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A Special General meeting is held every 3rd Wednesday of each month at 10am at the Masonic Centre, McIvor Rd, Bendigo.

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The Guest Speaker today is Ron Poyser who will talk about, "My Life in the Motor Industry for 25 years".

At the July meeting, the Guest Speaker was Mr Stephen Lindsay, the Urologist. He was introduced by President Bryan who gave us a brief account of Stephen's life and career. Stephen's special interest is prostate cancer.

It is normal for the prostate to grow with age irrespective of any abnormality. Prostate disease, though, is very common. Screening for prostate cancer is controversial as to effectiveness, and is expensive. The cancer is slow in developing, maybe 8 to 10 years, which is not conducive to diagnosis. Over the next 4 years there may be some clarity in the procedure.

As for the actual procedure in testing there are two means. First, internal examination which is not pleasant, but is useful. Alternatively a blood test may be used. Prostate specific antigen (P.S.A.) is not cancer specific but may indicate cancer as one possibility.

As with most conditions, early detection may mean that a cure is possible. Surgery may be used but there are non-invasive treatments which may be successful, for instance Radio-therapy or Hormone treatment. The male hormones encourage the growth of the cancer, and this may be reversed by monthly injections of female hormones.

The Alfred Hospital and the Peter McCallum centre have available the scheme for permanent implants of radio active iodine and this will soon be available at the St. John of God Hospital in Bendigo.

After the talk Bruce Michelsen expressed the thanks to the members, and made the usual presentation.

The Secretary informs members that the new Membership booklets are now available.

HEALTH REPORT

Geoff Biles has suffered an attack of shingles, which is not clearing up quickly.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

The Meak will inherit the Eart. After everybody else dies of course.

THE WRONG WAY

As one of our members was driving home down the freeway, his phone rang. Answering, he heard his wife's voice urgently warning him. "George, I just heard on the news that there's a car going the wrong way down the Eastern Highway. Please be careful". "It's not just one car," said George. "It's hundreds of them".

FOUNDATION MEMBERS

Sixteen people were present for the Foundation Members Luncheon of July 26, at the Captain Cook Hotel. Alan Johnson of the Sandhurst Probus Club was present as a guest.

The list of Probus Club secretaries has been received, letters of invitations will be sent out.

Our Club Secretary will collect the \$8 cost of pins before the pins are ordered. It is anticipated that supply will take about 2 weeks.

The next luncheon, on Wednesday, August 17 will be at the One Tree Hill Hotel, at the junction of Retreat Road and Spring Gully Road. The cost will be \$9 for a soup and main meal or main and dessert. The time is 12.30pm. This hotel has ample, easy parking.

Q.C. Binks - Convener.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Christmas Dinner In July

Those who are unable to attend, did miss out on a treat. The meal was excellent, congratulations to the Leadlight Cafe. The entertainment, a pleasure to listen to, all in all the night, the venue and the company was most enjoyable. Thank you Cliff Binks and Arthur Eaton.

Strathfieldsaye Club Visit

July 14 saw Secretary Bob and myself visit the Strath July meeting and luncheon, along with representatives of the other Probus clubs in Bendigo. Strath's meeting is very similar to our club's meetings, reports, a story or two, morning tea and guest speaker. The luncheon which was provided by the ladies of the club was delightful, a lovely variety of food, soup, cold meats, salad and desserts. Strath have two such luncheons a year.

Ladies Guest Day Meeting

Don't forget October 19 meeting is a special Ladies day, please make note and a special effort to attend in your diaries for this special date to celebrate our 21st year.

August 24 "The Lion King"

46 starters. The newspaper reports of this show are "excellent, spectacular performance, international standard of entertainment". All 46 are looking forward no doubt, to an enjoyable day. I believe it to be another Arthur Eaton spectacular.

Membership Drive

Thank-you Maurie McDonald for your suggestion to approach the Bendigo Advertiser to promote Probus membership. An approach has been made to the Advertiser. They are yet to inform the proposed format and when it will appear. We still have 17 vacancies.

Thank-you Barry O'Brien for another successful and informative guest speaker for July. Mr Stephen Lindsay left us with an important message that may concern many of our members. Barry has further interesting speakers for the next 2-3 months.

Please make an effort to attend our August meeting. I look forward to seeing all on the 17th. In the meantime, please take care and keep well.

Bryan Armstrong



PROBUS CLUB OF BENDIGO

STAGE LIVE SHOW - THE LION KING - IN MELBOURNE - AT REGENT THEATRE. WEDNESDAY. 24th AUGUST.- 1.00pm Matinee

**** Depart 9.00am from Strathdale Community Ctre Car Park, Crook St. Bendigo**

Payments have been received from and Tickets have been secured for: (46)

J. Aitken (2), B. Armstrong (2), Pat Bath (1), C. Binks (1), B. Bruhn (1) W. Clemens (2), J. Cole (1), A. Cowling (2), A. Court (2), J. Davies (2), A. Dingle (2), A. Eaton (2), M. Hallett (2), F. Himsworth (2), J. Hardy (2), W. Jacka (2), E. Jenkins (1), Doris Kelly (1), B. Michelsen (1), C. McLean (1), L. Nankivell (2), I. Nixon (2), K. Proud (2), P. Randall (2), W. Spicer (2), J. Summers (1), P. Thornton (2), W. Winzar (1)

**** Lost tickets non-refundable, to avoid problems tickets will be issued on Coach on day of travel.**

**** Emergencies are required, if interested please advise Arthur 5443 9162.**

TRIP TO MELBOURNE: Monday 19th September, 2005

17th Century Dutch Masters Exhibition National Gallery Vic.- St Kilda Rd.

