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ROADS TO BE SUBJECT OF PUBLIC MEETING 18TH APRIL, 2000

The Beaconsfield Progress Association Inc is making "Roads" the subject for discussion at their next meeting.

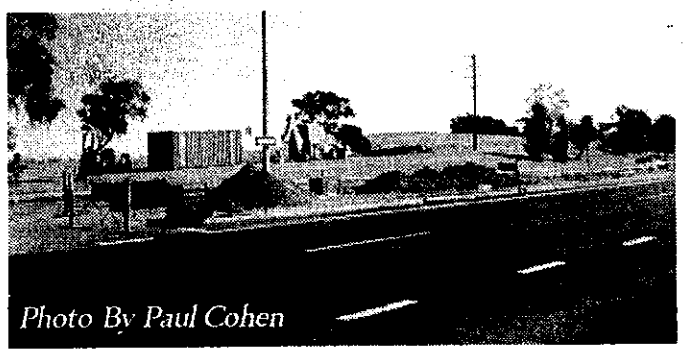
Representatives from Vic Roads, The Cardinia Shire Council, The City of Casey and Members of Parliament will be in attendance to let us know what is planned. We in turn will be able to let them know what we want, need and expect.

Some points to be discussed are; -

* Freeway Access at Soldiers Road for residents of Beaconsfield and the eastern end of Berwick.
* The Hallam Bypass and its effect on the traffic through Officer and at the Princes Freeway/Princes Highway, May Road Intersection.
* Kenilworth Avenue & Brunt Road construction to make a safe and alternative route for Beaconsfield and Officer residents to Beaconsfield.
* Re-alignment of Wood Street and Soldiers Road with the level crossing moved from Station Street to the western end of the railway station and the roadway raised to allow all weather access to Beaconsfield from south of the creek.
* Construction of the proposed Soldiers Road, Kangan Drive, Edrington Park Drive connection.

All residents from Beaconsfield and the surrounding areas, who would like to see improvements to the road network, should come along to this evening to put forward their views.

IMPROVEMENTS TO BEACONSFIELD/ PRINCES FREEWAY INTERSECTION



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ANZAC DAY SERVICE

An Anzac Day service will be conducted at the Beaconsfield Cenotaph on Sunday 23rd of April commencing at 2pm.

If you wish to lay flowers in memory of a Soldier you will be able to during the service.

After the service there will be afternoon tea at the Community Centre followed by Talking History lead by Dr. Charles Wilson. Everyone welcome.

BEACONSFIELD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION PUBLIC MEETING

7.30P.M. TUESDAY 18TH APRIL, 2000
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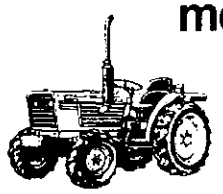

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From the President of the B.P.A. Joy Bishop

The Progress Association has had quite a successful year so far. We now have news of work on the Median strip, a greater length would have been nice but we expect the next section to be done next financial year.

The "Exeloo" toilet is going ahead and together with the modifications at the Wood Street intersection it will be a welcome improvement to our town.

The next Public meeting will have "Roads" as its main subject as I believe that the traffic congestion is really getting quite intolerable.

The Hall/Community facility is progressing slowly with the Council appointing a consultant to establish the Communities needs and to apply for Government funding for such a facility. A meeting with the consultant was held on Tuesday 28th March, 2000

We are holding our annual "Anzac Day" service on Sunday 23rd April, 2000 at 2.00p.m. at the Cenotaph, and all residents and friends are invited to attend to honour our Service Men and Women from all Wars.

(Look for articles through the Banner for more details on these items)

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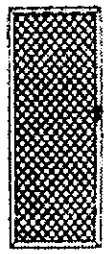

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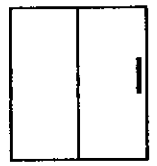

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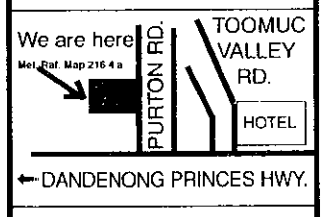

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COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The Beaconsfield Progress Association Inc. through its voice, The Beaconsfield Banner, would like to congratulate all participants in the recent Council elections on their well-run campaigns. We welcome back Keith Ewenson and Ted Owen.

We would like to wholeheartedly thank retiring councillor, Graeme Kidd for all his assistance during his time as our local Councillor.

CARDINIA SHIRE NEWS

BEACONSFIELD COUNCIL

Photo by Paul Cohen

Above:- Councillors Ted Owen and Keith Ewenson after they won the elections for the Beaconhills Ward.

Ted Owen can be contacted on:- 0418 568 517
Keith Ewenson can be contacted on:-0409 149 535

PUBLIC TOILET FOR BEACONSFIELD.

Mr. Nick Stafford, Project Manager at the Shire of Cardinia has confirmed that work will begin on the Public Toilet at Beaconsfield towards the end of May. The toilet is expected to be an "exeloo" self-cleaning, uni-sex toilet. It will be located in the "Island" opposite the bus shelter at the corner of Wood Street and Princes Highway.

Further improvements are to be made at this intersection with a new entrance to the shops being constructed at the western end of the complex (next door to the super market). Improvements will be made to the speed humps to make it safer for parents and children accessing the kindergarten. Pedestrian movement generally will be improved in this area.

HISTORICAL EVENT FOR CARDINIA SHIRE - DISABILITY POLICY

During the March 6th council meeting Cardinia Shire Council endorsed its first ever DisAhility Policy.

The policy was developed in partnership under Council's Access for All Abilities program together with service providers and community members of the DisAbility Policy Group and the DisAbility Advisory and Issues Group .

The development process used the principle that people and agencies in our community who work with and are directly affected by disabilities have the best knowledge and understanding of the requirements needed for a DisAbility Policy document.
It is with pleasure that the DisAbility Policy is now available from the Shire on request. Local residents are pictured throughout the document including Simone Rushton from Beaconsfield.

Karan Kent - Community Development Officer for Recreation Disability

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NEWS FROM THE BEACONSFIELD FIRE BRIGADE

TIM MOSELY AWARD

Firefighter Emma Johnson has been presented the Tim Mosely Award for the Pakenham Group of Fire Brigades. The Tim Mosely Award recognises significant achievement by a junior brigade member and was presented to Emma at the Region 8 Fire Championships at Clyde on 18 March 2000 by CFA Area Manager, Ewen Cameron and members of the Mosely family.

