## **GLADSTONE BRANCH NEWSLETTER**



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#### October 2024

Good morning,

We have a busy end of the year coming up, with an Election, Halloween, Christmas Dinner, Christmas Carols and shopping, and for me another trip to the USA

Then back to it for a fun filled 2025. Please let me know if you have any "Guest" speakers you would like to invite and if you wish to be our "5 min" spot. For our newer members, just letting you know that we do not meet in December and recommence in Jan.

Same place same time. Can we encourage you to bring along your own coffee/teacup to the meeting, this eliminates some waste.

Roy will be conducting a Melbourne Cup Sweep draw today, so if you feel like a flutter, he is your man to see.

We wish all our members who are not feeling the best, a speedy recovery to good health.

Next Meeting to be held Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2024...

See you all then,

Larney.

#### **GUEST SPEAKERS**

5 Minute: Noel Harvey, WA holiday feedback etc
20 Minute: Micheal Byrnes – Locations Real Estate,

Gladstone

# OCTOBER CELEBRATIONS HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

Voila Christensen, Trevor Davies, John Feddersen, Graham Howard, Wade Hughes, Aldagonda Janssen, Barb Kukulies, *Julie Marshall*, Roslyn Newberry, Fay Poole, Hazel Slaughter, Helen Smith, Pauline Walters, Gayle Young.

## **HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES**

Don & Joan Sutton.

## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

The truth of the matter is you always know the right thing to do... The hard part is doing it.

General Norman Schwarzkopf

## A LITTLE HUMOUR



Grandfather talking to grandson — "In the good old days, you could go into a shop with a couple of bob in your pocket and get a loaf of bread, a dozen eggs, a watermelon, and sometimes even a brand-new bike. But today, you can't do that — no way!

There are just way too many security cameras."

Where do you take someone who has been injured in a Peek-A-Boo accident?

To the I.C.U

Pessimist: This world just cannot get any worse!

Optimist: Oh, yes it can!

Jokes from the Coal Face Mag: Queensland, July 2024

## **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

### From Activities Officer: Pauline

Good morning, everyone,

NOVEMBER 19 is our last meeting of the year and Athol Gibson is going to entertain us instead of a guest speaker. Those of you who go to Evenglow will have heard him entertaining you.

WEDNESDAY 20 NOVEMBER, CHRISTMAS DINNER, EVENTS CENTRE YARALLA, 6.00PM, M & G, DINNER 6.30PM. COST \$20.00 P.P. as the club will again subsidize the members \$20 each.

Again, I ask you to bring a gift for the multidraw raffle please. I think we had about 80 or more prizes last year as you are very generous members. Thank you. Dave Murray is again going to supply the music with Pat playing the keyboard.

MARCH 4TH 5TH & 6TH 2025

SISTER ACT, LYRIC THEATRE, BRISBANE.

We will travel by train so no problems with buses and finding somewhere to eat. We can be waited on and socialize on our way to Brisbane. We will organize something to do on the Wednesday and hire a bus to pick us up from the hotel as we did to Mt Tamborine this year. Cost will be available at the November meeting.

Pauline.

#### **AROUND THE TRAPS**

PRE-VOTING commences on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> Oct at the old RSL Hall in Goondoon St, and at the Boyne Tannum Community Centre 8am-6pm and continues until 25<sup>th</sup> October.

Gladstone Library will be holding a book sale on Tues 15<sup>th</sup> Oct 9am-4pm. Weds. 16<sup>th</sup> 9am-1pm.

During Seniors month the Gladstone Library are holding a "Quick Tech" morning, when Monday 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> October. Time - 9am-12pm.

If you have any questions about smartphones, tablets, email, library apps they can help you 4976 6400.

Gladstone Library are holding a free movie morning on Weds. 6<sup>th</sup> Nov. "King Arthur" the latest movie in the series. A free morning tea is also supplied. 4976 6400.

GECC have "Women Like Us" a rapid fire, outrageously humour, you will find yourself saying "They're just like us" Friday 18th October Book at 4972 2822

The 49<sup>th</sup> Rio Tinto Yarwun & QAL Martin Hanson Memorial awards 2024 opens on the 19<sup>th</sup> October.

Cost is free. Book at 4976 6766

"Our Priceless Past" is also still on view at the Gallery during the month of October.

Rotary Charity Markets will be held on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November at the Tondoon gardens 7.am to 12 noon.

The next "Calliope Historical Village" market will be held on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Dec. 7.30am – 1pm, this will be the final one for 2024.

GECC morning Melodies "Home for Christmas" will be held on Tues 13<sup>th</sup> Dec, at 10am. Bookings essential 4972 2822

2024 Santos GLNG Mayor's Carols supported by 4CC will be held on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December, location Marina Parkland. Jingle all the way for an entertaining evening, markets and the lighting of the Christmas tree. Commences5.30pm-8.30pm.

#### **TOUR INFORMATION**

From Tour Officer: Barbara

Hi Members,

Our Tour to Perth & Surrounds was wonderful - members experienced the Pearls of WA, the colourful and extensive wildflowers, the Tall trees, the exquisite wines, the vistas, the quakers, the weather changes and the most beautiful foods supplied to us. Noel Harvey is doing a report for the club on our travels. Raymond would appreciate that travellers do the survey he provided to each of us and return to Departure Point by the end of October. This helps to support future planning for tours.

Future Gladstone National Seniors Tours need to be decided and planned. Please email to me personally or Larney, TXT msg me or call me with your suggestions. So far, we have New Zealand (South Island): Canberra (Floriade) then west of NSW to Dubbo Zoo.

Northern Victoria to include Murray River cruise; Broken Hill & Western NSW; New Zealand (North Island); Port Macquarie and the NSW North Coast; Canberra and then to the coast south of Sydney. The management meeting will consider all suggestions in consultation with Departure Point. For a tour to be considered, I need 40 travelers to give us the best discounts, viable options & value for money. The last couple of tours provided almost all meals, tours, and events. Compared with other advertised tours - we were much more economical. Voting will be for all the members interested in travel. Special thank you to the WA travelers. You were kind,

Even though we had medical issues, we were still able to follow our agenda. I am proud of our club and your support. We have so many wonderful memories and experiences to save. You will have Ken's USB to enjoy your travels

compliant, happy and made the tour exceptional.

Yours in Travel

Barbk

## **Committee Members**

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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.

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