

ROARING 40°S

Official Newsletter of Apex 40

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Next Get Together is the Labour Day Weekend at the Dicks' and Margetts Ford Drive on the banks of Lake Eildon (map enclosed). Arrive Friday night 7th March or anytime Saturday 8th March. Some people are meeting at about 1 pm for picnic lunch on the Saturday at Sheepwash Creek - about 10 km through Yea on right hand side. BBQ Tea at Dicks Saturday night, golf 8.30 am Sunday at Mansfield, then a tour of Mt. Samaria National Park finishing with a counter tea at the Tatong Hotel. be the usual Luncheon at Nilahcoote before departing for home mid-afternoon. This is a bring your own everything, including some drinking water please. I believe all accommodation has been booked, but phone Don 057 752881 to confirm if you are going with van or tent, etc. etc.

Coming Event Our April Dinner is Saturday 5th April at Kevin and Rosemary Frazer's. This will take the form of a "Maori Hangi" with a great variety of food. Put this date in your diary now. More details later.

Past Events The "Kinder Klassic" in December was the usual success with another "first timer" past member Colin Barlow scooping the pool with Chas Burgess close behind and yours truly taking out the N.A.G.A.H. trophy. Maybe Colin will rejoin now.

The Christmas Dinner in November was a ripper with 82 in attendance. The National Pres. and wife who booked twice failed to appear and Cliff Thompson made a great fuss of our host saying it was a long time since he had seen him at an Apex 40 Dinner. We welcomed a number of new members and all who attended "volunteered" their subs. So if you weren't there and haven't paid your subs pop a cheque in the mail today before you forget!



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Next came the beef on the spit at John and Lois Ritchie's in February - our first get together for '86 with 57 attending. This was a superb meal with meat and spuds by John and Bev Easton and salads, sweets, etc. by our charming ladies and Garth (Strawberries in Cognac). John and Lois were great hosts with everyone touring the chicken sheds and the Ritchies' lovely home - a really pleasant evening which should be repeated.

Now for the Rort 30th May to 1st June. I am enclosing registration forms and details and the <u>deadline</u> is <u>March 14th</u>, so get cracking. Keith Haymes must have details now if you are not travelling privately. Ring him tonight 898 4870 for travelling arrangements. Approx. \$1000 return trip.

Best wishes to John Davies who is having a spell at Cabrini Hospital for a by-pass operation. Hope you are out and about very soon, John.

Also Ley Garrett has had a few more health problems, but hopefully is back to normal and "on the road again".

And last but by no means least Lorraine Burgess is to go to hospital in mid March for treatment. We all hope everything goes well "Rhubarb" and everyone wishes you well with all their love.

Two BLF members on a Spring Morning -

No. 1 I see the daffodils are out.

No. 2 What time do we go out?

See you in Mansfield,

Sam McInnes

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