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LOCAL IN INTERNATIONAL OVERSEAS KAYAK CHAMPIONSHIPS.



Above:- Jessica's Trophy. 1st in Victorian Titles.

Jessica Beck, daughter of Geoff Beck, Beaconsfield Auto Electrics, recently attended the Australian Marathon Championships held in Queensland. From her performance there she has been selected to paddle in South Africa at the World Marathon Championships in September.

After Queensland she went to Sydney to a Sprint Squad Camp at the NSW Institute of Sport for "try outs" for the Australian Sprint Team. To her surprise she was selected

and will be leaving on the 3rd June to travel to Germany to compete in three lead up races before the World Sprint Championships held in Poland.

Jessica is one of seven girls selected in U/18's to represent her country and she feels very honoured. Jessica would like to thank her sponsor "Hella Australia" because without their support she could be unable to attend these very important races overseas.

TOWN COMMITTEE

Town Committees are an idea of the Shire of Cardinia to encourage local participation of a community in planning, projects and works within a town. The committee will consist of delegates from all community groups, sporting clubs, churches, and businesses with one elected representative from each group. The delegates will then elect an Executive committee. An organised Town Committee is already functioning in Lang Lang and many other communities are in the process of organising. Essentially the aim is to have the Town Committee perform as advisors to Council on matters of planning, works, and project coordination. The Committee will receive funding both for administration and two for one funding for community projects by Council.

A Public Meeting to be held on June 24th will deal with both discussion on the Town Committee and presentation of the Strategy Plan for Beaconsfield. Allan Gurr from Cardinia Shire will present the information on the Town Committee. Allan is already known to the business people of Beaconsfield for his work with the StreetLIFE program. "Beaconsfield has the opportunity to take hold of its own destiny with the chance to face the world with a unified voice; to take responsibility for the environment in which we live. We live in a beautiful place with an exciting future. A Town Committee is being formed representing ALL community groups. Cardinia Shire Council is inviting everyone, young and old, to become involved."

TOWN COMMITTEE PUBLIC MEETING

24th. JUNE 1998

At Beaconsfield Primary School Hall

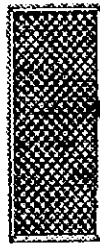
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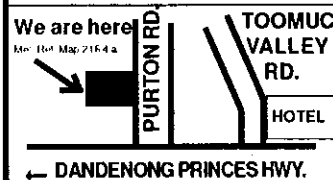
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It was cold, raining and windy on Anzac Day but there was a good attendance at the ceremony held at Upper Beaconsfield Cenataph.

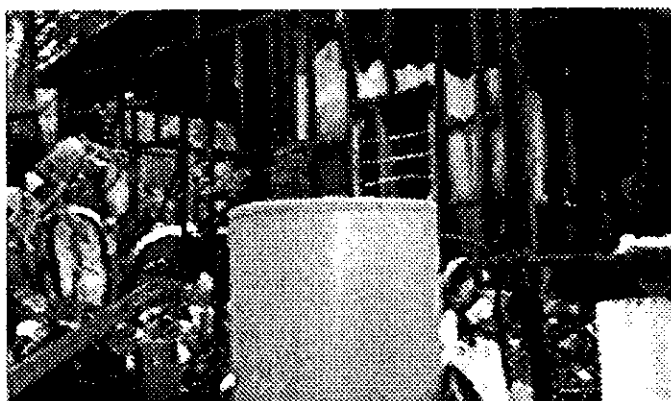
The Rushtons, the Cohens, Kathleen Clarke, Peg Dundas, Don Tye and Robert the baker were there. We were treated to a lovely morning tea after the ceremony.

Our thanks to Upper Beaconsfield R.S.L. for making us most welcome.



Above:- The Cenataph at Upper Beaconsfield where the Anzac day service was held.

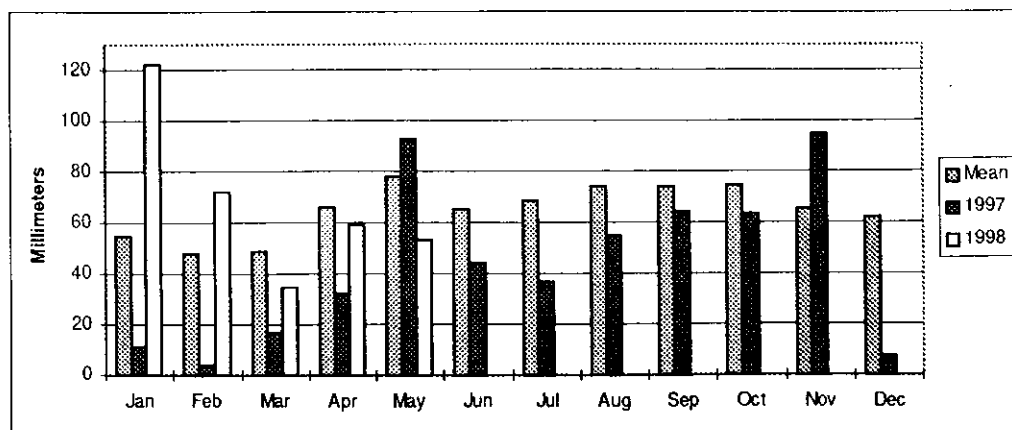
HOUSE FIRE AT BEAconsfield



Above:- Housefire in Adamson Rd., Beaconsfield. Attended by Beaconsfield Fire Brigade.

BEAconsFIELDS RAINFALL

By Robert Cooper



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APOLOGIES.

To Mr. Frank Conn, who was mistakenly addressed as "Secretary" in the article on R.S.L. in the last Banner issue.

