

Greensborough Gossip

Greensborough Branch Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT:



Hi everyone,

On behalf of the Management Committee I trust that all members are well and keeping their spirits up. Hopefully with the numbers of new COVID-19 cases reducing restrictions will be able to be eased.

I would take this opportunity to inform members about some of NSA's activities in the areas of health, finance & mobility.

COVID-19 Older Persons Support Line:

NSA has launched the above Support Line in partnership with the Dept of Health & Ageing, COTA, OPAN and Dementia Australia. Whilst taking inbound calls for the program on **No. 1800 171 866**, NSA has been randomly contacting branch members across Australia to ensure that they are safe and being supported at this time.

Commonwealth Pension & Health Care Card:

With many self-funded retirees losing income at present, NSA has been heavily promoting the opportunity for self-funded retirees to seek access to either the Pension or the Commonwealth Seniors Health Care Card.

See link for info:

<https://nationalseniors.com.au/what-we-offer/agepensionservice>

Aged Care:

NSA has been advocating for family access to Aged Care residents during the lockdown and establishing a code with industrial partners on how Aged Care providers should support their residents and families especially for the those impacted directly by an outbreak.

Credit Card:

NSA has developed its own low interest credit card with a competitive rate of 9.95% and \$40.00 annual fee (\$20.00 going to fund NSA's financial literacy service).

Term Deposit:

NSA has partnered with Auswide to secure top of the market interest rates. NSA has a special rate of 1.5% on terms 6-12 months with interest paid on maturity. This fund is backed by the \$250K Government Guarantee. The program has been popular and as at 2 June has >\$18m in term deposits.

See link for info:

<https://nationalseniors.com.au/what-we-offer/termdeposit>

Carers Research:

In addition to a report in relation to the contribution and value that Grandparents provide to the Australian community, NSA has released a report promoting reports (*Who Cares? Seniors Do*) which outlines a major investigation into the care that older Australians provide at home.

Charity Raffle:

NSA has recently become part of Australia's largest not-for-profit charity raffle, Play for Purpose. \$5.00 from every \$10.00 ticket purchased goes directly to NSA.

See link for info:

<https://nationalseniors.com.au/get-involved/buy-raffle-tickets>.

Take care all. Regards. Bob Goodyear

PS: See page 4 for some nostalgia. Marlene has been going through branch photos.

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Book Exchange Coordinator - Ken Pickett

Past Presidents: Christina McDonald - 003/04
Greg Fallon - 2004/07



How true in these times!

Branch Meetings

Due to COVID-19
Branch Meetings have been temporarily suspended until restrictions on large social gatherings have been lifted

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
Tel: 9401 6752 or
email: judy.harvey43@yahoo.com

To those celebrating a birthday!



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COFFEE CLUB



LUNCH CLUB



DINNER CLUB



Due to the current restrictions in place, we cannot hold our Coffee, Lunch & Dinner Clubs.
We look forward to resuming these activities when possible.



GOLF CLUB

Unfortunately as we are now in Stage 4 of lockdown regulations 'Golf' has once again been suspended.
Contact: Ian Schuck
on 9434 2829 or ian_schuck@hotmail.com



WALKING CLUB



LOW IMPACT WALKING CLUB



Both Walking Groups have been suspended until further notice as we cannot walk as a group for now.
Ken will email walkers when restrictions are lifted.
Please ring Ken Pickett on 9435 0076 if you have any queries.

Photos from our 2010 Christmas Dinner Dance with a Beach/Hawaiian Theme



Who remembers Felix who flew in from Hawaii for the evening and wandered around the Function Room greeting members?
 How many of you can still do the Hoola Hoop?
 Remember it was nearly 10 years ago!!!

**Special Guest
 Felix the Flamingo!**



Poinsettias Winners with their buckets & spades



Best Theme Dressed winners Bob & Bev (centre two) with runners-up Yvonne & Ken (on either side)



Tupperware Winners



Ian & Gaylynn - winners of the Hula Hoop competition



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Located at 339 St Helena Road, St Helena is an 81 bed
Residential Aged Care Facility, incl 1 Respite Room.

Our facility "**Liscombe House**" comprises 3 sections:

- **Liscombe Wing** - 39 rooms
- **Currie Wing** - 22 single rooms, 4 double rooms located within a totally secure unit
- **Anne Jeffery Wing** - 12 rooms (dementia specific) located within a totally secure unit.

For all enquiries please contact:

Residents' Coordinator - Karen Ernest on 9433 1100