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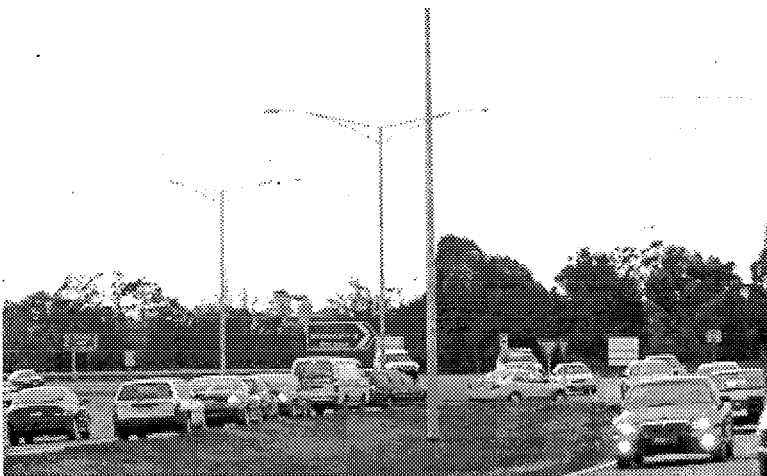
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PAKENHAM BYPASS WILL THIS SOLVE BEACONSFIELD'S TRAFFIC PROBLEMS?

Currently the proposed bypass will enable motorists to only be able to enter and exit when travelling to and from Melbourne. Therefore if you need to go from Beaconsfield towards Pakenham motorists will not be able to join or leave the bypass until the Cardinia Road, Officer, diamond intersection.

Refer to the diagram on page 37.

For further information about the Pakenham Bypass please contact Vic Roads at 40 Belgrave-Hallam Road, Hallam, 3805.

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Discussions regarding the above pictured intersection into Beaconsfield have included installation of traffic lights. This certainly would make accessing Beaconsfield easier and safer.

The Beaconsfield Progress Association encourages the residents of Beaconsfield to come to their meetings to discuss the traffic problems and to become actively involved in the process of making changes for the good of the whole town.

BEACONSFIELD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION MEETING

held at

**Beaconsfield Community Centre,
Beaconsfield Avenue**

7.30pm

TUESDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER

Cr. Garry Runge will be seeking to explore ways of beautifying the entrance to Beaconsfield. Beaconsfield is very much the gateway to both Cardinia and Gippsland. Cardinia Shire are willing to put some money in to making it look good. Come and discuss your ideas.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TUESDAY 21ST OCTOBER

7.30PM

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The Beaconsfield Banner is a free township newsletter that is distributed to the households in Beaconsfield. We distribute the Banner every two months and it is nice to know residents have noticed that the Banner was not distributed during August when scheduled, we do apologise to anyone that it may have inconvenienced.

This delay was due to two of the co-ordinating team experiencing overseas holidays. Tony Rushton spent 5 weeks in England and Denmark and the Boon family spent a very enjoyable 7 weeks in Holland with family. We both experienced fantastic warm and as a reported extremely hot weather, but after all it was Summer in Europe.

A big thankyou to the writing team for their prompt efforts when we returned, ensuring that dates and information was as current as possible.

If you would like to contribute to future Banners we would be pleased to hear from you. Does your group need to let the residents of Beaconsfield know that you have an event planned or do you know someone who is celebrating something special, perhaps you would like to write a creative article or even a poem or recipe. These are of interest to other readers of the Banner. Contact details are on the front of the Banner.



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BEACONSFIELD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S REPORT

by Angela McPhee

I am worried the Beaconsfield we all knew will disappear forever.

Aldi is here and the New Shopping Complex next door is well advanced (with most shops tenanted from what I understand). The two elm trees have been removed from in front of the kinder and, well, the traffic is worse and deteriorating. The town we know and love is changing very quickly.

I am grateful that the new community centre will be constructed soon and the Kenilworth Avenue from Soldiers Road to Station Street will finally be sealed this year as part of the "50 km of newly sealed roads" initiative by council. But (yes there is always a but!) these road issues were

raised with council 12 months ago and we have only just seen the draft traffic strategy (that's draft, not final!).

There is a huge problem within Beaconsfield itself regarding the lack of recreation space. With the Beaconsfield Footy Club on the verge of winning another premiership the lack of playing fields for the up and coming junior members (our future champions) is embarrassing for the town and frustrating for the members.

I feel that Beaconsfield does not have the focus it deserves from the Shire or the necessary funding to ensure that the development of the town is not piecemeal and haphazard and to ensure that infrastructure is in place (eg sporting facilities) to ensure the residents retain that amenity. This is partly because we as

residents don't make enough demands and aren't outspoken enough and partly because the Shire's responsibilities are for a large and diverse area. I would have thought however that Council has permitted rapid development of the area and part of Council's responsibility should be to make sure this growth only takes place with a full plan for the future.

We as residents need to show some passion and commitment for our town. We welcome your input. Please come along to our meeting on the 16 September 2003. One of the items on the agenda will be updating the Association's web page. Any one with any skills or ideas would be more than welcome.

I can be contacted at my office at 4 Kempson Walk Berwick or on 9707 0705.

NOMINATIONS FOR AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS NOW OPEN

Every year there are local people and events that make an extraordinary contribution to the life of our community. More often than not these contributions are made quietly and don't get much public recognition.

A feature of Cardinia's Australia Day ceremony every year is the presentation of the Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year and Community Event of the Year.

Cardinia Mayor Kate Lempriere, who chairs the council's Australia Day Planning Committee, says that the Australia Day awards are an important way for the community to recognise and celebrate the work of local people.

'There are people and groups achieving exceptional things in Cardinia and these awards give us an opportunity to recognise and thank them,' said the Mayor.

'I would encourage local residents to put forward the names of any individuals or events that they believe have achieved something important in our district.'

Nominations for the awards are now open. Residents can nominate people or events they think have made an outstanding contribution to our local community by contacting Sheila Barnett at Cardinia Shire on 5945 4332 or by email at s.barnett@cardinia.vic.gov.au.

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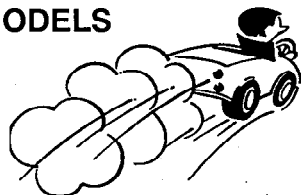
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CARDINIA

by Cr. Garry Runge,
Beacon Hills Ward

Greetings to all the residents of the Beacon Hills Ward.

Development within Beaconsfield is continuing with the opening of the Aldi supermarket and the ongoing construction of the adjoining shopping precinct. This means an increase in people shopping in the township and leads to the important issue of traffic flow and safety. The revised Beaconsfield Township traffic strategy has been released and discussed with many residents.

The Beaconsfield Progress

Association is active in driving the strategy in conjunction with Council and it is pleasing to see how much input the community has had with the strategy.

Sealing of Kenilworth Ave and Station Street and the widening of Beaconsfield Ave should provide for safe and efficient traffic flow around the township from the south. The viaduct will continue to play an important role in respect to traffic, pedestrian and

cycling movement and any future decision about it will rest with the community.

Tenders for construction of the new Beaconsfield Community Complex have been called for and it is planned that work will commence in the very near future, with the building being ready of opening in the second half of 2004.

I am pleased to advise you that I have been able to donate \$200 to the

Beaconsfield Community Centre Toy Library and \$200 to the Officer Pony Club. I trust this money will be well used by the two groups.

I am also pleased to report that the footpaths in our township have been undergoing repairs as part of a maintenance program. The footpath in Wood street, from the railway station to the shops has been completed, so no more muddy puddles to walk through on the way home from the train. You will have also noticed the centre medium strip outside the Central Hotel has undergone some treatment.

As Beaconsfield is the entry to the Cardinia Shire I secured funding to commence a beautification program at the entrance to our township. This promises to be a lovely entry in the Spring time. *Cont. page 5.*

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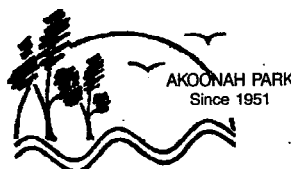
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SHIRE BUDGET

The Shire budget was approved on 07/07/2003, some of the major items are as follows:

Road Infrastructure:

- Twenty four kilometres of existing sealed roads are to be resealed - \$210,000
- Commencement of fifty kilometres of arterial road networks are to be upgraded.

Building Communities:

- The budget has made provision for 120 new preschool places.

- 3 new playgrounds and recreation facilities - \$100,000
- Building will commence on the Beaconsfield Community Complex which will include an infant welfare centre., Kindergarten and Child Care Facility \$3.8Mil
- Over \$500,000 is allocated for Maternal and Child Health Services
- Cardinia Aquatic & Recreation Centre \$5m (State Govt. Grant \$2.5m)

Environment

- Tree planting grant program - \$30,000
- Weed eradication - \$43,000
- Cardinia Catchment Landcare - \$18,000



HOW WOULD YOU BEAUTIFY THE ENTRY TO BEACONSFIELD?

