



Meridian



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Overheard in the Bridge Room:

"Children? Alas, no. My late husband was notable more for facundity than fecundity"

(Who said that the art of the bon mot was dead? - Ed.)

THE PRESIDENT REPORTS - - - -

We can all have a little break from fundraising for a while - well almost. To mark the end of Wool 2001 there is a dinner at the Cafe Cosmo on Monday, 28th. May, at 6.30 pm. The Cafe Cosmo is at the Southern Cross Club, and the cost is \$15 per head. We have engaged a very interesting speaker, Helen Cassells, who will speak about developments in the wool industry from her perspective. The Club will benefit to the extent of 10% of the takings, and to ensure a good profit we need about 40 more names on the list! **THE LIST IS ON THE NOTICE BOARD.**

My thanks to everyone who worked so hard and enthusiastically for Woden Wool 2001. The Office of the Centenary of Federation was represented at the Club on May 5th. and expressed pleasure at our work. You will remember that last year we had a two day event and raised \$13,000 net. This year we had only one day and should clear over \$6,500 after all expenses are met.

The wool based raffle was once again our success story. So many people were wonderful and two in particular made a

massive contribution to that success story - Peter Witting who worked tirelessly with me managing the raffle programme; and Ray Murray who, with various partners sold over 1700 tickets in one week at the Curtin shops (four sessions), Coleman Court and the Woden Plaza.

I am hoping to meet with the Minister for Education in the very near future to discuss the apparent failure of the Department of Education to assist us in a schools wool competition for Woden Wool 2001 as had been agreed.

The next meeting of the Committee is planned for the second Thursday in June.

Anne Murray
(President)

A REMINDER FROM THE RECORDS CLERK

Regrettable though it is to have to sound a sordid note, it is almost **THAT TIME OF THE YEAR** again. By the time you read this, the final date for renewal of membership will be less than six weeks away - June 30th. is the deadline. Renewals can be effected at the Office from May 15th. and a reminder notice will be going up shortly.

In accordance with the resolution passed at the last AGM, new members who have joined the Club for the first time since January need not renew their membership, but they will be required

to renew their parking permit like the rest of us.

All green parking permits will become invalid on 1st. July. Parking permits for 2001/2002 are purple in colour. My apologies if you find them rather flimsy - it proved impossible to obtain coloured card at the desired thickness of 250 gsm. However, It is possible that later in the year the Club will have a small laminating machine and you will be able to bring in your permits for laminating.

I reported recently that plans were afoot to completely reorganise the membership data, and transfer it from dBase 3+ to Microsoft Access. An experienced user of Access has agreed to help with the redesigning, and in the meantime yours truly is busy wading through a couple of text books on Access.

Records Clerk

YOUR ADVERTISEMENT OR
LETTER TO THE EDITOR COULD
BE HERE!

ON THE BOARDS

Among the new notices which have appeared recently on the main notice board is one concerning an evening dance (New Vogue and Old Time) to be organised by Allison Bridges. Many of our members who enjoy the Tuesday afternoon dancing will remember Allison under her former name Allison White. We welcome her back as a member and hope that the dance, on May 19th. is a great success.

Articles, letters to the Editor, etc. for inclusion in the Meridian should be addressed to the Editor and left in the Committee's IN tray. Items may be submitted at any time, but to make the next edition should reach the Editor before the 7th. of the month.

INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCING

Lorna Pinson, who has run the group so efficiently (and so patiently!) for so long, is taking a well-earned break for a few months and in the meantime George and Joan Harris will step into the breach, with occasional back-up from Jean Glanville.



THANKS FOR THE RECOGNITION,
FOLKS!

COMPUTER GROUP

The "Introduction to the Computer" course is now well under way. As on previous courses, the assistance of two former "graduates", Sheila Shakespeare and Bill Gynn, as tutors, is proving invaluable and is greatly appreciated. Also, turning our usual Monday afternoon meetings into one-on-one help sessions for those who are finding it a bit of a battle, is also proving to be a good idea.

Since the last Meridian, the Club's home page has been updated to reflect the latest fee structure and current Activities List. This is one of those chores that tend to get overlooked..

Dennis Glanville

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:

*A clear conscience is
usually a sign of a bad
memory.*