# **GLADSTONE BRANCH NEWSLETTER**

### **SEPTEMBER 2023**

Good morning,

Thank you all for coming along to the AGM, we have had a great response in regard to nominations for the Committee positions, so you are safe, for now. The weather has begun to warm up again, hopefully the summer will not be too fierce. We will once again be holding a "Get On Line" morning, this enables you to ask for help with problems you might be experiencing with your modern day computers etc. This will be held on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> of

### **GUEST SPEAKERS**

5 Minute: Ria Forrest re the "Outback trip"

20 Minute: Kvlie D

Kylie Deveney – VAJ Byrne. Chair for the AGM

### SEPTEMBER CELEBRATIONS HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

Geoff Jones; Marion Locke; Hugh Mackay; Rodney Soper; Robyn Tidd; Lesley Tolsdoff; Greg Wakefield; Bradley West; Carlene Woolcott; **Shirley Zeimer.** 

### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES**

Jennifer & John Hinde; Terry & Judy Werner.

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

There's them wot builds 'em And them wot sails 'em (*British Navy, 16th Century*)

## A LITTLE HUMOUR (

Steven King has a brother named Joe. I'm not joking, but he is.

When you're happy and you know it, it's usually due to your medication.

It was so cold this winter I saw a politician with his hands in his own pockets.

Last ones,

Five ants rented an apartment with another five ants. Now they're tenants.

Why did the Mexican throw his girlfriend off the balcony? Tequila

October, as per your "Just Keeping in Touch" Newsletter, we are pleased to inform you that Centrelink will once again be sending a representative to help with any MyGov /Medicare questions. The year is passing so quickly, before we know it "Old Nick" will be paying us a visit, hopefully with a big bag of goodies.

Next Meeting will be held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2023. See you all then, Larney.

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### **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

Good morning everyone, I have good news as finally have Quoin Island organized. QUOIN ISLAND TURTLE REHAB –Tuesday 3 October. \$45.00 Depart from Yacht Club 8.30am please be there by 8.15. Arrive Quoin Is at 9.00am It is about 400m walk so wear sneakers or suitable shoes. Depart 10.30 and arrive back at Yacht Club 11.00am. I have arranged morning tea at Flavours Marina \$15.00 I will need payment today please \$60.00 if you want morning included. We can only take 50 members.

CHRISTMAS DINNER- YARALLA THURSDAY 23 NOVEMBER- Cost \$25.00pp A gentle reminder about gifts for our multidraw raffle that can be brought on the night.

Sheet out today but payment at October meeting

LYRIC THEATRE BRISBANE—CHICAGO 30 JAN – 1FEB 2024.

Crazy thinking about next year. I have a sheet out today for expressions of interest. Raymond has booked seats depending on numbers. Also, as a matter of interest Tina the musical is coming to Brisbane next July 2024. Pauline

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# National Seniors

### **AROUND THE TRAPS**

As of Monday, Centrelink & Medicare have relocated from their Goondoon St office to the Nightowl Centre. They have moved to the same premises that they were in a few years ago, near Spotlight.

Contact numbers are:

MyGov account - book an appointment time at

Servicesaustralia.gov.au/selfservice

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Medicare	132011
Centrelink payments and services	131 202
Child support	131 272
Opening times are 8.30am – 4.30pm	

The next morning melodies will be held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October featuring "Rocket Man". This is a free concert being held in conjunction with the Mayor's Seniors Month Morning Tea.

Bookings are essential. Call the Box Office on 4972 2822 to book a ticket.

The Art Gallery have recently opened a new exhibition name "Our Priceless Past", this showcases the history of some of our members,

Gladstone Library have a member of staff who can assist you with any problems you might be experiencing with your computers, tablet, or phone. Call them on 4976 6400 to make an appointment. This service is also available at Calliope & Boyne Island.

Seniors Lunch at Boyne Valley will be held on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October at the Builyan and Many Peaks Association Hall between 11.30am-1.30pm. The meal is free, and no bookings are required.

### TOUR INFORMATION

#### From Tour Officer: Barbara

#### Hi Members

After an amazing Western Qld and the Gulf adventure - we are all now appreciating our beautiful outback. I thank everyone that participated for their friendship and support. Our Driver, Mark Moller, made the trip feel safe, even over the roller coaster roads at times. Larney assisted with her charm and wit (& changes of ribbons). The ribbons were required on our luggage when we had many and varied accommodations.

Our photographers, Ken and Ria were unstoppable. Should anyone require a digital copy of our travels, contact Ken please.

Next year we are off to Western Australia - Perth and surrounds. There are no costs or dates (wildflower season) or details available as yet. Raymond will start working on this later in this year. You may, however, put your name on a NS travel list at Departure Point with a \$500 refundable deposit. Confirmation deposits will need to be added to next year. We will have a max of 50 travellers. Accommodation will be in Perth for a few days with another site to be advised. I expect this trip to be just as spectacular as any previous city tour.

Those with families in the West can extend their tour if required. Perth is a beautiful city. Looking forward to another special travel time Yours in Travel BarbK

# AROUND THE TRAPS, continued Markets:

The next Rotary – Tondoon markets will be held on Sunday October 15<sup>th.</sup>

The next Calliope Markets will be Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December.

### **Committee Members**

- Vice President..... Carolyn 0419 712 720
- Secretary ..... Larney 0400 610 277
- Treasurer ...... Kath 0417 381 898
- Act/Officer ..... Pauline 0448 778 710

T/Officer ..... Barb - 0412 049 390

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# **Branch Contact Details**

Branch Meetings are held at:

**Yaralla Sports Club:** Corner, O'Connell and Bell Streets, Barney Point, Gladstone.

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

Contact Terry - 0418 185 380

Contact Larney - 0400 610 277

Web: https://nationalseniors.com.au/getinvolved/branches/gladstone