

October/November
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Maroondah Message

Dates to Remember:

- **November 3rd** at 2:00pm Meeting at Ringwood RSL
- **November 6th** at 9:00 am Walk—Mullum Mullum
- **November 7th** at 7.30pm Mooroolbark Theatre night
- **November 11th** at 7.00pm Natalias Bistro at 7.00pm
- **November 19th** at 10am Cinema-Women
- **November 20th** at 12.30pm COBA lunch
- **November 20th** at 9.00am Self organized walk
- **November 27th** at 2.00pm Coffee group

October meeting

Elizabeth Fraser from Friends of the Zoos entertained us all with her story of Melbourne Zoo from its early beginnings to the enlightened times of today, with enclosures as close as possible to the animals natural environment.

She interspaced her story with some very amusing anecdotes and proved to be a very enjoyable speaker.



WALHALLA bus trip

A group of 27 of us joined Box Hill on this trip to Walhalla. We left Ringwood at 8.30am having got a little damp in the car park whilst waiting for the bus. This however was the only rain we saw on what proved to be a very enjoyable day. We stopped at Trafalgar for morning tea which included a delicious selection of homemade slices, before continuing on to Walhalla.

The very winding road on the way took a few casualties, but with half an hour to walk around and take the air, we were all recovered enough to enjoy lunch at the pub.



Some relaxed after lunch, whilst others took the

opportunity to explore the very pretty and quaint township. It was a photographers delight with many of the group taking advantage of the many historic photo opportunities which presented themselves. At 3pm we took the train down to the Thompson bridge—the construction of the railway line being quite an engineering feat in its day, with sheer drops in some places along the track, and much very pretty scenery.

The bus picked us up at the station to begin the journey home; the train journey having prevented much of the winding roads making for a more comfortable journey. We had a ‘comfort’ stop for 10 minutes on the way home, finally arriving back at Ringwood shortly before 6pm after a very successful outing..



- **December 1st** at 12.30pm Christmas lunch
- **December 4th** at 9.00am Walk—Esther Crescent
- **December 10th** at 10 a.m. Cinema—Australia
- **December 18th** at 12.30pm Lunch—Warrandyte Retreat

NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER EATS

Tuesday 11th November at 7pm

Natalia's Bistro

Shop 4/476 Dorset rd. Croydon South
 BYO wine only
 Bookings— Rita 98761206



Thurs. November 20th - 12.00 noon
COBA FESTIVE SEASON LUNCH

Curve Restaurant at the Vibe Savoy Hotel
 Opp. Southern Cross Station

We will travel by train and will meet in the 2nd last carriage.
 Train departing :
 10.37am from Heathmont
 10.40am from Ringwood



Mon. December 1st—12.15pm

TOKAR ESTATE CHRISTMAS LUNCH

6, Maddens Lane , Coldstream [59649585]

Glass of wine on arrival

Two Course lunch with a choice of:- Entrée/main or Main/dessert
 Tea or Coffee with shortbread

Extra side dishes available [vegetables] at \$10/bowl

Booking and Payment of \$35 no later than November meeting
 Rita—98761206

Thursday December 18th Lunch at 12.30pm

Warrandyte Retreat

104, Melbourne Hill rd. Warrandyte
 Bookings -Rita 98761206

Walks November/December

The Walking group meet on the first and third Thursday of each month

November 6th –Mullum Mullum Creek—Leaving from the car park at the rear of Sofia’s Croydon at 9.00am and walking to the Orchid Thai Café to enjoy morning tea before returning to Sofia’s

November 20th and December 18th –Self organized walks are suggested on these days for those not attending the lunches and wishing to walk

December 4th—Esther Crescent Mooroolbark .This is a new walk organized by Judith. Park and meet in Esther Cres. Opposite Barngcong Reserve at 9.00am
Melways Ref.37 E10

