



For Continuing
Fellowship

ROARING 40'S

Official Newsletter of Apex 40



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Well the W.A. Rort has come and gone and everyone who attended had a great time from all reports and infact some are already planning for next year's Rort to be held at Alstonville N.S.W. over the long weekend in June (5th, 6th, 7th & 8th).

In maintaining our friendships we have made through Apex, I recently received a letter from International Relations Officer of Round Table 41 of New Zealand, Peter Butchart, who asked if we can establish a line of communication with the 41 Club of New Zealand. At the same time he invited Apex 40 to attend their next A.G.M. in Napier on Queen's Birthday weekend 1987.

Naturally I have replied to Peter and indicated we will arrange a contingent to go there in 1988 for the A.G.M. and at the same time have extended an invitation to the members of 41 Club to attend our A.G.M. in 1987.

For those interested in contacting Peter his address is:-

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- GARTH WHITCHURCH

I know we have all thanked them personally but just a big thank you nationally to the W.A. gang for a job well done at the Rort.

MEMBERSHIP EXTENSION

- RON CLARKE

After our Rort in W.A. we now have 3 clubs in that state:-

MORELLA, ESPERANCE & MEREDIN (CROSS LANDS) and during the next 12 months should have more, thanks to the hard work and efforts of Morella Club.

In S.A. we have received interest from Marion by David Oscar-Manning who is very keen in setting up more clubs in S.A.

In N.S.W. we have had the assistance of Kevin Huxham who has made big inroads and has 3 clubs in the making and one actually formed at Alstonville who are going to run next year's Rort.

Jock McKendrick in Mildura is looking into starting a club in the Riverland of S.A. which hopefully will be up and running by Christmas.

Meanwhile in Victoria former members of Woodend, Kyneton and Macedon area have got together and are to form a club (Central Ranges) thanks to the forethought of Kevin Harvey from Bendigo club.

MEMBERSHIP EXTENSION (contd)

With all this expansion happening it appears our older clubs have stagnated. I would suggest that these clubs appoint a membership officer to encourage new membership and keep in touch with local Apex Clubs for new "oldies".

As expansion is happening in all states and as discussed at the W.A. Rort it is suggested that each State have a mini Rort in the later part of the year and encourage attendance at the National Rort and if possible appoint a State expansion officer to handle promotion in their particular state.

All looks great for the coming year with what promises to be another successful Rort in June '87 organised by Alstonville one of our newer clubs.

NEXT YEAR'S RORT
IN ALSTONVILLE N.S.W.
JUNE 5,6,7 & 8, 1987.

Through Kevin Huxham retiring as Zone President of Zone 5 new club at Alstonville has been formed with a total of 33 members (including ladies).

The members who were in Apex last year ran the Zone Convention for about 400 and with the help of the local Apex Club feel they can run a Rort.

Registration forms should be available around February.

Kevin has advised that:-

Alstonville is a delightful rural village set on a red basalt soil plateau of 170m elevation and a population of around 4,000. Located half way between Ballina on the coast (pop.11,500) and Lismore (pop.35,000), 10 miles from both, it is sub tropical in climate and a very popular fruit growing area. Mainly avocados, macadamia nuts, custard apples, lychees, peaches, nectarines and sugar cane are grown in the area.

It is a popular retirement village where people are very garden conscious. Having won the last four years, its population category in the Tidy Towns competition, it took out the outright State Winner last year. We know you will love the place as we all do.

Roaring 40's is the official newsletter for retired Apexians.

Our aim is as a means of communication to keep members up to date with other clubs and what is happening at National level. Pamphlets about Apex 40 for promotion and obtaining new members are available from National Secretary on request.

Production costs are covered by per capitas of \$1 per couple or single per annum up to a maximum of \$50 per club. If you haven't paid please forward your subs to Secretary/Treasurer Garth Whitchurch.

For any clubs requiring Apex 40 Dinner Badges. Cost is \$6 per badge.

MARYBOROUGH QLD

Secretary - Marion Zillman

Club celebrates its 10th anniversary. Functions during the past few months have included - Hot dish evening; Gold coast trip; Car rally; Progressive dinner and a Cocktail evening.

BENDIGO VIC

Secretary - Ruth Milner

After the Perth Rort another 50's night then a Halley's Comet night and a Chinese banquet. At long last defeated Melbourne/Gippsland at the annual golf challenge. Have a BBQ planned with a Melbourne Cup theme.

WYNNUM MANLEY

Secretary - Cheryle Scholtes

Club meets on 5th Tuesday each month (approx. 4 meetings per annum) with meeting alternatively at a Restaurant and then a member's home. Ian McGilvray recently returned from the Apex work party to Papua New Guinea. The Jessop and Garland families off overseas.

LAUNCESTON

Secretary - Jan Storey

Meeting at St. George Hotel. Next meeting an "Aussie Night" - pie and sauce plus drinks, followed by cards at a members home. Jean and Arthur Boyce became grandparents for the first time.

MORELLA

Secretary - Beryl Grace

Very pleased with how the Rort went. Already thinking of next year's Rort. Are planning to stop off in Adelaide or Melbourne then onto Sydney, get off at Coolangatta - spend four nights at Rort or more. Then onto Cairns, back through Alice Springs. Sounds great, aye!!

Assisted with expansion to Wanneroo, Whitfords area and "Crossland" (Merredin, Bruce Rock, Narembeer).

Recent functions - Beer and sausage night, out to a Restaurant and a family day planned to Lake Leasonaulti.

ULVERSTONE

Secretary - Ron Atkins

Currently 40 members and keeping active with Ten Pin Bowling, Safari Supper, Dinner-Dance at the Golf Club with Xmas Dinner planned at Oliver's Restaurant.

SUNNYSIDE

Secretary - Peter Budford

Had a mid year Christmas Party - men bought presents for the girls wrapped in pink and the girls one for the boys wrapped in blue - value around \$5.

Extension planned into Riverland.

Next dinner hosted by Mildura Apex Club to a Bush Dancing Dinner at the Woolshed.

ILLAWARRA

Secretary - John Seberry

Dinner at the Dapto Dogs (racing). A weekend trip planned to Sussex inlet for fishing!! Celebrated 100th dinner October 8th.

JOTTINGS FROM AROUND THE TRAPS (contd)

DEVONPORT

Secretary - Diane Miller

Annual dinner at a French restaurant called the Jolly Frog - same executive elected. Four members travelled to the Perth Rort. Information given to visitors Glen and Betty Rossitter from Coloundra Q., who are keen to start an Apex 40 club on their return.

BBQ's, trivial pursuit and casserole evenings have been popular pass times amongst members.

MELBOURNE/GIPPSLAND

Secretary - Sam McInnes

22 members travelled to Perth for Rort. Played golf against Bendigo in our annual grudge match and lost - well done to Bendigo. Plenty of socials planned. Membership around 110.

JOKE CORNER(COURTESY SUNRAYSA CLUB)

Some Italian jokes:-

Daffynition of:- BIGAMIST - A FOG OVER ITALY.
BIGOTORY - AN ITALIAN REDWOOD.

Confucius say - "Wife who put husband in doghouse soon find him in cathouse."

RIDDLES

- Q. Did you hear about the Japanese callgirl who went broke?
- A. Nobody had a yen for her!
- Q. What is the difference between a Scotsman and a coconut?
- A. You can get a drink out of a coconut!

YOUR DESTINATION FOR 1987 RORT - ALSTONVILLE!



