

PALMERSTON AND LITCHFIELD SENIORS ASSOCIATION INC (PLSA). NEWSLETTER

Month: November 2021



MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR

FROM THE PRESIDENTS DESK

Good morning to you all and welcome to our last newsletter for 2021. How the year has flown even with lockdowns and other "bumps along the road". We have held our AGM and our committee for the coming year is as follows:

Management Committee

President- Margaret Lee Secretary- Sally Howarth Treasurer- Sheryl Sephton Public Officer - Neville Driver

Committee Members

Janette Ashby, Glenda Bradbury, Gerry Crowhurst, Val Haydock, Helen Lemcke, Elin McCarthy, Trevor Miller, Angie Ng, Trudi Segura and Diane Spicer. You will notice there is no Vice President and that position is still open.

Our final events are coming up:

- Last Morning Tea at Humpty Doo on December 1st
- Christmas Lunch at Cazaly's on December 9th.
- Humpty Doo Morning Teas will recommence on Wednesday, February 2, 2022.
- Cazaly's recommence on Thursday 27th January 2022.

Bookings for the Christmas lunch have commenced and remember you **must have become a member by August 31st to be eligible to attend and bookings must be made in person**. Our final major raffle will be drawn at the lunch and there will be door prizes and Lucky Numbers.

Thank you to those members who have volunteered their services throughout the year for raffle ticket selling and BBQ duty. Rest assured your efforts are very much appreciated and we couldn't do without them.

Stay safe over the Holiday season and we look forward to seeing you all in 2022.

Marg Lee

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MORNING TEA

Our Morning Teas at **Cazaly's Palmerston Club** are held on the **2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month between 10am and 12noon.** We run a raffle at each Morning Tea (tickets are either \$2 ea or 3 for \$5) and we have Bingo that is played on the 4th Thursday, free of charge

Morning Tea dates are as follows: 25th November 9 December – Christmas Lunch



HUMPTY DOO & RURAL AREA GOLF CLUB

MORNING TEA 1st Wednesday each month

Upon arrival, PLSA members will show their PLSA Membership Card and will receive a HDGC Membership.

The format of Seniors Morning Tea will be similar to that of Cazaly's Palmerston Club. In addition, the HDGC will provide PLSA with 3 x \$20 vouchers to be used for our usual Morning Tea Raffle (Tickets \$2ea or 3 for \$5). There will be a minimum of three prizes drawn.

The HDGC is located at 565 Pioneer Drive, corner Pioneer Drive and Norm Lane. Humpty Doo.

We look forward to seeing you at the Humpty Doo Golf Course.



Specials for Seniors TRADING HOURS: Monday-Thursday: 9am-5pm Friday: 9am-6pm

Kleenheat Gateway EVENT CINEMAS



Events Cinema at Gateway Shopping Centre, negotiating the delivery of Movie Mornings for our members. We are pleased to announce that we have scheduled the following dates:

Monday 21st February, 2022

It is anticipated that the light morning tea with coffee and tea provided; will commence at 10am and the movie will commence at around 10.30am. The light morning tea will be provided by Event Cinemas.

We will be able to use the VMax Cinema (more comfortable) provided we have a minimum of 50 people attend and seating will not be restricted.

When we are aware of what movie is available the PLSA will advise members. Event Cinemas will charge the PLSA \$12/person, including the light morning tea. The PLSA will subsidise these events by 50%.

PLSA must provide Event Cinemas with a full list of names and contacts of those people attending (NT Government requirement).



Seniors Morning Tea



10:30am – 12:00pm 70 Challoner Cct., HumptyDoo (08) 89 881200

Morning Tea the 2nd Friday each month



Your First Call Pharmacy Professionals

Welcome to Blooms The Chemist Bakewell, your new community pharmacy. Our friendly pharmacist Deus and our helpful Blooms The Chemist team are here to support you and your family's health and wellbeing.

Blooms The Chemist Bakewell offers a range of services to help you be at your absolute best, from flu vaccinations, in-store health services such as blood pressure evaluation and sleep apnoea testing, to free medication packing to take the hassle out of daily medications.

