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# Maroondah Message

## Dates to Remember

- **March 30**—Ringwood Lake Walk
- **April 3**—Branch Meeting at Maroondah Sports Club
- **April 5**—Telecommunication Museum Visit
- **April 6**—Lilydale Lake Walk
- **April 20**—Warrandyte Walk
- **April 20**—Lunch at Leaf & Vine
- **April 29**—Breakfast at Zelenas

## Coffee

Our next coffee event will be held on Thursday, April 27 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.



## MARCH MEETING

At our March meeting Heather Burge enthralled us with tales of her long distance bike ride from Beijing to Paris. We were shown amazing photographs of places and people she encountered throughout her travels and were kept entertained by Heather's lively style of presentation.



If you missed Heather this time, she will return later in the year for another presentation—much to the delight of attendees at the March meeting.

You can see and read more about Heather's travels on the website [www.beijingtoparis.com](http://www.beijingtoparis.com) and click on the link 'Heather (AUS)'.

## NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will be held at Maroondah Sports Club on Monday, April 3. 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.

Speaker, **Clyde Aitken**, will talk about his life in **Malawi**.

You can make payments for any **Morning Melodies** sessions that you have booked. Don't forget, if you do not wish to queue up to pay, simply place your payment in an envelope with your name and that of the event for which you are paying, and place it in the tray provided. You can then collect your receipt from Peter at the conclusion of our meeting.



*Dine-outs Coming Up*

**Lunch: Thursday, April 20 at 12:30 p.m. - Leaf and Vine,**  
Panfield Avenue, Ringwood.

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



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**Breakfast: Saturday, April 29 at 9:30 a.m.—Zelena Café & Restaurant,** 152 Main Street, Croydon.

**Breakfast bookings** can be made on line or by phoning **Judith Griffith** on **0413472697**.

**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.**

**MORNING MELODIES AT KARRALYKA—2017**

**Tuesday, June 20—Movie Screening: South Pacific** The romantic musical film adaptation of the famous Rodgers and Hammerstein musical.

**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. (These are selling fast.)**

**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.**



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

**Joe Licheri, Lyn Paton and Rod Fox**



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

## **WALKING GROUP**

**April walks will return to 9:30 start.**

**Thursday, March 30—Ringwood Lake** Meet at the Lake car park. Access to this is from Mount Dandenong Road, down a driveway just before the Caltex petrol station, when heading towards Ringwood.

**Thursday, April 6—Lilydale Lake (9:30 a.m.)**—Meet in the car park off Swansea Road. We walk around the lake before enjoying a cuppa at a local café.

**Thursday, April 20—Warrandyte**—Meet at the car park at the bottom of Stiggant Road, Melways Ref. 23 D12. We head along the river trail as far as the *Stonehouse* café before returning to the car park, stopping along the way for a break at a choice of coffee shops.

**\*\*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.**



## **TELECOMMUNICATION MUSEUM VISIT**

**Wednesday, April 5**



A group visit has been organised to the **Telecommunication Museum, 375 Burwood Road Hawthorn**. Our group will meet at **Ringwood Railway Station** in time for the **9:45 train** (second carriage from the rear) to take us to **Glenferrie station** which is just a short walk from the museum. This train begins at Belgrave so you should check departure times for previous stations should you wish to travel from one of them, or connect with a train from Lilydale.

Our guided tour is booked to begin at **10:30 a.m.** Admission to the museum is by **gold coin donation** and some places are still available for this outing so you can book online. There are several cafes nearby for those who wish to partake of lunch after the visit.

## **MAY MEETING**

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!



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**A REMARKABLE LIFE**



National Seniors are interested in hearing from members with fascinating life stories for a piece in **50 Something** magazine called 'a remarkable life'. We are also interested in hearing about members unusual collections or hobbies.

If you know of anyone please feel free to contact us

**COBA CITY SITES TOUR**

**Thursday, July 27**

**Meet at the Arts Centre at 10:00 a.m.**

Includes Morning Tea and 3 course Lunch—\$39

For further information and bookings contact Laurie Vipont on 9878 5623.



**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.



"And that's when you told her knitting is for old women?"

Be heard

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**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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