

## October 2019

Good Morning Everyone,  
I enjoyed a lovely time away recently when I joined fellow travellers to see Muriel's wedding, it was certainly a novel way of travel, very relaxing. Enjoyed the retail therapy too. The hotel was inner city too which made it easy to get around  
What a lovely few days we have had with the rain making my weeds happy, I hope that the farmers have had their share.  
Roy is away today but Fay Jackson has the

Melbourne Cup sweeps organised, so have a go, you might be a winner.

I hope everybody enjoys the IT training day, Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup>, the students are amazing, so talented I learnt so many things, especially Snap Chat.

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Next Meeting to be held Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

See you all then, Larney

## TODAY'S GUEST SPEAKER

Rosemary Farnsworth from ComLegal will be speaking about the importance of having an up to date Will and current EPA and will be open to questions from the floor.

## TODAY'S 5 MINUTE SPEAKER

Raymond from Departure Point will be making a presentation today outlining the itinerary for the 2020 Tour to New Zealand.

## OCTOBER CELEBRATIONS

### HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

David Barratt; Gayle Black; Voila Christensen; Trevor Davies; Graham Howard; Marilyn Irwin; Barbara Kukulies; Julie Marshall; Maxwell McAuley; Richard Philp; Fay Poole; Mary\_Ann Smith; Colleen Wilson; Gayle Young.

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES

Alex and Carole Allan; Judy and Gary Larson; Julianne and Alan Pead; Fay and Richard Philp; Joan and Don Sutton.

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"Success is the ability to go from one failure to another with no loss of enthusiasm". Sir Winston Churchill

### A LITTLE HUMOUR

A 76 year - old man married a woman less than half his age and took her off on a honeymoon to the Caribbean. When he returned home, his sister asked him how it had gone.

"Oh, it was wonderful," he said, "We made love almost every night."

"That's quite a feat at your age," said the sister.

"Yes," he continued. "Almost Monday, almost Tuesday, almost Wednesday....."

## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

From Activities Officer: Pauline

Good morning everyone

The first trip to Brisbane on the Tilt Train was a great success with some already asking when we are going again. Muriel's Wedding was so funny and I enjoyed it much more than I thought I would.

CHRISTMAS DINNER – 28<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER – 6PM FOR DINNER AT 6.30PM – YARALLA EVENTS CENTRE. Cost \$20pp.

I would like final numbers if possible and monies paid this meeting please.

Once again we are asking if a gift valued at \$10.00 or more can be donated for our multi draw raffle.

Your generous gifts each year is really amazing. The money from raffles during the year and the money that Departure Point give back to us as a percentage of all the trips, train fares etc booked through them enables us to subsidize the meal \$25 per person.

Dave Murray will once again provide the music and the Choral Society will sing some lovely songs to entertain us

I have been looking at some activities for next year and will list them in next month's newsletter

## GLADSTONE GADABOUTS

From Publicity Officer: Judy

Unexpectedly but happily I found myself at Gladstone Railway Station last Tuesday morning, meeting up with 18 smiling faces all preparing to board the Tilt train to Brisbane.

Surprisingly the train was only 10 mins late. All aboard and it didn't take long for the group to establish a jovial rapport with the conductor and a few cheeky comments to flow.

Due to sickness, staffing was down by 2 which necessitated those keen for their morning coffee hit to have to walk to buffet car to purchase same and rock & roll back to one's seat.

Disembarked at Roma Street station and well and truly stretched the legs walking to our Ibis Hotel accommodation near Queen's Park. Proximity to Queen Street Mall, Irish Pub, Casino and across Victoria Bridge to Southbank found many out and about on foot.

The reason for trip, to see the musical "Muriel's Wedding". An extremely well scripted, choreographed, amazing prop designs and changes with synchronized singing etc. A great musical.

All enjoyed the trip home and many of us learnt that Australia has had 3 Australian astronauts, and one can make the Native bird, the Eastern Spinebill fly by moving a \$5 note around. (bird is in middle of opaque strip).

Everyone was in agreement that they enjoyed their train journey. Again, a great, relaxing National Seniors trip.  
THANK-YOU Pauline Bambling and wonderful fellow travelers.

Judy A ....

## TOUR INFORMATION

From Tour Officer: Barbara

Raymond will be presenting the proposed itinerary and costing for the 2020 New Zealand Tour today. The Tour will be 11 days, flying into Dunedin and out from Christchurch as we are flying in and out at a later time.

We will be staying at each stayover for 2 nights which helps with the unpacking and packing.

The Tour offers a variety of places to visit and especially to members who have not visited NZ before.

The Coach we will be travelling in has 2 door exit/entrance, which helps with the departure/entry upon arriving at our destination.

### AROUND THE TRAPS

Gladstone Men's Shed are holding an open day/garage sale on the 19th Oct.  
See Alan Armour for details.

GECC morning melodies for October will feature "Tenori", a trio of 3 tenors.

"Pradas Priscillas" looks like a fun filled show, to be held at GECC 1st November.

"Sculptures of Tondoon" a guided tour where you will learn the history of the Sculptures.  
9am-11am 22nd October.  
Bookings are required.  
Contact is 4971 4444

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## Branch Contact Details

Branch Meetings are held at:

Yaralla Sports Club, Cnr O'Connell and Bell Streets, Barney Point, Gladstone.

Third Tuesday of the month at 9am for 9:45am.

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