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DURING THE
YEAR 1900

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

At the outset I would like to say a sincere thank you to all the Rorters at Bendigo for electing me as National President. I have been privileged since that wet (inside and out) Sunday in July '73 of being a member of this organization. My message is a simple one, that being to continue with the same aims, hopes and effort so ably commenced by Past President - Lionel Mussel, and continued on by Past President - Alan Kinder.

I am sure that I speak for every member of Apex 40 in recording here our thanks to Alan for a really tremendous job he has done for Apex 40 over the past two years as President. A job very well done.

I would like to also say a special thank you to Secretary/Treasurer - Geoff Angus who does not know when to stop.

What a tremendous rorty weekend Bendigo Branch staged over the three day Anzac Weekend.

Bendigo President - Ian Morris and his band of rorters really pulled out all the stops to make 1980 Rort, the Rortiest yet. We all say 'thank you' and know that we will see you all at next years Rort, which is going to be held over the Queens Birthday weekend at Maryborough, Queensland. Maryborough Apex 40 who have had a very active Branch for several years have arrangements well in hand. A Committee comprising Charlie Burgess and Alan Kinder are investigating alternative travel arrangements for the '81 Rort'.

Suggested travel arrangements of interest to all the down under Branches will be forwarded to Branches in due course. In the meantime, keep the Queens Birthday weekend, possibly a fortnight available to attend the Rort - and start a Piggy Bank.

I will endeavour, and look forward to meeting as many of you as possible during this year. Please keep your meeting notices, news items coming in so that we can in the Roaring 40's let other Branches know what you are doing.

Finally, Apex 40 is now 12 Branches strong, with another 4 possible branches being considered - APEX 40 IS ON THE MOVE.

KEVIN FRAZER.

SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT

This is the first of four issues of "Roaring 40's" planned for 1980/81. It is anticipated that the four issues will be produced in July '80, November '80, February '81, and April '81.

Branch Secretaries are requested to forward notes for the "Around the Branches" Section of the next three issues by the following dates:

16th October, 1980
13th February, 1981
13th March, 1981

Also, please keep forwarding copies of your meeting & other notices to either President Kevin Frazer or myself.

As you will see from the minutes of the A.G.M. at Bendigo, Affiliation fees remain at the \$20. Branch level - the same as it has been since Apex 40 began. Launceston Apex 40 have already paid their 1980/81 fee!

I would very much appreciate Branch Treasurers sending \$20. cheques, made payable to "Apex 40". The address -

1 Denman Street,
Mitcham,
Victoria 3132.

Geoff Angus
Secretary/Treasurer.

"It's no wonder the dining room at the All Season's Motel is called the Persian Room. The way the owner put a damper on the Thursday night late show in the Presidential Suite, Nola Kinder swears he's related to the Ayatollah."

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Committee Members -
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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE ALL SEASONS
MOTEL, BENDIGO, ON SATURDAY - 26TH APRIL, 1980.

- PRESENT: Approximately sixty Rorters representing Bendigo, Devonport, Melbourne-Gippsland and Nunawading Branches.
- WELCOME + PRESIDENT'S REPORT: President Alan Kinder welcomed all Rorters to the 5th Annual Rort, and expressed the hope that they continued to enjoy themselves for the duration of the Rort. No President's Report was given, but President Alan referred to his various reports in "Roaring 40's".
- SERGEANT AT ARMS: Graeme Elvey was appointed Sergeant at Arms by President Alan.
- GREETINGS: Secretary/Treasurer Geoff Angus announced that greetings had been received from Launceston Apex 40 - Peter Swifte (Sec.) Maryborough Apex 40 - Brian Hoges (Sec.) Shepparton Oasis - Brian Walsh (Contact), Owen & Lorna Ballinger - Melb-Gippsl.Branch, David & Bet. Mansfield -Devonport Branch, Joe & Marie Tanner - Orbst Branch.
- SECRETARIAL & FINANCIAL REPORT: Secretary/Treasurer Geoff Angus presented the following report and financial statement.

