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BEACONSFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL FETE

The only rain that fell in Beaconsfield during March fell on the Sunday morning of our Fete ... early ... just as an enthusiastic team of hopeful adults and children arrived to put the finishing touches to all the stalls and to bring out all the exciting goodies ready for sale.

It was such a dismal and disappointing start to the day.

By midday the sun and the crowds were out. It was a busy, bustling day, officially opened by the Hon. Rob McLellan who also drew the name for our free children's bike raffle.

There was so much to do. We had a bouncing slide, a giant worm and a ferris wheel, along with old favourites the abseiling wall and the bucking bull. New attractions included an Enchanted Forest Story Room where youngsters were welcome to spend some quiet time and hear some marvellous stories and a "Construct It Trailer" where youngsters could build amazing things with the wood,

nails wheels and hammers provided.

Of course all the usual well stocked stalls were there too - from delicious Devonshire Teas, cakes, hamburgers and hot dogs, beautifully presented arts and crafts to reflexology and beauty advice, face painting and hair braiding and the ever popular bargain books, trash'n' treasure and plants.

The Beaconsfield Primary School Fete is always a great challenge to its organisers. Every year we continue to be delighted with the community spirit it continues to generate - from the great help from parents, teachers and children to the amazing sponsorship from so many local businesses. The willing participation by local groups such as the Fire Brigade, the Scouts and Guides, the local Football club and community Line Dancers has also made this day a great success.

Over \$8,000 was raised for the school. It was indeed a mighty effort and we'd like to thank everyone who participated.



Above :- The children coming out of the foam tent. Watching is Captain Ron Woodfine from Beaconsfield Fire Brigade.

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Above:- Katrina plays music you can really get your teeth into. See special report and program starting on page 11.

SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING

BEACONSFIELD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

Tuesday 29th April 1997 at Beaconsfield
Community Centre. Beaconsfield Ave.

TOPICS

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH ...Guest Speaker Mr. David Lentin. Board Member of Victorian Neighbourhood Watch.

UPDATE ON THE PROGRESS OF SUBMISSIONS
Regarding Planning Amendment L 139 Rezoning of Roche Farm

STRATEGIC TOWN PLANNING Guest Speaker Mr. Trevor Ludeman, Planning Consultant, to update the Community on the need for a Township Strategic Plan. This will be very relevant in relation to the future expansion of population in the town.

Meeting starts at 7.30 pm. Come on time to get a seat.

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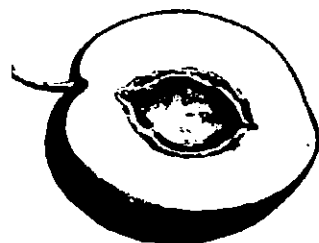
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PRESIDENTS REPORT

By Tony Rushton



Tony Rushton

Since the start of 1997 the Progress Association has been very busy. First we had to prepare a submission on the Roche development. Joy Bishop spent two days at the hearing last week representing Beaconsfield Progress Association. Thanks Joy for all your hard work.

Then on 18th February we had the second public meeting for the year where we met the candidates who were standing for Beaconsfield in their respective wards. Everyone who attended this meeting found it very informative.

I would like to welcome Christina and Robert Cooper to our committee.

Then at the beginning of April we received notice of another

application for rezoning of the land behind the Caravan Park to the railway line, Brunt Rd. to the Freeway. A small subcommittee looked at this rezoning and are preparing a submission.

On the 29th of April we are in for a special treat with our guest speakers, David Lentin, and Trevor Ludeman. Do you think we need to try to reduce the breakins and thefts around Beaconsfield or is the breakins acceptable to you? Do you think we need a plan for Beaconsfield? Are the community and sporting facilities going to be able to cope with a large increase (over double) in population?

Some problems that need to be addressed are the parking at the Railway Station, the clothing bins, the old railways works depot needs cleaning up.

Along Beaconsfield Ave. the Gas and Fuel is laying a new gas pipeline to improve the supply to the Beaconsfield Township.

I hope to see you on the 29th April at our public meeting.

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BANNER IS 23rd MAY 97**

KIDD AND OWEN FOR BEACONHILLS WARD



Graeme Kidd



Ted Owen

Congratulations to Graeme Kidd and Ted Owen on being voted into Council as democratically returned Councillors for the Shire of Cardinia.

Graeme Kidd is the newcomer to Council and brings with him plenty of planning management skills. From Upper Beaconsfield he is keen to establish 'township advisory groups' to liaise with Council. He is happy to deal at a local level and yet will uphold many of the business decisions made by the Commissioners before him.

Ted Owen has 23 years of experience as a Councillor and is well known on a local level to represent individual concerns of ratepayers. He has been a very helpful ally to the Beaconsfield Progress Association in past times and we are sure this relationship will continue.

The Beaconsfield Progress Association would like to acknowledge the efforts of former Councillor Keith Ewenson who was unsuccessful in this election. Keith has been staunch in support of Beaconsfield issues and turned up to most Progress Meetings in the past. He has always made himself available and been very approachable on very many different concerns. He has been instrumental in bringing many improvements to the township of Beaconsfield. We thank him for his dedicated service and wish him well for the future.

