

Greensborough Gossip



Greensborough Branch Newsletter

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Merry Christmas & Happy New Year



PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Dear Members,

On behalf of the Committee, I wish you all a very Happy, Safe Christmas and enjoy your time with Family & Friends.

Looking forward to greeting you all again at our first **Branch Meeting for 2024 on Tuesday 20 February.**

Instead of a speaker we will start the year off with games of Bingo.



Cards are free and cash prizes to be won.

“Merry Christmas”

Peter Oaten, President

A big thankyou to:

**Bunnings Eltham (Poinsettia Plants)
&
Greensborough RSL (Venue Vouchers)
for donations towards our Xmas Raffle.**

New Year Resolutions

**What exactly is a “New Year resolution”?
It’s a “To Do” list for the first week of
January.**

**I don’t call them New Year resolutions.
I prefer the term, “Casual promises to
myself that I’m under no legal obligation
to fulfill”.**

AUSSIE CHRISTMAS QUIZ

1. Because of Cyclone Tracy on Christmas Eve 1974, Santa never made it to which Australian city?
2. What Australian Christmas tradition began in Melbourne in 1938?
3. Which sporting event begins on Boxing Day (the day after Christmas) in Sydney?
4. Australia's Christmas Island has an amazing annual migration of which creature?
5. In which Australian City is the traditional Boxing Day cricket test match held?
6. What is a popular flower for Christmas in Australia?
7. Elvis isn't going to have a White Christmas, he's going to have a

Answers on page 4 - no peeping!

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*To members
celebrating
a birthday
this month*



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Branch**

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**Next
Branch Meeting
20 February 2024**

Greensborough RSL

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

BINGO DAY - Free Games



*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 - Johanna Jinnette
by text message to M: 0439 940 442
or by Email: jojinne@hotmail.com**



**TREASURER'S REPORT
Lorraine Oaten**

Balance as at 31/10/2023		24,919.18
Plus Income:		
Branch RSL Xmas Lunch	970.00	
Attendance	299.40	
Raffle	175.00	
Total:		1,444.40
Less Expenses		
Refunds Branch Xmas Lunch	-60.00	
Trade Travel Guest Lunch	-17.50	
Guest Speakers donation	-50.00	
Door/Raffle Prizes	-55.00	
Petty Cash	-2.00	
Total:		-184.50
Balance as at: 30/11/2023		26,179.08

Whoever said money can't buy you happiness
didn't know where to go shopping.

I am going to qualify for 'free shipping' no matter
how much it costs.

COFFEE CLUB



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LUNCH CLUB



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DINNER CLUB



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GOLF CLUB

A small group play Golf on Mondays at Strathallen Golf Club. Strathallen 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



PLEASE NOTE: Walking Routes

FIRST & LAST Tuesdays of the month:
Meet at 9.30 am - Bottom Car Park, Lower Plenty Hotel, Main Road, Lower Plenty.

SECOND Tuesday of the month:
Meet at 9.30 am - Henry Street end of Greensborough Memorial Park.

THIRD Tuesday of the month: is our **Branch meeting day**, **SO** the group walks on a **Wednesday** (time & venue as per **SECOND Tuesday of the month**).



A little confusing ???
Contact Coordinator:
Ken Pickett - Tel: 9435 0076

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.

Upcoming Branch Activities



CAIRNS TO CAPE YORK (with Trade Travel) 11 Days/10 Nights. Friday 7th June – Monday 17th June 2024

Cost: \$7,448.00/pp ex Melbourne. Single Supp: \$1,595.00.
\$1,000/pp deposit due on booking. Final payment due in February 2024.

For any queries please contact: Ian Schuck Mob: 0421 062 894 and Lorraine Oaten Mob: 0449 594 301.

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.

We have 34x booked for this trip. We are taking deposits of \$400.00/pp now and all deposits must be paid by February 2024, with balance of payment due August 2024.

Cost: \$2190.00/pp twin & \$2660.00/Single Supp.

For any queries please contact: Ian Schuck Mob: 0421 062 894.



ANSWERS TO AUSSIE CHRISTMAS QUIZ

1. Darwin.
2. Carols by Candlelight.
3. Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race.
4. Crabs.
5. Melbourne.
6. Poinsettia.
7. Blue Christmas.



NOTICE BOARD



Fred Hollows Foundation uses second-hand spectacles and sunglasses to improve the sight of people in deprived communities in our Far North & Australian Islands.

You can assist by bringing along no-longer-used specs/sunglasses. *Cases for specs/sunglasses are also needed.*

Member, Carolyn Matthews, will be happy to collect them at Branch meetings. Carolyn can be contacted on Mob: 0407 094 318.



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.

Garden Workshop Bunnings Eltham



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:
**Sarah Kellett, Activities Organiser on
Tel: 9430 0100**

Due to Covid restrictions this Workshop is currently suspended. Bunnings hope to have this up & running sometime in the near future.



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.**



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.**

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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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