It is time to look at beautifying the entry to Beaconsfield across the Cardinia Creek. This is the gateway to the Cardinia Shire and we Beaconsfield residents should be very proud of our entry into the township. Councillor Garry Runge is keen to hear from residents who have ideas or designs as to how we can create the best looking entry into the township. Any suggestions would be greatly appreciated and can be forwarded to Councillor Runge on g.runge@cardinia.vic.gov.au or 97698152.

Regards to all,
Cr. Garry Runge
Beacon Hills Ward

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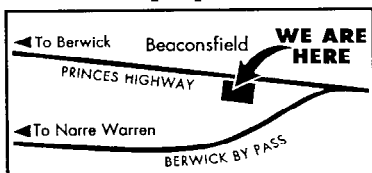
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by Philip Walton

We currently have some vacancies in our weekday volunteer response team. So if you are available at least some weekdays during business hours, this is your chance to join our team.

The Beaconsfield Fire Brigade is made up of male and female members across a range of ages. Your skills, energy and a little of your time can help to make your community a safer place to live.

We'll give you the best training and the latest equipment, but as a volunteer there will be no pay. What you will get is the satisfaction of helping make your community safer,

the excitement and adventure of emergency work, new skills, new friends and social activities.

If you are available some weekdays during business hours, contact either Ron Woodfine (9707 1572 AH or 0408 543 003 BH) or Anthony Hester (9769 9627) by 21 September 2003 to learn about how you can become part of our team.

VOCAL NOSH

This will be held again on Sunday 5th October at Gemco Community Theatre Hall at Emerald at 3pm till 6pm. The cost is \$14 and \$12 Concession.

Vocal Nosh is a Social gathering of people (of all ages and abilities in singing) to participate in an enjoyable session of group singingin the past better known perhaps as Community Singing!

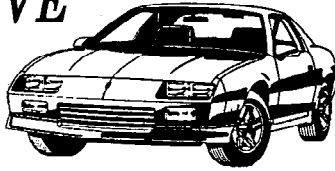
Led by talented singing teacher Suzann Frisk the songs are sung mostly Acapella style with four part melodies. No music is read nor 'note bashing' practised here. It's a straight forward

business of "sing after me" and very quickly melodious sounds flow forth from simple four line chants and verses written down on the song sheets. Many of the songs are sung in rounds and many are from different countries in different languages.

You always learn something new at Vocal Nosh, meet new friends and at the end share in an impromptu meal of Soup, home made breads and cakes, cheese and fruit.

Government Vic Health is supportive of this health giving activity. Singing is not only good physically but a good mental activity too. If you are interested please come along. Want to know more? Phone Ted on 97071313. Gemco Hall is in Kilvington Drive, Emerald.

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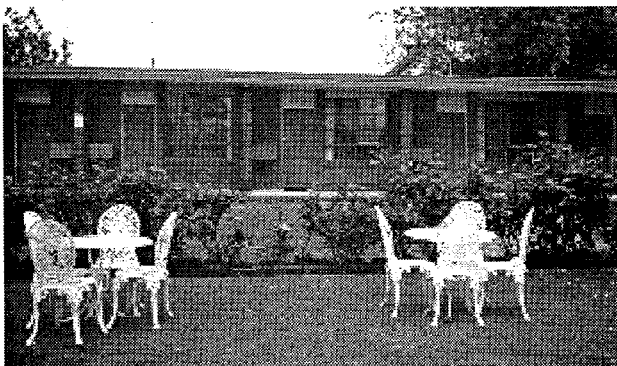
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Leanne Walker and Steven Newell became engaged in June – but they've already "tied the knot" in another venture. Leanne and Steve are the proud new owners of the Beaconsfield Newsagency and Milk Bar.

Both have a solid background in the hospitality industry, having met while working together in Airlie Beach, North Queensland. Leanne has worked in a number of family businesses and, most recently, for the Novotel hotel chain. Steven is a former licensed club and hotel manager.

Leanne has a good knowledge of the local area, as a youngster having attended school at Nar Nar Goon and having been a member of the Berwick Callisthenics Club. Steven comes from Wollongong, the third largest city in NSW,

where he helped manage one of its biggest licensed clubs, while playing rugby union at the weekends.

Leanne and Steve are planning to wed next year, and are sure their successful "marriage" to the Beaconsfield Newsagency will be only the start of bigger things to come. They are keen to follow in the footsteps of their predecessors, Karen, Mark and Gavin, to offer their customers only the best possible service and products. No major changes are anticipated in the near future and they will still be serving the best sandwiches and rolls in Melbourne.

Leanne and Steve look forward to your continuing support and hope to make many new friends and acquaintances.

BEACONSFIELD POST OFFICE

As part of the history sessions held at the Beaconsfield Community Centre information on the postal services offered in the Beaconsfield area is being gathered. A letter from the Australian Post Office, Public Relations Section contained the following information.

"A Post Office first opened in the area under the name of 'Beaconsfield' on the 1st October, 1878. It was a non-official office, and was probably operated in conjunction with a general store. The Post master was William Brisbane, who was paid an annual allowance of six pound (twelve dollars) for his post duties.

In June 1891, the name of Beaconsfield Post Office was changed to Beaconsfield Upper. A new Beaconsfield Post Office opened some time between 1896 and 1909.

Residents of Beaconsfield and Beaconsfield Upper were first provided with telephone facilities about 1908."

We will continue the history of Beaconsfield Post Office, if you have any further information contact Tony Rushton 9707 1765.

The next History Day will be in November contact the Beaconsfield Community Centre on 9707 3449.



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by Tracie Lund, Centre Co-ordinator

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If you can help and would like to share your skills. Please Phone Tracie at the Centre to arrange an interview.

Remember it is YOUR Community Centre! The program reflects the community needs & inputs!

OCCASIONAL CARE

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L to R: Nathan Jones, Cooper Lund and Shalini Pillay

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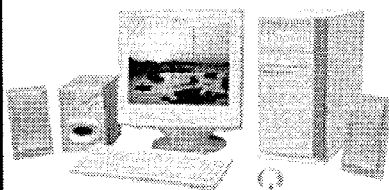
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Footnote: Welcome to Matilda Lund. See page 38.

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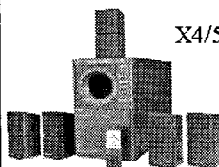
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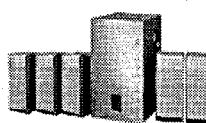
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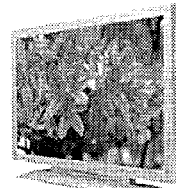
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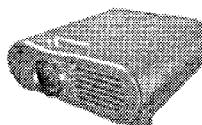


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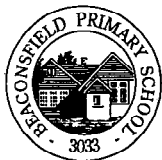
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What's Happening at Beaconsfield Primary School.

Children report:

On Tuesday 12th August, Channel Seven came to Beaconsfield Primary School. They came in a helicopter. Ranger Nadine came from Phillip Island to talk about penguins and penguin jumpers.
By Symone

On Tuesday 12th August, Channel Seven News came to Beaconsfield Primary School. David Brown is the weatherman. He asked us questions. The ranger of penguins told us a story about penguins when they get oil on them. I had fun.
By Laura

Today people will watch David Brown on the news. He came to Beaconsfield Primary School today. Nadine told us how to help penguins when they are sick.
By Connor



L to R : Symone and Leanne Birchmore

240 WARM JUMPERS FOR COLD PENGUINS

Parent/School Councillor:

On Tuesday 12th August our school was the place to be! A ranger from Phillip Island came to give a presentation on penguins and to pick up the jumpers the school and the local community (and not local) had knitted. Added to this was the Channel 7 helicopter and David Brown. Wow! What a rush! There was excitement everywhere. It was the best 1½ hours.

Ranger Nadine and David Brown were great with the children. The kids themselves, they were FANTASTIC! From our School Captains to our preps, everyone was on their best behaviour. I was so proud to be a parent of a student at Beaconsfield Primary School.

Leanne Birchmore

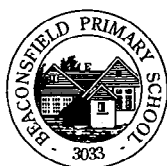
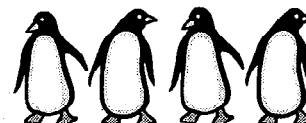
feathers that are waterproof the oil disintegrates into the feathers and forms a hole. If the feathers get water in them the penguin can die from the cold. A jumper is placed on the penguin to stop them from preening their feathers and ingesting the poisonous oil as they wait to be washed.

On returning to school the children developed a project called 'Warm Jumpers for Cold Penguins'. Volunteers were asked to knit jumpers by following a pattern we downloaded from the website www.penguins.org.au

The response to our call for volunteers was outstanding! Parents, students, friends, grandparents and community groups knitted over 240 jumpers! The success of the project was amplified by a presentation from Ranger Nadine and David Brown from Channel Seven.

I would like to thank everyone who contributed to our school project!

Andrea Hillbrick



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From a fine tradition to an exciting future.

Acting Principal:

The 5/6 children of Beaconsfield PS went to Phillip Island for camp during Term 1. The children learnt a lot about oil spills and how penguins get caught in them. The children learnt that penguins have



MAKE AND MINGLE

by Ann Taylor

These chilly spring mornings are ideal to meet in the warmth of the Baptist Church for friendship and crafts. This term we have seen some wonderful crafts made by our group. Quilts, cushions, painted embroidery, glassart, scrapbooking, parchment crafts, ceramics and decals, teabag folding, candlewicking and greeting cards. Next term we will continue with these crafts and also some Christmas crafts.

