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YOUR A.B.C. NEWS

On our recent RACV presentation to our club at the RACV Country Club many of our members attended with a beautiful array of English cars. Also attending was RACV Vice President, David Bullard & wife Pat seen here having a chat with Tom & Heather Cannon.. Great Day.



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1 April. RACV GREAT WINGS & WHEELS DAY.. Lilydale Airport.

WE need marshalls to help, Ring Frank on 8704 2533. This will be a great day & could make lots of money for charity.. Care to help, we need you.

April 8 AOMC British & European Day. Meet opposite the entrance to the Flemington Racecourse Members Car park in Epsom Rd. Melways 28 G 12. 9.30.pm so that we may enter and park as a club. BE EARLY, not late please.

EASTER.. Our interstate rally with the Queensland ABC Club.....

April 12 Easter rally at Tomingley NSW. Ring Frank on 8704 2533 or Tom on 9791 2949. See other pages for details.

We want members with a sense of adventure & who enjoy a good joke plus lots of fun time. If this is for you ring Frank on 87042533 as we need to confirm accommodation at Tomingley.

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May 6. Visit to Geelong Epicenter. See May Magazine for details

May 19 Our Annual Dinner. \$30 per head. At RACV Club City. Please ring Tom Cannon to confirm you attendance 9791 2949

Join in & ENJOY life

You only have ONE LIFE.. This is it, use it, or lose it

Club News

Well the big day at the RACV Country Club on 11 March was an outstanding success. Some 45 members attended & the RACV did us proud. Silver service at a BBQ? Yes we had that and more. Excellent food, wine & drinks in an outstanding setting, top array of English cars & lots of sunshine. Vice President of the RACV David Bullard presented to Frank Douglas on behalf of our club an engraved plaque in recognition of our support to RACV charities.

Incidentally, in the Feb magazine it was reported that we had achieved \$38,500 from the Great Australian Rally. This has been amended to **\$45,000.** Truly a wonderful result.



RACV Country Club Healesville

Welcome to new members.

Tony & Beverley Wither

Owen Rebecca

Trevor & Sue Tucker

We look forward to enjoying your company.

EASTER

During Easter whilst based at Tomingley we will be sightseeing both by bus & our cars. We will be visiting the Peak Hill Gold Mine then the Peak Hill Services Club prior to arriving at the rather large Parkes Telescope. Then on to an interesting hobby farm. We will also visit Narromine [see other pages] as well as Dubbo where the Dubbo Open Range Zoo awaits. The nearby Military Museum is also of great interest.

In addition there will also be fun & frivolity, friendship & fine foods..

SO why aren't you joining us?

Ring Frank Douglas on 8704 2533 & have a real great Easter.



Gateway to the Stars

**The
World
Famous**

Tomingley

YABBIE



On our Bus Tour day out over Easter we will travel from

Tomingley To Peak Hill



The Town with a Heart of Gold

Peak Hill, enjoying a proud history indelibly linked with the discovery of gold in 1889, is situated 48km north of Parkes. Providing centrality and accessibility, Peak Hill lies 442km from Sydney, 947km from Brisbane, 744km from Melbourne, 364km from Canberra and 1143km from Adelaide.

The ideal location for a holiday, overnight stop or day visit, Peak Hill is a superb touring base and the second largest centre in the progressive Parkes Shire. Tourism facilities include three licensed clubs, three motels, one hotel and two caravan parks – all providing modern, well presented amenities. Town population is 1500. Peak Hill is rich in arts and crafts resources.

Located on the Newell Highway in the main street of Peak Hill, the Open Cut Gallery has been a "must" stopover for many interstate travellers. Inside the store is a treasure trove of hand-made crafts and gift ideas made by hundreds of different craftspeople and artists, each with their own individuality. Also included here is a model of the original open cut mine and many historical photographs. Peak Hill Country Crafts at 105 Caswell Street

opens daily for handcrafted goods – pottery, china, art, painting, decorated eggs, folk art, biscuits, cakes and jams. This is a community-based craft shop which also operates as the town's visitor information centre, containing an array of brochures and maps of the town's heritage and tourist drive. Visitors are provided with a stark reminder of the gold rush by Peak Hill's redeveloped gold mine, 500m east of the

