

Greensborough Gossip

Greensborough Branch Newsletter

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Editor - Marlene Goodyear



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dear Members,

Committee Elections:

The AGM meeting will be held in September following our branch meeting, at which time the current committee will step down and a new committee will be elected for the next twelve months.

Nominations closed on 1st September and there were no new nominations from members outside the present committee.

Fortunately for the branch all existing members of the committee have renominated so therefore there will be no need for any voting to occur.

We still need to go through the formalities though as the committee needs to be re-elected for the 2014/15 year.

The Executive consisting of President, Vice President, Treasurer & Secretary will remain the same. General Committee members also remain the same and responsibilities will be determined at the September Management meeting.

The Committee has done an excellent job this past year and I look forward to working with them again in the coming year.

Branch Day Meeting Starting Time:

The RSL management has asked us to re-schedule our **DAY MEETING** starting time to **9.30 am** instead of 10.00 am, with the meeting concluding at 11.30 am. This will take effect from **October** this year.

The reason for this change is that members who leave at 11.30 am will free up car parks for the incoming lunch people. At the August meeting the RSL reported that more than 25 RSL members cancelled their lunch bookings as they could not find a car park.

This change will only affect morning meetings. Evening meeting times will remain the same.

Committee members only will be allowed into the RSL venue at 8.30 am to set up and members will be unable to enter until 9.00 am.

Lunch can still be ordered during the morning break. Meals will be delivered at the conclusion of the meeting.

Seniors Concert:

Reminder to members that they can book a table of 10x for the concert to be held at the Melbourne Town Hall on 7 October 4.30 – 6.30 pm. Individual bookings can also be made.

Flinders Ranges – An Early Start!

This is the final opportunity for me to remind members who are travelling to Flinders Ranges that they must be at **Greensborough Memorial Park** by **6.00 am** as the bus needs to depart at 6.30 am. It is going to be a long day.....

Regards.

Bob Goodyear, President

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Management Committee
2013/2014

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Marg Wood 9438 4219

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Jim Kindness 9469 4469

Bob & Marlene Goodyear, Gaylynn Pinniger

Welfare Officer

Judy Harvey 9401 6752

Door Attendants/Registration

Lynne Maw 9401 6717

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Social Committee:

Marg Wood - **Chairperson** 9438 4219

Bob Goodyear

Marlene Goodyear

Lorraine Oaten

Frank Beale

Ian Schuck

Branch Minute Taker - Lorraine Callow
**Speakers Gifts & Door Prizes, Coffee Club
Coordinator** - Gaylynn Pinniger
Book Exchange Coordinator - Ken Pickett
Craft Books Coordinator - Lois Williams

Next Branch Meeting

Tuesday 21 October
(Please note earlier starting time)
9.30 am start
(venue doors open at 9.00 am)

Speaker:
Mark Squirrell

Topic:
"Arafat to Everest"



*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 email: judyh43@tpg.com.au



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Email, Website, Mail**

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Box 838, Macleod Post Office, Macleod 3085

COFFEE CLUB



Wed 1 October - 10.00 am

The Cosie Corner Irish Café

8 Dennison Mall
Bundoora

Tel: 9467 4548

(Dennison Mall is located within the Bundoora Shopping Centre — western end)

Coordinator:

Gaylynn Pinniger - Tel: 9458 2603

DINNER CLUB



Friday 3 October - 7.00 pm

Cafe Spice

Shop 4, 118 Main Street
Greensborough

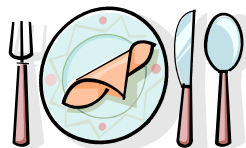
Tel: 9435 3631 (BYO Wine only)

Contact: Jim & Val Kindness

Tel: 9469 4469

RSVP: Mon 29 September

LUNCH CLUB



Thu 9 October - 12.00 noon

Lower Plenty Hotel

4 Main Road
Lower Plenty
Tel: 9435 1722

Contact: Bev Hayes

Tel: 9435 2322

Email: hayesbeverley@yahooo.com.au

RSVP: Mon 6 October

Walking Club



Walkers meet weekly at 9.30 am on the following days & at various venues

Most Tuesdays (except on a Branch Meeting day when the group walk on the Wednesday):

Meet at the Henry Street end of Greensborough Memorial Park.

