

BENDIGO APEX 40 Peter Dumont – President Elaine Dumont Secretary/Treasurer Phone JUNE Newsletter

Hi Dear Friends **RORT REPORT**

Well the Rorters have returned after having a great time in Adelaide meeting up with friends and participating in lots of fun activities.

On the whole the weather was kind despite pouring rain greeting us when we arrived.

Saturday's tour to Victor Harbour for the AGM was enjoyed. At first no one had nominated for President next year but after careful deliberation (and persuasion) Peter Ryall from Wyong club agreed to take on the job and we all have confidence he will do a great job.

"Abba meets Saturday Night Fever" provided lots of fun and some interesting costumes members wore, added to this.







Sorry Merryl and Ron I don't seem to have any photos of you !!

The Mt Lofty panoramic view of Adelaide city enabled lots of photography to take place. Then we went on a tour of Sir Hans Heysen's property The Cedars where we saw his house and studio . Many of his famous artworks were seen and appreciated.

A visit to a cheese factory and a chocolate factory emptied a few purses and then at the final Rort Dinner Dance more fellowship continued.

Monday morning saw Martin the driver welcome 48 Post Rort tourists to our bus and so we set off into the Barossa Valley to Tanunda for 3 days. From here we visited three wineries – Seppeltsfield, Jacobs Creek and the Seven Hills (run by monks) in the Clare Valley.

Maggie Beers Farm shop was enjoyed despite Maggie not being there; the Mintaro maze didn't lose too many of us; Martindale Hall and Bungaree Station showed the history of the area; a trip to historic Burra to visit the copper mines captured lots of interest; the national Motor Museum at Birdswood was a great hit with the men; and a Murray River Luncheon Cruise allowed lots more fellowship and hilarity amongst us.

More kilos that we had gained with each day's lunch and dinner, were added with a visit to Haigs Chocolates.

Everyone voted favourably that our stays at Tanunda and Adelaide shores Caravan Park and Resort were well chosen.

BENDIGO APEX40 VISIT TO WILLIAM ANGLISS

Sixteen members have indicated that they will be attending. Harveys. Clarkes, Bidmades, Elayne. Be. Caldwells, Lannens, Trevor Lamb, Marie and Dumonts

(if for some reason you find you can come please ring David Bidmade - as he will probably be able to accommodate a couple of extras without letting Angelique at William Angliss know.)

Reminder of details:-

Date Wednesday 11th June at 11.00 am

Address 550 Little Lonsdale St.

Method of transport – Board <u>last carriage</u> of the 8.45am train at Bendigo

Railway Station (or KF if more convenient) using your seniors Card if you have one.

Arrival at Southern Cross at 10.48

****Make own booking****

Then we make our way by walking to the venue ready to begin the tour straight away.

Cost is \$28.00 per head for the meal, plus individual drink orders will taken at each table, and the cash will be collected from that table at the end of the day.(so remember to take spare cash with you !)

******The club will meet the cost of the tour that has been arranged at the venue.*****

Please notify David of any dietary requirements

Restaurant closes at 2.30 then we make our way back to Southern Cross railway station, or make your own arrangements for return journey, remembering that the train about 3pm must be boarded if you wish to return in non peak hour time. Otherwise the train after 6 pm will have to be caught if you have used a seniors' card that doesn't allow you to travel in peak hours.

NEXT ACTIVITY

Please put your thinking caps on, and your offer to organise the next activity would be appreciated , as nothing has been arranged yet.

CHRISTMAS

Are members happy to have our Christmas Luncheon at the pottery again this year? I will need to quickly make a date at the venue if you do wish to have it there. Please let me know by e-mail or phone as to what you would like to do.



Best Wishes from Elaine and Peter (the two Abbas)