Mr. Conn is the President of Upper Beaconsfield R.S.L.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

From the President of the Beaconsfield Progress Association Christina Cooper.



Chrisina Cooper

Hello again. The Progress Association has been very busy these last few months. The Strategic Plan for Beaconsfield has been completed thanks to the hard work of James Noy, John McCaffrey, and the committee. Thanks to Graeme Kidd, Mayor of Cardinia, who chaired the last meeting, and all who worked on it and gave us their excellent ideas. We invite you to inspect the document at the next Public Meeting on June 24. The Plan is scheduled to be adopted by Council after presentation to the public.

Another new idea being discussed is the Town Committee. Allan Gurr met with members of the Progress Association and

business people from the community to explain the function of the committee. Allan will present information on the Town Committee at the Public Meeting on June 24. Everyone is highly encouraged to attend as it will direct the future of our town. You will find additional information about the function of the Committee in the article on the front page.

Lastly, Beaconsfield will be on the map for the inaugural Bay to Brook Antique Car Rally the weekend of October 24th & 25th. This will be an exciting opportunity to show off Beaconsfield, as hundreds of antique cars make their way up to Gembrook from Port Melbourne. On Saturday October 24th there will be a race between the antique cars and Puffing Billy. It looks to be a great weekend and there will be opportunities for Beaconsfield. If you would like to get involved with any of these projects please come to the Public Meeting on June 24th and join the Progress Association.

BEAconsFIELD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

President Christina Cooper Ph. 9707 1005
Secretary Glorraine Hardy Ph. 9796 1361

RED SHIELD APPEAL 1998

A total of \$700 was raised this year in Beaconsfield on 23rd and 24th May for the Salvation Army. The weather for the 10 volunteers was not the best so it was a good effort by them.

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Our next activity was a district one up at Bell Park. It was the Group's third attendance and was an activity called

Stradbroke. It was full of fun things to do such as canoeing, abseiling, mudslide, rope course, archery and lots more. Our Group had so much fun and that is what scouting is all about.

If you would like to come and see what we do, call the hall on 97071871 any time.

Ashley Wilson, Eagle Patrol.

P.S. Have you seen the photographic display of Scouting activities at the Beacy Bakehouse?



Above:- Setting up the camp on the school oval. L to R - Darcy DeKort (Scout Leader) Mark Seath and Joshua Steele.

SERVICE AWARD FOR LOCAL SCOUT LEADER.

Scout leader Joan Horton was rewarded with the Gilwell Scarf and Wood Beads for reaching a standard of training to Scouters, on Monday 25th May.

Joan of Adamson Road Beaconsfield has served Scouting in the District for many years on Group Councils, as Group Leader, Pack and Troop Leader and qualified trainer.

Many people attended the

ceremony at the 1st Berwick Scout Hall including Scouts from the 1st Beaconsfield Troop and its leaders.

Supper was generously donated by youth members and by Robert, the Baker at Beaky Bakery, Beaconsfield. Robert has also taken on a leadership role at 1st Beaconsfield.

Congratulations Joan from family and friends in Scouting.



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Stressed? Then relax by walking. Our free walking groups on Friday mornings will calm you and improve your fitness at the same time. Short walks for those new to walking. Long walks and short walks groups both meet outside the Community Centre at 9.30 am Friday. Continue the fun and fitness theme—try our Line Dancing class on Thursday. Maybe relaxing hobbies interest you. Painting and embroidery are pleasurable pastimes on offer at our Community Centre. Set aside a regular time to work on your craft in our Craft Support Group on Monday

mornings. This is a self-help group. Bring your craft and enjoy others' company, share skills and ideas while you work. There is something for everyone at the Beaconsfield Community Centre—from Midway to Playgroup to New Mums

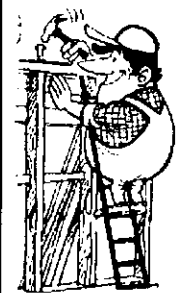
group. Term 3 programme will be distributed in the township of Beaconsfield by early July. A special interest event is planned for obtaining experience in Emergency Resuscitation.

Any enquiries phone 97073449.

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Tuesday	Pre-kinder	Creative Embroidery Occasional Care
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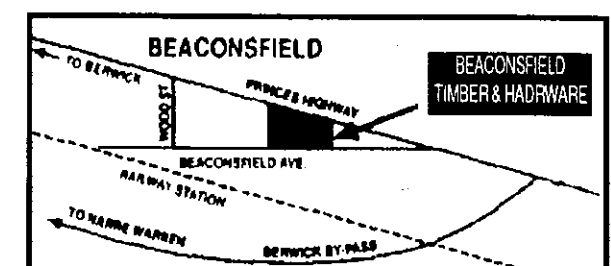


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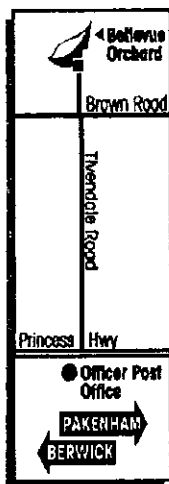
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By Ann Taylor



Above: Ann Taylor

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This term we have painting, Victorian Tassel ladies, Country dolls, glass art, greeting cards, one-step decoupage, quilling and Christmas crafts. We met every Wednesday morning 10am-12noon during school term at Beaconsfield Baptist Church Cnr Souter St & Old Princes Hwy Beaconsfield Enquires Ann 9707 1996

BEACONSFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS.

We were sad to learn that our retired Pastor Fred Rudd suffered a heart attack at Easter. There have been some encouraging indications of restoration recently. However, Joyce Rudd has requested that visits to Fred, be restricted to family members only at this stage, following

professional advice that progress is much more likely to continue, if contact is restricted. Fred is making a slow recovery and both he and Joyce would appreciate our prayers.

