

STOP PRESS ,....

More than 80 people have now booked to attend our 1st Rort at Ballarat. We are holding some extra accommodation reservations and bookings for the Friday and Saturday night do's for any members not yet booked. A last chance to come to what is going to be a great weekend.

DATES -- March 12th, 13th and 14th.

ROARING 40'S

Official Newsletter of Apex 40



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Fellowship

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1. Roaring Rort.

Rorty Chairman John Davies with a couple of assistants visited Ballarat on Friday Feb. 20th to make final arrangements for a great weekend. Programme Details are as follows. (Please note, however, that this programme is subject to probably many instant and unpredictable changes.)

Friday

Proceed to Craigs Hotel (turn left at Lydiard St.) and report to Rorty John to sign the attendance book, pay your debts as appropriate and pick up your sample come survival kit.

Friday Evening 8 p.m.

A "Happening" at Craigs Hotel being a welcome social to prepare you for the weekend.
Entry Pass - Musical instrument, singing voice or piano music (Children Free).

Saturday A.M.

A trip to Great Western to visit Bests Wines Pty. Ltd. to inspect this very old wine maker and sample their products. If time we can also visit Seppelts. We will probably have some lunch at Ararat or Buangor.

A Bus has been booked for those who would like to do this trip by Bus. Bus leaves Craigs Hotel at 8.55 a.m. and will pick up at the Avenue Motel on the way. Return time probably between 2 and 3 p.m. Cost of Bus Trip \$3.00 per seat. If going by bus please book and pay to Rorty John on your arrival at Ballarat.

Roaring 40's is published by Apex 40 to inform members of current events.

Saturday Afternoon.

A visit to the Sovereign Hill Historical Village with the opportunity to find some Gold.

Saturday Evening, 8 p.m.

Dinner/Dance/Social at the Kiosk in the beautiful Ballarat Botanical Gardens, on the edge of Lake Wendouree. Just past the Statues is the Begonia Display, which will be still in full bloom at this time.

(The Begonia Festival is the weekend before ours.)

Please note that Drinks will be an extra charge at this function.

Special Continuous Attraction Special

Everybody is asked to bring their Tee shirts. Fred Margetts will have his screen printer on hand to print your Tee Shirt with the Apex 40 emblem, Rort.. Ballarat, etc.

We have special prices for this service -

- (i) Not being worn \$1.00 per shirt.
- (ii) When being worn by owner ---
 - Ladies up to 34" bust \$1.00.
 - Ladies 34" - 40" bust \$1.50 (Takes longer)
 - Ladies over 40" bust Free of Charge.
 - Everybody else \$1.00.

Now back to the programme ..

Sunday Morning about 10.30 a.m. - Venue to be advised

A short informal session under the guidance of Rorty President Lionel to look at Apex 40 and discuss items of interest about present and future of the organisation.

Sunday Lunch Final details will be given at the Rort but we plan it to be a picnic/Bar-b-que on the banks of Lake Wendouree. We expect \$1.00 per head will cover the costs for food. B.Y.O.G.

Sunday Afternoon A visit to Kryal Castle. Those who manage to escape from the mediaeval stocks will be allowed to travel home after this if they are still on their feet.

- GENERAL INFORMATION. + The Motel has a Swimming Pool for the keen swimmers.
- + The programme is completely informal and you will have plenty of time for doing your own thing.
 - + Don't Forget your Tee Shirts.
 - + Creche Arrangements will be made at the time as required.
 - + Accommodation Receipts are enclosed.

2. Picnic Lunch - Sunday March 28th, 1976.

To be held at the Prestons Shack - 86 Ocean Road, Point Lonsdale.

Travel into Point Lonsdale down the main street, turn right at end into Ocean Road. Then one Kilometre to last house on right in Ocean Road. (With Apex 40 Sign).

If a hot day bring a cold Picnic Lunch, otherwise B.B.Q. and B.Y.O.

3. From Extension Chairman - Alan Kinder.

Victoria. You will have noted in the last issue of "Roaring 40's" that an Interim Committee was elected to investigate the establishment of a branch in SOUTH GIPPSLAND.

Most Life Member Joe Tanner is looking at situation in EAST GIPPSLAND to assess its potential.

Ernie Butler (ex-Nunawading) visited his old home town Mildura over the holiday period where he got some of his old mates interested in Apex 40. We hope that with Ern's help we can soon encourage a new branch up Riverland way.

Tasmania. DEVONPORT branch is active and will definitely be represented at the RORT in March.

Further contact will be made with John Osborne in GEORGE TOWN to see what has transpired.

Queensland. No further news from Brian Hodges in MARYBOROUGH, so this needs a follow-up.

Dave Rose is still examining prospects in BRISBANE and is being actively assisted by ex-Round Tabler Peter Dawson. They are hopeful of getting some 'oldies' together soon.

N.S.W. Apex Zone 9 President Dale Fletcher has indicated his strong support for Apex 40 and has asked Roy Ridley of FORBES to act as Co-ordinator in that area. President Lionel took the opportunity to visit Roy during the holidays and we are hopeful of seeing a branch establish thereabouts in the not too distant future.

NORthern Territory. We have been made aware that the Arafura Apex Club at DARWIN is anxious to take the initiative in setting up a branch of Apex 40 as a Club project. President Lionel has written to the Arafura President offering our support and best wishes.

You will be pleased to know that Alan had the pleasure and privilege of inducting his nephew Neil Kinder into the Warrandyte Club a few weeks ago.

4. 200 Club.

I have heard on the never never that President Lionel is out to become a member of the 200 Club. Membership to this Club is open to people who can raise sponsorships of \$200 for the forthcoming Walk against Want. Lionel will be looking for sponsors at Ballarat, and because he will be enjoying his favourite red whilst at Ballarat he may forget to bring the subject up. We may have to prompt his memory. Part of the proceeds raised from this walk will be used for the Apex Overseas Aid Project.

5. NOW and THEN!

From twenty to thirty
 If a man lives right,
 It's once in the morning
 And once at night.
 From thirty to Forty
 If he still lives right--
 He cuts out the morning
 Or else the night.
 From forty to fifty
 It's 'Now and Then',
 From fifty to sixty
 God knows when.
 From sixty to seventy
 If he's still so inclined--
 Girls don't let him kid you
 It's all in the mind.

ANON.