1. Four issues of "Roaring 40's" were produced during the year. The production and postage of this publication has been the largest item of expenditure during the year.
2. We are much indebted to President Alan Kinder for arranging the taping and duplication of "Roaring 40's". Without the co-operation of Alan's fellow employees, the cost of producing "Roaring 40's would have been considerably higher.
3. The surplus of \$86.95 for the year, contrasts with the deficit of \$82.44 for the previous year when the postage of a circular describing Apex 40 was sent to all Clubs and was the major item of expenditure producing the deficit.
4. The Financial Statement for the year 1st March, 1979 to 22nd April, 1980 is given below:

	Opening Bank Balance	\$264.32
<u>Receipts</u>		
Affiliation fees from Branches	\$160.00	
Bendigo		
Launceston		
Orbst (78/79 & 79/80 fees)		
Devonport		
Melbourne-Gippsland		
Maryborough (Qld)		
Launceston (1980/81 fee)		
<u>NB</u> Warracknabeal paid their 1979/80 fee in the previous financial year		
Bank interest	\$25.62	
	\$185.62	
<u>Expenses</u>		
Postage ("Roaring 40's" = \$44.07)	65.59	
Paper for "Roaring 40's"	20.58	
Engraving of the "Wizzy" trophy	7.50	
Gift to typist for "Roaring 40's"	5.00	
	<u>\$98.67</u>	
<u>Surplus for Year</u>		\$86.95
	<u>Closing Bank Balance</u>	<u>\$351.27</u>

5. Suggested budget for 1980/81Receipts

Affiliation fees 10 x \$20	\$200.00
	<u>\$200.00</u>

Expenses

Postage	80.00
Production of "Roaring 40's"	40.00
Engraving of "Wizzy" trophy	10.00
Stationary - Letterhead	50.00
Other - Contingencies	<u>20.00</u>
	\$200.00

6. Recommended Affiliation Fee for 1980/81

Based on past expenditure patterns and the current level of the bank balance it is recommended that the Branch Affiliation Fee remain at \$20.00 per Branch.

Moved - Geoff Angus, seconded Ley Garrett -

"That the Branch Affiliation Fee for 1980/81 be \$20" CARRIED.

EXTENSION REPORT: Extension Chairman Lionel Mussell presented his Report which appears elsewhere in this copy of "Roaring 40's".

AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION: The need to alter the Constitution with regard to the timing of the Annual Rort was discussed.

Moved - Bonnie Elvey, seconded - Lorraine Burgess:-

"That in the items dealing with Annual General Meeting and Rort, 'March' be replaced by 'between 1st March and 30th June'". CARRIED.

1981 RORT: President Alan announced that Maryborough Apex 40 had offered to host the 1981 Rort during the Queen's Birthday Week-end. No other Branch had offered to host the next Rort.

Moved - Don Dick, seconded - Lionel Mussell

"That Maryborough's offer to host the 1981 Rort be accepted".

CARRIED

During discussion on the timing of the Rort, the possibilities of Easter, Queen's Birthday and School Holiday periods were raised. Queen's Birthday was the preferred timing.

PRESENTATION OF "THE WIZZY" The current holder of the trophy, Ern Butler (Melb-Gippsland) presented "The Wizzy" to Jenny Littler (Devonport) for meritorious exploits in urinology.

ELECTION OF APEX 40 NATIONAL COMMITTEE:

PRESIDENT:

Nomination: Kevin Frazer (Melb-Gippsland)
Moved - Lionel Mussell, seconded - Jock Littler.

As only one nomination was received, Kevin Frazer was declared elected.

VICE PRESIDENTS:

Nomination: Don Addison (Devonport)
Moved - Don Dick, seconded - Alan Flaherty

VICE PRESIDENTS (cont.)

