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Dates to Remember

- *December 2 Christmas Lunch at Yarra Valley Lodge*
- *December 4 Tenpin Bowling at Chirnside Park*
- *December 4 Lunch at the Movies, Eastland*
- *December 5 Walk at Lilydale Lake*
- *December 18 Lunch at Kuranga Nursery, Mt. Evelyn*
- *December 19 Walk at Warrandyte*
- *January 6 Picnic at Lilydale Lake*



NOVEMBER MEETING

At our November meeting Joanne Austin, Community Relationships Co-ordinator with Benetas, presented a very informative overview of aged care options. Benetas offers residential care, ongoing home care packages and emergency assistance. Joanne spoke of the Living Longer Living Better reforms to assist our ageing population and carers, which you can read about on the LLLB website.

The attendance at this meeting was 61 members. It is encouraging to see our attendance numbers on the increase.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

On behalf of the Committee I would like to wish everyone all the very best for Christmas and a very happy and healthy New Year.



NEXT MEETING

Our lunch at Yarra Valley Lodge (located at Heritage Country Club) on December 2, commencing at 12:00 noon, will take the place of our regular monthly meeting. The venue is situated at 2 Heritage Avenue, Chirnside Park. There will be car pooling available for this event and members are encouraged to take advantage of this, as there is limited parking at the venue. Those seeking transport, and those willing to provide it, are asked to meet at Sophia's restaurant car park in Maroondah Highway, Croydon at 11.30 a.m. There is a map showing the location of Yarra Valley Lodge attached to your newsletter.



Coffee Shop

Don't forget our regular fourth Thursday coffee event at Café Zukka, at 2.00p.m. in Eastland, near the stage at the rear of Myer. No need to book, just come along for a friendly coffee, chat and perhaps a cake. Come one—come all.

Date: Thursday, November 28.

We hope to see you there.

Please note that there will be no coffee date in December.

Solution to last month's puzzle



The donkey had five sacks and the mule seven sacks

This month's puzzle

A Man and His Money

A man spends one-third of his money, and loses two-thirds of the remainder betting on the Melbourne Cup, leaving twelve dollars in his pocket. How much money did he have originally?



WALKING GROUP

Please note that, from December 5 until late autumn, walks will commence at 9:00 a.m.

Thursday December 5, 9:00 a.m. Lilydale Lake Meet in the carpark off Swansea Road, Melways Ref. 38 G7

Thursday December 19, 9:00 a.m. Warrandyte. Meet at the carpark at the bottom of Stiggant Road, Melways Ref. 23 D12. We head along the river trail as far as the *Stonehouse* café before re-turning to the carpark, stopping along the way for a break at a choice of coffee shops.

Walks in January will be:

January 2—Croydon

January 16—Beasley's

January 30—Heathmont (Look out for more information about January walks in the next Newsletter)

If there is heavy rain or the temperature at 9:00 am is over 25°C (in summer) the walk will be cancelled and we will meet at Café Zukka at the rear of Myer, near the stage, for coffee at 9:30 am.

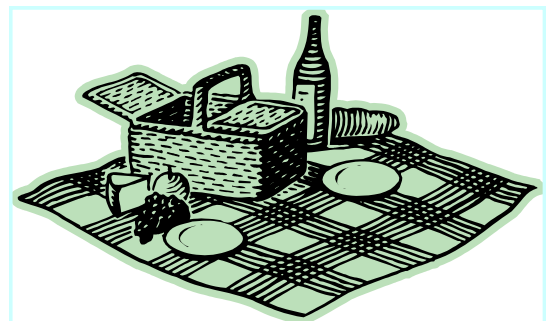
Please contact Mel, 9870 1597, for more details about any of the walks.

Everyone is welcome to join in the walks so, even if you have not participated before, come along and give it a go.



JANUARY PICNIC AT LILYDALE LAKE

As in past years, our January meeting will be replaced with a picnic at Lilydale Lake. This will take place on Monday, January 6, beginning at 12.00 noon. B.Y.O. everything—picnic or barbecue lunch, drinks, chairs, table (if you have one). Don't forget hats and sunscreen if the weather is hot.



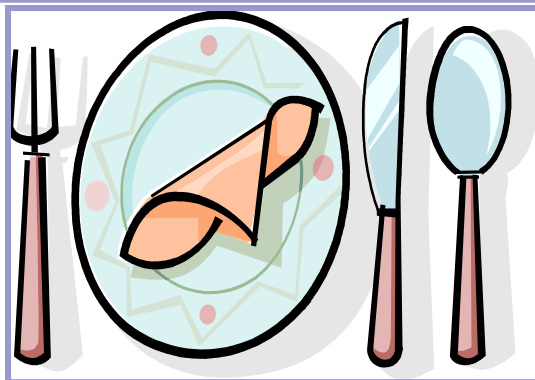
Also, remember to practise your bocce skills for our post-lunch competition! We look forward to seeing many of you there. This is always an enjoyable and relaxing day following the hectic pace of Christmas festivities.

