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**This month's guest speaker is Mrs Nora Stubbs  
of R.A.C.V. who will speak on  
The Royal Automobile Club of Victoria.**

The guest speaker, Mrs Judith Doughty was introduced by Allan Dingle. She is the C.E.O. at Strath-Haven.

Judith was born on a farm at Holbrook in N.S.W., went to school in Albury and initially trained as a teacher. She worked for many years with children, teenagers and adults with disabilities and their families in Victoria, NSW and recently in the UK.

She has a Bachelor of Arts (Psychology), a Diploma of Education, a Graduate Diploma in Special Education and is currently completing a Masters in Human Services Management.

On their return from 2 years working in the UK in 2000, Judith and her husband David who works at the Bendigo Bank moved to Bendigo where they live on 6 acres at Strathfieldsaye.

Judith has been CEO at Strath-Haven for 3 years; a position she enjoys enormously.

Our speaker commenced her talk by inviting members to give suggestions as to what people approaching retirement might be looking for. Suggestions put forward included, staying as long as possible in their own homes, availability of supporting services as these become necessary, company of others, maintaining their interests and activities, living in close proximity to or having ready access to general services, shopping, etc, and maybe eventual accommodation in Hostel or Nursing Homes if deemed necessary.

The suggestions were very much in line with those anticipating by our speaker and also in accordance with a major study "Vision 20/20" initiated by messers Bailieu Myer and Arvy Parblo several years ago.

To illustrate the various levels of accommodation available in Bendigo she mentioned Bendigo Village as independent living, Strath-Haven as low care accommodation and Carshalton House as high care accommodation.

Our speaker then went on to tell us of the great increase in the number of retirees aged 65 that had occurred over past years, and compared that with the rapidly increasing number of people retiring nowadays, including many before the age of 65, and the changing attitudes of different generations. In 2001, 12.7% of the population were over 65 and it is anticipated that by 2031 that number will be 21%.

Prior to about 1946 many people had experienced the depression, there was a high rate of unemployment, people were loyal to their employers and worked hard to achieve what they wanted. The years, 46 to 64, often referred to as they years of the Baby-Boomers, were years of re-building, people were better educated and there was little un-employment. The years 65 to 80 saw rapid increases in technology and a tendency to achieve things quickly. The following period, 80 to 95, saw a stronger commitment to the environment; people tended to be more sociable but less loyal to their employers. Consequently, as attitudes have changed over these generational periods so too have expectations changed, and in the case of Strath-Haven, which when designed and opened 25 years ago was adequate in every way, now needs some modifications to the building and in the care of residents. A study of experiences in the lives of residents has resulted in, among other things, a "Cheeky-Bits" display consisting of black and white, wall mounted photographs of residents with a brief note of some of the most interesting aspects of their lives. To illustrate this our speaker displayed one of these, a very nice photo of Allan and Thelma Dingle with the attached summary of their earlier lives:

Alan Court thanked our speaker for her very interesting talk and made the usual presentation.

## **- ANNUAL XMAS LUNCHEON - WED. 15th DECEMBER, 2004**

- \*\* At Foundry Arms Hotel. (Platinum Room), Hight St., Golden Square.
- \*\* Maximum: (120) Current Bookings: (70)
- \*\* Please report at 11.30am for 12 Noon Luncheon. \*\* Cost: \$23.00 per person
- \*\* Two Course Lunch, Entertainment, Multiple Raffle Draws.
- \*\* Tickets will be issued: at time of payment being made - please bring them with you.
- \*\* A great opportunity for all to meet, fraternise and enjoy the fellowship of Probus.
- \*\* President Alan and Committee seek the support of the membership.
- LIST: Further bookings required and PAYMENTS due: \*\* Wed 17th Nov, 2004
- \*\* Please assist our Collectors by tendering correct amounts for your payments.

## **Medical Report**

Len Roy is improving after his operation.

Eddie Hogan has had an angiogram, the result is not know yet to the Editor.

## **Membership numbers**

We are still down from our specified number, 100. Why not invite a friend (or even two or three) to a meeting?

Let them see who we are and what we do. No obligation to join, but let's try to make them so welcome that they will join.

## BIRTHDAY WISHES

Best wishes are extended to the following members who will be celebrating their birthday in the coming months...

### December 2004

04	Ted Driscoll	87	04	Ken Gloster	76
05	Alex Wilson	74	06	Rupert Holland	88
11	Allan Dingle	89	12	Hugh Ward	89
17	Bill Clemens	72	26	Alan Court	78
28	Ian Nixon	85	28	Bill O'Donoghue	78

### January 2005

27	Zane Hughes	69	29	Cliff Binks	83
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Congratulations to all of above.

