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A Special General meeting is held every 3rd Wednesday of each month at 10am at the
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be used within the confines of Probus and shall not be used for any other purpose.**

**The Guest Speaker for the February Meeting will be
Beryl Jones from the Smith Family**

JANUARY MEETING

In the absence of a guest speaker, President Ern used the time to discuss the questionnaire, copies of which were handed to members prior to the meeting. The main topic being where our club is heading. After much discussion it was decided to leave this matter to the new committee as the A.G.M. is only a month away.

- Editor.

VALE ~ MAX SHIPP

Max was actively involved in our club, looking after the sound system at meetings, also the printing of the PROBE address labels and delivering them to Richard Cambridge Printers. Sadly missed.

- Editor.

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

Presidents Piece

We now have a copy of the official Probus "Jingle" on CD, which can be played at radio stations etc. We need volunteers to contact Local AM & FM stations, to discuss all aspects of our Probus Club in live interviews, if this is possible. Can you HELP.

- President Ern.

VISITOR

Arthur Eaton introduced Ron Pollock to the Members. Ron was a former Railway Station Master. Another new member?

- Editor.

Luncheon Members and Friends.

The February luncheon is to be held at the Brougham Arms Hotel, Williamson Street following the Probus meeting on Wednesday 17th February. If you are not a regular, please inform us of your intention to participate no later than Monday 15th February. Any regulars who are not available please ring also. Phone: 5443 2642. This helps to book for the correct number.

- Editor

USELESS INFORMATION

- A group of owls is called a Parliament
- Vincent Van Gogh committed suicide while painting wheat fields with crows.
- In 1859 24 rabbits were released in Australia and within six years the population grew to two million.
- Hot water is heavier than Cold water.
- If you put a raisin in a glass of champagne it will keep floating to the top and sinking to the bottom.
- The wheat that produces a one pound loaf of bread requires two tons of water to grow.
- The only 15 letter word that can be spelt without repeating a letter is uncopyrightable.

- Editor

Joke Time

A man was telling his neighbour, 'I just bought a new hearing aid. It cost me four thousand dollars, but it's state of the art. It's perfect.'
'Really,' answered the neighbour. 'What kind is it?'
'Twelve thirty.'

NOTICE OF MEETING

Under Rule 14(c)... All nominations AND acceptances of nomination shall be made in writing, signed by two nominators AND the candidate/s.

Note: Preliminary advice of the above was given in last months "Probe", together with appropriate nomination form; further copies are available from the secretary. Completed forms to be in the hands of the secretary no less than 7 days before the date fixed for the holding of the Annual General Meeting.

Notice is hereby given as follows:

The Twenty Third Annual General Meeting of the Probus Club of Bendigo Inc. will be held on 19th March 2008 at 10.00am at the club's meeting venue.

AGENDA

1. Confirm minutes of preceding A.G.M.
2. President's Report
3. Consideration of Financial Statement pursuant to Section 18(d) of the Constitution.
(Club's Statement of Receipts & Expenditure)
4. Election of Executive Officers:
 - (a) President
 - (b) Vice-President
 - (c) Treasurer
 - (d) Secretary
5. Election of 5 Committee Members
6. Determine Fees/Subscriptions for 2010/11
 - (a) Joining Fee (At Present \$0; previously \$25 once only)
 - (b) Annual Subscription (At Present \$25)
 - (c) Nominating Fee (At Present \$0; previously \$25 once only)
 - (d) Annual Nominee Fee (At Present \$0; previously \$10)
 - (e) Per Meeting Attendance Fee (At Present \$4)
7. Election of Auditor
8. Election of Public Officer
9. Other business as directed by the President
10. Close of A.G.M.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING TO FOLLOW CLOSURE OF A.G.M.

1. Confirmation of February Meeting Minutes
2. Reports
3. General Business
4. Close.

- Bob Chenery (Secretary)

PROBUS CLUB OF BENDIGO: TOUR TO NEW ZEALAND

– APRIL 14th to APRIL 29th, 2010.

16 Days/15 Nights. - Australia Pacific Tours .

Cost: \$3,380.00. Includes: Air Travel, Airport Taxes, Accommodation, Meals, Sightseeing and Entrance Fees as per Itinerary. An Experienced Tour Director and a Coach Driver. Travel Bag & Wallet. Passport required:

(Valid for 6 months after 29 April, 2010) **Insurance:** Is strongly recommended.

**** Itineraries, and as required Booking Forms available. Other Probus Clubs welcome.**

**** Currently vacancies exist, - advisable to book now – time is running out.**

To secure bookings: A Deposit of \$250/person, by Cheque payable to APT, together with a completed booking form, is to be forwarded to:

Probus Club of Bendigo Tours Organiser, Arthur Eaton,

4 Maxwell Crescent, Bendigo. 3550. For enquiries: Phone Arthur on 5443 9162

SATURDAY 13TH NOVEMBER, 2010 - “MARY POPPINS”

(A great Musical Show) Live Show Her Majesties Theatre in Melbourne. -

Show starts 2.00pm. COST: \$130/Person. Includes

Coach Travel (Bendigo Coachlines – 93 Wood St, Bendigo

Theatre Entry with better seats in Dress Circle

Depart Bendigo: Approx 9.30am. Return home by approx 7.00pm.

Currently: I have on seats on hold with Southern Cross Travel,

93 Wood St. Bendigo 5446 7000 To book: Phone: 5446 7000 (Kirsty)

Tell them you are in the Probus Club of Bendigo Group

PAYMENT: May be made personally at 93 Wood Street, or if by Mail: a Cheque made out to Southern Cross Travel. **** If paying by Credit Card - 2.1/2% surcharge applies.**

**** Note: If you wish to participate then: act now – seats on hold for a very limited time.**

MURRAY RIVER EXPEDITIONS-

5 DAY/4 NIGHTS SOUTH AUSTRALIA DISCOVERY TOUR:

CRUISE ON MURRAY RIVER - ALSO ADELAIDE & S.A. TOUR

FRIDAY 5th to TUESDAY 9th NOVEMBER, 2010

Price per Person: \$1868 Twin Share. \$2441 Single Supplement

Includes: Transport: Bendigo to Airport & Return, Air Fares: To & From Adelaide

Airport Taxes: Accommodation & Meals (both Boat & Adelaide), Cruising & Tours

as per the Itinerary. (On this Tour: 2 Nights on the Boat & 2 Nights in Adelaide.)

Includes a “Full Day Tour” from Adelaide to Kangaroo Island or if individuals wish, to the Barossa Valley) LISTING: At meeting Wed. 17th February, 2010. Deposits: at 16th June

Meeting ** Copies of each Itinerary available for perusal Enquiries to Arthur: 5443 9162

OTHER CLUBS: BENDIGO LADIES PROBUS CLUB -

EIGHT DAY TASMANIA TOUR - 20th to 27th APRIL, 2010.

COST: \$1230.00 Twin Share. Minimum of (40) (Bendigo to Bendigo & Return.)

**** If interested, contact TOUR ORGANISER : MARJ BYRNE Phone: 5474 8234**