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LADIES INVITED

To our August Meeting. Hear our guest speaker
BRONWYN POOLE From the department of health

"HOW TO HAVE HAPPY FEET"

Have a cup of tea with us.

THE BENDIGO WINE INDUSTRY

Herb Hesse introduced the speaker at the July meeting - Wes Vine proprietor of the Mandurang Valley Winery. Wes started his career as a Primary School Teacher, becoming a Principal eventually. Having taken a B. A. and a Diploma in Agriculture he started wine making, for personal consumption at first, then expanded to become a producer to the public in general. He is now in his third year as president of the Bendigo Wine Growers Association.

According to one authority, David Dunston, 1854 was the start of the wine industry in Bendigo. The soil and the microclimate of Bendigo are very well suited to viticulture.

Consequently the areas growing vines continued to expand. From 39 1/2 acres in 1859 the total area increased to 972 acres in 1880. The wine produced by these acres was good enough to win awards in Europe. It was the fixed intention of these pioneers to make the finest wines they could, and they succeeded in winning medals in Vienna 1873, Brussels in 1876, and Bordeaux in 1882.

This happy state of affair came sharply to an end in 1877 with the arrival of the Phylloxera Scourge in Geelong. Slowly but inexorably, helped by prevailing winds from the Southwest, Phyllocera found its way to almost all the scattered plantings.

In 1896 the Government gutted the industry, ordering the uprooting of vines. They followed this by banning the introduction of salicylic acid into wine at a preservative. As a result of this the wineries were forced to sacrifice thousands of gallons of wine by pouring it down the creeks.

It took 70 years for Bendigo to rise again, due to the efforts of Ron Andrews, Stuart Anderson, Tom Connor and others. Production resumed and the quality was as good as ever. The rest of the world took its time to appreciate this but now Europe, including the U.K and America import Australian wines on a large scale.

The Bendigo wine area now has 23 licensed wineries, mostly small producers say 40-50 tonnes of grapes annually. The big 4 of the industry buy up production. Prices of Bendigo wines are high because of the interest in keeping quality up, quantity is down. One winery in the region sends all its production to the USA where it goes for \$1500 a bottle.

Another factor in the price of wine is taxation, about 46% of the retail price. This is an encouragement to export, the tax on export is negligible. Wes predicts that winery Tourism has a big future.

After the talk, the presentation was made by Kevin Houlaham.

TREE PROJECT

In his closing remarks the President made a commercial plug for tree planting. He showed us the seedlings which are available, and the potting mix and literature which is attainable at the Bendigo Council depot in Golden Square.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

The guest speaker in September will be Felix Cappy, to talk about Lake Titicaca in Bolivia.

In October ladies (and members) are invited to come for morning tea and to listen to Willi Carney, Mayor of Bendigo.

Vale

With regrets we record the death, on July 28, 2002 of our member Colin Weeks.

TRIPS INFORMATION

Hereunder are details of forthcoming Probus Trips which I have arranged for our membership and others, much time and effort has been expended in organising these interesting and cost effective outings.

*** Trips are costed on basis of a minimum of (40) travelling.*

*** I seek the support of members to give their positive support for the trips, particularly at time of listing.*

*** I further encourage our new members to travel and to enjoy the "fellowship of Probus." Trips Organiser: Arthur (03) 54 43 9162*

TUESDAY 8TH OCTOBER: VISITS TO LOCAL BENDIGO INDUSTRIES: MAX. 32

An opportunity to see over some of Bendigo's most important industries.

****** On this occasion transport: "by use of own cars."

****** You will be surprised, a most interesting afternoon assured.

LIST: At Wed August 21st meeting. COST: Free of cost.

First: BENDIGO ADVERTISER PRINTING SHOP: 81-83 Beischer St.

****** 1.45pm Assemble in Car Park. 2.00pm Tour Commences

Witness printing of newspapers with latest equipment and technology

Visits to other industries include:

AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE INDUSTRY APPAREL FACTORY. (McGoldrick Court)

An opportunity to witness the manufacture of a great variety of special clothing for use of Defence, Emergency and other services.