Emma joined the Beaconsfield Fire Brigade in 1998 and following the completion of her recruit training has become an active firefighter responding to fire and emergency calls.

Beaconsfield Captain Ron Woodfine said Emma was a deserving recipient of the award who enthusiastically participated in a wide range of brigade activities. He cited as examples Emma's recent accreditation in the use of breathing apparatus equipment and her initiative in establishing a brigade newsletter. Emma is currently completing her VCE at the Pakenham Secondary College and has been involved in the CFA youth crew program at the school.

FIRE SAFETY

As we enter the cooler autumn months, a number of fire safety actions should be undertaken in your home. Smoke detectors should be regularly checked and where necessary batteries should be replaced as your families safety depends on a smoke detector working in the event of a fire. Chimneys for fireplaces and woodheaters should be cleaned to avoid a build up of material in the chimney, and the roof space should be checked to ensure bird nests have not been established next to the chimney, as this is a common cause of fires in the home.

MAKE MONEY

If any young person who lives in the Kingsmere estate would like to make some money delivering the Beaconsfield Banner on a bi-monthly basis then please contact Glorraine Hardy on 97961361.

COME ON YOUNG WRITERS - WHEREVER YOU ARE.

(A request from Iris Lewis)

Where have all young writers gone- long time no see!
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If I can write some articles (or even shocking verse),
Try for the award, I'm certainly sure that you will do no worse!!

Footnote ;- articles, poems etc can be left at the Post Office in the labelled box inside. Please include name and contact number for verification.

BPS CORNER

What's Happening at Beaconsfield Primary School

The new school year for 2000 has seen our population expand with that of Beaconsfield. Our Prep year children commenced with one of the smoothest hassle free intakes and have swelled our numbers to 271, boys out numbering girls 146 to 125.

The current government ruling on minimum junior school numbers has driven the need to "manufacture" additional class accommodation. Those that remember the "old hall" will be surprised at how well it has blossomed into a classroom. The former Cardinia Dam site office, now with repaired floor (after collapsing), new carpet, new furniture, skylight and air conditioning installed and a coat of paint, is the pride of Miss Robertson's year 5/6 and the envy of others. Grade 5/6 will be attending their annual camp this year at Ballarat and hope that their "new" room will not be bijacked whilst away.

It is pleasing to see the local community making caring use of our new hardcourt outside of school hours. Local junior Beaconsfield basketball team "The Raiders" are seen at practice there each week. We trust they are going well in their competition.

Our grounds are nearing completion to that envisaged after building of the new school with two playgrounds, hardcourt, terracing and wetland installation. The first working bee for year 2000 saw a huge turnout (60 plus) with a major clean up and final touches to hardcourt and Jim Bartlett playground being achieved. This playground will be re-dedicated to the memory of Jim Bartlett, following completion of a memorial seat utilising reclaimed bricks and bluestone steps from the old school house.

To the future, and given our obvious growth prospects, we are now pushing government to begin implementation of Stage 2 of the school master plan. This is planned to include a gymnasium with additional classrooms and would see rebuilding of the less than satisfactory fence line in Lyle Avenue.

Maurice Potter, School Council President

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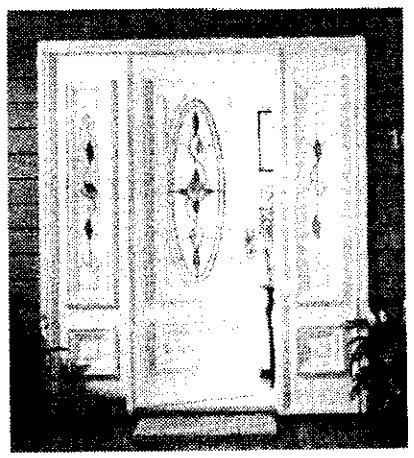

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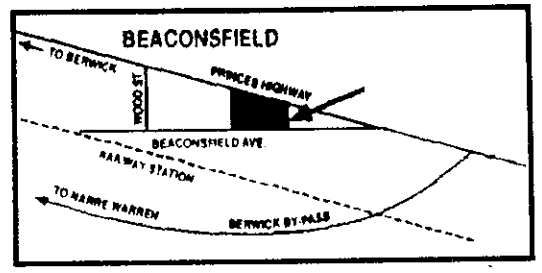

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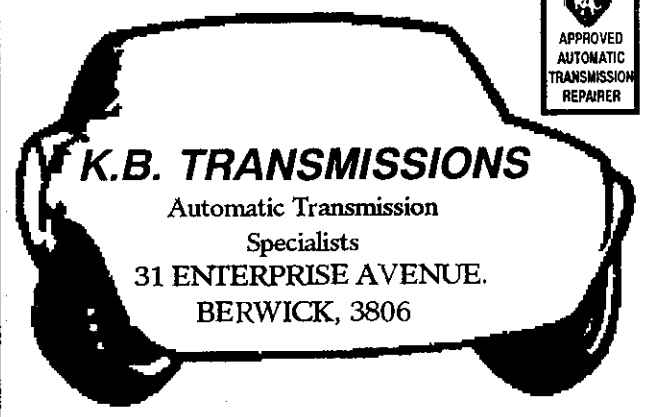

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Remember there are no strangers here just friends you haven't met before.

MAKE AND MINGLE

By Ann Taylor

Ann Taylor

We have been doing a variety of ribbon flowers with Bev, these will continue with new ideas for using the ribbons and flowers. We have some beautiful embroidery ideas and candlewicking and a fabulous patchwork bag. Glassart, ceramic pieces and a needle case. There will also be greeting cards, bread dough broaches, stamping. papercraft and beautiful picture crochet baskets.

Give yourself a break and have 2 hours each week to relax with friends.

See you at Beaconsfield Baptist Church, Cnr Souter Street and Princes Highway (next to swimming pool) Wednesday 10am to 12 noon during school term.

Enquires Ann Taylor 9707 1996

You are welcome to join us any Wednesday during school term 10am to 12 noon, for a time of craft and friendship.

This year we have enjoyed making new friends and renewing old friendships.

