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See Council report on Page 4

ANZAC DAY MEMORIAL SERVICE



Above: Piper Ian Arrell and the 59th Battalion 1st Historical Group.

Beaconsfield Anzac Day Memorial Service will be held on **Sunday 27th April** at the War Memorial at 2pm.

Beaconsfield Progress Association with the support of Pastor David Morland will conduct this service with many local people participating.

The 59th Battalion 1st Historical Group will fire a blank ceremonial volley from their historical rifles. Ian Arrell from the 5th & 6th Royal Victorian Regiment

will be the official piper, Berwick Air League will form the Guard of Honour and Andrew Gordon will play the last post. Upper Beaconsfield R.S.L. will reflect on Anzac Day.

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Bake in moderate oven for 11 minutes or until brown.

Remove from oven and let the biscuits stand on trays for about 3 minutes. Lift onto a rack to cool.



Makes about 48 crisp biscuits.

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BEACONSFIELD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S REPORT

by Angela McPhee

Well, Council elections were very interesting with only two of the previous seven candidates being re-elected in Cardinia. I would like to congratulate the candidates for Edrington Ward, Neil Lucas, Pakenham Ward, Bill Ronald, and Beaconsfield Ward, Gary Runge, for being elected to represent our area. It is sad to see our Mayor, Keith Ewenson, and Councillor Ted Owen defeated at these elections. On behalf of the Beaconsfield Progress Association, I acknowledge the efforts of Keith Ewenson and Ted Owen over the years. I know they have worked hard for their constituents and the

community and they will continue to be valued members of our community.

Our community is growing at such a rapid rate that things need to happen quickly. A great deal of foresight has to be exercised in planning for the next phase of our community's development. Until recently Beaconsfield and Upper Beaconsfield have developed comparatively slowly. With the recent development of the Berwick Views Estate and subsequently the Panorama, Beaconsfield Rise and Bowmans Track Estates the area's needs have overtaken any planning provisions that would have been in place for in the past.

The community complex is a very exciting project, however there are many other infrastructure needs and requirements of the townships of Beaconsfield and Upper Beaconsfield in terms of use and recreational facilities. Issues that need to be addressed in the next 12 to 18 months are traffic, being an absolute priority, then the provision of recreational and sporting facilities.

We are still awaiting a response in relation to the traffic strategy from the Cardinia Shire and after pursuing this we will also be looking at other needs of the community and addressing a plan in the coming months at the Beaconsfield Progress Association meetings. We

welcome your input. **Please come along to our meeting on the 15th April 2003.**

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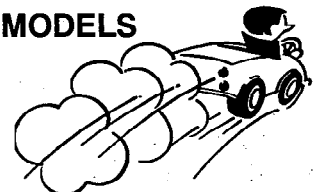
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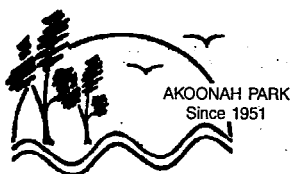
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*by Cr. Garry Runge,
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I would like to take this opportunity, as your newly elected Councillor for the Beacon Hills Ward, to thank those people who assisted me with my election campaign. I now look forward to working hard for the next three years to improve the Ward in the interests of all the residents. I have given an undertaking to promote honest and accountable local government and to work in the best interest of all the residents in the Beacon Hills Ward, this undertaking I will keep.

I would like to pay tribute to Keith Ewenson and Ted Owen who worked extremely hard for the Ward for many years. Both of these men have given a large part of their lives to community service in local government and have guided the Ward as it has developed and grown. Thanks Keith and Ted for all your hard work.

The issues of urban development, traffic and recreational space are at the fore front of my mind and I will be seeking advice from the community to plan our way ahead. I encourage residents to become involved with the various community groups in your area, in particular the Beaconsfield Progress Association. This Association is the vehicle for residents to inform the local Councillor about what the residents want and need in their area. It is your voice

to Council, so if you have local issues you need sorted out, ideas, suggestions and strategies, then come along to the Beaconsfield Progress Association meeting and make yourself heard. The Association is made up of local residents from the area and as your representative I am keen to hear your views about the future of the Ward.

Shortly, I will be able to provide everyone with a telephone number, e-mail address and postal contact for myself, but for now I can be contacted via the Cardinia Shire on 59454222.

COMMUNITY COMPLEX UPDATE

The Community Advisory group working on the Beaconsfield Complex design have been doing a great job with the architect and the project engineer.

The basic layout is nearing completion shortly after quantity surveying is done, the final design phase will commence. It is promising to be a well designed building providing, two kindergartens, community centre, a public hall to be proud of, and miscellaneous consultation rooms. It has been good working with this group to achieve a workable plan which will meet the communities needs.

We can look forward to the time in the near future when the final design concept is adopted for public viewing.



BEACONSFIELD FIRE BRIGADE NEWS

by Emma Johnson

BAZAAR!!!

SUNDAY 13TH APRIL 8.00 AM - 3.00 PM

After last years huge success our GIANT BAZAAR SALE is on again! And we need your Support!

The Bazaar will be located at the Beaconsfield Fire Brigade, Wood Street Beaconsfield. There will be Tools, Furniture, Household Items, Books, Toys, Gardening and many Varied Items.

The funds raised from this event will be used to replace our Brigade owned tanker: Beaconsfield Tanker 2.

**Please come and support
your local CFA.**

Thankyou to those who have donated goods to the Brigade, any further donations of saleable items would be greatly appreciated.

There are still tickets for our Raffle available: They will also be sold at the Bazaar Sale at \$2.00 a ticket

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Recent Incidents:-
Beaconsfield has attended the recent Mt. Martha and Gembrook fires. We also had a major Shed fire in Beaconsfield that was also attended by other local brigades.

SPOTLIGHT ON THE TOWNSHIP

* Computor Talk have moved (to near Eclipse and William Stevens Real Estate)

* Aldi Supermarket looks like it is nearing completion ready to open as they are advertising for staff.

* Paul Reed – Denture Clinic has moved from Wood Street to Souter Street.

* It is rumoured that a seafood outlet is looking at opening a business maybe in the former Computor Talk shop.

* Part of Holm Park Road is now sealed with another section still to be completed in the near future.



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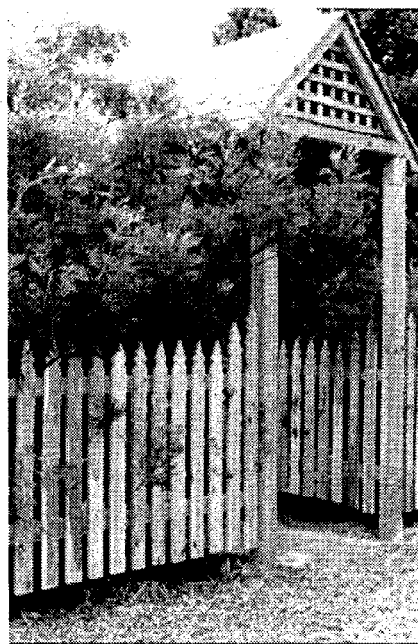
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Beaconsfield Childcare and E.L.Centre is currently building a new purpose built child care centre in Beaconsfield, situated in the Beaconhill Grange Estate on O'Neil Road. The building is scheduled for completion at the end of May this year and we will be relocating from our existing premises in 6 Stella Street early in the month of June. The official address of the centre is 2 - 6 Beaconhill Drive, Beaconsfield.

