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JULY 2025 NEWSLETTER

GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday 2 JULY, at Brunswick Hotel, 569 Brunswick St, New Farm.

Morning Tea will be at 9:15 to 10:00 with the meeting to follow.

Our entertainer this morning will be Brad Holmes, following his very popular performance last year.



Hello everyone,

We were a bit ahead of the game with our Christmas-in-June lunch this month, but it worked out superbly! We all enjoyed a delicious meal, thanks to the excellent organization of Diane, Trish, and Paul and his team including the brilliant culinary skills of Chef Robson. Good company ensured we had a great time. Thank you all for bringing thoughtful contributions to the Brunswick Street Pantry so that others could also enjoy a feast.

There was definitely a focus on food in June. A group of us dined well at the Bistro in the New Farm Bowls Club recently. Chef Richo served a mouthwatering list of specials and looked after us with great care. We had a very enjoyable evening. Next Month we are booked in for lunch at BisouBisou. Be sure to sign up at our next General Meeting.

We have our **AGM in September**. Please consider which position you would like to nominate for so that we can keep our Branch thriving. Diane, Trish and Cheryl are all stepping down but are willing to help support new volunteers until the end of the year. At this stage, other committee members are willing to continue but we would always welcome more volunteers on the committee as some of us are looking after several responsibilities. It is also a good idea to serve on the committee for at least one year before nominating for positions such as President, as this helps to manage a smooth transition. Succession planning makes sense. Please have a word with Jenny or me if you are interested.

Please go to the **NSA web-site** for a mass of information related to our age-group which you will find both interesting and useful, especially about the latest issue of concern: [Pension deeming. Thresholds changing, but what about deeming rates?](#)

Good times ahead! By popular demand, we have Brad Holmes booked for our next General Meeting on Wednesday 2nd July. Put on your dancing shoes and be young again. Don't miss out!

Take good care of yourself and those you love.

Anne Stubbington
President





JUNE MEETING RAFFLE PRIZE WINNERS

Lucky Door prize Double Pass New Farm Cinemas: Richard Egglesfield
\$50 New Farm Bakeology donated by Grace Grace: Teresa Petracci
\$50 Savour Voucher by Vicki Howard: Jenny Gregory
\$25 Gift Card donated by Brunswick Hotel: Elly DeSouza
Bottle of Wine donated by Anne Stubbington: Denise Wilkinson

JULY BIRTHDAYS

John Donatui; Cheryl Franici; Greg Gaffney.



WELFARE

Please notify Gay Forsyth of any member that you know of who is ill or injured, so that we can give our support where needed. PHONE 0438 588 858

DINING OUT

Thursday 17 July, 12:00 Noon
Bisou Bisou Restaurant, 458 BRUNSWICK STREET.
Please advise Anne Stubbington on 0427 749 272 if attending or cancelling.
 A smaller group than usual enjoyed a delicious meal at the New Farm Bowls Club in June.
 Thanks, Anne for sourcing great varied venues for this activity.

LOLA DAYS – Different Days for Different People



Watch this space for more information about future Lola Days as Di & Trish are waiting for the announcement of changes to bus routes & timetables which will commence on July 1.

If we are not better informed by the meeting date you will be kept up to date by email.

NATIONAL SENIORS AUSTRALIA NEW FARM BOOK CLUB

There isn't a book chosen for the July meeting. Instead, the group is going to meet for whatever takes our fancy at **Hey Mr** in **Moray Street**. Please let **Dani Ellis – 3358 5908** – if you are coming so a table can be booked.

OUT AND ABOUT IN THE COMMUNITY

A NICE INDIAN BOY

Starring Jonathan Groff, Karan Soni, Sunita Mani, Zarna Garg, Harish Patel, Peter S. Kim, Sas Goldberg
Broadway legend Jonathan Groff stars alongside Karan Soni in this SXSW selected comedy. When Naveen (Soni) brings his fiancé Jay (Groff) home to meet his traditional Indian family, they must contend with accepting his white-orphan-artist boyfriend and helping them plan the Indian wedding of their dreams.

