**BOLD - ROLLING BONES**

**TRANSCRIPT**

Drama participant - Yeah. That was a good one.

Drama participant - It's a long flight that, wasn't it?

Drama participant - From Darwin to Hervey Bay.

Drama participant - It was.

Julie de Ward- The Rolling Bones is a seniors' drama group. Back in the day, about 16 years ago, one of my co-workers and I was asked to put on a performance, and we did a one-off, old fashioned radio show. We had so much fun, so we decided we'd form our own seniors' drama group. We have a whole range of personalities that just come together and work as a group.

Annette - I've probably been a part of the Rolling Bones for about eight years. I joined after my husband passed away. It was just something to keep my mind active and, yeah, and I really love it. Yeah, we have so much fun.

Maureen - I've come more out of my shell. I used to be a little mouse.

Barbara - We have more fun, really, rehearsing and planning than actually doing the show.

Julie - All our shows are written by the members of the group. They sit down, and they brainstorm where they want to go with a show, what kind of input they want to have. Then they break up into groups, and write storylines, and then we create whatever show it is. The drama group has given them that opportunity to come out and be a star in their own right.

Maureen - Everybody's asking, "when is the next play going to be on?" So they must get something out of it. Besides the ones that go to sleep. I'll put it this way, without it, I'd be climbing walls.

Julie - Well I think it's good for when you're getting older, If you join a club. And if you get out and about, makes you feel a lot younger.

Barbara - We have to put across a good message for the older people with Hervey Bay, you know. That we can do it with a bit of laughter. You've got to keep laughing. Yeah. It's the best remedy, laughter.

Julie - We did make the movie, and that was a lot of fun because we went on location and, you know, every day was, every scene was a bit different. Do you want a chip?

Movie - Oh yes, that took at least two years. I swear, we might do another one, one day.

Julie - I just find, you're going to make me cry now, I find that they're my inspiration. I've known most the people for a very long time, and I just look at them in awe all the time. And hope that when I'm their age, and I'm getting there, that I'll be able to have the same enthusiasm that they have for life.

Barbara - Don't go thinking that you're old and you can't do something. Just get out and enjoy your Life.

Julie - The idea is to get up in the morning, do the necessaries, get out the door, shut the door, and go out.

Maureen - There's things I do, I shouldn't do. But we only have one life, and you only get one chance.

Group - Rolling... Rolling, rolling, rolling. Rolling, rolling, rolling. Bones!