



**Firstly, news about our annual major fundraiser!**



We desperately need funds to finance our two basic areas of HFC assistance on your behalf, namely, the **Player sponsorship**, (we should like to sponsor Robbie Campbell again, next year.) and the **membership for disadvantaged families**.

These two items alone cost us approximately \$2000 annually; a difficult sum to raise with the sort of social functions that we run, trying to keep costs to a minimum for our members.

**Melbourne Shopping Tours** offers generous discounts on group purchases, to boost our funds, as well as a free raffle of donated odds and ends from wholesalers, for shoppers, which adds fun to the social aspect of the trip.

We have booked for 36 people. Any less than this and we have to pay another \$5 per person. We need a good turn up!

It doesn't take much to work out that the difference between having 35 or 36 passengers is \$175. Better in our coffers than theirs!

We have to base our charge on the higher figure of \$45pp for members and \$49pp for non-members, to avoid a deficit.

**This will include a two course restaurant lunch, with a choice of 3 mains & 2 desserts, tea or coffee and limitless champagne,**

**NOT** the pasta pub meal that we have chosen in previous years.

Committee provides other refreshments.

We have a different selection of shops this year, including My Size, for larger ladies, Natio and some for label lovers. A list of outlets is attached.

If we reach the optimum number of 36 trippers, we shall have our own incentive lucky dip, where the name pulled will have her payment refunded.

Please come along and bring some friends. We have paid a large deposit in anticipation of your support!



**Shopping Trip 2009  
Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Old Social Club Car Park  
37 Linda Crescent Hawthorn  
7.30 for 8.00am sharp departure!**

**Members \$45 \* Non-members \$49**

**Includes 2 course restaurant meal  
With complimentary champagne  
And tea or coffee  
And mid morning snack**

Please fill in this coupon and return with your payment, cheque or money order, ASAP to the address below, at the latest by October 10<sup>th</sup>.

**We need to know numbers urgently!**  
We should like an email/call 9813 3358  
To let us know your intentions please.

**Thornbirds Committee,  
402 Barkers Road HAWTHORN VIC 3122**  
Or give cash to a committee member,  
by that date.  
(Sorry, no Credit cards)

Name.....

Address.....

Phone/Mobile.....

Email.....

No. of Members @\$45.....

No. of Guests @\$49.....

Total amount.....

**August News**

*Two new baby boys, both named Ben, have made an appearance!*

*The grandsons of*

**Lorraine Rodgers & Marilyn Bartlett**

*Also*

**Happy 80<sup>th</sup> birthday to Win Wood**



Sept 2009

## August 25th 2009 Quiz Night

The Tower Hotel  
With Robbie Campbell

All who attended appreciated the recent Trivia night; especially **Robbie Campbell**, Trivia aficionado, our sponsored player and popular guest. Although having had operations on both a thumb and a knee on the previous weekend, he unexpectedly spent the entire evening with us, visiting each table for a round of questions. He also drew the long term, Special Raffle for the large framed print, won by Thornbird **Monika Critchley** and the Robbie Campbell signed jumper, won by Thornbird **Elaine Hutchinson**, who attended the evening. Always nice when the raffle winner is present to collect the prize!

### A delighted Elaine with her prize



Thanks to **Natalie Perrin** for providing the winners' bottles of wine and show bags for the men present, and to **Lyn Sutton** for donating the ladies' gifts.

The winners on the night were the **Win Wood & Pauline Williams** table, greatly assisted in the last couple of rounds, by Robbie.



The  
Winning  
Table!



**James Couzin-Wood**, husband of Thornbird, **Judy**, has made a sturdy raffle barrel, to replace the usual champagne bucket, which was felt not to have sufficient shake up qualities. This was christened and put to good use on the night, remaining a permanent feature for future Hawthorn raffles. Here we see **Robyne** as barrel girl, with the new barrel.



A minor raffle, with the much wanted main prize of the new book, **One for All**, donated by **HFC**, courtesy of **Greg Cook**, was won by **John Vincent**, husband of Robyne, our vice chair. The Tower Hotel, with **Jas Paic**, catering organiser served plenty of finger food.

### One for All Book Launch

At the recent book launch, Committee members, Gaby, Robyne and Lara, met up with **June Nicholas**, the founder of the Thornbirds, over thirty years ago.



Gaby, Robyne Lara and June