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NEW MAYOR FOR CARDINIA

Beacon Hills Ward Councillor Garry Runge was elected Mayor at a special council meeting held on 15 March.

See page 4 for his report.

BEACONSFIELD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION MEETING

**TUESDAY 20TH APRIL
AND**

TUESDAY 18TH MAY

Held at Beaconsfield
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Pictured above L to R : Kris Fletcher , Ryan O'Connor
(player of the final) and Brad Miles proudly holding the
premiership trophy.

See the Beaconsfield Cricket Club full report on page 34.

ANZAC DAY MEMORIAL SERVICE

SUNDAY 18th APRIL

2pm

See full report on page 2

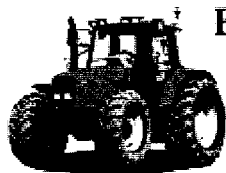
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SUNDAY 18th APRIL

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**Held at the cenotaph,
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Beaconsfields Anzac Day Memorial service will be held at the cenotaph at the corner of Woods St. and Old Princes Highway on the 18th April commencing at 2pm.

Rev. David Morland will be conducting the service with many other people assisting. In attendance will be Ian Arrell playing the bag pipes, the 59th 1st AIF Historical Group firing a blank volley from their old riffles, the Berwick Air League, Upper Beaconsfield RSL, Berwick RSL, and Pakenham RSL. We will have a bugler to play the Last Post and the Rouse.

After the service, afternoon tea will be provided at the Beaconsfield Community Centre along with a sausage sizzle.

If the weather is wet the service will still go on but a Prayer will be said at the Community Centre for those who felt it was too wet to attend.

Bob Sutherland Military Historian will be attending this service if you need to find out information about the soldiers. Please bring any information about Beaconsfield soldiers as this may help Bob.

For further information
contact Tony Rushton
9707 1765.

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BEACONSFIELD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S REPORT

by Michael Muaremov

Well, here we are preparing for Easter, and I'm sure I speak for most people, wondering where the year has gone! Since my last report, we have had the new Beaconsfield Plaza open, a meeting with the local member (and other members of the community) over the Soldiers Road Extension and Sound Barriers along the freeway, a meeting with the Minister of Transport, (18 months overdue, but I suppose late is better than never!) and our ward Councillor elected as the Mayor! Gosh what a busy past 2 months....

From reports, I have been told the official opening of our new Beaconsfield Plaza was a great success and the traders were quite excited and enthused from the response they received from the community.

Unfortunately, I am unable to report such success on the Soldiers Road Overpass & Sound Barrier issues. The meeting held with the Ministerial Advisor to the Transport Minister was supposed to be solely

for these very important issues. Upon arrival at the meeting we were met by other participants who had different issues to raise, being the removal of certain trees along the 'Avenue of Honour' to allow for the Manuka Road extension to occur. This caused unnecessary conflict as both parties believed the meeting was arranged to voice THEIR concerns.

After a very disappointing meeting, many broken promises and misleading statements over the past 18 months, we were told there was no way the state government was going to contribute funding for this crucial overpass. After we expressed our disappointment we received an invitation to meet with the Minister of Transport himself, a meeting that we were promised over 18 months ago. The disappointing outcome of the meeting was that no funding from the state government can be provided as the road is considered a council road.

So now we are left high and dry and back to square

one. BUT, we will not rest with this and I can assure you, with the persistence and determination of community members such as Ray Fleming, Angela McPhee, Garry Runge and myself, just to mention a few, we will push ahead to get what our community will need now and NOT in 20 years time!

On a brighter note, I had the privilege to inspect the progress of our new Community Centre on O'Neil Road and was left quite excited and encouraged that as a community, we will have a wonderful facility for all to enjoy. I would like to encourage everyone to make it a point to get to know what the centre has to offer so that we can use it to its fullest potential.

Furthermore, another 'win' for Beaconsfield occurred recently and that was the election of our ward Councillor, Garry Runge, as the Mayor of the Shire of Cardinia. I would like to express my congratulations to Garry and look forward to him serving his term in council as Mayor. We thank him for the on going support and encouragement he has provided our community.

In closing, I would like to wish all of the members of our community good health and would like to extend an open invitation to the Anzac Day Memorial Services that will be held on the corner of Wood Street and Princes Hwy at 2.00pm on Sunday 18th of April.

From myself, family and fellow committee members, take care and keep well.

