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NOVEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday 6 NOVEMBER at Brunswick Hotel, 569 Brunswick St, New Farm. Morning tea will be 9:15 to 10:00am, meeting to follow. IN PLACE OF GUEST SPEAKER – ENTERTAINER BRAD HOLMES

PRESIDENT'S WELCOME



Hello everyone, I think it is fair to say that our COTA Queensland Seniors Month Celebration Picnic in the Park was a huge success. The weather was perfect and thanks to some brilliant co-ordination from your hard-working committee and volunteers, everything went according to plan. Everyone was looking forward to it and they weren't disappointed. We even had a surprise visit from Councillor Vicki Howard who gave us a champagne send-off as we waited for the City-Cat! New Farm Park looked glorious, the Brisbane River sparkled in the sun and the Brisbane City skyline looked magnificent as we travelled the round trip to St. Lucia and back. On our return, Pat and Margaret had the wine chilled to

perfection and took delivery of our catered lunch from SAY CHEESE – individual boxed lunches that were delicious! We had also ordered boxes of fruit and dessert that topped off our feast, and the cakes from Stephen Bates MP were much appreciated. Thanks also to Paul, our wonderful host at the Brunswick Hotel for his donation of some excellent wines. For over fifty of us, amusing conversations, the meeting up of old friends, and the enjoyment of valued friendships were all part of a relaxed and delightful day. Our Vice-President made sure that our very senior members, including Una, and Mollie-Jean who will celebrate her 100th birthday very soon, were able to attend with transport to and from the venue. Our thanks go to COTA: Council on the Ageing for the grant which made this all possible. Our Seniors Month Celebrations really made Love Getting Older a reality.

Brian Herd, our Guest Speaker for October, was also to be congratulated for an excellent speech, full of valuable information and delivered with wit and charm. Brian is a partner with HopgoodGanim Lawyers in Brisbane and spoke on his special area of Elder Law, or law relating to older people and their families. He left us with much to think about and to discuss over lunch. Thank you, Brian.

All in all, a goodly month.

Take care and look after one another.

Anne Stubbington, President

Date Claimers

Wed 30 Oct- QIMR Berghofer Research Centre Tues 5 Nov- New Farm Cinema-Melbourne Cup Thurs 21 Nov-Lunch Bisou Bisou Brunswick St. Fri 29 Nov-Logan Hyperdome-Christmas shopping

Wed 4 Dec-NF National Seniors-Christmas lunch

Fri 6 Dec-Lord Mayor's Christmas- City Hall Jan 21 2025: Brunch, New Farm Park – more details in December Newsletter.



Brian Herd entertained & informed us on some of the unforeseen pitfalls of both making a will & not having one.

Introduced by Anne, thanked by Kay.

My Generation Magazine

To access, you need to log in to the NSA website with your membership number and password. Click on the link, https://nationalseniors.com.au/members/our-generation/our-generation-readonline

Online articles can be accessed at: https://nationalseniors.com.au/news/

OCTOBER MEETING RAFFLE PRIZE WINNERS

Lucky Door prize Double Pass New Farm Cinemas – Cheryl Francini \$50 New Farm Bakeology gift card: Grace Grace: Greg Gaffney \$50 Savour Café: Vicki Howard: Margaret Pacey \$25 Gift Card: Brunswick Hotel: Margaret Cowell \$20 Gif Voucher Blue Bear Coffee House: Stephen Bates: Carolina Kidd 2XDouble Passes Brisbane Music Festival Michelle Rainieri – Jenny Milner, John Donatu

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Ken Anderson; Marjorie Hardy; Graeme Mackenzie; Jenny Milner; Margaret Pacey; Beryl Watson



WELFARE

Please notify Gay Forsyth of any member that you know of who is ill or injured, so that we can give our support where needed. PHONE 0438 588 858

DINING OUT

Thursday 21 November at Noon Bisou Bisou, Hotel X Brunswick Street

A strong recommendation from a member for a lunch this month for those of us who aren't keen on going out at night. \$25 for 2 courses plus a drink.

Please advise Jenny Milner on 0411 292 453 if attending or cancelling.