CHURCH TIMES Sunday services 10.30 am, 7pm
Sunday School 9.15am

BETTER HEARING AUSTRALIA

Cardinia Community Health Service, in conjunction with the Department of Human Services, has recently run two hearing information and screening days.

Hearing loss is very prevalent in society, in particular in rural industries such as farming, and these two special days were developed to provide people with an opportunity to have their hearing checked, learn about the loss of hearing and its implications and find out about the range of technology that is available to overcome everyday problems.

These days were run as a free community service by Better Hearing Australia, the non-profit organisation which aims to inform and advise people with impaired hearing. Note that Better Hearing Australia does not sell hearing aids or hearing equipment.

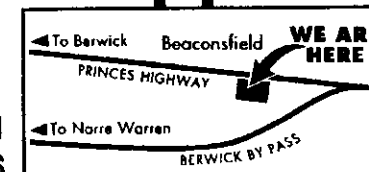
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*Private Health Insurance Incentives Scheme providing financial incentives for individuals and families to take out and maintain private health insurance cover (income tests apply)

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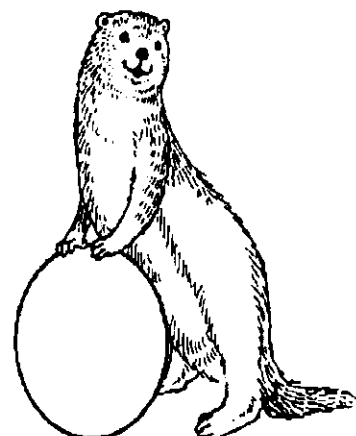
*From 1st July, 1998 a new Savings Rebate will apply for people with income from savings and investments or make undeducted superannuation contributions.

By having your income tax return professionally prepared by a registered Tax-Agent whose fee is tax deductible, should provide you with assurances on the adequacy of your records and compliance with tax legislation and rulings in the event of a tax audit.

GRAEME J. TAYLOR A.C.A.

HISTORY OF FERRETS

Ferrets are carnivores. They belong to the mustelid family and are related to the mink, otter and badger. They are a true domestic species, being dependent on man for survival, having been domesticated for over 3000 years. Originally ferrets were domesticated to hunt small rodents and rabbits.



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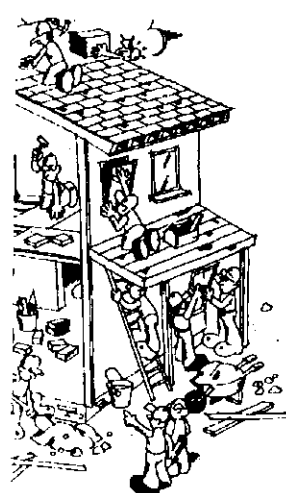
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BEACONSFIELD'S HANDYMAN

By Phil Collins

This is a handy hint for people whose prisoners keep escaping. When fitting bars to your windows use tubing rather than solid steel bars and insert a smaller bar loosely inside the tubing. Now, when the fruit cake is delivered to your prisoner and he removes the concealed hack saw, he starts to cut through the outer tubing. When the blade gets through to the loosely inserted bar inside, the saw blade simply causes the inner bar to revolve. The blade is useless unless the bar stays put. The prisoner can only then console himself by eating the fruit cake.

I enjoy my work repairing and making things, its good for the soul. I do not enjoy the work created by vandalism. I recently did a lengthy job that I was most proud of. Often when driving past I would look up at it and feel well satisfied. Then, vandals came and destroyed what I had done. They kicked it to pieces and even rode a motorbike through it to complete the destruction. Its so hard to understand these people. It cost my client over a thousand dollars to reconstruct it and I did not enjoy that.

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HISTORY OF FERRETS

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Male ferrets are called HOBBS and females are called JILLS. Young ferrets are called KITS and a group of ferrets is called a BUSINESS.

Ferrets are ideal pets for people who suffer from allergies or asthma as their fur is hypo-allergenic.

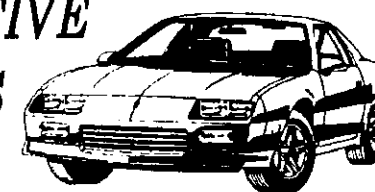
Ferrets are descended from the European polecat, with

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(Written by Peter Hansen)



Peter Hansen

What is the most powerful medicine in the world? Is it drugs, herbs, vitamins, minerals, mysterious medicine from the rainforests, meditation, or none of these?

What is this mystery medicine? It's called "Laughter" (nee Humour). There's a very famous true story of a man who cured himself of cancer by simply watching the funniest movies he could find, and literally laughed himself to health. Modern medicine couldn't do it, but humour could. Albert Schweitzer employed humour as a form of equatorial therapy, to make life easier for his staff of young doctors and nurses at his African jungle hospital. At meal times he always told an amusing story or two, believing that laughter was probably the most important course of the day. Observers reported that the staff always left the table rejuvenated by the "Course of Laughter".

Even the Bible tells us that a merry heart works like a doctor. In Psalm 126:2 it says "then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with singing: then said they among the heathen, the Lord hath done great things for them".

Laughter can do great things for us too. Even Sigmund Freud, that serious explorer of the mind believed that mirth was a highly useful way of counteracting nervous tension, and that humour could be used as effective therapy.

Sir William Osler, a famous English Physician regarded laughter as the "Music of Life", and advised doctors spiritually and physically, depleted at the end of a long day to find their own "Medicine in Mirth".

