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A special General meeting is held on the third Wednesday of each month, except December, at 10 am at the Masonic Centre Mc Ivor Rd , Bendigo

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The speaker for the November Meeting will be John Krokawiak who will talk on The Smith Family in Bendigo.

Guest Speaker Report

President Ern introduced Tom O'Toole the founder of Beechworth Bakery. Tom has a reputation for being a great motivational speaker and the members were soon to find out why ! It is a long time since we have had a speaker who seemed to fail to draw breath as he expounded with such vigour his story of the beginning of Beechworth Bakery and its renowned expansion, including a branch in Bendigo, over the last few years. Tom illustrated his talk with slides and peppered the presentation with his favourite sayings such as : "When opportunity knocks, answer the door!", "Only when we continue to raise our goals do we give ourselves room to grow!", "There is no excitement in being average!". Tom undoubtedly puts his customers FIRST in every way, followed very closely by his very loyal and happy staff. An entertaining and eye-opening talk. Rupert Reynolds had the unenviable task of thanking Tom and presenting him with our usual small gift. Tom who was accompanied by the manageress from the Bendigo branch joined us for our morning cuppa and the members were treated to a great variety of his cakes and slices. Every member then received two vouchers for free coffee at the bakery.

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Computer Help :

Are you needing help with any computer problems or are you thinking of getting a computer or using your computer so you can have Email and/or Skype contact with your family wherever they are in the world but are scared/apprehensive to do so? Don't be scared or apprehensive, don't let the grand kids get the better of you, just give the Editor of Probe, Mike Watt a ring and I will ensure that you have the help you need in the simplest of ways and free of charge !!!! Ph 5449 3925 Mob 0419431842 or email mjwatt@dodo.com.au

**DON'T FORGET NO DECEMBER MEETING
HOWEVER THERE WILL BE A DECEMBER CHRISTMAS PROBE!**

PRESIDENTS PIECE

In an endeavour to attract new members your Committee has tried various scenarios with mixed success; we propose to advertise via radio in the future as we achieved better results this way. As Club members are aware we are ALL AMBASSADORS for our Club so it is imperative that we continually strive to expand our numbers.

A reminder that we require numbers and Names for our Christmas Luncheon to enable seating to be arranged; additionally don't forget that we have a booking for the Gaslight Show at the Capitol Theatre followed by a Luncheon at the Rifle Brigade Hotel, hope to see as many as possible there!

Regards to all
Pres Ern

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Murphy's Law

1. Logic is a systematic method of coming to the wrong conclusion with confidence!
2. In order to get a loan you must first prove that you don't need it!

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CLUB FINANCE : As at 19th Oct General \$1271.08 Tours \$2650.92
Banking — Cheque Account \$1172.00 Cash Account \$2750.00
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WEDDING BELLS FOR TWO MEMBERS !

Thelma and Bob
Congratulations
We wish you both much happiness !

Our illustrious Secretary Bob Chenery and one of our newest members Thelma Martin were happily married on the 18th September and at the time of writing are still on their honeymoon. We look forward to welcoming back Mr and Mrs Chenery in the near future.

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SICK LIST: Our thoughts and prayers are with those members not feeling well and we wish them a speedy recovery !



It is with great sadness that we record the recent deaths of two of our valued members.
Cyril Slade a member since March 1993 and survived by his wife Pat.
Max Hallett a member since March 1995 and survived by his wife Laurel.
Our sincere condolences go to both Pat and Laurel and their families.

Items for the next PROBE which will be published in December
Must be submitted to the Editor no later than: Wednesday 8th December
Items for the January PROBE
Must be submitted to the Editor no later than: Wednesday 5th January
Mike Watt Ph 5449 3925 or email mjwatt@dodo.com.au

BIRTHDAYS : Have a great day !!

NOVEMBER

2nd Thelma Chenery	3rd Arthur Eaton
3rd Chas Smith	7th George Himsworth
7th Barb Smith	8th Bruce Perrin
10th Alf Ryall	18th Clare Bird
22nd Noel Bruhn	25th Rob Watkins
28th Bryan Clemson	

DECEMBER

4th Ken Gloster
12th Hugh Ward
17th Bill Clemens
26th Alan Court
28th Ian Nixon

LAWN BOWLS: It is hoped to be able to arrange a few games in the New Year.

CARAVAN GROUP

Denise and Mike Watt are heading up to Echuca Holiday Park (Top Tourist) for three nights 22,23,24 November . They would love to see some other caravaners from the Club join them.

LONERS GROUP

Those members on their own are invited to join the regulars for dinner at the Bendigo Club every Thursday at 6pm. Table is booked in either Arthur Eaton or Ian Bennett name.

MORNING COFFEE AND CHAT GROUP (Proposed)

Watch this space in the December Probe for details of the inaugural gathering to be held on a date in January at a location to be decided. It is hoped that this will be a regular monthly event. Any comments/suggestions phone Denise on 54493925

Members Luncheon

November luncheon is at the British and American Hotel, 84 Eaglehawk Road , Chinese and Aussie Cuisine. If you are not a regular, please inform us of your intention to participate no later than Monday 15th. November. Any regulars who are not available please ring also. Phone Dorothy: 5443 2642. This helps to book for the correct number.