On Friday 5th September we will be going to the Stitches and Craft Show at Caulfield Racecourse and there are still a few seats available on the bus. We are also planning a bus trip to Tyabb Craft Village on Friday 24th October and you are welcome to join us for this day.

There are still copies of the Make and Mingle Recipe book available for purchase at \$5 per copy, spiral bound and over 50 pages. These would make ideal Christmas presents.

Make and Mingle is for all ages, just recently we celebrated Joan's 89th birthday and the arrival of Kathy's baby and Tracey's baby.

We meet every Wednesday 10am -12noon during school term at Beaconsfield Baptist Church Cnr. Souter Street and Old Princes Hwy for friendship and craft.

You can come along any week and start a new craft.

Enquiries Ann 9707 1996

BEACONSFIELD IN CASEY RESIDENTS ACTION GROUP (B.I.C.R.A.G.)

Further to our last article, some in-roads have been made to further our cause re sound/safety barriers along the Berwick by-pass, thanks to wonderful front page release in the Berwick-Pakenham Gazette and similar article in the Berwick Gazette. We await a response from Vic Roads.

We appear to be getting closer to a meeting with the Minister for Transport, Mr. Peter Batchelor, re the railway overpass in Bryn Mawr Boulevard (Manuka Rd. extension). Recent meetings at Mr. Dale Wilson's office have been fruitful and both Casey and Cardinia councils have indicated bio-partisan support to push the need for a proper railway overpass at Bryn Mawr Boulevard (Manuka Rd. extension).



The building of this overpass can only dramatically decrease congestion of the old viaduct near Beaconsfield railway station and surrounds, as well as allowing commercial vehicles and even emergency service vehicles to access the local areas more smoothly and efficiently.

Again, we call on all residents who wish to see current issues mentioned, and any others that come to mind, being tackled and pursued by B.I.C.R.A.G.

Our next B.I.C.R.A.G. meeting is on Wednesday 10th September.

For further information please call:-

Ray Fleming
(spokesperson)
0407 530 03

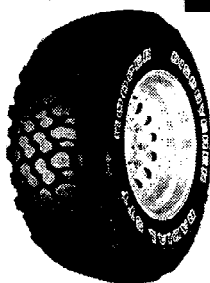
A QUICK AND EASY SPINACH DIP

1 pkt. frozen spinach (fine leaf)
1 teaspn butter
1 pkt spring vegie soup
1/3 cup mayonaise
1 tub sour cream
garlic optional

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WINE & FOOD

by Keith Goodman

Ross and Rina Vickers at Cooks Kitchen are a very welcome addition to our shopping needs, located near the ANZ Bank in High St, Berwick. Stocking only quality cooking utensils and homewares they also bring years of experience in the industry having previously operated a House franchise, it is indeed a delight to talk with people who know their subject. I particularly like their Scanpan range and must confess to owning a Scanpan glass lidded stockpot.

The second Saturday morning of each month is becoming a must at our home for visiting the Pakenham Farmers Market held undercover in the betting ring at the Racecourse. Every visit is an adventure as stallholders and produce vary with the season. Last month we bought the best fresh cress we have ever seen, free range chicken and mushroom pies for lunch, apples, baby chats, tasted wine and cheese and bought a new sage plant to replace one eaten by rabbits. We look forward to spring and it's delights.

Wine There are some good wines about at the moment at reasonable prices, but care needs to be taken below \$10. Punt Road Shiraz, 2001, \$25 cellardoor is a delight soft, silky and smooth, as the Winemaker described "very tasty"; Maglieri Mc Vale Shiraz, 2001, \$13-14; McWilliam Hanwood Shiraz, \$8 released for the first time is great value; Seppelt Victoria Premium Reserve Shiraz, 2001 \$13; Chapoutier Limestone Coast Shiraz, 2001, \$20, note this is not the Mt Benson version reviewed recently; and amazingly a Jimmy Watson Trophy winner at \$20, Rosemount Traditional, 2001, Cab, Merlot and Petit Verdot one for the cellar or current drinking. Finally a white under the Vintage Cellars own label is a Chardonnay, 2000 from Robe at \$13.



TOUGH POOL FENCE REGULATIONS IN FORCE

Cardinia residents face fines of up to \$5000 if they fail to fence their backyard pools and spas.

Under state government legislation all backyard swimming pools and spas must be surrounded by an approved safety barrier, regardless of when the pool was constructed.

Cardinia Shire has developed a program to ensure that local residents are aware of their responsibilities and that they comply with the legislation.

Cardinia's General Manager - Planning & Environment Jeremy Wood said that under the Act all pool and spa owners are required to install and maintain proper safety fences and that the council will be doing everything it can to ensure compliance.

Cardinia Mayor Kate Lempriere said that the council's commitment to pool safety is all about saving lives.

'Too many young children have drowned in backyard swimming pools. Local residents need to be aware that if they have a backyard pool or spa, they must have approved safety barriers to restrict access by young children,' the Mayor said.

'In some cases, residents don't really understand what their responsibilities are. People need to realise, for example, that things such as roller doors or spa lids, are not proper barriers under the Act because they can be inadvertently left open.'

'If they're in any doubt, they can pick up a Pool Barrier Information brochure from the council office or contact the Municipal Building Surveyor for advice,' Mr Wood said.

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The plant can be grown outside in full sun light during summer quite successfully, providing it is kept moist & not in temperature more than 35 degrees, for any length of time. The pot should be sitting in a tray with 10 to twenty mm. of water & never allowed to dry out. Under these conditions the

inside of the traps should turn red as summer approaches.

If the tall leaves begin to droop downwards this is usually an indication that the humidity is too low. When this happens cover the pot with a plastic bag or glass dome & reduce the sunlight. In this condition the leaves should pick up again & return to their usual position.

There are many different types of Carnivorous Plants. The *Sarracenia* Pitchers which grow in hanging pots with the green & red pitchers growing over the sides are a real talking point

plant as they are spectacular to view as well as being so different to any of the more common hanging plants.

All these plants can be grown both inside by the sunny windows or hanging in a sheltered position outside, such as a shade house.

Try growing them. They are so different as well as being fun to grow.

BRAIN TEASER

A farmer was offered as much land as he could get enclosed in 20kms of fencing. He did well when he secured the maximum amount of land possible. What was the shape of his holding?

What has form without substance and size without any weight?

1. Round (circle), A shadow

SCHOOL SPEED REDUCTION PROGRAM UNDERWAY

by *Tammy Labato, MP,*
Member for Gembrook

There are many exciting events and projects taking place in and around the electorate of Gembrook.

The new public hospital in Berwick now has an official name- Casey Hospital. Work is progressing well and the hospital is due to open on schedule in mid 2004. With 229 beds and state of the art facilities, including a 24-hour emergency department, a 23 bed obstetrics unit, a mental health unit and a special care nursery, this hospital will cater for the birth of over 2,000 babies a year, and an estimated 3,000 elective surgical operations. It will be managed by Southern Health and will

bring specialist health care closer to so many residents in the south eastern growth corridor.

The future of the Beaconsfield Reservoir is now more certain. I have received a written assurance from Minister John Thwaites that this site will remain in public ownership. This area has the potential to become a permanent public reserve or parkland, which is fantastic news for the community.

Those who travel through Upper Beaconsfield will soon notice substantial improvements. To address the incidence of motorcycle crashes on Beaconsfield-Emerald Rd, the section

between Stoney Creek Rd and St Georges Rd is being resurfaced and sealed by the Bracks Government to improve safety and reduce fatalities.

Also on road safety, the Arrive Alive! strategy, which includes the School Speed Reduction Program, is underway. This program, which is being rolled out on a region by region basis, will reduce speed limits outside every primary and secondary school in Victoria and make the roads safer for our children. Schools in the Shire of Cardinia are scheduled into this program for next year. It may seem some time off, but it is important that implementation of the program is done carefully to take into account the circumstances and particular traffic conditions of each individual school.

As of 29th September, I will be in my new office at 1/5 Gloucester Ave Berwick. I look forward to meeting more residents and talking with you about issues of importance to the community.

Tammy Lobato MP
Member for Gembrook
PO BOX 558
Beaconsfield 3807

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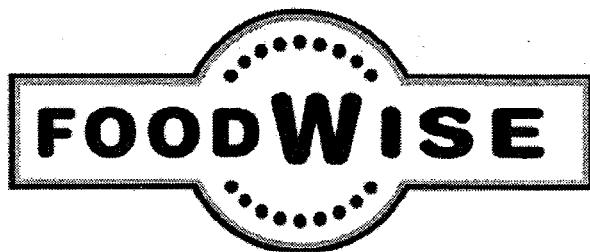
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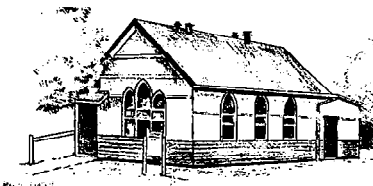
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FROM THE ACCOUNTANTS' DESK

by GRAEME J TAYLOR C.A.