Laughter has been found extremely beneficial in respiratory complaints, and on muscle tone. It lifts the spirits in ways that can't be explained in a physical sense, it just works and really, that's all that matters. Four hundred years ago, a man called Robert Burton wrote a book, "Anatomy of Melancholy" and stated "Humour purges the blood, making the body young, lively and fit for any manner of employment". In general he said, Mirth is the Principal engine for battering the walls of melancholy, and a sufficient cure in itself.

He knew, even then, that you can't be sad and miserable, when your laughter rings out, and humour enters your mind. Light and darkness can't exist together.

Talking of humour and medicine, try this for a lift. "Roll up! Roll Up!", said the medicine man at the Easter Fair. "My Magical Elixir of life, distilled from an ancient Egyptian Formula known only to the ancients priests of RA until I personally deciphered it from the Dead Sea Scrolls, will positively cure everything from bunions to rigor mortis! Look at me for living proof Ladies and Gentleman! I am no less than 135 years of age! Hurry, Hurry, while stocks last!" "Is that true? Is he really 135 years old, a man in the crowd said to his pretty young assistant. "I dunno mister" she replied, "I've only been working for him for seventy years".

IN LIFE AND LAUGHTER
PETER HANSON.

WEDDING OF JAMES HORTON WITH LISA BOOTHEY



The marriage ceremony on Saturday 16th May was held at John Knox Uniting Church in Brighton with ministers Rev Ross Carter and Rev Graham Gall. Graham was formerly minister of St Andrews, Berwick.

Best men Lorenzo Lorefice and Andrew McPhee wore grey morning suits with grey and burgundy striped ties, as did the groom James who is the son of proud parents Joan and Ted Horton of Adamson

Road, Beaconsfield. Bride Lisa, daughter of Les & Joan Boothey of Frankston, was stunning in a full length satin dress with train. Bridesmaids were elegant in their matching dresses.

After the ceremony, the bridal party were whisked away in a white stretch limo to Chateau Yering, Yarra Glen for the reception where music was provided by cousin Nick Mitchell's jazz band. Formal photos were taken in the historic surroundings at Yering. Guests came from as far as England, New Zealand and New South Wales.

Lisa and James enjoyed their honeymoon afterwards visiting Malaysia and Thailand.

Left:- Lisa and James Horton

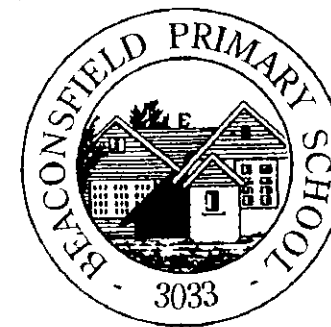
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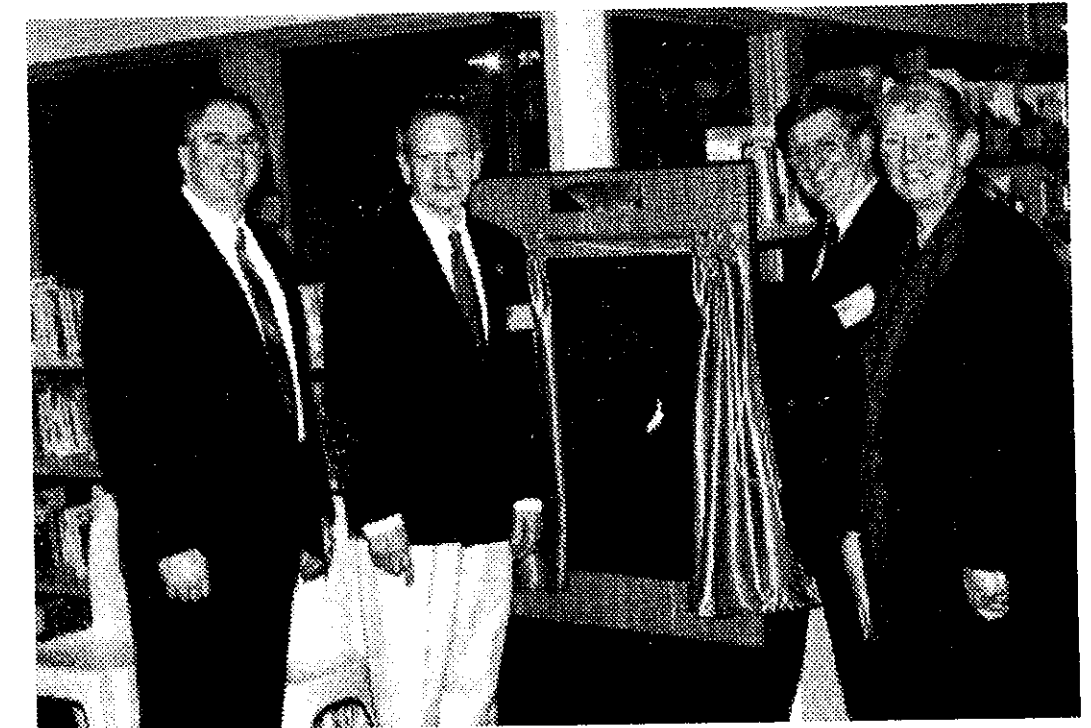


Beaconsfield Primary School, since 1890, has been the local state school for many, many children, including two and three generations of families.

It began as a single brick building with one teacher and forty students and remained a fairly small rural school for much of that time. The 1950's saw the beginnings of Beaconsfield's suburban growth and with it came the additional buildings and portable classrooms which were moved in as enrolments increased. By 1994, Beaconsfield Primary School had an enrolment of 253 students, being taught in 13 rooms, 12 of which were temporary and many well past their "use by" date!

