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Maroondah Message

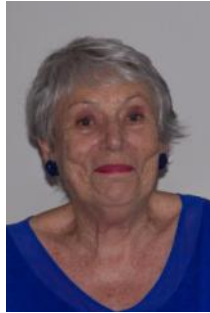
Dates to Remember

- **March 30**—Breakfast at Vue on Halcyon
- **April 1**—Branch Meeting at Maroondah Sports Club
- **April 4**—Ringwood Lake Walk
- **April 7**—Morning Melodies at Karralyka
- **April 14**—Afternoon Tea at Platinum
- **April 18**—Lilydale Lake Walk
- **April 24**—Lunch at Partake, Sage Hotel



Our first coffee gathering for 2019 will be held on **Thursday, April 25, 2:00 p.m.** at **Degani Café, Eastland**. This is situated in the same place as the former Café Zukka on the ground floor near the rear entrance to Myer.

MARCH MEETING



Beverley Moss returned once again to give yet another entertaining presentation. This time she regaled us with tales of her days as an air hostess in the 1960s when air travel was very different to the present day.

Air hostesses were selected for their looks and they attended very rigorous training schools which Beverley compared to being at a strict boarding school. Hostesses had to abide by stringent rules regarding such things as grooming, hair styles and weight. Those who did not comply with the rules lost their jobs. This included a ban on hostesses marrying.

Unlike today, when most people can afford to fly, in the 60s usually only wealthy people flew on a regular basis. People dressed to impress when they flew with men wearing suits and ties and ladies wearing their best finery including high heels and expensive jewellery. No track suits, hoodies or sneakers!

Also absent from 60s air travel was the strict airport security that is experienced today. Families could walk their relatives to the gate and no formal ID was required in order to travel.

Once again, we thank Beverley for providing us with not only an informative presentation but for making her talk extremely entertaining.



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NEXT MEETING



Our next meeting will be on **Monday, April 1**, at Maroondah Sports Club, Mt. Dandenong Road, Ringwood beginning at 2:00 p.m.

Entry to members and visitors begins at 1:40 p.m. Entry cost is \$4 which includes afternoon tea and entry into our lucky door prize competition.

Our speaker at this meeting will be former TV presenter, Annette Allison, OAM, Victorian Public Affairs Officer for Royal Flying Doctor Service. This should be another very entertaining and informative session.

QUIET PLEASE

A reminder that, as a courtesy to our speakers and other members, you are asked to remain quiet during presentations, as private conversations between members can be very distracting for everyone. This also includes post-presentation **question and answer** sessions. Thank you.



MORNING MELODIES



At our March meeting Peter Feeney will collect payments for the April 7 Morning Melodies presentation, **Practically Perfect** which are now overdue.

Payments for May 7 presentation, **Great Tenors**, are due to be paid at our April 1 meeting.

MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS AND PERSONAL DETAILS

It has come to our attention that some people who attend our meetings on a regular basis have not provided their National Seniors membership numbers. If you have not already done so, could you please provide your number to the Committee members on the sign-in desk at the next meeting.

Also, we require a home address and telephone number in case of emergency should we ever need to seek medical assistance for a member during a meeting. Fortunately this has not yet occurred but we need to be prepared for such an occurrence.

WALKING GROUP

New starting time for April walks is 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, April 4 — Ringwood Lake Walk Meet at the Lake car park. Access to this is from Mount Dandenong Road, down a driveway just before the Caltex petrol station, when heading towards Ringwood. This is a pleasant walk around the lake and up to Dublin Road into Railway Parade, East Ringwood, where we partake of morning refreshments at one of the local coffee shops.

We then retrace our steps back to the lake. A second circuit of the lake can be completed by the more energetic.

Thursday, April 18—Lilydale Lake Meet in the car park off Swansea Road. We walk around the lake before enjoying a cuppa at a local café.

Please note arrangements for extremely hot or wet days:

We will meet at the usual meeting place for the walk of the day and then drive to the café we would have walked to.



Dine-outs Coming Up

Breakfast: Saturday, March 30 at 9:30 a.m.—Vue on Halcyon, Uplands Road, Chirnside Park.

Afternoon Tea: Sunday, April 14 at 2:00 p.m.—Platinum, 1 East Ridge Drive, Chirnside Park.

Breakfast and Afternoon Tea bookings can be made on line or by phoning **Judith Griffith** on **0413472697**.

Lunch: Wednesday, April 24 at 12:30 p.m.—Partake Restaurant, Sage Hotel, Eastland.

Lunch bookings can be made on line or by phoning **Kathleen Jackson** on **9723 4919**.

In the event that you book for a dine-out and are unable to attend, please let the person responsible for the booking



DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday, May 19



Visit to **Labassa Mansion**, Caulfield. \$12 concession. Extra gold coin to enter the tower.

Tea rooms are open to cater for light lunch or Devonshire tea. Alternatively BYO lunch.

Entry is free to National Trust members.

Travel arrangements and more details will be provided later..

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GET WELL WISHES...

to all our members who are unwell. If you know of anyone who is sick at home or in hospital please contact our Welfare Officer, **Anne Hamilton** on 0408 382 608 so that she can send them personal messages.



**NOTICE FROM NATIONAL SENIORS REGARDING
MEMBERSHIP PRICE CHANGES**

Please note that National Seniors have increased their membership fees in line with CPI increases.

The new fee structure, commencing 1 March 2019, is as follows:

1 Year Single \$45	1 Year Joint \$75
2 Year Single \$80	2 Year Joint \$125
3 Year Single and Joint are no longer offered	
5 Year Single New \$195	5 Year Joint New \$295
Lifetime Single \$425	Lifetime Joint \$650

BELEURA HOUSE AND GARDENS TOUR

Tuesday, October 22

As bookings for tours of Beleura in Mornington fill very quickly, we have reserved the above date for our branch.

The cost is \$39 concession which includes entry, guided tours, morning tea on arrival and a light lunch.

Car-pooling will be organised later.

In order to meet Beleura's payment requirements, members who book will need to finalise their payment by September 20.

Beleura was built on the Mornington Peninsula in 1863 by Scottish immigrant James Butchart. Its final owner was the composer John Tallis who bequeathed Beleura to the people of Victoria as a memorial to his late father, Sir George Tallis, the well-known theatre entrepreneur and head of J.C. Williamson Ltd.



.....to those members who celebrate their birthdays in April:

John Jenz, Dave Morris (13th), Bev Jackson (23rd), Xanthoula Wrigley (23rd), Gail Arkins (23rd) and Trish Nixon (30th)