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President's Words

I don't know about you but I really love watching "Grand Designs", a British hour long show on the ABC every Sunday evening at 7.30p.m., when the current season is showing on television. As I type this I have just finished watching a family exist whilst the father, with some help, designed and made his thatched house for well over a full ten year period.

He utilised timber, stone and sand from the local area to create something that we will never see the likes of again. The cathedral-like glass window in the main living area was hewn from the same tree, split down the centre to form a perfect arch. Even made hinges for the doors out of timber.

Amazing what one can do when the desire is there to achieve and without any coercion emerges to be a success. For the past twenty years or so, give or take a day or two, Anne Bertram has supported this Program as well as, in her way, the State. As our Coordinator she has taken the Program forward with all Members and Participants receiving nothing but her best in all aspects of the Program and its' needs.

We all have needs, wants and desires without working for each and every one of these three things no one would ever achieve. From each and every Member on Management, down through to the Convenors, co-convenors and members, past and present we applaud this milestone of yours Anne. Without your support we truly would not have what we have today.

Accept our bouquets and hand clapping Anne. It has certainly been earned.

Cheers Ethel

There have been no new members this month. Welcome participants!

May Birthdays



Ist Derek Mann; 4th Mary Doyle; 9th Mary Buckley; I Ith Mina Amba Lee; I 2th Fay Hancox; I 5th Maree O'Hanlon; I 6th Pat Hall & John O'Hanlon; 20th Mary Leach; 26th Christine New & Christine Yeo; 30th Bill Williams



Happy Birthday to you all!

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

21—27 MAY

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."

Helen Keller

The verb was first recorded in 1755. It was derived from the noun volunteer, in <u>C</u>.1600, "one who offers himself for military service," from the <u>Middle French</u> voluntaire. in the non-military sense, the word was first recorded during the 1630s.

Volunteering is often thought of as a selfless act with the emphasis focusing on the fact that your time and resources benefit others. However, as many a volunteer has discovered, although the primary goal is to help others, your sense of accomplishment in volunteering often brings to you a sense of pride, an increase in self-confidence and a new awareness of your inner person.

Although the fundamental goal through volunteering may be to help others, it is also about making a difference in the community, creating new friendships, learning new skills and simply enjoying the experience that helping others brings to you.

Many non-profit organisations may be comprised entirely of volunteers, therefore not all the services would be able to be provided if it wasn't for the important, vital contribution that the volunteers provide.

Some questions that you should ask yourself prior to offering your services as a volunteer might be – is there a cause that is close to my heart? What skills can I contribute? How much time am I willing to commit?

Contacting a group or organisation that you're passionate about will also enable



you to offer your services with enthusiasm giving you a sense of achievement and purpose. It can also bring meaning and purpose to your life, and increase your self-esteem and well-being.

From Wikipedia

Volunteers from around the world came to <u>Ithaca</u>, <u>Queensland</u> to address an influenza epidemic through the <u>Women's Emergency Corps</u> (later the <u>Women's Volunteer Reserve</u>) in July 1919.

MOTHER'S DAY IN AUSTRALIA

Many Australians celebrate Mother's Day by showing their appreciation for the achievements and efforts of mothers and mother figures. It is annually observed in Australia on the second Sunday of May.

Following the losses of World War I, a Sydney woman Jane Heyden, a resident of Leichhardt Sydney,

became concerned for the lonely, forgotten aged mothers at Newington State Hospital where she regularly visited a friend.

She successfully started a campaign for donations which could be distributed to the ladies, approaching schools and businesses with a request for gifts. She organised small gift parcels to brighten the lonely lives of the mothers in the home for destitute women.

This was 1924 and Mother's Day was first held in Australia, a wonderful tradition commenced that continues to the current day, although it has now become heavily commercialised.



Traditionally, the Chrysanthemum is given to mothers for Mother's Day as the flower is naturally in season during May, which is Autumn in Australia.

While Mother's Day initially began to promote peace and support for women, over the years in Australia, it has become an occasion for family reunions.



