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# Maroondah Message

**October meeting** - Our speaker this month was the cartoonist George Haddon. The Melbourne-based caricaturist, cartoonist and illustrator has visited us before in 2006. At that time he did a very recognisable caricature of the then President, Peter Feeney. This time his main caricature was of more general interest; Julia Gillard. 2006 was long enough ago for us to again appreciate the history of his career and the gradual transition from general newspaper artist to political cartoonist. Altogether a very interesting talk.



### November meeting

The speaker for our November meeting will be Alan Gray, talking to us about the history of the Puffing Billy Railway. Alan has been a Volunteer with Puffing Billy for a number of years where he has done a range of jobs, including Fire Patrol Assistant, working in the carriage workshop and his favourite role, a Conductor. I am sure you will all enjoy his talk on a Melbourne icon that most of us will have visited at some time.

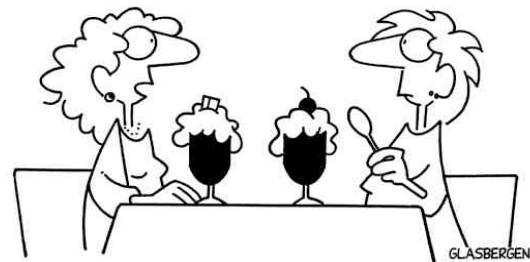


### Trading table

Support the trading table; Hanna will once more be at the helm. Please speak to her if

you feel that you could assist in any way.

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"If you put a crouton on your sundae instead of a cherry, it counts as a salad."

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Payment required by this meeting for the COBA christmas luncheon on December 1st

Payment also required at either this meeting or the next for our own branch christmas lunch on December 19th

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- A wife asked her husband: 'What do you like most about me, my pretty face or my sexy body?'
- He looked at her from head to toe and replied :
- 'I like your sense of humour!'

### NOVEMBER CALENDER

- Wednesday November 2nd at 10.00am - Lunch at the movies
- Thursday November 3rd at 9.30am - Walk at Warrandyte
- Tuesday 8th November at 7pm - Dine out at Tokyo Sake
- Wednesday 16th November at 10.am -Lunch at the movies
- Thursday November 17th at 9.30am - Walk at Croydon
- Thursday November 17th at 12.30pm- Lunch at the Mitcham Hotel
- Wednesday November 23rd at 10.00am - Lunch at the movies
- Thursday November 24th at 2.00pm - Coffee at Myer

# November Eats

**Cancellations** -Members please take note . If you wish to cancel a lunch or dinner booking during the last two days prior to the event ,please ring the restaurant directly using the phone number provided as the booking will have already been made.

**Bookings can now also be made online.**

Tuesday November 8th at 7.00pm  
**Tokyo Sake**

74, Warrandyte rd, North Ringwood[near IGA]  
Phone 9876 7999  
Licensed and Byo wine only

Book at the November meeting or because it is only the day after the meeting, if possible online or by ringing  
Peter on 9879 0622

Thursday November 17th  
at 12.30pm  
**The Mitcham Hotel**

556, Maroondah Highway Mitcham  
Phone 9874 8899

Book at the November meeting or online or  
phone Rita On 9876 1206

**Xmas lunch celebration  
at The Dorset Garden Hotel**

When: Monday December 19th  
at 12.30pm

We will be having a three course meal, including a glass of sparkling wine.  
Cost \$26.00 pp  
latest date for payment -  
December meeting

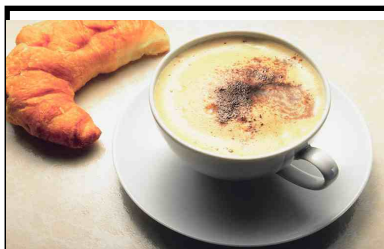


**Coba Xmas Lunch  
Skyhigh Restaurant**

Observatory rd. Mt. Dandenong  
Thursday December 1st at 12.00  
noon

Cost: \$26.00p.p.[own transport]  
Two course meal, entertainment, tea  
coffee and soft drink.  
Bookings at the meeting or  
online.