Note: If you do not wish your birthday published in the "Probe" please advise the Secretary.

"It's a fact" (said the Secretary).

"He's so aggravating, he'd give an aspro a headache".

(And as a bonus!).

"He'd throw a drowning man both ends of a rope".

Please remember, **NO MEETING DECEMBER**, as that day we will all be enjoying the Club's Christmas Luncheon (provided you've booked in) at the "Foundry Arms". See Arthur Eaton's event details.

The first Club Meeting in 2005 will be on Wednesday, 19th January starting at 9.30 am.

## PROBUS BOWLS TEAMS

Teams Bendigo Probus Club      Venue South Bendigo      23rd November 2004

Lead	Third	Skip
E. Driscoll	R. Clenery	P. Bath
B. Redmond	B. Clemens	E. Hogan
M. McDonald	E. Trewartha	A. Court
A. Wilson	J. Kelly	H. Hesse
J. Laidler	R. Fitzgerald	F. O'Connell

Play at South Bendigo Club, 9.30 am assemble for 10 am start.

Probus shirts if possible. 2 Bowl Triples - Casual dress. Emergency: D. Laity, E. Waterworth. Please ASAP is not available.

## BENDIGO PROBUS BOWLS TEAMS

9th December 2004

Lead	Third	Skip
R. Chenery	R. Fitzgerald	A. Court
A. Eaton	M. McDonald	E. Hogan
Z. Hughes	E. Waterworth	F. O'Connell
G. Glover	W. Winzar	H. Hesse
B. Redmond	J. Kelly	P. Bath

Assemble at Bendigo Bowls Club: 9.30 for 10 am start.

Probus shirts is possible. 2 bowl triples, casual dress. Please ASAP if not available. Phone 5447-0680. Emergency: J. Wilson, E. Trewartha, J. Jaidler, M. McDonald.

Report of bowls game against Eaglehawk - Tuesday, 26 October 2004.

Our first game of the season, and the resulted in a victory to Eaglehawk by 15 shots. Probus had three winning rinks, with our best rink. Alec Wilson, M. McDonald, P. Bath (Skip). Our next games is at South Bendigo.



# PROBUS CLUB OF BENDIGO

## TRIP TO CANBERRA - 5 DAY/4 NIGHTS

MONDAY 22nd TO FRIDAY 26th NOVEMBER, 2004

*Cost Based on Minimum of (35) to travel. Current: ( 38 ) Max: (49)*

**\*\* Depart: 7.30am. Mon 22nd Nov. From Strathdale Community Centre, Crook St.**

**\*\* COST: \$457.00 per person (Twin Share)**

**\*\* A Single Supplement of \$140 would apply if request for a room on own.)**

**\*\* Cost includes: All Coach travel, dinner, bed & breakfast, entrance fees and Lunches on days 2,3,4.**

**\*\* Morning Tea: Of Tea/Coffee & biscuits will now be provided on day (1)**

**\*\* Itineraries: Have been issued to all travellers.**

**\*\* Motel: Heritage Motel. Phone: (02) 6295 2944. Location: Canberra Suburb of Narrabundah**

**\*\* Health/Medical Cards: Please bring and retain whilst on trip.**

**\*\* A trip with much variety, should be of interest to all.**

**\*\* Emergencies required for this Tour in order to cater for any cancellations.**

**\*\* I seek the support of members, Friends of Probus Members are invited to join this trip.**

**\*\* INSURANCE: Should you wish to take out "Cancellation Insurance," then please make your own arrangements for this cover.**

### **A SPECIAL FUNCTION: (Friday 4th February, 2005, 4.30pm)**

**A FILM SHOWING AT THE LATROBE UNIVERSITY LECTURE THEATRE - BENDIGO**

**Rob & Cynthia Watkins** have again offered their services to provide for us another of their "spectacular film showings," a number of which we have greatly enjoyed and been privileged to see over a period of many years in Air Conditioned comfort at the Latrobe University venue.

**COST: \$3.00 per person. Maximum - our Club allocation: (80) - Current: (50)**

A relaxed and very interesting evening is assured. **"Book early - don't miss out"**

#### **Program:**

**\*\* 4.30pm Films: National Parks of U.S.A. and Canada**

**\*\* 5.30pm B.Y.O. Picnic Tea & Socialise. (Tea,Coffee, Milk, Sugar & Paper Cups provided)**

**\*\* 7.00pm Films From Nice (French Riviera) to the Top of Norway & return.**

**\*\* 8.00pm Depart for home in daylight.**

**LIST: Further bookings required. PAYMENTS: Due at meeting Wed. 17th Nov., 2004.**

**Tours Organiser Arthur Eaton. For inquiries telephone: 5443 9162**

