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# NEWSLETTER

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## NEXT CLUB MEETING: 10.00 am. Thursday 12th May, 2022

## SDA Youth Hall, 121 Barbaralla Drive, Springwood

### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 2022-2023**

President: Alicia Cook 0413 307 050 Secretary: Barry Smith 0418884 742 Newsletter: Merv Richens 0420 373 162 Dine Outs: Graham Liddle 0403 046 200 Membership: Di Walker 0402 090 094 Welfare: Roni Harvey 0432 862 105 Vice President: Rolf Steenland 0421 190 426 Treasurer: Allan Johnson 0400 110 242 Guest Speakers: Lorraine Williams 0421 410 182 Outings: Rose Johnson 0417 606 234 Club Services: Helen Faulkner 0416 261 386 Past President: Jeff Beach 0418 783 300

### If unable to attend please phone your apology to Helen Faulkner (0416 261 386) before the meeting

### President's Message.

This month we celebrate the birthday of 2 members receiving OBEs. I am writing this President's message on Anzac Day, and remembering the year 2020 when the nation was in lockdown. Anzac Day that year showed an enormous amount of community spirit and support for our Anzacs. People of all ages coming together to celebrate Anzac Day within their towns, neighbourhoods and streets, braving the cool morning to participate in the dawn service. My neighbour, Ben played the Last Post on his trumpet and it was a very moving and somber occasion, with the sounds of bagpipes fading off in the distance. Can you recall your Anzac Day of 2020?



I certainly hope that the members who participated in the April dine out at the Lions had an enjoyable evening, as well as those who ventured out to Ferny Grove for the Tram tour.

I can still recall being on the tram, as they went down the winding road from Red Hill to Ashgrove. Sometimes I thought that I was going to fall out, especially when you are short and you had to stand and hang on, and hang on you did. I also remember when the big fire occurred at the tram depot at Paddington, which was the beginning to the end of Brisbane's tram era. Alicia

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**Guest Speakers:.** Our emergency guest speaker in April was our member, Peter Liosatos. Peter gave us a very interesting talk about his working life as a marine engineer. Starting off on steam ships then in later years moving to diesel motors. The male members found his talk informative, understanding the more intricate moving part of engines, with Dave Turner obviously very intrigued asking many interesting questions. Our lady members were more concerned with how Sharon coped with Peter being away so frequently.

Gail Harvey told us her story of growing up with a seafaring father, who was at sea for 9 months of the year. Tough on her mother and family.

Thank you Peter and Gail for sharing your stories, it was most enjoyable and made for a relaxing meeting.

May: Donald Waters: A local Australian Artist.

**June:** Heather Stock: Relationship Manager for the Royal Flying Doctor Service speaking about the history and the work they are now doing.

July: <u>Amanda Harvey:</u> Qld Rail Travel, will tell us about all the major Qld Rail Holiday Packages that we can enjoy.

Your new Management committee for 2022-23



### Coffee and Chat April

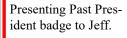
We had a wonderful morning at Coffee and Chat in the park this month with 16 members and two dogs ! Christine and Ted brought their new pup Charlie. Helen came with her grand-puppy. The sunshine was welcome and it was lovely to have dear Dorothy join us.

Everyone is welcome to bring along books to exchange or giveaway and anything else you may find useful. We bring our chairs and buy morning tea at Café 63 so they still have support.

We all enjoy the outside area but of course if it is wet I will book a table inside at Café 63 and I look forward to seeing you all again on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in May (3rd May).. Rose











### **Birthday Greetings May**

05 Margaret Richens (80) 07 Joan Bamforth 07 Alicia Cook(70) 11 Lyn Finn

11 Steve Douglas 11 Bruce Richardson(80)

18 Bob Pareezer23 Cheryl Pollock

### Your Club Calendar Outings and Activities

Date	Activity	Venue	Time
Tue 3rd May	Coffee and Chat	Springwood Park, Cinderella Drive.	10.00 am
Tue 10th May	Craft Group	Joan Bamforth (0416 076 276)	9.30 am
Thu 12th May	Our Club Meeting	SDA Youth Hall	10.00 am
Sat 14th May	Rotary Trivia Night	Club Beenleigh	6.30 pm
Thu 19th May	Pizza Beer & Wine	Underwood Park, Priestdale	11.30 am
Tue 24th May	Ten Pin Bowling Coordinator	Logan City Tenpin, 17 Wembley Rd. Bob Pareezer Phone: 0499 559 281.	10.00 am
Thu 26th May	Old St Marks Church	42a Winnetts Road, Daisy Hill	10.30 am
Every Wed	Walking Group. n.b. time change from 18th May.	Daisy Hill Forest Carpark 2	8.45 am 9.00 am
Every Fri	Social Meal Gathering	Various Venues as below	5.30 pm

### FRIDAY NIGHTERS

April so far has seen Friday Nighters visit three locations, being Gateway of India, followed by Woka Woka at Warrigal and Chatsworth Tavern. The first two were well attended with 15 of us at each, but Chatsworth Tavern followed the Dineout at Lions on Thursday, so only 8 attended the next day. At both locations we all had a great time and were served a variety of dishes to enjoy.

