

## **Melville Branch - October 2024**

#### Vale – Margaret Quick

It is with great sadness that we have lost another member, who only last year was rewarded with a Certificate for her long service to the Branch. Margaret had served on committee for many years and was a hard, dedicated worker for a number of years ensuring members enjoyed a lovely morning tea. She was a well-respected member, with a great personality, and had made many friendships within the Branch. Margaret will be sadly missed by us all and our thoughts are with Ken at this time. Many of our members have lost their loved ones and will fully understand and appreciate the difficult road ahead for Ken.

Ken will be at the October Branch meeting so I am hoping that we get a good attendance and members can provide comforting words of support.

#### **APOLOGY**

I must apologize for not staying for the last Branch Meeting; I did not want to pass the virus on to any of the members. I was also extremely disappointed that I couldn't attend the workshop organized by the Brisbane Office held the day before our meeting. I can't recall ever having such a nasty virus which lingered for 3 weeks. I know of a number of people who have been struck down with this virus so I hope our members do not catch it and those who came down with it have recovered.

#### **SECRETARY**

At the last meeting Ken explained the present arrangement, with Ann maintaining the position, with Ken supporting by distribution of emailed communication. This situation was endorsed by those attending the meeting.

## BRANCH CHRISTMAS LUNCH – TUESDAY 10 DECEMBER

The Christmas lunch will again be held at the Rossmoyne Bowling Club. Lunch will be served at 12.00 pm so members are asked to arrive no later than 11.45.

Cost for the lunch is as follows:

Members \$30 (this includes 1 raffle ticket)

Non- Members \$35 (this includes 1 raffle ticket)

There will be 3 raffle prizes of \$70 cash each.

Payment for the lunch can be made at either the October or November Branch meetings or by bank transfers. Close off for Bank transfers will be 1 December.

Where has the year gone? It is now only just over 10 weeks to Christmas.

### **SPEAKERS:**

22nd October – Branch Meeting - Simon Youlton on financial well being

**26<sup>th</sup> November - Samuel Ong** Australian Podiatrist of the Year 2023

What your GP didn't tell you about poor balance. How to grade your balance, and why it's worth paying attention before it's too late.

#### **OUTINGS - Geoff Palm**

Friday 18th October – The Pines Restaurant

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October - 12.00pm Harvest Lakes Chinese Restaurant 9/80 Lyon Rd Aubin Grove.

# THEATRE VISITS, Etc (Report by Norma)

- 1. Next one at Old Mill: **PICNIC at HANGING ROCK** in December Selected dates are Friday December 6th and Sunday December 8th
- 2. Final one for this year at Melville: **THE SOUND OF MUSIC**Selected dates are Sunday November 17th at 6 pm and Friday November 22nd at 7.30 pm

Already have 21 expressions of interest. Will take more at next meeting and will check up on those already received. Bookings are not open yet.

Norma will provide an update at the October Branch meeting. Her surgery has been delayed until the end of October so she should be in attendance.

### **CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE**

Our total currently stands at \$130.30. Let's make a real effort to see if we can reach \$200 by the end of the year. Our biggest contributor is the Goldsmith family. A big thank you to this family!

### **BIRTHDAYS** – **November**

Best wishes for a Happy Day to Lorelie Tacoma, Les Davey, Norma Davis, Valerie Payne, Barbara Smart and Annelies van Royen.

# **Things I'm Super Good At**

- Forgetting someone's name
  seconds after they tell me.
- Buying produce...and throwing it away two weeks later.
- Digging through the trash for the food box I just tossed, because I already forgot the directions.
- 4. Making plans. And then immediately regretting making plans.
- Leaving laundry in the dryer until it wrinkles. Then turning on the dryer to dewrinkle. Then forgetting it again.
- Calculating how much sleep I'll get if I can just "fall asleep right now".

# Wonder if the above applies to any of our members

# **Protocol**

- 1. To attend meetings of the Melville Branch, a person must be a member of National Seniors Australia whose offices are in Brisbane. Application Forms available at Branch Meetings.
- 2. Visitors are entitled to one free attendance at a Branch meeting. Thereafter, the meeting fee of \$8.00 is payable. Members must bring the correct money as the Treasurer does not carry change.
- 3. The meeting fee can be paid at each meeting by being placed in an envelope with the attendee's name clearly marked on the front, or by 2 instalments January and July into the Branch's bank account. <u>Current Membership rates</u> to be a member of National Seniors Australia are:

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Single Membership	Joint Membership
1 Year - \$49.50	1 Year - \$80
2 Year - \$88	2 Year - \$143
3 Year - \$120 Save \$28.50	3 Year - \$180
5 Year - \$220	5 Year - \$325

Membership payments **cannot be paid via our local branch**; they must be paid directly to the Head Office.

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**Branch Meetings 2024** 22<sup>nd</sup> October 26<sup>th</sup> November

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS 2024

11<sup>th</sup> November (Sally and John)

#### **EVENTS**

Friday 18 October – The Pines Restaurant

Wednesday 30 October - Lunch at Harvest Lakes Chinese

Friday 29 November - Committee Lunch at Avocadoes - Brookton Hwy

Tuesday 10 December – Christmas Breakup Lunch – Rossmoyne Bowling Club