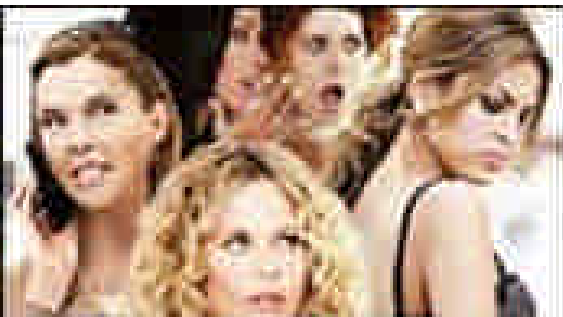


Lunch at the Movies - Hoyts Eastland

Wed 19th November

Wed 10th December

Cost:-\$11.50 including basket lunch. Meet in the foyer at 10.00am for 10.30am start



Wednesday 19th November

THE WOMEN

Director - Diane English

A comedy of style and substance, ‘The Women’ is a classic story about a New York circle of friends and the power of female relationships. When fashion designer Mary is suddenly confronted with a cheating husband, the ladies in her life quickly rally to her side. This smart and sparkling valentine to contemporary womanhood features one of the most brilliant all-female, all-star casts ever assembled including Meg Ryan, Annette Bening, Eva Mendes, Jada Pinkett Smith, Debra Messing, Candice Bergen and Bette Midler. A remake of George Cukor's 1939 film "The Women."



Wednesday 10th December 2008

AUSTRALIA

Director: Baz Luhrmann

Cast: Hugh Jackman, Nicole Kidman, Bryan Brown,

enjoy.

Luhrmann's film is set in northern Australia prior to World War II and centres on an English aristocrat (Nicole Kidman) who inherits a ranch the size of Maryland. When English cattle barons plot to take her land, she reluctantly joins forces with a rough-hewn cattle driver (Hugh Jackman) to drive 2,000 head of cattle across hundreds of miles of the country's most unforgiving land, only to still face the bombing of Darwin, Australia, by the Japanese forces that had attacked Pearl Harbour only months earlier.

**MAROONDAH-RINGWOOD
BRANCH**

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Newsletter

We are always on the lookout for contributions. You can send articles, jokes, news, and especially pictures. Just e-mail them to Tricia at nsamaroondah @g mail.com or hand them in at the next meeting.

Coffee club—Thursday 27th November

The coffee club will meet at 2.00pm at the coffee shop inside Myers .No booking necessary. Just drop in for a cuppa and chat.

Mooroolbark Theatre Night

Location; Senior Citizens Centre Brice Ave Mooroolbark .Doors open at 7.30pm Table seating
Sherry and soft drink on arrival. Cake and coffee in the interval
. BYO nibbles and other beverages

Puffing Billy Sunday November 9th

One couple are already booked for this outing for a gourmet Lunch on the Puffing Billy. Price of \$54 per person

Includes train trip departing 11.30am from Belgrave station, bus back from Gembrook and lunch .Arriving back at Belgrave at 2.30pm

Normal price \$95 per head so a great saving

To book please contact Ray Little on 97026735

Payments Due - Nov Meeting

- Victoria Police Show Band Concert \$20
- Our Christmas Lunch \$35

De Old English Christmas cake

INGREDIENTS:

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| 1 cup sugar | 1 cup butter |
| 4 eggs | 1 cup dried fruit |
| 1 tspn baking powder | Brown sugar |
| 1 cup flour | 1 or 2 bottles of whisky |

Method

*Before starting sample the whisky to check for quality - good eh?
Gather bowl, utensils etc. then recheck the whisky. To ensure quality
Pour one large glass and drink with all speed. Savour.
Then bear one cup of sugar in a large fluffy bowl Add one teashpoon
of
Baking powder. Meanwhile recheck the whisky quality by trying an-
other class
Opening second bottle if nashessary. Add 2 large legs, 2cups of fried
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And beat until high. Shample the whishky again to check
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check the whischky. Grind one lemon, fold in chopped butter and bum
sugar. Add 1 babspoon of any old thing you can find . Mix
mell. Grease oven turn cake to 180 deg.
Pour all into empty bisky wottle. Place in cupboard Frisky and sleep
until New Year*