In May the roster will be as follows:-6<sup>th</sup> May HQ Hotel

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#### **Ten Pin Bowling April:**

April saw a smaller turn-out of regular ten pin bowlers as a few were on serious walks or camping!

However, the five of us had a lot of fun and giggles. The day was for Lyn Ahern who won both games with scores of 111 and 112, plus 5 strikes! Bob came second again on both games with 99 and 109.

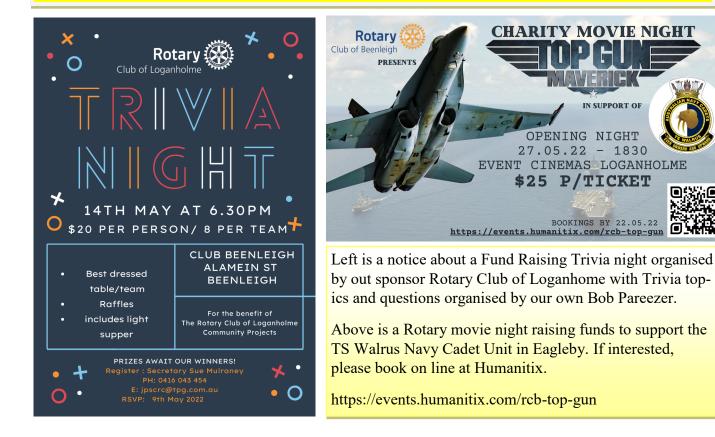
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The worst performance came from Graham with 17 gutters in 20 plays! He should have stayed in bed!! Di didn't do much better with 13 gutters!

You can see that we are there for the fun, so all members come along and enjoy yourselves for a couple of hours. Photos show first and last game scores, players, and Sybil finally getting the only other strike of the day!" Graham



In the UK they celebrate MAY with MAYPOLE and MORRIS/ DANCING



IN SPRINGWOOD, HELP US CELEBRATE MAY WITH A PIZZA & BEER/WINE LUNCH ON 19<sup>th</sup> MAY at 11.30am at

# **Underwood Park, Priestdale**



The Cost is \$20.00 per person Direct Payment by Monday, 16th May

Bendigo Bank: Account Name: Probus Club of Springwood IncBSB: 633 000Account No: 178 031 910Payment Reference:Pizza along with your name.

Don't forget your folding chair and a glass for wine drinkers!





28a Alamein St. Beenleigh 4207. Thursday, 16th June, 2022.

Dinner at 6.30pm - Own Cost

# For July The Beach House – Loganholme



Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022

Breakfast

# 8.30am – 9.00am

**Own** Cost

#### LIONS ROAR - PROBIANS JUST MAKE A LOT OF NOISE!

Full marks to Graham for being able to change the venue at the last minute. It's no easy task being dine outs person. No marks to the Probians who didn't show up.

The setting was fine and not too crowded. We could hear each other talk! And talk we did - you bet. (No masks - yippee!!) Thirteen of us laughed, commiserated, solved the world's problems and of course ate good food.

Not a "schnitty" to be seen. The new Lion's chef did himself proud as we all attempted different dishes, with no complaints to be heard.

Some of us lingered sociably long after we finished our meal - dessert was fleetingly discussed - but ..... we had a few ales instead.

I enjoyed the night except for one thing.

I DON'T like the tails kept on prawns in a creamy risotto. Pulleeeaase give me a finger bowl.!!!!! Carla.

In April we held our Anzac Day commemoration. Locally, intermittent showers with patches of sunshine. Many also attended a Dawn Service, as Carla describes in her article below.

#### LEST WE FORGET.

It's 3.00 am and I crawl out of my warm bed, quickly dress in the dark and sneak out of the house.

Phew! I don't think I woke anyone.

I pick up my son Trevor and grandson Jake and then drive down to Logan Village for the dawn service. I was surprised and delighted to see so many people arriving under a sea of umbrellas, oblivious of the rain.

A lone piper played, standing on the verandah of an old Queenslander and it brought a lump to my throat. The service was dignified, solemn, yet heart-warming, as Aussies joined with the Kiwis to sing our National Anthems.

School captains reminded us that remembrance ceremonies are not only for the old but also a teaching tool for the young.

The last post once again had tears rolling known my cheeks, this time with gratitude that the hearts and souls of Australians will always be prepared to defend our freedom and way of life.

With a lighter heart and every confidence in our future I met up with my other grandchildren for an early morning brekky at Maccas. How very Australian!

