

Greensborough Gossip

Greensborough Branch Newsletter

Branch No. 100133 Incorporation No. A0044936A September 2024 — Editor Marlene Goodyear

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Dear Members.

Welcome to the September Branch Meeting & Annual General Meeting.

Also welcome to "Spring" with warmer weather but unfortunately days of damaging winds.

September has lots to offer namely AFL football finals, Spring Racing Carnival and the Royal Melbourne Show. We have been watching the Paralympic Games, what amazing Athletes overcoming Physical & Mental Challenges - such a great inspiration to us all.

Victorian Seniors Festival returns from 1-31 October for Senior Card holders - there are lots of free activities to enjoy right across Victoria. A great time to be out and about.

Following the September Branch meeting we will be holding our AGM. We will be presenting cheques from money we raise via monthly raffles to representatives from our two nominated charities – Abound Communities (Leith Park) and Banksia Palliative Care Service.

The representatives will be speaking about the impact our donations have on their respective organisations.

Regards. Peter Oaten, President

<u>VIEWBANK GARDENS</u> <u>RETIREMENT VILLAGE</u>

Up to 20 branch members have been invited to morning tea & a short tour of Viewbank Gardens Retirement Village 26-46 Rutherford Road, Viewbank on Thursday 21 November - 10.00 am. (You need to arrange your own transport.)

If you are interested please put your name down with Lorraine Oaten for this activity.

"A BIG WEEK OUTBACK IN LONGREACH & WINTON"

PLEASE NOTE:

We have been notified that there are changes to the Itinerary. (Still the same cost though.)

Lorraine Oaten will have updated Itineries at the September branch meeting.

Tour cost ex Melbourne: fly Qantas \$5098.00/pp twin share, Single Supplement \$950.00).

Deposit of \$200/pp is due on booking. Final payment due no later Friday 20 June 2025.

LIVE THEATRE SHOWS



Barbara has organised a booking for:

"SISTER ACT"

Wednesday 11th December - 1.00 pm Regent Theatre. Tickets: \$90.00/pp. Final payment due on Tuesday 19th November at Branch Meeting.

We have a number of members already booked for this show.

You can book with Lorraine Oaten at Branch meetings or contact Barbara on Mob: 0435 139 426. (Please note that tickets are non-refundable if you are unable to attend on the day.)

NOTE FROM TREASURER:

Please note payments for all Branch activities can be paid direct by EFT. See Treasurer, Lorraine Oaten, for Bank details.



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Next Branch Meeting 15 October 2024

Greensborough RSL Main Road, Greensborough

Commencing at 10.00 am (Function Room opens at 9.30 am)

Speaker: Glenys Needham "Hearing Dogs"



To members who are unwell or recuperating, your friends at Greensborough Branch are thinking of you and wishing you a speedy recovery.

If you know of a member who is unwell, please contact our Welfare Officer. This position is currently vacant, however you can contact the Secretary in the interim.



TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance as at 31/07/2024		28,702.36
Plus Income:		
Caldemeade Dairy Farm	1,150.00	
Mt Gambier	100.00	
Theatre	90.00	
Hobart & Beyond Tour	48,560.00	
Longreach To Winton	400.00	
Attendance	295.00	
Raffle	140.00	
Total:		50,735.00
Less Expenses		
Trade Travel/ Winton Tour	-200.00	
Spirit Travel Hobart Tour	-42,040.00	
Refund Overpayment Hobart	-200.00	
Purchase Raffle Books	-54.98	
Lunch Speaker	-17.50	
Raffle/Door Prizes	-55.00	
Total:		-42,567.48
Balance as at: 31/08/2024		36,869.88





Wednesday 2 October 2024 - 10.15 am

Greensborough RSL, Long Tan Café & Bar 111 Main Road, Greensborough

LUNCH CLUB



Thursday 10 October 2024 - 12.30 pm

Watsonia RSL

6 Morwell Ave, Watsonia

RSVP: By Monday 7 October 2024 Jane Fisher - 0408 129 914

DINNER CLUB



Friday 4 October 2024 - 6.30 pm

Peking Inn Chinese Restaurant

2 & 3 Daly Place

Bundoora Shopping Centre, Bundoora Tel: 9467 5045

RSVP: By Monday 30 September 2024 Lora Schiele - 0411 786 820

NOVEMBER DINNER CLUB:

Will be held on Monday 4 November (Cup Eve) at The Meadows Greyhound Racing Association — see Page 4 for details........

GOIF CLUB

A small group play Golf on Mondays at Strathallen Golf Club. Strathallan now have an on-line booking system so anyone wanting play in our seniors group should contact Ian first on 0421 062 894.



WALKING CLUB



1ST Tuesday of the month:

Meet at 9.30 am - (Near Playground) Norris Bank Reserve, 135 McLeans Rd, Bundoora.

2ND Tuesday of the month:

Meet at 9.30 am - Henry Street end of Greensborough Memorial Park.

3RD Wednesday of the month:

Meet at 9.30 am as per venue for 2nd Tuesday of the month) **NOTE**: 3RD Tuesday is our Branch Meeting Day.

4TH Tuesday of the month:

Meet at 9.30 am at Lower Car Park, Lower Plenty Hotel.

A little confusing ???

