

# ROARING 40°S

Official Newsletter of Apex 40

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# DIARY - CALENDAR CHECK

Monday Feb. 9th - Regular Meeting, Keysborough Hotel.

Sunday Mar. 7th - Visit to Port Lonsdale.

Friday/Sunday Mar. 12th/14th - ROARING RORT - Ballarat;

Wednesday April 7th - Regular Meeting.

Also appearing in this issue:

\*Note from President Lionel

\*Report on your Committee Meeting held on Nov. 16th.

\*In Passing

\*Subscriptions received

ROARING RORT: - (Means, Trick, Frolic, Spree, Orgy, Scheme - TAKE YOUR PICK).

Enclosed with this Roaring 40's is a registration form for our ROARING RORT to be held at Ballarat on March 12th/14th. The form is self explanatory - however, please note the closing date for registrations. (This is necessary to hold accommodation reservations). Register now to help us and avoid disappointment.

RORT Headquarters will be at Craig's Hotel, Lydiard Street, South Ballarat, (Phone 053 - 311377) and our RORTY Chairman - John Davies will be in attendance from the Friday mid-day. On your arrival in Ballarat, please report to John to pick up your packet of Alka-Selza's, accommodation confirmation, and other details for the week-end.

We expect to accommodate everybody at two venues, namely "Craig's Hotel" and "Avenue Motel". Other venues are available as necessary. Closing date is close, so why not fill the registration form now before you forget.

#### NEXT DINNER:

Date

Monday Feb. 9th, 1976.

Place

Keysborough Hotel/Motel

Cheltenham Road, Keysborough,

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Bookings: By Feb. 5th, to the Secretary please:

Bus. 86.5734 Home.735.1675.

# = PROGRAMME:

Will be a debate under the Chairmanship of Barry Preston.

Subject - "Women's Liberation Movement has been successful in Australia".

Teams - are being arranged by Barry, but note that both sexes will be represented in the Government and Opposition teams.

One of the objectives of this debate is to provide some training to assist us in adjudicating Apex Debates. All non-debators will be invited to adjudicate this debate, and Barry will be providing assistance and instruction during the evening.

# NEXT SOCIAL:

Will be a beach picnic at Port Lonsdale on Mar. 7th. A reminder will be sent out in February.

#### FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Hi there!

Another year has arrived so let me wish you all the good things you would wish for yourself during 1976.

This coming twelve months could see great progress in the growth of Apex 40, and thru this a cementing of the Bonds which link past members of Apex.

Evidence of this potential for expansion has come from Zone 9 in the Central West of N.S.W. where Life Member of Apex Roy Ridley of Forbes, has been asked to be Zone Co-ordinator for Apex 40 by his Zone President. On a rushed trip to N.S.W. and back between Christmas and New Year I was lucky enough to catch up with Roy and spent a happy hour or two with about 1/3rd of the members of Forbes Apex Club who meet every Monday afternoon at the Metropolitan Hotel - and on Tuesdays....Wednesdays.....Thursdays.....!
Roy intends getting in touch with all past members of the Zone on a District basis, and we wish him every success. By the Way, my short stay with Roy convinced me that he is a similar type of fellow to our one and only Ernie Butler, with Ern's enthusiasm for Apex and the same ability to avoid serious entanglement with the equal to but opposite sex.

On a slightly less happier note, you will be disappointed to learn that our submission to International Board was NOT approved, despite great efforts on our behalf by Ron Brownlees and Graeme McLean. The main objection seemed to be the Name and Badge, although they made it clear they did not feel the need for an affiliated body such as ours. It would appear to have been a fairly close decision and the motion was in fact re-committed at one stage.

We have told IP John Cleaves that we will consider the question of our Name and Badge at our National Gathering in March - personally, I believe the name to be so well established that it would be a pity to tamper with it now.

The Zone 9 move came AFTER the IB Meeting by the way, and I had a very nice letter from their Zone President suggesting that nothing ever goes thru the first time in Apex and so not to be discouraged.

What about the "RORT" Ah? If you hate the name blame Secretary, Kevin and your President, who brain-stormed one evening recently aided by a little inspiration from one or two brown bottles.

