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JUNE 2025 NEWSLETTER

GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday 4 June, at Brunswick Hotel, 569 Brunswick St, New Farm.

There is no guest speaker today as we are celebrating Christmas in June.

Arrive at 11:00, buy your raffle tickets & maybe a drink, choose your table & we will have a short meeting before lunch is served.



Greetings All, forgive the personal note, but having just celebrated my 50th year of being an Australian, I have a confession to make. I am still a Spurs supporter. When I was young, we lived in North London, so it went without saying that my family supported the local team – especially when they won ‘The Double’ – both the League and the FA Cup in the same year. Legend! So, I was very excited yesterday morning when Tottenham Hotspur won the Europa Cup. I can hear you saying ‘so what?’ but consider this – the team had an **Australian Coach – Ange Postecoglou!** Fantastic. I do hope that fact balances the ledger.

Gerard Benjamin held us spellbound with his fascinating stories of New Farm. Thank you, Benjamin for such an interesting presentation and for your insight into the history of all the characters and locations. Special thanks to Margaret for giving the vote of thanks.

Wishing you all a very June Christmas! And looking forward to seeing you at our festive lunch. We invite you to come in at 11am and buy your raffle tickets, to buy a drink, to mix and mingle with your friends and choose a table. Then we will have a short General Meeting and lunch will be served at 12noon. Chef Robson is preparing a delicious menu for us and Diane and Trish have surpassed their usual brilliant level of organization, so it's looking good. ***And let's not forget the Brunswick Pantry – please bring a contribution so that others less fortunate can enjoy something to eat as well.***

Happy Days! We are so lucky to be here. Seize the moment and enjoy each other's company. Our Branch is thriving. Our members are wonderful people who know how to have fun and look after each other, and your committee makes every effort to provide you with interesting and enjoyable activities. It's time to start thinking about being a volunteer on the committee next

year to be part of the team that puts it all together. A very worthwhile consideration!

Anne Stubbington
President



MAY MEETING RAFFLE PRIZE WINNERS

Lucky Door prize Double Pass New Farm Cinemas: Kay Thorpe
\$50 New Farm Bakeology donated by Grace Grace: Greg Gaffney
\$50 Savour Voucher by Vicki Howard: Bruna Burello-Day
\$25 Gift Card donated by Brunswick Hotel: Richard Egglesfield
Bottle of Wine X 2: Robert Collins; Jenny Milner

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Meg Eggelsfield; Danielle Ellis; Janet Hayward; Greg King; Angela Knell; Susan Lyons; Sue Mackenzie; Teresa Petracci; David Sharman; Anne Stubbington;



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 19 June, 6:00pm

NEW FARM BOWLS CLUB, 969 BRUNSWICK STREET.

Please advise Anne Stubbington on 0427 749 272 if attending or cancelling.

Our May dinner was very successful. Twenty of us enjoyed a delicious meal at the ToBeThai which is a favourite venue of ours and we were very well looked after. We are booked into the Bistro for our June dinner so make sure you sign up at our next meeting.



Top Left: Old friends John and Jenny. We will be celebrating John's 90th birthday at our June meeting.

Top Right: Eileen and James enjoying all that ToBeThai had to offer.

Bottom: Carolina and President Anne, their usual smiling selves.

LOLA DAYS – Different Days for Different People

Several members joined the CityCat trip to North Shore, Hamilton where they enjoyed lunch. Thanks to Di & Trish for the effort they put into these varied outings.

Wednesday 25 June, 10:00am—Forest Lake & the Inala Markets. Meet at the Cultural Centre bus platform 1. **Wednesday 16 July, 10:00am.** Adventure on the new BCC electric Metro bus. Meet at Cultural Centre platform 2 & we will travel the whole route from RBWH and University of Qld.



NATIONAL SENIORS AUSTRALIA NEW FARM BOOK CLUB

Tuesday 10 June, 11:00am at the Brunswick Hotel.

The chosen book is the Weekend by Charlotte Wood. Everyone welcome.

OUT AND ABOUT IN THE COMMUNITY



JANE AUSTEN WRECKED MY LIFE – Opening 19 June.

Starring Pablo Pauly, Camille Rutherford, Annabelle Lengronne, Liz Crowther, Charlie Anson

Agathe (Camille Rutherford) is a hopelessly clumsy yet charming young woman who works in the legendary Shakespeare & Co. bookshop in Paris, while she dreams of being a successful writer, and of experiencing love akin to a Jane Austen novel, she finds herself desperately single and plagued by writers block. When Agathe's best friend (Pablo Pauly) gets her invited to the Jane Austen Writers' Residency in England, she finally has her Jane Austen moment...and is caught in a very unexpected romantic

triangle. Agathe must let go of her insecurities to decide what she really wants for herself, and to achieve her romantic and professional dreams.