You can learn a new craft or bring your own crafts to finish off or just come for a chat and a cuppa.

MEDIAN STRIP IMPROVEMENTS FOR BEACONSFIELD

Council is about to call for tenders for work to the Median Strip around the Lyle Road, Goff Street, school crossing area.

The plan has been on display in the Milk Bar window. Work is expected to commence early in May.

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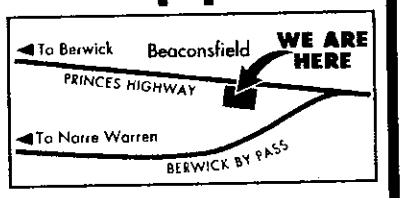

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VIDEO VIBES.

with David Griffiths

THE ANNUAL VIDEO VIBES AWARDS

Here we find ourselves at a very special Video Vibes Award Ceremony. These are the end of the Millennium awards. This is also the first time the awards results have been published in the Beaconsfield Banner instead of my Web Site. For people who don't know about the Video Vibes Awards, each year I try to review nearly every film released, at the end of that year I give awards to the best and worst films and actors. Here are my choices for the last Millennium. Best Film Ever: Schindler's List. Worst Film Ever: Take any Jim Carrey film, you can't miss. Best Romance: Jerry Maguire and Titanic (for storyline and acting only). Best Pre Nineties Film: Star Wars Trilogy Best Nineties Film: Cruel Intentions & Trainspotting Best Musical: Oliver! and Sound of Music Best Australian Film: To Kiss Or Kill Best Horror: Scream Best Teen Film: Higher Learning

Best Action: The Big Hit (shows just what Actions films are all about). Best Screenplay: Andrew Keven Walker for Seven Best Cinematography: The Power of One Best Soundtrack: Cruel Intentions Best Director: Peter Weir for Picnic At Hanging Rock Best Actor: Jack Nicholson Best Actress: Sarah Michelle Geller Best Young Actor: Ryan Philippe Best Young Actress: Neve Campbell and Reese Witherspoon

David Griffiths

Worst Actor: Any action film actor except Bruce Willis. Worst Actress: Barbara Streisand Worst Screenplay in a film: Titanic (how about some continuity guys).

In the last edition of Video Vibes I offered a prize for anyone who could answer all the questions in the quiz: no one could so here are the answers. 1. Matilda 2. Dream For An Insomniac 3. Funny Farm 4. My Stepmother Is An Alien 5. Portia Di Rossi 6. Demi Moore 7. Gone With The Wind 8. Ground Zero 9. Good Morning Vietnam and The Drew Carey Show 10. Clerks, Mall Rats and Chasing Amy 11. Jerry Maguire 12. Because the lake was manmade and was not made until after the Titanic sunk 13. Shallow Grave 14. A London bus painted with the union jack 15. Nathan Birnbaum.

All the films mentioned above should be available at Beaconsfield Family Video Land. Now the millennium thing is over, the next edition of Video Vibes will be back to it's original format. The best reviews of the best new release films from my web site.

FAMILY TAX ASSISTANCE AND CHANGES

By Graeme J. Taylor. CA

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Government assistance to help families with the cost of raising children is be increased and made simpler. The existing 12 complex payments for families with children will be replaced by three new payments as follows:

CURRENTLY
NEW PAYMENTS

1. Minimum and additional family allowance
Family Tax Benefit A
Family Tax Payment/
Assistance A

2. Basic Parenting Payment/ Dependant
Family Tax Benefit B
Spouse Rebate/ Guardian Allowance/
Sole Parent Rebate/Family Tax Payment/
Assistance B

3. Childcare Assistance
Childcare Benefit
Childcare Rebate

The new system starts on 1st July 2000 and is administered by the Family Assistance Office (FAO)

Payment Choices

Eligible families will have the choice of receiving their Family Tax Benefit as a direct payment from the FAO direct to Bank or Credit Union accounts. Alternatively a lump sum can be claimed when lodging a tax return or by claiming reduced tax installments from pays during the year. Childcare benefit can only be paid from FAO.

Family Tax Benefits

The maximum rate of payment for Part A will increase by $140 a year subject to higher income tests but no assets test. There will be no income test for single people receiving part B. The eligibility of these payments is based on family adjusted taxable income which now incorporates fringe benefits, tax free pensions or benefits, net property rental losses, non-taxable foreign income less child maintenance paid.

Income Test

Full payment of Part A provided that family income (claimant and partner) is less than $28,200 pa. The full base rate of Part A is still paid provided the family income is less than $73,000 pa. plus $3,000 for each additional child. The benefits over these income amounts reduce by 30 cents for each dollar earned.

Full payment of Part B provided the secondary earner's income is less than $1,616 pa before benefits are reduced by 30 cents for each extra dollar earned.

Summary

The Family Assistance Office will be circulating families during March 2000 to advise details of the new payments. Families can ring the FAO for assistance on 136-150 or contact their accountant. Make sure you act to obtain the maximum benefits.

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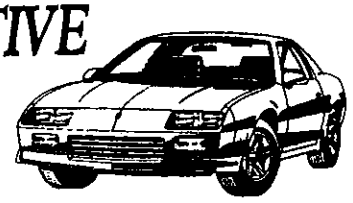

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OUR NATURAL WORLD

By Peter Hansen

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Nutrition. A word that is continually coming in our daily lives more and more understood by a growing number of people, but misunderstood by too large a number yet. So many experts, so much confusing information, that those who are trying to sort out the wheat from the husks, sometimes give up and ignore it.

Some facts. The earth, our planet, is rapidly losing the minerals we rely on for the substance in our grown foods to create the substance in our bodies. Without the minerals we are weak, vulnerable, mentally, emotionally and physically at risk for any disease condition known to man. The W.H.O. (World Health Organisation) has collated mineral analysis from all the countries on earth, and the picture is not at all reassuring. The reasons are many and varied. De-forrestation, erosion, chemical treatments of land, over population, damming of natural water courses, overcropping, water table loss, due to bore water extraction and so on. Even our water supplies are full of chemicals which soon kill off any remaining minerals that we desperately need. Over processed foods (ie. supermarkets) lacks any real goodness and are full of chemicals such as preservatives, artificial colouring, flavouring etc.