However the rural aspect of the school did not diminish. The school's sense of community,

BEACONSFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL 1890-1998



Above:- It's Official. The new building at Beaconsfield Primary School has been declared open. Looking very pleased about this are Ross Chudleigh, School Council President, Bob Charles, member for La Trobe, Rob Maclellan, M.L.A. Minister for Planning and Local Development and Di Lockwood, Principal.

typical of country schools everywhere, continues to be part of Beaconsfield's tradition. It was this community that rallied together to develop a Master Plan that would provide our children with the best possible learning

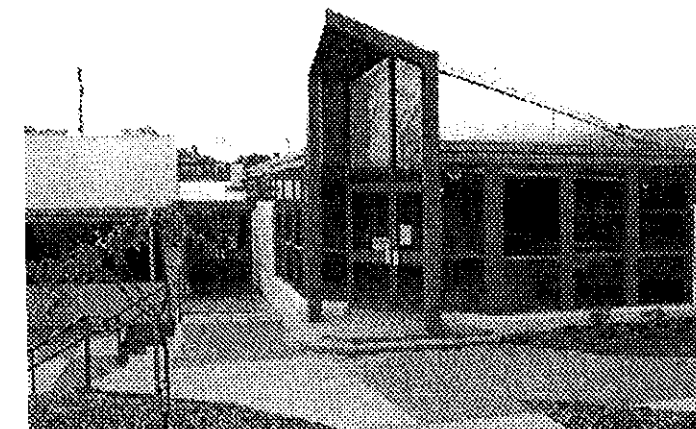
environment for years to come, even when enrolments may well pass the 500 mark.

Stage one of the Master Plan was completed in February this year. Seven cool and well planned classrooms, a huge naturally lit Learning Resource Centre and spacious, functional staff administration areas make up this first stage. Modern Learning Technology facilities, a pleasant outside environment and child security are all part of this excellent design.

Funding for this major building upgrade came from both the Federal and State Governments, costing \$1.5 million. It is

money well spent. The beautiful new buildings complement the existing gardens and acknowledge our past. The bluestone sills, bricks and door from the original building have been respectfully featured in the entrance to our new building.

Following a short ceremony at the school, the new buildings of Beaconsfield Primary School were officially opened by the Hon, Robert Maclellan, Minister for Planning and Local Government. A plaque commemorating this achievement was unveiled by Mr. Maclellan. It was placed at the entrance above one of the original bluestone sills.



Above: A view of the library looking from the hardcourt area.

A FINE TRADITION TO AN EXCITING FUTURE

Beaconsfield Primary School new building was officially opened on Friday 8th May, 1998.

The Opening Ceremony included many school perspectives, Past and Present.

Jade Miller presented an account of school days on behalf of Pat Adamson. Pat attended Beaconsfield Primary School from 1929 - 1936. Jackelyn Stanes spoke about school nowadays and the opportunities that are now available. Mr. Jim Smith, School Council President 1977, reflected on days gone by and the involvement of the school community and staff. Mr. Ross Chudleigh, School Council President 1998, continued the history of building upgrades to include the establishment of the new building.

After the Opening Ceremony, invited guests were able to view the historic display of photos, records and newspaper articles.

Below:- The lobby, looking through to the library. All was in readiness for the Official Opening Ceremony. The library was soon to be packed with 240 children and 100 invited guests.



FOR ME, THE GOOD THINGS ABOUT BEAconsfield PRIMARY SCHOOL ARE...

The adventure playground, because it's nice and colourful. The classrooms, because they're big and airy. The oval, because it's not muddy. The computers. I love the canteen because it has lots of yummy food. I like the library because it has lots of books. I love to read.

Katie Rooke. 5/6R

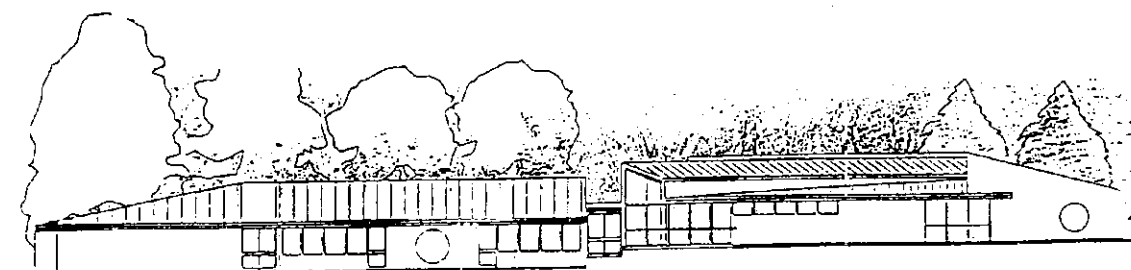
Congratulations to all our zone cross country runners. Adam Zelley came third and will compete in the state run on June 15th. Good luck Adam.



Above:- Beaconsfield Primary School children really do have "Bright Futures". Here the whole school is singing our new song written and conducted by Gary Methven, our Assistant Principal. The song proved to be the highlight of our opening ceremony.

