

National Seniors

AUSTRALIA

Melville Branch – July 2020

Welcome back to NSA Branch Meetings, including the AGM

The good news is that we can recommence Branch meetings on the 28th of July, at 10.00am. with a lavish morning tea to say Welcome Back!

It has been difficult in locking in venues for the July, August and September meetings. However, venues may change as the Premier announced on Monday that under stage 5 of easing restrictions, on the 18th of July, the 2 sq metre rule will be removed if there is no further Covid-19 outbreak in the State.

If this easing occurs we should be able to return to using the Meg Olive Room for all three meetings. I am advised that the new building will be opened by October and that we may have to use the facilities in that building for meetings from October.

If the restrictions are not further reduced on the 18th of July, we will be meeting in Orion Apartments which is immediately past the new building. However, our meeting will need to be a little different to comply with current rules for indoor meetings. If necessary I will send out details of the protocols we will need to follow prior to the meeting.

Thanks to Matilda we will have very interesting speakers for our next three meetings with the details below.

To assist the committee in determining whether we need to hire the single or the double room in Orion for the July meeting, and to help Margaret with numbers for morning teas, I would appreciate if members can confirm by email (les.davey@bigpond.com) by the 15th of July as to whether you will be attending the July meeting.

Please take this as notice of the Branch's Annual General Meeting, which will follow the General Meeting. While existing committee members have indicated that they are prepared to stand for re-election this does not preclude any member from nominating for one of the positions. Matilda Wasley has indicated that while she is prepared to stay on in the short term arranging guest speakers, she would like someone to put their hand up so that we can have a smooth transition. In fact we encourage members to stand if they would like to be on the committee. Attached is a copy of a nomination form which will need to be completed and sent to Ann Mellish by the 14th of July. Ann's address is 5/212 Corinthian Rd East, Riverton.

It is gratifying to know that National Seniors Australia has remained very active throughout the period of isolation and restrictions to advocate for its members and all older Australians. I am looking forward to seeing the familiar faces of Melville members again, albeit without a hug or a handshake, but an elbow touch and a warm smile will have to do for the time being.

GUEST SPEAKERS

Tuesday 28th July 2020 – Rebecca Boswell. The Orangutan Project. She is the Administration manager of this project.

Tuesday 25th August 2020 - Tony Borger, Director of Kids Komedy Kapers (the clown doctors)

Tuesday 22nd September - David McMahon – Education Officer - Transperth

OUTINGS

Due to current restrictions there are no planned outings in the near future. This will change when restrictions are lifted.

THEATRE VISITS, Etc.

As theatres are still closed due to covid-19 there are no planned visits

Comedy Corner: Cancel Credit Cards Prior to Death

Be sure and cancel your credit cards before you die! This is so priceless and so easy to see happening – customer service, being what it is today.

A lady died this past January, and the credit card company billed her for February and March for their annual service charges on her credit card, and then added late fees and interest on the monthly charge. The balance had been \$0.00, now is somewhere around \$60.

A family member phones the credit card company:

“Family Member. I am calling to tell you that she died in January.”

Credit card company. “The account was never closed and the late fees and charges still apply.”

Family Member. “Maybe, you should turn it over to collections.”

Credit card company. “Since it is two months past due, it already has been accrued.”

Family Member. “So, what will they do when they find out she is dead?”

Credit card company. “Either report her account to the fraud division or report here to the credit bureau, maybe both!”

Family Member. “Do you think God will be mad at her?”

Credit card company. “Excuse me?”

Family Member. “Did you just get what I was telling you... The part about her being dead?”

Credit card company. “Sir, you’ll have to speak to my supervisor.”

Supervisor gets on the phone.

Family Member. “I’m calling to tell you, she died in January.”

Credit card company: “The account was never closed and the late fees and charges still apply.”

Family Member: “You mean, you want to collect from her estate?”

Credit card company: (Stammer) “Are you her solicitor”

Family Member: “No, I’m her great nephew.” (Solicitor’s details given)

Credit card company: “Could you scan the Certificate of Death and email it to us”

Family Member: “Ok” (Email address given)

After they get the email:

Credit card company: “Our system is not set up for death. I don’t know what more I can do to help.”

Family Member: “Well, if you figure it out, great! If not, you could just keep billing her. I don’t think she will care.”

Credit card company: “Well, the late fees and charges do still apply.”

Family Member: “Would you like her new billing address?”

Credit card company: “That might help.”

Family Member: “Plot number ##, Pinnaroo Valley Memorial Park, Whitfords Av. Padbury 6025”

Credit card company: “Sir, that’s a cemetery!”

Family Member: “Well, what the **** do you do with dead people on your planet?”

Les Davey

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5. FORMS AND ORIGINALS

5.1 NSA NOMINATION FORM FOR BRANCH OFFICE BEARERS

DATE: _____ NSA _____ BRANCH INC

We the undersigned being financial members of National Seniors Australia hereby nominate:

_____ as a candidate for election to the position of _____

CANDIDATE TO TICK BOX IF THE FOLLOWING IS APPLICABLE

- *Under section 39 of the Act the following persons must not, without leave of the Commissioner, accept an appointment or act as a member of a management committee of an association:*
 - *a person who is, according to the Interpretation Act 1984 section 13D, a bankrupt or person whose affairs are under insolvency laws;*
 - *a person who has been convicted, within or outside the State, of-*
 - *an indictable offence in relation to the promotion, formation or management of a body corporate; or*
 - *an offence involving fraud or dishonesty punishable by imprisonment for a period of not less than three months; or*
 - *an offence under Part 4 Division 3 or section 127 of the Act*
- Section 39 only applies to a person who has been convicted of the above offences only for a period of 5 years from the time of the person's conviction, or if the conviction results in a term of imprisonment, from the time of the person's release from custody.*

PROPOSER: _____ MEMBERSHIP NO. _____

SIGNATURE _____

SECONDER: _____ MEMBERSHIP NO. _____

SIGNATURE _____

I hereby consent to the above nomination, confirm that I am a current financial NSA member and am willing to accept the position in the event of my election.

SIGNATURE OF NOMINEE _____ MEMBERSHIP NO _____

THIS COMPLETED FORM TO BE WITH THE BRANCH SECRETARY FOURTEEN (14) DAYS PRIOR TO THE HOLDING OF THE BRANCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

