

Greensborough Gossip

Greensborough Branch Newsletter

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MAY 2018

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dear Members,

Merimbula Trip:

At the April branch meeting we confirmed that the Merimbula trip would be held on **Monday 8 to Friday 12 October** as this did not conflict with the AFL Grand Final and school holidays.

The response was fantastic and 35 members put their name down. Remember that we need a minimum of 35x and a maximum of 48x.

Some members enquired about a visit to Mogo Zoo whilst we are in the area. Unfortunately because of distance the motel can only conduct the zoo visit if all members attend this activity.

PLEASE NOTE: For further details on the Merimbula trip please see page 4 of the newsletter.

NOTE:

We have added two branch excursions for May!

- **City Sights Tour (No.3) - Thursday 24 May**
This is by bus. Members may remember that we did City Sights No.2 a few years back and it was great, so I am hoping that this will be supported. We are actually sharing this excursion with Greensborough Probus so numbers will be limited.
- **Film Luncheon - Balwyn Palace Theatre - Thursday 31 May (Movie - "Tea with the Dames")**

For more details on the above two excursions, please see page 4 of the newsletter.

Member, Eric Kidgell:

It is with sadness that I need to inform our members that one of our loved members, Eric Kidgell, passed away last week. Eric had moved to Bupa South Morang at the end of last year. Eric was an enthusiastic member of our branch who loved going on our excursions.

Eric loved music (especially the old tunes). He liked to play 'the spoons' (something you don't see very often these days) and gave me a demonstration and played along with the entertainer at one of our dinner dances. Condolences to his family and friends.

Updating of NSA Membership Information:

Thankyou to those members who remembered to bring along their membership cards so that we could update our records. We will be carrying this out at the May meeting also.

Seniors Morning Tea at Parliament House:

The Victorian Parliament is offering Morning Teas during the months of April and July. Morning tea is served in the Strangers Corridor at 10.00-11.30am when Parliament is not sitting. Sitting days can be viewed by going to the link: <http://www.parliament.vic.gov.au>

Cost is \$25.00/pp on presentation of a Seniors Card or \$35.00/pp for all others.

Bookings are required. Please phone 9651 8944 or 9651 8941.

Regards. Bob Goodyear, President

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Marg Wood - **Coordinator**

Bob Goodyear, Marlene Goodyear, Lorraine Oaten, Ian Schuck

Speakers Gifts & Door Prizes, Coffee Club

Coordinator - Gaylynn Pinniger

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Branch Auditor - Tom Cleary

Past Presidents:

Christina McDonald - 2003/04

Greg Fallon - 2004/07

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Next Branch Meeting

Tuesday 19 June 2018 - 10.00 am
(doors open at 9.30 for registration)

Speaker:

Clive Vanderholt, Consumer Affairs

Topic:

“Retirement Villages”



To members who are unwell or recuperating, your friends at the Greensborough Branch are thinking of you and send best wishes for a speedy recovery.

(If you know of any member who is unwell, please contact our Welfare Officer, Judy Harvey, on Tel: 9401 6752 or by email: judyh43@tpg.com.au

To those celebrating a birthday!



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Box 838, Macleod Post Office, Macleod 3085
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COFFEE CLUB



Wed 6 June - 10.00 am

Clay Oven Wood Fired Pizza Restaurant

19 Greenhill Road
Greensborough
Tel: 9435 0098

Coordinator:
Gaylynn - Tel: 9458 2603

LUNCH CLUB



Thu 14 June - 12.00 noon

Diamond Creek Tavern
29 Main Hurstbridge Road
Diamond Creek
Tel: 9438 1444

RSVP: Mon 11 June
Heather Hannigan
Tel: 9467 2278



DINNER CLUB

Friday 1 June - 7.00 pm

Eos Greek Tavern
83 Grimshaw Street
Greensborough
Tel: 9432 4111

RSVP: Mon 28 May
Yvonne DeMarchi
Tel: 0407 525 497



Walking Club



Walkers meet **most Tuesdays** at 9.30 am at the Henry Street end of Greensborough Memorial Park (*except on Branch meeting days when the group walk on Wednesday*).

On 1st Tuesday of the month:
Meet at Kalparrin (opp. Skateboard rink).

On Last Tuesday of the month:
Meet at Bottom Car Park, Lower Plenty Hotel, Main Road, Lower Plenty.



Confused ???