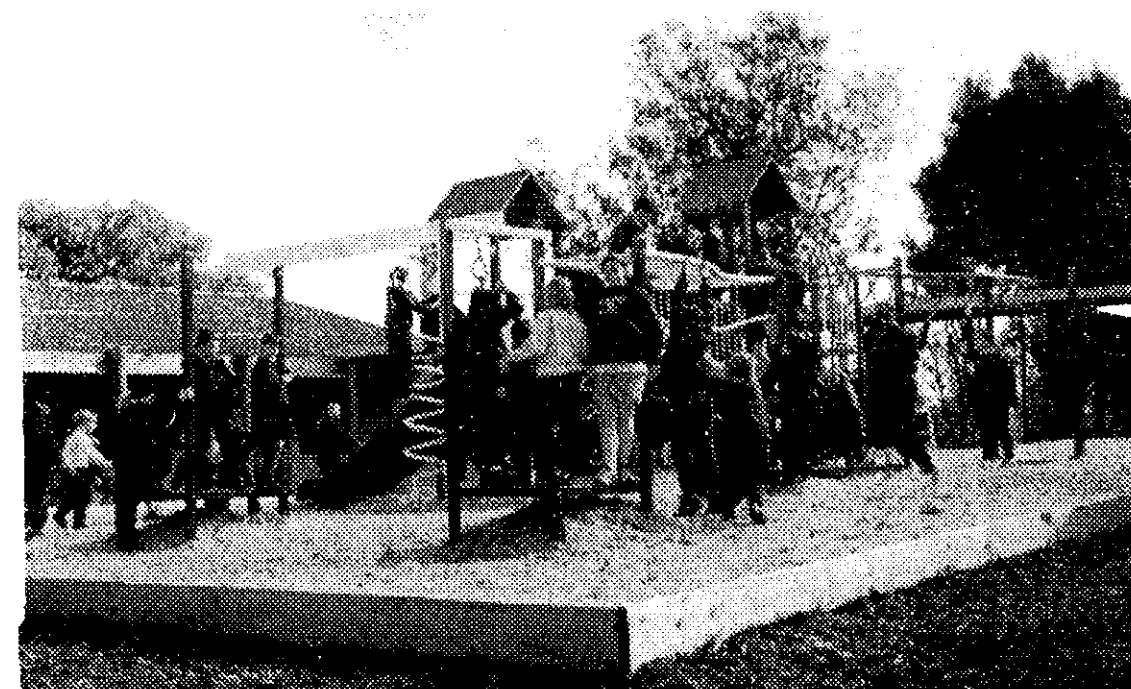


Above:- Part of the ceremony included the planting of a pair of commemorative roses by the Hon. Rob Maclellan and Bob Charles, Member for La Trobe. They were ably helped by the school's official ushers. Back from left, House captains Emma Menzel, Adam Zelley, Dean McGill, Kelly Swift, Ashlee Hamilton, Nicole Seal, Ebony Rogers with Pakenham MP and Minister for Planning and Local Development Rob Maclellan. Front, student speakers, Jade Miller and Jackelyn Stanes with La Trobe MP Bob Charles.



Above:- Commemorative Medallion.

Left:- Every school child received a commemorative medallion. Rob Maclellan presented these to the S.R.C. representative for each class.



Above:- The Adventure Playground was installed in Term 2. This marvellous construction has been funded by the efforts of our Parents and Friends. We are happy for it to be used by the community out of school hours. Parents bring your children to play here on sunny weekends. It may be the only time there is much room on it!

HISTORY DOCUMENTED

Beaconsfield Primary School is 108 years old and celebrated the centenary in 1990, when we had a history and photo display. Many of the Beaconsfield Residents contributed to the display with photos and information.

These photos and the information have now been collated into photo albums and folders and are housed in the Primary School's new library, which was officially opened on May 8th 1998.

You are welcome to make a time to come and view

these historical photos at the school.

We are missing some photos in our collection. If you have copies of the photos listed below we would like to borrow them to copy and place them in our collection. If you can name the students in the photos, that would be helpful also.

Photos are required for the years 1941-9 1961-2 1970-77 1992 (except 3&4D, 5&6B and staff)

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Above:- Mrs Searle with the Prep Class of 1974.

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The School Council have set up a working party to look at the car parking at Beaconsfield Primary School and make recommendations to the Shire. We are seeking input from the residents of

Beaconsfield in regard to carparking, and welcome any ideas or concerns. Please address these to Maurice Potter, School Council President, Beaconsfield Primary School.



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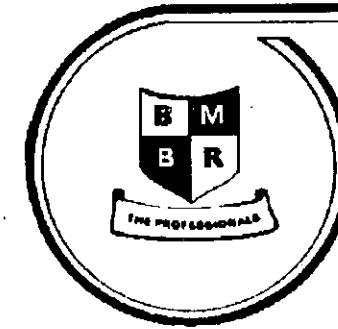
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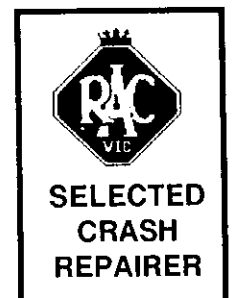
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You ask, "Who'll serve these privileged few
And work for all they're worth?"
WHY, ALL THOSE WHO REAPED THE BENEFITS
AND NOT ONCE VOLUNTEERED ON EARTH!*

*By Courtesy of The Paffing Billy Preservation Society.
Author unknown.*

FIRST GRANDCHILD FOR THE RUSHTONS

Tony and Dulcie Rushton welcome their first Grandchild **DARREN JOHN** (6lb 14oz) born on 16th May, 1998 at Swan Hill. Proud parents are Bruce and Kathy Rushton. Darren was born on his Great Grandmothers 84th birthday.



Above:- Darren at 1 week old.

Beaconsfield Handyman. To Philip and Elaine Collins our congratulations. Ruby wedding celebrations on 10th May.

HISTORY OF BEACONSFIELD

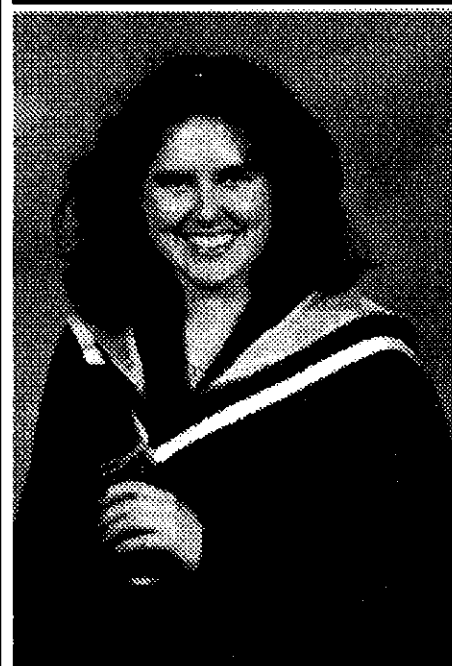
The following are snippets of history kindly supplied by Miss E Whiteside while doing research for her book. This information was read from early Pakenham Gazette.

