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Here are the highlight from this edition of the CCV newsletter:

# **CCV IS LOOKING FOR YOUR FEEDBACK**

With a new Executive, and some issues raised by recent events, club VP Stewart Marshall is looking for feedback from club members about club events. Stewart beginnings with reporting on the Canada Day event but then raises some issues (see pages 5 & 6).

# **CCV REACHES 500 MEMBER MILESTONE**

Prior to the rollover to the new membership year, the club surpassed the 500 member milestone for the first time in the club's 70+ year history. But just how high did we go? (See page 10 for more info).

# DONATION TO SLAVE LAKE FROM CLUB

Thanks to the generosity of the people who attended the Canada Day event at the Wharf on July  $1^{st}$ , the club was able to make an impressive donation to the Canadian community that was recently devastated by a wildfire that wiped out a large portion of the town (see page 10).

### CONSUL GENERAL RETURNS TO OTTAWA

Canadian Consul General to Australia Tom MacDonald's term here in Australia has been completed and both him and wife Susan will be returning back to Canada. More information about this and his last official visit to Melbourne (involving Canada and Black Saturday) are available on page 10).

#### CANADA IN MELBOURNE FOOD FESTIVAL

Looks like there will be a Canadian entry in the Melbourne Food & Wine Festival. Not only that, but we have been asked for your input to make it even better! Check out page 11 for more details.

#### MAJOR HASSLES ON CCV WEBSITE

Even thou you might not see a difference, the CCV website has gone through some extreme changes in the past few weeks. The whole point was for you not to notice. Want to know what has happened? Check out the <u>Web Knick Knacks on page 11</u> for more information.

# And the regular stuff you've come to expect...

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Important Dates 1-Aug Civic Day (some of Can) 3-Sep Aust. National Flag Day 5-Sep Father's Day (Aust) 6-Sep Labour Day (Can) 17-Sep Aust. Citizenship Day

Important Club Dates:	
14-Aug	Swans Special Function
24-Aug	Meet & Greet the Canadian
	AFL teams
9-0ct	CCV Thanksgiving Pot-Luck
See the <u>CCV Events Calendar &amp; Member</u>	
Events webpage for more event details.	

# President Report (cont. from page 2)

AFL teams that will be here later this month (see page 3 for the Meet & Greet and their games). We were able to raise \$286 for the 19 raffle prizes we had. Neil from Air Canada, David from one40below, Sarah from the Melbourne office of the Sydney Swans, Stephen from the Imperial Hotel, and Amada from the Wharf all contributed that Canada Day Raffle. So huge thanks goes out to each of them and their organizations!

In addition, thanks also goes out to Erin at O Canada (chips) and CCV Member (chocolates) for supplying Natash from Cadbury Canada Day aoodies. Unfortunately, I was so worried about possible peanut allergies that I forgot to hand out the chocolates at the Kids Canada Day party!



And finally, my closing remarks are about Jean Beliveau. The Canadian who literally has walked around the world is getting closer to home after 🜌 11 years. At last check, Jean is somewhere between Thunder Bay and Sudbury in Ontario. As it turns out, while we are on our honeymoon in Canada, Gayle and I will be able to meet up with Jean somewhere along

the 401. We look forward to it!

And, as always, I will remind you that no matter the stress or the size of the obstacles you face in your daily life, always keep your stick on the ice - cause you never know what good things can result from it!

Nick Michaels



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