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August, the month named after Caesar Augustus (ruled 27 BC to 14 AD), nephew and heir of Julius Caesar. Caesar Augustus named the previous month after his uncle

DINNER MEETING – No. 227

Time: 12:00 NOON

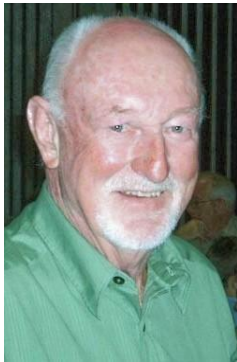
Date: FRIDAY 26 AUGUST 2011

Venue: LAKESIDE CAFÉ, RINGWOOD, Shop 2/295 Maroondah Hwy. (Mel. 49 J7)

Cost: To your choosing (A la Carte)

Bookings: To Marj Flaherty by Friday 19 August. Phone 9802 7655.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



We had 20 members at our last meeting at the Dava Hotel which was a luncheon meeting. While the numbers were down somewhat, those who travelled down the coast to Mount Martha enjoyed a very nice lunch and good Apex 40 fellowship.

In July we celebrated the 38th birthday of Apex 40 with a Sunday lunch at Madeline's Restaurant in Jells Park. We had a great roll up of 30 members who all enjoyed another nice lunch in the pleasant surroundings at Jells Park. While the weather outside was cold and wintry, inside it was warm and friendly. The food was very good and the drinks went down especially well as they were paid for out of Club funds.

Our next meeting, on Friday 26th August, will be another luncheon meeting, this time at a new venue for us – Lake Side Café at Ringwood. The café is on the north side of Maroondah Highway (Whitehorse Road) in a group of shops opposite Ringwood Lake. (Melway 49 J 7/8)

The combined lunch with Bendigo, Geelong and Norwesters members at Woodend is definitely on for Sunday 11th September at 12.00. It will be a two-course lunch at a cost of \$28. I will have more to say about this and train travel arrangements at the August meeting. We will need to know numbers for Woodend at this meeting so, if you will not be at the meeting at Ringwood, please let Marj or I know by 26th August if you will be going to Woodend.

As I write this, Nola and I, along with Alan and Marj Flaherty and Neil and Marg Hookey, are enjoying beautiful sunny weather at the Gold Coast – 20-22 degrees every day and not a sight of rain.

On Sunday 31st August we had a gathering of Apex 40 members for lunch at the Brunswick Heads Hotel. Brunswick Heads is about half way between the Gold Coast and Alstonville and Rob and Helen Noble and David and Kay Huett came up from there. National President Alan Bach and Mary came from Brisbane with another couple, Brian and Jenny Ziegenfus. Ron and Meryl Clarke from Bendigo, who we have caught up with at the Gold Coast a few times, also came along and Peter and Roz Chessell from Grafton also joined us. Barry and Colleen Lancaster, Alstonville members who now live at the Gold Coast made the total number at the lunch up to 18 – a mini-Rort!!



Colleen Lancaster (Alstonville), Alan & Mary Bach (Xepa)
Alan & Nola Kinder

We have also caught up with Mike and Sandra Dawson (Moree) and we expect Rob 'Wombat' Walter (Heywood) and Peter Miller (Portland) will be there this week. So we are enjoying plenty of Apex 40 fellowship, which is what it is all about.

We will be back in Melbourne in mid-August and I look forward to a good attendance at our next meeting on 26th August for lunch at Ringwood.

See you there,

Alan Kinder

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PICS FROM MADELINE'S ON 10 JULY 2011

APEX 40 BIRTHDAY LUNCH

Photos courtesy of Winsome Goff



BACK-TO-SCHOOL

HISTORY QUESTION...

What did the Harvester Judgement of 1907 lead to?

Please have your answers ready at the Dinner. This was a significant and farsighted event in Australia's history, one that we should be proud of.

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POINTS TO PONDER

What disease did cured ham actually have?

If a deaf person has to go to court, is it still called a hearing?

If Wile E. Coyote had enough money to buy all that ACME equipment in order to catch the roadrunner, why didn't he just buy dinner?

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Dental Anecdote

While working for an organization that delivers lunches to the elderly, I used to take my 4-year-old daughter on my afternoon rounds. She was unfailingly intrigued by the various appliances of old age, particularly the canes, walkers and wheelchairs. One day I found her staring at a pair of false teeth soaking in a glass. As I braced myself for the inevitable barrage of questions, she merely turned and whispered, 'The tooth fairy will never believe this!'

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PROGRAM FOR REMAINDER OF 2011

Sunday 11 September	Combined Lunch – Melb/Gipps, Bendigo etc at Woodend
Thursday 13 October	Dinner Meeting – Clayton Bowls Club
Thursday 10 November	Botanical Gardens, Cranbourne
Thursday 8 December	Christmas Dinner Meeting – Clayton Bowls Club