Dine-Outs Coming Up

Fri-

day, November 29, Dinner, 7.00 p.m. Maroondah Sports Club, Mount Dandenong Road, Ringwood East. Musical group, **Mustang**, follows dinner for those wishing to stay on.

Saturday, November 30 Breakfast 9:30, Cheeky Grin Restaurant, Fletcher Road, Chirnside Park.



OUR FINAL DINEOUT FOR 2013

Trish has organised one final outing for us to finish off 2013.

Wednesday, December 18 Lunch 12:30p.m.

Kuranga Native Plant Nursery and Paperbark Café. Enjoy a relaxing lunch, knowing that all your Christmas organisation is complete by now! Location—118 York Road, Mt. Evelyn.



A special thanks to Trish Nixon for her very thorough research of the dineout venues that she has recommended to the Committee. She has spent a great deal of time organising some new and exciting restaurants for us. It is difficult to please everyone with restaurant

choices, but her diverse selection has provided everyone with some new and very pleasant dining experiences.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

If you need to cancel a booking that you have made for a dine-out, please contact Trish Nixon on **9725-5883**.

For **breakfast, afternoon tea** and **bowling** cancellations please call Judith Griffith on **9726 5494**.

QUICK FLIGHT!

A man (not necessarily Irish) telephoned an airline office in Dublin and asked, "How long does it take to fly to London?"

The clerk said, "Just a minute."

"Thank you," the man said as he hung up.



TENPIN BOWLING

Come along for some fun, bowling and coffee with cake. The next scheduled session is at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 4. Book online or phone Judith on **9726 5494** book.

LUNCH AT THE MOVIES—DECEMBER Join us for the Seniors Lunch at the Movies at Hoyts Eastland. It costs \$14.50 for the cinema entry and a basket lunch. The movie starts at 10:30 followed by the lunch and bottomless tea and coffee. Meet at the theatre at 10:00 am.

Wednesday, December 4—One Chance

Cast: Jemima Rooper, Simon Cowell, James Corden

The true story of Paul Potts, a shy, bullied shop assistant by day and an amateur opera singer by night who became a phenomenon after being chosen for, and ultimately winning, *Britain's Got Talent*



MAROONDAH-RINGWOOD BRANCH

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Newsletter

We are always on the lookout for contributions. You can send articles, jokes, news, and especially pictures. Just e-mail them to Carol at carol.obrien6@gmail.com or hand them to me at the next meeting.

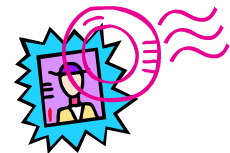


A woman (not necessarily blonde!) goes to the post office to buy stamps for her Christmas cards. She says to the shopkeeper: "May I have 50 Christmas stamps, please?"

The shopkeeper replies: "What denomination would you like?"

The woman says, "For Heaven's sake. Has it come to this? " Give me 22 Catholic, 12 Presbyterian, 10 Lutheran and 6 Baptist."

..... speaking of postage stamps, Helen Fox has a friend who collects and packages postage stamps for charity. It would be greatly appreciated if you could save your used stamps and pass them on to Helen. And, of course, it doesn't matter what denomination they are!



Dates for Your Diary

Friday November 29—Dinner at Maroondah Sports Club

Saturday November 30—Breakfast at Cheeky Grin, Chirnside Park

Monday December 2—Christmas Lunch at Yarra Valley Lodge

Don't forget, if you need transport to a meeting or social outing, just call a committee member.



If you know of a member who is unwell, please let us know so that we can send our best wishes. Call the President, Helen Fox on 9879 4058 or Secretary, Carol O'Brien, on 9722 9870.

THESE ARE SOME VERY CLEVER ANAGRAMS

Rearrange the letters in **SLOT MACHINES** and find **CASH LOST IN ME**

Rearrange the letters in **THE EYES** and you get **THEY SEE**

Likewise with **DORMITORY = DIRTY ROOM,**

DECIMAL POINT = I'M A DOT IN PLACE,

ELEVEN PLUS TWO = TWELVE PLUS ONE

... and **ELECTION RESULTS = LIES—LET'S RECOUNT!**