**** Visits to Federation Square can also be included.**

**** Depart 7.30am from Strathdale Community Ctre Car Park, Crook St. Bendigo**

Bookings (49) received from: B. Armstrong (2), A. Arundall (1), W. Clemens (2), B. Clemson (2), A. Cowling (2), A. Dingle (2), A. Eaton (2), J. Forsyth (2), G. Glover (2), P. Goodrich (2), D. Laity (2), M. McDonald (1+1), L. Nankivell (2), J. Petrusma (2), W. Redmond (1), R. Reynolds (2), W. Winzar (1), B. Bruhn (1), G. Bloomfield (1), F. Himsworth (2), C. Thomson (1), S & M Tracy (2), S/Hurst Probuss: H. Bawden (2), Robina Banks (1), K. Barker (2), C. Geier (2), M. Hinneberg (2), G. Rennie (2).

Emergencies required. Cost: \$35.00/person Includes: Coach & Dutch Masters.

PAYMENTS: At meeting Wednesday 17th August.

****Lunch: At own cost. Bistro, Main courses & a variety of snacks available at the Nat Gallery at reasonable prices. (** I have booked an area for our group for meal at 11.30am "to beat the rush."**

**** Escalator/Lifts, Seating within area, (** Wheel Chairs available, advise me if required.)**

**** The 17th Century Dutch Masters Exhibition:**

A most comprehensive display of the amazing works of 17th Century Dutch Masterpieces by the great artists such as Vermeer, Rembrandt, Frans Hals, Pietre de Hooch and Jan Steen. The cream of one of Europe's greatest collections - first time in Australia - only in Melbourne - not to be missed.

**** Federation Square: Is a very interesting venue, much of interest to see including**

The Australian Centre of the Moving Image: (Free) First of its kind in the world. A state of the art facility for the preservation, exhibition & promotion of Victorian, Australian and international screen content. - much to see !! ** Escalators & Lifts available.

**** The Australian Racing Museum & Hall of Fame: Entry Snrs: \$5.00.**

Through state of the art animation, visual art and audio visuals, it showcases the trophies, souvenirs, paintings, memorabilia and fashions that reflect Australia's rich racing heritage.

**** Ian Potter - National Gallery of Victoria: (Free Entry)**

THURSDAY 13TH OCTOBER, 2005:

MORNING MUSIC - CAPITAL THEATRE - 11.00am "THE BEST OF BRITISH."

LUNCH: CHINESE SMORGASBOARD At 12.40pm At House of Khong. Use own cars.

Cost: \$22.00/person Maximum: (30) Current Bookings: (27). Vacancies (3)

**** "The Best of British" By the popular "Gaslight Company." Celebrating 100 years of British Hits. This show will contain music from such greats as Gracie Fields, Vera Lynn, the Beatles and of course Sir Andrew Lloyd Webber.**

**** LUNCH: A Chinese Smorgasboard (with a variety of dishes - eat as much as you wish.)**

VENUE: The House of Khong, situated at 200 Hargreaves St, near multi story car park

LIST: At Meeting Wed 20th July. ** PAYMENTS: At or by meeting 17th August.

PROPOSED TRIP TO MELBOURNE: Tuesday 8th November, 2005

VICTORIAN PROBUS ASS'N MUSICAL VARIETY CONCERT & RHODENDRON GARDENS

Expressions of interest received at meeting Wed 20th July indicated "not enough support," hence no further action on this proposal.

Probus Club of Bendigo Annual Xmas Luncheon at Foundry Arms.

Date: Wednesday 14th December, 2005. Time: 11.30am for 12 Noon Luncheon

Listing at Meetings Wed. 21st September & Oct 19th. Payments Wed. 16th November.

**** Important: As our regular collectors are not available for meeting Wed 17th Aug.**

The collectors would greatly appreciate if you would kindly tender correct monies when making your payments for each of the Functions due for payment at this meeting.

Tours Organiser Arthur Eaton.

For inquiries telephone Arthur: 5443 9162

Report: "Xmas Dinner In July" at the Leadlight Cafe on Tuesday 26th July, 2005.

Fifty persons comprising Members of the Probus Club of Bendigo & their Partners together with a number from Ladies Probus Club & friends of Probus, attended this function. The Leadlight Cafe management had tastefully decorated the venue to give the atmosphere of Xmas. Those attending commenced arriving at 6.30pm and the proceedings started at 7.00pm.

Cliff Binks invited President Brian Armstrong to say a few words, Brian welcomed the gathering, and congratulated Cliff on arrangements made for the evening. The menu consisted of: Cream of Pumpkin Soup, a Main Course of Turkey, Pork & Ham, followed by traditional Plum Pudding with Brandy Sauce, *all thoroughly enjoyed this excellent meal.*

During the evening our two artists were well received, Meryl Wilkinson Harp & Vocal and Mark Jackson Vocal and Instrumental (Guitar & Trumpet), individually and together they provided the entertainment, during which they included appropriate Xmas Carols and Tunes.

And there was more - prizes to be won. Cliff had obtained many donations of items valued at over \$200 for prizes from local business, each of whom were suitably acknowledged.

The evening under the direction of Cliff, proved to be excellent in all respects.

Arthur Eaton, on behalf of all present suitably thanked Wayne, Raelene & Leadlight Staff, the Artists and Cliff Binks who had worked tirelessly & resolutely in an endeavour to ensure the success of the evening, for arranging the venue, program, obtaining the Artists, securing items for the excellent prize draws and general conduct of the evening.

Our congratulations and thanks, well done Cliff, what a great night we had, most enjoyable.