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### Rob and Bev are going overseas

We are off to the UK on **19<sup>th</sup> May until 12<sup>th</sup> July**. Please send your Bookings Forms to us in the usual way, but **also contact the members named below directly if you are going on any events in that time.**

### E-mail only members

Please send the receipt acknowledgment. No receipt will result in a snail mail copy being sent. Regular non-repliers will be put back onto the "both e-mail and snail mail" list and will have to pay the \$5 subscription if not attending one event per 12 months.

Please select which "flavour" of e-mail you prefer. Default will be the MS Word and RTF address list as previously.

### Mailing List

Please advise any corrections to your details.

### RECENT EVENTS

*Note: event numbers have changed.*

#### Golf Day (46)

Elaine Nichols won the GEMS plate (for the highest score, and YES you are supposed to get a low score). Bert Grotaers won the NAGA award (if you don't know what NAGA stands for, don't ask).

#### The King and I (47)

This was a terrific production of a classic Rogers and Hammerstein musical. Great acting, great singing, great staging, great sound, great Show! Six members attended (two more had tickets but couldn't make it to the show). We'll definitely see more of this amateur theatre company. Why pay \$75 a ticket when you can see an equally good (or better) show for \$25?

### PLANNED EVENTS

*Note: some dates have changed.*

#### Wine Bottling (48)

This will be in June. It is not too late to get your order in. Contact Dave Hanna by the end of May.

#### 10 pin bowling (49)

Chadstone Bowl, Sunday 30th June at 5.30 pm. Dinner afterwards probably at Matthew Flinders Hotel. Please reply to Margaret and Bernie Brown. Only two replies have been received so far. More numbers are required or it will not happen.

#### Winter Campfire (50)

Dave and Leigh Hanna will be hosting this at their place on Sunday 28th July at 12.00 noon. Home made soup and rolls, tea and coffee will be generously provided free of charge by Dave and Leigh. BYO BBQ food and drinks.

#### Murder Mystery (51)

Apparently a dinner during which the guests act out and solve a Murder Mystery. Someone suggested this event, would they be prepared to take on the organisation as we will be away until mid July and it is scheduled for August? Currently there are 10 or 12 GEMS interested in this event. We need you to pick a date and make a preliminary booking. Volunteer organisers please contact Bernie Brown to avoid duplication.

#### Maribyrnong River Cruise (52)

Enjoy the scenic delights of the Maribyrnong River from the comfort of a motor cruiser. NO BBQ ON THE BOAT. Sometime in September.

#### Shepparton Canneries Tour (53)

This is an annual event for some of us. This year we are inviting all the GEMS to join us on 12-13 October. Visit SPC, IXL and others and pick up some real cut price bargains in canned foods etc. Stay overnight in cabins at a local caravan park. Don't miss it!

#### Swan Hill Sound and Light Show

By all accounts, a completely different show from the Sovereign Hill gold mining display, on a different aspect of early colonial life. Originally planned for early November, now postponed, possibly to January. Could it be combined with the Houseboat Weekend?

### OTHER STUFF

#### Hot Shoe Shuffle

Coming to the Atheneum Theatre from May 24 to June 23. Tickets \$40-\$45. Contact Elaine Nichols for details.

#### MGS

MGS 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary dinner in June. Make your own arrangements or contact Bernie Brown.

#### Garments

We will send out an order form soon.

There is a prize if you spot the deliberate mistake in this Newsletter. (First correct answer wins). No entries were received for News 28 (misspelling of "rumour") so the prize will jackpot.

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# GEMS

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## Booking Form

#	Description			Notify by	Pay By	no.
48	Wine Bottling	See enclosed/attached wine list				
49	Ten Pin Bowling	30/6/02	tba	16/6/02	30/6/02	
50	Winter Campfire	28/7/02	BYO	15/7/02	na	
51	Murder Mystery	Aug	tba	tba	tba	
52	Maribyrnong River Cruise	Sep	tba	tba	tba	
53	Shepparton Canneries Tour	12-13 Oct	tba	15/9/02	pyob	
<b>Expressions of Interest In Possible Future Events - NOTE - Details may change.</b>						
tba	AGM	Late Nov	tba	tba	tba	
tba	Annual Disk Bowls Championship	1/1/2003	tba	tba	tba	
tba	Swan Hill sound and light show	Jan?	tba	tba	tba	
tba	Houseboat weekend	Feb/Mar?	tba	tba	tba	
tba	Tasmania weekend	Late 2003	tba	tba	tba	
<b>Preferred Newsletter format (please tick one option only in each row)</b>						
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<input type="checkbox"/> e-mail attachment format		<input type="checkbox"/> Word and RTF (default)		<input type="checkbox"/> Plain text		<input type="checkbox"/> No attachment
Polite suggestions for future events:						
I/We will help to organise it/them: yes/no						
Complaints area. Please write any complaints in this box. It is very important that you write legibly:						
Name:			payment enclosed:		Office Use	
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