Please Note :-

Councillor Graeme Kidd.
Tel: 0359 443 400

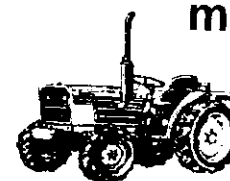
Councillor Ted Owen
Tel: 0359 432 374

NORMA M^CCAUSLAND FOR EDRINGTON WARD



In Beaconsfield, South of the Cardinia Creek Norma says that Soldiers Rd. will be realigned and sealed within the next 12 months. Hard rubbish collection can be arranged by appointment through Garrets the new garbage collectors. This will be done on the first Monday of every month and can be arranged by phoning up the City of Casey or Garrets themselves.

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Glenda Fryer

Term one has been a bit slow for the centre with kids returning to school, the weather was hot and everyone trying to establish their routine for the year. But the term two programme is full of interesting things to do. We welcome all members of the household to join in the fun at the centre. Perhaps someone you know would enjoy a night out learning about welding, machinery maintenance or for something different, how to brew your own beer. There will be a sample or two to try on the night to give you an idea of how wonderful it tastes when you make it yourself.

Embroidery, glass painting, fabric painting and sewing for beginners are just a few of our classes being offered.

There is also playgroup. Occasional Care and Pre-Kinder program for the children. We try to cater for the needs of everyone, so if

you have any ideas for classes or you are interested in sharing your knowledge by becoming a tutor at the centre please call in and see Glenda in the office or leave a message on our answering machine service on 03 9707 3449.

MIDWAY

It is five years since the Midway group was formed by a small group of enthusiastic people with the aim of providing friendship and activities for men and women of 50 and over.

Since then the group has grown and many activities have been enjoyed including bus trips to places of interest, the most recent being to Daylesford. Other activities include demonstrations and games, and table tennis is popular with some members.

A committee plans a weekly programme. A visit to Narre Warren police station is being organised and afterwards going to the Reef and Beef for lunch. There will be a visit to Blooms on the 9th June. On the 26th May, Midway Group is celebrating their 5th birthday by meeting at the Central Hotel for lunch.

Midway meets every Monday at the Beaconsfield Community Centre from 1-3pm. If you are over 50 come and join in the fun and make new friends.

BEAconsfield SUPPORT RED CROSS.

Once again the residents of Beaconsfield were most generous to the March Door-Knock Appeal. We received \$791.95. This was a good effort.

All areas were not covered

as not enough volunteers were available. If anyone is interested in helping Red Cross next year, please contact Mrs. N. Abeling on 9707 1413.

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Beaconsfield Fire Brigade biennial election of office bearers was held on 1st April (yes, April fool's day)! A big roll-up of members voted on some keenly contested nominations, resulting in a very interesting meeting. This was followed by a delicious supper. The results of the election are:

1st Lieutenant:	Bob MacPherson
Captain:	Ron Woodfine
2nd Lieutenant:	Matt DiCarlo
Secretary:	Glenn Dorning
3rd Lieutenant:	Mick Ott
Coms Officer:	Bev Burgess
4th Lieutenant:	Debbie MacPherson
Treasurer:	Jenny Tye
Crew Leaders:	Stuart Johnston and Don Tye

SCOUTS OUT AND ABOUT

You will have seen the 1st Beaconsfield Scout Group out and about on the 23rd March if you attended the Beaconsfield Primary School Fete. You too can join the fun with these young people by calling in at the Scout Hall in Beaconsfield Avenue at

7.30pm Wednesday nights for Scouts, 7.30pm Thursday for Cubs; 7.30pm Friday for Venturers and 10am Saturday for Joeys.

For further information contact Chris Burns on 03 9703 2698



MAKE AND MINGLE

(Written by A. Taylor)

Join us for a morning of craft each Wednesday 10 - 12 noon during school term.

Term 2 we will be having embroidery, spinning, one-step decoupage, greeting card designing, range of country crafts, hanky boxes from recycled cards and jewellery making.

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DAVID GRAHAM GARRAWAY

6/7/1943 - 5/4/1997



Above :-David Garraway

David was born in Ashford, Middlesex, England in the later part of WW11. He grew up there. At the age of 16, his family migrated to Australia.

His family consisted of a brother, Barry & his parents Eileen & Fred. They arrived in 1959 by ship. Their first home in Australia was a migrant hostel in Victoria.

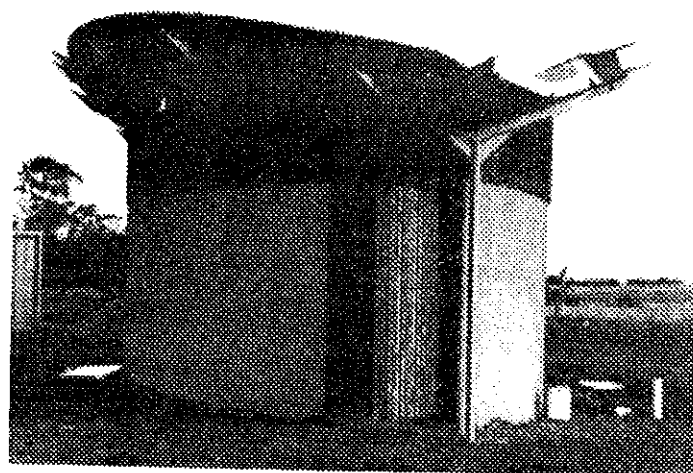
They then bought a house in Noble Park. He often spoke fondly of the "Noble Park Boys". He went to Queensland for a couple of years in his early twenties. After he returned to Victoria, he met & married Kathleen Bowen in