1920 The Prince of Wales gives his permission to re-name the Gippsland Highway - the Princes Highway.

1915 Mr. Luke took a flashlight photo on October 6th of enlisted men in Beaconsfield. Mr. Luke was a well known photographer from Melbourne.



CONGRATULATIONS BELINDA



Above:- Belinda Hester a recent graduate of Melbourne University in Bachelor of Early Childhood Studies. Belinda is now a Kindergarten Teacher at the ABC Centre in Alexandra.

BRICKBATS AND BOUQUETS

Bouquets: To Cardinia Shire Council who played some part in having removed the unsightly charity bins from Beaconsfield. There are many Opportunity Shops not far away to take clothing. They too support charities. NB: The corner outside the Post Office is now MUCH safer for those turning right into the Kindergarten Car park. Oncoming traffic is visible.

Bouquets: To the kind lady named Rhonda who stopped and rendered assistance to me when my car broke down in the middle of Princes Highway. She also took the time to drive my son, whose leg was in plaster, to the station. Thanks also to Leona, Val, Toni and Nancye who also offered help. Carolyn Johnson.

Brickbats: to the people who Power Walk & walk their dogs up the middle of Soldiers Road. It is sometimes very difficult for drivers to see you when they come over a rise or around a corner.

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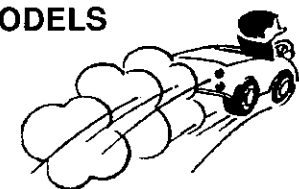
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Tax Help involves a 3 day

training course at the Taxation Office, and being available between July and October on occasions. If you are looking for an interesting way to use your skills and assist others we would certainly welcome your interest.

For full details contact the Citizens Advice Bureau and an experienced Tax Help worker will get in touch with you to explain the training and how the service works.

Phone 59412377. The Bureau hours are 10am to 3pm Monday to Friday, 68 Main Street, Pakenham.

THE CITIZENS' ADVICE BUREAU - YOUR CENTRE FOR INFORMATION AND REFERRALS

TIME OUT WITH A LOCAL ALL-ROUNDER

By David Griffiths.

Matthew O'Connor is a 16 year old Beaconsfield resident who will be doing Year 11 at Berwick Secondary College in 1998. I took time out to find out about his sporting life.

Name: Matthew O'Connor
Age: 16 years
Sports played: Cricket (D grade, Beaconsfield) Tennis (Section 7 Beaconsfield) Basketball (C Grade Seahawks)

Sporting Hero: Michael Slater (NSW & ex-Aust. Opening Batsman) Because of his style of play.

Most memorable achievement in your sporting career: Passing the try-outs to make the Melbourne Tigers Junior Basketball team.

People with most influence on your sporting career: My Mum who drives me to my sporting events and Peter Goodes my first cricket coach.

What world sporting moment is most memorable to you: Kieren Perkin's gold medal winning performance at the

Atlanta Olympics. He just showed pure guts and determination.

What occupation would you like when you are older: I would like to be a Federal Police Officer.

What are your sporting ambitions: I would like to play cricket for Victoria and Australia or play basketball for the Melbourne Tigers, or play tennis at Wimbledon.

Most embarrassing sporting moment: Fielding in my Senior Cricket debut. I misfielded, over running the ball and lobbing the ball over the keepers head.

Quote to young sports people: "Don't put too much pressure on yourself"

Favourite Basketball Team: Melbourne Tigers

Favourite AFL Footy Team: Richmond Tigers

Favourite Cricket Team: Victorian Sheffield Cricket Team

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Favourite Tennis Player: Pete Sampras

Which Sporting Person would you most like to meet? Why? Michael Jordan because everything he turns his hand to he does perfectly.

Which sporting person are you most like: Mark Bradtke

because he does all the hard work for the Melbourne Tigers.

Sporting Highs: Seasons playing cricket: 1 1/2 seasons.
Highest score: 39 not out.
Best bowling figures: 2/24
Highest score in a basketball Game: 28 points.

THEFT WARNING

BEWARE! Sporting organisations of Beaconsfield. A Berwick sporting organisation recently had a money box containing a rather large sum of money stolen from the Berwick Leisure Centre while their matches were in progress.

Written by David Griffiths



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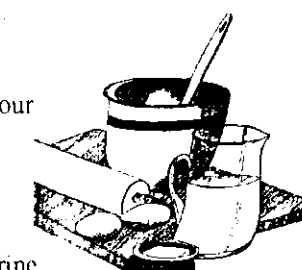
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1 teaspoon vanilla essence
1 & 1/3 cups all-purpose plain flour
1/4 teaspoon salt



Filling

2 cups icing sugar
1/2 cup softened butter or margarine
1 tablespoon water
1/2 teaspoon mint extract
3 drops green food colouring - optional

Topping

1 1/2 cups chocolate morsels
Mint extract 1 1/2 teaspoons

In a mixing bowl, combine cocoa and baking soda; blend in 1/4 cup melted butter. Add boiling water, stirring until thickened. Stir in sugar, eggs, vanilla, and remaining butter. Add flour and salt. Pour batter into a greased 33cm x 23cm x 5cm rectangular baking pan. Bake at 175°C for 40 minutes (top of brownies will still appear wet). Cool completely. Combine filling ingredients in a mixing bowl; beat until creamy. Spread over cooled brownies. Refrigerate until set. For topping, melt chocolate morsels over low heat in small saucepan. Add mint extract to taste stirring well. Let chocolate mixture cool until lukewarm stirring occasionally. Spread over filling. Chill well before cutting brownies. Store in refrigerator.