Be rewarded for shopping with us by joining our customer rewards program. As a My HealthRewards member, you'll earn points for every dollar spent* and unlock Rewards vouchers, bonus points and exclusive offers. And if you're over 60, you'll also receive an extra 5% off* when shopping in-store; just scan your My HealthRewards card at the checkout.

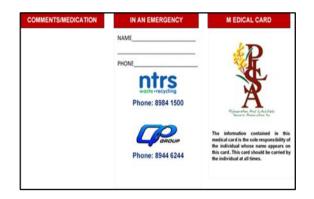
Plus, when you shop at Blooms The Chemist Bakewell, you're supporting a locally owned business *and* making a difference in the lives of critically ill kids around the country. We're proud to be an official partner of the inspirational charity, Make-A-Wish Australia, helping to grant life-changing wishes for children living with critical illnesses.

We look forward to seeing you in-store soon.

*Applicable on eligible purchases only. See full Ts&Cs for more information.

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY CARDS

PLSA has In Case Of Emergency cards printed to be distributed to our members. Another way to keep you safe wherever you are. Just put your details on the back of the card and keep it with you at all times.



NO HASSALL'S ELECTRICAL AIR CONDITIONING AND SOLAR

As you will recall, No Hassall's Electrical Air conditioning and Solar donated 4 x \$50 Gift Vouchers as door prizes for our Seniors Christmas Lunch in 2020.

They continue to provide service to seniors of Palmerston and Litchfield by offering 10% discount on services across their field to seniors who hold a current NT Seniors Card. They are located at 1/7 Adams Road, Yarrawonga – a local business.

Telephone number is: 0400 675 639

We Love Volunteers

If you are interested in Volunteering your time to help our PLSA Committee with fundraising.

Please Contact Our Secretary:

Sally Howarth

secretary@plsa.com.au

Updating Contact Details

Updating your Contact Details is very important for good communication. When you receive emails from our Secretary can you please answer so we know you have received it. If you have changed any of your contact details please email: secretary@plsa.com.au or phone Sally on 04091952 57.

THANK YOU

To our local members for your support throughout 2021. We look forward to working with you in 2022.





Hello and welcome to the newsletter.

Firstly, I would like to thank the Litchfield community who voted in our new Council at the election in August.

The last two months have been full of introductions and getting our heads around Council's plans and policies.

We are all very committed to our community and looking forward to future planning for Litchfield.

We have had some big works projects taking place over the last few months and more in the months ahead. The Mango Strategic Roads project is getting closer to being finalised with three of the four roads complete. Kentish Road works have commenced and it is anticipated that these will be finalised mid-2022.

Virginia Road is now complete with a new reseal on a section that the pavement was failing. The road was closed for a period of approximately three weeks which allowed the works to be completed quickly and efficiently

The Federally funded Black Spot project on Power Road is continuing, with completion expected early December 2021, weather permitting. The widening of the floodway will provide a safer drive for commuters and residents on this road.

Building plans are underway for the new multipurpose community building to be erected on the Council office land at 7 Bees Creek, Freds Pass. This building will provide a meeting, events, conference, and activities space available to community organisations, businesses, and individuals, as well as being the new Council Chambers. This building is expected to be complete mid-2022.

There are some great Council activities in the new year, our annual Australia Day Event.

This is a free, fun day packed full of exciting things for the whole family, including free bacon and egg breakfast, jumping castles, face painting, fun run and of course the awarding of the 2022 Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year and Community Event of the Year. Be sure to pencil this into your diary. Then there is the Litchfield Art Exhibition 2022. We are calling for nominations now for artists. The Exhibition is held on the first weekend in March and it is a great way of showcasing our talented, local artists. Check out the website for details on how to enter the Exhibition.

Our community newsletter is now out. Visit the Council website to have a read and learn all about your new Councillors and upcoming works.

As this is the last newsletter of the year, I would like to wish you all a very safe and Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. I look forward to keeping in touch in the new year and reporting on many more projects that we are working on as part of this year's Municipal Plan.

