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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 October Meeting will be Tom O'Toole  
From Beechworth Bakery. A great motivational speaker!**

## Guest Speaker Report

Russell Jack from the Bendigo Chinese Association was the guest speaker at the September meeting and was welcomed by our President and introduced by Bryan Clemson. Russell spoke with passion about his and his late wife Joan's dedication in creating Bendigo's Chinese Heritage. In the early 1960's they both worked for nothing using their own money to get the project underway. A major benefactor to the Museum is John St Alban, a migrant from the UK who lives in Adelaide. Russell said that his collection of Chinese artefacts are mind blowing and we are very fortunate to have received so much for the Chinese museum to date; there is still a lot stored in Adelaide that will be transferred to Bendigo once additions to the museum have been completed.

From the commencement of the Gold Rush period to the present day the Chinese community have influenced the proud history of Bendigo. After answering many and varied questions, Bryan Clemson made the usual presentation on behalf of Probud Club members.

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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](mailto:mjwatt@dodo.com.au)

**HELP US TO HELP YOU—LET A COMMITTEE MEMBER HEAR YOUR  
SUGGESTIONS ETC.!!**

## PRESIDENTS PIECE

It's great to see Spring finally arrive, now we can all enjoy the great outdoors and get stuck into all those gardening chores!!!

In an endeavour to assist your committee could members indicate what interest groups appeal to individuals so that we may be in a position to establish several different groups that reflect a range of various activities for member's enjoyment.

Our tour and entertainment guru, Arthur, has trips and shows planned and maybe now the weather has improved we can have a few day trips and BBQ's

A reminder also that our Christmas Luncheon is not that far away so consider asking a friend or two and making it a great day for all.

President Ern

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**CLUB FINANCE : As at 13th Sept General \$1290.29 Tours \$2650.92**  
**Banking — Cheque Account \$1191.21 Cash Account \$2750.00**  
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**SICK LIST:** Our thoughts and prayers are with those members not feeling well and we wish them a speedy recovery !

### **WHEN IT IS OK TO USE A SWEAR WORD !**



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**THANKS FROM THE EDITOR:**

Grateful thanks go to Barry Hargraves for compiling the Guest Speaker reports for the last two editions of Probe !

Special thanks to my step daughter Rowena who printed, folded and wrapped, ready for posting, the September edition of Probe !

<p>Items for the next PROBE Must be submitted to the Editor no later than: Wednesday 3rd October Mike Watt Ph 5449 3925 or email <a href="mailto:mjwatt@dodo.com.au">mjwatt@dodo.com.au</a></p>
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**BIRTHDAYS : Have a great day !!**

**OCTOBER**

10th Max Hallett  
10th Maurie McDonal  
11th Barry O'Brien  
22nd Ken Coles

**NOVEMBER**

2nd Thelma Martin      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  
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**LAWN BOWLS**

We had a game of Bowls on the 23rd of Sept, at Woodbury. We finished up with 4 rinks of 3 bowl pairs after a few hickups, people not turning up, misunderstandings and such. We had a great game, enjoyed ourselves and for the first time in years we have won a game! The scores were. Skippers first:-

B Redmond	B Hargrave	Won	20 - 10
R Fitzgerald	J Fitzgerald	Won	21 - 11
Z Hughes	R Hughes	Lst	13 - 23
C Smith	B Smith	Won	21 - 14

**Probus Club of Bendigo won the game 75 to 58**

B Redmond's team won the prize for the winning rink  
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**CARAVAN GROUP ?**

Any member interested in joining fellow members with caravans on short trips of a few nights only during the forthcoming year ? Please give your name to the Editor and we will see what can be arranged !

**Members Luncheon**

October 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 19th. July. Any regulars who are not available please ring also. Phone Dorothy: 5443 2642. This helps to book for the correct number.

**Christmas Luncheon**

At the Foundry is a choice of Pork, Turkey & Ham with roast vegies OR Flat head Tail fillets, poached & served with Roast vegies etc. DESSERT Homemade Christmas Pudding Brandy Custard and Cream OR Fresh fruit Salad. \$30.00 per head, Foundry Complex Wednesday 1s December Pls advise numbers to Arthur / Ern to arrange seating etc by Mid November; and any special dietary requirments.

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**Upcoming Activities Other Clubs:**

**Spring Gully:** Contacts Margaret Jenkins 54438089 or Gwen Baker 54437256  
EXOTIC MAURITIUS 29/6—12/7/11

**White Hills:** Contact Heather Smith 54496239  
BORNEO/SANDAKAN 6/6—24/6/11



The Bendigo and District Branch meet at the Kalianna School, on the corner of Prouses Road and Nolan Street, At 7pm, on the third Monday of the month. Contact us at P.O. Box 1183, Bendigo, 3552. Our website [www.bendigoseniors.org.au](http://www.bendigoseniors.org.au) E-mail address [kjns@impulse.net.au](mailto:kjns@impulse.net.au)

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**FRIDAY 5th to TUESDAY 9th NOVEMBER, 2010 - Min:(10), Current (14)**  
**MURRAY RIVER EXPEDITIONS - (Proud Australia Holidays.) Tel: 1800 677 683**  
**5 DAY/4 NIGHTS SOUTH AUSTRALIA DISCOVERY TOUR:**

**CRUISE ON MURRAY RIVER - ALSO ADELAIDE & S.A. TOUR**  
**FRIDAY 5th to TUESDAY 9th NOVEMBER, 2010 - Min:(10), Max: (32) Current (14)**

**Price per Person: \$1868 Twin Share. \$2441 Single Supplement "Will be a great trip."**

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

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

**Current Bookings/Payments in full (14) From:** I. Bennett (1), N Bruhn (2), A. Crothers (2), T. Dingle (1), A. Eaton (1), N. Gillies (1), J. Goodrich (1), H. Ward (1), Geoff Rumbold (2) M. Lloyd, (1), V. Ryan (1)

**TRAVEL DOCUMENTS/INSTRUCTIONS: (You will receive these direct from Proud Australia Holidays.)**

**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) & Theatre Entry**

**Depart at 9.30am. From Bendigo Coachlines Depot 90 Wood Street Bendigo. Return 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. Himsforth (2), J. Long (1), M. Miller (1), D. Mills (1), Y. Wallace (1), H. Ward (1), M. Watt (3),

J. White (1) **The Coach for this date is now Full.** For Emergencies: Please advise Arthur (5443 9162)

**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" which is situated just over the road from the Theatre.**

(34) **Bookings for Theatre & Lunch: Have been received from:** I. Bennett (1), C. Binks (1),

(35) C. Bird (1), W. Clemens (2), A. Cowling (2), A. Crothers (1), T. Dingle (1), A. Eaton (1),

(36) K. Gloster (2), N. Gillies (1), B. Hall (1), E. Holland (3), G. Himsforth (3), D. Laity (2),

(37) B. Mc. Grath (2), R. Pollock (1), K. Proud (2), M. Miller (1), W. Redmond (2), M. Watt (2),

(38) H. Ward (1), J. White (1)

**PAYMENTS: Wed. October 20th Meeting. (Ticket distribution at 17<sup>th</sup> November Meeting.)**

**WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> 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***

**LISTING: At Wed. October 20th Meeting. PAYMENTS: Prior to or Wed. November. 17th Meeting**

**THURSDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> 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. LIST: Meeting Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>. 2010 Payments: Wed Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011***

**TRIPS ENQUIRIES: To Arthur Eaton. Phone: 5443 9162**