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## Mornington Peninsula Newsletter

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### [How we choose our lecture wines](#)

The evening's ADFAS wines are the topic of conversation at each lecture - but the chosen style and vineyard takes much more time and effort.

ADFAS MP member, Ian Freer who is managing our wine selection in 2022, said he would have liked to serve local Peninsula wines but these proved too expensive for the tight lecture budget.

But with the help of Ritchies Mt Eliza (right), he was confident that we could enjoy vintages from around Victoria.

Ian said Ritchies allowed us to take advantage of their wine specials by buying in bulk when acceptable wines were on special. Ritchies also offered to store the bottles for free in their store rooms, to ensure that the wine remains in peak condition until it is needed.

For the next few months, members will enjoy a range of wines from the de Bortoli Windy Peak range.

Ian said he welcomed feedback from members about these wines - as well as suggestions of others that would



be affordable and appealing to a wide range of palettes. Contact Ian [HERE](#)

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## [March lecture to be held at Craigie Road venue](#)



Our lecture on 25 March with Kenneth Park will be held at the New Peninsula Community Centre, 370 Craigie Road, Mt Martha (near the corner of Moorooduc Freeway) while our regular venue remains unavailable for community bookings.

See map [HERE](#)

No lecture is scheduled for April and we will advise the venue for our May lecture closer to the date. We apologise to members for any inconvenience.

If you want a site map for accessing the venue and

parking of the Mt Martha site, contact Ann [HERE](#)

Check out our 2022 lecture program [HERE](#)

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## [Retail therapy sparkles at our March lecture](#)

Merchandise sold by Liberty London is noteworthy for its style, look and quality. It is famous for its bold and floral print fabrics, fashions, homewares, interior styling, objets d'art and much more.

Since opening in Regent Street in 1875, Liberty's has encouraged design and artistic innovation along with fine craftsmanship. It has championed creative talents such as William Morris, Archibald Knox and Christopher Dresser.



Its commitment to superior quality and design while seeking trend ideas for the future sits comfortably

within a mock Tudor store.

This lecture follows Liberty's through its almost 150 years of retail excellence.

Check out Liberty's website [HERE](#). The store delivers to Australia.



Lecturer Kenneth Park (left) has served as Curator of Collections at Melbourne's Wesley College, for more than 30 years where he is responsible for the school's extensive art and archival collections.

An avid traveller, tour leader and lecturer, Kenneth works with a range of tourism organisations and travel companies around the world. He lives by the motto: Life is a Grand Tour - so make the most of it.

His tertiary studies include political science, administration, museum studies, industrial relations, fine arts, history, and international relations.

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## Members comment on our past two lectures

### *Richard Vaudrey Lecture*



**Doug Johnson**

**Diana Johnson**

*Retired doctors*

*Returning members*

We thought Richard Vaudrey was a brilliant cellist and good speaker. He was very interesting - and we could easily see why children would find him a great teacher.

We particularly enjoyed the Bob Dylan piece and have decided we must rush out and download *Scheherazade* on Spotify!

### *Special Event at Beleura*

**Catherine Chalmers,**

Seen with her guest Penny Biggs (left)

*ADFAS MP member for three years*

Kevin Coxhead was far too modest. He said he couldn't sew and then spent the lecture showing how someone



with talent, passion, enthusiasm and imagination could completely restore costumes that had been almost ruined by usage and alterations.

I could have listened to him all day. He was absolutely amazing - a fantastic artist.

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## [Further reading from Dr Richard Vaudrey](#)



Members enjoyed the music performed by students from Flinders Christian College Tyabb Campus at our February lecture.

When they were at Rosebud Primary School, Caleb and Kiara Weber (left) attended a music camp, financially supported by ADFAS MP. They have been invited to attend the 2022 camp as junior tutors.

ADFAS Lecturer Dr Richard Vaudrey spent a little time with the students before his lecture. He congratulated them on their expertise.

Dr Vaudrey also provided the following links for members wanting further information on his lecture last Friday:

- Prokofiev's Peter and the Wolf with the great David Bowie narrating [HERE](#)
- Experience all of *Scherezade* played live by the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra in March 2020 [HERE](#)

- Read the full review of the Keith Jarrett Carnegie Hall concert, mentioned in the lecture [HERE](#)

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## [APROPOS . . . Chenshan Botanic Gardens, Shanghai](#)

Designed by award-winning German landscape architects, Chenshan Botanical Gardens was started in March 2007 and covers 200 hectares with more than 9,000 species of plants.

It offers a series of classical Chinese-style gardens and two lakes – with a 72m high waterfall - made from an abandoned quarry that was closed in the 1980s.