SALARY PACKAGING ARRANGEMENTS

Salary packaging is where an employee agrees to forego receiving some of their future remuneration in return for their employer paying for benefits of a similar amount. The remuneration could be wages or salaries or bonuses provided there is not a present entitlement to payment. The Australian Taxation Office accepts the principle of salary packaging in Taxation ruling TR 2001/10

Where the arrangement is made for future benefits, the employee is taxed on a lower salary however the benefit may be subject to Fringe Benefits Tax which would be onward charged to the employee.

Prospective salary sacrifice arrangements would include future amounts due for bonuses, annual and long service leave accruing in the future and superannuation contributions to complying superannuation funds.

Depending on whether the benefits paid are subject to fringe benefits tax (FBT) and whether the employer has to pay FBT or is exempt, then the comparative table below demonstrates salary sacrifice amounts required:

Rebatable organisations (A) includes non-profit organisations exempt from income tax including religious institutions, non-government schools, trade unions, employer and employee associations. Employers (B) that are FBT exempt include public hospitals and certain charities.

There are financial benefits to be gained by salary packaging, however the implementation must be carefully administered otherwise benefits paid under retrospective salary sacrifice arrangements will be deemed to be salary and wages from which PAYG tax must be withheld.

GRAEME J. TAYLOR C.A.

THOUGHT OF THE MOMENT!

The reason a dog has so many friends is that he wags his tail instead of his tongue.

- Anonymous



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Tuesday 4th November

**HOW MANY
SHOPPING
DAYS TO
CHRISTMAS????**

FRIENDS OF THE CARDINIA CREEK SANCTUARY

by Shane Hester

The mornings are frosty and the days are sunny, it must be spring. The smell of Wattle flowers fills the air and the Kookaburra's sign out their early morning wake-up calls.

Spring is always a busy time in the Sanctuary because as any gardener knows, it's a time when many weeds start to emerge. It's also a good to remove them because they are small and easily pulled out of the ground.

Excellent rain over winter has stimulated all the dormant seeds in the ground throughout the section that was burnt only a few months ago. Young seedlings of Wattles, Manna Gum and

Swamp Gum are emerging through the ash and will soon revegetate the landscape. There is however a section that has been subjected to some minor flooding due to a poorly constructed storm water pipe. Hopefully this will soon be fixed and the water, particularly along Emerald Rd is aloud to drain out. (Pictured below).

September the 7th is Threatened Species Day. This is a day to raise awareness of the many species that have declined in number, particularly due to human actions, and the impact this decline has on biodiversity. It is also a day to remind us all of our role in conservation. Some of the threatened species found in the Sanctuary include Wedge-tail Eagles, Powerful Owls and a small native fish called Dwarf Galaxis. There are also a number of plant species that are rare in this area and are in need of protection from such threats as urban development.

The Friends of Cardinia Creek Sanctuary will hold their AGM on Wednesday 17th of September at the Cardinia Park Hotel at 7:30.

The next working bee will be held on Sunday 28th of September. The group meets at the car park opposite Holm Park Rd at around 9:00am. Morning tea is provided for all those who wish to join us. New members are always welcome.

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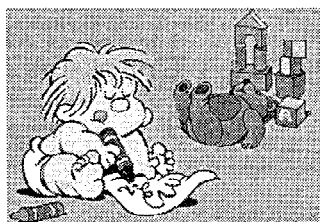
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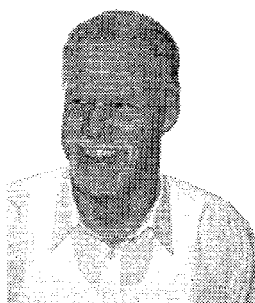
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THE VOICE OF THE BAPTIST CHURCH

by David Morland

Trees – they keep telling us how good they are and how important they are to the wellbeing of our environment. And I for one agree. Our Council is going to some lengths to make sure that the trees of our community are protected and preserved. These days you do not go chopping down trees without first getting permission.

Now we all know that trees are both nice to look at and play a vital role in our ecological system. I do not think that anyone needs to be convinced that the cultivation of our trees is imperative. Apparently some trees are more important than others and hence our Council would have us "Call Before We Cut". The days when you could simply cut down this or that tree are gone.

Now if as a community our goal is to preserve and prosper the trees of our Shire I would have thought that it would be better to approached this from a positive angle rather than a negative one.

Rather than setting up imperatives to cutting trees down, why not give incentives to planting trees. As time goes on the more imperatives there are to removing trees the more reluctant people will be to plant trees. On the other hand if we were to reduce people's Council Rates in accordance to the number of trees on their property we would have a Shire full of the most rich tree life.

Human nature being what it is, much more is achieved with positive reinforcement as opposed to negative reinforcement.

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Letter of Introduction

Hellen Kemp is an Astrologer developing a private practice in Beaconsfield. She has a deep interest in Mythology, Archetypal Psychology and the language of symbols. She has been formally studying Astrology and Archetypal Psychology at the Chiron Centre in Melbourne since 1996 and is currently completing a Diploma in Applied Astrology with Astro* Synthesis.

Hellen is also trained in crisis counselling and family/adolescent mediation. She has worked for many years assisting people in the health industry.

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PRIMROSE PARK

Circa 1888 (Pictured overpage)

Primrose Park was built in 1888 for Edward Hanley, a former Berwick Shire President (1882-1883).

An Italianate Victorian Villa with a polychrome façade constructed from bricks manufactured at an Officer brickworks. The house is historically significant in the Cardinia Shire, as at the time the district was known for an ample timber supply and consequently dominant timber construction.

Surrounding the home are several significant trees including Bunya Bunya Pines, Canary Island Pine, Himalayan Cypress and Irish Strawberry tree, also dating back to the 1880's and earlier.

Past owners of Primrose Park were:
Mrs Fanny Ann Gower (late 1880's-1925)
Mrs Rebecca Stevens (1925-1949)

Reginald & Ethel Barlee (1949-1969)
Raymond & Shirley Hayes (1969-1988)

Richard Bell (1988-1999)

Primrose Park was painted white in the 1960's to "freshen up" for sale. In the years following, many of the Victorian features were removed or covered over and the home fell into a state of disrepair.

In 1999, the current owners commenced restoration of Primrose Park, starting with huge task of stripping the paint from the external brickwork. Thousands of hours have followed since restoring the home inside and out to its former Victorian glory.

Many hours of work still lay ahead to finish the home (probably a never ending project) with the creation of a

Victorian Era garden, a large part of the work still to be completed.

The main goal of the present owners was to restore Primrose Park to a standard that would ensure the home would never be demolished (a real threat in the 1990's, with the development of the land immanent.), hopefully this has been achieved.

Footnote:

The present owners, Annette & Rob Aldersea, are eager to hear from anyone who may know more about the history of Primrose Park, its past owners or have any old photos, etc.

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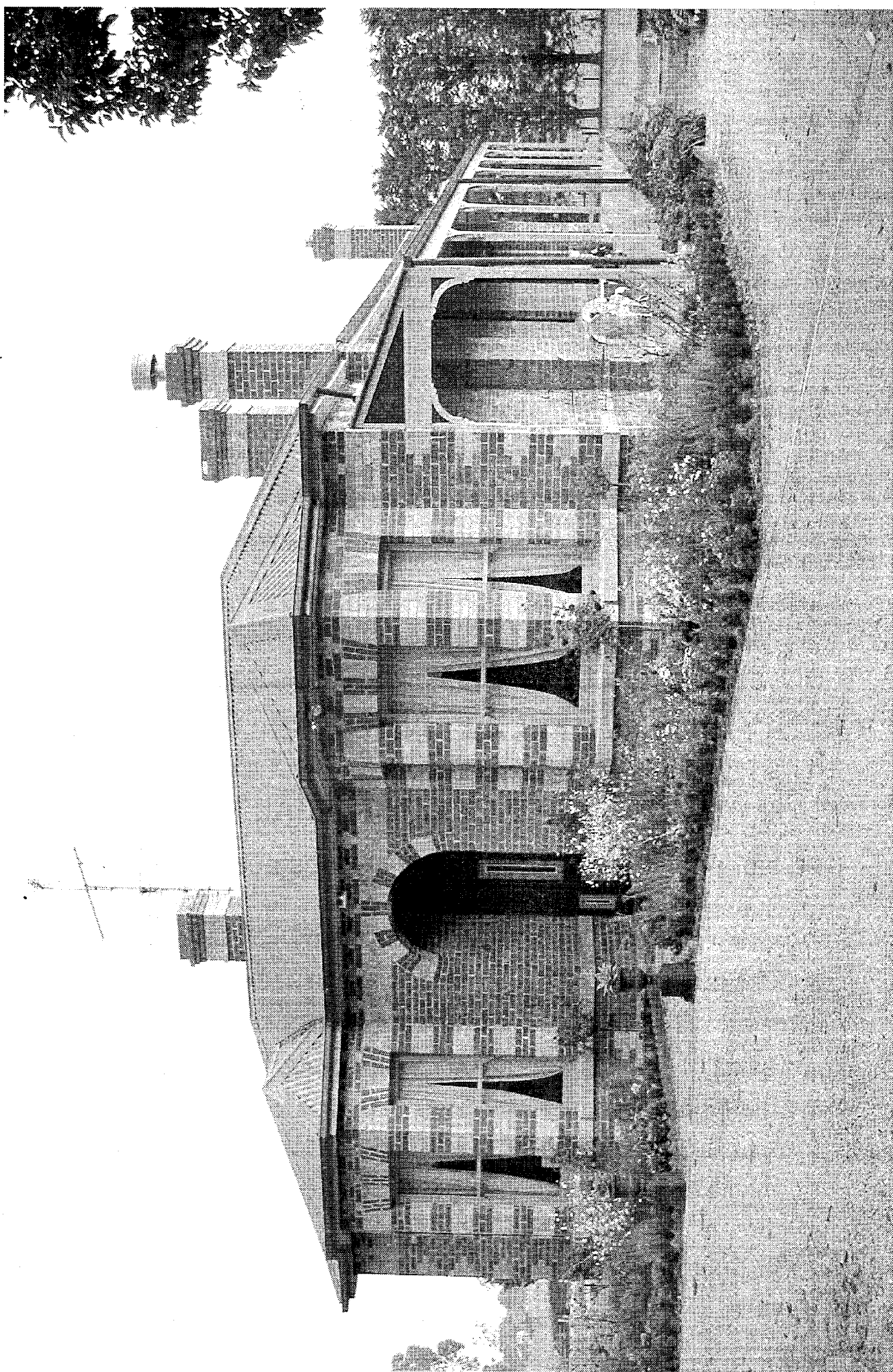
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GROSBY SLIPPER FACTORY

