drug dealer. I haven't quite worked out what he laced them with, but I've been tripping all day.
- A termite walks into a bar and asks, "Is the bar tender here".
- I bought my wife a mood ring for our anniversary. It turns blue when she's happy, BUT, when she's angry it leaves red marks on my forehead.
- What did the girl say when she was told "The Trades" were for boys? "Great, I'm good at fixing mistakes".

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

From Activities Officer: Pauline

Good morning everyone,

LUNCH. We have 50 members plus, indicating that they will attend lunch today at the Harvey Road Tavern, at 12 noon after the meeting. Members pay for their own meal.

GET- ONLINE DAY, Thursday 22nd October, The Precinct, Phillip Street. 12 noon. Lunch will be provided before we start. Lucky door prizes as usual. We will have some interesting speakers. A sheet is on my table for names needed for catering.

CHRISTMAS DINNER- ROCKY GLEN HOTEL
THURSDAY 19TH NOVEMBER,
M and G - 6.00 PM,
DINNER - 6.30 PM
COST \$25.00.

Monies to be paid by the October meeting. Sorry, there will be no refunds once I have given the venue our final numbers, approximately a week before the dinner. 72 members have their names down with 20 having paid.

THE LION KING has been booked for 3rd March 2027 with some members already putting their names down.

PAULINE

AROUND THE TRAPS

What's on at the Gladstone Entertainment Centre

The Librarian:

A bookish circus adventure for kids aged 5-12 years and their adults – Saturday 19th September.

The Bubble Spectacular

Starring Dr. Hubbles! Catch it – before it floats away! It's unubb-levable! – Saturday 3rd October

What's New Pussycat:

The hits of Tom Jones, Burt Bacharach, Petula Clark, Aretha Franklin, Dusty Springfield, Carole King and the Fab Four performed by Australia's favourite cabaret duo:

Tuesday 6th October. **THIS MAY BE ALREADY BOOKED OUT.**

Box Office Phone: 4972 2822

Port Curtis Patchwork Group Fundraiser

Date: Saturday 26th September 1pm doors open

Venue: Gladstone Men's Shed, Barney Point

Cost: \$10 Entry with delicious afternoon tea provided.

Theme: Daffodil Day – wear yellow.

Charity Auction on the day – major fundraiser
Raffles & Lucky door prizes

Tickets – please purchase so we can organise the catering

Thanks, BarbK 0412 049 390

Our Priceless Past 2026 now on display at the Gallery, check it out, you might know somebody that has been interviewed. The requirements to enter this program are: Seniors over 70yrs and have lived in the area for over 30yrs. If this sounds like something you would like to do, please advise the Gallery.

Next Calliope River Historical Village market is to be held on Sunday 8th November, 7.30am-12noon

TOUR INFORMATION

Good morning everyone,

Well, travelling members, we are almost ready to go to Canberra. We have 34. Today I have your Itineraries for you. Please ensure that you pack them with you.

Everyone should have given Raymond all their meal choices. Please record your "NUMBER" as this will be constant during this tour. Remember Canberra can be cold so pack a warm jacket or take it on the plane.

I have now checked my listings, and I have email address contacts. Pls check your emails at the end of the month. I'll send out any last-minute changes. For our regular travelers, this may be repeat information. I do have a number of newer members on this tour - welcome and I'm sure this will be the start of many more.

Please ensure that you have given me your medical details in case of emergencies on the trip.

At the AGM, you will notice that Lyn Russell has offered to be the Tour Assistant. She will be available to share travel advice.

The 2027 Travel Tour will be Tasmania - we will venture to new and different places; some suggestions have been submitted by our members.

Raymond will be ready to discuss a PowerPoint presentation early next year – probably in February.

Hopefully we will have a good attendance of members to consider this as an option in the future.

We are always looking at ideas for the following year. 2028, please advise if you have suggestions.

Yours in Travel BarbK

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Branch Meetings are held at:

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

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