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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 Speaker for the August Meeting will be Peter Strange from Bendigo Health. Subject, Male Health.

President Alec introduced Stephen Bennett to the July Meeting. Stephen was born in Bendigo and was educated in Bendigo, also Geelong College, finishing at Melbourne University. He worked for the Australian Wheat Board for a while. In January this year he started working for C.B.H. Grain, in charge looking after the East Coast of Australia, including South Australia. Stephens' first assignment of his day is to check grain prices from the main world markets. Before setting prices in his areas for buying and selling all types of grain. C.B.H. is based in West Australia and exports 90% of its grain, on behalf of C.B.H. Stephen offered members the choice of a cap or a stubbie holder, which was much appreciated by our members. After answering many questions, John White made the usual presentation on behalf of the members.

EDITOR

FOUNDATION MEMBERS LUNCHEON

The luncheon on July 18 was attended by 17 people. We were at the One Tree Hill Hotel in Spring Gully and we all enjoyed a good meal with interesting conversation and fellowship.

Next Month's luncheon, following the General Meeting on August 15, will be held at the Mt. Edgcombe Hotel, 79 Olinda Street, Quarry Hill. Time 12.30pm.

WE NEED NEW MEMBERS AND WE NEED YOUR HELP TO FIND THEM.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

I was not able to take part in the Local Four of July 24 to Jimmy Possum Furniture and the Discovery Centre and Planetarium. From reports I have received we missed a good day's outing. I had an appointment with my cardiologist and it wasn't as entertaining, even though I got a good report.

Our Guest Speaker last month gave us an interesting talk about his work with the Grain Industry. What gave his talk more point is the fact that he is the grandson of our member, Ian Bennett. There must be a quite a number of sons or daughters, granddaughters and grandsons of other members who might come to tell us of their work and other interest. How about getting them to come along, Dad (or Granddad)?

From the Probus Annual Report 1 May 2007

Total membership in the South Pacific Region = 179,473 Total Clubs = 2236
That is: 80 members per Club.

Total membership in Victoria = 52,192 Total Clubs in Victoria = 584
That is: 89 members per Club

Speaking of figures: 2 3 5 8 13 21 34 ? What figure comes next in this sequence?

And also, correct this equation by moving just one match $IV - VI = II$

Did you know:

- That "Scotchguard" is a person watching the liquor cabinet.
- That a smile is a mirth mark.

Bob Chenery (Secretary)

NEW MEMBERS

Two new members were inducted by President Alec, they are Noel Bruhn and Graham Osborne. Noel was introduced to the meeting by Arthur Eaton and Graham was introduced by Colin McLean.

Noel was educated in Bendigo at Long Gully and Bendigo Technical School. Worked as a Plumbing Contractor in Cohuna, also worked for BP Petrol. His hobbies are fishing and hunting. He is also a member of VRI Bowling Club.

Graham is a retired Primary School Principal. His teaching life spent mostly in the Wimmera. He was a former Wimmera Central Umpire, Goal Umpire and Time Keeper and a member of W/Beal Bowling Club, also Masonic Lodge. He is active in Community and Uniting Church activities.

EDITOR

Guest Speaker

The benefits of having good Guest Speakers was illustrated after the very informative visit by the Strathfieldsaye Lions Club Eye Health Program. Resulting in our Secretary, Bob consulting an eye specialist and being diagnosed with cataracts. However Bob is up and about again and should be at this month's meeting, after missing the July Meeting due to the operation.

EDITOR

WELFARE OFFICER

We need someone to extend the hand of friendship to those members who are unwell. Contacting them either per phone or personal visit. This is not an arduous task and can be shared with others. Reimbursement for phone calls etc, is available. Can you help?

EDITOR



PROBUS CLUB OF BENDIGO TRIP TO LOCKINGTON AREA

Maximum: (52) Sharing with Sandhurst. TUESDAY 21st AUGUST, 2007

Cost: \$30.00 per person. Includes: Coach, Lunch & Tour Costs. Based on (35)

Depart 9.00am from Strathdale Community Centre Car Park, Crook Street.

Our first visit will be to *Fields Succulent and Cactus Farm at Tennyson*, a family business with experience dating back to 1908. Here, we will see the *largest collection of mature plants in Australia, over 2000 varieties* in a two & half acre natural setting, we will have a conducted tour. A *unique experience. As well as Cacti & Succulent plants, they also have a variety of Aloe Vera Products for sale.*

Our next visit is to *Lockington & District Living Heritage Complex*, here we take a *trip down memory lane*, we will have a guided tour, see over an *extensive range* of historical artefacts that were used in the district, *exhibits include:* General displays, Creamery exhibit, Shearing Shed, Blacksmiths, a Shop, Dairy Shed and many more, displays are continually being developed. There is *plenty of seating available* in the tearooms during our stay. *Lunch:* The Lockington volunteers will provide us with a *delicious two course lunch* in the function & tea room of the complex.

The following (28) bookings were received up to and at the July meeting:

ARMSTRONG. B. (1), BENNETT. I. (1), BINKS. C.* (1), CHENERY. R* (1), COLES. K. (1), COWLING. A. (2), EATON. A. (2), GLOSTER. K. (2), GLOVER.J.* (1), GOODRICH. P. (2), NIXON. I. (2), MILLER. M. (1), RANDALL. P. (1), SPICER.W.* (1), THOMSON. C. (1), THORNTON. P (2), WARD. H. (1), WHITE. J. (1), WINZAR.W. (1), BRUHN. B. (1), HIMSWORTH. F. (1) HIMSWORTH J* (1). *Sandhurst have: (11), VACANCIES: (8)*
** Outstanding Payments please at meeting on Wednesday 15th August.)*

TRIP TO BOORT "Country Town of Prosperity."