Warmest Regards

Michael Muaremov
President – BPA
03) 9769 9134

MARY AND JOHN CLOSE THE POST OFFICE DOOR

Mary and John closed the door of the Post Office officially on March 31st, 2004. Many see this as a closing of an era of the Post Office. With the plans set in place for the shift by the new owners to it's new site across the road in the Beaconsfield Plaza, mid April, the building will cease to be a Post Office after many decades.

Mary and John will be missed by their many customers and long time friends as they start their new venture in Narre Warren.

If you didn't manage to catch-up with Mary and John during those last couple of hectic weeks, a farewell book has been placed in the Post Office to be able to sign and leave your farewell messages.

A Public Apology

The Beaconsfield Progress Association
publishers of the Banner
apologies to Mr. Graham Baker
for any offence caused by the article on page 34
of the Oct/Nov 2003 edition
which we are advised by him did not accurately report
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*by Cr. Garry Runge,
Beacon Hills Ward*

I would like to start my Council article by thanking all the residents of the Beacon Hills ward for their support and encouragement given to me during the last 12 months. It has been a privilege to work for you as your local ward Councillor, now the real challenge begins as Mayor of the Cardinia Shire. My duties will extend beyond my ward to take in the interests of more than 50,000 residents in our Shire. I will continue to rely on your support as I work to provide leadership in one of the fastest growing municipalities in Australia.

On Sunday the 7th of March, a band of energetic, community minded people gathered at the Cardinia Creek Sanctuary to participate in Clean Up Australia Day. As I wandered along the roadway picking up litter, I was quite amazed by the amount of rubbish which had obviously been thrown from passing vehicles. Our environment is fragile and we must all play our part in keeping Australia clean and litter free. Please join us again next year and show that you really care for our country. Thanks to Lisa and all the organisers for your hard work on this project.


The new Beaconsfield Community Complex in O'Neil road is well underway

and looks certain to open in early October. A number of lucky residents had an opportunity to accompany me as we walked through the shell of the building. When completed this complex promises to be a major focal point for Beaconsfield.

Have you noticed the new playground near the O'Neil road oval? Council and the estate developers have recently provided this great new playground with all sorts of exciting equipment for the kids to play on. Thanks to the local residents for your input into the selection of the equipment.

The new shopping plaza next to Aldi was opened recently and it brings a variety of shops to Beaconsfield. An associated problem now occurs when you try to cross the highway at Wood Street. I am actively working with Council to find a solution for this intersection. There seems to be a real need for pedestrian lights at the intersection to enable everyone to cross safely. I will keep the BPA and local residents informed of my progress on this issue.

Once again thanks for your continued support and I look forward to a great term as Mayor. See you all at the Anzac Day ceremony on 18/04/2004.

Regards,
Cr. Garry Runge 
Mayor **CARDINIA**



MEDIA RELEASE

Jo McMillan: 5945 4258

Date: 3 April 2004

NEW PLAYGROUND FOR BEACONSFIELD KIDS

Beaconsfield children have access to a brand new playground at the O'Neil Road Reserve thanks to a joint effort between Cardinia Shire Council and the developers of Bowman's Track Estate.

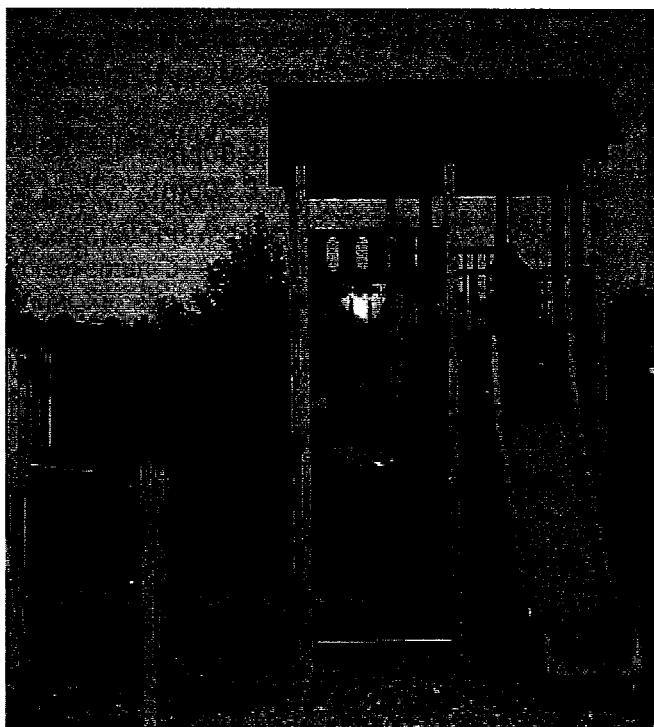
The playground was finished late last week and local children, from teenagers to toddlers, have been swarming over it ever since.

