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Maroondah Message

Dates to Remember

- **March 1**— Lilydale Lake Walk
- **March 5**— Meeting at Maroondah Sports Club
- **March 15**—Taralla Creek Trail Walk
- **March 15** —Lunch at Peking Duck Dynasty
- **March 13**—Morning Melodies at Karralyka
- **March 29**—Beasley's Walk
- **March 31**—Breakfast at Platinum

FEBRUARY MEETING



Speaker , Claire Newnham, a local ICU nurse, spoke clearly and enthusiastically about the Mercy Ships program. She was a delight to listen to and her informative presentation was enjoyed by us all. Afterwards a collection bag was spontaneously passed around to the audience members, raising a very generous \$416 in addition to

the club's donation of \$50 to a charity speaker. Claire was very pleased and said it would all go to Mercy Ships.

NEXT MEETING

The next general meeting of our group will take place on Monday, March 5 at Maroondah Club, Mt. Dandenong Road, Ringwood beginning at 2:00 p.m. Entry to members begins at 1:40 p.m. Entry cost is \$4 which includes afternoon tea and entry into our lucky door prize competition.

The speaker at this meeting, Clif Hardy, will return to present the memories of a 1913 UK emigrant to Australia sourced from letters written at that time. Clif spoke to us previously about his recollections, as a child, of the blitz in London.

Peter Feeney will collect money for any Morning Melodies sessions that you have booked.

Coffee

Our next coffee event will be held on Thursday, March 22 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.



<https://www.facebook.com/nsamaroondah/>

WALKING GROUP

Thursday, March 1—Lilydale Lake Walk. (9:00 a.m.) Meet in the car park off Swansea Road. We walk around the lake before enjoying a cuppa at a local café.

Thursday, March 15—Croydon along Taralla Creek Trail (9:00 a.m.)

Park at the car park at the shops on the corner of Eastfield and Bayswater Roads, which is just a short way from Taralla Creek Trail. 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, March 29—Beasley's— (9:30 a.m.) starting out from the car park 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 or extremely hot days:**

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.

2018 MORNING MELODIES AT KARRALYKA



The sessions begin at 10:30 a.m. preceded by a delicious morning tea at 9:45. The cost is \$21 for all live Morning Melodies performances in 2018 and \$11 for Movies.

Tuesday March 13 - featuring Sylvie Palladino. **FULLY BOOKED**

Tuesday, April 17—Great War Songs— In 2018 it will be the centenary of the end of World War I. To help commemorate this historic occasion listen to music from the eras of WWI, WWII and the Vietnam War set against slides on the big screen and featuring tenor, Roy Best and soprano Alison Jones.

Tuesday, May 8—Frankly Sinatra— This fantastic new show sees Australian musical theatre star Philip Gould and award-winning singer and actress Michell Fitzmaurice team up to sing and dance their way through the life and hits of the "Chairman of the Board", Frank Sinatra.

Tuesday, June 19—It's a Wonderful Life—classic movie starring James Stewart and Donna Reed.

Tuesday, July 10—Calamity Jane—classic movie starring Howard Keel and Doris Day

Tuesday, August 8—Dusty Springfield tribute— Join Aussie favourite Wendy Stapleton, backed by a talented group of musicians and dancers, for this outstanding tribute to the songs and career of Dusty Springfield.

Tuesday, September 11—Opera to Broadway—Take five of Australia's most talented performers: two sopranos, a tenor, a baritone and a talented young pianist. Add a dash of opera and a slice of cabaret, toss in your favourite Broadway hits and top it all off with a big dollop of comedy, a touch of class and a hint of magic and you have a supremely entertaining show!

You can book online via our website or at the February meeting. Remember that ticket numbers are limited so be sure to book early to avoid disappointment

Dine-outs Coming Up

Breakfast: Saturday, March 31—Platinum Restaurant, 1 East Ridge Road, Chirnside Park.

Breakfast bookings can be made on line or by phoning **Judith Griffith** on **413472697**



Lunch: Thursday March 15 at 12:30 p.m.—Peking Duck Dynasty, 106 Main Street, Croydon.

Lunch and Dinner bookings can be made on line or by phoning **Kathleen Jackson** on **9723 4919 (please note—NOT Trish Nixon)**

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 organisation of the outing.

WHITEHORSE THEATRE PRODUCTIONS

At the Whitehorse Centre, 397 Whitehorse Road, Nunawading



Presented by Nova Music Theatre Inc.

Date: Saturday, May 19 at 2 p.m.

Concession: \$40

Adults: \$44

Group: (if we have at least 10 participants)
\$38



Presented by the Babirra Music Theatre

Date: Saturday, June 16 at 2 p.m.

Concession \$41

Adult \$45

Group: (with at least 10 participants) \$41

You can book via our website or at the March monthly meeting. The sooner we book, the better the seats!

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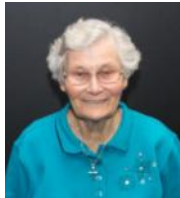
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GET WELL WISHES...

to all our members who are unwell. If you know of anyone who is sick at home or in hospital please contact our Welfare Officer, **Anne Hamilton** on 0408 382 608 so that she can send them personal messages.



KNOW YOUR COMMITTEE MEMBERS



Judith Griffith chooses venues for our Afternoon Teas and Breakfasts where she makes bookings for our group. Judith also performs the task of 'meeter and greeter' at our monthly meetings.

AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA

Thursday, May 24

Helen has booked a limited number of tickets to Australia's Biggest Morning Tea to be held at Croydon Bowl's Club on Thursday May 24 from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon. The entry cost is \$5 per person and includes Devonshire tea. There will be fundraising activities including raffles. All proceeds go to the Cancer Council of Australia.



You can book online or at a club monthly meeting.



Best wishes to members who celebrate their birthdays in February:

Harry Jackson, Gilda Lawrenson (19th), Peter Waters (20th), Helen Handreck (22nd), Eileen McGregor (23rd) Delma Haack (26th)

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

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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