The centre will cater for all age groups with individual age related rooms and play areas. Educational programs will be structured for the differing age groups

attending the centre in conjunction with a preschool program.

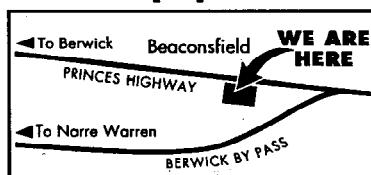
This is obviously a very exciting time for us as we plan to move our existing facilities and upgrade with all new equipment. The centre is presently organising for landscaping of the grounds and employing additional staff to work at our new premises. Enquiries are currently being taken for places at the new centre as we allocate positions from our waiting lists.

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By Paula Dodd

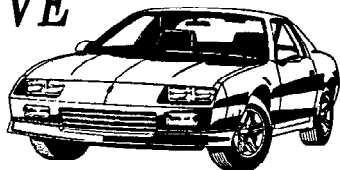
I am pleased to advise that a 'Tree Planting' application submitted to the Cardinia Shire in December last year, has now been approved. This is great news for our estate as we now have the funds to purchase a substantial number of trees and shrubs for the much needed 'South End of the Wetlands' area (near Central Hotel).

As most of you are aware, the area concerned is presently very bare, due to the removal of many large trees. By planting more trees and shrubs it will help to protect the Wetlands environment from the busy Beaconsfield Emerald Road and enhance the whole 'look' of the area.

However, although the council has provided us with the funds to purchase plants and planting material, it is up to us the residents to supply all the labour (preparation, planting and initial maintenance). We will need as many people to help as possible to make this project a successful one. Remember, we will all benefit from this project, as the Wetlands area is there for all the residents to enjoy.

Please attend a meeting at the **Beaconsfield Community Centre on Wednesday 30th of April at 7.30pm** to discuss the project and form a Working Bee roster. *If you are unable to attend but would like to help or have any further queries, please call Paula Dodd, Phone- 9769 7005.*

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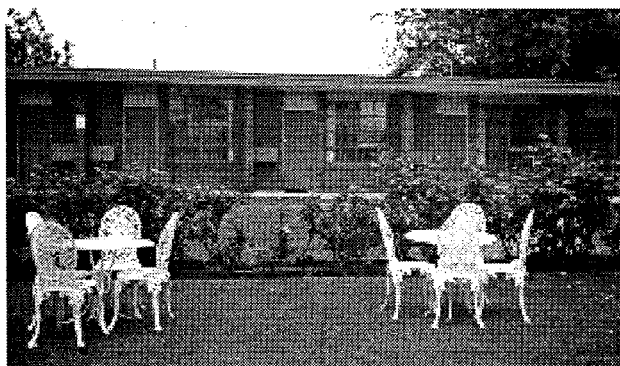
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Following a short delay to allow for latecomers the group sets off at a steady but by no means rapid pace. As the walk progresses folk find their own pace with the keen ones out front and the more relaxed members taking their time to enjoy the surroundings.

There are mums with prams, retirees, shift workers and housewives. There are both men and women. The group is open and very friendly. Numbers go up and down. Some weeks there are as few as 3 and other weeks 7 or 8.

There is no cost and no need to book in. If you would like to walk in company simply turn up and join in. You can be guaranteed two things - a warm welcome and a good walk.



Above: Some of the walking group ready to leave for their Friday morning walk.

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by Tracie Lund, Centre Co-ordinator

I have opened The Beaconsfield Community Centre for 2003 with the same goals & objectives as set down last year. The Centre is now a vibrant, happy & lively meeting place for all the community to enjoy. I am endeavouring to maintain and develop programs that are interesting, diverse & serve to allow participation from all community members. The feedback from within the community about the Centres performance & service highlights the success of promoting community ownership & responsibility for the Centre.

You will notice a few changes to our program this year. The program is now being put together twice a year instead of 4 times. We are offering more

courses. The committee of management has implemented a concession fee for centre membership. The program for term one & two is designed to reflect the range of interest within the community & is reflective of the suggestions I have received over the past 12 months.

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

Children's Dance, Hip-hop funk and groove is our tutor's speciality. The classes are designed for children 5-10 years of age & focus on modern & latest dance crazes.

Beginners Line Dancing has a great following this year. Step sheets are handed out. This is chance to exercise the mind & the body while having fun at the same time; **Midway** has a number of outings planned

for the first ½ of the year, already the group has had a fashion show, Harley Davidson rides, a visit to the Pakenham Cultural Centre & a trip to Williamstown still to come. **Folk** art is proving popular with only one vacancy left & Occasional Care is bustling with happy children & parents. Shalini diligently prepares a program each week that caters for a wide range of age ranges. Activities include painting, water play, and a focus on themes of the day for the children to enjoy. **Playgroups** have been renamed & restructured to reflect to needs of the community. The result has been fantastic all round with new families accessing the centre & an increase in the number of participating families. We do have limited vacancies still available.

NEW FOR 2003

Chikung & Meditation is proving to be extremely popular. Chikung involves various degrees of gently movement or stillness of the body all harmonised by a calm unhurried focussed mind.

Novelty Party Cakes Learn the basics to make a unique birthday cake in this 3 hrs session. We are taking enrolments for our May class

Dads & tots playgroup, baby massage, budget busters, watercolour & learn to draw are only a few of the courses planned for term 2.

All our courses are subject to numbers. Further details on the program can be obtained by phoning the Centre on 97073449. Or simply pop in for a cuppa!!!

MIDWAY NEWS



On Monday March 3rd, the Midway group were kindly invited to Les and Gabbi Conkie's property for the afternoon. The hospitality was fantastic. Thanks to the Conkie's. Pictured left is Peggy Dundas who looked sensational in her grass skirt.

There is always something happening at Midway, which is held at the Beaconsfield Community Centre on Monday afternoons. Day trips are planned for other days as well depending on the interest.

The smiles on the faces of the two ladies pictured right, although rather 'oddly' dressed, should be evidence of the fun that is experienced at Midway.

Everyone welcome just come and join in the fun.



Experience China

by Megan Goodman

The snow is falling, the bitterly cold wind is blowing from the Arctic circle and everywhere I go people stare at the foreign girl with the blue eyes. This is my immediate experience of China. It is also what I expected. I came prepared with thermals, scarves, beanie and gloves, and I knew I would be stared at, out of curiosity not rudeness. I flew into Qingdao from Tokyo. Flying over Mount Fuji was a sight I'll never forget, as it's snow capped peak poked through the clouds into the brilliant sun above.

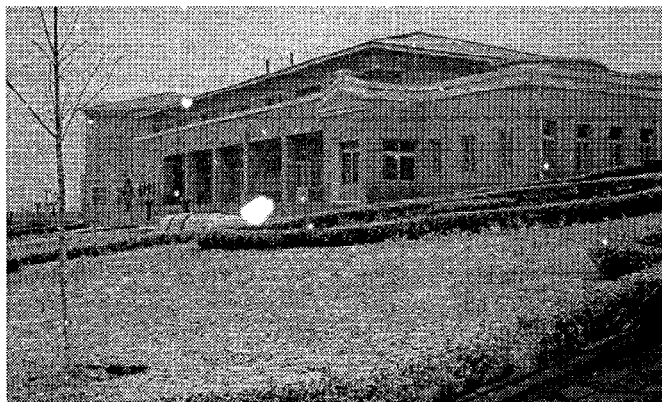
I was met at the airport by Hennie, who works in the International Office, at the South Ocean School in Qingdao. Hennie's job is to make the life of the foreign teachers at the school a

little easier. She took me to lunch on that first day in one of the local markets. The owners of the restaurant told her they were honoured to have a foreigner eating at their tables. I was just happy to have finally reached my destination and to have my feet firmly on the ground. The school is not actually in Qingdao. It is set across the water. It's like saying you are in Portsea when you are actually in Queenscliff. Therefore the school is quite remote and removed from any sort of city lifestyle. The closest signs of civilization are nearby fishing villages. Every morning you wake to the sight of men fishing in their boats made from logs and concrete. They are there regardless of the weather. I saw them throwing their nets into the

water as I headed off to the Kindergarten each morning.

