



## AUSTRALIAN AMERICAN ASSOCIATION – GOLD COAST DIVISION NEWSLETTER

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### **President's message:**

Well here it is into the 4th month of 2019 and hopefully all of you have enjoyed our very warm summer and can now look forward to the cooler evenings (good for sleeping) making some hearty nourishing meals like pot of soup, or a roast in the oven where the aromas permeate the kitchen. Meanwhile, the Committee met early in March and progress is being made for our most important forthcoming event that of the Commemoration Service for the Battle of Coral Sea which will be held on Sunday 5th May 2019. Please mark your calendars and come along to remember those who fought and fell at that Battle. A flyer with all details is included with this Newsletter and we hope to see you there. Our members and friends attended a St Patties Day luncheon and everyone was as Irish as they could be even though there was no Irish jig or music those in attendance enjoyed the social interaction of the day and occasional Guinness! A Meet and Greet was held as usual at the SYC and I thank all those who ventured out on such an inclement night but all those who decided to stay for dinner tucked into their roast perfect for the night and all fortunately got home safely. So, now we come to April and there will only be a Meet and Greet function this month for the AAAGCD which will be held on 24th April as Easter falls quite late this year and in the same week is our most momentous day in the history of Australia that of ANZAC DAY on 25th April 2019. With these occasions within the month and family commitments for most of you we have left organizing anything special for another time in the year. Keith Shackley has volunteered to attend and represent AAA-GCD at the Southport RSL on

this occasion and Rodney and I will be attending and representing AAA-GCD at the Surfers Paradise RSL at each of these respective locations for the ANZAC DAY services. If anyone else would like to attend please don't hesitate to come along. In closing I would like to wish our life member on behalf of AAA-GCD members and friends Mrs Billie Jo McCann a very happy birthday on this special auspicious occasion. We wish you only the best that life can bring and that you and your family have a wonderful time together during this celebration. You are such an inspiration to all of us. Congratulations and we are grateful for all the effort you have given our AAA-GCD over the years. Thank you. Your Committee and I wish all of you a Very Happy Easter and stay safe if you travel and enjoy life to the fullest. We hope to see you at one of our functions in the future.

Faye Brutlag,

President AAA-GCD

### **From St Pattie's Day Celebration.**



**Eva, Truda, Billie Jo and Raelene all smiles, with a touch of green.**



President Faye, Rodney, Georgia & Raelene get into the spirit of the day.



John, Raelene, Truda and Wanda getting their roast at the Meet & Greet.



**Wanda & guest Diane.**  
**Past secretary Robin Wolff who brought guest Diane.**



**Meet & Greet Dates**  
**SOUTHPORT YACHT CLUB 4TH**  
**WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH**

**April 24<sup>th</sup> 2019,**  
**May 22<sup>nd</sup> 2019,**  
**June 26<sup>th</sup> 2019,**  
**July 24<sup>th</sup> 2019.**

**Other functions planned.**

**April 25<sup>th</sup> 2019, ANZAC Day Surfers Paradise RSL**  
**(see details on page 3 of the April Newsletter)**

**May 5<sup>th</sup> 2019: Battle of Coral Sea Commemoration**  
**Service Cavill Avenue Surfers Paradise (next to**  
**Melba's) Commencing 9:45am (see flyer)**

**June 2019 Springbrook – details to be announced**

**July 4<sup>th</sup> 2019 Gold Coast Historical Society and**  
**Museum 8 Elliott Street (off Bundall Road) Surfers**  
**Paradise Details to be announced**

- **Whale watching from last year.**



**Wanda, June, Gino Howard, Elaine, Billie Jo and Ann.**

**From Battle of Coral Sea previous year.**

