



Gladstone (Qld) Branch Inc.

NEWSLETTER

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Good Morning to all our Members and warm welcome to any visitors who are attending, please enjoy your time spent with us.

This is our last meeting for the year and the Committee would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year, and look forward to seeing you all again in 2019.

We are not having any speakers today, Roy & Fay will be announcing the Winners of the Melbourne Cup Sweep, congratulations to all the lucky punters.

This morning we are going to be entertained by The Gladstone Ukulele Group instead of having a speaker, something a little different, so hope you all enjoy it.

UPCOMING EVENTS

FROM ACTIVITIES OFFICER
PAULINE BAMBLING

Good Morning everyone.

It is only 2 days now until our Christmas Dinner. At present we have 165 members attending. You will be entertained by some very talented members who have been rehearsing for weeks. If anyone has any problems with regard to the day trips or our 3 day trips to Brisbane PLEASE give me a ring. Raymond spends a lot of time trying to give us value for money on our 3 day trips and sometimes things don't go exactly to plan. We look at the members and rule out things which have too much walking or steps.

I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year.

.....**Pauline**

FROM TOUR OFFICER
BARBARA KUKULIES

We are fully booked for our Tour to Adelaide & Murray River cruise with 53 members. I am accepting members for a waiting list as we are sure to have some issues, having to secure our

booking so far in advance. Please speak with me if you are at all interested. Today we shall have a vote for an Assistant Tour Officer. Carol and Alan are not available for this trip. Voting is not compulsory but I would expect all the travellers to indicate their choice of Assistant. Thank you to Gayle Black, Gloria Holmes & Lurleen Ramm for offering to assist.**Barb**

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Each day comes just once in a lifetime.

A LITTLE HUMOUR

- Teacher: Desmond, this is the fifth day this week you've had to stay behind after school. What have you to say for yourself?
Desmond: Well for one thing, I'm really glad its Friday.
- Beryl: What happened to the human cannonball at the circus?
Desmond: He got fired.
- An Irishman bought a pair of water skis - now he's looking for water with a slope.
- Cannibal – to his daughter: Now that you are old enough to get married, we need to start looking for an edible bachelor.

November Celebrations

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

Carol Armstrong; Anne Blain; Beverley Bowley; Allan Browning; Marilyn Burkins; Rhonda Dumpleton; Judith Fraser; Cally Fulloon; Ruth Hall; Pat Howard; Andrea Jones; Kelsey Kane; Yvonne Keenan; Maureen Larsen; Betty Laver; Kathi Linder; Peter Marshall; James Purcell OAM; Lurleen Ramm; Merrian Ross; Beatrice Suter; Alan Symmons; George Weatherby; Nerida White; Kevin Wilson; Peter Young.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES

Yvonne and John Keenan; Maureen and Noel Larsen (50th); Suzanne and Hugh Mackay; Peter and Karen Petersen (50th); Bill and Pamela Scarborough; Norma and Geoff Smith

CONGRATULATIONS EVERYONE We wish you all have a beautiful day spent with your loved ones.

AROUND THE TRAPS

Nov 24th Gladstone Orchid & Foliage Society
street stall at KMart 8am to 12.30pm

Nov 30th Calliope Christmas Carols presented by
Calliope Rotary at Calliope Rodeo grounds 4pm
start

Dec 2nd GECC Christmas Street party, Goondoon
St 4pm-8pm

Dec 5th Boyne Island Library Annual Tree
Decorating Extravaganza 3pm start

Just to name a few you might like to enjoy.

I invite any member who would like to promote
an event/club/volunteer role that they are involved
in, to please send through details as soon as
possible so they can be included in the
newsletters.

My email is: larneyirvine@bigpond.com .

The Branch has a website which can be viewed at
www.nsagladstonebranch.com

On this page you will find updates from our Head
Office, latest newsletter and photos. If you want
any further details, please see Trevor Heard, our
new Website Administrator.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next scheduled Meeting for the New Carers
Dementia Group is to be held Tuesday 27th
November at Yaralla, 10am
Speaker is Deb Arnold – Carers Qld Counsellors
Further information ring Nicole 4994 4994

Zone Christmas Party: is to be held on Friday
23rd November. Gympie National Seniors are
holding this event at the RSL Orchid Room, Mary
St, Gympie. Please contact Col Wessling – 5482
1672 if you wish to attend.

**Next Meeting to be held Tuesday 15th January
2019.**

Coffee and Chat 9am-9.45am

Meeting to open at 9.45am

Yaralla Function Room

Keep safe during the Silly Season

See you all then,

..... Larney

THE BE CONNECTED PROGRAM

We had a very enjoyable learning day with some
talented school students. “Young Ones teaching
the Once Young” was held at Yaralla Sports club
during Get Online Week. The branch received a
grant for the Be Connected Program, promoted by
Head Office, which is encouraging Seniors to
become more involved in using computers,
tablets, smart phones just to name a few. We had
52 members in attendance each one learning
something new about their modern devices. The
Teachers enjoyed seeing the students interact with
the members. “Ebites Gladstone” (Business,
Industry and Tourism Skills Centre) also provided
Books of Basic Tips for most devices.

There were 2 lucky door prizes of iPads, one
purchased by this branch and one donated by
Departure Point, Bill Jobling and Alma Kennedy
were the lucky winners, they will be able to
practise their new found skills.

A further session was held at the Gladstone
library, this was to help with My Gov and
Centrelink online apps. A Centrelink Officer was
on hand to answer questions.

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