Teaching in the Kindergarten had its challenges. I was told that I'd be working with children who had a good grasp of English as a spoken language, and that I would be assisted by Chinese teachers who spoke my language, as I don't speak theirs. Neither of these proved to be true. The children had minimal English, which was in fact better than their teachers' English. The other

challenge was the minimal contact hours I would have each day. Working for one hour in the morning and one and a half hours in the afternoon was difficult to say the least. Not because of the lack of work, but because of all the free time I had on my hands. Having too much free time and no way of filling that time is testing at the best of times. This though provided an opportunity to take photos, try to learn some of the language and to write to my family and friends at home.



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Like all other volunteer groups we are in desperate need of new volunteers.

A RIDE OF HER LIFE



Iris Ewert of Beaconsfield could not have possibly thought that for her 86th birthday that she would fulfill one of her dreams of riding a Harley Davidson. Doreen Sanders organised her son, Robert, to take Iris for a ride on his bike for her birthday

on February 18th. No words were needed from Iris as to see the expression on her face was enough to show her delight and appreciation to her friends from Midway (pictured with Iris below) who were there to be part of the special event.



CARDINIA CATCHMENT LANDCARE INC.

by Margaret Crompton

This group was formed just over 12 months ago by a number of residents concerned to save and maintain the remaining native vegetation of the area, especially considering the extreme pressures of development which apply in Cardinia and Casey.

We are associated with eight other Landcare groups under the umbrella of the Cardinia Environment Coalition, operating in the Shire of Cardinia, all of them working on a particular river catchment. Ours is the Cardinia Creek and includes its tributaries and so covers Upper Beaconsfield, Officer, Beaconsfield, Berwick, Harkaway, Belgrave East and the Clyde area. This is obviously a large and diverse area.

Landcare works with private landowners offering financial and practical assistance to help sustain and improve remnant vegetation and waterways on their properties. This may involve

assistance with weeding, fencing to protect vegetation from stock, the provision of plants and assistance with the planting.

Last spring we were involved with weeding assistance on two properties in Upper Beaconsfield and did our first planting of 1,000 plants, forming a habitat corridor. So far we have five landowners involved for autumn plantings. These are on properties in Upper Beaconsfield, Officer, Clyde and Berwick. Some of these involve a partnership with Melbourne Water and its Stream Frontage Management Program.

We were successful in applying for funding through the Federal Governments Envirofund and also from the City of Casey's Landcare fund.

We are keen to make a difference and would welcome inquiries from interested landowners as well as from members of the community who would like to be involved – particularly on planting days in April and May. The dates for these are Saturday April 26th in Berwick, Saturday May 10th in Guys Hill, Saturday May 24th in Clyde and Sunday June 8th in Officer. They commence at 9.30am and go all day but your participation for a couple of hours would be appreciated. Lunch is provided as well as all the equipment required.

For more information call at the Upper Beaconsfield Indigenous Nursery (see article) or ring Joan Szalman 9707 3247 or Margaret Crompton 9707 2415.

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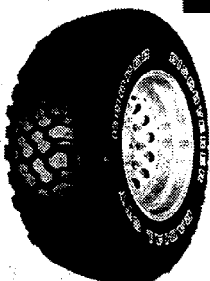
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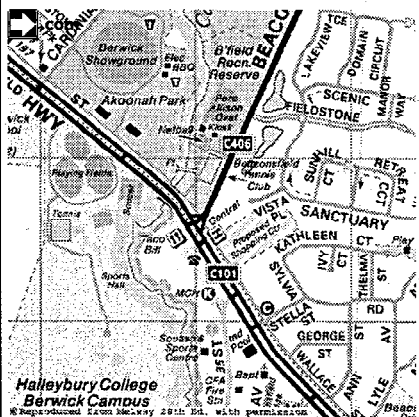
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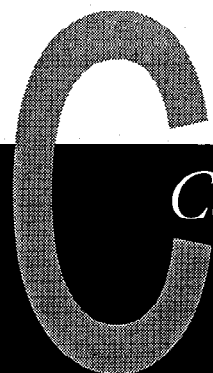
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WINE & FOOD

by Keith Goodman

As our days grow shorter so too does the supply of stone fruit, now being replaced by apples, pears and nashi pears. The end of the peach season is marked by the availability of large yellow cling and freestone peaches. While they are just fine as fresh fruit they excel as poached fruit e.g. Peach Melba.

We have been enjoying peaches poached with an Asian influence by the addition of star anise to the poaching liquid. Star anise is most commonly found as an ingredient in Chinese

Five Spice Powder and to flavour those wonderful ducks, which hang in the windows of our Chinese and Vietnamese restaurants. A native plant of Asia their pods are often chewed to aid digestion or sweeten the breath or as we would chew gum and are also used to flavour drinks. The pods are approx 12 – 14 mm across and have six legs to the star shaped pod. They can be bought whole or as a powder, ground from the pod and the inner seeds; use sparingly. Do not confuse with anise

seeds which are actually seeds of the aniseed plant.

Try this very simple recipe. Poach one peach per person in enough water to just cover the peaches. Add approx half a cup of sugar and three whole star anise and bring to the boil, take off the heat and rest in the poaching liquid for at least an hour. Serve on vanilla ice cream with one or two tablespoons of the poaching liquid over. Delicious and easy. Freestone peaches are best and most peaches will shed their skins in the poaching process, remove before serving.

Wine - Such is the quality of 2002 Riesling based wines currently available that the Winemasters of two groups of which I am a member based our March tastings on Riesling. I know you have heard this before from me but these currently available wines are as good as I have seen in my near

40 years around wine. A warning though needs to be issued. On the whole these wines are crisp, pristine clean, almost cutting on the palate with a chalky mineral texture about them and a smell and taste of limes/citrus. For the uninitiated they may come as a shock. I have no doubt that cellared well, most will live 10 to 20 years and some in cool, constant temperature cellars will live thirty years. So what, you say. Why wait? Just a couple of years will bring rewards, the freshness will still be there and the fruit will start to grow in intensity into the citrus/lime flavor base. Most of these wines fall into the \$12 to 16 bracket with some under \$10. Three I like from more than thirty tasted are: Blass Clare Riesling, \$15; Richmond Grove Watervale Riesling, \$13-14 and my current pick is Chrismont Riesling, \$13, from The King Valley in N.E Victoria and made by Arnie & Jo Pizzini.

The Chrismont is not easy to find but is definitely available from Boccaccio Cellars, 1030 Burke Rd, Balwyn, Ph 9817 2257.

The Yalumba Barossa Riesling at around \$8 is the best seen below \$10. All are from the 2002 vintage.