P.s. I heard about a school that told the children about Anzac Cookies. They should be horse whipped — ANZAC BIS-CUITS people!!!!!!

Carla

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning

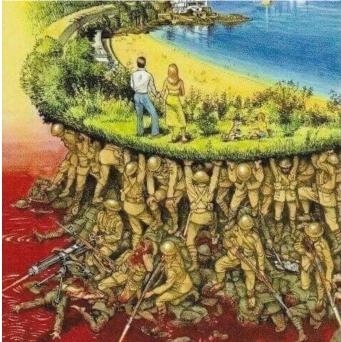
We will remember them.

<u>#AnzacDay</u> 🤍 🌷





The image below is, I feel, a really great illustration of the sacrifices made by those who have gone before us, to give us the freedom we enjoy



### Outing to Brisbane Tramway Museum-Ferny Grove in April



The museum has a wonderful display of photographs, uniforms and many items which tell the story of life in Brisbane in the first half of the  $20^{\text{th}}$  century.



Rose





It was lovely to hear members reminiscing of their youth travelling these trams. Some were more comfortable than others, the later ones had more protection from weather with windows. Some trams would carry up to 160 passengers both seated and standing, it would appear you could always get another passenger on a tram..





to numbers on front of tram.





## May Outing: Old St Marks Church

### 42a Winnetts Road, Daisy Hill

Thursday 26th May. 2022

Time: 10.30am to 11.30 am

We will be given a guided tour and photographic display of the history and the heritage listed church and cemetery trail by Mary-Louise and Sybil.

Those of us new to Daisy Hill will find the history of local families who built this area interesting and informative.

There is ample parking on church grounds and mobility level is good.

Lunch will be at Christophers, Alamanda Drive, Daisy Hill at 12 Noon. At your own expense.

<u>Please indicate when attending the May meeting if you are coming to lunch.</u>

## June Outing: Thursday 30th: University of Queensland Medical Centre

### Carmody Road, St Lucia. Thursday 30th

### Tour Time: 9.45am to 12 noon.

The Institute for Molecular Bioscience, (IMB) is the largest Institute at the University conducting an impressive array of research covering superbugs, pain, genomic and cardiovascular disease, stroke and development of pharmaceuticals.

This tour is restricted to only 24 people so please put your name on the sheet at reception as soon as possible if you wish to attend.

### All attendees must wear enclosed shoes and have long hair tied up neatly when in the laboratories.

Free morning tea will be provided by the university.

We will need to car pool as parking is limited and it is a short 10 minute walk to the laboratory.

Lunch will be at Genies Restaurant, 306 Carmody Road, St Lucia, at your own expense.

Please also indicate on the sheet at reception if you will be staying for lunch.

## **July Outing: Music Hall Melodies at Jacobs Well August Outing: Major Mini Golf Championship**



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### Member Profile: Ian Robinson

### My 72 years

My Dad pulled me out of Kedron High when I was 14 yrs old. (Because I didn't enjoy school that much) I commenced my 2 year employment immediately at Coles "New World" supermarket at Stafford (one of the first two in Qld, the other at Wynnum) this provided me with very good basic retail training.

Life was good, I bought a fishing rod with my first pay, (I still have it) then at the age of 15yrs, an old BSA 500cc motorcycle for 5 quid & rode it unregistered until the Police



Nikko weekend in Japan 1978

came knocking to tell

Dad he should pull me off the streets. I quickly learnt what can be acquired when earning a wage. I also learnt that it was better if you enjoyed the daily routine. So I got involved in the Motorcycle industry, working with the Qld importers for Yamaha & then Kawasaki. (eventually importing 850 bikes a month) These were undoubtedly the best 15 yrs of my working life. Living & breathing, selling & racing m/cycles 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week.

One of the many benefits of being a m/cycle salesman back in those days was offering to take all the girls that came in for a "test ride". I can't recall any that refused. Then one day an attractive, long-haired brunette floated into the showroom. She wasn't sure which brand of

bike to buy but thankfully decided on a Kawasaki. She nearly killed us both on Gympie Rd. Chermside doing a "U" turn during a lesson, but we survived. The risk to reward ratio was in my favour & 11 months later (1973) we were married, without getting engaged.

In 1975 we built a home at Cornubia, (which my parents thought was way out in the bush and it was.) At first there were only sheets for curtains & folding beach chairs, but we could see Stradbroke Is. from our back door, life was great. Two wonderful boys arrived. My wife Glenda, a Reg. Nurse did the hard yards & worked night shift so she could look after the boys during the day. In '78 I travelled to Japan on business. (Then 430 yen to the A\$ & \$1200 Qantas ex Sydney) For 28 yrs we enjoyed this location. We bought & sold several blocks of land. Bought a house at Sunrise Beach to rent but ended up using it as a weekender for 17 yrs. Good times.

