



Presidents Corner – JULY, 2021

Greetings WRAG Members, we hope this edition of our quarterly newsletter finds you rugged-up and warm against the bitterly cold start to another Melbourne winter. It can't possibly be my age, but our winters seem to be getting colder every year.

WRAG Activities Groups have been operating sporadically, due to the COVID curtailment of most of our group activities amidst lockdowns and waiting for the national rollout of the COVID Vaccination Programme.

At this point in time, it looks like our COVID 1A Priority vaccination programme might allow us to have a Group get together in time for the Melbourne Cup-Eve Picnic on Monday 1st November 2021. With a bit of luck our age profile group should all have had a second vaccination by that date. And the national average of two completed vaccinations should be getting up around 70%+.

In any case, a WRAG Christmas function may very well be possible.

*But, one thing we have learned during COVID, is that you cannot be sure of anything in these times. So, we should be able to be more definitive in the WRAG **October, 2021** quarterly newsletter.*

In the meantime, please keep fit, healthy, and warm, as we see out the cold weather, in anticipation of better times to come.

Very Warmest Regards, Terry Spicer – President

And, not as an afterthought, we would like to thank Bill Sparrius for the wonderful job of printing the envelopes for the Newsletter mailout. Without fanfare or complaint.

Tks - Ed

Condolences :

Our thoughts and best wishes go to the family of **Jo & Dennis Blomley**, who died within weeks of each other -

✚ Jo following a fall on 23rd June, 2021. Jo had been a WRAG committee member in the early days, and started the MahJong group 23 years ago.

✚ Dennis Blomley also passed away on 9th July, 2021.

Jo & Dennis also played Jonola, and we remember him as a delight to play with. They are survived by their daughters, Allison and Louise. Their son, Stephen died aged 33.

Best wishes also to the family of **Alf Gilbert of Strada Cres, Wheelers Hill**. Alf passed away last week, Thursday 8th July, 2021. Alf and his wife, Shirley were long time members of the WRAG group, and will be remembered fondly by many.



This photo was taken on the latest Tuesday walk morning tea. Bill Lamont turned 92 on 4th June, and Erica Johnson's dad, also Bill turned 92 on 12th May, 2021. Both members of WRAG, and both still taking part in the Tuesday walk. Bill L every week, and Erica's father occasionally. The cake cutting was supposed to be earlier but lockdown postponed it. *(still looks fresh to me, as do these men - Ed*

DOTS DAY OUT : 1st Monday of the Month : 12 Noon

!!!Everyone Welcome!!!

Contact Dot : 9802 4822 - Bookings Essential !!

Monday, 2nd August, 2021 : The Village Green Hotel

Monday, 6th September, 2021: Mountainview Hotel

Monday, 4th October, 2021 : Burvale Hotel

Monday, 1st November, 2021 : CUP EVE PICNIC –
Glen Waverley North Reserve, Madeline Street, Glen Waverley.

More details in OCTOBER Newsletter

Keith Mill – 500 Group : Thank you and Best Wishes

Convenor, Keith Mill has moved into Scotchmans Creek Aged Care facility. His 2nd home for many years once his lovely wife, Fran moved into care. Keith ran a 500 card group at this facility, and the footy tipping for many years. He is now having a well-earned retirement and rest.

We wish him all the best; and we will keep in touch.