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WEDNESDAY 29th APRIL 2009

TIME: 7.45pm for 8.00pm
VENUE: BELGRAVE LIBRARY
Reynolds Lane, Belgrave.
Melway Ref 75 E10

There has been a special change of
programme for Anzac Day.



WW I Memorial Index Shelter, Ferny Creek.

The Shelter contains an Index of 103 names for the 104 trees in the Avenue of Honour. Today only a few trees remain.

‘Avenues of Honour’ by Michael Taffe.

Michael, who has done extensive research on the history of Avenues of Honour, will give a presentation, which will include some of our local Avenues.

Supper included.

Cost \$3.00

Don't forget our visit to the Australian Garden - Royal
Botanic Gardens Cranbourne on April 18th

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See over for details.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS 2009

- **SATURDAY 18th APRIL** – **Royal Botanic Gardens Cranbourne - The Australian Garden. 1000 Bullarto Road, Cranbourne. Melway Ref 133 K10**
10.45am for 11.00am tour of the Australian Garden with a garden guide. Then have lunch at the Café or BYO picnic. Booking is essential as a minimum of 10 people is required for the tour. Booking also required for the Café.
Cost \$12.00 for entry and tour.
- **WEDNESDAY 27th MAY** – **‘Antique Clocks’**. Mr Vivian Kenney, President of the Australian Antiquarian Horological Society, will be the Speaker. He will bring a selection of clocks to display and clocks can be brought for identification, **not** public valuation. At Belgrave Library 7.45 for 8.00pm.
Cost: \$3.00.
- **SUN 14th JUNE** – **The Victorian Jazz Archive, ‘Koomba Park’, Wantirna.**
2.00pm. Under 20 people a pianist will be provided, over 20 a small band, so **BOOK NOW**. Includes Refreshments.
Cost \$11.00 per person.
- **WEDNESDAY 24th JUNE** – **‘A Pioneer Building’** by Dianne Kueffer. A presentation on a local pioneer building, with a display of the history, types of tools used and examples of building parts. Belgrave Library 7.45 for 8.00pm.
Cost \$3.00.

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The eyes and ears of the National Trust...

- **Burnham Beeches** – The proposal for a 60 unit development and subdivision for a Tourist facility is still ongoing. Nothing yet heard about a response from the National Trust. The Shire Planner has been contacted but no decision has been made about public advertising. We will continue to follow up with Trust and Shire.
- **Rainbow Gully, Olinda** – Nothing further on this issue but we are still hoping to organize a visit.
- **Sydney Myer house, Ferny Creek** – following an enquiry by Anthony McAleer from Museum Victoria we have been provided with the address and will do follow up research.
- **Ferntree Gully Primary School** – Concern was expressed about an article in a local paper about vandalism of the historic buildings. No decision on a use for the buildings has been made. This will continue to be monitored.
- **Rathgar Road, Lysterfield** – This proposed subdivision was followed up with Knox Council with referral to the Planning Officer. No response yet received but the status will continue to be checked.
- **Hazelvale Dairy, Tecoma** – The proposal for demolition to build a supermarket is being taken to VCAT on the Shire’s failure to decide within 60 days.
- **Fox’s Point Scenic Railway, Kalorama** – We had an enquiry regarding the location and history of this interesting 1950s feature. Having previously been researched, we provided information and received some information, photos in return.

If you have information on any of the places being researched please contact Dianne.

The Committee