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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 Guest Speaker today is Dr. Salvadore who will talk about his recent nine day trek of the Kokoda Trail.**

Our guest speaker for August was well known Bendigo business man, Ron Poyser. He spoke of his 25 years in the motor industry and the changes in the industry in that time. Ron informed the meeting his company, Ron Poyser Holden employs 95 people at the Epsom complex which is the largest motor vehicle complex in Regional Australia with a turnover of \$60 million annually. It was an informative & interesting address inviting a large number of questions. Arranging interesting speakers is one of the clubs most important assignments. To hold the interest of members, guest speakers must be well balanced & informative. We are grateful to Barry O'Brien in arranging his choice of enjoyable guest speakers who have been interesting in the past. Thank you Barry.

## FOUNDATION MEMBERS LUNCHEON

Twentyone people were present for the August Foundation Members Luncheon which was held at the One Tree Hill Hotel. We welcomed Rep's from Kangaroo Flat Club (Cec Snilling with his wife Verna) and from the Strathfieldsaye Club (Ivan Pellas).

The secretary of Kangaroo Flat Club advised that Rotarian Bill Robertson had passed away several years ago - he was one of the 5 Rotarians responsible for setting up Probus Clubs in Bendigo. The \$8 fee requested for our Foundation Members pins has been paid and club secretary will proceed with order - most Foundation Members ordered their pin and they will be presented at the October club meeting.

We had an apology for non attendance from Eaglehawk Rotarian Joe Miles - also one of the 5 Rotarians responsible for setting up our Bendigo Probus Clubs, and also from the secretary White Hills Probus Club.

The proposal for the November meeting to be a Christmas Luncheon was agreed to. A suitable venue is to be settled A.S.A.P. Could be either at the National Hotel or the One Tree Hill Hotel cost about \$14pp.

Also the proposal of a combined foundation members annual luncheon for all Bendigo Region Clubs as suggested by rotarian Ken Briggs is being looked into. The idea has possibilities. Possibly for 2006.

Our next meeting is at the Newmarket Hotel on the corner of Nolan Street and Charleston Road, 89 pp. 2 course meal, at 12-15pm on Wednesday 22/9/05. The meal and the venue, parking etc. are good, some parking at the rear of the Hotel - enter off Nolan Street.

Q.C. Binks (Convenor)

## BIRTHDAY WISHES

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

### OCTOBER 2005

09	Max Shipp	77
10	Max Howlett	75
10	Maurie McDonald	73
11	Barry O'Brien	72
18	Wal Spicer	85
22	Ken Coles	73
26	Athol Wall	87

### NOVEMBER 2005

03	Arthur Eaton	82
08	Bruce Perrin	77
10	BOB ARUNDEL	90
10	Alf Rysall	88
12	Herb Hesse	88
12	John Tate	62
25	Bill Jacka	84
25	Rob Watkins	76
28	Bryan Clemson	77

Congratulations to all of above especially **Bob Arundel**.

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

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

Do you realise that your **calculator** can tell you something?

Do the following on your calculator and then turn it around and read the surprising answers:

$(7964 \times 7964) + 7,652,049 =$  the name of a large oil company.

Clear the display.....then

$(711 \times 10,000) - 9,447 =$  a past company oil competitor.

## Ladies Day Special Invitation

October the 19th. is our Annual Ladies Day occasion. It is our invitation to the ladies to join us for our monthly meeting and morning tea. Please make this your special effort to attend with partner. A morning tea with a difference and a door prize for a lucky lady. The guest speaker will be Audiologist Dirk De' Moore. Don't miss it, you will be conspicuous if you are absent.

### October 19



## **PROBUS CLUB OF BENDIGO**

### **TRIP TO MELBOURNE: Monday 19th September, 2005**

*17th Century Dutch Masters Exhibition National Gallery Vic. - St Kilda Rd.*

**\*\* Visits to Federation Square can also be included.**

**\*\* Depart 7.30am from Strathdale Community Ctre Car Park, Crook St. Bendigo.**

**Bookings (50) received from:** B. Armstrong (2), A. Arundall (1), W. Clemens (2), K. Coles (2), A. Cowling (2), A. Dingle (2), A. Eaton (2), J. Forsyth (2), G. Glover (2), P. Goodrich (2), D. Laity (2), M. McDonald (1+1), L. Nankivell (2), J. Petrusma (2), W. Redmond (1), R. Reynolds (2), S. Slade (2), W. Winzar (1), B. Bruhn (1), G. Bloomfield (1), F. Himsworth (2), Nancy Townsend, (1) S & M Tracy (2), Lois McGauchie (1), **S/Hurst Probus:** H. Bawden (2), Robina Banks (1), Kevin Barker (2), Brian Curnow (2), G. Rennie (2).