Some funny true sayings relating to mothers -

- Your lost things usually suddenly appear when your mother starts looking for them!
- Sorry, your argument is wrong... I am your mother!
- Folk wisdom says that nothing is really lost until your mother can't find it!

My mother said to me, "If you are a soldier, you will become a general. If you are a monk, you will become the Pope."

Instead, I was a painter and became Picasso.

Pablo Picasso



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The Eyes Have It

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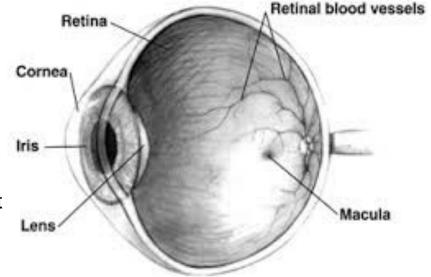
Many people in our community are at risk of developing macular disease but just don't know it. Those over 50 are at higher risk of age-related macular degeneration, and everyone with diabetes is at risk of developing vision loss from retinopathy.

A diet rich in fish, fresh fruit and veggies in combination with regular exercise has been shown to help prevent macular disease. Avoiding smoking and protecting your eyes from UV light with a hat and sunglasses is also recommended. People at higher risk of macular disease may consider taking dietary supplements formulated for eye health such as Macuvision (Blackmores) which contains anti-oxidants, or supplements containing Zeaxanthin and Lutein.

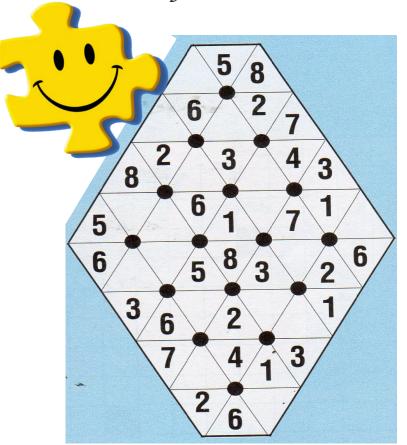
It's essential to have a regular eye test including a macula check, as you can have the early stages of the disease without knowing. If you're at risk, Macula Month is the perfect time to have your eyes tested by an optometrist.

Also, no matter what your age, if you have sudden changes in your vision you need to have your eyes tested immediately.

This article was submitted by Susan Gaskell, optometrist at Laubman and Pank Optometrists, Riverlink.



Your monthly mind exercises and just a little laughter



Place digits in the empty triangles, so that the numbers in each hexagon adds up to 25.

Only single digits between I and 9 can be used, and no two digits in any hexagon may be the same.

Did you know?

- * Composer and lyricist Irving Berlin couldn't read or write music and could only play the piano in F sharp?
- * In a deck of cards the king of hearts is the only king without a moustache?

Something a little different -

- I. There is one common uncapitalised word whose consonant sounds are Y, N,S,K and L in that order. What is the word?
- 2. Unscramble the letters in the phrase IMPLY DISC to form two common words that are opposites of each other.

Are you game?

When you've solved the five anagrams, the initial letters in the shaded column will spell out an indoor game.

RUNDUG			
MARUTEA			
ARCIND			
BLUEROT			
SLOMBY			

Odd One Out - In each case, which is the odd word out and why?

- I. CRIMSON, TURQUOISE, VERMILION, CERISE
- 2. UPPER, SOLE, STEP, WELT
- 3. CLARINET, TUBA, FLUTE, OBOE
- 4. SUN, STAR, CLOCK, WHEEL
- 5. PINE, ASH, AZALEA, BEECH
- 6. TOMATO, LEMON, POTATO, ORANGE



