

LACSC President's Report, Spring 1st September 2021

Spring at last! We have survived Winter and now look forward to more sunshine and warmer days and hopefully less lockdowns.

Since my last report on 1st June 2021, we have been in and out of lockdown due to the ongoing global Covid-19 pandemic, with constant changes and notifications required. However, in spite of all these obstacles, our convenors have still managed to run successful and enjoyable activities as restriction rules allow. Please take the time to thank your convenors as this small acknowledgment goes a long way.

At the end of June, the **Tuesday Taylor Park walkers** held their end of term lunch and the **Tuesday Torquay walkers** enjoyed a Winter Solstice Celebratory lunch.

Our **Cinema group** has continued to attract around 14 movie goers enjoying Premium class seats and lunch.

The **Tasting Group** has worked around lockdowns and continue to enjoy good food and wine while supporting local businesses in Torquay.

Tennis has enjoyed a good run with up to 18 players enjoying their weekly hit. Daryl, the Convenor, has managed to reduce the ball fee to \$1 per session.

Resistance Training has been on and off complying with State lockdown rules for indoor sports. However, each class has had at least 20 attendees and if Natalie was unable to instruct the class, Noel stepped in with her own routine including a bit of boxing. Paul, Ali & Bernie, (Convenors), have been able to reduce the fee to \$5 per session.

Our **Thursday Morning walking group** now has new Convenors. Many thanks to Linda Crook and Jean Setterfield who will lead this group and a big thank you to Shelley Bateup and Greg Dever who are both retiring from this role. There is also the addition of a new Thursday walking group, called the '**Thursday Short Walk**'. This group was formed for those who wish to do a shorter walk at a more leisurely pace. We thank Annelies Gerritsen and Pauline Adams who are convenors of this new group.

All other groups have continued to enjoy their activities when they can, but it has been difficult to organize events that require forward planning. Our Happy Hour has been postponed to late October and The Wanderers trip to Portland, due in September, has also been postponed.

The Annual General Meeting on Thursday 9th September at 2pm has been changed to a Zoom meeting. Due to the uncertainty of lockdown and the inevitable ongoing restrictions, the committee had no choice but to regretfully cancel all the plans already in place for a face-to-face AGM including a guest speaker and afternoon tea. A Zoom link will be sent out by email to all members closer to the date and we hope many of you will be able to join this meeting. Note that a quorum is required.

Our parent body, Life Activities Club Victoria (LACVI), recently held their AGM via Zoom. Their aim for the future is to increase the number of clubs in Victoria. They are constantly working on recruiting new members for existing clubs, particularly in inner Melbourne. This is a task we do not need to worry about as our membership continues to grow. I welcome 9 new members who have joined since 1st June. They are - Kathleen Craven,

Margaret Morse, Lyn Mason, Sue Knight, Rosemary Waymouth, Vivien McDonald, Ros Blake, Narelle & Kevin Lanigan. We trust you will feel welcomed and enjoy our various activities.

Membership for all financial members was successfully rolled over on 1st July 2021 with no payment of fees required. Many thanks to the few who did pay and received a refund. It shows that you are well trained! Don't forget that fees are due again next year on 1st July 2022.

I look forward to seeing you on the screen at my last meeting as President at the Annual General Meeting on Thursday 9Th September at 2pm via ZOOM.

Cheryl Annetts
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