Contact Coordinator:

Jane Fisher - 0408 129 914



LOW IMPACT WALKING CLUB



NOT UP TO HILLS?

Walkers meet Tuesdays at 9.30 am at Willinda Park Athletics Track, end of Nell Street, Greensborough (except on Branch meeting days when the group walk on Wednesdays).

On the last Tuesday of the month the group meet at 9.30 am at the Lower Car Park, Lower Plenty Hotel for a gentle walk.



<u>DINNER CLUB</u>

Monday 4 November (Cup Eve) 2024 - arrive by 6.00 pm The Meadows Greyhound Racing Assoc.

80 Northcorp Blvd, Broadmeadows Tel: 9355 5222 Free Entry/Racing Guide - mention 'Greensborough National Seniors' at Gate

RSVP: Bev Sharp - 9465 4128 / 0431 255 512 'A La Carte' Menu Non-refundable deposit of \$10.00/pp payable to Bev by October meeting



CALDERMEADE DAIRY FARM **Thursday 10th October 2024**

A short drive from Melbourne, on the South Gippsland Highway, south of Pakenham.

We will have a 45-60 minute tractor guided tour around the farm, including visiting the calf shed (depending on the season) & a trip out to the paddocks to feed our milking herd. Cost: \$80.00/pp. Incl. Coach Travel, Morning Tea, 2-course delicious Lunch.

Pickup: 7:30am from Greensborough War Memorial Park & return: 5:00pm. It's a goer!!!

HOBART & BEYOND TOUR (with Spirit Travel) Thursday 24 - Wednesday 30 October 2024

Dep Geelong on board 'Spirit of Tasmania' to Devonport. Return via Virgin Airlines from Hobart. 6-day touring Hobart & surrounds, including Bruny Island day tour. Cost: \$2190.00/pp twin & \$2660.00/Single Supp. Final payment due August 2024. We have 32x booked for this tour.

As there have been some changes in relation to those going on the tour could you check with Lorraine Oaten at the Treasurer's desk to ensure your details on the spreadsheet are correct, e.g. sharing/single supplement/withdrawals/additions/flying both ways etc.

Another trip to consider for 2025!

Greensborough National Seniors MT GAMBIER, SA, 5 NIGHT / 6 DAY TOUR

Sunday 30 March to Friday 4 April 2025



Mt Gambier, half way between Adelaide & Melbourne, is the major service centre for the Limestone Coast. Take in many attractions in the area on this

- All Transfers & Touring
- 1 night at Skenes Creek & 4 nights at the Motel Mt Gambier
- **Breakfasts and 2-Course Dinners**
- Visits including the Great Ocean Road, Blue Lake Tour. Umpherston Sinkhole, Feasts, Port MacDonnell Maritime Museum, Millicent Living History Museum, Tantaloona Cave, Mt Gambier, John Riddoch Centre, Mary MacKillop Centre, Yallum Park Homestead, Lady Nelson Visitor Centre, Glenelg Chocs, Hamilton & more

COST: \$1,650pp Twin/double share Single supplement \$340 18-28 people on 28-seater bus 35-48 people on 48-seater coach supplement applies for numbers between 29-34 people

\$350pp deposit due by October meeting Balance due by 31 January 2025







Fancy a Game?

If you are interested in playing tennis in a very relaxed atmosphere on a MONDAY morning between 9.30 am — 12 noon, please see Glenda Sundstrom at the branch meeting or ring on 0417 357 534 or just turn up (weather permitting) for a game. The only criteria is that correct tennis shoes must be worn.

Cost is \$3.00 per morning (incl a cuppa & biscuit).

The courts are located at the rear of the **Diamond Valley Baptist Church**, 309 **Diamond Creek**.



BOOK EXCHANGE

Our free Book Exchange operates on Branch Meeting days.

Coordinator is Arlene Cates.

Members can browse/borrow books from the table located at the rear of RSL Function Room.



Eltham Men's Shed

Do you know men with spare time and skills to share?

At the shed we get involved in projects helping out local community groups & school projects.

Feel free to drop in and meet the men involved, you will be most welcome.

We also organise outings & guest speakers.

Drop in any Monday or Wednesday 10.00 am - 3.00 pm 20 Wattletree Road, Eltham North.





Members are invited to attend the Bunnings Garden Workshop held in their Eltham store on 1st Thursday of the month at 10 - 11.00 am, followed by coffee & biscuits. The topics are interesting and informative, with guest speakers and everyone has a lot of fun.

Bookings are required - please contact: **Activities Organiser on Tel: 9430 0100**

This Workshop Is currently suspended. Bunnings hope to have this up & running sometime in the near future.

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Abound Communities (trading name: Old Colonists' Association of Victoria) is a charity serving elderly Victorians needing affordable, safe, dignified independent community living and appropriate, practicable continuing care.

Located at 339 St Helena Road, St Helena, Leith Park offers 140 independent living units and an 81 bed residential aged care facility including 1 respite room.

Liscombe House, our aged care facility, offers quality care and support to our residents in an environment that encourages and actively supports independence. All areas of the facility are open and available for residents to enjoy. We have an activities program that provides a broad range of activities to cater for both individual and group settings.

For all enquiries please contact:

Resident Relationship Manager – Darren Schier on 9433 1100

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