

# NEWSLETTER

MAY 2024

## READ ALL ABOUT IT!



### RESERVING TABLE AT OUR FUNCTIONS

Our new table reserving policy was implemented and proved reasonably successful at our recent dance function which, by the way, was very well attended and turned out to be another successful fun night for those who attended.

To RESERVE tables, your group appoints one member to do so in the office. It must be arranged prior to and outside of the office and be a reservation for one complete table. We had to however increase the number of people per table from 10 to 12.

It is of course totally acceptable for groups of people of – say 8 and 4 – to together book the table of 12, provided that:

- this is arranged outside of the office before reserving the table,
- **one member** has to pay for the full table in one transaction.

Further, it is very unlikely (not impossible, unlikely) that we will entertain the idea of refunding for a reserved table. Refunds for individual ticket holders are a little different. We will refund on provision of your original ticket, and it must be within a

reasonable timeframe, ie, at least one full week prior to the event. No original ticket, no refund.

### COMING SOCIAL EVENTS

**Mothers Day** will be on Tuesday 7 May. Kathy Lewis has arranged a caterer to provide a lovely lunch. A flyer with all of the information (even including the menu) was placed on the notice board. One week later all the tickets were sold out.

NOTE: On Mothers Day:

- 8.30 and 9.30 KEEP FIT CLASSES **will be held.**

- 10.30 Keep Fit

- 11.30 Better Balance both **CANCELLED.**

- QI GONG **will go ahead** but will start at 3.00pm.

**Group Outing** - Louise had organised another bus trip for this month. This time it was to go to THE GIANTS in Mandurah. The tickets to this one sold extremely fast. So fast that she is thinking she may need to arrange another trip to the Giants again this year in the coming months. If you are interested, watch the Board.

### COMMITTEE CORNER

We need a Committee Corner so we can tell you all the new things that are going to happen.

First, we are still trying to work out what the City of Joondalup annual facility hire fees will be. As soon as we are sure of the details we will let you all know.

Next, the Committee decided to change our fee structure for activities like Keep Fit and Better Balance, Ballroom Dancing and some of the Ceramics. Members participating in the various fee-attracting activities will be required to contribute \$5 each session from 1 July this year. It is proving to be time-consuming counting all the coins and they are difficult to transport when it comes to banking so carrying notes instead of coins will make it easier on our office volunteers.

The Sewing Group needed a new overlocker this month and the Committee has agreed to finance it.

We found the Qi Gong session became extremely popular with so many of our new members giving it a go. Some have been absolutely elated that they did and almost never miss a session.

In fact, some of them have enjoyed it so much they sought extra time but for CHAIR YOGA which they are now doing on Friday afternoons as well as their Qi Gong on Tuesday afternoons. Our Jason Pachol is our Qi Gong and Chair Yoga instructor. There is a flyer on our main board extolling the virtues of both Chair Yoga and Qi Gong

We have two new volunteers in the office, Malou is helping Lorraine and Carol is helping everyone with everything!

And speaking of helping. We have really noticed some differences in the kitchen. The dishes, the tea towels and just tidying and cleaning up. Some lovely members have been helping with those chores. However, as for Second Bite which a lot of us enjoy from Alan King, it is shocking to see people after taking their share of the goodies waltzing out without a care about Alan being left to clean up afterwards, save for of course, those one or two stalwarts who are always left holding the baby (or the bags of rubbish to clean up in this instance).

Goodness, as if the fantastic facilities provided by the Club aren't enough, taking this generosity on Alan's part for granted is not very attractive.

Our Club has so many people doing such amazing things it is as if we were living in a resort. But we are not. We should remember, we would not have a club like ours if we did not have volunteers.

## MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Have you paid your annual membership fees? They are now overdue if you have not paid.

## UNSUBSCRIBE

REMINDER - Our new Vice President has been responsible for emailing the Newsletter to you for the past 2 years or so. He has asked if you are looking to be removed from our newsletter emailing list, that you UNSUBSCRIBE. He cannot remove you from the list himself. If he does, you will re-appear on any subsequent upload. Therefore, look for "UNSUBSCRIBE" at the very end of a copy of the Newsletter (at the bottom of the page), and click on the part of the sentence where it says "unsubscribe from this list". Then the email program will not accept your email address in the future.

## BBQ GIVEAWAY

The Club is giving away to any interested members 2 large BBQs that are no longer in use.

With current membership approaching 1000 and shortage of volunteers willing to do the grilling, we have moved to catering and have a couple of large, 6 burner BBQs that need a new home:

- Jumbuck Voyager 6
- Jackeroo Elite 6

Both are in need of a good clean and possibly service. They come with a couple of gas bottles each. Preference

will be given to members who promise to help with our next in house social event. ;-)



## MEMBERS' CORNER

It is obvious we need a members' corner as well, so here is a contribution from a member.

### Where was I?

Just a line to say I'm living;  
That I'm not among the dead;  
Though I'm getting more forgetful  
And so mixed up in my head.

I've got used to my arthritis,  
To my dentures I'm resigned;  
I can cope with my bi-focals,  
But ye gods I need my mind.

There are times I can't remember  
When I'm standing on the stair –  
If I should be going up,  
Or have I just come from there.

And before the fridge is opened,  
Now my mind is full of doubt;  
Did I put some food away -  
Or have I come to take some out

## HUMOR