Nomination: Alan Flaherty (Melbourne-Gippsland)
 Moved - Kevin Frazer, seconded - Jenny Littler

Nomination: Lorraine Burgess (Melbourne-Gippsland)
 Moved - Rosemary Frazer, seconded - Barbara Roach

As a result of a ballot, Don Addison and Lorraine Burgess were declared elected.

SECRETARY/TREASURER

Nomination: Geoff Angus (Melbourne-Gippsland)
 Moved - Kevin Frazer, seconded - Ley Garrett

As only one nomination was received, Geoff Angus was declared elected.

EXTENSION CHAIRMAN

Nomination: Fred Margetts (Melbourne-Gippsland)
 Moved - Alan Kinder, seconded Leila Margetts

Nomination: Ern Butler (Melbourne-Gippsland)
 Moved Lionel Mussell, seconded - Sam McInnes

As a result of a ballot, Ern Butler was declared elected.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Nomination: Alan Kinder (Melbourne-Gippsland)
 Moved - Geoff Angus, seconded - Margaret Hookey.

Nomination: Alan Flaherty (Melbourne-Gippsland)
 Moved - Barry Preston, seconded - John Ritchie

Nomination: Graeme Elvey (Bendigo)
 Moved - Meryl Clark, seconded - Rosemary Frazer

Moved - Neil Hookey, seconded - Lyn Angus --

"That there be a Committee of three for 1980/81".

CARRIED.

As a result of this motion, all the above Committee nominees were declared elected.

GENERAL BUSINESS: NIL

REPORT FROM SERGEANT AT ARMS: Sergeant at Arms - Graeme Elvey reported that the fines collected during the conduct of the A.G.M. amounted to \$8.00.

ON WITH THE RORT

RORTY RAVINGS!!!

" Following the precedent set in Launceston, crumpets and champagne were featured Anzac Morning in the White Hills Gardens - complete with ZOO. Brian Roach's excuse for nearly missing the bus was that he was photographing the wildlife.

" A town Guide must be prepared for all sorts - but who could be expected to serve it right back to a mob of Rorters fortified with mid-morning champagne. Well Norma at the Bendigo Pottery could - and she did, in fine style. Like "The cracks in the paving stones aren't the only things cracked around here."

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MORE RORTY RAVINGS!!!!

" A nice touch was provided by Bendigo Apex Club members who turned out to cook a barbeque lunch for us on Friday. Someone suggested that they were going to claim service hours - for 'aid to the elderly'.

" Don't tell Lionel Mussell, but Plinges Old Time Music Hall was, as outgoing National President Alan suggested - fanbloodytastic!! They wanted audience participation, well Alan Flaherty made sure they got it."

A couple of other words appeared over the weekend -

Lorraine Burgess got so excited about Walter Plinges' constant reference to 'TITILLATION' that he soon claimed her as his bosom friend (no wonder she was elected 'Vice' President)

And it was Neil Hookey (we think) who coined the word 'RORTIFICATION' - for the weekend's activities.

And who came up with the name 'RASPBERRY FRAZER? - that's sure to stick!

And someone suggested that the 'WHIZZY' might have to be renamed "Jenny's Jerry" in view of its departure to Devonport with Jenny Littler.

Margaret O'Neill is claiming a record for the number of passengers she fitted into her car to and from the Saturday night late, late show at Frank Williams' Waterloo Hotel.

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It was great to have Bob and Merlyn Menzel with us from Portland. Chances are we'll have an Apex 40 branch in Portland before Alcoa has a smelter.

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Dot Kennedy, Meryl Clarke and Bonnie Elvey gave a good impression of the Andrew's Sisters with their rendition of a new verse for the Rort song on Sunday morning.

A number of suggestions for a Bendigo verse for the Rort song appeared over the weekend. We have now put them all together and come up with the following verse which seems to cover most of the activities - at least, the printable ones.