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HISTORY DAYS

The next History Day is scheduled for May.. Claire Sandell, Casey & Cardinia Historian, will lead the afternoons discussion. This will be held at the Beaconsfield Community Centre commencing at 1p.m.

To date, the History days have been a success and a lot of local history has been shared. At the last History day on March 30th, Bill Hudson told stories of local residents of days gone by.

Bill built the Bridgestone Tyre Service building and developed parts of Beaconsfield in particular Ann and George Streets. Hudson Street, was named after the Hudson family.

For further information contact Tony Rushton 9707 1765

GREETINGS FROM TAMMY LOBATO

MP, Member for Gembrook

Hello to all Banner readers. Congratulations to those who nominated for the recent council elections and to the successful candidates. I am looking forward to working co-operatively and productively with the new councillors of Cardinia, Casey and Yarra Ranges.

I am holding a mobile office session in Berwick, at the office of the Upper House MP, Adem Somyurek, at 1/5 Gloucester Ave. This will take place on Monday 14 April from 10am until 4pm.

My mobile office has been a great success so far, with supportive feedback from residents in the townships of Yarra Junction, Emerald, Gembrook and Warburton. Being mobile allows me face-to-face contact with many more people than I would otherwise meet. Appointments to see me at Berwick can be made through my electorate office on Tel: (03) 5941 1653.

The autumn session of Parliament has been in full swing, and I was honoured to be selected as the first

new parliamentarian to present an inaugural speech. It was a great opportunity to focus on the issues in my electorate that need addressing. I highlighted the rapid growth of this area and the need to ensure that infrastructure precedes and keeps pace with development.

The news of the Hallam Bypass is also very welcome: before the end of the year, it will be fully operational, and should reduce even further the traffic on the highway at Beaconsfield.

The community information centre for the Pakenham Bypass will soon be open, which will allow everyone in the community to have easy access to relevant details

on this important infrastructure project.

Any concerns and enquiries can be directed to my office:
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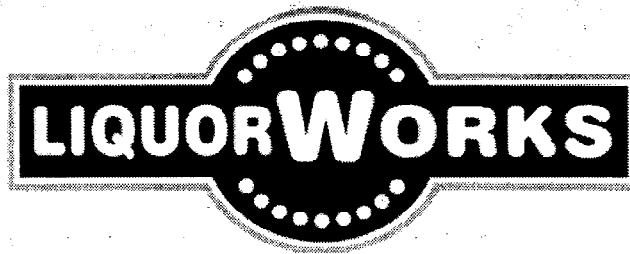
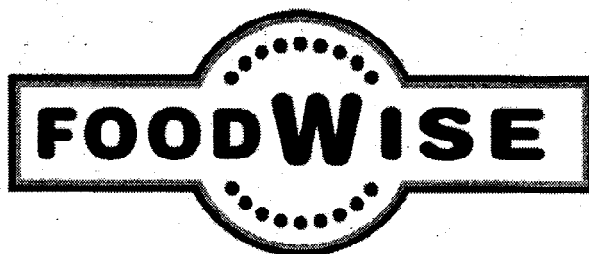


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FROM THE ACCOUNTANTS' DESK

by GRAEME J TAYLOR C.A.

TAXATION UPDATE

There have been many taxation changes announced and/or implemented affecting the majority of taxpayers. Some changes of interest include:

1. "Better Superannuation System"

amending Superannuation Guarantee Charges (SGC) provisions from 1st July 2003, including:

- lodgement of quarterly rather than annual SGC returns.
- reduced penalties initially, for quarterly returns.
- adjust salaries and wages exclusion threshold to \$1,350 per quarter instead of \$450 per month.
- allow the Commissioner to deposit SGC vouchers directly into a Superannuation account of an employee.
- allow the Commissioner to make direct payments of SGC received for persons over 65.

2. R & D Start Program

The Commonwealth Government has announced that this Program will continue until 2006. This program provides a range of assistance measures in addition to existing 125% and 175% R & D tax concessions, as well as the rebate for small companies.

3. Medical Expenses tax offset threshold

From 1st July 2002 the threshold above which the 20% rebate applies has been increased from \$1,250 to \$1,500.

4. Superannuation

- From 1st July 2002 individuals aged over 70 but less than 75 will be allowed to make personal contributions of superannuation providing they are working at least 10 hours per week, however, the contributions will not be tax deductible.
- From 1st July 2002 recipients of the Baby Bonus will be allowed to contribute the Baby Bonus to superannuation. This measure is aimed at allowing parents at home caring for children to save for retirement.
- The government has indicated its commitment to introduce legislation for choice of Superannuation Funds and portability of superannuation benefits.

The Senate Economics References Committee is conducting an inquiry into the structure and distributive effects of the Australian Taxation System. The Committee will examine matters including the level, extent and distribution of the current tax burden on individuals and businesses, the impact on taxpayers families, expenditure of tax revenues, long term social and economic impact of taxation, government spending and employment and the roles of the states in tax collection and distribution.

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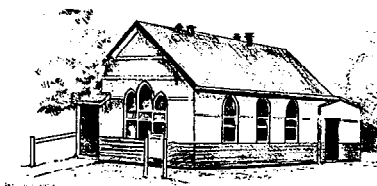
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FRIENDS OF THE CARDINIA CREEK SANCTUARY

by Shane Hester

Sunday the 2nd of March was Clean-up Australia Day and along with a small but determined group of volunteer's, an estimated two ton of rubbish was removed from the creek, Emerald road and Ingles road. The most common items were plastic, beer bottles and cans. Some of the more unusual items found were a Hills Hoist clothes line, broken computers, advertising signs, a tractor tyre and roof guttering.

March was also the 5th anniversary for the Friends of Cardinia Creek Sanctuary. Not many thought the group would make it this far but here we are five years on and still going strong. In that time approximately 5000 *Pittosporum undulatum* have been removed. Other weed species such as

Honeysuckle, Winter Cherry, Gorse, Broom and the bad infestation of Wandering Jew are now under control.

Several revegetation projects have also been undertaken in the past five years with thousands of trees, shrubs, grasses, sedges, ground covers and creepers having been planted. The result has been a remarkable transformation with new bird species having been identified and now the possibility of platypus being re-introduced into the creek.

The Friends group meet on the 4th Sunday of the month at the car park opposite Holm Park rd. at 9.00am. Morning tea is provided and everyone is welcome to join us.

For further information contact Shane 0407874143 or Judy 97071402



Above:
The group of volunteers for the Clean Up Australia Day project.



Right:
Volunteers record the rubbish collected.



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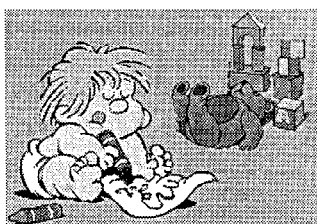
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GIVING THE GIFT OF SIGHT

by Melissa Goodman

As a society, Australians are known as a generous and caring community. We are renowned for our ability to stick up our hands and help others in need. A fine example of this is the fact that more than two million Australians have registered on the Australian Organ Donor Registry, to donate organs and/or tissues upon their death, to save or improve the quality of the life of others.