WHEN IT IS OK TO USE A SWEAR WORD !



Upcoming Activities Other Clubs:

Spring Gully: Contacts Margaret Jenkins 54438089 or Gwen Baker 54437256

EXOTIC MAURITIUS 29/6—12/7/11 14days/13nights \$4195pp

White Hills: Contact Heather Smith 54496239

SANDAKAN STORY IN BORNEO 6/6—24/6/11 9days/8nights \$3199pp

SATURDAY 13TH NOVEMBER, 2010 - "MARY POPPINS" (A great Musical Show)
Live Show Her Majesties Theatre in Melbourne. - Show starts 2.00pm.

Depart at 9.30am. From Bendigo Coachlines Depot 90 Wood Street Bendigo. Home: approx 7.00pm.

Southern Cross Travel advise that they have received (22) payments from:

G.Bloomfield (3), R. Chenery (2), A.Cowling (2), T.Dingle (1), A.Eaton (1), N.Gillies (1), M. Grylls (1), J.Himsworth (2), J. Long (1), M.Miller (1), D. Mills (1), Y. Wallace (1), H.Ward (1), M.Watt (3), R.Pollock (1)

TICKET DISTRIBUTION: *Southern Cross Travel will issue Theatre Tickets on the Day of Travel as each of you enter the coach. (I will ensure our group are seated together.)*

WEDNESDAY 8th DECEMBER. AT THE CAPITAL THEATRE BENDIGO.

"THE GASLIGHT XMAS SHOW" At 11.00am. Report at 10.15am for a Cuppa and Chat.

Australia's most popular daytime performance company. A mix of traditional Xmas Carols, blended with contemporary Xmas Songs spiced with Gaslight good humour. *Maximum Tickets*

Available: (35)

COST: For Show: Group Price \$12/per person *Additionally to follow (for those who wish,) a Lunch at (Own cost) at "The Rifle Brigade Hotel" across the road from the Theatre.*

(25) Bookings for Theatre & Lunch: Have been received from: C. Adams (2), C. Binks (1), C. Bird (1), A.Cowling (2), A. Crothers (2), T. Dingle (1), A.Eaton (1), N. Gillies (1), B. Hall (1), E. Holland (3), B.Mc.Grath (2), M. Miller (1), R. Pollock (1), K. Proud (2), M.Watt (2), H. Ward (1), J. White (1)

Theatre Only: (8) W. Clemens (2), K. Gloster (2), G. Himsworth (2), W. Redmond (2), **(Ticket distribution at 17th November Meeting.)**

WEDNESDAY 1ST DECEMBER, 2010 – ANNUAL PROBUS XMAS LUNCHEON

In Platinum Room At Foundry Hotel Complex High St Golden Square. (11.30am for 12 Noon.)

Cost: \$30.00/person Includes: Two Course Luncheon, Many Door Prizes.

The Committee will prepare a considered and most interesting program.

President Ern Holland and the Committee seek your support, be sure to come, enjoy fellowship of Probus

Current Bookings: (62) *Additional bookings welcomed.*******

PAYMENTS: Very Important: Be made prior to or at Wed. November. 17th Meeting

THURSDAY 10TH FEBRUARY, 2010 – BENDIGO CHINESE MUSEUM & GARDENS

Report at Bridge Street Entrance at 10.15am

A Conducted Tour of the Chinese Museum, Gardens and the recently completed new precinct. (I have requested, that if practicable Russell Jack be our Guide for the Tour.)

LUNCH: (Two Course) At the conclusion of tour we will stay at the venue for a Lunch.

COST: Tour & Lunch: \$25 /person.

***** I seek the support of the members, please make your booking at the November meeting, as we do not have a normal meeting in December***

LIST: At Meeting Wednesday Nov. 17th. 2010. PAYMENTS: Wed Jan. 19th, 2011

SUNDAY 5th DECEMBER, 2010 - THE FAMOUS CRUDEN FARM GARDENS (Of Dame Elisabeth Murdoch) AT LANGWARREN.

Conducted by: SOUTHERN CROSS TRAVEL- BENDIGO – Bendigo Coachlines

Depart: 8.00am From: Southern Cross Travel – 90 Wood Street, Bendigo

Cost: \$42.00 per person, which include Coach Travel and Entry to Cruden Farm.

The undermentioned have secured bookings with Southern /Cross Travel for this trip:

N.Bruhn (2), C.Bird (1), A.Eaton, (1), Bet Hall (1), J.Himsworth (3), D.Laity (2), P.Randall (1), G. Rumbold (2), D. Spicer (1), D. Tonkin (1), H.Ward (1), Denise Watt (1), J.White (1)

****** Please assist the Collectors by tendering correct amounts when making payments. ******

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