1968 at the Methodist Church in Scott St Dandenong. On 1/12/1972 they bought a house in Beaconsfield. They have two daughters, Tania & Emma. He worked at Heinz in Dandenong for 18 yrs before retiring in 1995 due to poor health. David saw Tania get married to Bruce Howden on the 17/11/96 with Emma as bridesmaid. His main interests, other than family & friends were:- contact sports, ie boxing, also greyhounds and Richmond Football Club.

Footnote:- Over the last two years the tremendous amount of help and support my family and I received from various sources has been greatly appreciated. Family, Friends, Neighbours, Emerald Hills and District Hospice Services - Ruth and John, Dr Frank, Dr Prowse, The District Nurses - Enid and Elizabeth, Peter MacCallum, McCulloch House, Pakenham Home Help- Heather. And anybody else that I might have overlooked.

Thank you one and all. Kathy Garraway.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN



After many months of constructing, the "Toilet in the Park" is completed. Although not open for business yet, it is well worth a visit to inspect its unique features! Trees have been planted close by and some small marshy plants will take advantage of the natural water run off from the roof.

ACCIDENT REPORT

(Written by Lisa Edwards from R.S.V. Engines/Clough's Towing)

10th March At approx 6 pm, 3 cars involved in a collision on the Princes Highway near May Rd. Luckily nobody was seriously hurt in the accident which kept 2 of the 3 vehicles undrivable.

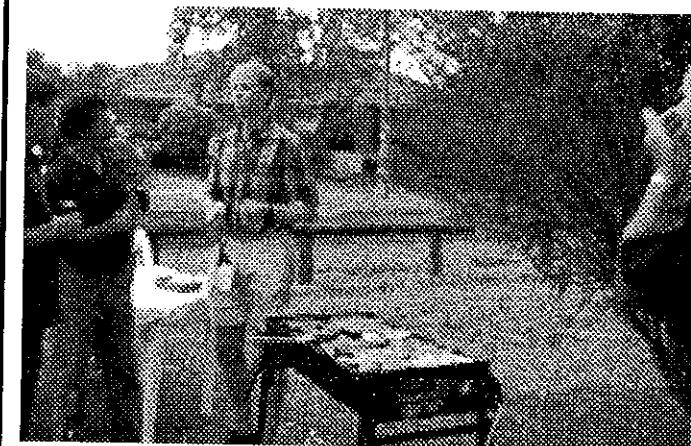
3rd April 2 cars collided outside the Beaconsfield

Milkbar at approx. 10.30am. No serious injuries to either drivers.

Holden Commodore lost control in the gravel skidding into ditch on the side of the road in O'Shea Rd. No one was injured in the accident See photo below..



SOUTER AND HORNER STREET STREET PARTY



Above:- Another successful street party was held on Sunday 23rd February. Each year the residents from Souter and Horner Street gather in the park for a BBQ.

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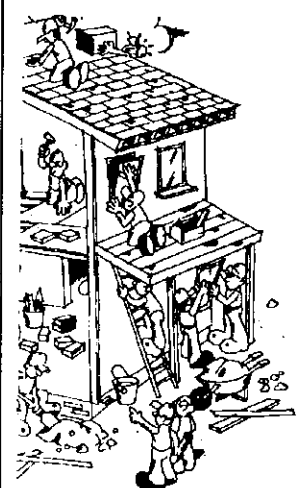
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR



SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

What happened to planning permits since Council Amalgamation?

In recent times of transition back to democratically elected Councils, Beaconsfield has seen sudden growth in its 'forest' of street signs. The huge new MET Railway Station Sign almost blocks the view of the Memorial and Flag Pole in the centre of Beaconsfield. Then there is the invasion of 'Bunyip Byway' Signs (16 no less in five kilometres to the South of town) that guide unwary tourists under the graffiti'd railway bridge and through litter strewn unsealed 'byways' to Thompsons Road in the South. Maybe they will be guided (by another sign) to the new 'Toilet in the Park' along the way. Who else is going to use it?

Did the MET have planning approval to plant such a badly positioned, badly proportioned sign where they did? There are already two Railway Station directional signs in existence (on one pole!) on the Goodyear Tyre corner. Did Casey Cardinia Tourism Inc have approval to erect their Bunyips everywhere? Some of the arrows even pointed in the wrong direction! There must be better Council control on where Signs go and what size and colour is permitted. Residents have to live with these new signs when they are

meant only for the occasional traveller through town! Strange isn't it that no MET Station sign has appeared on the hallowed turf of Berwick Village yet!

