# **National Seniors**

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#### **AUGUST 2024 NEWSLETTER**

#### **GENERAL MEETING**

Wednesday 7 AUGUST, at Brunswick Hotel, 569 Brunswick St, New Farm.

Morning tea will be 9:15 to 10:00am, meeting to follow.

TRIVIA TODAY IN PLACE OF GUEST SPEAKER

#### A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Hello Everyone,

We certainly had a very busy meeting last month, working up an appetite for our Christmas-in-July lunch at The Brunswick. First of all, thanks to our Vice-President and Membership Secretary, Jenny, who did some deep diving into her research, we had special pins to hand out to Margaret Cowell, Paul Spottiswood, Meg Egglesfield, Richard Egglesfield, Una O'Sullivan, Paul Cummings, Margaret Morrisey and Mollie-Jean Hunt, all of whom have been members of National Seniors Australia for over twenty-five years. Congratulations all round!

Then, it was a pleasure to welcome **Everald Compton AM, AO** as guest speaker. One of the many significant accomplishments in his long and fulfilling life, is that he was the

Founder of National Seniors Australia, an achievement very relevant to us. His talk covered a range of his many and varied interests, particularly connected to the history of Australia, and was fascinating. He brought some of his books to sell and they proved to be so popular that he sold out.

Time for our celebration lunch! **Chef Robson** pulled out all the stops and created a sumptuous feast for us, a three-course meal that was delicious. Our thanks to **Di, Trish and Manager Paul Kratzmann** for organising. Events like this don't happen without a great deal of work behind the scenes and it was a huge success.



And while we are thinking of food, eighteen of us enjoyed a very convivial dinner at Common Vice in July. Great company and great food. We go somewhere different every month and always support local business. We have something special planned for next General Meeting month. Our Trivia Quiz proved to be very popular last year so we will be doing it again, but this time, with a twist! So, get your brains into gear and dredge up all those facts and figures that you have accumulated over the years, with all the knowledge. that you thought you had forgotten. There will be prizes. And last but not least. We have been lucky enough to receive a grant from COTA for our special event in **October, Queesland Seniors**Month, so we can start to look forward to that. We

greatly appreciate this generosity from COTA. Take care of yourselves during these cooler months with all these nasty viruses flying about. L Look out for one another and enjoy life together. **Anne Stubbington.** 

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David MacLaughlin, Vicki Howard & Greg Gaffney enjoy fellowship at Common Vice.



President Anne welcomes new members Harry & Gabrielle Forsyth and Richard & Meg Egglesfield.



New member Theresa McShane with guest speaker Everald Compton.

#### **MY GENERATION MAGAZINE**

To access, you need to log into the NSA website with your membership number and password, then click on the link: https://nationalseniors.com.au/members/our-generation/our-generation-read-online Online articles can be accessed via the link: https://nationalseniors.com.au/news/

#### JUNE MEETING RAFFLE PRIZE WINNERS

\$50 New Farm Bakeology gift card donated by Grace Grace: Bob Martin

\$50 Savour Café donated by Vicki Howard: Harry Forsyth \$25 Gift Card donated by Brunswick Hotel: John Donatiu Wine donated by Anne Stubbington: William Norfolk Rupert McCall Book donated by John Ball: Paul Cummings

Christmas Pudding & Sweets donated by Stephen Bates: Diane Gage

## **AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

Paul Cummings Denise Howard Gail Murton Drina Oldroyd Aldo Raineri Dianne Richter Joan Williams



#### WELFARE

Please notify Graeme Kidd of any member that you know of who is ill or injured, so that we can give our support where needed.

PHONE 0418 735 266

#### **DINING OUT**

# Thursday 22 August at 6:00pm NEW FARM SEAFOOD, MERTHYR VILLAGE

A strong recommendation from a member has also been made for the Himalayan Café, 640 Brunswick Street. This sounds like a good option for Thursday 19 September. Get your tastebuds ready.

Please advise Anne Stubbington on 0427 749 272 if attending or cancelling.