Councillor Garry Runge, who worked with local parents in lobbying for the playground, said that it is "a terrific facility for local children to use and enjoy. In this area of Beaconsfield, there are a

lot of young families and this playground really increases the amenity of the area for them."

"The location of the playground in the reserve means that it is not only attractive, it is also safe. It's set quite a distance away from the busier roads and is surrounded by native vegetation and grassy areas where the children can kick a ball or run around and have fun."

The playground design was selected from a short list following input from local families and offers a variety of play components for children of all ages.



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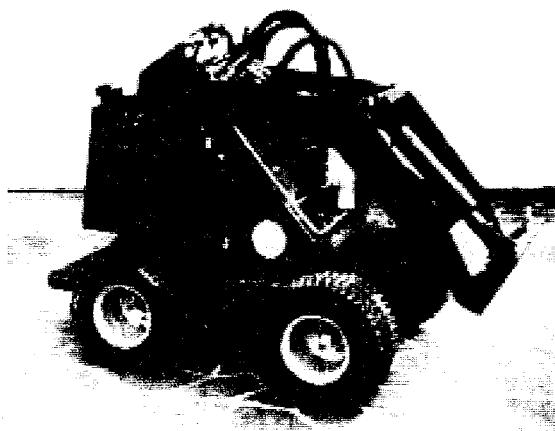
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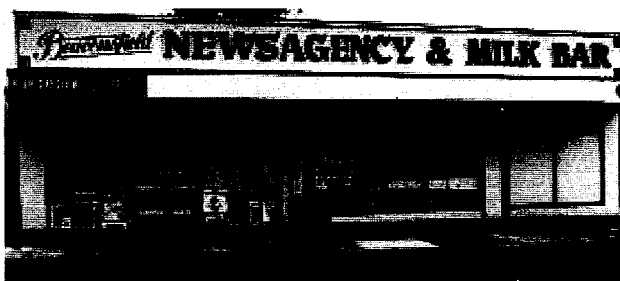
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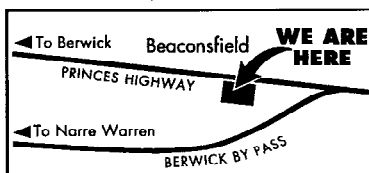
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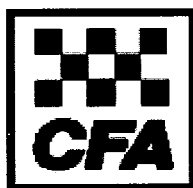
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BEACONSFIELD FIRE BRIGADE NEWS



by Philip Walton

Giant Bazaar Sale 18 April 2004

The Beaconsfield Fire Brigade will be holding a giant bazaar sale on Sunday 18 April 2004. The bazaar sale will include a wide range of goods including tools, furniture, household items, sporting gear, books and toys. The bazaar sale is a great opportunity for people to pick up a bargain, while supporting your local fire brigade. The bazaar sale will be held at the Beaconsfield Fire Station in Wood Street, Beaconsfield between 8am and 3pm.

The brigade is still looking for the donation of items to

sell at the bazaar sale. If you have any items large or small that you no longer use, then this is your opportunity to get them out of your house for a good cause. Items can be dropped at the fire station:

* Sundays

9:30AM-12:00PM

* Tuesdays

7:30PM -9:30PM

Alternatively, pick up by the fire brigade can be arranged. Contact - Ron (9707 1572) or Glenn (9796 1217) or the fire station (9707 2121) on Sunday mornings or Tuesday nights.

BEACONSFIELD AVENUE OF HONOUR

by Tony Rushton

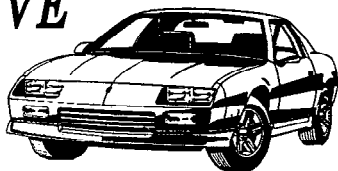
75 years ago the Beaconsfield Avenue of Honour was planted. These poplar trees are a focal point as you drive up the hill towards Berwick.

New signs will be erected soon, so if you would like to design a sign or the words you think should be on it please put your thoughts on paper and send them to Tony Rushton 39 Souter St. Beaconsfield 3807 Ph 9707 1765, or email bbps@sprint.net.au.

Other thoughts include a brick wall being built with all the names of the soldiers on it.

The original names of Beaconsfield soldiers were hand painted on pieces of tin and have been stored since they were made but were never placed at the trees.