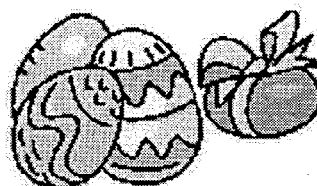
Whilst organ donation and transplantation is widely recognised, tissue donation is an unfamiliar notion to most of us. The most common form of transplantation in the world, be it organ or tissue, is the transplant of a cornea. The cornea is the clear window at the very front of our eye. It allows light in and is the main focussing element. Each year approximately 300 Victorians require a corneal transplant because a penetrating injury or a chemical burn has damaged the cornea, or the cornea is infected or in fact has a medical condition which prevents it from working effectively. Such patients may be blind, have little sight, be in pain or even be at threat of losing an eye. A corneal transplant is the hope for such patients.

Whilst the transplant is a relatively uncomplicated

surgery, usually performed as a day procedure in hospital, the benefits to the recipients are remarkable. Those with little or no vision have the opportunity to see again and the 'Gift of Sight' is gratefully appreciated.

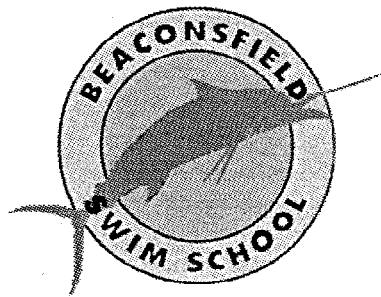
In Victoria, the Lions Corneal Donation Service coordinates corneal donation. We are located at the Royal Victorian Eye and Ear Hospital. As a Transplant Coordinator, I am fortunate enough to work with very, special donor families who generously think of the misfortunes of others at what is an often tragic and unexpected time in their own lives. It is also very rewarding to see the delight on the faces of our recipients as they face a world with new vision and new dreams.

Growing up in Beaconsfield, I often read the Banner. I look forward to sharing information with you on corneal donation, transplantation and my life as a Transplant Coordinator. If you would like to join the Organ Donor Registry, please phone the registry on 1800 777 203 to request a registration form. If you wish to discuss any aspect of this article further, contact 9929 8708 Prema or Graeme will be able to answer any questions you may have.



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SALLY'S GARDEN

In the last Banner I spoke of preparing the soil in preparation for this years new roses and to be adventurous when choosing new roses for your garden.

Roses like many other plants can be clipped & trained to form a hedge, climber, standard or in bush form. If a standard rose is required, allow one only stem to grow & allow it to branch out at the top of the stem. Bushy & densely growing roses can be clipped into a hedge. There are roses which can grow metres high & these can be clipped free of lower growth & shaped into an umbrella like shape.

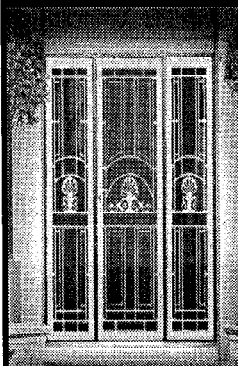
Any of the "Moss" roses, which are of dense growth & are very vigorous in growth, can be clipped into a hedge, or allowed to grow as a tall well shaped plant-these can grow to 5ft.- the pom-pom flowers range in colours from crimson to reddish purple & are similar in appearance to a David Austin cluster rose.

Another interesting & very spectacular rose is Rosa Stellata Mirifica, also known as the Gooseberry rose. This is a 5 petal single rose coming in a vibrant deep lilac-pink bloom with it's orange-yellow stamens. Globular to urn shaped inconspicuous rose hips follow. A very hardy rose to grow.

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4783 Private Henry [Harry]
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Yallock P.O., Victoria.

Next of kin: Mother, Mrs Mary Helen
Ferguson, Woori Yallock, Victoria.

Enlisted 9/10/1915.

Embarked Melbourne, Victoria on
HMAT A18 Wiltshire with the 6th
Infantry Battalion, 15th Reinforcements
[Part of the 2nd Brigade, 1st Division]
on 7/3/1916.

Transferred to the 59th Infantry
Battalion [Part of the 15 Brigade, 5th
Division].

Wounded, Lost an eye 24/8/1916.

Embarked United Kingdom on 11/12/
1918 for return to Australia.

Henry died on 20/11/1967 age 77 at
his farm, Lot 43 Quamby Road,
Beaconsfield Upper, Victoria.

Additional Information - Worked in
timber mills around Warburton area.
In 1923 Henry known as Harry married
Margerat Maud Ferguson (nee
Keenan) known as Maggie. Had 3

children- Nancy, Larna and Keith (who
took his own life).

They ran a dairy farm in 1924 having
moved from his parents farm at Woori
Yallock.

Although he embarked with the 6th
batallion on the 7th of March 1916 he
was transfered to the 5th division when
they doubled the size of the A.I.F in
March 1916. He never went to Gallipoli
and his first battle was in August 1916
where he lost his left eye.

Private Henry Ferguson is listed as
one of the soldiers on the Beaconsfield
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Note: We would like to acknowledge
the support and information given to
the Banner by Military Historian Bob
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"CLAREMONT", WHITESIDE ROAD, OFFICER.

By Elizabeth Whiteside

More often than not, in earlier times the property "Claremont" used a Beaconsfield address being situated on its borders and where most services were available. It had the convenience of a continuous telephone service and the number on its exchange was Beaconsfield 10.

The original four-roomed cottage was built in 1887 by Solomon Reece, a brick and tile manufacturer. The house presumably was built with bricks made on the property. Reece's eleven year old Elizabeth was one of the fifteen students to first enroll at the new Officer Siding State School in 1886.

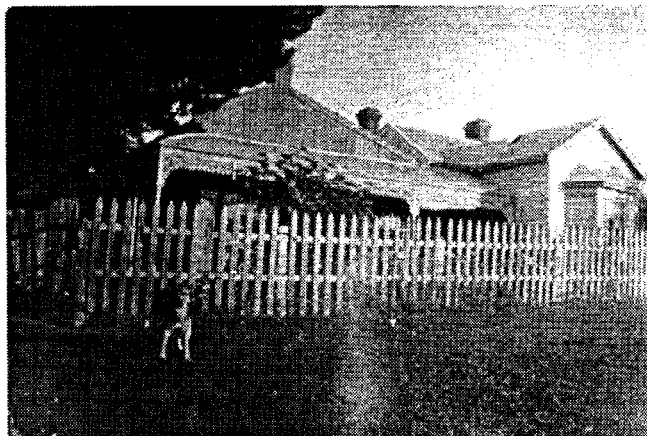
Reece sold to a McDale. The property then came into the ownership of Rev. W.S. Whiteside, in 1909, and he and his fifteen year old son, Clair, set to develop a mixed farm and orchard. Eventually the orchard

became the main industry. Ledger books from that early period are still held in the family.

Prior to the 1914-1918 war, the wattle and daub kitchen on the north side of the cottage was removed and a timber extension gave a new lounge-room, kitchen, bathroom, pantry and laundry. It was built by George Tivendale of Officer.

At this time the verandah was extended along the east wall of the cottage to match up with the north. In 1918 the brick were roughcast by Berwick Builder Alex Miller, who was paid £26 for the job plus repairs to the roof and small weatherboard hut for a young boarder.

On returning home from three years war service, Clair restored and developed the orchard further. In 1923 he married Kathleen Cunningham daughter of the



Above: Photo of 'Claremont' © 1915.

Rev W.R. and Mrs. Cunningham of Berwick. Clair and Kath had six children. Their second daughter Mrs. Kathleen Clarke is a long term resident of Beaconsfield. Two sons Ken and David carried on the orchard forming a partnership in 1950.

Between the two world wars fruit from West Gippsland was exported in large quantities to Europe and many parts of the world. The industry was important to the country. Claremont was one of the many local orchards to contribute greatly to the trade.

