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Our Guest Speaker at the September Meeting will be Hon. Damian Drum, M.P. who is the Representative for the North Western Province of Victoria.

The Guest Speaker at the August meeting was Senior Constable Terry Davies.

Terry was introduced by President Len. Terry has been in the Police for 18 years and thinks the job is one of the best. Terry was stationed in Melbourne where he served in the city and in various suburbs, particularly in Western suburbs. He visited us to tell us about Crime Prevention.

The current strategy of the force is to try to prevent crime beforehand, and an important tool in this task is provided by the data assembled and analysed by the computers. An interesting point is that when examined against the age of the victims, it turns out that less than 2% are aged 60 or more, rather re-assuring for the rest of us, but not the 2%. A consequence of this is that there are lower insurance premiums for this group.

Because banks have made enormous improvements in their security systems, and this has resulted in a marked reduction in bank robberies.

Terry offered us several tips for our security.

Lock the car when you leave it and make sure that items of value are not exposed.

Park in well frequented areas, with frequent passers by.

Report all incidents because manpower in the force is assigned to areas with higher statistics.

At the conclusion of the lively and informative talk, Bill Clements expressed the thanks of the audience, and made the usual presentation.

VALE

With deep regret we record the passing of our member, Jim Forsyth on Saturday, September 2. Deep regret also to Denise, the wife of Bryan Armstrong, who passed away on Friday, September 1.

FOUNDATION MEMBERS LUNCHEON

Following the August meeting the Foundation Members, Partners and Friends had lunch at the Malayan Orchid Restaurant. The twelve who were present, enjoyed a great meal, so much so that we agreed to make a booking for a Christmas lunch. This month we meet for lunch at the Gold Mines Hotel in Marong Road.

ADVANCE NOTE: Make a note in your diary, and underline it. The Probus Christmas Luncheon will be on December 6 at the usual place, the Foundry Arms. Further details will appear next month.

BIRTHDAY WISHES

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

OCTOBER 2006

09	Max Shipp	78
10	Max Hallett	76
10	Maurie McDonald	74
11	Barry O'Brien	73
18	Wal Spicer	86
22	Ken Coles	74

NOVEMBER 2006

03	Arthur Eaton	83
08	Bruce Perrin	78
10	Bob Arundel	91
10	Alf Ryall	89
12	Herb Hesse	89
25	Rob Watkins	77
28	Bryan Clemson	78

Congratulations to all of above.

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

At the time of printing the most senior club member is Dick Opie, whose September 91st birthday has just gone (congratulations again!) Dick is closely followed in order of seniority by Jack Davies, Rupert Holland, Alan Dingle and Hugh Ward.

DID YOU KNOW?

1. That water is composed of two gins? Oxygen and Hydrogin. Oxygen is pure GIN and Hydrogin is gin and water.
2. That when you breathe, you inspire. When you don't breathe you expire.
3. That the body cavity consists of three parts - the brainium, the borax and the

abdominable cavity. The brainium contains the brain, the borax contains the heart and the lungs, and the abdominable cavity contains the bowels, of which there are five... a, e, i, o and u.

10 WAYS TO MAKE YOURSELF MISERABLE

Some people are just naturally happy. Others have to work at being happy. Some people are just naturally unhappy. But there are a persistent few who have work at being unhappy. For those people, here is a systematic program for making misery a habit.

1. Forget the good things in life and concentrate on the bad.
2. Put an excessive value on money.
3. Think you are indispensable to your work, community and friends.
4. Think you are overburdened with work.
5. Think that people tend to take advantage of you.
6. Think that you are exceptional and entitled to special privileges.
7. Forget the feelings and rights of other people.
8. Cultivate a consistently pessimistic outlook.
9. Never overlook a fight or forget a grudge.
10. Don't forget to feel sorry for yourself.

"Happiness is that peculiar sensation you get when you are too busy to be miserable".

Regards Bill Clemens.



PROBUS CLUB OF BENDIGO

LITTLE DESERT NATURE LODGE TOUR.

