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GEMS Garments

Your garments will be available this month. If you require any further items, please indicate your requirements on the enclosed order form, and we will place another order when we have 20 or more items for embroidery. Prices will be advised at that time.

Mailing List

Please check your details and advise us of any corrections needed. There is a copy on the back of the booking form for you to show your alterations, as well as one on the back of this Newsletter for you to keep.

Car Trial

This was a success in spite of limited attendance, delightful weather, roadworks (which closed a vital road) and LaTrobe Uni inconsiderately closing their wildlife reserve on the weekend. It was open, apparently only for a wedding (!) on the Saturday when we worked out the route. Read all the details in the annual report. The winners were:

- 1st Peter and Janet Allen (with nice Niece from UK)
- 2nd (tied) Tom and Lois Rolls Geoff and Dawn Hillyer
- 4th Dave and Leigh Hanna
- 5th Doug and Marlene McRae

Only 4 points out of a possible 77 separated 1st and 5th, so well done all of you! A good time was had by all.

Melbourne Gang Show

GEMS went to the 1999 Melbourne Gang Show at the Alexander Theatre, Monash University, on Friday the 14th of May. We met for dinner before the show at the Monash Hotel, just around the corner in Dandenong Road. Some of us had the excellent Guinness Pie. Gang Show will be showing at Geelong in August in case you missed it.

Ten-Pin Bowling (aka trundle and giggle) Night

We will be going ten-pin bowling at the Chadstone Bowl (1341 Dandenong Road) at 5:30 on Sunday the 11th of July. We will meet for dinner afterwards at 8:30 pm at the Lone Star Restaurant, cnr Warrigal and Waverley Roads. There is a maximum of 20 people (four lanes) so

BOOK NOW to avoid disappointment! Please tell us if you're coming by the 25th of June.

The Boy From Oz

We have a booking for 20 (15 still available!) for *Tuesday the 31st of August 1999*. Tickets are \$62.50, and we need to have your money by the 25th of June.

Progressive Dinner

This is likely to be the event of the year! *Mid October* looks good (subject to confirmation by those involved in providing the tucker!) It will happen in Inverloch (naturally). Plenty of parking.

Annual General Meeting

This will be a **Black Tie** function, in a (large) tent in the backyard of Dave and Leigh Hanna's mansion, sometime in *November*. Actually, Dave and Leigh have generously offered to host this year's AGM *inside* their substantial new residence in Doowrub (a suitably up-market address, we trust, *aka* Burwood by Jeff Hook non-afficionadi). *Come as you are*.

<u>IMAX</u>

This is now likely to happen *next year*, probably to see a 3D movie (T-Rex just blew us away!).

King Island Trip and Red Centre Expedition

The recent meeting of interested members decided that the Red Centre Expedition will be swapped with the King Island trip. This gives you longer to save up! The option of flying from Melbourne to Alice Springs and catching the Ghan back was widely supported. It may be possible to hire a self-drive bus (or two!) to "do our own thing" in terms of what to see and how long to spend at each site. This depends on the availability of self-drive busses (it would be feasible, with four qualified bus/coach drivers going on the trip).

Other Things

Please tell us if you would like us to organize something special. Please *pay the correct amount* by the due dates. This *is quite important* as it helps us to plan our events (with regard to catering, the amount to spend on prizes, etc.) Thank you for supporting our efforts.

Your lucky number is not very likely to come up.



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Booking Form

#	Description	Date	Cost	Notify by	Pay By	no.
21a	Ten pin Bowling night	11/7/99	\$13.50	25/6/99	5/7/99	
21b	Dinner at Lone Star Restaurant	11/7/99	pyob	25/6/99	na	
22.	The Boy From Oz	31/8/99	\$62.50	25/6/99	25/6/99	
23.	Progressive Dinner	Oct '99	tba	tba	tba	

Expressions of Interest In Future Events - NOTE - Details may change.

#	Description	Date	Cost	Notify by	Pay By	no.
tba	Annual General Meeting	Nov '99	tba	tba	tba	
tba	Disk Bowls Championship	Jan '00	tba	tba	tba	
tba	IMAX	Feb '00	pyob	na	na	
tba	King Island	Apr '00	\$500	tba	tba	
tba	Red Centre Expedition	Apr '01	\$2k-\$3k	soon	bits	

Name:			