Whilst Tourism is good for traders, do all the Bunyip Byway signs improve the "Natural Attraction" of the area that the scheme is trying to promote? Are Councils doing their best to beautify "the Natural Attraction"? Hard rubbish collections have now ceased and Casey moved its tip service to Cranbourne and now charges ratepayers \$17 minimum for a small trailer. This most likely contributes to the Bunyip Byway, South of Beacy, being littered with discarded supermarket bags flapping on barbed wire fences, discarded household and builders waste, old car tyres and the like on the verges.

It is hoped that with the return of democratically elected Councils we can get some sense back into signage and have the litter problem cleaned up on our byways.

IF YOU ARE CONCERNED ABOUT ANY DECLINE IN YOUR LOCAL ENVIRONMENT, TELL YOUR NEW COUNCILLOR!

Signed - Ted Horton,
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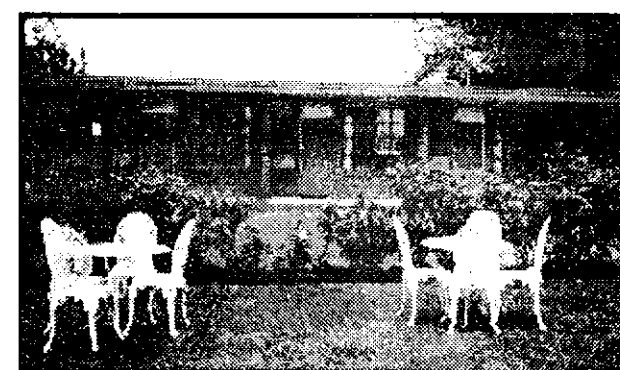


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OUR NATURAL WORLD

(Written by Peter Hansen)



Peter Hansen

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Soon however, strange health problems arose, which baffled the ship's doctor. One by one the crew succumbed to strange weaknesses, shortness of breath, dilated pupils, swollen ankles, pains everywhere. Then followed paralysis, dilation of heart, atrophy of muscles, anemia, constipation and nervous collapse.

By April, 1915, fifty men could not stand, 110 were bedridden and they were dropping at the rate of 4 every day.

Baffled by this "seeming" epidemic, the ship's captain sailed into an American port in Virginia as a floating hospital, seeking help from the American authorities. None of the American doctors could diagnose the disease and were equally baffled.

Finally a newspaper reporter and nature student, Alfred McCann, realised that they were dying of nothing more than poor diet. They lived for months on cooked denatured "dead" foods without raw fruits and vegetables, and this terrible nutritional starvation diet caused their collapse.

Quickly a diet of natural uncooked foods, fresh fruit and vegetables was instituted and within 10 days, 47 of the hospitalised men were discharged and returned to normal duty.

No more crew became sick from this point on, and all eventually recovered.

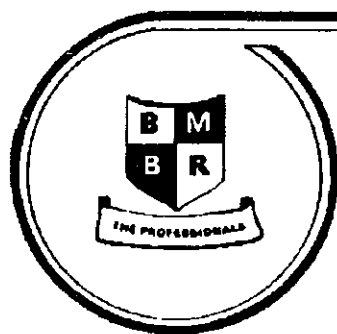
The point of this story hardly needs further comment. Nature provides good food for the human body, why eat the other. We make the choices, let them be wise choices.

We live in a world becoming more aware of nutritional imbalances in our eating habits, and of course this is a good thing. Eating the proper foods can make the difference between health and ill-health and even life and death. Gradually human consciousness is understanding that in some cases, "Foods ain't Foods" (nee oils) and we must personally accept responsibility for the things we put into our stomachs. For those who are lagging behind or not yet quite convinced this true story may cause some deep thought.

In August, 1914, a converted German cruiser, the "Kronprinz Wilhelm" put to sea with 500 officers and crew, their task, to attack all British and French shipping in particular the merchantmen carrying supplies to wartime Europe.

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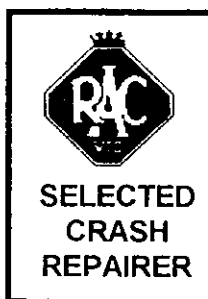
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CATHOLIC:

Berwick. High Street.
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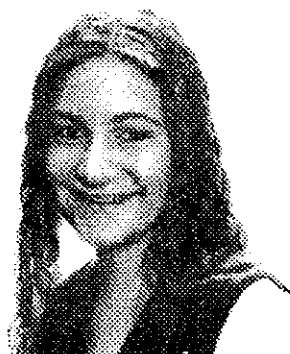
Berwick. Old Anglican Church Church Street
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Sunday 10.30am

POETS CORNER

Naomi Harris



*Deep within the forest I see
A movement from behind the tree
And in a glance the shadow hurries
Quickly between the trees it scurries
Hiding in the grassy fields
Looking for some tasty meals
A twig breaks, the fox runs
From the men with their guns
Over the rocks and down to the river
The shadow retreats with a graceful slither
Safe for now in his rut
With nothing but an empty gut.*

3SER YOUR LOCAL RADIO STATION.



Above:- David Lentin, 3SER
Station Manager.

Do you enjoy reading your local newspapers and newsletters? Then you may be interested in listening to your local radio. There are many people that do not know it exists on 97.7 FM.