by Tony Rushton

The Grosovsky family, originally from Minsk, Russia, started the Grosby Shoe Company in Melbourne in 1925 where their two-story factory was on the corner of Flemington Rd. and Racecourse Rd. in North Melbourne.

In the forties Nathan and Ralph Grosovsky took over the business and in about 1945 they opened the Grosby Slipper Factory in Beaconsfield. It was started in Roberts store on the corner of Beaconsfield Ave. and Woods St. opposite the railway station. Ralph was in charge of this factory and used to travel to Beaconsfield and then onto Koo Wee Rup to another Slipper Factory that they owned.

About thirty girls worked at the factory cutting out the slippers and shoes, sewing, binding and putting in the eyelets. Once a week the Grosby truck would come to pick up the slippers to have their soles put on at the Melbourne factory. The truck driven by Charlie Tasker brought the materials for more slippers.

Originally the staff was paid a wage for their forty-hour week but later it was piecework, where they were paid for the amount of work they did. As they had no phone they would send a telegram for the wages and Postal notes would be sent to the Post Office for the pay for the girls, later the pays would come on the truck.

Pfaff sewing machines were used which some of the girls found a bit frightening at first as they were only used to the treadle machines and the electric ones were so fast. About twice a week Mr. Baker from the Melbourne factory would come out to fix the machines. Later Mr. Bill Rankin was the mechanic. The main accidents they had were needles through fingers.

On cold days they had two smoky smelly kerosene heaters which were shifted around the factory to keep everyone warm.

Ralph Grosby was a generous good-looking man with black wavy hair. He would let the girls who travelled by train work until it was time for their train



so that they didn't have to wait for long periods in the cold.

In about 1951 Mr. Ralph Grosby invited Amy Warner and Beth Coombs for afternoon tea at the Central Hotel where he asked them to work at the Melbourne Factory, both girls went and soon afterwards the factory in Beaconsfield closed.

Most of the workers were single women, about two or three were married. Some of the girls lived at Mrs. McNaughtons boarding house in Woods St. while others travelled from as far away as Nar Nar Goon. During some of the train strikes (which would last for up to six weeks) the girls would hitch a ride on the milk truck with the cans on the back. Other girls rode bikes to work as none of them had cars.

Union fees were three pence a week and Irene Chambers was the union representative.

At Christmas time all the staff would be taken to the Central hotel for their Christmas breakup. The photo of the staff (above) was taken about 1946, outside the Central Hotel and the Grosby truck is in the background.

Back Row L-R: - Mrs. Mary Ennis, Patricia Chambers (Ellis), Rhoda Ford (Humphries), Elsea Holmes, Nancy Crowley (Ryan) or Amy Warner (Tweddle), Charlie Tasker, Cherry Thompson, Doris Clements, Mable Barr, Nancy Clements, Joan Baker (Hanna), Alma Gardner (Dyker) and Nora Robson (Barwise). Front Row L-R: - Lois Danziel, Molly Hills, Irene Chambers (Bumpstead) Dianne {Jackie} Coombs, Edith Miller (Robertson), Betty Pidgoen, Cath McLean (Goldsack), Mrs. Swift and Joyce Robson (Storer).

Other names mentioned were Betty Handley (little girl that did messages) Mrs. Mary Ennis (Senior floor lady or manageress) Violet Bowles (Manager), Mr. Ogilvy (Manager) Pat Sands (Board), Stella Nelson (Montague), Edith Miller (Forelady), Una Robertson (Whitburn), Olive Robertson (Pollock), Katie Robertson (Price), Beth Coombs (Webster), Betty Fortune (Atkins), Noreen Fitzgerald, Ann Fitzgerald (Cruden), Maureen Fitzpatrick (Kierle), Lorna Hobson (Lee), Rae Marshall (Fortune), Kathleen Warner (Emerson), Stella Montague, Jean Graham, Daisy Marsden (Lia) and Myrtle Parkes.

Thank you to all who attended the history afternoon on 24th August, also Ralph Grosby who was not able to attend but donated a cheque of \$100 towards the history group, Debbie Stacy, Tracie Lund, Kath Baker and Dulcie Rushton for their support.



Above L-R:- Daisy Lia, Nancy Ryan, Irene Bumpstead. Alma Dyker, Edith Robertson, Lois Danziel, Beth Webster, Amy Tweddle. Seated Edna Naylor (who did not work at the slipper Factory) and Nora Barwise.

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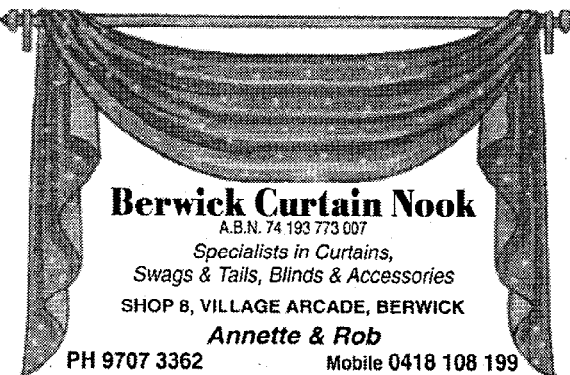
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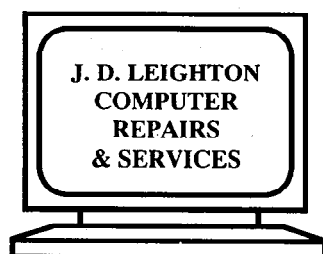
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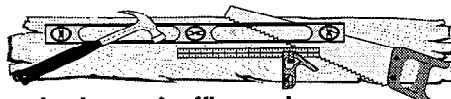
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THE ANGELS ARE BACK!

Charlie's Angels are back! And it may be a cliché but are also bigger and better this time.

'Full Throttle' seems to pick up all that the original film lacked, and while it maybe very formula driven it certainly keeps you entertained. The original cast of Lucy Liu, Drew Barrymore and Cameron Diaz all return but this time with a different Bosley in tow. Demi Moore is a standout as the Angel's nemesis.

One of the things that makes 'Full Throttle' better

than the original is that this time we actually get some decent background information on some of the Angels. This in turn makes them less one dimensional.

Of course like the Charlie Angel's of old there are some incredibly cheesy moments in the film that will make you genuinely cringe, and of course some of the stunts do look really unbelievable. But then again this film is out to win an Academy Award, it's there for entertaining and that's exactly what it does. One thing to watch out for the impressive send up of 'CSI'.

If alternative films are more your style, than make sure you don't miss the brilliant 'The Safety Of Objects'. This is one of the best films I have seen this year, and don't be to surprised if you see it in my Top Ten list at the end of the year.

The best way to describe 'The Safety Of Objects' is brilliant but bizarre. It centres around a number of families who all live in close proximity to each other. Glenn Close portrays a mother worried about her comatosed son in award winning style, and Joshua

Jackson continues to impress in roles outside that of Pacey from 'Dawson's Creek'.

'The Safety Of Objects' is well written and directed and keeps the audience wondering what exactly will happen. In a blur, bizarre storyline that ranges from a strange maintenance man to a young boy who believes he is having a relationship with his sister's doll, we learn how Joshua Jackson came to be in a coma and how his mother's dedication to him has affected their own family, and those around them.