2024 CHRISTMAS LUNCH, 4 DECEMBER, 11.00am, BRUNSWICK HOTEL

There will be a short meeting before Lunch. The meal will be 2 Courses with alternate drops. **Subsidised Cost is \$45**. This year we are replacing Secret Santa with a request that each member brings something special for the community pantry. Please register and pay at the November meeting.

Any queries contact **ACTIVITIES CO-ORDINATOR** Diane Gage 0438 596 798 LOLA DAYS – Different Days for Different People

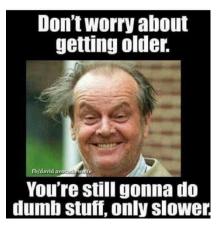
Wednesday 30 October QIMR Berghofer Research Centre, RBWH, Herston. Meet at Cultural Centre platform 1 (outside the Museum & Art Gallery) at 9:20am.

Tuesday 5 November 1:15pm: Melbourne Cup, New Farm Cinema – You will be notified by email if the time changes to include Fashions in the Field.

Friday 29 November: Logan Hyperdome, Christmas shopping – Cultural Centre platform 2 at 9:45am

Friday 6 December 1:00pm: Lord Mayor's Christmas Concert, City Hall \$5 at Nov. meeting





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.





NEW FARM CINEMAS

THERE'S STILL TOMORROW; A box office phenomenon in its native Italy, where it outperformed Barbie and Oppenheimer, There's Still Tomorrow is a moving, empowering melodrama about an industrious woman in post-WWII Rome. From 31 October.

MOZART'S SISTER: For the first 16 years of her life, Mozart's sister shared equal billing with her brother. Musical partners and collaborators, Wolfgang Mozart and Maria-Anna Mozart played together before Kings and Queens, and were the talk of Europe. What happened to her? Forced to withdraw from public life because she was a woman, a stunning new investigation explores why she was retired and what happened to her music. From 31 October.

LORD MAYOR'S CITY HALL CONCERTS

Tuesday 12 November – Bright Stars – The Australian Duo Festival in collaboration with the Queensland Young Conservatorium Piano Department and Willy Wagtails Children's Choir Proudly showcasing brilliant young pianists collaborating in duets and trios on the exquisite City Hall Steinway Grand. Highly talented pianists, aged from 6 to 16, combined with the Willy Wagtails Children's Choir will delight you with a stunning program of music from the popular classics to the latest movie themes.

Tuesday 19 November – The Inadequates are an award-winning trio known for their energetic performances and innovative acoustic sound. Growing rapidly within the Australian folk scene, they have been likened to bands such as Nickel Creek, Mumford & Sons and Punch Brothers (but much worse). With a catalogue of intricate original music focusing on their tight 3-part harmonies and technical skill, the boys are currently producing their first album.

Tuesday 26 November -The Australian Buddy Holly Show is an entertaining tribute to one of the pioneers of rock n roll. Starring Kris Knight who brings Buddy back to life, accompanied by his four-piece band of drums, guitar, stand up bass, keyboard and saxophone. This is real old time rock n roll!

NEW FARM & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Society holds public meetings at 2:30 pm on the 4th Saturday of each month (February to November) when guest presenters speak on a variety of topics that inform and inspire and are relevant to the history of the area of greater Brisbane. Afternoon tea brings the opportunity to meet up with friends old and new. These meetings are held at the Merthyr Road Uniting Church Centre, 52 Merthyr Road, New Farm.

COMMUNITY ACHIEVEMENT

A feel-good book about city cats who moved to the country hoping for a better life. Their trials and tribulations and utimate triumph. Suitable for all ages. Print copies available at: New Farm Editions, Merthyr Village, Avid Reader, West End. Kindle: <u>https://shorturl.at/90MkM</u> All other e: versions: <u>https://books2read.com/u/38lQvV</u>



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Our happy group in the shade of the trees in New Farm Park to celebrate COTA'S month of celebrations of Seniors.



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A small section of the group enjoying their lunch under the ancient fig trees.





Anne, Jenny & Pat enjoying the day.



Brisbane's newest foot bridge from The Gardens to Kangaroo Point nears completion.



Una O'Sullivan & Molly-Jean Hunt with nearly 60 years membership between them.



Richard, Carolina & Carolyn relaxing on our ride on the river, as are Ellie & Caji below.