This is not a radio station catering just for the young rockers or only for the oldies but offers a smorgasbord of programs with Country and Western, Classical Music, Pops from the 50's and 60's, live sports broadcasts, fishing programmes, ethnic shows keeping many 'New Australians' in touch with their rich cultural past and even live broadcasts from the BBC in

England through the night.

There is something for everyone to tune in to and enjoy. It is a non profit making enterprise run by locals for local people. There is good Geographic coverage from the Bayside to Pakenham and similarly North and South. Managed by David Lentin, the Station has positive direction for the future. There are some potential award winning shows going to air now and some interesting magazine features planned for the future. Seasonally there are always new shows planned and newcomers to the airwaves. Based in Narre Warren behind 'Frank Facey Real Estate Office', the studio is small yet modern and up to date with equipment.

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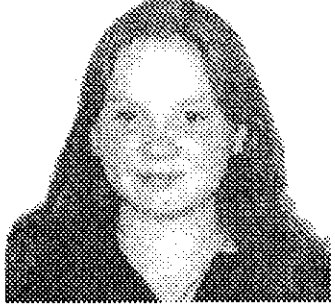
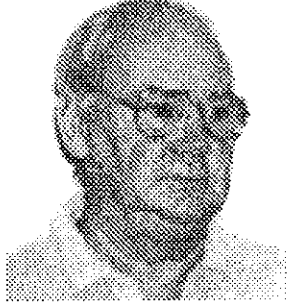
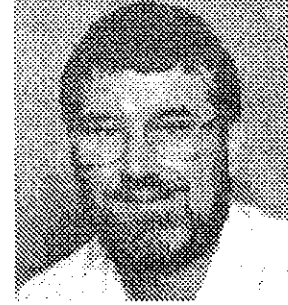
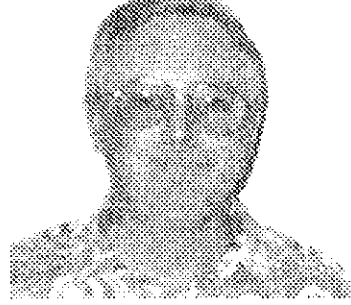








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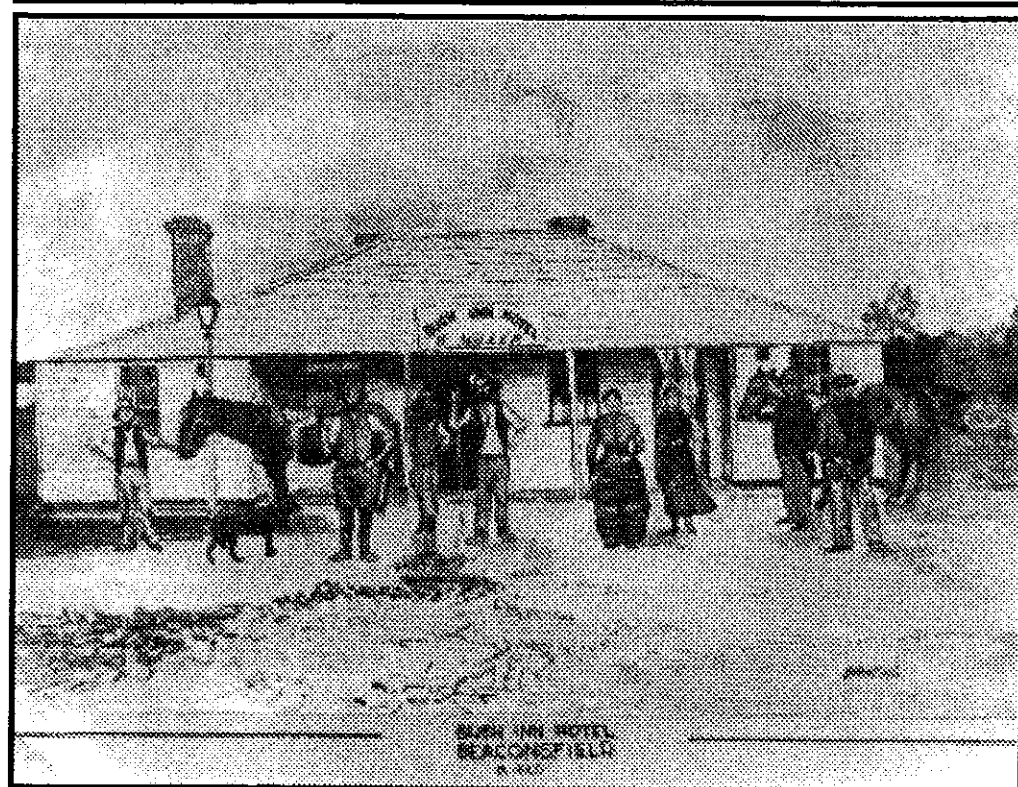
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JOAN ARMITAGE'S LEGACY

By John Wells



When Lorraine Knight located an old sepia watercolour of the Cardinia Park Hotel in the Op-shop in Berwick we thought we'd found a piece of ancient history. There in the picture was Miller's Old Bush Inn, on the 'back' crossing of the Cardinia Creek, with six men, two women, two horses and a dog, about the right proportions for this area in 1880.

