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We would like to introduce you to the G.E.M.S. (Gang Ex Members Social) group. Our aim is to maintain the social contacts that have been formed over many years of involvement with the Melbourne Gang Show. Despite the name, G.E.M.S. is not restricted to ex- members. Present gang members, family and friends are all welcome at our activities.

We will be running theatre nights, outings, weekends and probably an annual dinner. Wherever possible, costs will be at group concession prices plus a small margin to cover expenses.

If you would like to be included on our mailing list, please fill in the enclosed registration form and return it (with \$5.00 to cover initial postage costs) to us at the above address.

Our first activity will be a theatre night to see the musical "Smokey Joe's Cafe" at Her Majesty's Theatre on Tuesday the 10th of December. The cost will be \$48.50 (regular price \$57.25). We have reserved 30 seats in the 5th row of the Dress Circle. At the time of writing we have 28 seats available. All money is required by the 29th of November.

We will be having a smörgassbord dinner and tour of the open cut mine at the Yallourn Power Station on Saturday the 15th of February. This function runs from 6:30 pm to 11:00 pm at a total all inclusive cost of \$30.00 per head, due by the 24th of January. The price includes the dinner, drinks and the tour itself. We have booked for 30, but could extend that to a

maximum of 50. There are currently 28 places available. Free overnight accomodation for a limited number of people (15 or so) is available at Inverloch, about half an hour's drive from the Latrobe Valley. Apart from that there are motels nearby if you prefer not to drive back to Melbourne late at night.

After that we will be going to see the new musical "Chess" at the Princess theatre on Tuesday the 15th and Thursday the 17th of May. the cost will be \$65.00 per ticket (normal price \$71.00). We have booked 30 seats for each night, and currently we have 58 places available. Money is required by a date to be advised, probably around February or March. Watch this space!

Future plans include a weekend trip to Tasmania on the "Spirit of Tasmania". More details in our next Newsletter.

Please let us know if there is any event you would like us to organise.

Please indicate your interest in these events on the enclosed booking form.

Note that all money must be received by us by the due dates, and no reminders will be sent out apart from these newsletters. Any cheques received after the due dates will be returned.

Remember to fill in and return the registration form if you wish to continue to receive these newsletters.

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Booking Form

- ☺ Please enclose payment as indicated, or send before the closing date shown. Make cheques etc. payable to *GEMS*.
- ☺ If paying later, please indicate clearly what your payment is for.
- ☺ Bookings not paid in full by the “pay by” date will not be made, and cheques etc. will be returned.
- ☺ No reminders will be sent out apart from *GEMS* Newsletters.
- ☺ A new *GEMS* Newsletter will be issued whenever a new *GEMS* event is organized.
- ☺ A new *GEMS* event will normally be organized about every two months, after the “pay by” date of each *GEMS* event.
- ☺ As we have organized three initial *GEMS* events, each new *GEMS* event will appear in three or four *GEMS* Newsletters.

<i>GEMS</i> #	Description	Date	Cost	Pay by	# reqd
1.	Her Majesty's: Smokey Joe's Cafe	10 Dec 96	\$48.50	29 Nov 96	
2.	Dinner Tour: Yallourn Power Station	15 Feb 96	\$30.00	24 Jan 97	
3.a	Princess Theatre: Chess (Tuesday)	15 Apr 97	\$65.00	t.b.a.	
3.b	Princess Theatre: Chess (Thursday)	17 Apr 97	\$65.00	t.b.a.	

Payment enclosed \$ _____