The main property and orchard remained in the family until the early 1990's. The original homestead "Claremont" has had several owners since 1973. Further extensions and quality improvements have been made – allowing a more modern and indulgent lifestyle.

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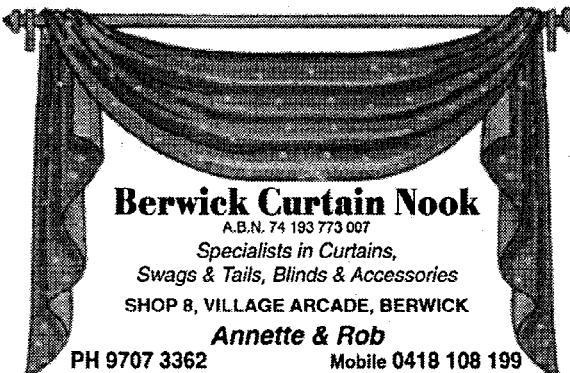
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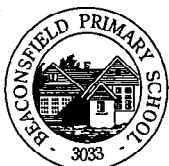
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Well of course the whole of Australia is behind Nicole Kidman to win for "The Hours", but is that fair? After all the award is for the Best Actress in a Leading Role, not for the Best Australian Actress in a Leading Role. I don't want to be unpatriotic but I've seen Nicole Kidman in "The Hours", and she's good but not great, but I believe that if Renee Zellweger doesn't win for "Chicago", then a serious crime has been committed.

If you compare Zellweger and Kidman's roles in these films it is very easy to see that Zellweger's role was much

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by David Griffiths

harder to play. It is also worth noting that because of her "Chicago" performance Renee Zellweger has been chosen to play Marilyn Monroe in an up coming film.

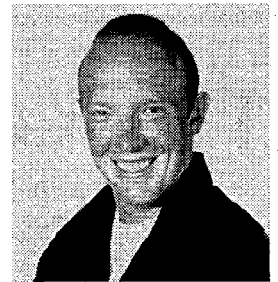
Anyway enough of the Oscar talk and let's talk about a very good film. I approached "The Rules Of Attraction" with some curiosity. I didn't know too much about it apart from the fact that it was supposed to be the film in which James Van Der Beek (of TV's "Dawson's Creek" fame), shed his good guy image.

After seeing the film I have to admit the film is excellent but was very poorly promoted in Australia. It's trailer made it look like just another teen flick, and it wasn't until some reviews starting floating

around that people could see the truth.

"The Rules Of Attraction" is set in a college in Camden (U.S.), and revolves around a bizarre love (or should that be lust) triangle. One of the characters involved in the triangle is Sean (played by James Van Der Beek) who after some research I discovered is supposed to be the brother of the lead character in "American Psycho". Certainly Sean portrays his brother's twisted ways.

Van Der Beek is well supported by Ian Somerhalder who plays Paul, a gay student which a crush on Sean, and Shannyn Sossamon who plays Lauren, who in turn is Sean's crush. Confused yet? Well



now throw in Jessica Biel (from TV'S "Seventh Heaven") who plays Lauren's trashy room-mate Lara, who Sean uses to make Lauren jealous. Throw this storyline in with a suicide, illegal substances and wild parties and you have a film that certainly leaves the viewer thinking...thinking a lot.

This film is very experimental. Its director and cinematographer have matched the unusual storyline, with some experimental shots and sequences that have never been seen in films before. All up I give this film four out of five.

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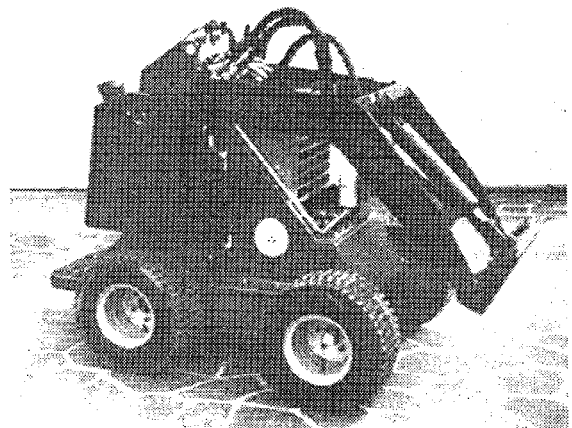
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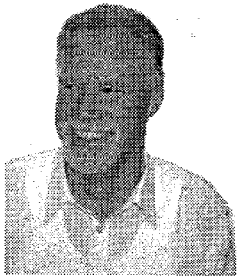
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by David Morland

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these sorts of weapons fell into the hand of terrorist the result would be catastrophic. Saddam Hussein has an obligation to the UN to destroy these weapons. His reluctance to do so is nothing short of evil. I believe that to do nothing in the face of the sort of evil we see coming out of Bagdad would be a greater evil. It takes tremendous bravery to stand up at a time like this. I thank God that we have leaders willing to make a stand. I have little doubt that the pressure on our members of Parliament as we face down Saddam Hussein is enormous. Yet I believe many of us would want nothing less from our government than the strong unequivocal stand it has taken. The Bible calls us to pray for our leaders. They need our prayers, let us not fail them.

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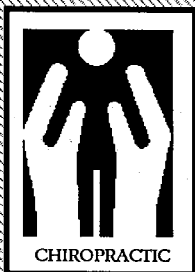
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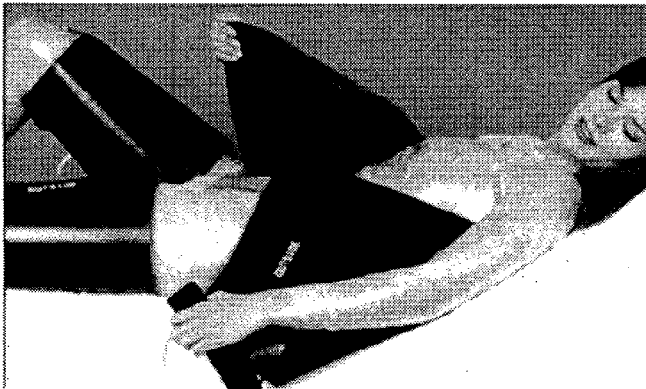
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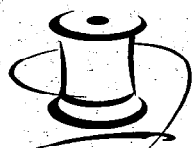
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by Phil Collins

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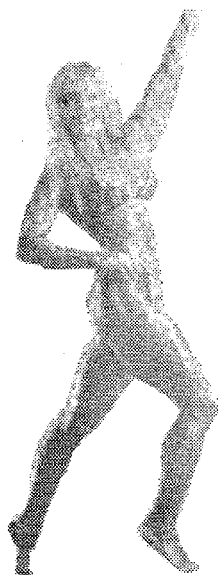
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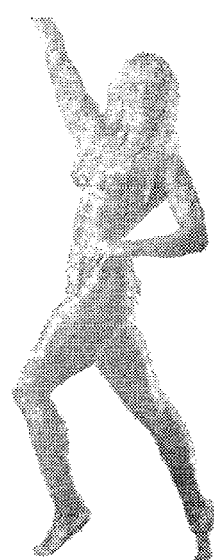
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OUR NATURAL WORLD

by Peter Hansen

"There is a superstition in avoiding superstition". So wrote Francis Bacon. One could not imagine life without the superstitions of human beings to make it more interesting than it already is. What is superstition, and where did it originate from? Why is it still alive and well even in today's scientific age?