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GLYNN OWEN RECEIVES TIM MOSELY AWARD

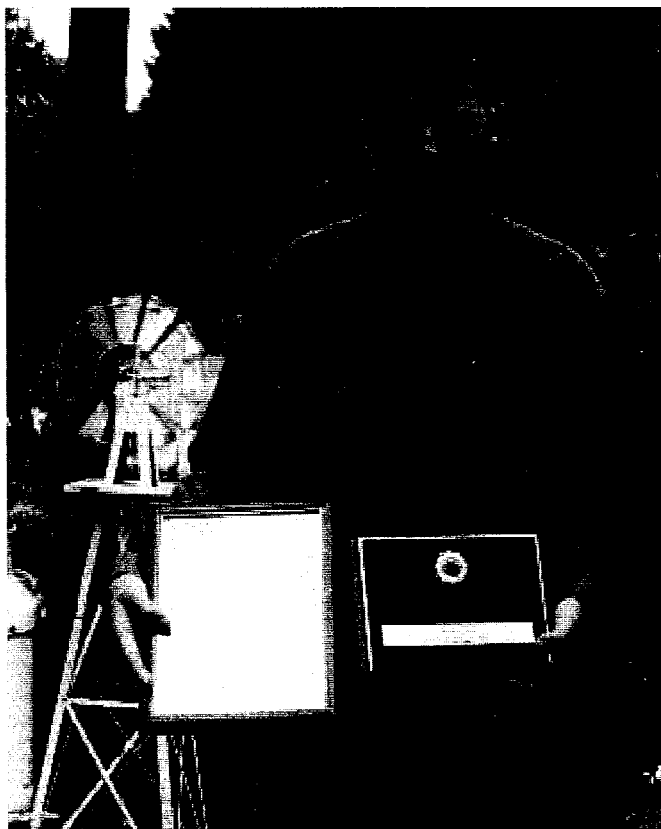
Glynn Owen of the Beaconsfield Fire Brigade was awarded the Tim Mosely Award by the CFA Westernport Area Manager, Andrew Ford at a ceremony on 20 March 2004.

The Tim Mosely Award recognises outstanding achievement by a firefighter under the age of 18 years. Since joining the brigade at the age of 16, Glynn has successfully completed training in wildfire and structural firefighting.

During January 2003, Glynn spent 5 days at Mt. Hotham as part of a CFA strike team fighting the major fires which swept through the north east of Victoria.

A senior member of the brigade who was with Glynn at Mt. Hotham had nothing but praise for Glynn's performance as part of the strike team, which was recognised as part of Glynn's nomination for the Tim Mosely Award.

Well done Glynn.



THOUGHT OF THE MOMENT

Things are neither good nor bad,
thinking makes them so.

Shakespeare

SALLY'S GARDEN



PEONY & TUBEROSES

The lovely peony which is very popular in European gardens, will also grow in our cooler area.

Two types to consider are the tree and the herbaceous peony and both produce glorious flowers-some single, some double- in mauve, white, pink and red. Choose their position in the garden very carefully as they do not respond to being shifted and need to be left in that position for many years before doing any root division. The root stock is very brittle and needs to be lifted with care. Division can be carried out during late Autumn or in early winter.

Peonies need a deep, cool, moist, rich soil. Before planting, enrich the soil with heaps of rotted organic material and make sure the area drains easily.

When planting, cover the crown to a depth of no more than 5cm. Plant in a semi-shaded area which receives morning sun & afternoon shade.

The tree peony will tolerate more sun than the herbaceous type but they are deciduous and drop their leaves in winter. After a few years the tree peony will have developed into a shrub about 2 mt. high and quite wide.

TUBEROSE bulbs produce tall stems of white, single or double flowers which exude an intensely sweet fragrance. They will flower from the 2nd year of planting and as our summers are so very warm they will flower each and every year. Plant in a sunny, open position in rich, moist soil and where the fragrance can waft into an open window to be enjoyed in the house.

24 UNITS TO BE BUILT IN MAHON AVENUE

by Rick Cashman

Residents of Mahon Avenue, Beaconsfield, are up in arms over a 24 unit development site proposed for their court. An action group has been formed to fight the development, with residents investigating all grounds for objecting to the proposed development.

Major concerns for residents are the all ready congested traffic problems surrounding the primary school. With the burden of additional cars from the unit development parking problems in and around Mahon Avenue, Beaconsfield, will continue to grow raising serious concerns for the safety of students walking along and across surrounding roads to the school.

