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GEMS Garments

Your garments are now available. Please contact us to arrange collection (we will bring them to AGM). Please indicate your requirements for further items on the enclosed order form. We will re-order when we have 20 or more items for embroidery. Prices will not be final until then. The four spare caps sold out very quickly. We may have a couple of spare jackets available on a first come first served basis.

Mailing List

Please advise us of any corrections needed - use the copy on the back of the booking form. PLEASE LET US KNOW YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS if you have one. We can send you the Newsletter as an e-mail attachment if you do. This means you will get it sooner and we will save on postage. Please let us know if you would prefer e-mail, snail mail or both. We will do whatever you want (I just have to add another criterion to my Access database query that prints the envelopes, and create an e-mail group - nothing to it!)

No reply will result in both modes if we have your e-mail address.

Progressive Dinner

This is likely to be the event of the year, but is currently on hold until those involved in providing the tucker return from their various holidays. It will happen in Inverloch (naturally). Plenty of parking (and room for caravans or tents if you like) is now available at 3 Naomi Court (2 "doors" from "The TARDIS"). But seriously, The TARDIS sleeps 22 without counting the floor space, and three or four other nearby houses have room for still more GEMS members, so you don't have to camp unless you want to. Don't miss it!

Annual General Meeting

This is a **Black Tie** function (the rest of your attire is up to you) at Dave and Leigh Hanna's mansion in Burwood, at **1 pm on Sunday the 14th of November.** **Come as you aren't.** (As M'Clures' used to say). The cost will be \$13.00 per head.

Disk Bowls Championship

New Year's Day 2000. Don't miss the chance to topple the reigning champs! The TARDIS is Y2k compliant. Book now to avoid disappointment.

King Island Trip

The suggested date for this is now either the first or middle weekend of the first term school holidays 2000, probably also involving the Monday. The expected cost is around \$500 to \$600 per head depending on the type of accommodation chosen and the activities (trips) we wish to undertake. We have made inquiries with a travel agent, but currently have no firm information. Expect notice of a meeting soon if you have indicated an interest in this event.

Red Centre Expedition

The Red Centre trip will occur in April/May 2001. The most likely plan is to fly from Melbourne to the Alice, and catch the Ghan back. 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 (we have four qualified bus/coach drivers planning to go on the trip).

Other Things

Please tell us if you would like us to organise something special. Thank you for supporting our efforts. Your lucky number is quite possibly going to come up some time or other. Yes, you do need good eyesight.

Possible Future Events

- Another Golf Day (this will probably become another annual event).
- Another 10 pin bowling afternoon (another possible annual event).
- MGS 2000 (already an annual event).
- A theatre night to an amateur theatre group.
- Horse riding.
- Tasmania weekend again.
- Any other suggestions ???????

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Booking Form

#	Description	Date	Cost	Notify by	Pay By	no.
24.	Annual General Meeting	14/11/99	\$12.00	7/11/99	14/11/99	
25.	Annual Disk Bowls Championship	1/1/00	tba	asap	1/1/00	

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

#	Description	Date	Cost	Notify by	Pay By	no.
tba	Progressive Dinner	Mar '00	tba	tba	tba	
tba	King Island	Apr '00	~\$500	tba	tba	
tba	MGS 2000	May '00	~\$18	tba	tba	
tba	Red Centre Expedition	Apr '01	\$2k-\$3k	soon	bits	

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