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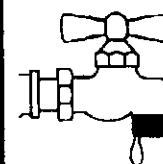


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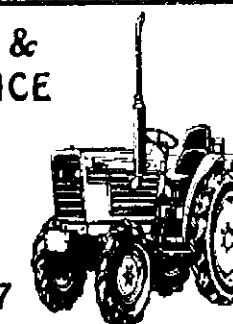
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VOLLEY BALL - A SPORT FOR ALL.

By David Griffiths



Over the past few years many sports which have been previously unheard of in Australia have now gained wide media attention. Regrettably Volleyball is still overlooked. Despite the fact Volleyball is now one of the most widely practised sports in the world, and is currently played in 175 countries world wide. One of the reasons Volleyball has not received much media attention in Australia is largely due to the fact that neither our Australian Men's nor Women's have ever won any of the five major titles on offer. Very few Australians even realise we have a national team. In fact most Australians may not even know what volleyball is.

Volleyball originally known as "Mintonette", was created in 1895 by William G Morgan a director of physical training at YMCA, Holyoke, Massachusetts, USA. His aim was to provide a sport that had less physical contact than basketball. Originally teams could consist of any where between 1 and 10 players. The number of players per side was fixed at six in 1918.

Volleyball was first played at an international games, at the 1913 Far Eastern Games in Manila, Philippines. The International Volleyball Federation (FVIB) was formed in 1947 and world championships first held in 1949, with the game

introduced to the Olympics in 1964. Internationally countries such as the USSR, Japan, Poland, USA, Brazil, China, Cuba, Czechoslovakia and Italy have been successful. The most dominant team in Men's Volleyball has been the USSR winning 3 Olympic Gold Medals, 6 World Championships, 4 World Cups and 12 European Championships. Women's Volleyball has also been dominated by the USSR. They have won 4 Olympic Gold Medals, 1 World Cup and 13 European Championships. The only tournament the USSR have not won is the World League. That has been dominated by the Italians.

Volleyball is a fairly easy sport to learn and play. The game is played by two teams each having two to six players on a 30-foot square court, the two courts are separated by a net. The primary objective of each team is to try to hit the ball to the opponent's side in such a manner as to prevent the opponent from returning the ball. This is usually accomplished by using a three-hit combination of a forearm pass to a setter, followed by a set to an attacker, who spikes the ball into the opponent's court. Due to the fact there is no physical contact in Volleyball injuries are scarce. However a quick reaction time is a must. When a good spike is activated, the defending team's defence has less than a second to react. A good reaction time is also handy when receiving the serve, while most players serve under arm, some players serve over arm (a serve which is very similar to a tennis serve), these serves not only travel fast but can also spin and swerve in the air making life difficult for receivers.

Indoor Volleyball has been

BEACONSFIELD TENNIS CLUB NEWS

By Margaret Chatfield



Above:- Margaret Chatfield

B.A.G. Clover Cottage Luncheon, Manuka Road, Berwick. This will be held on Wednesday 24th June at 12.0 Noon at a cost of \$30.00 per person. Anyone interested in joining our

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played in Berwick for the last fourteen years. The Berwick League was created by Terry Trevena who teaches at Berwick Secondary College. The season starts very soon and will be played on a Monday night at the Berwick Leisure Centre. At the moment there is an A, B, & C Grade. Players range from the age of 12 - 50 and most teams are made up of both males and females. Volleyball is a great sport to play and it would be great to see some more people from Beaconsfield playing. Maybe even a Beaconsfield District team or perhaps a team made up by a Beaconsfield business. Already businesses from other areas have jumped aboard and such teams as the Optus Sharks now play. Teams must be made up of six or more people. Anybody interested in playing or forming their own team please put their name and phone number in an envelope marked "David Griffiths: Beaconsfield Banner Volleyball correspondent" and place in the Banner's Box at the Beaconsfield Post Office. I will then get in contact with you and give you any information you need.

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Paul Oke from Upper Beaconsfield, Steve Cooper from Berwick and Ted Horton from Beaconsfield all appeared recently in GEMCO Theatre's Melodrama, "The Fair, The Fearless and the Frightful"

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CHILD'S PLAY

Parents, when you send your children outside to play do you always know where they are playing?

It seems that some children are using railway stations and tracks as playgrounds. I recently witnessed six children aged between four and six years old standing on a railway station. Soon afterwards they were jumping from the platform onto the tracks, crossing the tracks then climbing back onto the platform (which they did with great difficulty). I hate to think what could have happened if one had not been able to get back on to the platform when a train was arriving. When a friend of mine pointed out to them that not only was this game very dangerous it was also a criminal offence, he was met with a barrage of verbal insults all containing crude language. In some cases a six year old calling a group of five 18 - 20 year olds names could be fatal! Luckily we chose to ignore them.

However their games did not end there. When they finally boarded a train, they didn't stay in the carriages instead they decided it would be better to ride on the platform between the carriages. One slip and again I hate to imagine the result.

One Beaconsfield resident also reported seeing children at the Beaconsfield station throwing stones from the platform onto cars in the car park. He was also met with insults when he asked what was going on.

Parents I urge you to make sure you know where your children are playing because a mixture of trains and children is just a time bomb waiting to go off.

Written by David Griffiths.

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