Pride Month Advance Screening: Sun 29 June



FOUR LETTERS OF LOVE

Starring Ferdia Walsh-Peelo, Olwen Fouéré, Ann Skelly, Fionn O'Shea, Pierce Brosnan, Gabriel Byrne, Helena Bonham Carter

Based on Niall Williams' best-selling novel. Nicholas and Isabel were made for each other but how will they ever know it? As ghosts, fate and the sheer power of true love pull them together, so too does life threaten to tear them apart.

Advance screening 24 July.

LORD MAYOR'S CITY HALL CONCERT

Tuesday 8 July - Launch of the Australian National Piano Competition for Children

The Lev Vlassenko Piano Academy presents a Special Piano Celebration Concert featuring selected Academy participants including from the upcoming Australian National Piano Competition for Children 2025 (Little Lev). This concert to launch the competition will include well-known and loved piano classics. The competition will showcase the finest young pianists aged 6 to 13 from across Australia and New Zealand as well as provide an educational program of international standard. The upcoming event will take place in the Talbot Theatre at Thomas Dixon Centre from 10th to 13th July 2025. This Lord Mayor's City Hall Concert is produced by Salubrious Productions.

Tuesday 15 July – Celtic Women

Get ready to be swept off your feet by the delightful Australian Celtic Women show! This all-female ensemble welcomes you on a whimsical journey through rolling hills, enchanting moors, and heavenly melodies that will make your heart sing. Enjoy their angelic voices, dazzling costumes, and electrifying fiddle performances that sprinkle pure magic into the air. Enjoy celtic favourites like Danny Boy, Amazing Grace and the Skye Boat song (Outlander), while they weave a vibrant tapestry of music that lights up the stage. This Lord Mayor's City Hall Concert is produced by Rhonda Davidson-Irwin, Viva La Musica.

Tuesday 22 July – Queensland Police Pipes & Drums and Band of Blue

Queensland Police Pipes & Drums (QPP&D) were originally formed by a small group of police officers in 1958 to represent the QPS in pipe band competitions. Today, our professional musicians perform official functions at Police, Fire and Corrective Services graduations, Government House events, and Anzac Day and National Police Remembrance Day marches providing an air of tradition to formal proceedings.

Tuesday 29 July – A Showcase of Opera, Operetta and Musical Theatre

Performed by talented classical voice students from Queensland Conservatorium Griffith University, and accompanied on piano by Jillianne Stoll (QCMGU Senior Lecturer Opera and Professional Practice), you will hear well-loved opera classics including arias and ensembles by Mozart, Puccini and Bizet, together

with some light-hearted operetta by Offenbach and Franz Lehár and Music Theatre treats include selections from Carousel and Porgy & Bess. This concert is sure to delight your senses and get your toes tapping, so come along and join in the fun. This Lord Mayor's City Hall Concert is produced by Salubrious Productions.

Tuesday 5 August - A Grand Affair with Brass Band and Organ

It is always a grand affair when the spectacular Father Henry Willis Organ, played by organist Phillip Gearing, is paired with the Queensland Conservatorium of Music Brass Band, under the baton of Howard Taylor. This collaboration has become somewhat of a tradition over the past few years, with concerts celebrating everything from movie themes to the Best of British. This grand concert will be another affair to remember! This Lord Mayor's City Hall Concert is produced by Anje West, in partnership with Council's Bands in Parks producer, Brisbane Metropolitan Bands, Helen John.

NEW FARM & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The presentation for May by Archbishop of Brisbane, Mark Coleridge on Wynberg, was interesting, entertaining & amusing.

DATE CLAIMERS

- 12 July: Historical Walking Tour Mainly Moray, led by Gerard Benjamin.
- 17 July: Monthly Afternoon Tea. 2pm. Ron Muir Room, next to New Farm Library, 135 Sydney St.
- 19 July: Historical Walking Tour of the Woolstores, led by Ben Pritchard.
- 26 July: Monthly Public Meeting. 2.30pm at the Merthyr Road Uniting Church Centre, 52, Merthyr Road, New Farm.

NO-ONE SAID IT BETTER THAN OSCAR WILDE

- *Always forgive your enemies; nothing annoys them so much.*
- *Anyone who lives within their means suffers from a lack of imagination.*
- *True friends stab you in the front.*
- *I can resist everything except temptation.*
- *I am not young enough to know everything.*

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