RORT SONG - tune 'Men of Harlech'

We who are the Roaring Rorters,
Fathers, Mothers, Sons and Daughters,
Over forty is our claim
And Rorting is our game.

First we Rorted Ballarat,
Best event we'd ever had,
We all came from miles around
To gather at a Roaring Rort at Ballarat.
Vineyard, lakeside, bus trip, cricket,
Craig's Hotel, John Davies' knickers.
That's the reason why we came 'Cause Rorting is our game.

RORT SONG (cont.)

Then we Rorted Devonport,
 Better than we'd ever thought,
 Round the town and up the Bluff
 And then a Rorty Bar-b-que at Littler's.
 Braddon's Lookout, Mersey cook-out,
 Boag's 3X and apple cider.
 Round the pool we did proclaim
 That Rorting is our game.

At the Dorset Gardens,
 There were no beg-your-pardons,
 Rorty songs round the Dandenongs,
 Then on the buses driving to Walhalla.
 Lunch at Moe, getting toey,
 Pig-on-the-spit was Drouin's big-hit.
 Getting tighter at the Mitre,
 Rorting was our game.

At Launceston in '79
 'Twas said that Rorting is Divine,
 So to the Tamar we all came
 To get together at the Guvnor's Table.
 Gorge cliff, chair lift, feeling jolly
 With crumpet and champers in the 'Holly'
 Then at Scottsdale - God's own country -
 Rorting was our game.

Then the Rort at Bendigo,
 In every way a Golden Show,
 We had a Ball at the Music Hall
 And Lived some history at the Epsom Pottery.
 No gold was found at Sandhurst town
 But out at the winery things were finery.
 The talking tram wont be the same
 Since Rorting was its game.

THREE QUESTIONS FOR RORTY RAMBLERS:

1. How would Jenny Littler smuggle the stainless steel "Whizzy" trophy through the metal detector at the Airport?
2. How would she explain why she carried a male bed-bottle around in her luggage if the Security people discovered it??
3. Is the Trophy displayed on the Littler mantlepiece???

You would have thought there was sufficient grog consumed on Saturday Night and in the early hours of Sunday, but some hardy souls fronted up to the Winery for a tasting on Sunday morning. Grown men wept when a large hose came out of the barrel and gallons of red went down the drain before the pump could be stopped. (Some Rorters had to be restrained from soaking it up with their hankies!)

"Who are you?" asked National President, Alan Kinder, of the dressing-gowned fellow complaining about the noise coming from the Motel room at 3 a.m.
 "I own the place" said the irate gentleman "OH" says Al, "That's different".

How could President Alan Kinder forget to mention Nunawading Apex 40 when they were represented by people like Geoff and Lynette Angus, Kevin and Rosemary Frazer - to say nothing of Ern Butler?

Ern bought an expensive limited edition Toby Jug at the Pottery - "I can always use it to have a whizzy on the bus he reckoned".

Good to see such esteemed personages as the Zone President and District Governor cooking lunch for all the old B's on the Friday. Did a great job too for the youngsters!

PEN PORTRAITS*KEVIN FRAZER*

Born in Melbourne in 1933 where he has lived all his life. Did the usual stint through school. Married Rosemary in 1956 which some how resulted in five children - Douglas, Heather, Gregory, Catherine, James.

Starting working life as an apprentice Turner and Fitter followed by a few years in the Drawing Office as a Mechanical Draftsman. With so many children we had to do something better than working for a boss. We started Frapack Engineering in 1965 as a designer and manufacturer of packaging machinery, specializing mainly in the Food Industry. We supply machinery to the major food and consumer goods manufacturers throughout Australia, South East Asian Countries and New Zealand.

Joined Nunawading Apex 1965 as Charter Secretary,
 President - 1968/69
 District Governor - 1970/71
 Zone Sec/Treasurer - 1971/72
 Life Member - 1973

Presently - Secretary of Nunawading Lions Club which together with running a very demanding Business and renovating a very old home, does not leave much spare time.