We could be hearing good news from the Brisbane area soon. Our new member PETER DAWSON who is an ex-Tabler, tells us they hope to hold a meeting early this year. Best of luck fellows.

If the rumours I hear are true, then a couple of Zone 12 Apex Clubs could sponsor Motions to Zone Convention with the aim of getting "Recognition of Apex 40" onto the 1977 Association Convention Agenda:

Enough rambling - see you on the 9th at Keysborough to practice for the Roaring Week-end at Ballarat.

Cheers for now,

Lionel.

## IN PASSING:

Nearly 50 members visited Barry Preston's home on Nov. 22nd to watch professional artist Carl Anderson at work. A very successful evening. Among the paintings for sale was a very good painting of two Drysdale Horses. A few people were interested in purchasing this painting (\$220) including Neil Hookey, who asked his wife Margaret her thoughts on his choice. Her advice was that they already had two big bums in the house now, and there was no need to purchase another two bums. Neil has not been the same since, - any artistic feelings that he thought he had have now been dashed for ever. Don't worry Neil, I'm sure your problems are not as bad as that poor Bullock "Santa" - a few months ago he had a huge bum and you read what happened to him - almost got it cut off.

## COMMITTEE MEETING:

Your Committee met at Drouin on Sunday Nov. 16th and the following matters are noted as follows for your interest.

1. Submission to I.B. - see President's note.

In Singapore we learnt retired Apexians meet as a group from time to time. This group is known as the T.B.O.s --"T" is for 'too'
"O" is for 'old'

#### 2. Extension

Meeting - family B.B.Q. arranged at Inverlock on Sunday Nov. 30th with a view of forming a Branch in South Gippsland.

# 3. ROARING RORT

John Davies (Drouin) appointed Chairman.

Venues to be considered - GreenGables, Warburton.

School Camps - South Gippsland Cowes

Ballarat.

Further meeting to be held in December to finalize on a venue and programme for the week-end.

## 4. Adjudicators Panel

On receipt of a request from a Club for an Adjudicator Chairman, Barry may offer as an option the choice of a male or female Adjudicator, or both.

A number of members interested in an Adjudicators Training session.

# Adjudicators Panel (Cont.)

A debate comprising mixed Teams to be arranged for one of our regular dinners, with all non-debators acting as Adjudicators.

# EXTENSION:

Several areas are now showing more than a passing interest in forming Apex 40 Branches

#### Brisbane:

Ex Round Tabler Peter Dawson has joined the Apex 40 and has had several discussions with Dave Rose with a definite view of forming an Apex 40 Branch in the Brisbane Area in the immediate future. Best of luck to these guys and we hope to see some of them at Ballarat in March.

# Inverlock, South Gippsland

At the meeting held on Nov. 30th an interim Committee was formed:

Graeme Goodwin Jim Wilson Kevin Warren Graeme Black

President Vice President Secretary Treasurer

Further meetings are planned shortly.

Subscriptions received for 1975/76 are as follows:

Subscriptions from non financial members would be appreciated -Single \$3.00 - Double \$6.00.

> Mike & Carmel Thorn Barry & Shirley Oakley Peter & Jan Pavlinovich, Keith & Lois Haynes Lance & Doreen Grey, Jim & Gwen Wilson, Alan & Marjorie Flaherty, Hank Schiller
> Ley & Shirley Garrett, John & June Davies
> Ern & Dorothy Bottrill, Neil & Marg Hookey
> Don & Joyce Dick,
> Lionel & Vi Mussell Denis & Eleanor Newman, Bruce & Margaret Lamb Kevin & Verna Ritchie, Graham & Mrs. Goodwin Kevin Warren Keith & Yvonne Hayes, Brian & Janet Morgan, Don & Marg Blackley, Peter Dawson, Fred & Leila Margetts, Ian & June Goff, Peter Eves Roy Riddley.

George & Marj Selkrig, Allan & Jennifer Carra Tom & Deirdre Taylor Colin & Marianne Speirs Graham & Mrs. Goodwin Barry & Wendy Preston Ian & Mary Excell David Richards Sam & Audrey McInis Kevin & Rosemary Frazer Owen & Lorna Ballinger Bill & Mary Cunliffe John & Beverley Ritchie

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