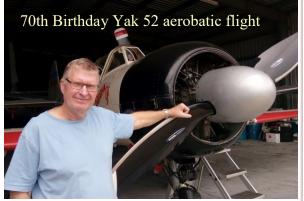
Time moves on, the boys developed their own lives. Glenda loved nursing. I became restless. We decided to sell & move permanently to the Sunrise Beach house. As I wanted to ease back a bit I didn't get a job. As expected, this didn't sit well with Glenda. 18mths later we moved back to Shailer Park. Back into the daily routine. We still had a love affair with the Nth Coast having earlier bought a block closer to the beach

with the view of building. Instead we bought a nice home at Castaways Beach (near Noosa) & again moved back to the coast, This time I got a job driving a commuter bus to Bris airport. A beautiful location but could not settle, so 15mths later moved back to Daisy Hill. (at least we are consistent) So after 28 yrs in the one location we had relocated 4 times in 11yrs.

I have experienced a vast range of employment with the appropriate variance in salary. In later life, say over the past 20yrs. I have been chasing the experience rather than the money. (Much to Glenda's concern) I have a short attention span & change jobs regularly, but am enthused with a new challenge. Whether it be wages, selfemployment or trading the Stock Market. The "experience" is what makes it worthwhile for me. I hate boredom.



Leaving for Cameron Crn. 2010



Speaking of experiences, I have tried to make a habit of doing things & not just talking about it. I rediscovered amongst other things, push bike riding. (After our youngest son took up Down Hill Mountain Bike racing) In 1997, I won the Qld Jeep Series MTB Down Hill for Vets 3. In 1998, decided to ride my pushy to Longreach (1330km in 11 days) a great holiday. Then in June 2000, loaded 22 ltrs of water on my pushy to ride solo from Charleville to the Burke & Wills "Dig Tree". This trip proved to be a bit too ambitious & was

terminated after a 1000km at Birdsville. I've studied early Australian explorers, visited some of their camp & grave sites on a m/cycle. (Sturt, 1843, Burke & Wills, 1861) Ridden a 1000 miles in under 24 hrs a couple of times. Prepared & raced a m/cycle for four years at Lake Gairdner, SA. (a dry salt lake approx. 30 km wide & 140km long. A spectacular sight 5 hrs north of Port Augusta) establishing and retaining a national class land speed record since 2015. All because I hadn't done it before & enjoy a bit of a challenge.

Glenda & I have come from loving & caring families. We have both

joyed good health & raised two handsome boys. We've managed to travel a little, with extensive Australian trips and enjoying a Greek Island cruise including Italy, Switzerland & Paris. However, still trying to find that "little bit of serenity", on our return we again purchased a home near the beach at Kingscliff. (Jan 2018) But due to privacy issues we moved back to our Daisy Hill home within

15mths.

I've been fortunate, mostly Glenda has been very patient with me. Both our boys live close by on the Goldie. They are happy & healthy. We are truly happy that we have been able to contribute in a practical way to improve their life. What more can we ask for? I like photography, writing poetry, reading & dot painting. (one a triptych, measuring 1.5 x 3m with 40,000 plus dots) Regrets, very few. Finally, we think we are settled back where we want to be, although the house is a bit big. For me, this "retirement" is a whole new lifestyle to learn. I am a novice & it needs my full attention to be enjoyed. The links below give more details of my adventures.

Crazyguyonabike. Solo into the outback

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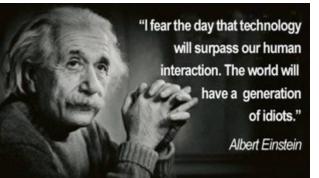
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Life is good ..... Live it.

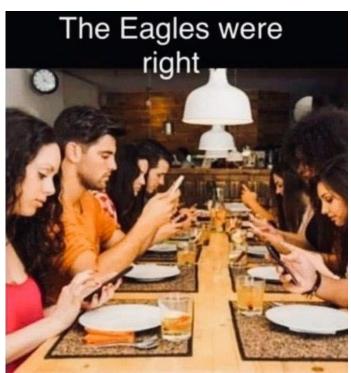






Pre internet chat room using An old version of windows...





# We are all just prisoners here, of our own device!

1 Opened a Book

"I opened a book and in I strode. Now nobody can find me. I've left my chair, my house, my road, My town and my world behind me. I'm wearing the cloak, I've slipped on the ring, I've swallowed the magic potion. I've fought with a dragon, dined with a king And dived in a bottomless ocean. I opened a book and made some friends. I shared their tears and laughter And followed their road with its bumps and bends To the happily ever after. I finished my book and out I came. The cloak can no longer hide me. My chair and my house are just the same, But I have a book inside me."

– Julia Donaldson



Thank goodness my book finally arrived,