All is not lost however. There are ways and means to overcome most of our nutritional problems with some simple and sensible changes to the way we live. They cost no more than what you are spending now (less in the long term) and you don't have to be an expert to do it. Firstly understand that "live" food is best. Fresh fruit, fresh vegetables, fresh clean (purified) water, organically grown (if possible) fruit and vegetables, greatly reduced animal products (there are plenty of substitutes), reduced amount of red meat (you can live without it), also chicken meat (full of antibiotics and steroids). Deep ocean fish is full of Omega 3's and is desirable on a regular basis. Don't eat between meals and don't have large meals before bed.

These are simple starters, but if you feel particularly weary, a course of vitamins and mineral supplements can be enough to keep you going till your good eating habits are settled in. Go easy on sugar and salt, they are both stimulants, and used often as preservatives in food.

Don't make life a tension wracked business when it comes to nutrition. Live sensibly and thoughtfully when it comes to your food, and question everything you put in your mouth. If you doubt it's goodness for your body, don't eat it, it's that simple. Most people look after their motor cars better than themselves, but surely your life is more important than a heap of metal.

Napoleon once said that an army marches on it's stomach, and we do too in our daily lives. We should eat to live not live to eat, but this does not imply our food needs to be bland and uninteresting, far from it. Remove sauces, spices, gravies and other covers from vegetables and you will re-discover the wonderful natural taste of natures produce, and it will work better for you too.

Good health is our birthright. Claim yours.

BEACONSFIELD'S HANDYMAN

By Phil Collins

Some say that you can hear white ants munching their way through your house frame but you cannot hear the effects of a leaking shower. The resultant damage is very nearly as serious and you should act as soon as water damage becomes visible. Most house frames are built of radiata pine which is soft and water absorption is very quick. Rot follows very quickly and advances swiftly and silently.

We rely on steps to be strong and safe yet so many steps become rickety because they spread and allow the treads to lose their tightness in the side rails. I speak of timber steps of course. When they are made I believe they should be cross bolted to keep them together and prevent water penetrating and rotting the ends. A good hand rail is the best insurance against stumbling and no matter whether it is 2 steps or a whole flight,a stumble is frightening particularly for an older person.

Aluminium security doors are fitted to most houses these days and with them there is usually a door closer. If your door becomes difficult to close it is usually the top hinges that has worked loose causing the door to scrape on the bottom and at the top corner. The door closer exerts quite a bit of force and gradually the rivets holding the hinge to the top of the door become strained and loose. ilt is fixed by removing the rivets and replacing them with a slightly larger size rivet.

Don Burke of "Burkes Backyard" is I think the best, most practical adviser in the media. I particularly like his recent segment on the "cut and fill" method of leveling the land prior to laying the concrete slab for a new house. As he said, it is certainly the cheapest method for the builder but the costs involved in retaining walls, draining and garden establishment far exceed any saving in the actual building.

I can't build a house (yet!) but for painting, repairs and small renovations call the Handyman on 9707 4225. "Have Tools Will Travel".

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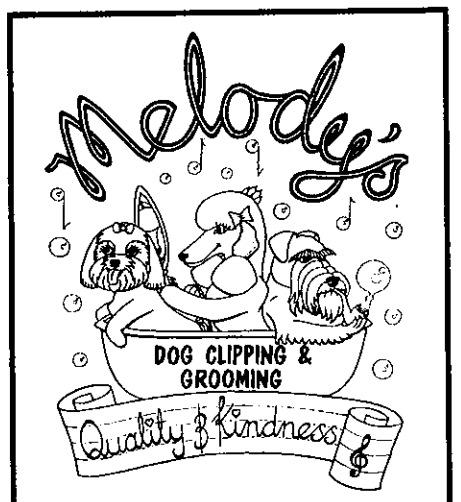

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As spaces are limited please phone and book a seat. This is free of charge.

Headache	12th April
Irritable Bowel Syndrome	26th April

Dr. Craig Carter Dr. Steven Pratt
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THE GUYS HILL GROUP

By John Wells

Left:- John Wells

At the first meeting of the Guys Hill Group it was decided that Guys Hill has two 'town halls'. The summer meeting place is John Byron's cattleyards on Quamby Flat and the winter centre is Cantwell's yards opposite the store. Who could ask for more?

The group met for the first time on 16 May 1999, to develop a voice for the small community on the hill between Beaconsfield and Upper Beaconsfield. There were 48 folk at that meeting and three dogs. The dogs were not allowed to vote though that decision is under review.

A foundation Committee of Five was decided upon and is made up of John and Jeanette Fowler, Lorraine Barnes, Fiona and Brett Walker, Craig Carter, Sally Middleton, John Wells and John Byron. As this seemed to be more than five the dogs were not given representation.

This is an informal group, meeting irregularly, called together when anyone has a serious issue to raise or when it is felt that it is time for us to just get together. It is supplements such community functions as the Quamby Road barbeques. In expressing the specific views of Guys Hill people, the Group hopes to work in co-operation with the long-standing ratepayer groups to the north and south but to maintain the independence of this unique little community.

The issues before the Group included the ill-founded rumour that Inglis Road would be closed, our wish not to have a mail delivery, the need to foster the sense of being an independent community with the General Store as our community centre and gossiping spot and the fixing of our boundaries. We got a map from the Shire that showed Guys Hill as about the size of the Waverley stadium.

The next meeting was held at the stockyards on Saturday 1st April, a remarkably appropriate day and there is not a person west of the Maribyrnong who would not be welcome, no dogs will be admitted.

STORE FOR SALE

Pam Trounson has the General Store on the market and that is an important matter for us. This shop is more than just a place to get a newspaper. Since before the Second World War this has been the centre of community information for us, a place where we could put notices for lost dogs, found cats and missing budgerigars, a place where we heard what was happening and wondered about what was not, a place where we could buy things we'd forgotten to get, and things we hadn't even remembered we needed.

It is where the much-loved King family made their home in the community, selling petrol to 'locals only' in the dead of night during petrol strikes. It is where Brian and Karen Southorn followed the tradition, especially with their Thursday night 'men's business' fires, and where Steve Rimmer and Pam Trounson have served us since. Whoever buys the store will have little choice but to become part of our community!

