

New technology for the Wyong branch of National Seniors Australia

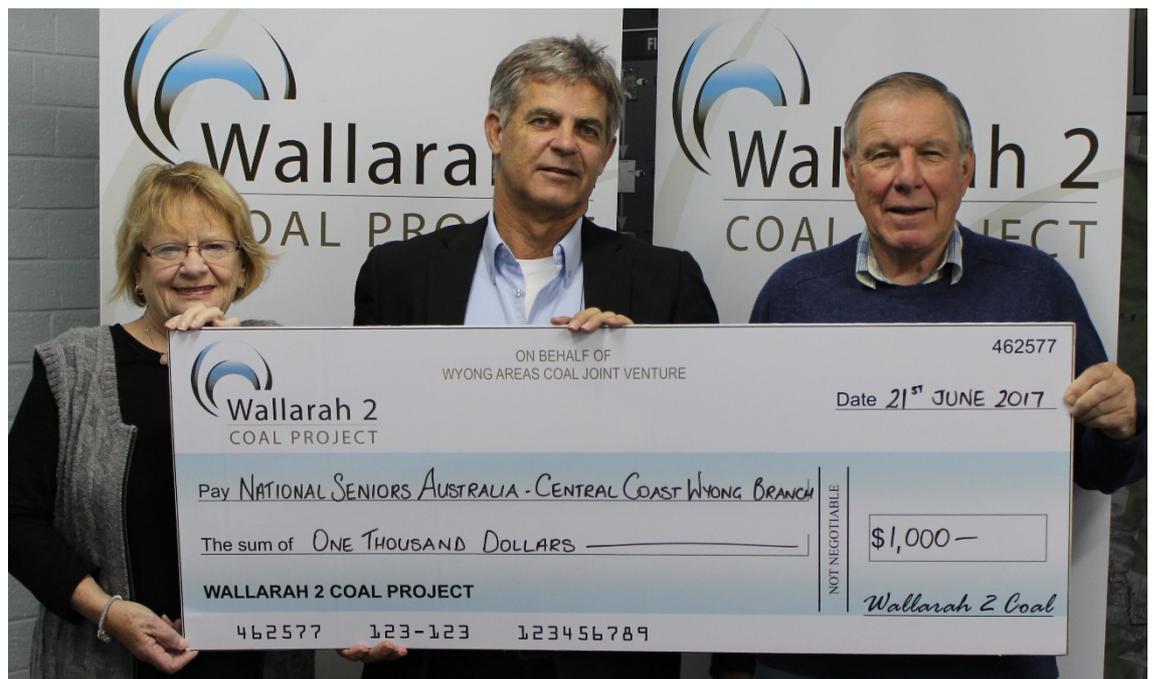
The Wyong Branch celebrated its 20 year Anniversary this August and have provided great assistance through the years to its members. They provide friendship and support, especially when there is illness, and their members look forward to meetings and outings which provide an outlet they would not normally organise by themselves.

“The Branch has 72 current members, over 50 years old with a few in their 90s, and this number has been stable for some time. As well as members benefiting from our friendship and support, we also contribute to the many clubs, theatres, restaurants, coffee shops and coach tours that are organised throughout the Shire. We continue to advertise our Branch through local newspapers, Council, retail outlets, Clubs, local radio station and our own website www.wyongnationalseniors.org.au,” said Branch Secretary Robyn Watson.

“Our main meeting is at 2.15 pm on the fourth Tuesday of each month at Canton Beach Sports Club at Toukley where we hear an informative and entertaining guest speaker. There is also an optional lunch beforehand and a drink and chat afterwards. We also enjoy a luncheon get together on the first Monday of each month at a different venue in the Wyong Shire. This is in addition to BBQs, a movie group and regular social trips,” added Robyn.

The grant funds will be used to purchase a new computer to assist with preparing meeting minutes, advertising material and newsletters. We are a very active branch of National Seniors Australia and are dedicated to provide a service to the over 50’s in the Wyong community,” concluded Robyn.

Peter Smith attended one of the recent meetings of the National Seniors Wyong Branch held at Canton Beach in late October and spoke about the Wallarrah 2 Coal Project. “I was warmly welcomed as guest speaker and was able to inform the group about key aspects of the project. It was also an opportunity to debunk some of the common myths and misconceptions that have arisen about the project. I had a chance to discuss one on one with those who had concerns. The group is providing vital social support in the community” said Peter.



L-R: Robyn Watson Branch Secretary, Peter Smith Environment & Community Manager of Wyong Coal & Kevin Leslie Branch President