TUESDAY 24th to THURSDAY 26th OCTOBER, 2006. (3 Day/2 Nights) Max (48)

The Little Desert Lodge is set in 117 hectares of natural bush surroundings and is located on the edge of the pristine Little Desert Nature Park and is situated close to Nhill on the Nhill-Harrow Road. The Lodge has 24 rooms with en-suite bathroom facilities and the Dining Room caters for group bookings

***An interesting and relaxed tour to suit our age group. Minimum (30) Current: (37) Depart: At 8.00am from Strathdale Community Ctre, Crook Street.*

Cost: \$350 per person twin share. Single supplement: \$45. (Based on Minimum of 30) Cost includes: All Coach travel, dinner, bed & breakfast, lunch from day 1 to Day 3 and various activities whilst there.

Day 1: Tuesday 24th October: (L/D)

12.30pm: Arrive Little Desert Lodge for lunch and settle in to our accommodation

1.30pm: Free time to explore the tranquil beauty of the Little Desert Nature Lodge surroundings, - take in the wildflowers along one of the nature trails and enjoy bird

watching at Whimpey's waterhole.

6.30pm: Three course Dinner in the fully licensed dining room.

8.00pm: Night spotlight walk – see nocturnal creatures of the bush including delightful Sugar Gliders, Betongs, and Sone Curlews. Listen in amazement as the guides interpret the sounds of the night.

Day 2: Wednesday 25th October: (B/L/D)

8.00am: Breakfast.

9.00am: Travel from Little Desert Lodge via Edenhope and across the South Aust. Border to Naracoorte.

10.30am: Morning tea at Narracoorte Caves Conservation Park followed by a tour of the magnificent Victoria Fossil Cave.

1.00pm: Lunch, followed by afternoon tour of world famous Coonawarra wine growing region.

6.30pm: Return to Little Lodge for Dinner and an evening of relaxation.

Day 3: Wednesday 26th October: (B/L)

8.00am: Breakfast.

9.00am: Depart for our tour of the Malleefowl Sanctuary. This is a protected habitat which provides a rare opportunity to see these mound building birds in the wild. Over the years Whimpey has developed a unique relationship with established breeding birds, which enables viewing at close hand. Remember, these are totally wild birds so you have to be very quiet and patient.

12.00pm: Light Lunch at the Lodge before departure journey to Bendigo, arriving home approx 5.30pm.

Current Bookings received: R.Chenery (1), A.Cowling (2), A.Crothers (2), A.Dingle (2).

A.Eaton (2), G.Glover (2), H.Hesse (2), Esther Jenkins (1), M.Mc.Donald (2),

W.O'Donoghue(2), Nancy Townsend (1). **Sandhurst:** H.Bawden (2), N.Cochran (2),

W.Dennis (2), K.Livingston (2) R.Stanyer (2). **Bendigo Ladies:** M & L Day (2),

G.Bloomfield (1), O.Fadersen (1), F.Himsworth (1), M.Symmons (1), Y.Wallace (1),

Friend: Silvia Robinson (1)

Vacancies available: "FRIENDS OF PROBUS WELCOME."

Payments: At or prior to Sep't 20th Meeting. Cheque payable: *Probus Club of Bendigo*

Thursday 2nd November, 2006. At 11.00am. Max: (36) Current: (29)

Capital Theatre Bendigo – Morning Show: Hanging on to Vaudeville. (Reg Gorman.)

Rifle Brigade Hotel - Two Course Lunch. Note: Hotel situated opposite Theatre. Cost:

- \$22.00 per person for Theatre + Lunch

Theatre: In a series of hilarious sketches, multi talented physical performer Reg Gorman transforms into an amazing array of vastly different characters, plus more.

A trip down memory lane. At conclusion of theatre, Lunch at 12.30pm.

*** I have secured (36 seats) in most popular location. (A popular show-filling fast.)*

PAYMENTS: Due at or prior to 20th September meeting:

The Collectors would greatly appreciate if you would kindly tender correct monies when making your payments for each of the functions due for payment at this meeting.

Tours Organiser Arthur Eaton.

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