1st Tuesday of the month:

Meet at Kalparrin (opp. Skateboard rink).

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.

Coordinator:

Margaret Lloyd - Tel: 9404 3393



UPCOMING BRANCH EVENTS



Branch & COBA Activities

Reminder to members:

A deposit of \$20/pp is now required when placing your name on an activity list.

Tuesday 7 October — ‘The Swing Spectacular’ Melbourne Town Hall: (COBA)

Twilight Dance - 4.30 — 6.30 pm

Featuring: Groovin Easy Orchestra, Whitehorse LAC Line Dancers, Ignite Bollywood Dancers.

Cost: \$15.00/pp. Own transport.

Thu 9 - Wed 15 October: Flinders Ranges, SA 7-day luxury coach tour (COBA)

Prices: \$1549.00/pp (30x), \$1499.00 (35x), \$1449.00 (40x). Single supplement \$498.00/pp. min Nos. 30 / max nos. 90).

Monday 24 November — Tours of Latrobe Cottage & Government House

Cost: \$13.00/pp. Time: 10.00 am - 12.00 noon. Own transport. Meeting venue TBA.

Thursday 4 December — Xmas Lunch at Sky High Restaurant, Mount Dandenong (COBA)

Incl 2-course Xmas lunch, with entertainment.

Cost: By bus \$50.00/pp. By own car \$28.00/pp.

Tuesday 9 December — Branch Christmas Dinner Dance at Greensborough RSL. Our theme will be “A White Christmas”.

Incl 3-course Xmas dinner, with Entertainer.

Cost: \$35.00/pp. Time: 6.30 pm - 10.30 pm

For bookings see: Peter Oaten at Branch meetings or Tel: Peter on 9434 6795 / Bob Goodyear on 9435 2529.



In August a small group of members enjoyed Ten Pin Bowling at Keon Park AMF



Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child

Hi members: I am again working for Samaritan's Purse where we collect small gifts to fill shoeboxes that are sent to needy children overseas.

You can donate items of clothing, toiletries, toys, stationery, etc. keeping in mind that sweets, breakables, liquids (e.g. hand cream, sunscreen), playing/swap cards and anything like a gun cannot be sent. All items should be **new**. Some examples are exercise books, pens, pencils, sharpeners, rubbers, wrapped soap, face washers, toothbrushes, t-shirts, shorts, thongs, sunglasses, all sorts of toys, especially balls.

If you would like to fill a box this would be very welcome too — the box should be a standard shoe box size so everyone is treated equally. We are also looking for empty shoe boxes.

Items and boxes can be brought along to Branch meetings until October, or if you cannot get to a meeting I can arrange collection from you up until 31 October. I can be contacted on Tel: 9467 3771.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Dianne Klein, Branch Member

DINNER CLUB



Saturday 1 November - 6.30 pm

The Meadows

Greyhound Racing Association

80 Northcorp Blvd

Broadmeadows (Mel Ref: Map 7 E9)

Cost: \$45.00/pp

Package incl: 3-course Buffet Dinner starting from 6.30 pm. Free admission, parking, Meadows Racing Guide. Gates open at 6.00 pm. 1st Race at 7.10 pm.

Confirmation & full payment needs to be made one week prior to the night, so could you please make your payment to Bev Sharp at the October Branch meeting.

Contact: Bev or John Sharp

Tel: 9465 4128 Mob: 0431 255 512



TREASURER'S REPORT

Lorraine Oaten

Balance as at 01/08/2014		114,663.39
Plus Income		
Xmas In July- Warrook Farm	55.00	
La Trobe Cottage/G'ment House	244.00	
Flinders Ranges Tour	2,047.00	
Ten Pin Bowling	90.00	
Xmas Lunch-Sky High	551.00	
Xmas Dinner - RSL	475.00	
Film Lunch	315.00	
Seniors Week-Swing Spectacula	210.00	
NSA Grapevine Credits	10.00	
Membership	165.00	
Advertiser	50.00	
Attendance	399.00	
Raffle	176.00	
Total:		4,787.00
Less Expenditure		
Midland Tours - Warrook Farm Tour	970.00	
Flinders Ranges Refunds	4,527.00	
Trade Travel - Flinders Ranges	97,017.25	
Keon Park Ten Pin Bowling	89.50	
Refunds Warrook Farm Tour	190.00	
Zone Conference	60.00	
Speaker Lunch	36.00	
Membership	165.00	
Gossip Printing	83.20	
Total:		-103,137.95
Balance as at 31/08/2014		16,312.44

National Seniors

Australia

All members are welcome to attend the interesting and informative free one hour talks on **3rd Thursday of the month at Melbourne NSA office**, Block Court, Level 2, 290 Collins Street (take Lift 4 near Hunt Leather).