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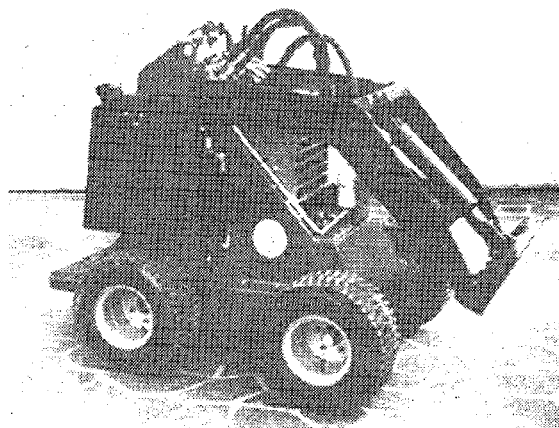
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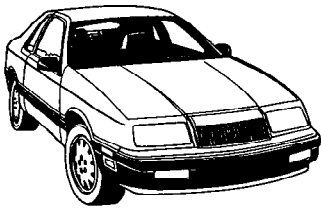
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by Keith Goodman

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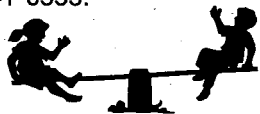
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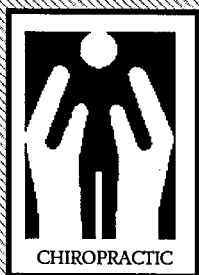
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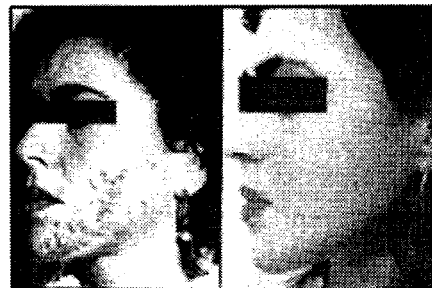


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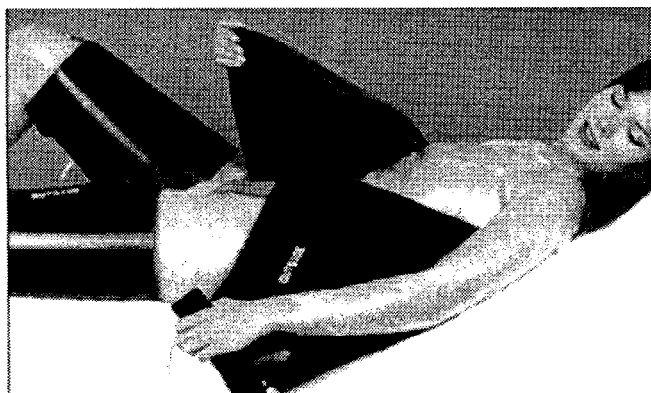
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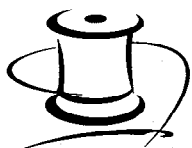
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3. Okay, the dog can stay in the house on a permanent basis, provided his dog house can be sold in a yard sale to a rookie dog owner.
4. Inside the house, the dog is not allowed to run free and is confined to a comfortable but secure metal cage.
5. Okay, the cage becomes part of a two-for-one deal along with the dog house in the yard sale, and the dog can go wherever he pleases.
6. The dog is never allowed on the furniture.
7. Okay, the dog can get on the old furniture but not the new furniture.
8. Okay, the dog can get up on the new furniture until it looks like the old furniture and then we'll sell the whole works and buy new furniture...upon which the dog will most definitely not be allowed.
9. The dog never sleeps on the bed. Period.
10. Okay, the dog can sleep at the foot of the bed.
11. Okay, the dog can sleep alongside you, but he's not allowed under the covers.
12. Okay, the dog can sleep under the covers but not with his head on the pillow.
13. Okay, the dog can sleep alongside you under the covers with his head on the pillow, but if he snores he's got to leave the room.
14. Okay, the dog can sleep and snore and have nightmares in bed, but he's not to come in and sleep on the couch in the TV room, where I'm now sleeping. That's just not fair.
15. The dog never gets listed on the census questionnaire as "primary resident," even if it's true.



BRICKBATS AND BOUQUETS

Bouquets to the Shire for the completion of the footpath in Woods Street. The trimming or removal of trees has made it safer for pedestrians.

Being a 'handyman' is not a formal qualification in an age when qualifications are required for so many occupations. I will eventually attract the attention of the bureaucrats who will insist that we be registered, pay annual fees, subscribe to a journal and carry a neat little card which displays a photograph of the bearer and numbered with at least nine digits. All of these well-meant things won't improve any quality of work preformed, increase or improve the tool kit or alter the rate charged. I will approach a bent photographer who will tamper with my photograph until I look 59 instead of???

I was recently asked by a potential client, 'so what is your background?' It came as a bit of a shock because when I thought of a satisfactory answer, I thought 'which part will I tell him?' My first private job as

BEACONSFIELD'S HANDYMAN

by Phil Collins



This a paid advertisement

a Handyman was in 1987 - a new house. I built a trellis side to the carport, fitted shutters to the windows, paved around the spa, built a pool fence, made the gate, built a bird cage and fitted an outside light. In between I worked at three retirement villages, tiling, fitting clothes lines, shelves and all manner of maintenance - even hanging pictures.

Much new knowledge comes from actually having a go, asking for advice and using new products. Having the right tool is vital, making do is slow and often disastrous.

Having the confidence of your customer is also valuable 'oh you can do it' can be the difference between having a go and not.

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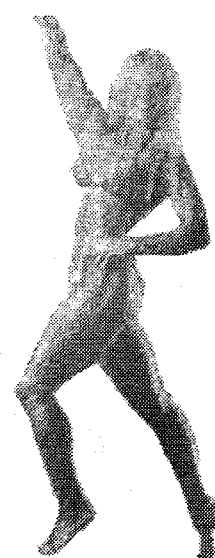
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OUR NATURAL WORLD

by Peter Hansen

When we think of our world we mostly think of it in physical terms and overlook the non-physical part of life. We are so taken up with the daily grind to make money, and provide the material things for ourselves and our families that the spirit is more often than not relegated to a back seat in the scope and breadth of our lives.

Whilst we must cope with the world as it is, and give to Caesar the things that are Caesars, we must also give to God the things that are Gods. After paying our taxes and bills etc, we should turn our thoughts, however briefly, to the cause of all things without which we would not even exist. The most powerful forces in the world are the things unseen; love, tolerance, respect for ourselves and others, a sense of justice

for all, compassion, charity and so on. On the reverse side of the coin of course we have the very antithesis of these desirable forces starting with hate and descending from there on. This is as it should be, due simply to the fact of us living in a world of opposites, night and day, sunshine and rain, desert and jungle, gales and breeze, fish and fowl and on and so on. Why must this be you ask? I believe that unless we have hurdles in life to overcome, then growth in the spiritual sense is denied us to our eventual detriment

If we put our individual lives in focus against the scale of the universe, then our thinking changes, for I believe, our personal benefit. When you consider that the universe is billions of years old and that the

average human lifespan is 70 to 90 years give or take, then the duration of our earthly stay is no more than the blink of an eye in comparison. It is important then to make the most of our brief sojourn particularly regarding our spiritual growth, as the spirit is the indestructible part that goes on, and all it can take is the wisdom and knowledge that it has gleaned from its earthy experience. Thus the growth of the soul over a lifetime has fitted us for the next stage of our life beyond the veil we call death; only the body dies, the soul cannot be destroyed as it is spark of the Almighty and is truly eternal.

Reginald Hegy puts it very well in his classic book entitled, "A Witness through the Centuries" in the following words. "Our

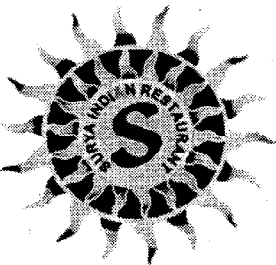
sojourn on earth is very necessary, for the earth is a training ground for life eternal. We are here to build character. No one but one's very own self can build his or hers individual character. It is by our personal efforts alone that we evolve spiritually. No one can do the work for us. By trials and struggles, sorrow and pain We must become acquainted with the world as it is. Single handed we must fight our way through the morass of plausibility's, evil, lies, persecution, fear, injustice, hatred, deceit and heartbreak. If necessary we must learn to fraternize with unhappiness, remorse, even agony during this unceasing earthly march. Sometimes arm in arm with despair, for our ultimate good we must wade through the greed and trickery of a mercenary world. Loaded with cares and anxieties we must tramp the road whose end the next corner may conceal. There is no loitering by the wayside and no turning back. But with every step some essential lesson is learned, some lesson that will never be forgotten, that will forever endure as part of ourselves."(unquote)

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urgently need foster carers
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people in need – you can
make a difference!!

Through no fault of their
own, young people may be
victims of abuse, neglect,
family breakdown or
rejection. Such young
people desperately needing
homes include Kelly, who is
currently studying VCE but
unable to live at home due
to abuse from her father.
Tony is also another young
person who cannot live at
home as he was abandoned
as a baby and was living
with his aunt who now has
mental health issues.

Wesley Youth Services,
based in Dandenong,
operates the Adolescent
Community Placement
(A.C.P) program – Teenage
Foster Care and currently
have 7 young people in
desperate need of a loving
and supportive home. On
any given day Wesley Youth
Services can have up to 10
young people access their
Dandenong office seeking
accommodation.

