

# FOOTNOTES

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## President's Report

Greetings to all Footmen members and friends, easing into the year, hopefully with more amenable economic outcomes for us personally and, our communities.

### MARCH LUNCHEON – "A DON'T MISS!"

As we have advertised broadly over the past eight months, we were looking forward to meeting the Assistant Commissioner for Crime, Victoria – Mr. Danye Moloney, as our guest speaker for the upcoming luncheon, speaking about current policing and the future direction of policing in Victoria. Unfortunately, Mr. Moloney has VicPol business requiring his attendance on March 11, and, has organized a highly credentialed and accomplished investigator, as his replacement.

Our speaker will be Detective Senior Sergeant Stuart Bateson, of the Homicide Squad. Stuart is currently heading up the task force investigating a high profile murder case that has generated an immense amount of media interest.

Stuart has been a member of Victoria Police for more than 20 years. Nine of his 15 years within the specialist criminal investigation field have been spent at the Homicide Squad. Within that period, Stuart was a Detective Sergeant, team leader, at the highly respected Purana Task Force.

During his time at the Purana Task Force, his team was responsible for charging four individuals with twelve counts of murder as well as recruiting and managing three key figures who became integral witnesses – this has led to a further five murder charges being laid. The evidence from these witnesses will contribute significantly to the investigation of a further twelve murders, two other significant crimes of violence, wide spread serious drug trafficking and, will be responsible for the seizure of millions of dollars in assets.

Stuart's presentation will concentrate on a case study of how networks of organized criminals, controlled by "crime lords", resulted in a series of highly publicized murders now commonly referred to as the

"Gangland War". From this case study, we will see how under prepared Victoria Police was, to deal with the influence of major and organized crime operating across a range of sophisticated and fluid criminal enterprises. The case study will outline how Victoria Police, through the work of Purana Taskforce, responded. Through examination of the issues faced and actions taken, we will discover how the connections were made between the seemingly unrelated murders, how the murders were linked to the thriving and lucrative illicit amphetamine market and, how and why, Victoria Police missed the early warning flags which, in hindsight, provided clear notice of the violence that would ultimately follow. We will see how the experiences and learnings achieved through the success of the Purana Taskforce have been central to the structural, functional and cultural shift concerning Victoria Police's response to disrupting major and organized crime.

**Get a table of your friends and colleagues together for an enthralling presentation – contact Peter Whitworth, on 0407 504 499, for bookings.**

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*Footmen Club March Luncheon  
Thursday March 11, 2010*

**the DORSET GARDENS**

*12.30 for 1.00 pm*

*Our Guest Speaker will be  
Detective Senior Sergeant*

**Stuart Bateson**

*of the*

*Homicide Squad & Purana  
Taskforce, Victoria Police*

*Good food, excellent company  
an informative and entertaining  
speaker, for just \$35 - we are sure  
you'll enjoy!*

*Please diarise the date – get in  
early for this one, or you may  
miss out.*

*Phone Peter Whitworth, on  
0407 504 499 for bookings*

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YOU THERE**

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# President's Report Continued

## DEDUCTIBLE GIFT RECIPIENT status

We have a busy giving program for 2010, and, as a result of our golf day sponsors, players and supporters – a greater bank of funds for the Footmen Charity to disperse.

In pursuit of the Footmen gaining Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status, our Past President, Malcolm Thompson has been speaking and corresponding with the ATO, applying for approval with a new trust deed based on an established foundation deed, that paves the way for us to succeed where we have failed in previous applications. The ATO has now advised that we can apply to become a **Necessitous Circumstances Fund**, which meets the criteria under which we have previously operated in our community with support and donations for both individuals and support agencies with DGR.

The ATO direction for a **NCF** is as follows: A necessitous circumstances fund is a public fund that is maintained for the relief of persons in Australia who are in necessitous circumstances. The expression necessitous circumstances refers to financial necessity. A person will be in necessitous circumstances where their financial resources are insufficient to obtain all that is necessary not only for a bare existence, but for a modest standard of living in the Australian community. The most common method of relieving necessitous circumstances is by direct distributions of money or goods to a person. As well as distributing directly to persons in necessitous circumstances, a necessitous circumstances fund can also distribute to other organizations which themselves care for persons in necessitous circumstances.

In effect, the Footmen have to set up a public fund, under a Footmen Charitable Trust to administer the funds, establish a properly constituted board of directors and operate in accordance with ATO guidelines. Receipt of DGR status means that we would be able to invite public funding and apply for funding grants from local and state governments together with organizations such as the Lord Mayors Charitable Foundation. For our sponsors and benefactors, this means that they may claim a taxation deduction for their donations.

We look forward to receiving an answer from the ATO in early April re our application.

## CORPORATE PRE-PAYMENT OF FOOTMEN CLUB MEMBERSHIP

With your membership subscriptions, to be mailed out in May – will be the opportunity to support the Footmen Club through a corporate membership, comprising pre-payment for five luncheon attendances, your annual subscription, together with an advertisement in Footnotes – all for an inexpensive \$200. Our Treasurer, Peter Whitworth will have more information at the March luncheon, with the intention of introducing the Corporate Membership from July 1, 2010.