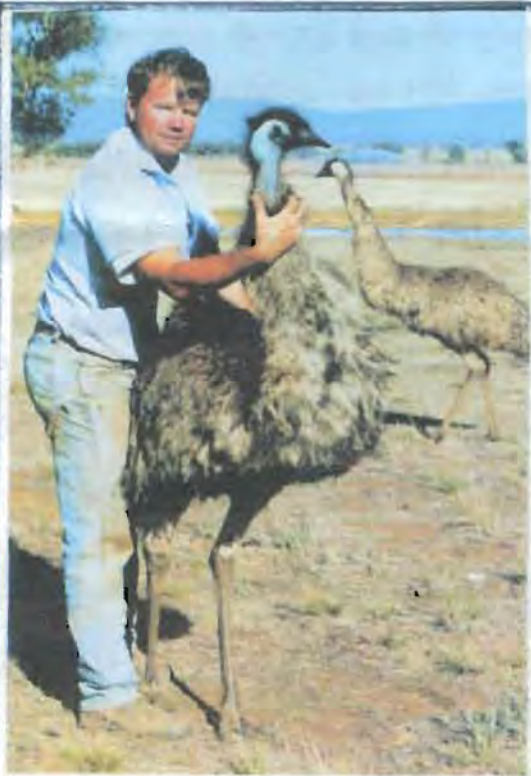
of Peak Hill were also commissioned. On the road to the Golf Club is the Fauna and Flora Park, originally one of the many old alluvial workings, a leisurely stroll from the centre of town, provides opportunity to enjoy a variety of birdlife. Rainbow Bee-eaters, Red-rumped Parrots and Zebra Finches are included among the species as are colourful orchids in the cooler months. Like many western

Right; Peak Hill open cut Gold mine. Below; an emu farm we will visit.



Highway turning at the Ex-Services Club. The mine is now the subject of extensive activity more than a century after the initial gold discoveries. The mining company, Alkane Exploration NL, has made a commitment to the preservation of the unique mining and cultural heritage of Peak Hill with the construction of a museum, mine model, viewing platform over the new pit and a heritage walking trail. An archaeological study and documentation of an Aboriginal Social History

centres. Peak Hill has endeavoured to preserve a proud and colourful history. On the southern town approach, the older section of the Peak Hill Hospital dates back to the early 1900s. Typifying the building style of that era, the building has strong architectural appeal and has gained National Trust recognition. Planning is well underway for the new mining and heritage museum to be built on the site of the former Carrington Hotel which was destroyed by fire.



Westray's popular emu farm.

Narromine

Being visited by our Easter group

Just north of Tomingley is the township of Narromine situated on the Macquarie River.

This quaint township has a renowned Rotary Park as well as Swaine's nursery displaying thousands of roses. Also recommended is the Geranium farm some 3 km south of the town.

This area specializes in citrus fruit & has the largest lime orchard in Australia as well as many groves of oranges.

There are also vast fields of Cotton & other imitated crops.

Gliding is a speciality at the town aerodrome & an Aviation museum is under construction.

All in all, an interesting town to visit.

Signs to watch out for in becoming "Aged"

Statistics show that at the age of seventy there are 4 women to every man. What a heck of a time to get those odds!

You are getting old when you wake up with that morning after felling & you didn't do anything the night before.

At my age, "Getting a little action" means I don't have to take a laxative.

Its hard to be nostalgic when you can't remember anything.

You are getting old when "Getting lucky" means you find your car in the parking lot.

Cricketing language guide for foreign visitors to our fair land

This is quite easy to follow, you have two sides, one out on the field & one in. But the one that's out is in & each man that's in the side goes out & when he is out he comes in & the next man goes in till he is out.

When they are all out, the side that's out goes in & the side that was in, now out ,tries to get the mob that's in, out.

Sometimes you get men still in & not out,

When both sides have been in & out, including the 'not outs' that is the end.

I think some of the players came straight from the Sydney Mardi-gras As I believe the bowler had three of his 'men' in 'Slips' whilst he tried to bowl a 'maiden over'. Most un-gentle-many conduct. What more the bowler had a square leg, a short leg, & believe it or not, a leg off . Last seen, the captain could not make up his mind whether he wanted to be in the gully or some place called, silly mid-off.

I understand that the bowler wants to give the batsman a 'Flipper'. The batsmen wife won't be happy about that.

Not all is well with the batsmen though, I am told that one of them has the 'Runs', must be very uncomfortable for him.

I hope I have explained this wonderful game of cricket to you and you understand now the finer points.

Photo-shoot at Lilydale Airport so the RACV could distribute photos to magazines, newspapers etc for the Wings & Wheels

