

OCTOBER 2023

Good morning,

This year has been unbelievable, and time has passed so quickly, we only have two meeting days left, and it is not that long until Christmas.

The Committee thanks all members for your support throughout the year, and hope that the upcoming year works out as smoothly as the last one.

We have two new poets, Helen Evans and Pam Elliott, who will be joining Noel Harvey in a shared role as "Poet" this will ensure we have a lot of variety and

poets to listen too.

As you will have noticed "The Mantra" are increasing their room numbers which makes parking a little difficult at the moment, but hopefully when we come back in 2024 the main section will be on the way to completion.

Please advise if you have any suggestions for guest speakers, both 5 & 20 minutes are needed next year. Next Meeting to be held Tuesday 15th November 2023, the last one for the year, See you all then, Larney.

GUEST SPEAKERS

10 Minute: - Ria Forrest – '2023 Tour'

10 Minute: - Pam Elliott her experiences as the 1st female linesman for PMG plus fruit picking in Cobram

OCTOBER CELEBRATIONS HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

David Barrett, Voila Christensen, **Trevor Davies, John Feddersen**, Graham Howard, Barbara Kukulies, Julie Marshall, Roslyn Newberry, **Fay Poole**, Helen Smith, Gayle Young.

Apologies to September people left off newsletter, **Dulcie Dunston**, Noel Harvey, Helen Evans.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES

Judy & Gary Larsen, Don & Joan Sutton.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY and, A LITTLE HUMOUR 😊

A Politician's Guide

Do tell them what they want to hear,
But mind you look and sound sincere,
And be assured it's not a crime,
To fool some of the people all the time.

Is money scarce? Then just relax.
Remember that there's always tax,
Remember too it's not a crime,
To fool all the people some of the time.

If chaos comes or crises start,
Just choose your words like works of art.
And don't forget it's not a crime,
To fool some of the people some of the time.

Governing can be such a tedious task,
(Whenever: that is, we do as they ask).
But you are off your head and past your prime
If – You – Think – You – Can,
Fool all the people all of the time.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Activities Officer: Pauline

Good morning everyone,
Thank goodness we received some lovely rain after having our Quoin Island trip cancelled at the last moment.

CHRISTMAS DINNER 23 NOVEMBER, YARALLA SPORTS CLUB. 6.00PM FOR 6.30PM. COST \$25.00 to be paid today please with the club subsidising \$20.00 P.P.

We will have our Multi draw raffle again this year and I am sure there will be lots of lovely prizes as usual from all our generous members.

CHICAGO THE MUSICAL, LYRIC THEATRE , BRISBANE. 30 JAN –1 FEB 2024.

There will be some information today as Raymond and I have been looking for an activity on the Wednesday as we are going to the show on the Tuesday night.

I can't believe we have tickets booked for the TINA TURNER musical next year. July 10, 2024.

I will have a sheet out today if you want to put your names down.

Pauline

AROUND THE TRAPS

Queensland Seniors Month -

Special events for the Seniors are being held everywhere in our region, these are just a few:

MAKERTIME – Pyrography for beginners – Fake it till you make it. This Makertime will get you burning simple patterns into wood coasters. To be held at the Boyne Island Library 26th October at 10.30. Bookings are essential ph. 4971 9700.

SENIORS HAPPY HOUR AT GLADSTONE AQUATIC CENTRE Every weekday between 7.45-8.45am, entrance is free.

Celebrate Tondoos Birthday at our Halloween Disco & Nighttime Fun event. FREE no bookings are required runs from 5.30pm to 8.30pm. When? Friday 27th October.

Dress up in your spookiest outfit and join in the fun.

The Rotary Club of Gladstone Midday invite you to a **FRIGHTFULLY FUN FAMILY NIGHT** at the Calliope Community Centre Function room, 3 Don Cameron Drive Calliope, Sunday 29th October 4-8pm. Under 5 yrs. free, 5-17yrs \$5. pp, Adults \$10. Hamburgers & Hot dogs included in the ticket cost. Costumes Mandatory.

OUR PRICELESS PAST will be on display until the 11th, November at the Gladstone Art Gallery, then it will travel around the region.

RIO TINTO MARTY HANSON – Official opening and award presentation on Saturday 6pm, 21st Oct. Judges Floor Talk 10.30am, Judges Lecture 1pm This exhibition will be open to the public until the 27th of January 2024.

TAX HELP PROGRAM available Tuesday 31st October. The program is available to residents earning around \$60,000 or less each year with basic tax needs... Community & Neighbourhood centre, Philip St. Communities and Families Precinct. Bookings required 4976 6300

TOUR INFORMATION

From Tour Officer: Barbara

Hi members and Travelers.

Everything is now in place for members to put your names down for our 2024 tour to Perth and Surrounds. More details will be available next month. If you have family in the west, this is a great visit opportunity. Travel for our tour will be flights. Should you wish to do a train trip either to Perth or home from Perth - we can accommodate this experience.

Our Club has not travelled too this far west before. Costings and accommodation are still to be arranged. Your tour will include travel insurance. This has proved to be vital as we have had experiences in previous tours. Full refunds will be available until flights are confirmed in 2024. To be part of our Tour, please pay a \$500 deposit to Departure Point in Goondoon St Gladstone. This is a financial member, Tour.

Yours in Travel
BarbK

AROUND THE TRAPS, continued

Markets:

Rotary Market – Calliope, next market will be held at Chapman Park (Showgrounds) Sunday 22nd October 8am till noon.

Rotary Markets – Tondoon Gardens – Next market day is Sunday 19th November.

Calliope River Historical Village – Last market day for 2023 is Sunday 10th December, a great way to source those elusive Christmas presents.

Committee Members

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Branch Contact Details

Branch Meetings are held at:

Yaralla Sports Club: Corner, O'Connell and Bell Streets, Barney Point, Gladstone.

Third Tuesday of the month at 9am for 9:45am.

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