

NATIONAL SENIORS EVENING BRANCH

PRESIDENT'S REPORT AGM 2014-2015

General meetings at the 'Benjamin on Franklin' Hotel have proved to be successful with a pleasant meeting room, friendly staff and a variety of reasonably priced meals.

We have had a variety of interesting speakers during the year at general meetings topics have including:

- Spring Gully Foods -
- Test cricket and sports commentating – Eric Freeman
- Consumer directed care – COTA
- Cruisin with Arlene Mac
- Butterfly Gardening – Jan Forrest
- Humerous and eccentric wills – Gerald Brown
- Pruning roses – Dean Stringer
- NBN and you –Chris Gregory

Extra activities have included a visit to the Police Museum, ten pin bowling, a croquet night, visit to the Arts Theatre, lunches and dinners.

Our Christmas dinner last year was well supported at the Rex Hotel.

The Strollers group has also been strongly supported with walks to the north, south, east and west of Adelaide city to cater for members living in all suburbs. Thanks go to Hilary Amos and her band of helpers for organising the strollers walks program. I am delighted to advise that Hilary has agreed to continue as the Strollers co-ordinator during next year.

I would like to record a special thanks to the committee especially Michael for undertaking the role of Minute Secretary. Bev Braithwaite for being that friendly face at the door, Kathryn Mullner for all her work in organising the finances of the Branch. And to all the other committee members for their work in seeking out and contacting speakers, for organising interesting extra activities.

Also my thanks to all the members of the Adelaide Evening Branch for your support to me during this year in my role as President.

Our challenge next year is to devise strategies to attract more members to our Branch from existing and potential National Seniors members to enable to branch to continue to be active and vibrant.

Jan Forrest OAM
11th August, 2015.