Maximum: (52) Sharing with Sandhurst. THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 20TH, 2007

Cost: \$45.00 per person. Includes: Coach, Lunch & Tour Costs. Based on (35)

Depart 8.30am from Strathdale Community Centre Car Park, Crook Street.

On arrival at Boort Lake we meet our Guide Robyn Vella of Loddon Discovery Tours or her Deputy who will be our guide for our Tour.

First we travel to *Simply Tomatoes* to learn about Tomato production, where we will be treated to a *scrumptious morning tea.*

Next we visit *Glencoe Fish Hatchery*, a *state of the art facility*, see some of Australia's largest domesticated Murray Cod. Barrimundi is also grown in tanks.

Lunch: In the lounge of either the friendly Railway or Commercial Hotel in Boort.

Boort Olive Plantation: We take a leisurely drive through the plantation, which when fully established, may be the *largest irrigated Olive Plantation in the world.*

The following (28) Bookings accepted up to and at the July meeting:

ARMSTRONG. B. (1), BRUHN. B. (1), COWLING. A. (2), CROTHERS. A. (2), EATON.

A. (2), GLOSTER. K. (2), GOODRICH. P. (2), HARDY. J. (2), HOLLAND. E. (2), LAITY. D. (2), MICHELL. R. (1), MILLER. M. (1), NIXON. I. (2), O'BRIEN. B. (2), W. SPICER. (1) HIMSWORTH. F. (1), TRUSCOTT. I. (1), TRUSCOTT. W. (1). *Payments at meeting on Wednesday 15th August please.*

*Correct amounts tendered please, this would assist the collectors. Sandhurst have: (25)
COACH is FULL: EMERGENCIES: GLOVER. J. (1), THOMSON. C. (1).*

Tuesday 9th to Friday 12th October, 2007

4 DAYS/3 NIGHTS - Proposed TRIP TO WARRNAMBOOL/PORTLAND AREAS.

Maximum: (25 rooms) Sharing with Sandhurst Probos Club. On an equal basis.

Cost: (Minimum (35) \$460/person Twin share Single Sup: \$124

INCLUDED: *Coach travel, dinner, bed, breakfast, lunch on day 2 & luncheon cruise on Day 3 & entrance fees as per itinerary*

**** The following (29) Bookings have been accepted for the trip.**

ARMSTRONG. B. (1), BENNETT. I. (1), BRUHN. N. (2), COWLING. A. (2), EATON. A. (2), GOODRICH. J. (1), GLOSTER. K. (2), GLOVER. J. (2), HUGHES. Z. (2), JENKINS. E. (1), LAITY. D. (2), MICHELL. R. (1), MICHELSEN. B. (1), MILLER. M. (1), SLADE. C. (2), SPICER. W. (2), HIMSWORTH. F. (1), THOMSON. C. (1), TRUSCOTT. I. (1), TRUSCOTT. W. (1), Emergencies (2): VINCENT. J. (1), HUNTER. A. (1) *Current Sandhurst: (8)*

PAYMENTS please: At Wed. 15th August meeting by Cheque made payable to:

Probos Club of Bendigo. ** (Please keep payment separate from other trips payments)

DAY 1 – TUESDAY 9 th October (D) Departure Strathdale Community Ctre Crook St

Leave Bendigo and travel firstly to Ballarat and then through Colac to Warrnambool. Upon arrival in Warrnambool, we will then be taken on a guided tour of Warrnambool. We then book into the motel for the next 2 nights.

DAY 2 – WEDNESDAY 10th (B,I,D)

This morning we will travel to Port Fairy for a town tour of the area. We then return to Warrnambool for lunch. In the afternoon we will be taken on a drive through at Tower Hill State Game Reserve, which is nestled inside a dormant volcano and today is a beautiful haven for wildlife. Billed as Warrnambool's "mini Niagara", the Hopkins Falls are 13km north-east of the city, set amid rolling countryside. Later this evening we travel to Flagstaff Hill to view "Shipwrecked". "Shipwrecked" is a complete theatrical experience that magically brings to life the tragic story of the *Loch Ard* disaster in a uniquely entertaining presentation. We then return to the motel for the night.

DAY 3 – THURSDAY 11th (B,L,D)

Today we venture to Portland. On the way we will visit the Codrington Wind Farm. Codrington Wind Farm consists of 14 windmills standing on hills overlooking the Southern Ocean. Each windmill has the generating capacity to supply power to 1000 homes. Other than the wind, they utilise no natural resources, exude no greenhouse gasses and are relatively silent. From here we travel to Nelson for a cruise on the Glenelg River. On our return to Portland we will visit the Petrified Forest and the Blowholes. We then check into the Portland Motel for the night.

DAY 4 – FRIDAY 12th (B)

Before returning to Bendigo, we will be taken on a guided tour of Portland. Then we begin the return journey home travelling via Hamilton where we will stop for a guided tour. We then continue on home arriving back late afternoon.

In order for these tours to be a success and viable I need to have positive support from the membership of our Club. Enquiries to Arthur: Phone 5443 9162

****** To assist collectors, please tender correct payment amounts for each trip***