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	60 &	BETTER GR	OUPS			
Art Group	Thursdays 1.30pm-4pm	* Donation BYO Art Supplies A/Tea to share	Annex Humanities Building	Ted 3288 6398		
Boccia	Tuesdays 9am-12pm	* Donation includes Morning Tea	Annex Humanities Building	The Office 3282 8644		
Bridge	Wednesdays 11.45am-2pm	* Donation	Cafeteria Humanities Building	Garry 3281 4072		
Chess	Tuesday 10 –12noon	* Donation	Office, Humanities Building	The Office 3282 8644		
Concert Party	Fridays Ipm-2.30pm Practice	* Donation Bring A/Tea to share 2.30pm -3 pm	Auditorium Humanities Building	Kath Hogan 3201 6075		
Discussion Group	Friday 10.30am-12 pm	* Donation	60 & Better Office	The Office 3282 8644		
Gentle Exercise	Tuesdays 9.45am-10.45am Fridays 9.30am-10.30am	NO CLASSES IN MAY	Congregational Church Hall, Wildey St, Raceview	The Office 3282 8644		
Cuppa & Chat After Class	Tuesday I lam-I l.30am Friday I 0.30am-I lam	No Cuppa & Chat in May	Congregational Church Hall, Wildey St, Raceview	The Office 3282 8644		
Tai Chi for Diabetes	Wednesdays 2pm-3pm	\$5 May Instructor: Roslyn	Cafeteria, Humanities Building	The Office 3282 8644		
Movie Buffs	Saturday 12th May Pick ups from 8am	Movies \$4.50 Pensioners \$6.50 Seniors Bus \$10	Cineplex Redbank Plaza	The Office 3282 8644		
UFO: Un-Finished Objects * Donation						

<u>UFO:</u> Un-Finished Objects * Donation Thursday 10th & 24th May 10am Start 60 & Better Office

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60 & BETTER GROUPS continued * \$2 donation welcomed					
Newsletter Editing Sub Committee	Mon 14th May 1 pm	No Cost	60 & Better Office	The Office 3282 8644	
Newsletter Workshop	Wednesday 30th May 9am	M/Tea Provided	60 & Better Office	The Office 3282 8644	
60 & Better Social	General Meeting 10am May 2nd Red Cross Room Speakers: Q&A session with Fran Thorpe & Sue Broadbent (My Aged Care)			The Office 3282 8644 RSVP asap	
Social Sub Committee	I.30pm 21st May		60 & Better office	The Office 3282 8644	
Table Tennis	Tues Ipm- 4.30pm Fri Ipm- 4.30pm	* Donation Bring A/Tea to share	Annex, Humanities Building	The Office 3282 8644	

Activities in Partnership with Ipswich 60 & Better					
Square Dancing	Monday Ipm - 3pm \$6 Beginner I2 noon -Ipm \$3	Caller: Kay Walker Town & Country Squares	Annex, Humanities Building	The Office 3282 8644	
Stroke Support Group	Friday 18th May 10am		Silkstone Baptist Church Hall	Bill Waterson 3281 4925	
Tai Chi for Health	Tuesday Ipm advanced 2pm beginners	\$3	Goodna Neighbourhood House	Phone 3818 1648	
Fitness Activities LOW COST SESSIONS For detailed information please visit: www.infoundation.org.au Or phone the IHF office on: 1300 736 428					
Prostate Cancer Support Group	Thursday 17th May 7.30pm		Cafeteria Humanities Building	Len Lamprecht 32813656	

Terylene: the miracle fabric

Terylene was described as a 'miracle fabric', made of 55% terylene and 45% wool. In the days leading up to the 1958 Ipswich Show, Beirne's was advertising the "Terylene Television Demonstration" in the main pavilion. The Television can be seen in the corner, along with a man filming the display on an early home-movie camera. There is also a piano on the display stage. Irish retailer T.C. (Tom) Beirne started a small branch of the store in August 1893. The premises on the corner of Nicholas and Union Streets were built in 1902. The first Ipswich Show was held on 13th May 1873 at Churchill. The show moved to its present site on Warwick Road in 1877. (Information taken from Ipswich Show Society website, retrieved 25 October 2010 from http://ipswichshow.com.au/html/show_facts.html)



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ATTN: Public Holidays

Monday 7th May Labour Day

Friday 18th May **Ipswich Show** Day

Office closed and the regular activities will not be held on these days.