Stay safe. Doug Barden Mayor

PLSA Committee Members have new email addresses

President: president@plsa.com.au

Vice President: vp@plsa.com.au

Public Officer: publicofficer@plsa.com.au

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Treasurer: treasurer@plsa.com

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Silver Sponsors

- Cazaly's Palmerston Club;
- Didgeridoo Hut & Art Gallery;
- Palmerston Shopping Centre; and
- Bunnings Palmerston;

Bronze Sponsors:

- Arafura Bluewater Charter:
- Bunnings Warehouse
 Palmerston;



Where is Cutterz & Minx? What is Cutterz & Minx?

Ladies – need your hair looked after – why not call Alesha from Cutterz & Minx Hair and Beauty, located in the Palmerston Shopping Centre.

Call 8931 0035

The Treasurer, Sheryl Sephton has secured another sponsorship to assist our seniors!

Cutterz & Minx Hair and Beauty have agreed to provide 2 Gift Certificates per month. Each Gift Certificate is for One Free Senior's Haircut, value \$31.00. The PLSA is going to provide a Gift Certificate as an additional raffle prize at Morning Tea. Don't forget to check with Alesha what their monthly specials are.

PALMERSTON DRIVER VOLUNTEER PROGRAM (PDVP)

COVID-19 caused many issues during 2020, however we are pleased to advise that the PDVP is up and running again.

We currently have four volunteer drivers who are all based in Palmerston. Whilst they certainly are doing Litchfield pickups, it would be good if we could get a couple of volunteer drivers from the Litchfield region.

If you have the time, a registered and insured vehicle please call our Treasurer, Sheryl Sephton 0439 342 400 and Sheryl would only be too pleased to assist in getting you going. Specsavers

Specsavers at Oasis Shopping Centre have now come on board with the PLSA to support seniors.

Why not call Specsavers Oasis for all your glasses needs on 8932 6188 and talk to a member of their friendly team

The most revealing

eye test yet

Advanced 3D eye scan

Every Test No Extra Charge

Opening Hours:

 Mon
 9am - 5:30pm

 Tue
 9am - 5:30pm

 Wed
 9am - 5:30pm

 Thu
 9am - 7pm

 Fri
 9am - 6pm

 Sat
 8:30am - 4pm



Christmas in Palmerston

Christmas is fast approaching and I'm sure that many people are looking forward to the holidays. This year City of Palmerston will run the interactive light display, Christmas in Palmerston, from 17 December until 24 December, 5-10pm each day. This event was greatly attended last year, and it is certain to be a hit again this year.

Gray Community Hall

Works are continuing at Gray Community Hall, although the Lockout has seen it slow a little and a progress tour of the facility was unfortunately cancelled. However, we expect it to be completed by the end of the year and look forward to welcoming the community back to Gray Community Hall in the new year.

SWELL

We were successful in being awarded a \$5M grant from the Commonwealth Government's Building Better Regions Fund. This funding was the final piece of the financial puzzle for the pool redevelopment and will now allow council to commence this significant revitilisation work. Tenders for the project will be released shorty with work expected to commence next dry season.

Zuccoli Community Hub

Consultation has just recently been completed for the Zuccoli Community Hub. This is another exciting development that will include a variety of elements and result of the community consultation should come back to the council for consideration. The current proposal includes a children's library, community hub, community garden, garden of reflection, pump track, basketball courts, playground and dog park.

Palmerston Australia Day Awards

Nominations for the Palmerston 'Citizen of the Year', 'Young Citizen of the Year' and 'Community Event of the Year' are open until 26 November. If you know of someone in the community or an event that has made a huge difference to the lives of people living in Palmerston, please nominate them for one of these prestigious awards.

Positive Pets Palmerston

Would you like to get great advice from our Rangers, meet new people, exercise and take your dog out for a walk? The Paws, Ponds and Parks Walking Group is for you! Join our friendly rangers for a walk around Palmerston's great parks. The next meeting is on 15 December, 5:30pm – 6:30pm in Johnston. The meeting point will be advised on Council's website or call the council office closer to the date on 8935 9922.

I hope you all have a great Christmas and I look forward to seeing you all in the new year.

Athina Pascoe-Bell **Mayor of Palmerston**