Mention the function you are attending  
to get free parking on entry



The coffee group will meet again this month.  
Thursday October 24th  
When:2.00pm  
Where: Myer Eastland  
No need to book just come along for coffee and a chat

Don't forget to call a committee member if you require any transport or assistance.

If anyone knows of a member who is unwell please let us know, so that we can send our best wishes. Just contact a committee member or  
President Helen on 9879 4058



The Australian Poetry Competition had come down to two finalists; an university graduate and an old aboriginal. They were given a word, then allowed two minutes to study the word and come up with a poem that contained the word. The word they were given was 'TIMBUKTU'

First to recite his poem was the university graduate.

He stepped to the microphone and said:

*Slowly across the desert sand,trekked a lonely caravan*

*Men on camels two by two ,destination - Timbuktu .*

The audience went crazy! No way could the old aboriginal top that, they thought.

The old aboriginal calmly made his way to the microphone and recited;

*Me and Tim a huntin' went*

*Met three whores in a pop up tent*

*They was three, and we was two*

*So I buck one, and timbuktu.*

## Walking Group

**Our first walk is on November 3rd at 9.30am is at Warrandyte .**

This is a pleasant fairly easy walk along the river.

Meet at the carpark at the bottom of Stiggant road. Mel.

Ref. 23 D12

We head along the river trail as far as the 'Stonehouse' before returning to the carpark, stopping along the way for morning tea at a choice of coffee shop..

**Our second walk on November 17th at 9.30am is at Croydon along the Taralla CreekTrack**

Park at the Pre- school carpark, which is situated in Eastfield rd., just a short way down from Bayswater rd. We walk along the trail through to Croydon Main st. where we visit one of the many coffee shops for our morning break, before returning along the trail to our cars.

Short Version :- This is a flat easy walk, but if you wish a shorter walk, park at the end of Lusher rd. and join the walk as it comes past [ approx 5-10 minutes after commencing]

**The first walk in December on the 1st, commencing at 9.30am will be at Beasley's**

along the walking track from Reynolds Rd. through to Warrandyte, partaking of morning tea at Beasley's nursery, before heading back along the track.

This is a flat, pleasant, medium length walk.

Meet at the carpark behind the Hockey centre at the corner of Reynolds Rd and Springvale Rd.

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**More details phone Judith on 9726 5494**



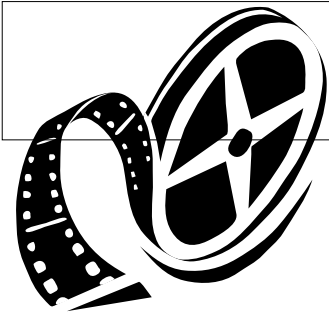
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*An elderly man was stopped by the police around 2 a.m. and was asked where he was going at that time of night.*

*The man replied, "I'm on my way to a lecture about alcohol abuse and the effects it has on the human body, as well as smoking and staying out late."*

*The officer then asked, "Really? Who's giving that lecture at 2.00am?"*

*The man replied, "That would be my wife."*



# Lunch at the Movies

Wed November 23rd  
Our main selection this month is;

## The Debt

starring Helen Mirren, Sam Worthington and Tom Wilkinson

In 1965, three young Israeli Mossad agents on a secret mission capture and kill a notorious Nazi war criminal. Now 30 years later, a man claiming to be the Nazi has surfaced in the Ukraine and one of the former agents must go back undercover to seek out the truth

Meet in the foyer at 10a.m. No booking.

Alternative selection;  
Wed November 16th

## Anonymous

starring Rhys Ifans, Vanessa Redgrave, Jamie Campbell Bower and David Thewlis

A political thriller advancing the theory that it was in fact Edward De Vere, Earl of Oxford who penned Shakespeare's plays; set against the backdrop of the succession of Queen Elizabeth 1, and the Essex Rebellion against her

Cost 13.50 including basket lunch, tea or coffee



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