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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Introducing...

THE GOLDEN DAYS RADIO TRAVEL CLUB

We've established the *Golden Days Travel Club* in a move to provide a new benefit to Members of Golden Days Radio.

All Full and Associate Members of Golden Days Radio will automatically be a Member of the Golden Days Radio Travel Club and be eligible for any travel discounts we are able to generate.

The first opportunity comes from our association with Collette, an international travel company established more than 100 years ago which now operates right around the world.

The offer is a 16 day trip to America's Canyon Country and Music Cities, departing on 19 April, 2018.

Full details are in the brochure from Collette enclosed with this special issue of the Golden Broadcaster.

The highlights will include The Grand Canyon, Las Vegas, New Orleans and its French Quarter at the time of the New Orleans Jazz festival, Memphis, Nashville and a visit to Graceland.

Based on twin share, the land content is \$8,779 per person **but there is a 10% discount on the land content for bookings made by Members of the Golden Days Radio Travel Club!** – which brings the cost down to under \$8,000 per person. The cost does not include the Melbourne to Scottsdale, Arizona International air fare (but Collette can help you with air fare arrangements).

All bookings will be made direct with Collette.

Depending on the number of bookings, there will be a designated GDR escort for the group, which will be part of a larger group – about 40 – doing the tour. *The tour will go ahead regardless on the number of Golden Days Radio Travel Club Members that book.*

We are holding a Special Golden Days Radio Travel Club Information Forum on the tour on Wednesday, 20 September, 2017, at 10am at the Bentleigh Uniting Church Hall, our usual meeting venue for GDR Listener Meetings when representatives of Collette will be in attendance to answer your questions and assist you in making a booking.

Meantime, you can make enquiries, even book, with Collette on their 1300 792 195 phone number.

Remember that to get the 10% Golden Days Radio Travel Club 10% discount, you must be a Member of GDR – either full member or associate member – if you are not currently a Member, then the \$40 Full Membership or \$25 Associate Membership fee is a small price to qualify for the \$800+ discount on the tour cost (for example, both husband and wife need to be Members/Associate Members to each get the discount).

Guaranteed places on this tour close on Thursday, 19 October, 2017.

Happy listening!

Larry James, President

PROGRAM UPDATES

BRUCE MCBRIEN OAM RETURNS

Many will remember the fascinating chats between Bruce McBrien OAM and Avril Smith at 2.30pm on Friday afternoons for more than 10 years before his sudden passing four years ago. With incredible detail, Bruce took Avril through every aspect of living in Melbourne in the 20th century, life in an environment which has now vastly changed and will not be experienced again. In the coming months we will be rebroadcasting many of those Friday afternoon chats in a program entitled Bruce McBrien's Melbourne.

Be sure and be listening at half past two Friday afternoons for these fascinating reminiscences.

MUSIC OF THE KNIGHTS

This 13-part series recognising artists honoured with a Knighthood continues over the next couple of months.

Hosted by Fay Thorne, and produced by Graham Cooke, the series features men recognised not just for their contribution of musical talent but also the performing arts and charity.

The series can be heard at 3pm on Sunday afternoons.

WORLD OF OPERETTA

This popular program will return in November, at the conclusion of the Music of the Knights series.

George Rolfe is presently recording an extended series of music provided by the Robert Stoltz Society which is sure to include the favourites of many listeners.

ADVENTURES ON THE GLEN HUNTLY TRAM

This 5-part radio play will go to air on during the week Monday 13th–Friday 17th November, 2017, at 8.30am and repeated at 8.30pm in the evening.

Set in the 1950's the cast is a combination of GDR personalities along with a number of amateur theatre players co-ordinated by our own Joan Krutli.

COMING EVENTS

Wednesday, 20 September, 2017 – 10am
Golden Days Travel Club Information Forum
Uniting Church Hall, 495 Centre Road, Bentleigh

Representatives of Collette will be in attendance to answer your questions about the proposed American Canyon Country and Music Cities Tour – see the brochure enclosed with this Newsletter.

Wednesday, 18 October, 2017
GDR Listener's Meeting
Uniting Church Hall, 495 Centre Road, Bentleigh

This is the day before bookings for the American Canyon Country and Music Cities Tour close

Wednesday, 13 December, 2017 – 12 noon
CHRISTMAS LUNCH
Bentleigh Club, Bentleigh

Bookings will open in November. Keep listening for Bookings arrangements.

Put the date in your diary now.

SPONSORSHIP

One of our new sponsors is the South Oakleigh Club. It is working with Golden Days Radio to promote its special Wednesday entertainment-lunch package — Finnegan's Fiddle.

Several Golden Days radio personalities attended the launch in the past fortnight or so. Several Golden Days Radio Members were the winners of free vouchers for lunch and entertainment and in turn, turned the whole event into a great occasion.

Congratulations to GDR Sponsorship Co-Ordinator Tony Bennett and the Manager of the South Oakleigh Club for making the event such a success.



Finnegan's Fiddles with Annabel Brown and Sylvester Kroyherr.

Sponsorship is the life-blood of financing Golden Days Radio; it represents about 75% of our income stream.

There are a multitude of sponsorship opportunities for business connected to the senior sector of our population.

If you have any potential sponsorship contacts that we could follow up, or are even involved in a business that could be a GDR sponsor, speak up. Contact Tony Bennett and his team through the GDR switchboard 03 9572 1466.

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