The Teenage Foster Care
program provides supported
accommodation for young
people aged 12 to 18 years.
Volunteers from the local
community are able to
respond to the needs of
young people by opening
their homes to provide safe
accommodation, friendship

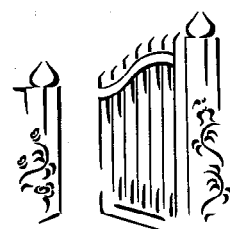
and emotional support. The
program allows young
people to remain in their
community and retain ties
with school, job, family,
friends or other supportive
networks.

Volunteers from the local
community are the heart of
the A.C.P program. Foster
carers come from all walks
of life and can be single,
single parents, couples,
young or older, with or
without children, working or
retired. Foster carers are
committed to the care of
young people in their
community and to helping
young people achieve their
goals.

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People who feel they
cannot provide
accommodation are also
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their time and offer support
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If you are interested in
learning more about the
A.C.P program, please
contact Leanne 9794 7522



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BEACONSFIELD NETBALLERS CELEBRATE 50 YEARS

The Beaconsfield Netball Club Reunion Dinner Dance was held on 5th July, 2003 and was an resounding success and exceeded our expectations.

Past and present players came together to celebrate the clubs 50 years. The 150 people enjoyed the evening meal, band and were able to view a fantastic display of memorabilia including photos, old uniforms and flags. Deb Stacey is eager that as many people return their supplied information sheets so that she can complete the clubs history. Deb can be contacted on 9707 0510.

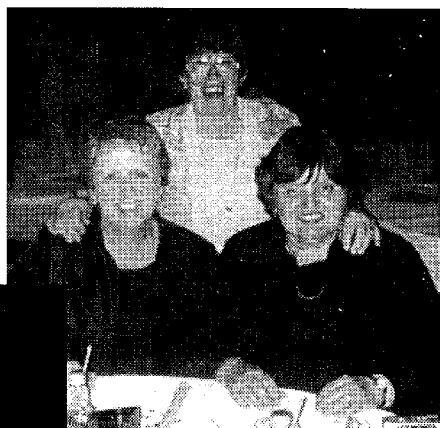
Thank you to all those who helped prepare for the evening, especially, Deb Stacey for a wonderful collection of memorabilia,

Abbey Kenny for great table decoration, Caitlyn Budge and Claire Van Lambaart for helping Lyn sell the spinning wheel tickets and 'manning' the door. A special thank you to Terry Lock who stood in for the 'silent' President. Thanks also to all those who came along on the night and supported the Club (a silver charm was handed in - contact Heather).

Our wonderful sponsors for the evening were :- Santoni Plaster, Beaconsfield Milkbar, Beaconsfield Timber and Hardware, Camellia Lodge, Mick Connelly, Beacy Gym, Officer Organics, Foote Electrics, G. Flowers, Australian Stoneware Manu., Taylor's Wines, Beaconsfield Swim School, Berwick Potters, Casey Antiques, Fresh Cut Meats, Beaconsfield Pharmacy, Evoke Beauty, Swim Gym and Tennis,

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The club expresses our sincere thanks for their generosity and would like members to patronize these businesses in the future where possible.

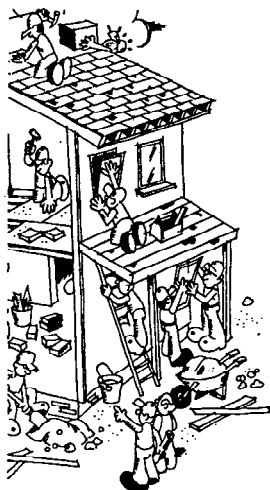


Above L to R: Di Dunstone, Kerry Weickhardt, Debbie Stacey and Anne Tiberi. **Top Right** :L to R: Dot Bailey, Gwen Neve and Margaret Chatfield
Right : Russell (seated) and Fiona Clacy (Conkie) (standing) with Fiona's parents Les and Gabbi Conkie.



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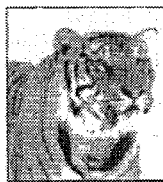
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BEACONSFIELD CRICKET CLUB

by Joe McMaster, President

Spring is in the air, the days are getting brighter and longer, dust off the cricket gear the season has started. The first games start on October 4th and the juniors on October 11th.

Rick Colling has been appointed as senior coach for a second term and plans are already in progress to set the Club up for a great season on and off the field.

Pre-season started on August 13th and will run to September 10th with indoor training at Cranbourne. The Club plans to run 5 senior teams and an Over 35's team which plays on one Sunday a month, 6 games, all on turf wickets.

Junior teams will be U12, U14, U16 and Junior registration and training starts on Wednesday 3rd of September 4.30 - 6.00 at the main ground, Perc Allison oval. This is a great

opportunity for players and parents to come down and meet the coaches, training will be followed by a free sausage sizzle and drinks. New players of all ages are required for this season.

Local businesses are also 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 those who support the club, and can provide naming rights and other sponsorship options. For details please contact.

President

Joe Mc Master 9796 1940

Senior Coach

Rick Colling 9796 5486

Junior Co-ordinator

Ross Mitchell 9707 1581

BERWICK BOWLING CLUB

The new season will be commencing in September and if you are interested in joining contact the club on 9707 1524.

The club welcomes new comers to bowling and will gladly assist with teaching of this sport.





BEACONSFIELD TENNIS CLUB INC.

TENNIS NEWS

Like all clubs, BTC survives on the goodwill of others. As this article goes to print our committee of management for 2002/03 stands down to make way for the new committee elected at our AGM on 3rd of Sept. Thank you to Ian, Jenny, Frank, Glenda, Heather, Dawn, Anja, Sharon, Lynne & Geoff.

Members of our community also support us in a variety of ways, many recently contributing to our Clover Cottage presentation evening and raffle/auction fund raiser making \$2000+ for our club with 100 attending. These funds contribute to improvement of tennis facilities for our community such as new seating and court upgrades recently installed. Congratulations to Lynne Day this years winner of the Jim & Winifred Peart trophy in recognition of

co-ordinating our junior tennis competition. Thank you to Les Donaldson for conducting the entertaining auction event.

Thank you to Phil Collins (Beaconsfield Handyman) for contributing his services free of charge to undertake a number of repairs to our club house over recent weeks.

Tennis is a great game for young people providing not only the exercise, but social skills of good sportsmanship, team building and consideration of others, socialisation with peers of both sexes, leadership and leader respect. Apply for court hire at Swim, Gym & Tennis Etc. (Not Just Tennis), 6 Princes Highway, Beaconsfield (next to Taco Bills) 9796 2767 or Lynne Day 9707 4662.

JUNIOR TENNIS

Open to both boys and girls from any young age up to 18 years.

We are now entering winter finals with 99 of our 19 fielded teams making their final four. Congratulations to the following teams:

Section 3 – top
Section 4 – 4th
Section 6 Blue – 3rd
Section 10 Gold – 3rd
Section 10 Blue – 4th
Section 13 Blue – top
Section 16 – 3rd

The Summer competition commences immediately following September school holidays.

Contact Lynne Day 9707 4662 should you wish to participate.

MID WEEK LADIES

Open to ladies of 18 years of age and beyond.

Now halfway through Spring competition 12 teams are doing battle and enjoying the company of and socialising with other combatants.

Our Waverley and District team will be competing in their winter finals. Contact Dawn Snelson. (9704 6852).

TUESDAY / THURSDAY NIGHT

Tuesday Night Unisex

This is a social event for all to enjoy. The competition is for beginners to B grade and a separate A grade. Winter finals are currently being fought for trophy awards with a social evening to be held at Cardinia Hotel winding up the season.

Open to both members and non members, the Summer competition commences in October with a cost of \$6.00 per evening - evenings on court by 7:30pm. Ring if interested. Contact Lisa Kirkham 9707 2909

Thursday Night Men's

Similar to Tuesday night but limited to men. Six A grade and eight B grade teams have participated over Winter enjoying social BBQs on the way.. The Summer season commences in October, timing and cost as for Tuesday night above. Contact Ian Craig - 9707 4507.

GENERAL

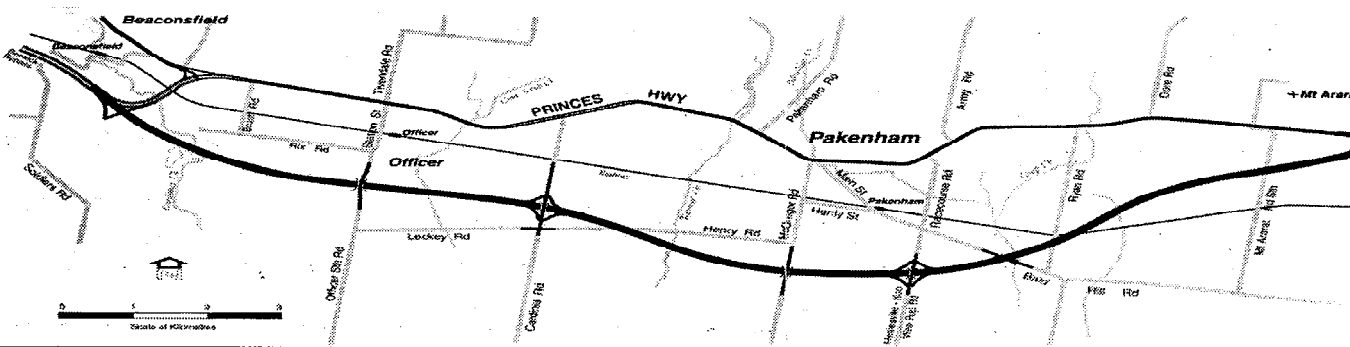
Club Reunion is being planned for February 2004 – if interested in helping with this event or able to contribute in any way please contact the Secretary.

