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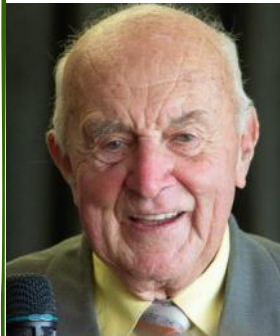


Maroondah Message

Dates to Remember

- **June 3**—Branch Meeting at Maroondah Sports Club
- **June 6**—Heathmont Walk
- **June 9**—Afternoon Tea at O'Tree
- **June 11**—Morning Melodies at Karralyka
- **June 17**—Rayners Orchard Visit
- **June 20**—Mullum Walk
- **June 29** - Breakfast at Platinum

MAY MEETING



Peter Somerville of Maribyrnong River Cruises spoke at our May meeting about the history of the river from its discovery in 1803 by Lt. Robbins and Charles Grimes to its settlement in 1835 and the present day.

Peter runs cruises on the river on board his boat *Blackbird*, a traditional ferry of Lakes Entrance fame. His cruises take in views of natural, recreational, commercial and residential developments along the Maribyrnong from Footscray to Avondale Heights.

Peter also undertakes cruises around the Port of Melbourne. His boat leaves from Saltriver Place in Footscray. You can find out more on his website www.blackbirdcruises.com.au.



Our next coffee gathering will be held on **Thursday, June 27, 2:00 p.m.** at **Degani Café, Eastland.**

This is situated in the same place as the former Café Zukka on the ground floor near the rear entrance to Myer.

NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will be on **Monday, June 3**, at Maroondah Sports Club, Mt. Dandenong Road, Ringwood beginning at 2:00 p.m.

Entry to members and visitors begins at 1:40 p.m. Entry cost is \$4 which includes afternoon tea and entry into our lucky door prize competition.

Our speaker at this meeting will be Kel Glare AO, former Australian police officer, who was Chief Commissioner of Victoria Police from 1987 to 1992.

MAROONDAH SPORTS CLUB

BISTRO LUNCH

We have been advised that Maroondah Sports Club Bistro is now open for lunch seven days a week under the direction of new caterers. This will be good news for members wishing to enjoy lunch prior to our meetings. Come along and support the club which provides us with our meeting room.

MORNING MELODIES

Tuesday, June 11, ***You're My World***—The Cilla Black Story

Tuesday, July 9—***We've Only Just Begun***— The Carpenters Show— payments are due by the June meeting.

Tuesday, August 6—***The Daryl McKenzie Big Band***—Payments are due by the July meeting.

Tuesday, September 10—***Walt-Sing Australia***—A 100 years of Australian song and singers—payments are due by the August meeting.

Tuesday, November 26—***Leading Man***—Ian Stenlake—Payments are due by the October meeting



A SEA CHANGE

At our May meeting we said farewell to long time members Thelma and Joe Licheri who have sold their Ringwood North home and moved to Ballina on the north coast of New South Wales to be nearer to family members (and no doubt to enjoy some warmer weather). Thelma served on our Committee for a number of years. We wish them good luck, happiness and good health in their new venture.



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WALKING GROUP

All at 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, June 6 — Heathmont Rail Trail Starting out from Ringwood Lake car park off Mt. Dandenong Road, to Heathmont via the Heathmont Rail Trail for a welcome cuppa before returning along the trail.

Thursday, June 20—Mullum Mullum medium walk. Park in the Ringwood Lake car park. We walk along the Mullum Creek trail to Oban Road where refreshments are enjoyed at Club Ringwood before returning along the trail.



Please note arrangements for extremely wet 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.

Please contact Peter Feeney, 0412 106 604, for more details about any of the walks.

Dine-outs Coming Up

Afternoon Tea: Sunday, June 9 at 2:00 p.m. —O’tree Restaurant, Cr. Maroondah Highway and Victoria Road, Lilydale.

Breakfast: Saturday, June 29 at 9:30 a.m.—Platinum Restaurant, East Ridge Road, Chirnside Park.

Afternoon Tea and **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.

ROYAL FLYING DOCTOR SERVICE

LETTERS OF THANKS

We have received letters of thanks from the Royal Flying Doctor Service for the donations they received from our Branch. We donated \$50 to them from club funds and members generously donated \$210 on the day that Annette Allison spoke to our group.

Many thanks to all those who contributed to this most worthwhile cause, keeping the Flying Doctor flying, to save lives and provide a better quality of life in communities across Australia.

**MAROONDAH-RINGWOOD
BRANCH**

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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 a personal message.



RAYNERS ORCHARD VISIT

Monday, June 17

60 Schoolhouse Road, Woori Yallock

We have planned a visit to this iconic orchard which has the lovely **Peach Café** serving a range of luncheon items from quiches, home made pies and Devonshire teas to a variety of cakes and muffins. Gluten free and vegetarian items are available.

Those who wish can take a guided **Fruit Adventure Tour** on a tractor drawn carriage (with padded seats and covered) for a cost of \$25 concession. This includes a range of fruit tastings along the way. Although we are heading into winter, there is still a wide variety of fruit in season.

Car pooling will be available with our usual meeting venue in the car park behind Sofia Restaurant on Maroondah Highway, Croydon near McDonald's at 10:30 a.m.

In the event of chilly weather the café is cosy and warm hence the ideal place to lunch on a winter's day.

Rayners also serve a range of delicious house made ice cream varieties—many with a high fruit content.

There is also a gift shop selling an assortment of jams, preserves, chutneys and gift baskets providing, perhaps, the opportunity for some very early Christmas shopping!

You can book online or at our June meeting. No payment is required for entry to the orchard.

Car parking is available at the venue.



.....to those members who celebrate their birthdays in June:

Just yours truly, the editor. Obviously not a very popular birthday month!