## BAREFOOT BOWLS FUNDRAISER

Refer separate details for our May 2 fun and fundraising day – Ashley Crow will have more details on March 11.

## FOOTMEN CLUB – AFL TIPPING COMPETITION

In this issue of Footnotes are the comprehensive details of the 2010 competition with easy to follow joining instructions. For all the football followers, please ask your friends, family members and work colleagues if they would join the comp. and support a worthy cause. Our members who participated last year, enjoyed the experience, even though a few of us have to work on our tipping skills, in order to rise to the top of the ladder!

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AFL TIPPING COMPETITION

Huge prize pool will be paid out as follows:  
Winner 30% Runner-up 20%  
Third 15% Fourth 10%  
Fifth 5% with the remaining 20% to be distributed to local charities by the Footmen club.

For the cost of \$25 it is simple for you to join, easy to submit your tips and has weekly updates and reminders.

TO JOIN, please go to the website: [www.afltips.com](http://www.afltips.com)

Click the "REGISTER" button on the homepage and set up a Login (if you don't already have one with AFLtips).

Once the host nationally registered a Username and Password, click the "JOIN A COMP" button.

Enter the following Comp Details:  
Comp Name: Footmen AFL  
Comp #: 2010  
Comp Password: See instructions on the "Help" page.

Full instructions on the "Help" page.

Forward your tips to: [www.afltips.com](http://www.afltips.com)

By direct bank transfer: [www.afltips.com](http://www.afltips.com)

If you have any questions: [www.afltips.com](http://www.afltips.com)

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## MAROONDAH CITY COUNCIL "WISER DRIVER COURSE" FOR OLDER DRIVERS

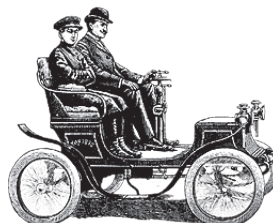
Kate Gibson, the MCC Community Safety Officer has requested promotion of a "Wiser Driver Course", put together by MCC and Roadsafe Eastern Ranges Inc., in conjunction with the Hawthorn Community Education Centre.

The course provides the opportunity for older drivers to upgrade their skills and build upon their experience in the company of their peers in a friendly and relaxed environment. Consisting of four x 2 hour sessions per week, running in April, on Tuesdays, 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th, 10.30 am – 12.30 pm, the course is free and, includes morning tea.

The workshops will cover such issues as:

Driving confidence and awareness; Outlining changes in road rules; Upgrading skills and experience; Outlining vehicle and driver roadworthiness; Handling difficult driving conditions; The benefits of trip planning to avoid potential dangers and, coping with giving up the drivers licence.

Bookings are essential – Please contact Bishop Laryea, at Maroondah City Council, on 9294 5747 or, [bishop.laryea@vic.gov.au](mailto:bishop.laryea@vic.gov.au)



Regards,  
Paul McPherson - President

## The Footmen Club Contact Form

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- Please update my address in the mailing list.
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This form has been included to help correct any errors that we have in our mailing list. The Footmen Club is always interested in encouraging new members and keeping local community groups and services up to date with our activities. If you know someone that may be interested in receiving our newsletter then forward their name and address. Of course, if for some reason you no longer want to receive a copy of the newsletter, please let us know.

# Barefoot Bowls

a Footmen Club fundraiser

Sunday, May 2, 10.30 am – 4.30 pm  
MOOROOLBARK BOWLS CLUB  
Hull Road, Mooroolbark

Bring your wives, husbands, partners, mates etc. We shall have a teams based round robin tournament (following a little tuition)

Cost per head will be approx. \$25  
including lunch and social presentation  
Footmen contact details at March 11 luncheon



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Would all members please diarise the following meeting dates for 2010

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|--------------------------|---|
| <b>March 11, 2010</b>    | <b><i>Luncheon, with guest speaker Homicide Squad and Purana Taskforce, Victoria Police, Stuart Bateson</i></b> |
| <b>May 13, 2010</b>      | <b><i>Luncheon, guest speaker tba</i></b>   |
| <b>July 8, 2010</b>      | <b><i>Luncheon, guest speaker tba</i></b>   |
| <b>September 9, 2010</b> | <b><i>Luncheon and AGM, with guest speaker, CEO of AFL Victoria, Peter Schwab</i></b>                           |

Much effort is being made by your committee to provide guest speakers and entertainment – please make the effort to support your club!

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-  Once you have successfully registered a Username and Password, click the "JOIN A COMP" button.
-  Enter the following Comp Details:  
Comp Name: **Footmen AFL Tipping Competition**  
Comp #: **205617**  
Comp Password: **Supporting those in need**
-  Full instructions on how to Tip can be found on the website by clicking on the "Help" link in the top header.
-  Forward your payment by Friday 26th March, 2010 before 5pm  
By cheque: The Footmen Club Inc. PO Box 384, Croydon 3136  
By direct transfer: To NAB BSB 083 343 A/C No. 282224108  
(To identify your payment please quote your tipping name).

If you have any questions, or trouble with the registration please call Ashley Crow on 0419 359 686