It has been defined as "Religion without truth", and in some ways has more impact than Religion itself. Do you blanch when a black cat crosses your path? In Britain it's actually a very good sign. A cat on board ship will not have its name pronounced while at sea, as that's sure to bring disaster. If a cat passes its paw over its ear three times it's a sure sign of rain. (Could have used that to break our

drought). There's another custom to remove illness, where throwing the patients bath water over a cat and driving it out of the house, is supposed to cure the patient's illness. A wet floor and angry moggie seems a high price to pay though! There is the story about the occasion when the devil asked St. Dunstan to shoe his single hoof. The saint recognised his customer, tied him fast to the wall, and carried out his job as painfully as he could, making the devil roar for mercy. He was released on condition that he promised to never enter a place where a horseshoe was displayed. This is why they were nailed above doors, to keep the home Devil free.

The danger of walking under ladders is probably one of

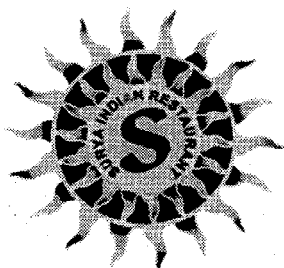
the most observed superstitions today. Apart from the worry of a falling paint pot, or of stepping around a ladder and getting run over by a bus, the fundamental idea is that a ladder propped up against a wall forms a triangle, which is a Cabbalistic sign, and to be avoided at all costs. More practically, when gibbets were in common use, ladders would be left propped up against them until the body was taken down. The body was left for some time as a warning to others, and if one passed under a ladder in the dark there might be an encounter with the dangling feet.

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in a running stream, or burying them. The seven year period refers to the time it takes the body to regenerate its cells. Also mirrors must be covered when there is a death in the house. Also you can tell who's a witch, as they don't have a reflection. If there was doubt about superstition being alive and well today, consider this report from modern Britain.

"Consideration of superstitions directs thought to the past, but the following newspaper report in the summer of 1979 demonstrates the power of cursing to be strong as ever. A local Midlands Council planned to build a motorway right through the middle of a farmers land. He did not bother with official avenues of protest; he simply announced that he would put a curse on every workman who set foot on his land to carry out the project. The Council's reaction was to cancel that particular part of the development, stating simply, "We cannot expose our workers to such danger".

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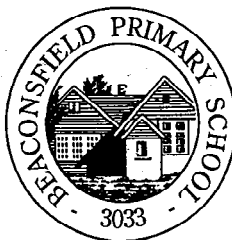
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For further information:
[www.penguins.org.au/pdfs/
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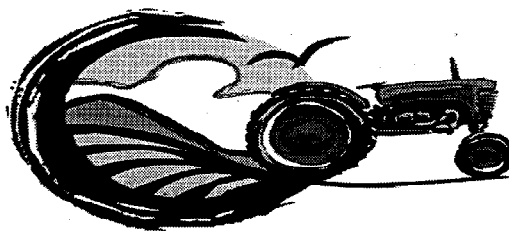
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Cardinia Ranges Farmers' Market.

A taste of the country on the city's doorstep

FARMERS' MARKET SUCCESS CONTINUES

News of the success of Cardinia Ranges Farmers' Market is spreading with more new stallholders and customers rolling into the market each month.

Some of the new products featured at the recent farmers' markets include gourmet sausages, homemade cakes, smoked eel pate and a delicious selection of the award winning cheeses from Tarago Cheese Company.

Farmers' market coordinator, Sophie O'Neil, is thrilled with the success of the market.

"The Cardinia Ranges Farmers' Market is benefiting local growers and farmers as well as the community. We have created an outlet where growers and producers can sell directly to the public, which allows them to maximise profits, get instant feedback from customers and develop marketing skills," explains O'Neil.

"What's more, the farmers' market is a meeting place

for the community to access super fresh, nutritious foods," adds O'Neil.

It seems the good news about the Cardinia Ranges Farmers' Market has spread into Melbourne too. The farmers' market was recommended in the recently published book, 'The Foodies Guide to Melbourne' written by acclaimed food journalists, Michele Curtis and Allan Campion.

"We are so please to have received such praise after only six months of the farmers' market operation, who knows what the next six months will bring?" said Des Wynne, Cardinia Development Manager.

Don't miss the next Cardinia Ranges Farmers' Market on **second Saturday of each month**, 8am - Midday at the Pakenham Racecourse.

For further information:

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BEACONSFIELD CRICKET CLUB

by Joe McMaster, President

The season is concluding and B and F grades are focusing on the finals which will be played in March. As you walk through the reserve or drive past you will agree the ground is in great shape and we look forward to hosting an under 14 and a B grade Grand Final 22,23 March.

Our six senior teams are all competitive and all the players are enjoying their cricket. The 4 Junior teams are all going well and it is great to see their skills develop each week. It is also pleasing to see the juniors come through and play senior cricket in the afternoons and perform very well.

We congratulate the following players who have been selected to represent the West Gippsland Cricket Association, James Daly, Brett and Daniel Reid, Brad Miles, Tom Brown and Jason Dodd (who took 13 wickets during country week).

Local businesses are invited to associate themselves with the club and benefit from its focus on the community by becoming sponsors. Benefits are negotiable and sponsorship offers "in kind" are also more than welcome. The Club encourages its members to support sponsors and can provide naming rights and other sponsorship options. For details contact Andrew Mercier on 9702 2350.

We are a family based club, and new players are always welcomed, and players of all ages and abilities are invited to come down for a game. The Club strives to provide an enjoyable atmosphere and host competitive cricket for the enjoyment of our Beaconsfield community.

Reminder the Annual General Meeting will be held at the clubrooms Wednesday 21 st May 8.00 pm. Stay tuned for advice on pre season training.

COUNCIL WEBCAST

The next LIVE webcast council meeting will be the first full council meeting of the new council on the 28th April 2003.

The previous two webcasts have been very popular with over 100 people logging on for the first one to watch the declaration of the poll on the 15th March.

Manager of Information Technology, Wayne Kirkwood has asked people to be patient if they experience difficulty accessing the webcast or the archival footage. 'This is experimental for the council and it's supplier apStream. The equipment is new and occasionally there are teething problems, so we ask people to be patient and let us know if they have any problems by dropping us an email or giving us a call.'

For more information visit website - www.cardinia.gov.au



BEACONSFIELD TENNIS CLUB NEWS

by Margaret Chatfield

Another summer season for our Berwick and District Tennis Assoc Juniors, Waverley and District Tennis Assoc and Gippsland Tennis Assoc Seniors. Finals will be taking place over the next few weeks for the teams finishing in the top four positions.

SATURDAY MORNING JUNIORS 'SUMMER SEASON'

With 24 Junior teams entered in the Summer competition it was the clubs largest number of Junior teams competing in the Berwick and District Tennis Assoc. Fourteen of these teams have been successful, being eligible to play in the finals.

The teams are as follows:
Sections: 1gold, 2, 3 and 15 blue finished on top
Sections: 9, 11, 13, 16, 17 and 18 gold finished second
Sections: 7 gold and 18 blue finished third
Sections: 7 blue and 8 finished fourth
Good luck to all.
Junior enquires to Lynne Day on 97074662

MIDWEEK LADIES SPRING SEASON

An apology to the oversight of this Midweek Ladies team whom started playing, Thursdays with the club a number of seasons ago in section 2A Southern Districts Assoc. Winning section 2A, advanced to A1 Bayside District Assoc

(name change). Then winning A1 last season after four seasons in that section, now are competing in section A with top teams of the Bayside District. Premiers A1 team members:

Judy Davey, Kim Busacca, Melissa Pimalett, Andrea Pickering, Lynette Cousins and Dee Holmgren.