Fuel prices are so high that I went to the car dealership and test drove 3 cars to run my errands. Follow me for more money saving tips



### LOLA DAYS – DIFFERENT DAYS FOR DIFFERENT PEOPLE



**Friday 9 August – Coochiemudlo** – Meet at 8:45am at Uniting Church, Merthyr Road. \$45 + Ferry.

Wednesday 21 August – Great Circle Line, lunch Indooroopilly – Meet at 8:30am bus stop 23 Adelaide Street.

On Wednesday last 9 of us thoroughly enjoyed an audio-visual presentation of all aspects of the upcoming Cross River Rail which we were told will be operational in 2026.

# **OUT AND ABOUT IN THE COMMUNITY**

# **NEW FARM LIBRARY**

FIRST FRIDAY BOOK CLUB Fri 2 August 10:00am

Please contact the library for monthly reading selection.

New members welcome. Bookings NOT required. Free.







#### TREASURE Opening 18 July 2024

Starring Zbigniew Zamachowski, Lena Dunham, Wenanty Nosul, Robert Besta, Oliver Ewy, David Krzysteczko, Stephen Fry

An american journalist Ruth who travels to Poland with her father Edek to visit his childhood places. But Edek, a Holocaust survivor, resists reliving his trauma and sabotages the trip creating unintentionally funny situations.

I heard a review of this one and it sounds good. Unless you are into Despicable Me or farfetched Sci Fi thrillers I couldn't see anything else interesting to our age group. Let me know if I'm mistaken.

# **LORD MAYOR'S CITY HALL CONCERTS:**





Country and Blues artist, Steve Sparrow together with his three piece group, The Memphis Meerkats, showcase the connection between country, blues and rock'n'roll music. Enjoy the music and stories behind the artists who created this genre — Elvis Presley, Johnny Cash, Merle Haggard, John Fogerty, Eric Clapton, Chuck Berry, Charley Daniels, The Eagles and more. Singer songwriter/guitarist Steve Sparrow won a Gold Guitar in New Zealand and is widely known throughout the Australian country music scene. Steve has received chart topping success and his latest album 'Now And Forever' has been nominated for a number of song writing awards.

### Tuesday 13 August – Round the World Bucket List

Celebrate the beauty of a 60 piece wind orchestra from Mansfield State High School as they transport you on a journey on a 'Round The World Bucket List' celebrating the melodies you know and love.

This talented group of 60 young musicians will entertain you with music from Classical through to Pop culminating in a grand finale. Joining the orchestra will be some fabulous vocalists and the talented featured flautist Taylee Rofe who will have you tapping the beat along to some of your favourite songs.

### Tuesday 20 August – Fusion X

Fronted by the charismatic singer Jules Strickland, Fusion X produces a unique blend of funk, disco and soul music performed at their best to provide the ultimate experience in entertainment.

With its members originating from Mauritius, Germany, Australia and Spain, Fusion X is an eclectic mixture of rich musical backgrounds.

Bound by a mutual love of music, their dedication to perform at a high level of musicianship with a great sound production will captivate any audience from start to end.

#### Tuesday 27 August – Tribute to Michael Bublé

This Tribute to Michael Bublé features the smooth sounds of the Brisbane-based Mood Music Swing Band and special guest vocalist Gary Holley. Michael Bublé's timeless classics have redefined the essence of modern swing music and Mood Music takes you on a journey from his early classics such as 'I've Got You Under My Skin' to Bublé's own dance number 'Sway', to a showcase of Bublé's modern interpretations which blend the traditional with the contemporary.

## **NEW FARM AND DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

Walking tour: Gasworks to Quonset

**3rd Aug 2024 at 10:00am** Come join tour guide – Ben Pritchard- for an interesting walking tour from Gasworks Plaza to Commercial Road. Explore the rich history of this area with our knowledgeable local guide. Learn about the industrial past and how it has shaped the suburb we know today. Suitable for all ages and abilities.

Thinking back to when a new 'hip joint' meant someplace I wanted to go on a Friday night.

In general, I don't believe in child labour but sometimes they're the only ones who can figure out what's wrong with my computer.

#### **NEW FARM BRANCH COMMITTEE AND ASSISTANTS FROM SEPTEMBER 2023**

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