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1. COMMUNITY CENTRE HAPPENINGS.

• Annual General Meeting

The 2003 Annual General Meeting of the Steels Creek Community Centre Inc. will be held on **Wednesday**, **August 27 at 8 pm** at the Community Centre.

The AGM of any organization is an important occasion when the President presents the Annual Report; the Treasurer presents the budget and annual accounts; new office bearers and committee are elected; and all members have the opportunity to speak their minds on any subject relating to management or activities. It is important to have a good attendance of members, so please make every effort to be present on the night.

Nominations for office bearers and committee have been called and it would be a great sign of organisational strength if we could get some new faces on the committee. So if you would like to have a part in helping the Community Centre over the next year please get in touch with Margaret Houston (Secretary) or Eric Tetlow (Treasurer) as soon as possible at P.O.Box 213, Yarra Glen. I can assure you it is not a big job, but it is an important one.

• Grounds Maintenance.

Since the last *Jolly Thing* the grass areas have been mown and several garden areas have had their biennial clean-up. Most of this work was done following one of the Saturday Markets, while grass cutting is a more frequent activity. As a community we are very lucky to have a group of members who do these jobs around the place giving both their time and machinery.

• Saturday Markets.

Recent Saturday Markets have been really well attended and even in mid-winter, there is produce, home cooking, cards and chat. Superb Devonshire teas and coffee are provided by the Steels Creek Tennis Club and always, around 10.30am, there are announcements of more general interest. **The Markets are held on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month** and **start at 10am**. You need to be there on time if you want to have a full choice of things to buy or exchange. Of course mid-winter is not always the best time for produce.

2DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Movie Club.

There has been a spectacular growth in attendance at the Movie Club this year and we are welcoming new people all the time. The Club has opened a new window for the Steels Creek Community and we owe special thanks to Chris and Christine & John and Jean for providing the inspiration. Christine and the contributors to the wonderful soup suppers before the film also deserve special thanks. If you haven't been to a film yet, consider one from this list and come along. You may come for the meal only, @\$5.00 a head, or just for the film, but best to do both.

Over the next few shows there will be a ballot circulated to determine the programme for the next series of screenings. So get in early with your choices and votes.

The following films will be shown in August and September:

August 9. "She Wore A Yellow Ribbon" (1949). 103 min. Director John Ford, with John Wayne, Joanne Dru, Ben Johnson. "Very enjoyable Western with all Ford ingredients served piping hot" **Flash Gordon: Battling the Sea Beast**.

August 22. "Shanghai Express" (1932). 84 min. Director Josef von Sternberg, with Marelene Dietrich, Warner Oland and Anna May Wong. "It took more than one man to change my name to Shanghai Lily" **Flash Gordon: The Destroying Ray.**

September 12. "The Big Sleep" (1946) 114 min. Director Howard Hawks, with Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall.... "Harder, faster, tougher funnier and more laconic than any thriller since" NFT, 1974 **Flash Gordon: The Flaming Torture.**

September 26. "*Mata Hari*" (1931). 92 min. Director George Fitzmaurice, with Greta Garbo, Ramon Novarro and Lionel Barrymore. "Stunning visuals; shadows and lines which contrast her total strength with the pale imitations who surround her"

Flash Gordon: Shattering Doom.

• Walks

Sunday, August 3.: Kinglake National Park – Chalmers Track Walk. Meet 11.00am at Steels Creek Picnic Ground and arrange car shuttle. Drive to the start of the Chalmers Track on the Kinglake – Healesville Road. Under Jenny B's guidance, we will then walk south through the park, returning to The Picnic Ground. BYO lunch.

Sunday, September 7.: Maroondah Reservoir Park to Donnelly's Weir and return. Meet 11.00am at the Maroondah Reservoir Main Car Park. The walk takes us across the dam wall, up to the Lookout and, via the Aqueduct Track, into Donelly's Weir Picnic Ground. BYO lunch at Donnelly's, or earlier if necessary! It will be interesting to see the water levels after the recent good rain. Further details available at the Saturday Markets or phone 9730 1957.

Talks

The next talk at the Community Centre is on **Wed.**, **August 20 at 8pm.** The owner of the Yarra Glen business T LEAVES will talk on the "History of Tea" and on how tea is prepared from picking the leaf to sale. There will be tastings of different teas. Sounds like a fascinating evening, please tell your friends and come along to enjoy a wonderful talk and supper.

3. OUT AND ABOUT

Remember the Steels Creek Tennis Club's AGM and some social tennis, on Sunday, August 10. 1.00pm at the Clubrooms. The BBQ will be available.

We gratefully acknowledge Frank Hoogenraad (**Hoogies of Yarra Glen**), for his support for the Steels Creek Community. This help allows us to keep "*The Jolly Thing*" going.

Copy for the next "Jolly Thing" by Friday.Sept.. 26. Malcolm Calder, Ed. Ph 5965 2372.