NIGHT COMPETITION

Tuesday Night Unisex "Doubles"

New season commences Tuesday 29th April.
Enquiries to Margaret Chatfield on 97072016

Thursday Night Men's A/ B Singles / Doubles

New season commences Thursday 1st May. Enquiries to Ian Craig on 97074507.

MONDAY MORNING SOCIAL HITTERS

Starts at 9:30am, we would like more ladies to come and join in. Everyone made welcome. If interested call Margaret Chatfield on 97072016

COURT HIRE

Non-member court hire is \$5.00 per person. Enquires to Margaret Chatfield on 97072016.

CLOVER COTTAGE PRESENTATION NIGHT

All welcome to attend our presentation night on 13th August at Clover Cottage. Cost \$40 per person. Contact Dawn Snelson 9704 6582 or Jenny Shinnars 9707 2575.

RUNNERS UP

Singles-1

Chris O'Rourke
Ben White
Leigh Day
Marko Bogdanovic
David Castricum

Singles-9

John Crozier
Liam Doherty
David Richards
Scott Stanley
Teagan Amer

Doubles-16

Rachel Kresojevic
Joshua Azzopardi
Daniel Nelson
Rachel Day
Kasey Day

Doubles-18 Gold

Sarah Volders
Jordan Dove
Jayden Wright
Jake Verhaegh
Joshua Mollison

Singles-11

Steven Young
Vaughn Owen
Harley Crozier
Josh Vincent
Adam O'Rourke

JUNIOR COMPETITION SUCCESS

Our club fielded eight grand final teams in the Junior Winter Competition. Congratulations to our following team members:

PREMIERS

Singles-2

Elio Scarton
Chris Chudleigh
Daniel Drummond

Sarah Corrigan

Stan Haritou

Singles - 3

David Barlow
Robert Kemperman
Simon Day
Scott Jolliffe
Lauren Amer

Doubles - 15 Blue

Anthony Potter
Jake Winkler-Kmet
Rachel Wallace
Natasha Duncan
Roslyn Wyngaard

CAN YOU HELP NAME THESE PLAYERS?



The photo above of Beaconsfield Netballers taken © 1962 L to R: ?Shirley, ? ,Dorothy Richards (Bailey), Anne ?, Maureen ?, Anne Dunn(?) and Kaye Clark(?).

If you can assist with any information about early years of Netball then please contact Debbie Stacey, 9707 0510

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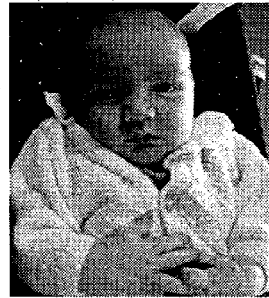
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Brother and son for Steffi, Christina and Bob Cooper, Holm Park Rd.

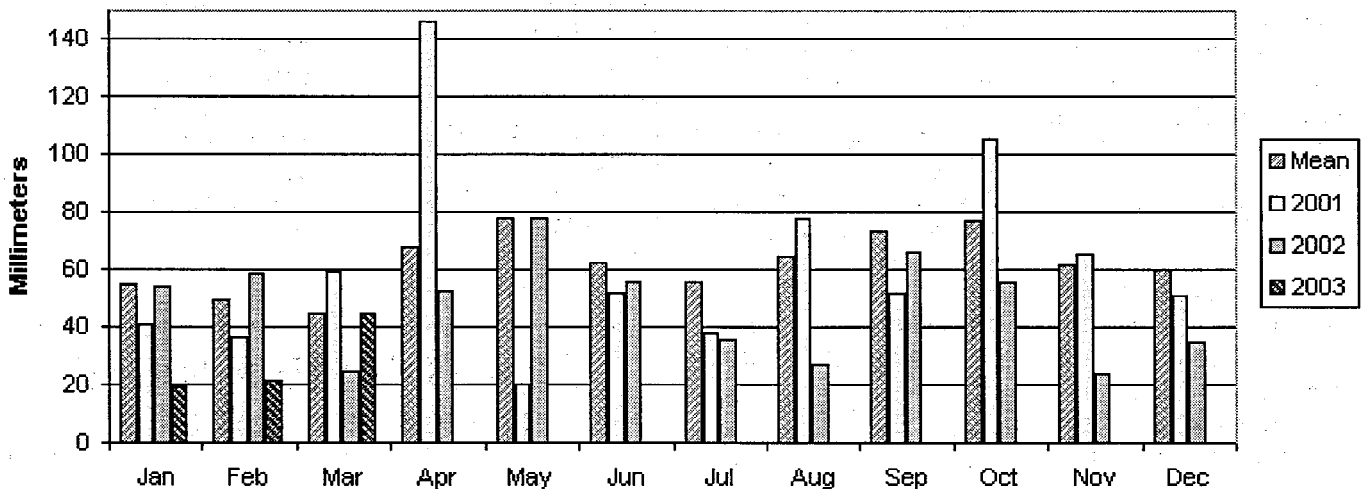
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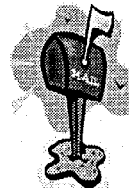
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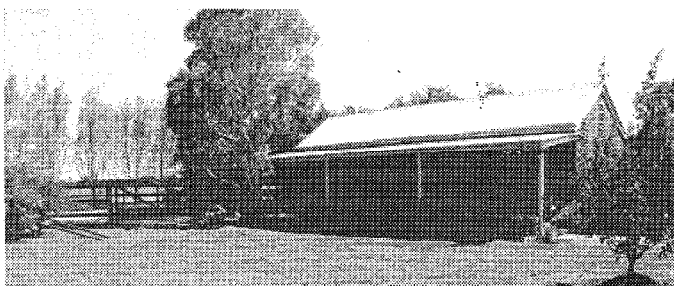
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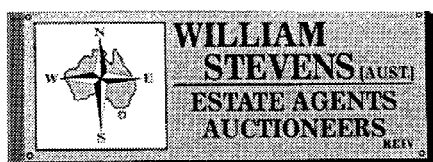
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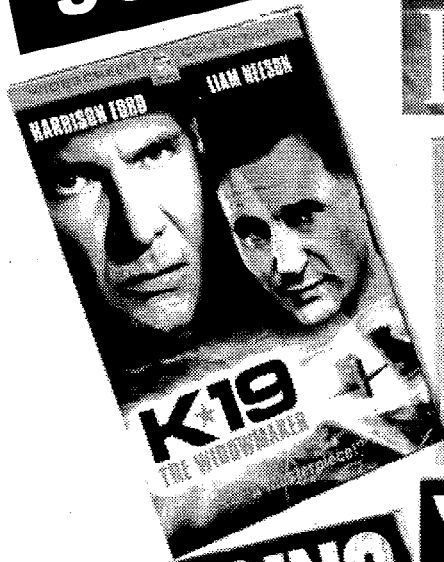
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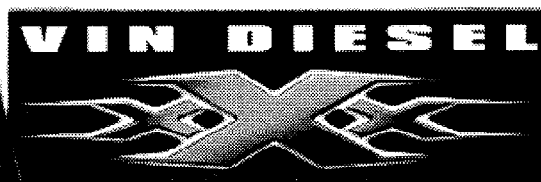
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