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Please acknowledge receipt. We will send it by snail mail as well if we don't hear from you within a week.

Raffle

Order your tickets NOW! Three perfect prizes have been masterly made and generously given to GEMS by our woodworking wizard Steve Nichols! Prizes are:

1^{st}	Folding Step Stool	value \$50.00
2^{nd}	Planter	value \$25.00
$3^{\rm rd}$	Folding Canvas Stool	value \$15.00

Tickets \$2.00. Order now or see us at the next event. The raffle will be drawn when we have sold a least 100 tickets (currently 31).

GEMS Garments

Marg and Syd, thanks for confirming you're still with us and wanting your garments. We have one member with a new XL jacket that is the wrong size. As we have an order for an XL jacket we will be pursuing that. We will be ordering the 4th batch of garments very soon as we now have almost 20 items for embroidery. This batch has filled rapidly as we have decided to establish a stock of 10 caps (one size fits all). So if you're thinking about ordering something, DO IT **NOW!** It may be 18 months till we order batch #5.

Mailing List

Please show corrections on the back of the booking form. PLEASE LET US KNOW YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS if you have one. We will send you the Newsletter as an e-mail attachment if you do. You will get it sooner and GEMS will save on postage. Please let us know if you prefer e-mail, snail mail or both. We will do whatever you want. No reply will result in both modes, if we already have your e-mail address.

Ten Pin Bowling

The 2nd annual GEMS 10-pin bowling tournament was enjoyed immensely by all those that went. Those that couldn't go will have to read Liz Shields' report at the AGM to learn all the exciting details. However, we can tell you that the GEMS "Cups" (for the Highest Game Score and for the Highest Total Score) were won this year by Dave Hanna and Bert Grotaers, respectively.

Dave suggested that next year he might win the saucer to complete the setting. To find out who won the GEMS "Plates" for the Lowest Game, for the Lowest Total for the Most First Ball Gutters, you'll have to wait until the AGM. Perhaps next year we'll have cutlery as well.

King Island Trip

Your itinerary is enclosed if you are going. Your tickets will be distributed at the airport by Geoff and Dawn Hillyer (Friday departures) or Rob and Bev Huntley (Saturday departures).

Progressive Dinner

This will cost \$18 a head, BYO drinks. Saturday the 6th of May in Inverloch. Parking is available (and room for caravans or tents if you like) at 3 Naiomi Court (2 "doors" from "The TARDIS"). The TARDIS sleeps $\overset{\circ}{22}$ without counting the floor space, and several other houses have room for more. DON'T MISS IT!

Miss and Giggle Golf Day

Don't miss the 2nd annual Miss and Giggle Golf Day at **Tarwin Lower Golf Club!** 11:00am on the 7th of May, the day after the progressive dinner. Coarse fee is \$12 a head including a sausage-sizzle lunch afterwards. BYO clubs and balls (If you have any), otherwise club hire is about \$5.00 a couple. If you don't have any balls you may be able to borrow someone else's.

MGS 2000

Friday the 23rd of June at 8:00pm at the Darebin Community Arts Centre (Bell Street and St Georges Road). \$17.00 (A) or \$12.50 (C). Please advise asap as we will be booking **VERY** soon.

Red Centre Expedition

April/May 2001. Fly from Melbourne to the Alice, and catch the Ghan back. Or fly back if you prefer. Watch this space for further details!

Other Things

Please tell us if you would like us to organise something special. Thank you for supporting us. Your lucky number is quite possibly going so come up some time or other. Yes, you do need good eyesight (or an e-mail subscription). There is a prize if you spot the deliberate mistake in this Newsletter. (First correct answer wins).



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Booking Form

#	Description	Date	Cost	Notify by	Pay By	no.
28.	Progressive Dinner	6/5/00	\$18.00	asap	asap	
29.	Miss and giggle golf day 2000	7/5/00	\$12.00	asap	asap	
30.	MGS 2000 (Adult)	23/6/00	\$17.00	7/4/00	7/4/00	
	MGS 2000 (Concession)	23/6/00	\$12.50	7/4/00	7/4/00	
	RAFFLE TICKETS	tba	\$2.00	asap	asap	

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

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tba	Theatre Night	tba	tba	tba	tba	
tba	Horse Riding	tba	tba	tba	tba	
tba	Tasmania Weekend	tba	tba	tba	tba	
tba	Picnic at Country Race Meeting	tba	tba	tba	tba	
tba	Weekend in Melbourne	tba	tba	tba	tba	
tba	Red Centre Expedition	Apr '01	\$2k-\$3k	asap	SOON	

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