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DECEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER



GENERAL MEETING

REVERSE CHRISTMAS LUNCH AND GENERAL MEETING WEDNESDAY 4 TH DECEMBER THE BRUNSWICK HOTEL

11am: Sign in, buy raffle tickets, pay subsidised cost of \$45 for Lunch If you haven't done so far, and pay ahead \$10 for the January 21 BBQ Brunch. Then meet and mingle and get into the Christmas spirit.

11.30am. Find your seats for a short General Meeting followed by a complimentary drink.

12 noon. Traditional Christmas Lunch followed by dessert – alternate drops of brandy pudding and mini-pavlova.

The difference this year is that Santa will be collecting from you - your contribution to The Brunswick Christmas Pantry. Please bring a luxury food item that you will donate to the Hotel Hamper. Christmas in reverse - we will be giving gifts instead of receiving. Please be generous.

PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

A Merry Christmas, to one and all!



We are looking forward to seeing you at our Christmas Lunch prepared by the fabulous Brunswick chef, Robson. We have invited Cr. Vicki Howard, who as you know is also a member, The Hon. Grace Grace, and Stephen Bates MP, to join us for a drink if their busy schedules allow. They have all been generous to us in many different ways during the year and made a significant difference to our programme.

Please allow me just one moment of reflection – and regret – that I wasn't here to enjoy the entertainment provided by Brad Holmes at our last meeting! I hear that you all had a wonderful time, dancing and kicking up your heels! I am so pleased. I will pass on your enthusiasm and try to book him again for next year.

My thanks, on your behalf, to our committee, Jenny, William, Cheryl, Diane and Dell, and all our wonderful volunteers, who have come together to plan our programme: the Picnic in the Park; Lola Days; the Christmas festivities; and events into the New Year, such as the January Brunch. It all takes time, thinking, planning and effort to make good ideas work and they are a fantastic team.

All the very best to you all for 2025. I wish you all good health and happiness in a peaceful world.

Anne. PRESIDENT

The NSA NEW FARM BRANCH BOOK CLUB will meet at the Brunswick Hotel on the second Tuesday of every month at 11:00am. Current book is The Remains of the Day by Kazuo Ishiguro.

Any enquiries to Dani Ellis 3358 5908

Blister packs can now be recycled at any Chemist Warehouse. Francesca Munro will no longer be collecting them, please take them to your nearest store.

DATE CLAIMERS

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.



Introducing new member Marilyn Finnimore, lucky enough to win 2 of our monthly raffles.

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-read-online>
Online articles can be accessed at: <https://nationalseniors.com.au/news/>

NOVEMBER MEETING RAFFLE PRIZE WINNERS

Lucky Door prize Double Pass New Farm Cinemas – James Ball
\$50 New Farm Bakeology gift card: Grace Grace – Merrilyn Finnemore
\$50 Savour Café: Vicki Howard - Gay Forsyth
\$25 Gift Card: Brunswick Hotel - Jan Hickey
\$20 Gif Voucher Blue Bear Coffee House: Stephen Bates - Merrilyn Finnemore
Danielle Ellis's Book – Diane Gage

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Margaret Cowell; Elly Desouza; Ngaire Douglas; Diane Gage; Frances Jacobson; Graeme Kidd; Francesca Munro; Ann Seery;



WELFARE

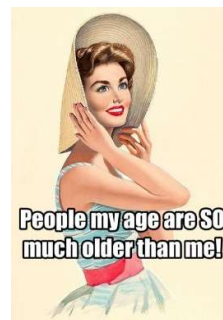
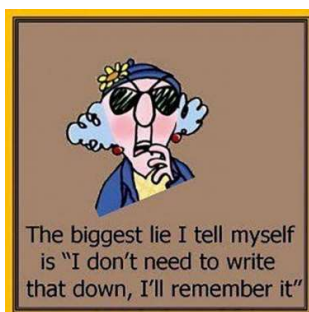
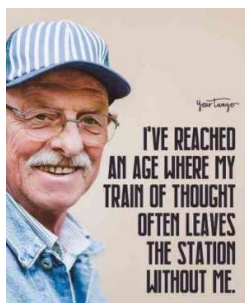
Please notify **Gay Forsyth** of any member that you know of who is ill or injured, so that we can give our support where needed. **PHONE 0438 588 858**

DINING OUT

Dining out on the third Thursday of the month will resume in February 2025. If you have any suggestions for a venue please contact Anne on 0427 749 272.

LOLA DAYS – Different Days for Different People

Friday 29 November: Logan Hyperdome, Christmas shopping – Cultural Centre platform 2 at 9:45am
Friday 6 December 1:00pm: Lord Mayor's Christmas Concert, All tickets have now been allocated.





Top: John and Cathy having a lovely time.
Definitely the stars of the show.
Top right: Beryl, James and Drina
Middle right: John and Caroline, just one of his
many partners.

Bottom left: entertainer Brad Holmes who did a
great job of getting nearly everyone up & moving.



Middle: Graeme & Dell neither of whom had
danced in decades.
Bottom right: Jenny & Beryl getting into
The mood.



OUT AND ABOUT IN THE COMMUNITY

LORD MAYOR'S CITY HALL CONCERTS

The Lord Mayor's lunchtime concerts on Tuesdays will resume in February 2025. The concerts are free & feature a variety of musical performances including tribute bands, classical musician, international tunes, world music bands & jazz groups.

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.

NEW FARM CINEMAS



CARDINAL - Cardinal Lawrence (Ralph Fiennes) is tasked with running this covert, centuries-old process after the unexpected death of the beloved Pope. Once the Catholic Church's most powerful leaders have gathered from around the world and are locked together in the Vatican halls, Lawrence finds himself at the centre of a conspiracy and discovers a secret that could shake the very foundation of The Church. Featuring an all-star ensemble cast including Stanley Tucci, Isabella Rossellini, Sergio Castellitto and John Lithgow, CONCLAVE is a lavish and complex tale of ambition, morality and the structures of power.

MAGIC BEACH – One for the grandchildren. After captivating children and families for 30 years, Alison Lester's beloved book MAGIC BEACH has been brought to life on screen by director Robert Connolly (Paper Planes) and some of Australia's leading animators. Take a trip with the ones you love through a unique mix of live action, entwined with extraordinary animated adventures that bring you to a dreamy seaside world where anything is possible. Featuring timeless characters, MAGIC BEACH is a captivating blend of reality and fantasy that inspires people of all ages to feel the sand beneath their toes and find wonder in the world around them.

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