THE GOSSIP COLUMN

Most of this is no-one else's business, really, but the McDonald's are on the wallaby, moving down to Berwick, and Nook Poulton has been pretty crook again. The Funereal Cockatoo numbers are increasing (the flock is up to about 27 and seems to be splitting into two) and the possums and white cockatoos are reaching plague proportions. That sort of thing is news in Guys Hill, and we like it that way.

KNOT JUST WOODEN TOYS

Back in the early 1900's at 26 Wood Street began the business of Adamson & Sons hardware shop, next to C.F.A. Today, in part of this building Henny and Max Blair recently started their business "KNOT JUST WOODEN TOYS."

In the beginning before plastic, toys were made from WOOD. Now in WOOD Street, "KNOT JUST WOODEN TOYS" is just as the name implies. KNOT only will you find handmade trains, trucks, and also doll's houses, just to name a few.

For the Sewers, sewing tidies that are hanging. Quilters and Patchworkers stands and hanger for your quilts. These are all individually made and designed by Max. Layby welcome.

Henny manages the shop, and gives a hearty welcome to you to come in and browse.

They are at Shop: 2/26 Wood Street, Beaconsfield. Phone 9796 2355 Hours:

Mon - Fri	9.30am - 5.00pm
Sat	9.30 am - 1pm.

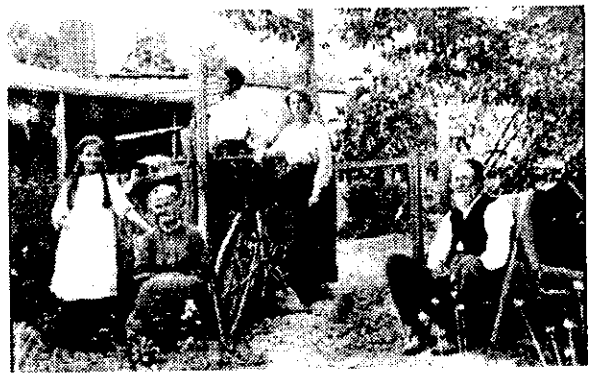
Above:- Customers Mrs and Mr Keeysman with owner Henny Blair.

CLOVER COTTAGE DINNER

Come alone or with family and friends and make up a table. Wednesday 14th June, 2000. Arrive 6.30pm. Meal 7-10pm. $35 per person. Enquiries Margaret Chatfield Beaconsfield Tennis Club on 9707 2016.

THE WARMBRUNN FAMILY

by Charlie Wilson



Above:- Photo at "TARILTA" Guys Hill 1914. L-R Visitor, Catherine, Millicent, Mary and Ernest.

In July 1838 Frederick Warmbrunn, his wife and family, having suffered religious persecution in Germany, sailed from Hamburg for the newly formed colony of South Australia. On their arrival, they soon established a successful market garden near Adelaide, and a few years later moved to the Barossa Valley.

In 1853 the lure of gold took them to Castlemaine, but they had little success. After arriving in Berwick in 1856, Frederick Warmbrunn became a teacher at the Lutheran School in Harkaway. All their three children married.

The younger son Ernest, was born in Australia in 1840 and spent his childhood on farms with his parents. In 1881, at the age of 41, he married Catherine Stevens who was born at Tarilta, a town to the south of Castlemaine. The couple had 5 children, Mary, Alf, Fred, Catherine, and Millicent. Ernest with his farming background, worked successfully as a greengrocer in Camberwell and Prahran.

In 1904 Ernest and Catherine bought nine acres of land at "Hill View" Estate, where they built "Tarilta", a wattle and daub house which survived until it was destroyed during the fires of 1983. The entrance to the property is opposite Montuna Grove in Guys Hill.

Ernest farmed the property, producing flowers and vegetables for local sale. He won many prizes for farm produce between 1911 and 1914. Ernest was very religious - no cards were allowed in the house, grace before meals, scripture reading every night. On Sundays the girls were not allowed to knit, sew or do anything except read the Bible, or attend Bible reading lessons.

When Ernest died in 1815, Mary who was a tailoress by profession and did not marry, moved back to Tarilta to care for her mother until she died in 1946. Mary died at Tarilta in 1952.

Alf joined the AIF during World War 1. He was a sniper in the 59th Battalion, and was gassed whilst overseas. On his return to Australia he became a linesman, working at Noojee, Warragul and Mildura. He retired to Tarilta and died in 1966.

Fred, who married Alicia Crossley had two children and lived in Quamby Road where his land backed on to Tarilta. He was an excellent cyclist. Catherine married Robert Gorwell, living at Wonthaggi with their 4 children, Irene, Gwen, Marjory, and Bob.

Millicent married Norm Trenberth, they lived at Brighton, with their 4 children, Dorothy, Patricia, Valda, and Marlene. All the grandchildren are proud of, and interested in their family history.

A compiled history of the WARMBRUNN FAMILY Sources- Mrs Marlene.P.Austin (born in 1935). Moved to stay with her sister when her husband died 1990. Now living with Miss Valda Trenbert. Carpenters were neighbours. See Early Days of Berwick - page 157.

Footnote: Name & phone number supplied if anyone would like further information. The property of 'Tarilta' in Guys Hill has recently been sold. Alfred Warmbrunn is depicited on the WW1 Beaconsfield Honour Board.

PRIVATE T.F. BARNETT

Private Thomas Frederick (Fred) Barnett(pictured above), one of the WW1 soldiers depicted on the Beaconsfield Honour Roll, enlisted in 1915 and trained at Broadmeadows.

In 1916 he embarked on the "Persic" on his way to France via Egypt. He served in the 22nd Company, 3rd Division Army Corp.

Before enlisting he lived with his family in Quamby Road and I am told by his family he built homes in the area, one of which is the weatherboard house on the corner of Soldiers Road and Adamson Rd., which has now been extended and renovated and also the Upper Beaconsfield Post Office.

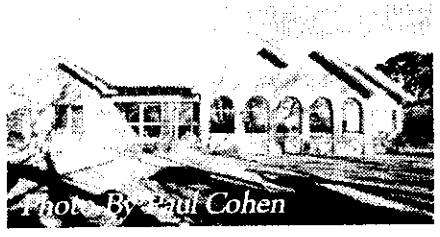
The family lived at the Soldiers Road address between 1923 - 1928 when they moved to Caulfield.