ALL THAT JAZZ- Opening 15 June.

Starring Roy Scheider, Cliff Gorman, Leland Palmer, Ann Reinking, Ben Vereen, Jessica Lange

The preternaturally gifted director and choreographer Bob Fosse turned the camera on his own life for this madly imaginative, self-excoriating musical masterpiece. Roy Scheider gives the performance of his career as Joe Gideon, whose exhausting work schedule—mounting a Broadway production by day and editing his latest movie by night—and routine of amphetamines, booze, and sex are putting his health at serious risk.

LORD MAYOR'S CITY HALL CONCERT

Tuesday 3 June -Broadway Melodies. Sunshine Productions are delighted to bring highlights from the Golden Years of Broadway Musicals to the stage at City Hall. We all remember with delight the big Broadway Musicals like Singin' in the Rain, The Wizard of Oz and The Sound of Music. Our talented cast of young performers will sing and dance their way through some of Music Theatre's most delightful show tunes such as Do-Re-Mi, We're off to see the Wizard and Singin' in the Rain, and it would not be complete without a ritzy tap number like Step in Time or Broadway Melody to round out this nostalgic experience.

Tuesday 10 June – Strings Do Strauss. Lord Mayor's City Hall Concerts presents Strings do Strauss. Johann Strauss II would turn 200 years old this year, and Angel Strings are here to celebrate it with you. Known as the 'King of the Waltz' for developing the structure, rhythmic subtlety and expressive powers of the previously simple and repetitive dance piece, Strauss contributed an abundance of works to the genre. Angel Strings quartet are thrilled to share some of these with you, including The Beautiful Blue Danube,

The Emperor Waltz and Pizzicato Polka, plus the glorious overture from his operetta Die Fledermaus. Feel free to wear your dancing shoes!

Tuesday 17 June – The Beatlegs. Taking you on a journey during the fame of the most iconic rock and roll band, The Beatles, Queensland's very own Beatles tribute show, The Beatlegs, will take you back in time to relive the years of one of the greatest rock 'n' roll bands of all time. The Beatlegs is the ultimate Beatles tribute show, and you won't believe your eyes and ears, with their costume changes including the grey A Hard Day's Night era suit and infamous Sgt. Pepper outfits, with their brilliant harmonies.

Tuesday 24 June – Swingin' into the Sixties. Swing along and enjoy this trip down memory lane as Robyn Brown and her incredible band bring their popular show to City Hall for the very first time. Reinterpreted with a jazz, funk and soulful twist, you'll be toe-tapping and chair-dancing to songs like Sunshine Superman, The Beat Goes On and Mercy, Mercy, Mercy, along with favourite tunes performed with sophisticated musicality and a great sense of fun! Among the band members are musicians who have performed at the Montreux Jazz Festival, toured internationally, and have appeared many times on national TV including Spicks and Specks and Hey, Hey, It's Saturday.

Tuesday 1 July – Acoustic Guitar Spectacular. Lord Mayor's City Hall Concerts presents The Acoustic Guitar Spectacular. Experience stunning acoustic mastery as the highly anticipated Acoustic Guitar Spectacular returns to the City Hall stage! Hosted by renowned Brisbane guitarist Michael Fix, this intimate concert brings together a trio of Queensland's finest musicians, with Majelen and Tom Combes completing the group. Complete with fretboard virtuosity, personal tales, and charming humour, this concert promises to be a unique journey into the heart of acoustic music, captivating music fans and guitar aficionados alike. Performing solo and ensemble pieces and traversing a wide range of genres from country to rock, classical to contemporary percussive styles, these diverse guitarists offer a rare opportunity to witness an abundance of musical talent on the one stage.

NEW FARM & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The presentation for May by Archbishop of Brisbane, Mark Coleridge on Wynberg, was interesting, entertaining & amusing. The speaker for June is Phil Russell who will tell us all about Russell Transport Pty Ltd which is celebrating its Centenary in New Farm. On 7 June Gerard Benjamin will conduct an Historical Walking Tour, Mainly Moray, leaving from ToBeThai restaurant opposite the Village at 8:30am. www.newfarmhistorical.org.au.

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