

## KALAMUNDA DISTRICTS BRANCH INC.

## **NEWSLETTER #225 IN THE YEAR 2021**

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**NEXT MEETING:** Tuesday October 12,10am at Kalamunda C of C Centre, 22 Mileti Rd Lesmurdie.

GUEST SPEAKER: Anita, Manager RAC Road Safety, presenting "Beyond The Roads Program."

It has been a fairly rough month for me medically but I do believe I have turned the corner and things are starting to improve; albeit not as fast as I would like! A very big thanks for all those (especially Richard Arnold) for keeping things rolling in my absence and I absolutely loved the huge "Get Well" card signed by so many wonderful people. With a bit of luck and excellent care by Joyce I should be able to be with you at the October meeting – and thereby lays a challenge!

Chris Milne wasn't too sure as to whether or not I could contribute to this Newsletter so much of what follows is entirely through his effort.

The Zone 108 Conference, on Wednesday 8th September, went off very well with 93 in attendance. Richard Arnold stepped in for Graeme, to MC the Function. In his own words, no-one threw anything at him, so it must have been OK. Excellent speakers, Ian Henschke, spoke on needs required for older Australian's, from Queensland & Chris Grice, spoke on the workings of NSA, from South Australia by ZOOM teleconferencing. Sam Walker, Thornley Branch President outlined the workings of Zone 108. Mark Nicholson presented an engineering point of view of the airport "Metronet" rail line. A Government representative spoke on "downsizing" giving advantages/disadvantages of the possible move. All ran well and everyone who attended went away with plenty of new found knowledge.

There was no outing in September due to the Conference. The next outing with Club 55 will be on Wednesday, 20 October, to the Green Hills/York area. It includes morning tea and lunch. Meet at TOTH at 8:45am, for a 9 am departure, return approx. 4:30pm. Cost \$64.

A November outing to "Pasta in the Valley" is planned. It would be a "get yourself there" function, and for a group would cost \$25 pp, with a seniors menu. More details and date to be announced at the October 12, Branch meeting.

WA Govt. "Safety & Security Rebate" for up to \$400 rebate. Only available to WA Seniors Card holders. Go to the WA Seniors Card website, then to "Guide to the Safety & Security Rebate" for application form and T & C's.

**Can you help?** – The name of a member with a knowledge of Apple MAC & Pro Presenter, to assist Gary at the audio/video desk if required. Please contact Gary Cullenane or Maureen Moffett.

**Secretaries note**: To members or new members who have renewed or joined National Seniors recently to see Chris Milne with their new membership card or acknowledgement of joining. NSA HO <u>don't</u> notify Branches of new members or renewals. Thanks.

I will add the rest – Rachael Green visited us at the September meeting so please make every effort to welcome her into the friendly and caring atmosphere that we have established over time. It seems that many of our visitors tend not to come back because morning tea is a time where they feel neglected and unwanted. So…if you see someone standing alone please endeavour to draw them into conversation. It's only natural that friends gravitate together during the tea break but please spare a thought for those struggling to be part of a brand new environment. Some kind words of encouragement will usually do the trick and your efforts may well be rewarded.

**TILL WE MEET AGAIN** – We look forward to interesting speakers, brand new outings and a meeting format focused on keeping you informed. Keep smiling, keep well and I look forward to seeing you on October 12.

VALE NORA STUBBS
A lovely, gentle lady who touched the hearts of so many people. Nora passed away 12 September; a foundation member of the branch who will be sadly missed by all who knew her.

Stay safe & stay well.

**GRAEME** and **CHRIS** 





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