Footnote: Initials on the honour board should have been T.F. Barnett. Corrections to the booklet should be, Parents - Samuel Barnett and Kate Belbin, returned to Aust. - 28/6/ 1919 on the "Zealandia".

NEW ERA FOR BEACONSFIELD HOMESTEAD

The sprawling 1940's homestead built by the Roche family recently sold at auction to a Berwick couple for $240,000.00. The auction on the Berwick Views Estate was well attended.

The buyers intend renovating the home for their own use, they are extremely happy about securing a large block of land and are intending to put in a swimming pool and jacuzzi and landscape the gardens.



Above:- Roche Homestead 1999

FIND YOURSELF AT "THE CENTRE OF THE UNIVERSE"

by Ted Horton.

Yes you can now at 37 Wood Street Beaconsfield. In the historic verandah front premises, this new business opened in January and offers a fantastic choice of classes to the public in the various forms of esoteric arts including Feng Shui, Astrology, Numerology, Tarot, Psychic Readings, Crystal Healing, Practical Magic, Naturopathy, Shiatsu and Spiritual Development.

Much of this originated in Ancient times in Eastern Asia but is still just as relevant in guiding and shaping our 21st Century lifestyles. Through professional teaching from the owner Julie Rocka and other qualified instructors we can undertake our own quest to "find ourselves" at the centre of "our own Universe" through a journey of personal development, education, healing, therapy and counselling.

The shop has served the community since very early times as a general store, blacksmith, hairdresser, billiard room and clothing store. It is now well preserved in its originality. Julie has spared nothing to restore the building and tastefully furnished it practising what she teaches in the principles of Feng Shui. Through its colourful past the place has an alluring spirituality of its own.

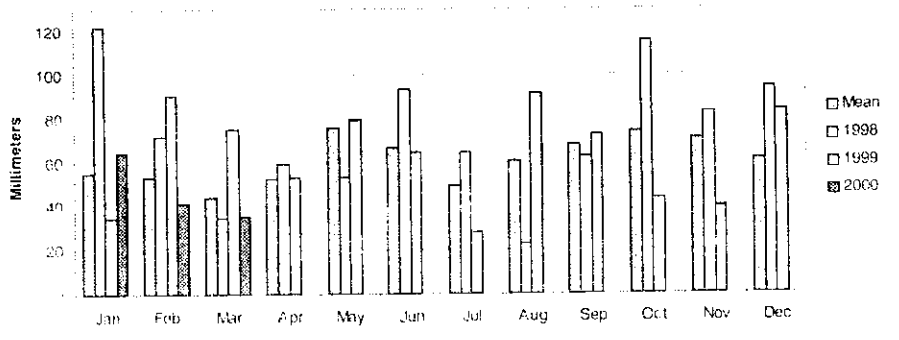
Julie began learning Feng Shui over twenty yeas ago from the Chinese inhabitants of the Philippines where she lived with her father. Her studies have taken her to China where these days she even goes to teach the subject to others. Further group study tours of China and Outback Australia are planned for this year 2000.

On first meeting with Julie it is very evident that she speaks with great authority and enthusiasm about her teaching skills and subject knowledge. The classes that she offers enable the individual to improve their lifestyle and relationships through spiritual and personal enhancement. Much of this can be done through harmonising energies within your home and work environment.

On a personal note Julie comes from Clematis and has a son studying at Haileybury. Through investment and personal commitment in the business Julie Rocka has a Beaconsfield business that will be serving the community well into the future. It fits in perfectly with other health related and consulting businesses in the immediate area. It offers Beaconsfield people a fascinating alternative to support and improve their personal health and mental well being. Further more it is a will recognised method of improving happiness and prosperity in one life.

You too can journey to the "Centre of the Universe". Either phone 9796 1861 for an appointment or call by for a friendly reception when you see the OPEN sign on the door.

BEACONSFIELDS RAINFALL



CARLTON WARE

by Matt Wood of Berwick Antiques, Officer.

Carlton Ware is arguably one of the most popular 20th century ceramics. With a vast variety of styles and prices ranging from around 20 dollars to many thousands of dollars, it has become a most sort after collectible. Appealing to all from newcomers to the Carlton Ware connoisseur. Due to increased popularity, we have seen a steady increase in price. For example a Red Rouge Royal spiders web dish with the diameter of approximately 12 cm could have been purchased five years ago for $30, today however you would expect to pay in excess of one hundred dollars.

Carlton Ware had its beginnings in 1890, when James Frederick Wiltshaw & J.A. & H.T. Robinson founded the firm Wiltshaw & Robinson at the Carlton works in Stoke-on-Trent. The name Carlton Ware was registered in 1893. In 1894 Wiltshaw & Robinson changed its name to Carlton Ware.

In 1906 china joined the factories output, consequently the trademark Carlton Ware was added. In 1911 the partnership dissolved, leaving James Wiltshaw as sole proprietor until he was succeeded by his son Frederick on his death in 1918.

Carlton Ware continued to expand its' china production and with it's success took over the Stoke firm of Birks, Rawlins & Co. In 1964 Carlton Ware was taken over by Arthur Wood and Sons.

Under this new management Carlton Ware increased their exports by up to seventy-five percent until a down turn of general trade in the early 1980's which affected the sales and unfortunately saw the company go into receivership in the late 1980's.

A last minute rescue attempt by the Staffordshire firm of Grosvenor Ceramics Hardware was unsuccessful. Carlton Ware and the factory ceased production in 1992, just prior to its' 100th anniversary.

KINDER ASSISTANT CHANGES CAREER

Cathy Mills

Catherine Mills, long time employee of Beaconsfield Kindergarten was over whelmed at her informal farewell held at the Kinder. Many of the families that Cathy had been associated with came to wish her good luck with her new chosen career.

Cathy became a part-time member of staff at the Beaconsfield Kindergarten in 1986 and full time a year later. She always took an active role in the kinder and her caring and positive nature provided an excellent role model for the children she taught, not to mention the many families that she affected. She always made new parents feel relaxed especially those with children who have special needs, since she had a caring concern for them.

Cathy was always able to draw out the best in children and had wonderful creative talents and was an excellent cook. Her many talents were displayed in her daily role as assistant. She is known far and wide for her culinary skills in particular her delicious "scones" and jam and cream. When people sample the scones the next sentence is "can you give me the recipe, please."