Wilson PEE WEE Comp also starts following September school holidays. Contact Coach Warrick MacGowan on 0401 003 077.

CLUB CONTACTS

President: 5940 1186 Secretary: 9707 4287 Treasurer: 9707 2575

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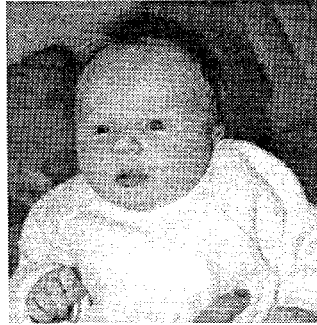
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Matilda pictured above at 2 ½ weeks old.

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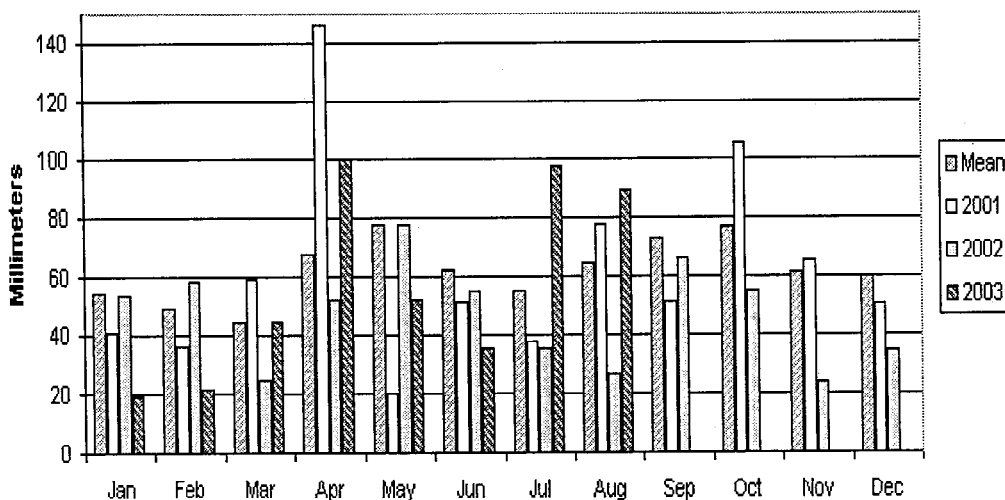
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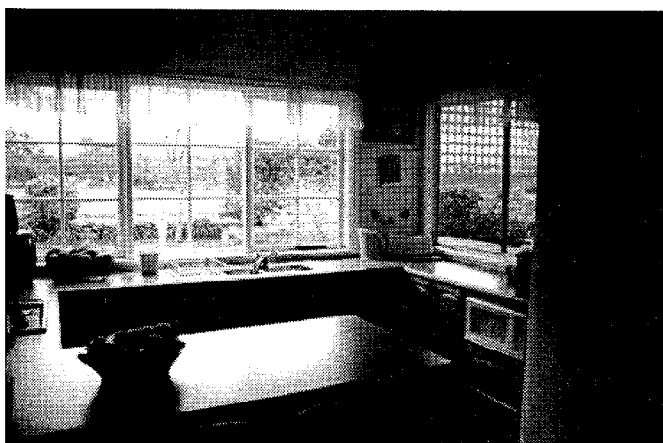
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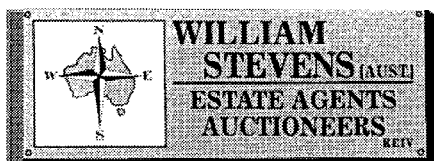
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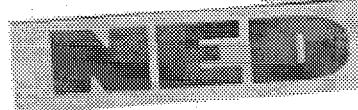
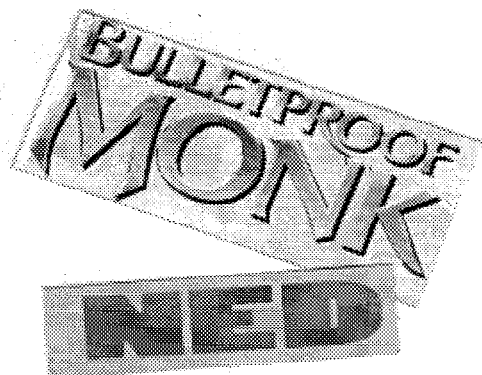
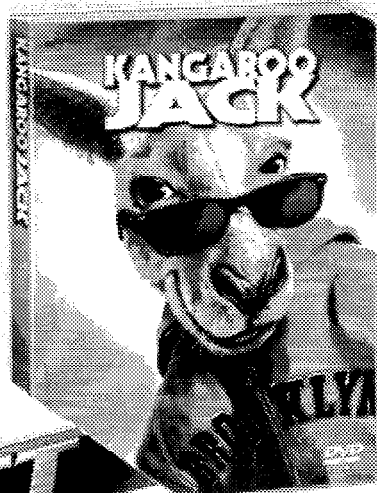
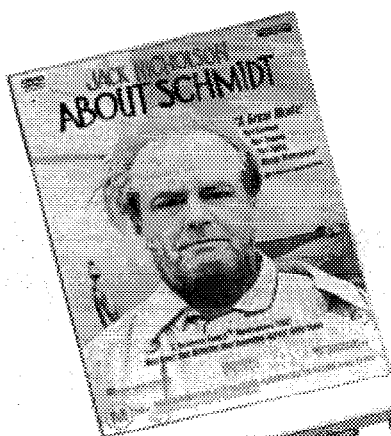
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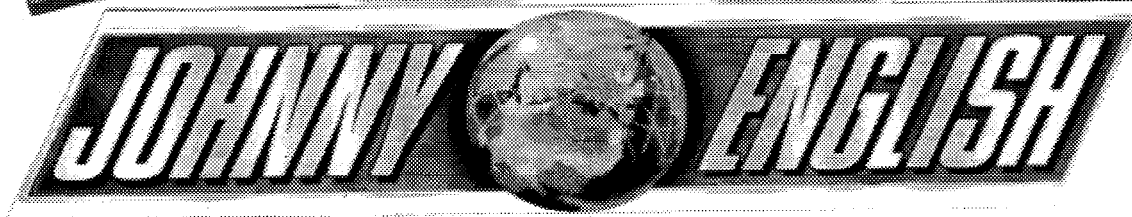
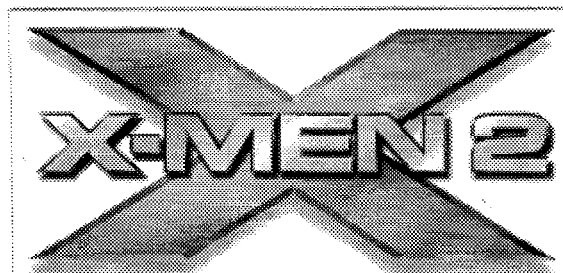
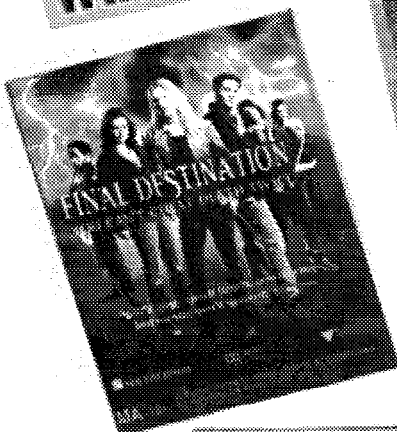
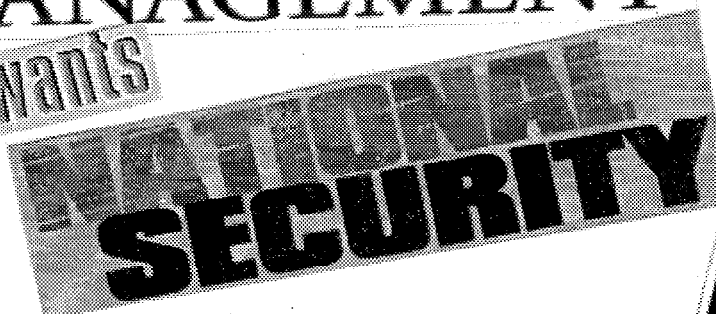
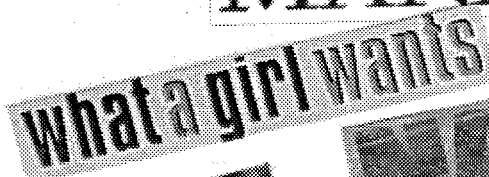
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