

# Fortnightly News Update

**1 July 2022**



The corellas having a party in the Club carpark. 😊

## **How are we going?**

At this mid-point of the year it's timely to have a look back at the past six months of the Club's operation in the 'living with Covid' environment.

I believe that by all measures we are in fact doing very well. Most of our activity groups are running at close to pre-Covid levels – and in some cases at above that level. Most of our regular hirers have returned and are enjoying our excellent facilities. A look at the carpark on most days attests to the numbers of members coming and going! Thanks to all the foregoing and the hugely successful March Book Fair, our financial situation is remaining stable and we are able to maintain the safety, security and amenity of our Club.

## **And what's coming?**

Looking forward, three all-of-Club activities are being planned. They are the Annual General Meeting (September), a celebration to mark the 50th anniversary of the formation of what is now Woden Seniors in October, and – yes! December will see the return of the Club Christmas Lunch.

The 50th Anniversary function will be an opportunity for members to look back at the Club's history – and perhaps at the directions the Club might take in the future -thanks to an enormous amount of work being undertaken to properly sort, archive and where appropriate, digitise a massive amount of material. We are indebted to Cindy McMillan who has led this project and undertaken most of the work involved. Thanks to all the members who have provided items such as photos, documents and back copies of the Meridian.

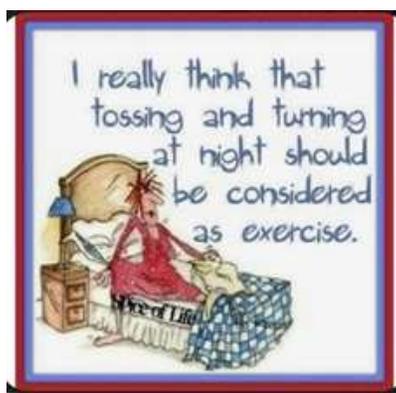
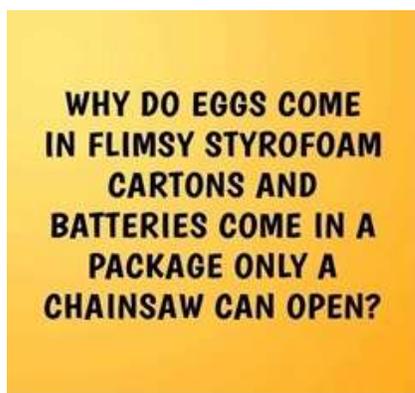
## What's new?

Firstly, many thanks to Kay Lancaster who over a number of years has organised and maintained the Club's free lending library. Her efforts have been appreciated by everyone who has borrowed a book during those years. It is taking a sub-committee to replace her! Members of the Book Fair group will take over the lending library – and there may just be a regular injection of new titles and authors on the shelves.

## And an old grizzle

It may have been mentioned a few times before today, but it is important for everyone's comfort and enjoyment of the Club that chairs, cushions and any other items which are moved by groups are returned to their place after use.

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## **COMMUNITY NOTICES AND INFORMATION**

Members may be interested in this concert.



**Come and enjoy one of the highlights of the Silver is Gold Festival at the Chief Minister's Seniors Concert featuring the Band of the Royal Military College Duntroon.**

As a COTA ACT member you receive advance notice of booking before it is open to the public! The band will be playing a mix of tunes - from the classics and old favourites to some modern masterpieces!

Due to demand - the band will be performing two fabulous shows - 10:30am and 1.30pm on Friday 22 July at Albert Hall in Canberra.

Entry is by gold coin donation and bookings are essential. Bookings are through Eventbrite -

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/chief-ministers-seniors-concert-ft-rmc-band-tickets-373084554947>

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**And finally.....**

Now that I'm 'older' (but refuse to grow up), here's what I've discovered:

1. I started out with nothing, and I still have most of it.
2. My wild oats have turned into prunes and All Bran.
3. I finally got my head together; now my body is falling apart.
4. Funny, I don't remember being absent minded...
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5. All reports are in; life is now officially unfair.
6. If all is not lost, where is it?
7. It is easier to get older than it is to get wiser.
8. Some days you're the dog; some days you're the hydrant.
9. I wish the buck stopped here; I sure could use a few...
10. Kids in the back seat cause accidents.
11. Accidents in the back seat cause kids.
12. It's hard to make a comeback when you haven't been anywhere.