**Cost: \$35.00/person Includes: Coach & Dutch Masters.**

**Maximum: (53) Current: (50) Vacancies (3)**

**\*\*Lunch: At own cost. Bistro, Main courses and a variety of snacks available at the National Gallery at reasonable prices. \*\* I have booked an area for our group for meal at 11.30am "to beat the rush."**

**\*\* Escalator/Lifts, Seating within area, ( \*\* Wheel Chairs available, advise me if required.)**

**\*\* The 17th Century Dutch Masters Exhibition:**

*A most comprehensive display of the amazing works of 17th Century Dutch Masterpieces by the great artists such as Vermeer, Rembrandt, Frans Hals, Pietre de Hooch and Jan Steen. The cream of one of Europe's greatest collections - first time in Australia - only in Melbourne - not to be missed.*

**\*\* Federation Square: Is a very interesting venue, much of interest to see including The Australian Centre of the Moving Image: (Free) First of its kind in the world. A state of the art facility for the preservation, exhibition and promotion of Victorian, Australian and international screen content. - much to see !! \*\* Escalators & Lifts available.**

**\*\* The Australian Racing Museum & Hall of Fame: Entry Snrs: \$5.00.**

*Through state of the art animation, visual art and audio visuals, it showcases the trophies, souvenirs, paintings, memorabilia and fashions that reflect Australia's rich racing heritage.*

### **THURSDAY 13TH OCTOBER, 2005:**

#### **MORNING MUSIC - CAPITAL THEATRE - 11.00am**

#### **"THE BEST OF BRITISH."**

**LUNCH: CHINESE SMORGASBOARD At 12.40pm At House of Khong. Use own cars. Cost: \$22.00/person Maximum: (32) Current Bookings: (32), Emergencies required.**

**\*\* "The Best of British" By the popular "Gaslight Company." Celebrating 100 years of British Hits. This show will contain music from such greats as Gracie Fields, Vera Lynn, the Beatles and of course Sir Andrew Lloyd Webber.**

**\*\* LUNCH: A Chinese Smorgasboard (with a variety of dishes - eat as much as you wish.)**

**VENUE: The House of Khong, situated at 200 Hargreaves St, near multi story car park.**

*Outstanding Payments: At or by meeting 21st September please.*

*Bookings received from: B. Armstrong (2), C. Binks (1), G. Bloomfield (1), B. Bruhn (1), W. Clemens (1), A. Cowling (2), A. Crothers (2), A. Dingle (2), A. Eaton (2), G. Glover (2), P. Goodrich (2), H. Hesse (2), L. Hodren (2), W. Jacka (2), L. Nankiverll (2), M. Rothacker (1), C. Slade (2), C. Thomson (1), H. Ward (1), W. Winzar (1). Total: (32).*

### ***Probus Club of Bendigo Annual Xmas Luncheon at Foundry Arms***

*Cost: \$25/ person. Date: Wednesday 14th December, 2005. Time: 11.30am for 12 Noon Luncheon. List at Meetings Wed. 21st September & Oct 19th. Payments Wed. 16th November.*

### ***Report on Trip to Melbourne Wed. 24<sup>th</sup> August, 2005 to see The Lion King Stage Show***

Forty Five Passengers comprising Members of Probus Club of Bendigo & their Partners together with some from other Probus Clubs and friends of Probus, departed Bendigo on time at 9.00am Wed 24/8/05 for Melbourne to see the Lion King. Prior to departure President Bryan welcomed the group. Coach Captain was our friend Neville Dewhurst, who as usual was most helpful to all.

During the trip to Melbourne the Group were briefed on the availability and whereabouts of a number of nearby "Food Marts" with much variety of foods to choose from and situated close by the Regent Theatre. On arrival at the Regent, many in the group chose these, whilst some had lunch in the nearby City Square.

At 12.30pm, among a huge crowd of people we entered the Dress Circle foyer and after a short wait into the Theatre. *What a delight to see the fully restored Regent Theatre and its ornate decorative layout.*

At 1.00pm the show commenced, what a spectacular show it was, "The Lion King" an award winning Broadway Musical unlike anything seen before, lived up to all the accolades it had always received.

*It was set against the majesty of the Serengeti Plains and pulsating with the evocative rhythms of South Africa. From beginning to end of the show it was truly spectacular in all respects of: the portrayal by the cast of the animals of South Africa, the music, colour, costuming, lighting effects, sets, sets changing and stage production, a show which continually delighted the audience.*

*At the end of the show at 3.40pm, exit from the Theatre was somewhat slow. It was surprising to see the number of Tour Coaches that were lined up outside, some from as far as Swan Hill, we had to wait our turn, departing at 4.30pm and arrived in Bendigo at approx 6.40pm. "A memorable day out."*

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