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Maroondah Message

Dates to Remember

- **May 1**—Branch Meeting at Maroondah Sports Club
- **May 4**—Taralla Creek Trail Walk
- **May 9**—Dinner at Kōmuni Japanese Restaurant
- **May 18**—Beasley's Walk
- **May 22**—Lunch at Dorset Gardens
- **May 31**—Eagle Skylift with Lilydale Branch

APRIL MEETING



Born in Australia, Clyde Aitken travelled to Scotland with his parents where he grew up. It was from here that he first travelled to Malawi.

Clyde spoke about his 20 years' experience in Malawi where he began as a horticulturalist employed to revegetate the areas surrounding tailing dams at the copper mines.

He was later to be involved in a number of projects including road building and the construction of a community centre in Blantyre. Clyde was awarded the Order of Australia Medal for his community service in Malawi.

Coffee

Our next coffee event will be held on Thursday, May 25 at 2:00 p.m. at **Café Zukka, Eastland**. No need to book, just come along for a friendly coffee, chat and perhaps a cake. Members and friends welcome.

We hope to see you there.



NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will be held at Maroondah Sports Club on **Monday, May 1**. Entry for members is at 1:40 p.m. with a \$4 entry fee which covers room hire and administrative costs, as well as afternoon tea and a ticket into our lucky door prize competition.



Get ready for a change of pace at our special **May** meeting. Instead of our regular format with a guest speaker we will have round table seating for a social get-together and a spot of **trivia**, fun, teamwork and prizes. So make sure that you prepare by practising your general knowledge!

You can pay for any **Morning Melodies** or other bookings you have made.

WALKING GROUP

All walks starting at 9:30.

Thursday, May 4—Croydon along the Taralla Creek Track at Croydon. Park shopping centre car park situated at the corner of Bayswater and Eastfield Roads. We walk along the trail through to Croydon Main Street, for a coffee break at one of the many cafes.— before returning along the trail to our cars.

Short version—park at the end of Lusher Road and join the walk as it comes past (approx. 10-15 minutes later).

Thursday, May 18—Beasley's starting out from the carpark at the rear of the Hockey Centre on Reynold's Road, near the intersection of Springvale Road, Melways Map 34 G7. We walk along the scenic Mullum Creek Linear Park to this popular nursery to partake of a refreshing tea or coffee, before returning along the park.

****Please note arrangements for wet weather days or days of extreme heat:**

We will meet at the usual meeting place for the walk of the day and then drive to the café we would have walked to.

Please contact Peter Feeney, 9876 1577, this month for more details about any of the walks.



SPECIAL TRAIN TRIP TO



Sunday, June 25

This is a special whole-day outing beginning at **Ringwood Station**. We will take the 9:15 a.m. train, using our free weekend travel facility, changing trains at **Richmond** and then **Frankston** to the Tyabb Packing House, arriving around 11:30 a.m.

The Tyabb Packing House Antiques began over 35 years ago as the Moorooduc Antiques and Old Wares Market. There are now more than 30 dealers, all specialists in their fields and many of whom have over 40 years experience.

Located at 14 Mornington Tyabb Road, Tyabb, Victoria, Australia the Tyabb Packing House Antiques complex has over 1/2 a hectare of undercover space. It is one of the largest locations in Australia to focus on antiques, deco, old wares, retro, vintage with specialist dealers present on-site.

There are also a number of craft artisans located in the grounds, as well as many other attractions to keep us busy after having lunch at one of the cafes. We will return to **Ringwood Station** around 6:30 p.m.

DAY TRIP TO ARTHUR'S SEAT EAGLE

Wednesday, May 31

Lilydale Branch have invited us to join them in their day trip to the **Arthur's Seat Eagle Sky-lift**. Participants will car pool to travel to Arthur's Seat where lunch will be available at the café. Travel details and costs will be provided in more detail at our May meeting. If you would like to participate, make a note of the date in your diary.

Dine-outs Coming Up



Pub Lunch: Monday May 22 at 12:30 p.m. - *Dorset Gardens Hotel Bistro*, Dorset Road, Croydon.

Dinner: Tuesday, May 9 at 7:00 p.m.—*Komuni Japanese Restaurant*, 87 Bedford Road, Ringwood East.

Lunch and Dinner bookings can be made on line or by phoning **Trish Nixon** on **9725 5883**.

In the event that you book for a dine-out and are unable to attend, please let the person responsible for the booking know as soon as possible.

Please book early to assist with the organization of the outing.

MORNING MELODIES AT KARRALYKA—2017



Tuesday, July 11—Movie Screening: *My Fair Lady* The unforgettable Audrey Hepburn and Rex Harrison grace the screen of Karralyka in this classic movie.

Tuesday, August 8—*Lanza Sings Again* Tenor Roy Best stars as Mario, along with soprano Alison Jomes as Kathryn Grayson. Experience the incredible life story of Mario Lanza featuring some of his most well-known songs.

Tuesday, November 21—*Great Composers of London's West End*—Philip Gould leads a talented cast of performers in this wonderful narrative tribute to Lloyd Webber, Elton John, Richard Rogers and many more.

All of these performances will be preceded by a delicious morning tea beginning at 9:45 a.m.

Film screenings cost \$11 including morning tea.

Live performances are \$19.50 including morning tea.

As the number of tickets is limited to 8 for live performances and 10 for movies (these are selling fast) book early to avoid disappointment. Book online or at a monthly meeting.

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Our best wishes go to the following members who celebrate their birthdays in **April**:

***Dave Morris, Gail Arkins, Bev Jackson, Xanthoula Wrigley and
Trish Nixon***

If you have not yet registered your birthday, and would like to, you can do so at the next meeting you attend.



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GET WELL WISHES...

to all our members who are unwell. If you know of anyone who is sick at home or in hospital please contact the Secretary, Carol O'Brien on 9722 9870 or President, Helen Fox on 9879 4058 so that we can send them personal messages.



Our special thoughts are with Mel Lawrence and Elaine Sheldon who have both undergone surgery recently.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Christmas in July at Club Ringwood

Wednesday July 12, 2017

\$28:00 per person



Includes: Morning Melodies with
Brendan James

Three course luncheon:

Rich pumpkin soup
Turkey & Ham Roast served with vegies,
gravy and cranberry sauce
Christmas pudding with crème anglaise

You can book online or at our monthly meeting.

MOOROOLBARK THEATRE presents..

SKI WHIZZ

Friday, June 23—7:30

It is opening day at Ernst Edelbaum's hotel and already things are going wrong. His English niece turns out to be Leslie, a male punk, most of his guests don't arrive and the tour company are about to discover that his required wife doesn't exist. As for the guests, they all have their own problems ... But this hilarious farce, complete with man in drag and indoor tobogganing, ends happily of course.

You can book online or at our monthly meeting.

Tickets: \$18 concession



Newsletter

We are always on the lookout for contributions. You can send small articles, jokes, news, travel tips and pictures. Just e-mail them to Carol at:

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