ERN BUTLER

He was born in Bendigo in 1934 but shifted to Red Cliffs at the age of 1 year, where he lived until coming to Melbourne in 1965. He is still a bachelor who is constantly on the look out for a rich widow who owns a Pub.

He commenced his working life with James McEwan & Co. in Mildura 1949, and worked there until accepting an offer to come to Melbourne to join his former boss who was opening a new business called Delwood Building Supplies in Vermont. He is now manager of the Company.

He joined the Red Cliffs Apex Club in 1959 and then transferred to Nunawading Club. He has held most Club portfolios, and was on the Zone I.R. Committee for three years.

He became attracted to I.R. after WOCO'71 in Melbourne, and has since attended WOCO Conventions in Italy, Belgium, Scotland, Hong Kong, Canada, Germany and New Zealand, and now boasts of having a drinking mate in most parts of the world.

He was made a Life Member of Nunawading in 1975.

He has represented Sunraysia in Cricket and Table Tennis in Country Week tournaments, and these days his spare time is taken up with his connection with Nadrancia where he has been a Board Member for seven years, Apex 40, getting his recently purchased house in order, enjoying an ale or 2, and taking the slack out of Poms at any chance he gets.

"A cows ear may not make a silk purse, but a good calf can do a lot for a stocking".

Ern Butler had a difficult decision to decide the recipient of the 'WIZZY' trophy. Jenny Littler became the obvious choice following some anxious moments in a hurry, on her arrival at Tullamarine Airport after her long flight from Devonport.

EXTENSION REPORT

This was the year when we had the full backing of the Apex National President.

Ian Main not only helped us get an article in the "Apexian" but also sent us a contact in the West Townsville Apex Club where he had found interest in forming a branch of Apex 40.

From that contact we have had correspondence and all seems set for the successful formation of a branch up there.

The Apex President, Phil Gerts, (ex Oakleigh, Victoria) has personally talked to a great number of past members and has enough keen ones to call the first meeting.

Also in Queensland we have a Group Meeting at Kenmore/Toowong and hope to hear from them soon about affiliation.

A branch was inaugurated in Stawell, Victoria, last November and we welcome them to Apex 40.

During the year we heard from Perth of several active OASIS groups and have suggested affiliation to them.

We have heard by various round about ways that Illawarra Apex 40 have (or are going to) affiliate with us in fact we had hoped to have Rorters from there this weekend.

They are an active branch and we welcome their closer link - official welcome to follow when \$20 and information arrives.

BRANCH STRENGTH.

Our known branches are Melbourne/Gippsland, Nunawading, Orbost, Bendigo, Stawell, Devonport, Launceston, Maryborough (Qld.) Illawarra (Brisbane?) Shepparton, Warracknabeal.

Hopefuls are at: Townsville, Kenmore/Toowong, Ipswich, Portland and Altona.

This represents steady - if not spectacular - growth that augers well for our future.

Somehow we have to sell "Rorting" to the branches - once you've Rorted, you are never the same again and only Rorters really know how great it is to belong to Apex 40 (they also know Rorting is a health hazard!)

I believe our growth will continue and hope my successor is able to foster even more interest.

LIONEL MUSSELL - Extension Chairman.

RORTY RAMBLINGS

Lionel and Vi Mussell had to miss Friday night as he had to go back to play music in Melbourne. After returning to Bendigo on Saturday he threatened to choke the next person who told him what a good night he had missed! Every Rorter told him at least once and some repeated themselves incessantly.

Ern Butler met his match at last when we visited Bendigo Pottery - perhaps the Kiwi lady guide had an unfair advantage with her portable P.A. but she certainly had Ern's measure.

How could Colin (Waddies, Sticks and Stones,) Spiers eat all that huge crayfish by himself on Thursday night without offering his mates a taste?

Thank God no one brought up the subject of name badges at the business session this year!!

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