Cathy always took an active role in the community serving on many committees including the Beaconsfield Primary School, Beaconsfield Guides and Brownies Committee and the Hall Committee.

Cathy has entered the professional world in a customer service role to which she is well suited. All concerned wish her good luck and a fond farewell. We look forward to seeing her around the local area and hearing the many young voices shout, "Hello Mrs. Mills."

Her Farewell Poem.

So now you are leaving us,
On to different things we trust.

Here's some momento to remember us by, A small part of our goodbye.

You've been well loved Mrs Mills, From families in Beacie and surrounding hills.

They says it's been 15 years, No wonder you're shedding these tears.

But the tears are falling for joy, "Why is she crying?" says a little boy.

Mrs. Mills is bringing a change in her life, And sometimes change cuts like a knife.

But new growth will soon appear, And before you know it will be a year since you left Beaconsfield Kinder.

As you drive past you mind will linger, You'll have lovely thoughts in mind and we have too because you are so kind.

We all wish you well and the very best of luck Fond farewell, kisses and all that muck.

Love from 15 years of families of Beaconsfield Kindergarten.

Catherine was given many gifts large and small to remember her time at the Kinder.

COMMUNITY FACILITIES FOR BEACONSFIELD

Photo Paul Cohen

Above:- Vivien Clark

The Cardinia Shire has commissioned Clark Phillips Pty Ltd to prepare draft concepts and a business plan for the development of community facilities for Beaconsfield.

Vivien Clark has convened two meetings this year with representatives from many Beaconsfield groups. If your group (formal or informal) has not been in contact with Vivien Clark please do so immediately, as this is your opportunity to have input about your groups needs.

Contact Vivien - 03 52216210.

BUSINESS EXPANDS

Berwick Greenery has taken over the large brick fitness centre building adjoining their present site. The building will be transformed into a shop, which will contain Lots of Fins Aquarium Centre, a gift shop and a florist. The existing building will be transformed into a restaurant. The official opening is planned for Easter Saturday & Sunday 22 and 23 April 2000.

YOUNG ARTISTS WORK CHOSEN FOR GREETING CARDS.

Elizabeth Bourke has lived in Beaconsfield all her life and attended Beaconsfield Primary and Berwick Secondary College. Elizabeth has always had a passionate interest in drawing and painting and finds much inspiration for her work within the rural aspect of Beaconsfield.

She did not begin art training until she was in year 10 and was short listed for VCE top cat in year 12. Elizabeth has continued her Art Studies by completing a Diploma of Arts- Illustration and is currently undertaking a Diploma of Arts-Visual Arts at Chisholm Institute, Frankston.

Following a students exhibition, a piece of Elizabeth's work was selected and is to be printed on a workcover poster depicting workplace bullying. Three slides of Elizabeth's paintings were taken by Amnesty International at another exhibition. One of these was printed on a greeting card and released by Amnesty in March 2000.

Elizabeth hopes to pursue Art as a career and ultimately would like to have her own studio/gallery where she could conduct classes for primary school age children.

ROSES AND THORNS

ROSES: To all the people who have taken the time to write articles for this edition of the Banner. We appreciate your efforts.

ROSES:To the school crossing ladies. We are most happy to leave the safety of our children in your capable hands.

ROSES: To the government for fulfilling their promise to fix up traffic flow into Beaconsfield. It took a while but we are very happy it is being attended to.

THORNS: To builders who leave materials on front footpath thus creating a safety hazard. Also to owners of properties who leave unsightly materials in front yard.

QUESTION? - Who made more noise - the rooster or the breaking of the window when something threw a rock at the rooster.

ROSES: to the person who has promised to replace the tree after ringbarking it while wipper snipping

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If you have any ideas about further activities which you would like to participate in, we are always ready to listen to suggestions.

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A VALLEY IN FRANCE

(This abbreviated report by Robin Corfield, Writer and Military Historian, was published in March 2000 newsletter of Friends of the 15th Brigade.)

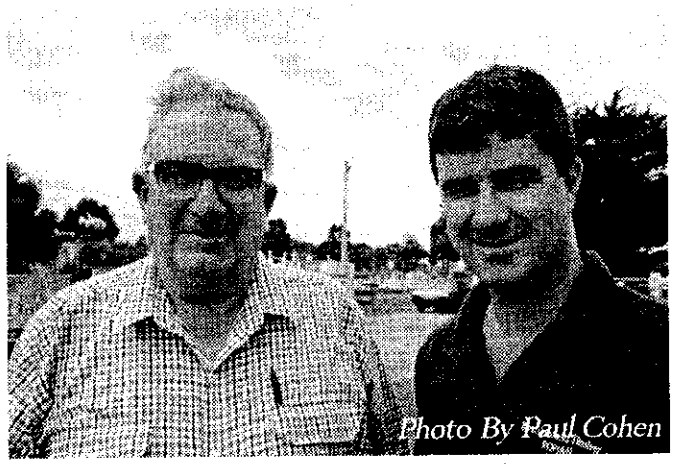
" Betty Whiteside brought together letters by her father when he was with the 59th Bn. in France and made a very handsome and interesting book from them. Cpl Thomas Clair Whiteside was severely wounded at Fromelles but returned to the front for Bullecourt. After that he was out of the line until July 1918, but then with 59th to the end.

The attraction of the letters is their difference from usual war letters, largely due to the fact that Whiteside was not born in Australia, and in an interesting but unconscious way his service in the AIF makes him into a "Dinky-Di". The book mentions around 115 names, many from 15th Bde. and mostly from Leongatha and Beaconsfield areas, the first where Whiteside went to school, the second where his parents and later he had an orchard.

The book launch at Beaconsfield on 18th April, 1999, was a great Aussie day, when everybody rallied around organising chairs etc. at the town memorial and later at the Scout Hall. There were speakers, most precise and to the point. It was a Beaconsfield history day and the weather was perfect as were the cakes and tea. A most interesting and heart-warming event. Clair Whiteside would have been a little shy about it all, but deep down rather proud."

The book "A Valley in France" edited by Betty Whiteside, is available at Berwick Mechanics Institute Library or from the author, P.O. Box 246, Beaconsfield, Vic, 3807.