Contact Coordinator:
Ken Pickett - Tel: 9435 0076

Low Impact Walking Club



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.



Seeking Golfers (Good & Bad)

A group of Greensborough branch members play golf on Mondays commencing at 9.00 am at Strathallen Golf Club, 100 Main Drive, Bundoora.

Cost - 9 holes: \$17.00/pp for Seniors

If you are interested in joining us for a game you would be most welcome.

For further info - please see Ian Schuck at branch meetings or phone Ian on 9434 3839.

UPCOMING BRANCH EVENTS



Branch Activities

Reminder to members: \$20.00/pp dep. is required when placing your name on an activity list.

Thursday 24 May - City Sights No.3 Tour (joint activity with Greensborough Probus): Tour of major city sights. Incl. Morning Tea & Lunch. Cost: \$39.00/pp Time: 9.30-5.00pm (bus pickup from Greensborough Memorial Park, McDowell Street end).

Thursday 31 May - Film/Luncheon at Balwyn Palace Cinema - "Tea with the Dames": (Documentary). Time: 10.45 am (meet in foyer). Min 8x, Max 20x. Cost: \$20.00/pp. Own transport. Synopsis - "Tea with the Dames" invites you to spend time with Maggie Smith, Judi Dench, Eileen Atkin, Joan Plowright as they talk about their lives, their experiences in TV, theatre and cinema and the memories that they have from when they were young bright young things up to the present day — now looking back with the wisdom of years.

Thursday 21 June - Port of Melbourne Tour (highly recommended): Incl. Morning Tea, 1 hour information talk, 1 hour drive tour, 2-course Lunch at Yarraville Club. Cost: \$35.00/pp. Time: 10.30-5.00 pm (bus pickup from Greensborough Memorial Park, McDowell Street end).

Monday 8 - Friday 12 October - Merimbula Bus Tour: Min 35x, Max 48x. Bus pickup at 7.00 am from Greensborough Memorial Park, McDowell Street end. Incl all breakfasts, morning teas & dinners. (Lunches & afternoon teas at own expense.) Cost: \$560.00/pp (\$720/pp single supplement—there are only 2 rooms). Deposit of \$50.00/pp when booking.

See Activities Desk or contact Peter Oaten Tel: 9434 6795 / Bob Goodyear Tel: 9435 2529.

'SPENDOURS OF JAPAN' LAND TOUR - 2019

Members, please note that we are still waiting for 2019 brochures to be published and will keep everyone updated at the May branch meeting. **Ian Schuck, Travel Committee**

JAPAN CRUISE - 2019

Princess Cruises "Circle Japan" 8-night Cruise. PLUS 5-day conducted Land Tour (tailored for our group) PRIOR to Cruise. Departure: 14 June 2019.

Land Tour destinations: Hiroshima, Tokyo day tour to Mt Fuji including Bullet train return to Tokyo and another day tour exploring Tokyo.

Cruise: 5 ports of call. Entertainment & activities on board cruise every day.

Meals included: All meals on board the ship. Breakfasts only for the 5-day land tour.

Price per person - **Inside** cabin \$2100/pp. **Ocean View** cabin \$2619/pp.

Plus 5-day land tour, including transfers, rail passes and Melbourne return flights on Cathay Pacific (Dep Mel: 11.40 pm / Arr Tokyo: 2.00 pm on day 1 of the tour) **approx. cost** of \$4,500/pp.

Total cost (approx.) Inside cabins \$6,600/pp. Ocean View \$7,119/pp.

Any excursions from the ship will be extra (costs are between \$25 and \$160/pp). Go to www.princess.com for list of shore excursions.

\$400.00/pp non-refundable deposit required on booking. Please Note: Bookings are still being taken subject to availability of cabins which are selling rapidly!!!

Note: For every 12 passengers the cost of one cabin will be deducted (less taxes) and this saving will be divided amongst the group and distributed on our return.

The above cruise date is not yet in the Princess Cruise brochures. If the tour goes ahead you will receive an itinerary for the cruise and the 5-day land tour.

For further information, please contact **Marg Wood** at margw46@gmail.com or on 0412 687 844.