Morning Tea will be served from 10.30 - 11.00 am to give members the opportunity to mingle. The talks then commence at 11.00am.

PROGRAM:

18th September: Chris Grice, General Manager NSA Insurance & Commercial Services — "Travel Insurance and other Insurance Issues for Seniors".

16th October: Arnold Bates, Chairman, Victorian Policy Advisory Group — "The Victorian Election - Issues for NSA members".

20th November: Song, Tai Chi Australia — "Tai Chi for Seniors".

Please Tel: 9650 6144 for more information, or to make a booking for any of the above talks.



CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

Folks: It's that time of the year again where we ask for contributions for our raffle of Christmas Hampers

Here are some suggestions we hope you will find helpful.

September - let's "spring" into action with some sweet and savoury cans.

October - hamper goodies – jams, preserves, sauces, tea/coffee, wine, etc.

November - nice touches of Christmas, e.g. shortbread, chocolates, lollies, nuts, fruitcake/puddings, biscuits, bon-bons, serviettes, decorations, anything to make Christmas special.

Goods can be brought to Branch meetings – there will be a box near the Registration Desk, or you can drop items off at the Goodyear's – Tel: 9435 2529.

(A Committee member can also collect items from your home if it's difficult for you to carry items to meetings.)

NB: Please be aware of expiry dates on goods.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Greensborough Branch Committee



A joint Positive Ageing initiative by Banyule Council, Nillumbik Shire Council and Seniors Rights Victoria



Legal Matters for Older Fellas

Guest Speaker

Wayne Henwood

Barrister, Former Sydney Swans AFL Player, Member of AFL Tribunal, Member Anti-Doping Tribunal

Come and enjoy entertaining stories, information and a light lunch - all for FREE. LIMITED NUMBERS, booking required.

BOOKINGS: 9490 4222

Speakers and community lawyers from Seniors Rights Victoria will talk about Enduring Powers of Attorney, Family Agreements and Money, Ageing and Family.

Have your questions answered and get your free kit containing information on Enduring Powers of Attorney and other matters for men.

WHEN: 10am-1pm, Thursday 16 October 2014

**WHERE: Briar Hill Community Hall
126 Mountain View Road, Briar Hill**

NOTICE BOARD



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.



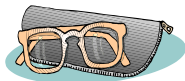
Are you interested in knitting children's garments or maybe toys?

Member, **Brita Daly**, collects knitted children's garments/toys.

If you no longer knit, but have unused wool at home, Brita would be happy to take this off your hands as she can give this to her knitters.

Items can be collected at Branch meetings, or you can contact Brita on **Tel: 9435 2816**.

(Don't forget you can always borrow one of the knitting books from the Craft Book Exchange!)



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, Lorraine Callow, will be happy to collect them at Branch meetings.

BOOK EXCHANGE & CRAFT BOOK EXCHANGE

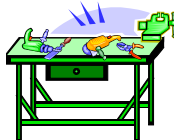


We operate a **Free Book Exchange** on Branch Meeting days. We ask only that you return the books to the Branch when you have finished reading them so that other members may have the opportunity to borrow the books.

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

Coordinators for this activity are:
Ken Pickett — Book Exchange
Lois Williams — Knitting/Craft Patterns

Members, please bring along your unwanted books.



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



Anyone for Tennis?

If you would like to play social tennis in a very relaxed atmosphere on a Monday morning, between 9.30 am — 12 noon, please see **Glenda Sundstrom (Tel: 9435 4755)** or just turn up (weather permitting) at about 9.30 am for a game. The only criteria is that correct tennis shoes must be worn. The 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)**.

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 on Tel: 9430 0100**.

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