Make the most of your vacation: worry less about what's going on back at home

Before you go on a vacation, the majority of us check to make sure we have everything we need to enjoy ourselves – camera, toothbrush, money, umbrella, spare undies, etc. Taking certain measures in your home before you venture off is equally as important for an enjoyable holiday. Who wants to worry about burglaries and other crime when you're away? Minimise the risk of criminal activity and need to stress by considering the following.

When your house looks 'lived in' – when someone is home – criminals are less likely to attempt to break in. To achieve this 'lived in' look, ask a trusted neighbour or friend to collect your mail (this includes junk mail and newspapers) or have it redirected or held at the post office, cancel your milk/bread/grocery deliveries, arrange for someone to water your lawn and plants and mow, leave some inexpensive items on the clothesline, consider purchasing a timer to go on a couple of your lights and set them to turn on and off at certain times of the day, have someone put out and bring in your wheelie bin, and ask a friend or neighbour to park their vehicle in your driveway.

Many burglars call your phone first to make sure no one is home before invading. To prevent this, avoid telling callers that you're away by leaving a message on the answering machine and turn the ringtones down on your phones or consider diverting the call to a trusted friend or relative.

Locking up is essential! This includes your house, garage, sheds and any other structures you may have. You can leave a key with a trusted friend or relative or take them with you. Lock small valuables in a safe or bank safety deposit box and ensure this is locked in the most secure room of your house. Ensure all tools, ladders, wheelie bin (when not in use) and anything else is locked away in the garage or shed, and away from windows.

Alarms, security cameras and sensor lights are also handy in preventing a crime. The aforementioned guidelines are just a guide and only some of the preventive measures you can take to prevent theft and remain worry-free while you're away. Save yourself time by asking a trusted friend or relative to house sit for the duration of your vacation. You may also seek to inform police and a trusted neighbour of your absence and leave them your contact details, in the event of a break-in or other disaster.

Enjoy your adventures! "Take only memories, leave only footprints"

Source: Queensland Government, 2006

Appointing a Power of Attorney: Who are they and What do they do?

A Power of Attorney is a formal document that gives another person the authority to make personal and financial decisions on your behalf. Personal decisions include anything relating to your care and welfare and financial decisions relate to the management of finances.

There are two types of Power of Attorney, a General Power of Attorney and an Enduring Power of Attorney.

A General Power of Attorney is an individual who can make financial decisions only on your behalf for a specific period of time, such as whilst you're are overseas or detained.

An Enduring Power of Attorney can make financial and personal decisions only when you have lost the capacity to make the decisions yourself. One loses the capacity to make decisions when they are unable to understand the consequences of a decision, are unable to communicate their decision and if they are freely and voluntarily unable to make a decision.

Before appointing a Power of Attorney, one must be aware of the consequences, level of power and when it begins, your rights once your Power of Attorney has taken over, and revocation rights. It is wise to speak to a solicitor, the Public Trustee, a private trustee or financial advisor before preparing a Power of Attorney.

When choosing an Enduring Power of Attorney, it is important that you trust the individual and that the individual is willing to take on and understands the roles and responsibilities. In addition, they must be 18 years or older, not be your paid carer, health care professional or residential service provider.

You may appoint more than one person to be your Power of Attorney, and revoke them at any point too. If you don't have anyone, you can apply to appoint the Public Guardian and Public Trustee.

For more information, visit <a href="https://www.qld.gov.au/law/legal-mediation-and-justice-of-the-peace/power-of-attorney-and-making-decisions-for-others/power-of-attorney-and-making-decisions-for-other-

Apríl Answers

Hidden Meaning:

- I.There's a lot of it about
- 2. Bags under the eyes.