BEACONSFIELD TIMBER AND HARDWARE



Above:- Gerald Treasure and his son Rohan

Gerald Treasure and his son Rohan opened Beaconsfield Timber and Hardware16 years ago in Beaconsfield Avenue.

This family owned and run business prides itself with the personal and friendly service it offers to everyone. They supply timber and hardware to the trade and also give personal attention to the "do-it- yourself" home handyman. Gerald has 52 years experience in the industry and is always only too happy to pass on this experience to any handyman or handywoman.

The 4-acre yard has easy access from both Princes Highway and Beaconsfield Avenue and deliveries can always be arranged.

Beaconsfield Timber and Hardware employ 10 people and run 2 trucks and a utility.

Gerald and his wife Mona live in Goff Street, they have 3 daughters and 1 son, Rohan, and 2 grand children, Lisa and Grant.

Gerald is a life member of the Beaconsfield Football Club, was President of the Beaconsfield Junior Football Club for 5 years and President of the Beaconsfield Senior Football club for 5 years. Gerald is also a Past President of Berwick Rotary Club and has held most of their senior positions.

Rohan attended Beaconsfield Primary School and Berwick High School before entering the business. Naturally Rohan played both junior and senior football for Beaconsfield. Currently he plays "A" grade cricket with Beaconsfield. For a hobby Rohan lists "motorbike enthusiast"

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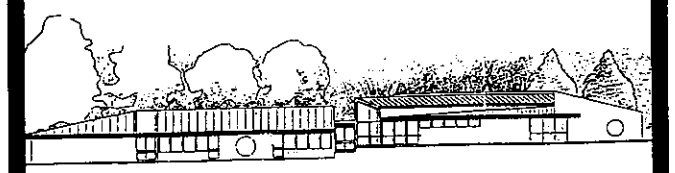

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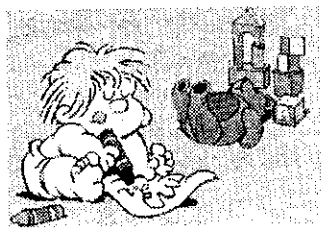

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SARAH CROCKETT - PHOTOGRAPHIC AWARD

Above:- Sarah Crockett

Sarah Crockett of Beaconsfield, a year 12 student at St. Francis Xavier College, Beaconsfield, recently was the winner of the Yellow Pages local directories 'Visions of Your Community' Photographic competition sponsored by Pacific Access of Burwood, in association with Yellow Pages.

Sarah's winning entry a photograph titled "Princes Highway, Berwick', is taken looking up the hill towards Berwick from near Akoonah Park, is featured on the front cover page of the yellow Pages, South Eastern Region, Local Directory, 2000/2001. Sarah also has two other photographs featured on the inside pages of the directory. These photographs were taken at Wilson Botanical Park, Berwick.

For her winning photograph, Sarah received a photographic package valued at $500 which included a Kodak Advantix Zoom Camera, a Kodak Disposable Fun Advantix Camera, a 12 film storage organiser and a 6 film pack of Kodak Advantix films.

On Monday 28th Feb., Sarah accompanied by her mother, Anne, father Brian and sister Amy attended a presentation evening at Pacific Access where she also received a framed picture of the Yellow pages cover page endorsed with her award winning details.

Sarah is in her final VCE year and is studying English, Economic, Legal Studies, Psychology and Materials and Technology, having completed Mathematics last year. Sarah plays netball, works part-time at Safeway in Berwick and uses her interest in photography as a release from her VCE studies.

SCOUTING ABOUT

There is great excitement amongst local scouts organising their trip to Kakadu over the Easter school holidays. We will ask one of the lucky participants to enlighten you on their return.

Robert Shreeve has had his scouts very busy camping in preparation for competition camps coming up soon, helping out at the model aeroplane exhibition at Cardinia, completing green cord activities, scouts going up to venturers. As well as attending meetings with other leaders to keep informed of what is happening Robert is preparing for Kakadu himself.

Enquiries 9707 1871

YOUTH ACTIVITIES IN BEACONSFIELD

by Bridie McMahon .

Beaconsfield Baptist Church's Junior and Senior Youth Groups offer a variety of activities and excursions for kids aged eight years and over. 'Full On', the senior group, caters for young adults from Year Seven upwards, and meet once a week. Some of the regular activities include games nights and coffee shops, as well as many special, one-off events during the school term.

Upcoming events for 'Full On' include a Gladiators Competition to be held on 17th June, and our annual Basketball Competition, which will be held on 22nd July. On the second and fourth Sunday of every month, 'Full On' run the night-time church service. Topics that are relevant to young adults are discussed during the service. The service starts at 6.30pm. For more details on upcoming events for 'Full On', please phone Rodney Jack on 5942 8385 and ask for a copy of our programme. For information on the Junior Youth Group please contact Rob Atkins on 9707 3762. Beaconsfield Baptist Church is located at 52-62 Princes Highway Beaconsfield.

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The Banner welcomes your letters. An address and preferably a phone number must be included to enable verification if needed. Preference will be given to letters which are topical and concise. The Banner reserves the right to alter or shorten letters as required after consulting author. Please send letters to the address shown on the front of The Banner.

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CONTACT: For more information please contact the President, Bente Thomson on 9707 3476, the Secretary, Karen Eaton on 9704 0512 or the Publicity Officer, Rosslyn Allen on 9704 1080.

CALENDER OF ACTIVITIES: April - Teddy Bears Picnic, May - Banking in the next century. Bank of Melbourne., June - Bone Marrow Donor Institute, July - Xmas in July, German theme.

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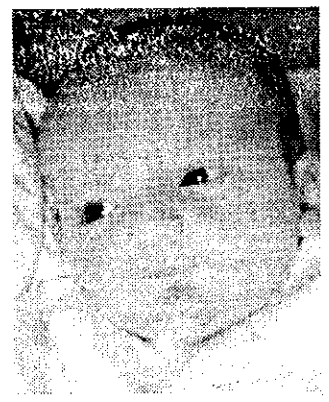

Stephanie Elizabeth Cooper

Cooper
Robert and Christina announce the birth of their first child Stephanie Elizabeth on February 27, 2000 at 8:45pm at the South Eastern Private Hospital 7 pounds, 4 ounces, 50cm

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