A quick tour of the garden, filmed in winter, is [HERE](#) (2019) 13.11 mins



Other features include:

- Rose garden with 500 sweet-smelling rose
  - Tropical Plants Conservatory with a Rare and desert plants areas
  - Ornamental Grass Garden
  - North American Plant Zone
  - Children's Garden
  - Blind Garden
  - Aquatic Garden
  - Climber Garden
- Spring Garden
  - Osmanthus Garden
  - Vegetable Garden
  - Fuel Plants Garden
  - Fibre Plants Garden
  - Dye Garden
  - Maple Tree Garden and
  - Iris Garden.

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## Hold these dates

### **Beleura House and Garden**

**11 March**

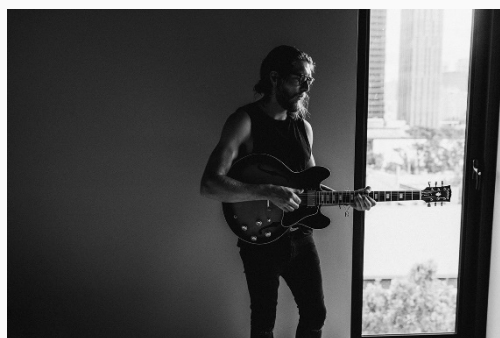
**5:30 - 8:30 pm**

### **Kyran Daniel In Concert**

Kyran Daniel toured America with the world's most celebrated acoustic guitarist Tommy Emmanuel when still very young. He now returns to the stage at Beleura to showcase his extraordinary guitar talents in a variety of playing styles including a neo-classical approach to acoustic guitar.

Concert includes champagne and canapes before the show.

More information [HERE](#)





## Melbourne Comedy Festival

### Sammy J and Richard Vaudrey

13, 14 and 16 April

6.00 pm

Want to check out Dr Richard Vaudrey's concert at the Melbourne Comedy Festival?



Sammy J, star of ABC TV and radio gets back to his musical comedy roots. He will perform songs from his ARIA-nominated album *Symphony in J Minor* and beyond. Mr J will sing, play, croon, belt, warble, purr and chirp until you kindly ask him to stop.

More information can be found [HERE](#)

## Art Movie

### The Duke

From 31 March

*The Duke*, starring Jim Broadbent and Helen Mirren, is the true story of Kempton Bunton, a 60-year old taxi driver, who stole Goya's portrait of the Duke of Wellington from the National Gallery in London. It was the first (and remains the only) theft in the Gallery's history.



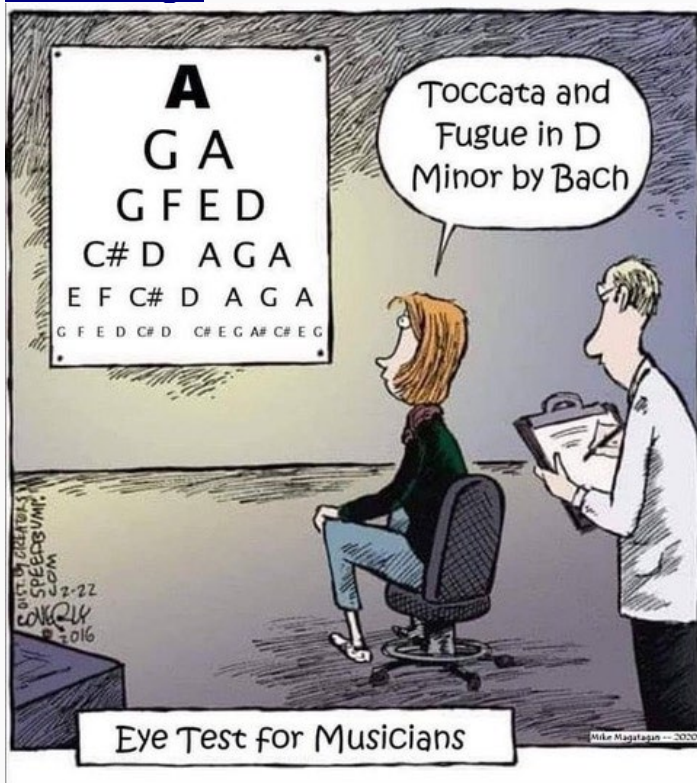
Kempton sent ransom notes saying that he would return the painting on condition that the government invested more in care for the elderly - he had long campaigned for pensioners to receive free television. What happened next became the stuff of legend.

Only 50 years later did the full story emerge - Kempton had spun a web of lies. The only truth was that he was a good man, determined to change the world and save his marriage - how and why he used the Duke to achieve that is a wonderfully uplifting tale.

See the trailer [HERE](#)

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