ROSITAS: At Mayfair Park

Rosita's manufactures and supplies a variety of items including Corn Chips, Tacos, Flatbread, Mexican Tortilla which are used by food outlets such as McDonalds, KFC, Red Rooster, Subway and more.

WEDNESDAY 6TH NOVEMBER: TRIP TO FORD FACTORY AT BROADMEADOWS & CATERPILLAR FACTORY AT TULLAMARINE.

Depart: 7.45am Strath Community Centre, Crook Street. Home approx. 5.30pm

COST: \$16.00 per person, (Based on 40 travelling) Maximum: 48

****** Includes: Coach Fare, Bring own picnic lunch. M/T available at Ford.

After much negotiation, I have secured these sought after tours.

****** At Ford we travel aboard a people "Transporter" throughout the factory to view the latest technology used in the manufacture of a modern motor car, which we will see from start to finish.

****** After visit to Ford, we have our picnic lunch in a park area. In afternoon we visit the Caterpillar Factory, the manufacturers of tractors, plant and machinery, where we will again be treated to another most interesting and informative conducted tour.

These two tours seldom available, ones you cannot afford to miss.

LISTING: At meeting Wed. 21st August. PAYMENTS: Wed 25th September.

WEDNESDAY 27TH TO FRIDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 2002 (3 DAY/2 NIGHT TRIP)

"XMAS IN NOVEMBER TOUR" - DREAMTIME TOURS

GLENROWAN, RUTHERGLEN, COROWA, MYRTLEFORD, BRIGHT, MILAWA, YARRAWONGA

COST: \$210.00 Per Person (Based on 40 Travelling) Maximum. 48.

5 Star coach Travel, Corowa - Quality Accommodation (Twin Share), 2 Continental Breakfasts, 2 Lunches (Luncheon Cruise on Day 3), Morning Tea - Day 2 "All entrance and sightseeing as per itinerary. Accommodation: (In Corowa at Greenacres Motel)

Day 1: Travel to Glenrowan and Kelly Land, enjoy a Kelly Show. On to Rutherglen and visit to All Saints Winery and finally Corowa.

Day 2: To Myrtleford and guided tour of Hop & Tobacco Farms. Then to Bright, have a stroll in town. On to Milawa and visit to Mustard Factory before returning to our Corowa Motel. In the evening enjoy a sumptuous Xmas dinner and sing-along.

Day 3: Travel to Mulwala, tour of the famous Clock Museum. On to Yarrawonga for a "smorgasboard lunch cruise" on Lake Mulwala.

On to Bendigo, arriving home about 5.30pm.

LIST: At 21st August Meeting. FULL PAYMENTS: 23rd Oct. Meeting

*** A positive response required *** (Itineraries available)

**FILM SHOWING AT LATROBE UNIVERSITY LECTURE THEATRE - Maximum 168
FRIDAY 24TH JANUARY 2003 - 5.00pm to 8.00pm. (Advance Notice)**

"A Spectacular Film Showing" by Rob and Cynthia Watkins on their Tour of Europe.
Film: 5.00pm - 6.00pm; Own Picnic Tea: 6.00pm - 7.00pm Film 7.00pm - 8.00pm. All in air-conditioned comfort.

COST: Approx \$2.00 per person. LIST: September Meeting. PAY: At November Meeting.

**TRIP TO SOUTHPORT (GOLD COAST QLD - SUNGOLD HARBOUR SIDE
RESORT) SUNDAY 20TH JULY TO SUNDAY 3RD AUGUST 2003 - 15 DAYS/14
NIGHTS. Maximum: 50. Current Bookings: 35**

** Opportunities like this trip seldom come along. A "First Class" trip, one you cannot afford to miss" I highly recommend it.

** SUNGOLD HOLIDAYS ** 4 Star Resort ** All Modern facilities.

Situated in the Gold Coast at Southport, on the Broadwater.