Brain Teasers:

- I. Short
- 2. 22 (the sequence alternates -+2, \times 2)
- 3. You cannot take a picture with a wooden leg; you need a camera

Activity News

<u>Movies</u> In April, 9 Buffs ventured to Redbank Plaza. 7 saw "A Wrinkle In Time" and unfortunately, were underwhelmed with the film, and 2 saw "Rampage". Congratulations to Elizabeth who won the lucky seat! If you'd like to join the Buffs for a day out, call us on 3282 8644 today!

Walking Every Tuesday 4pm at Limestone Park - meeting in the Griffiths Rd carpark closest to Chermside Rd. Bring hat, water and wear comfy shoes. Phone 3282 8644 to let us know if you are coming.





Bridge for Beginners Commencing in May!

We need you to continue iPads for Beginners courses!

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Many thanks to all members and friends who have collected and donated used stamps: Dot Sawyers, Pauline McFaddin, Yvonne and Eric Jonker, Patrick Pearce and Anonymous

Stroke Support Group

When: 3rd Friday of each month, 10am - 11:30am

Where: Silkstone Baptist Church Hall

Welcoming new participants now

\$2 for morning tea

Contact Bill on 3281 4925 with any questions you have.

Diabetes Support Group

When: 2nd Thursday of each month, 9am - 10:30am

Where: Ipswich Health Plaza, Bell St, Ipswich

For any queries, feel free to Contact Marlene on 3281 4859.

NEW: Table Tennis Aveo Springfield

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Rosewood & Lowood: Phone Jean 54641023

Laidley: Phone Joanne 0448050447

Marburg: Phone Roslyn 54644515

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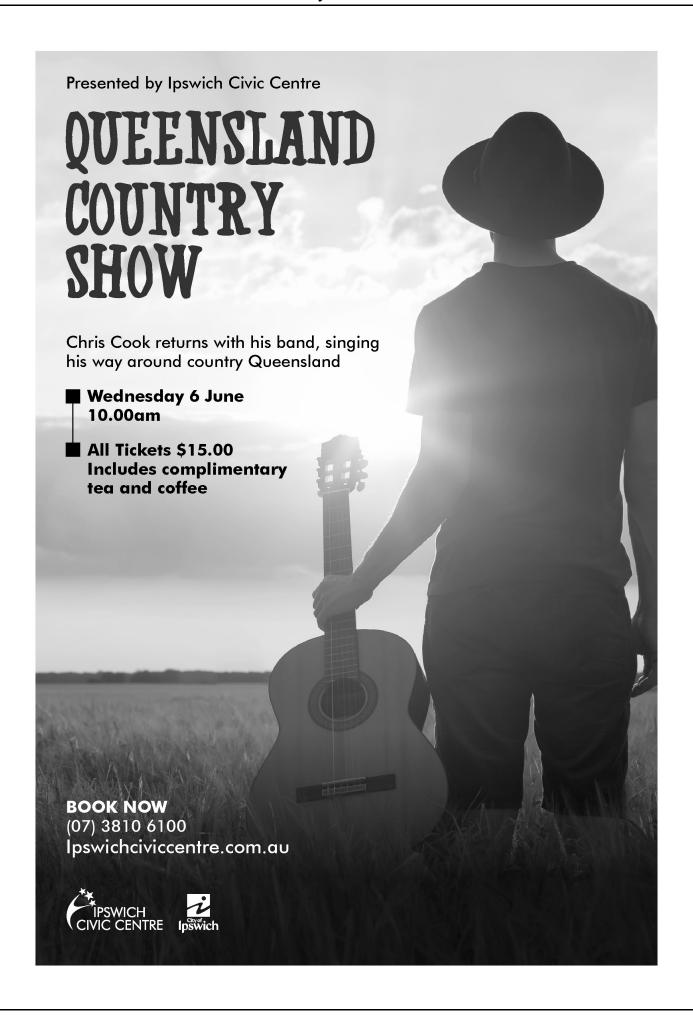
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Thank you, Barry.



May 2nd, 10am

General Meeting

In the Red Cross Room
Guest Speakers: Fran Thorpe &
Sue Broadbent from My Aged Care
Morning tea & tea and coffee
provided.

Join us! We're excited to see you there!



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