National Seniors AUSTRALIA Greensborough Gossip

Greensborough Branch Newsletter Branch No. 100133 Incorporation No. A0044936A November 2023 — Editor Marlene Goodyear

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dear Members,

This is the last Branch Meeting for 2023 and how quickly the year has gone.

The Melbourne Cup Carnival has finished. Fortunately the weather was kind with fashions awash on the field and smattered with horses and jockeys.

However, we have our Christmas Function on Tuesday 12th December to look forward to with entertainment, good company and lots of festive cheer.

National Seniors is at the forefront with Government advocating for Seniors to be allowed to have paid work while not jeopardising their pension.

This initiative would also assist in helping with labour shortages by allowing Seniors to contribute to the economy. National Seniors has the support of every key union and industry groups.

While the Government has taken a first step, it needs to free up the system as in the case of England, Sweden, Canada and New Zealand.

Regards. Peter Oaten, President The November Dinner Club was held at 'The Meadows' Greyhounds. Many thanks to Bev Sharp who organises this event each year.





Winners of the Sweep - Peter, Val & David — 3 equal firsts!

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Branch Chrístmas Luncheon

Tuesday 12 December 2023 Greensborough RSL Function Room opens at 9.45 am Entertainment - "The Treblettes" For more details - see Page 4



To members who are unwell or recuperating, your friends at Greensborough Branch are thinking of you and wishing you a speedy recovery.

If you know of a member who is unwell, please contact our Welfare Officer - Johanna Jinnette by text message to M: 0439 940 442 or by Email: jojinne@hotmail.com





Balance as at 31/09/2023		20,035.13
Plus Income:		
Branch RSL Xmas Lunch	1,961.00	
Hobart Tour Deposits	2,400.00	
NSA Q'land Annual Commis-		
sion	200.00	
Attendance	317.50	
Raffle	155.55	
Bus To Kangaroo Island Cruise	217.40	
Total:		5,251.45
Less Expenses		
Bus To Kangaroo Island Cruise	-200.00	
Xmas Hamper Supplies	-95.70	
Speakers Lunch	-16.70	
Door/Raffle Prizes	-55.00	
Total:		-367.40
Balance as at: 31/10/2023	24,919.18	

COFFEE 29 CLUB	NO COFFEE CLUB IN DECEMBER COFFEE CLUB WILL RESUME IN MARCH 2024
LUNCH CLUB Let's Do Lunchi	Thursday 14 December 2023 - 12.30 pm Urban Groves 99 Grimshaw Street, Greensborough Tel: 9434 5444 <u>RSVP</u> : By Monday 11 December 2023 Lesley Bruce - 0409 232 988
DINNER CLUB	NO DINNER CLUB IN DECEMBER DINNER CLUB WILL RESUME IN MARCH 2024

GOLF CLUB

A small group play Golf on Mondays at Strathallen Golf Club. Strathallan now have an on-line booking system so anyone wanting play in our seniors group should contact Ian Schuck first on 0421 062 894.



PLEASE NOTE: Walking Routes

FIRST & LAST Tuesdays of the month: Meet at 9.30 am - Bottom Car Park, Lower Plenty Hotel, Main Road, Lower Plenty.

SECOND Tuesday of the month: Meet at 9.30 am - Henry Street end of Greensborough Memorial Park.

THIRD Tuesday of the month: is our Branch meeting day, SO the group walks on a Wednesday (time & venue as per SECOND Tuesday of the month).



A little confusing ??? **Contact Coordinator:** Ken Pickett - Tel: 9435 0076





NOT UP TO HILLS?

Walkers meet Tuesdays at 9.30 am at Willinda Park Athletics Track, end of Nell Street, Greensborough (except on Branch meeting days when the group walk on Wednesdays).

On the last Tuesday of the month the group meet at 9.30 am at the Lower Car Park, Lower Plenty Hotel for a gentle walk.





Branch Christmas Lunch

Tuesday 12 December 2023 @ Greensborough RSL

Entertainers - 'The Treblettes'

10.15-2.00 pm (venue open at 9.45 am) Incl. Devonshire Morning Tea, 1 hour entertainment 2-course Lunch - (Roast Turkey & Xmas Pudding) Cost: \$30/pp

CAIRNS TO CAPE YORK (with Trade Travel) 11 Days/10 Nights. Friday 7th June – Monday 17th June 2024

Cost: \$7,448.00/pp ex Melbourne. Single Supp: \$1,595.00. \$1,000/pp deposit due on booking. Final payment due in February 2024.

For any queries please contact: Ian Schuck Mob: 0421 062 894 and Lorraine Oaten Mob: 0449 594 301.

PROPOSED TRIP FOR 2024 HOBART & BEYOND TOUR (with Spirit Travel) Thursday 24 - Wednesday 30 October 2024

Dep Geelong on board 'Spirit of Tasmania' to Devonport. Return via Virgin Airlines from Hobart. 6-day touring Hobart & surrounds, including Bruny Island day tour.

We have 26 names down for this trip. We are taking deposits of \$400.00/pp now and all deposits must be paid by February 2024, with balance of payment due August 2024.

For any queries please contact: Ian Schuck Mob: 0421 062 894.



The Foundation uses second-hand spectacles, cases & sunglasses to improve the sight of people in deprived communities in our Far North & Australian Islands.

Fred Hollows Foundation

MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE: Carolyn Matthews is no longer collecting these articles.

Members can now drop these off at any SpecSavers store.



BOOK EXCHANGE

Our free Book Exchange operates on Branch Meeting days.

Coordinator is Arlene Cates.

Members can browse/borrow books from the table located at the rear of RSL Function Room.

Garden Workshop Bunnings Eltham



Members are invited to attend the Bunnings Garden Workshop held in their Eltham store on 1st Thursday of the month at 10 - 11.00 am, followed by coffee & biscuits. The topics are interesting and informative, with guest speakers and everyone has a lot of fun.

Bookings are required - please contact: *Sarah Kellett, Activities Organiser on Tel: 9430 0100*

Due to Covid restrictions this Workshop Is currently suspended. Bunnings hope to have this up & running sometime in the near future.



Fancy a Game?

If you are interested in playing tennis in a very relaxed atmosphere on a **MONDAY morning between 9.30 am — 12 noon**, please see **Glenda Sundstrom at the branch meeting or ring on 0417 357 534** or just turn up (weather permitting) for a game. The only criteria is that correct tennis shoes must be worn.

Cost is \$3.00 per morning (incl a cuppa & biscuit).

The courts are located at the rear of the **Diamond Valley Baptist Church, 309 Diamond Creek.**





Do you know men with spare time and skills to share?

At the shed we get involved in projects helping out local community groups & school projects.

Feel free to drop in and meet the men involved, you will be most welcome.

We also organise outings & guest speakers.

Drop in any Monday or Wednesday 10.00 am - 3.00 pm 20 Wattletree Road, Eltham North.

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Abound Communities (trading name: Old Colonists' Association of Victoria) is a charity serving elderly Victorians needing affordable, safe, dignified independent community living and appropriate, practicable continuing care.

Located at 339 St Helena Road, St Helena, Leith Park offers 140 independent living units and an 81 bed residential aged care facility including 1 respite room.

Liscombe House, our aged care facility, offers quality care and support to our residents in an environment that encourages and actively supports independence. All areas of the facility are open and available for residents to enjoy. We have an activities program that provides a broad range of activities to cater for both individual and group settings.

For all enquiries please contact: Resident Relationship Manager – Darren Schier on 9433 1100

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