** SUNGOLD PACKAGE: Accommodation Twin Share, Private Facilities.

** All inclusive: Accommodation, all meals (except lunches), Tours (4 days/week) entry fees, (Coach transfers in QLD)

** Special Jupiters Casino high quality live show.

** 15 Day /14 Night Package: \$649.00 x 2 Weeks = \$1298 + \$70.00 = \$1368.00 per person

** AIR FARES: Melbourne - Coolangatta & return

(Qantas Seniors Advance/Flexible)

Approx: \$420.00 per person

** Special Casino Live Show during stay:

= \$ 30.00 per person

** TOTAL COST: 15 DAY/14 NIGHT PACKAGE:

Approx: \$1818.00 per person

** Add Transport Bendigo Melbourne & Return (based on 40)

\$ 32.00 per person

** TOTAL COSTS: SUNGOLD HOLIDAY, AIR FARES, TRANSPORT

= \$1850.00 per person (Approx.)

** Deposits: \$50.00 per person at 20th November 2002 Meeting

** Final Payments: By 19th June 2003 Meeting

MAXIMUM: (50) Current Bookings: 35 VACANCIES: Enquiries welcome

**** For further information please contact Arthur on 5443 9162.



DREAMTIME TOURS (VIC)

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Probus Club of Bendigo

3 DAY COROWA CHRISTMAS TOUR

Wednesday 27th - Friday 29th November 2002

DAY 1: We depart from Bendigo at 7:00am and commence our 3-Day Christmas in November tour to Corowa "The Birthplace of Federation", the home of the sun country and five minutes from the wineries of Rutherglen. We travel via the Hume Highway to Euroa where we stop for morning tea break (own cost). Moving on we travel to "Kelly Land" in Glen Rowan. We meet notorious Bob and enjoy a scrumptious Lunch of Soup, Damper, Picklets, tea and coffee along with the Ned Kelly Show. We have some time to leisurely explore this historic township before continuing onto Rutherglen, where we visit the All Saints Winery. Arriving in Corowa we check into the Greenacres Motel, our home for the next two nights. We have time to freshen up before dinner at the Corowa Sports and Citizens Club.

DAY 2: Today we travel through the countryside to Myrtleford. We visit the Ponderosa Cabin where we enjoy an instructive and entertaining guided tour of the hop and tobacco farms. After our tour we have time to browse the souvenirs, arts and crafts while enjoying a cup of tea or coffee. Leaving Myrtleford we rejoin the Ovens Highway and make our way into Bright situated in the heart of the beautiful Ovens Valley and at the Foothills of the Victorian Alps. After a tour of Bright you will have time to stroll through the many art and craft shops in the area. A may like to grab a bite to eat (own cost). This afternoon we travel to Milawa where we visit the Milawa Mustard Factory for a talk and tastings. Returning to Corowa, we have time to relax and freshen up before our Christmas in July Dinner.

Tonight we depart for a country style meal at the Boorhaman Hotel, where we enjoy a magnificent Christmas in July Dinner. Experience the tastes of the wonderful Buffalo Brewery, which makes Beers of understanding quality for discerning drinkers, we enjoy a Christmas sing-along after a sumptuous dinner. We now return back to the motel after an enjoyable evening.

DAY 3: Today we farewell our hosts and travel to Mulwala where we visit the interesting Clock Museum. We enjoy a tour of the museum, which holds over 500 pieces, including music boxes and a 1730 Grandfather Clock. After an enjoyable tour we travel to Yarrawonga, where we board the M.V. Paradise Queen for a smorgasbord cruise around beautiful Lake Mulwala including unlimited rissoles, sausages and salad selections. After our beautiful luncheon cruise we begin the journey homewards, stopping along the way for afternoon tea (own cost). You should arrive back at your clubrooms by approximately 5:30pm.

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TOUR COST: \$210.00 PER PERSON

Single Supplement: \$40.00

THIS TOUR INCLUDES:

- * 5 Star Coach Travel
- * Quality Accommodation (twin share)
- * 2 Continental Breakfasts
- * 2 Dinners (1 at a licensed club – minimum stay required)
- * 2 Lunches (includes Luncheon Cruise on Day 3)
- * Morning Tea – Day 2
- * All Entrance & Sightseeing Fees As Per Itinerary

THIS TOUR DOES NOT INCLUDES:

- * Lunch on Day 2
- * Morning or Afternoon Tea on Any Day (Except Morning Tea – Day 2)
- * Items of a Personal Nature

MINIMUM 40 PASSENGERS

THE ABOVE TOUR COSTS INCLUDE GST

MINIMUM 30 PASSENGERS: \$235.00 PER PERSON

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