Further research, though, found that Beaconsfield's Joan Armitage had done the painting in 1982, one of a set of three commissioned by Anne Bowman to commemorate her family's role in the three hotels in this area, the Central, the Cardinia and the Pine Grove. The three paintings once hung together on the door into the garden at the 'Cardi', where Joan once sold her paintings.

Joan was a skilled worker in both oils and watercolours, with work sold in a number of galleries and an exhibition of her own at Springvale, but ill-health has stopped her painting now.

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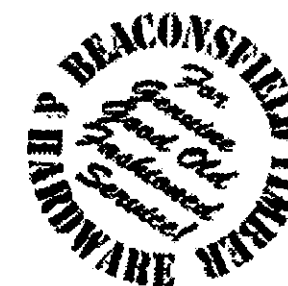
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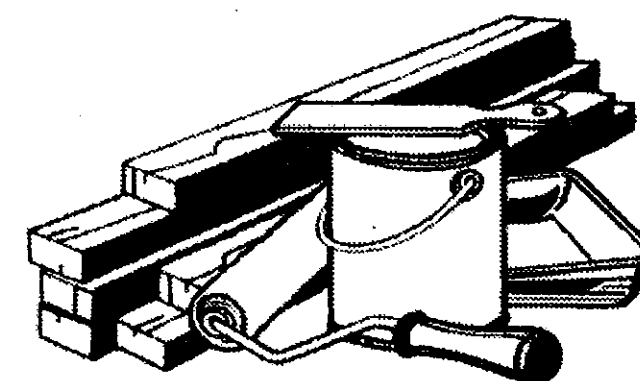
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BEACONSFIELD GETS A NEW FLAG IN TIME FOR ANZAC DAY.

On the 28th of March a new Australian Flag was handed over in a quiet meeting at the Beaconsfield War Memorial.

During years past the flag was in the keeping of Jim Parkes, the local butcher. Few people realised how the Flag would magically appear on significant days (or indeed any sunny day!) and be lowered at sunset. Since Jim's passing some years ago the Flag has been entrusted to Mr Ken Newitt of Berwick, who has carried on the tradition on behalf of the Berwick RSL and the people of Beaconsfield.

On the occasion of its return to Beaconsfield, it was thought appropriate to update the old flag. Our thanks to Mr Bob Charles, M.P., for providing a brand new Flag.



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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THE END OF A BEACONSFIELD BLACK SPOT?

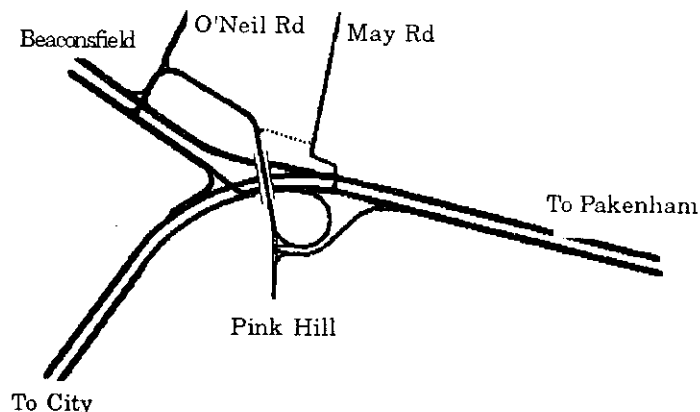
To the Editor,

With the announcement of another housing estate planned for Beaconsfield (at Pink Hill), a golden opportunity arises to solve the traffic problems we all encounter at the highway junction of Princes Freeway and Old Princes Highway turn into Beaconsfield.

Insert a simple two-lane overpass from cliff to cliff, as illustrated. This would provide safe access from both Beaconsfield town and the new estate, to the freeway - in BOTH directions. It would also remove all movements across traffic through the median strip.

At present, it is not possible to enter the freeway citybound from Beaconsfield. We are forced to run the gauntlet of Berwick's shopping centre and lights, or travel East towards Officer and attempt a u-turn on the freeway.

The unbelievably short, twisting on-ramp to the freeway Eastbound has for



years been a hazard in itself. Numerous accidents and near misses have occurred here. The problem is the immediate entry to May Road at this point, restricting the length of the merging lane.

If May Road were re-directed to the overpass road (dotted line), the problem could be corrected. May Road residents would also have vastly safer access to the freeway via the overpass.

For the residents of the Pink Hill estate, the overpass would provide direct, safe access to the commercial area of the town. Children could travel to school without meeting the freeway. They would be part of our wonderful town, not cut off by a 100kph traffic artery.

I believe an overpass should be an essential part of the planning process; to the benefit of us all in years to come.

Donald Tye.

Dear Editor,

We all appreciate the good effects of "Clean Up Australia Day". Free access to the tip for residents on that day would help clean up even better! Why not write to your new council with this or any other suggestion.

Yours faithfully,
Brian F. Roche.

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Bouquets to Don for looking after the flag and ensuring it is raised regularly.

Bouquets to the candidates who have removed their electoral signs from the Beaconsfield area so promptly after the elections.

Bouquets to our local Police for their quick attendance (2 - 3 minutes) when two High School youths entered a locked residential property at lunch time while the lady was home alone.