TREASURER'S REPORT Lorraine Oaten

Balance as at 01/04/2018	23,270.00
Plus Income	
Goulburn River Cruise	1,140.00
Port Of Melbourne Tour	405.00
Merimbula Tour	3,410.00
Advertising	140.00
Japan Tour	5,000.00
Membership	198.00
Attendance	342.00
Raffle	144.00
Total:	10,779.00
Less Expenditure	
Post Office Box Rental	-132.00
TK Computer Services P/L Norton subscription	-35.00
Door & Raffle Prizes/Speakers Gift	-90.00
Membership	-198.00
Total:	-455.00
Balance as at 30/04/2018	33,594.00



SONGS OF PRAISE - 2018

We look forward to seeing you all at the fabulous “**Songs of Praise**” programs throughout 2018. Please make sure you put these special dates in your diary:

16 September 2018 - “Springtime Songs of Praise”

2 December 2018 - “Christmas Songs of Praise”

These completely **FREE EVENTS** are open to everyone and include a **HUGE AFTERNOON TEA**. Please spread the word, bring your friends and enjoy these wonderful afternoons with us.

The programs start at 2pm (1:30pm for pre-show program).

Venue: Diamond Valley Baptist Church, 309 Diamond Creek Rd, Plenty (Melway D 11)

For further enquiries please contact the honorary organiser:

Dr Matthew Field - Mob: 0416 190 539 / Email: office@matthewfield.com.au

A cup for grandparents



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**We are taking orders for
Entertainment Books at Branch Meetings from February.
Books will be available in May.**

**Please contact:
John Brook on Tel: 9432 1695 or
Marlene Goodyear on Tel 9435 2529**

PS:

You may wish to take out a Digital Membership. This has many benefits as it can be loaded on your Mobile which alleviates carrying around a heavy book or remembering to take the voucher with you when you go out to a particular destination.

Also up to 4 family members can share the one membership.



**Members
enjoying the
Goulburn
River Lunch
Cruise**



Going for a Forest Walk at Cradle Mountain, Tasmania



**Getting friendly with the wallabies
at Natureworld, Bicheno, Tasmania**

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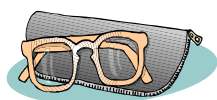
Are you planning to visit Thailand?

Member, **Marg Wood - Tel: 9438 4219**, is a regular visitor to Thailand and would be happy to advise you on:

- **The best shopping places.**
- **Where to buy tailor-made suits.**
- **Pitfalls for tourists.**
- **The wonderful, exciting experiences you can have.**

A must visit is to Kanchanaburi (the Thai Burma railway, the Bridge on the River Kwai, tigers living with monks, elephant rides & beautiful scenery).

Do not pre-book a tour from Australia for Kanchanaburi - you can do so much better if you deal directly with a local travel agent.



Spectacles & Sunglasses

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

You can assist by bringing along no-longer-used specs/sunglasses. *Cases for specs/sunglasses are also needed.*

Member, Carolyn Matthews, will be happy to collect them at Branch meetings. Carolyn can be contacted on Mob: 0407 094 318.



Anyone for Tennis?

If you are interested in playing tennis in a very relaxed atmosphere on a **MONDAY or WEDNESDAY 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 Road, Plenty (Melways 11D7).**



BOOK EXCHANGE & CRAFT BOOK EXCHANGE

We operate a **Free Book Exchange** on Branch Meeting days. We ask only that you return the books to the Branch when you have finished reading them so that other members may have the opportunity to borrow the books.

(Tables are set up at the rear of the function room.)

Coordinator - Ken Pickett

Members, please bring along unwanted books.



WANTED OLD 'ELECTRIC BLANKETS' Any Size for my Wildlife Rescuer friends

They don't need to be in working order as I will strip out the wires before passing them on. I will collect, or you can bring them to the next branch meeting.

Thank you, **Carolyn Matthews - Mob: 0407 094 318**

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 10am - 12.00 noon. There is free morning tea. The topics are interesting and informative, with guest speakers and everyone has a lot of fun.

Bookings are required, for catering purposes - please contact:

Helen Philp, Activities Organiser—Tel: 9430 0100



Banyule Men's Shed

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

Men who enjoy tinkering with tools or getting their hands dirty in the garden?

Well, the Banyule Men's Shed is looking to recruit men to volunteer and be part of the shed.

At the shed, you're free to work on your own projects or help others work on community projects.

To get involved or find out more: **Call 9450 2000 or drop in any Monday 1.00 - 3.00 pm Cnr St Hellier & Edwin Streets, Heidelberg Heights**

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For all enquiries please contact:

Residents' Coordinator - Karen Ernest on 9433 1100