



NEWSLETTER



2024 December Edition

Fun, Friendship & Fellowship



Merry Christmas

Our **NEXT MEETING** is on **Wednesday 4th December** at **10:00am**.
and will be in the **Auditorium** "Church of Christ Aged Care", Dragon St., Warwick.

Don't forget that this meeting is our **Christmas Luncheon** and cost is \$35



WHAT'S ON

4th December

Our Christmas Lunch

Cost \$35

18th December

Our committee meeting

19th January, 2025

Presidents breakfast

Cost \$15

22nd January, 2025

"Grease" the musical at Lyric Theatre, QPAC, Brisbane

Cost \$110

12th March, 2025

"Sister Act" the musical at Lyric Theatre, QPAC, Brisbane

Cost \$110

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FROM OUR PRESIDENT



I have been reflecting on the meaning of the approaching festive season and the state of the world that we find ourselves living in, and the desperation of many of our fellow humans experiencing such hardship, because of poor leadership big egos or tribal jealousies.

Many people are brainwashed, by the commercialisation of Christmas, and think it is about giving presents to our friends and family, in the spirit of our Probus Club I believe that the best gift that we can give our friends is our unconditional friendship and love.

Many people seem to have forgotten the reason that we celebrate Christmas. It is after all a Christian festival celebrated by most people, Christian faith or not. Christmas is a time that fosters goodwill to all people, and I wish that we as a human race could learn from our obvious mistakes in the past.

We have an enjoyable month with our visit to the movies in Clifton to see "A Town like Alice" and a short visit to the aerodrome on the way home. Thank you to Sandy and Betty for organising this outing. It is also appropriate to thank all those members that help in so many ways to help make our club more enjoyable.

On behalf of Kath and myself and your committee I wish all a safe and happy Christmas

Remember Ah Too HE Say "When you make two people happy, one of them is sure to be you."

Kindest regards,

 Ron

HAGAR the Horrible





Reports from our Office Holders

SOCIALS by Betty / Sandy

Greetings all, hasn't the rain been wonderful.

Our day at the movies in Clifton was very enjoyable with lots of nostalgia. Ruth, with the assistance of Marie, looked after us very well as usual with morning tea on arrival before the movie "A Town Like Alice", starring



Peter Finch and Virginia McKenna. Not a dry eye in the house. We then walked down the road to the Irish Pub where we had a lovely lunch with alternate drop of 5 meals. After lunch some of the ladies walked across the railway line to the main street to do some retail therapy, before our trip home.

Ron had arranged for a gentleman from the local flying group to join us on the bus for a drive around the aerodrome. He then invited us to view some planes in a hanger with great descriptions of their abilities. We then headed home as a big storm had passed over town and we needed to see the results. I don't think anyone had any damage done.

Next on our calendar is our Christmas luncheon. If you haven't put your name down and wish to attend please let either Sandy or Betty before Friday 29th November, for catering purposes. This is our last get together before the Christmas – New Year break.

Sunday 19th January, 2025 is the date for our President's breakfast at 8am , Guy St Leslie Park BBQ area. Our experienced BBQ chef's Bob & Peter have been commissioned for the BBQ. Bacon & Eggs, Tomato, Toast and Tea & Coffee. Cost \$15. As usual please bring a chair and your crockery and cutlery. Again we need names in to Sandy or Betty by Friday 17th January.

For future day outings we are open to suggestions. One thought is a visit to Toowoomba taking in the Japanese Gardens and maybe a back stage tour of the Empire Theatre with morning tea and lunch. Any suggestions will be looked into. We are also looking for like minded people to take over the position of Social co-ordinator.

Thanks to all.

Betty & Sandy

SPEAKER by Dorothy

For our December meeting, we will be welcoming Lawrence Springborg as our speaker.



Reports from our Office Holders

CULTURE by Doug

If possible, and within reason, I am happy to pick people close to their homes. There is no extra cost. Park cars at WIRAC.

The Lyric Theatre QPAC on Wednesday 22nd JANUARY 2025

"GREASE" MUSICAL Show commences at 1:00pm

Cost: \$110.00



Leaving Churches of Christ Regency Recreational Rooms at 7:45am.
Proceeding along Dragon Street picking up on request at Locke Street.

Departing WIRAC at 8:00am. Planning to be at South Bank by 10:30 am, the bus can take you in to Brisbane central if required. We will depart from the same spot at 4:30pm after the show.

The Lyric Theatre QPAC on Wednesday 12th MARCH 2025

"SISTER ACT" MUSICAL Show commences at 1:00pm

Cost: \$110.00



Leaving Churches of Christ Regency Recreational Rooms at 7:45am.
Proceeding along Dragon Street picking up on request at Locke Street.

Departing WIRAC at 8:00am. Planning to be at South Bank by 10:30 am, the bus can take you in to Brisbane central if required. We will depart from the same spot at 4:30pm after the show.

Doug

Book Exchange

Members please don't forget our book exchange...
This has been very successful so far, so lets keep it going....

Bring a book along and swap it for another...





Contributions

.... WHERE IN THE WORLD

Could you be sitting in your vehicle, kerbside, in a tiny town and have two Emu's casually stroll by, on the footpath?

.... ONLY IN AUSTRALIA

At the end of September, my husband, two friends and I set out on an outback adventure in our 4WD vehicles.

We drove 7 and ½ thousand kms in three weeks and saw amazingly beautiful places and had some wonderful experiences.

Like poet, Jim Haynes advocated in his great Aussie poem, "Little Towns", we tried to stop in as many small towns as we could along the way. We sought out what made their town special and spent a few dollars, to support little towns.

It was in Ilfracombe, one of these small towns, we discovered the Machinery & Heritage Museum. Both truly impressive displays and well worth a visit.

Had we not stopped, I would have missed, for me, the best photo opportunity of our trip.

I was sitting in our vehicle, kerbside, camera in hand, when along the footpath, sauntered two Emu's, seemingly without a care in the world.

Quick as a flash I aimed my camera, one of the Emu's paused, looked my way and I snapped... He walked on, as if it was just part of his normal day. I got out to see if I could get another shot, but they scurried off, Emu fast...

As I asked previously,

.... WHERE IN THE WORLD

.... ONLY IN AUSTRALIA



Thanks Maree S.

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