Bouquets To Graham Baker of GB Landscaping, Beaconsfield Ave, Beaconsfield. For tidying up the burnt ground Bonfire site at the Bob Burgess Reserve in Beaconsfield.



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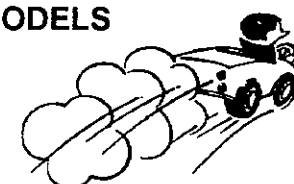
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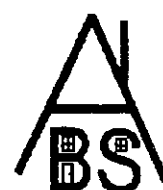
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Abe made his first appearance to us at Beaconsfield Primary School in 1986. He walked quietly into the small portable, nervously looking at the ground, his hands tucked inside the pockets of his duffle coat. His curly head of hair led to him being mistaken by his new classmates for a mysterious girl, "Lucy". Lucy was meant to have started school for the last four terms, but her non arrival had created a running joke between the class. We all hushed and couldn't believe that we were actually looking at Lucy, well we weren't, but that's not the point.

The point is that was the first time we saw Abe.

Abe quickly became known by his peers for his cheeky sense of humour, love of a good time and warm friendship. These

traits would forever be with Abe while he was at Beaconsfield Primary and later at Berwick Secondary College.

Abe was a gifted musician, devoting endless hours of practice to playing the guitar. Whether blasting his amp or gently strumming his acoustic, jaws would drop as he switched between styles, exuding natural talent and inspiring others.

Growing up in a small community, sharing so much time, we experienced things for the first time together, this is another one of those things. We take for granted our friends, our family, our lives, these are things that we should never take for granted. Abe has made us realise that any one of us can be taken at any point in time, he has

made us realise that we must appreciate every minute we have.

He grew up with us, we grew up with him. He was taken at an unexpected time, in one sudden tragic moment he was gone. Abe is our age, we are

his age, we are him.

Appreciate everything.

Darren White Rob McCafferty

Below: - Photo of
Abe Nguyen



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BEACONSFIELD CRICKET CLUB NOTES

(Written by A. Sauvarin)

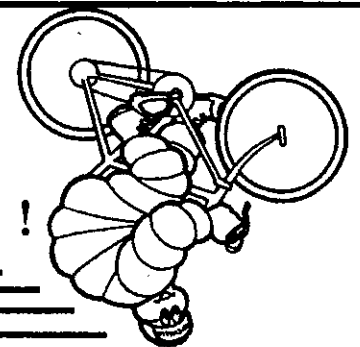
Beaconsfield Cricket Club has just finished a great season with 6 of its 8 teams making the finals. This top four senior teams and the U/16 and U/14 teams all made finals with the U/14 team victorious in its Grand Final. In which Adrian Jolliffe took 5/12 including a hat trick.

Also to come out of the year was local boy - Robert Read, winning the "West Gippsland Cricketer of the Year" in 'A' Grade and Rohan Treasure a very close Runner Up in 'B' Grade.

Presentation nights for Senior and Juniors are both completed with many trophy winners in all grades of cricket. Each team member of the U/14 Grand Final team received a copy of the scoresheet as a memento of such a great achievement.

Next season will start on 4/10/97 with training starting around Fathers Day. Junior cricketers especially those in the U/12 age group are wanted for next season.

LOCAL CYCLIST HITS HEADLINES!



Riding peacefully along the Yarra Bike path one recent Sunday morning to a breakfast / brunch appointment at Fairfield Boat House I was bucked out of my saddle by a subterranean tree root pushing up the bitumen of the riverside track. With dark glasses on to protect my eyes and a safety approved helmet protecting my head I became an unwary victim of fate. I landed ungracefully on the right side of my head and was knocked out cold.

Thankfully passers by found my limp body laying beside the pathway and were able to alert a groundsman at the nearby Kevin Bartlett football reserve who was able to phone for an ambulance. I was promptly taken to St Vincents Public Hospital emergency care where I was confined to bed for a four hour period of observation.

Instead of brunch at Fairfield I had lunch at Fitzroy, care of St V's. I know where I would have preferred to be, despite impeccable bedside service at the latter venue.

Two lessons learnt are to be wary of irregularities in the path or road surface you may be cycling over and secondly TO ALWAYS WEAR A BIKE HELMET WHILE RIDING. Sure, my helmet is cracked and will have to be thrown out but \$50 IS A SMALL PRICE TO PAY FOR SAFETY. The outer plastic shell cracked like an egg but the inner polystyrene protection remains intact despite the fracture severing the cross supports between the air vent holes on top.

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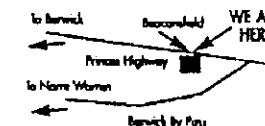
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BEACONSFIELD TENNIS CLUB NEWS

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'The Energisers'. Team members - Greg Chrisfield, Gail Richards, Heather Saunders, Chris Stephens, Louise Woodward. Runner Ups:- 'The Gavgagators'. Team members - Gavin Baltruschaitis, Irene Dawson, Cameron McPhee, June Damon.

