



Communique – AFA AGM and membership meeting 20 November 2020

There were no changes to AFA’s membership this year.

Members discussed now the Covid-19 pandemic had adversely affected Forgotten Australians, many of whom already face isolation and poor health.

Despite the pandemic, AFA has been able to develop two major projects funded by the Department of Social Services – Life Stories, which supports Forgotten Australians to tell and record the story of their life as part of their healing; and the short film ‘Open Doors’, about the trauma many Forgotten Australians may experience when facing being re-institutionalised in aged care.

‘Despite the challenges the year brought us all, we’ve faced them and kept on going. Educating people about who are the Forgotten Australians and why many of us are so distressed about the prospect of going into the aged care system is becoming a greater priority for us in this phase of our lives. I’m especially pleased with the work we are now doing with the Older Persons Advocacy Network, (OPAN)’, said Caroline Carroll OAM, Chair of AFA.

AFA in 2020-21

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