'B' Grade - 'The Escalators' held a close and enjoyable game against the 'Kosmo's'. Final score was Escalators 3 sets 29 points, Kosmo's 3 sets 26 points. Winners:- 'The Escalators' Team members - Darrell Ackerly, Carol Wright, Heather Agnew, Robert Atkins. Runner Ups - 'The Kosmo'. Team members - Russell Brentwood, Wes Loomes, Sally Keys, Sharon Loomes. The team not in finals played in a Round Robin and supported teams playing in finals. There was a lot of time out from the Round Robin during the night as the games became intense. Presentation to the Winners & Runner Ups of 'A' & 'B' finalists, Wooden spoons and Round Robin Winners was followed with a great spread of supper. Next competition commences on 29th April 1997. Any enquiries contact Margaret Chatfield on 9707 2016.

SENIOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS FINALS DAY was held on Sunday 6th April. Rain stopped play on the day and several finals had to be completed during the following week.

Mens 'A' Grade Winners:- Mal Davies. Runner Up :- Adam Hurst Mens 'B' Grade Winner :- David Jame Runner Up :- Peter Beattie Ladies 'A' Grade Winner:- Dawn Snelson Runner Up:- Ann Phillips. Ladies 'B' Grade Winner :- Vivienne Bekker. Runner Up:- Lorraine Chapman. Mens 'Open' Singles Winner:- Paul Osborne. Runner Up:- Greg Menzel. Ladies 'Open' Singles:-to be played. Mens 'Open' Doubles:- Winners -

Greg Menzel & Andrew Peart. Runner Ups - Paul Osborne & Ben Goltz. Ladies 'Open' Doubles Winners:- Fiona Clacy & Sharon Lizars Runner Ups:- Kate Stilo & Marita Meeking. Mens 'B' Doubles Winners:- Wes and David Jame. Runner Ups:- Trevor Thompson & Luke Crantock. Ladies 'B' Doubles Winners :- Heather Saunders & Joan McPherson. Runner Ups :- Dawn Snelson & Lorraine Chapman. Mixed 'A' Doubles:- Cathy Briant & Andrew Peart. Runner Up:- Kate Stilo & Nathan McEwan. Mixed 'B' Doubles - to be completed. Veterans 'Mens' - Winner- Peter Oliver. Runner Up - Len Saunders.

Contact for Juniors - Heather Saunders on 9707 2081
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FAREWELL

Farewell to Colin & Maria. Crawley of Wood St., who are leaving to live at Corinella.

Farewell to Bernie & Bushy Miles. They have moved to their new residence in Upper Pakenham. Thanks for delivering the Banners and for your great community spirit.

WELCOME

Welcome to the Banner distribution team - Louise Bailey.

HOME AT LAST

Welcome back to Beaconsfield Allison and Colin Lack. Hope you enjoyed your adventures at Rosebud and Hastings.

CLOSING DATE FOR THE NEXT BANNER IS 23rd. MAY 97.

IN TRAINING AGAIN.



For the 6th year enthusiastic riders from the Beaconsfield area have entered the Woody's Murray to Moyne Cycling Relay. This year the relay is being held on Anzac weekend. Altogether 215 teams, 1550 riders and approximately 630 support crew members will leave either Mildura, Swan Hill or Echuca for the 520 km ride to Port Fairy.

Each team entering registers a team name and nominates a health related organisation they will raise money for. The 9 riders of the local team have selected "Wurry to the Groyne" as a team name and have chosen Camp Quality to

receive their sponsorship money. The team appreciates the sponsorship of T.Shirts from Boral Concrete and Classique Signs.

The riders as well as support crew Ralph Smith Joan Horton and Gabi Rubins will leave Mildura at 12 noon on Saturday and arrive in Port Fairy by 11 o'clock on Sunday morning.

Raelene Quinn, Sue Brown, Bob and Dean Dalzell, Ted Horton, Willem Boon, Rob Shore, Andrew Rubins, and Peter all have put in many hours training to be part of this great weekend.

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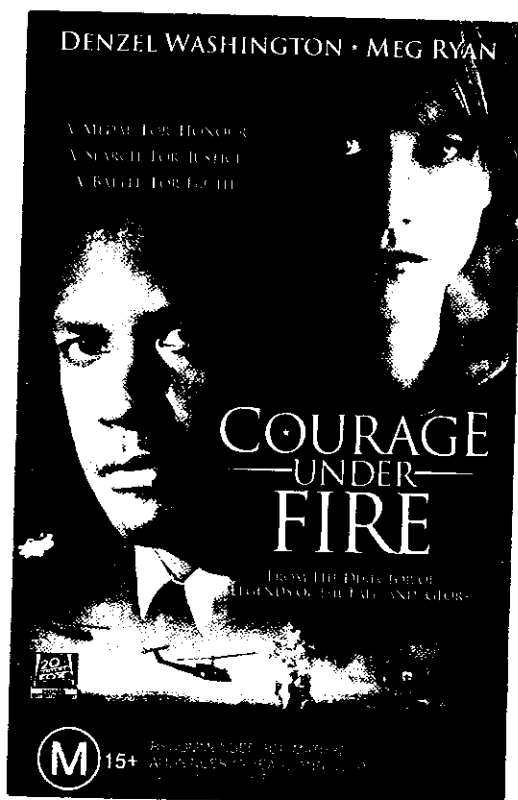
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