The fact that the proposed 24 unit site would be the largest unit development site in Beaconsfield it is the belief of residents that it is blatant over development with the streetscape not in keeping with the character of Beaconsfield.

Residents continue to have concerns over infrastructure with flooding, power failures, drainage and garbage collections a major worry.

Residents will continue to fight the proposal and have adopted the catch cry from the great Australian Film, 'The Castle',

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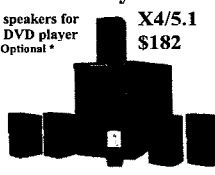
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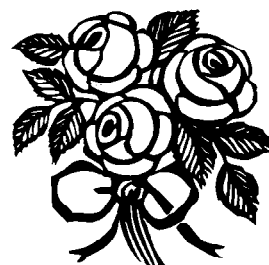
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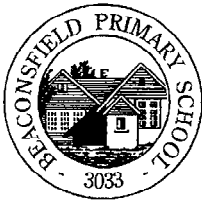
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by Gary Methven, Principal



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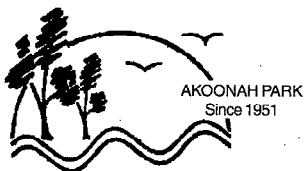
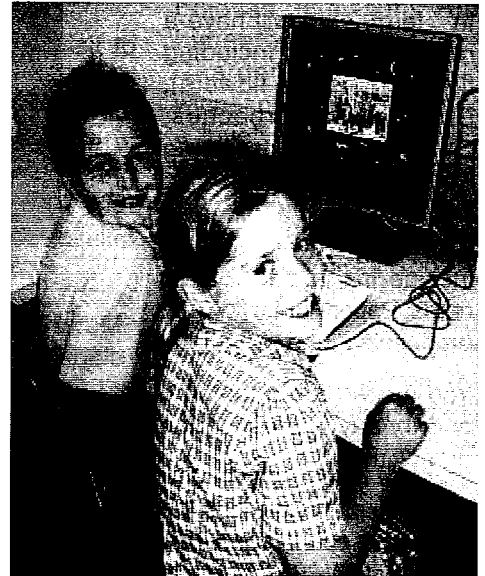
A Kindergarten Transition Program is already planned and in place. The program begins on Tuesday, 18th May at 7pm. If you are considering enrolling your child in 2005 you are most welcome to attend an information session in our school library. At this one hour session we will be

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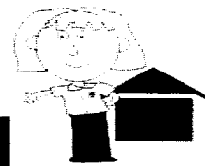
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by Ann Taylor

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You are welcome to come and try any of these crafts at anytime.

We are planning a soup lunch day on Wednesday 28th April. We will also have a bus trip to Yarragon and the Darnum tapestry expo on Friday 14th May.

Our popular Craft Fair and craft display will take place in November. Details to come.



Pictured above : Dot Denny recently at Make and Mingle

Make and Mingle was started almost 17 years ago at Beaconsfield Baptist church by a group of faithful people. It has continued ever since in the same format with a range of crafts and an opportunity for a friendly chat. Dot Denny has been with the group since its beginnings and we will be sad to say goodbye to her when she moves out of the area. This is an opportunity to look back over the past years and share happy

memories. We are thankful to people like Dot for their vision and look forward to many enjoyable years of craft and friendship.

We hope you will be able to join us this term, details are available from Ann Taylor 9707 1996.



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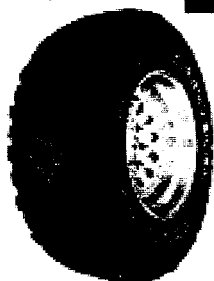
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WINE & FOOD

by Keith Goodman

At time of writing we near the end of the Melbourne Food & Wine Festival, the largest festival of it's type in the world. Held over 16 days and nights, featuring more than 200 events, many with multiple locations or happenings, there is an event or location to suit all tastes and interests. A small sample is: eight cheese events at different locations; Worlds Longest Lunch at 25 locations held mainly at outer metro or country locations; an "exploration of the fine foods and wines of far north Italy".

I had the pleasure of attending this fabulous function at Church St Enoteca and a range of wine tastings at every level and price point at too many locations to mention. The list though goes on and on.

One of our favourites is Restaurant Week, which began in 1995 at \$19.95 a head for a choice of two food courses, a glass of wine and tea or coffee. Today we pay \$25 per head.

This year some of Melbourne's finest city and suburban Restaurants and nearly 20 out of town or 'lunch among the vines' operators formed a group of more than 220 who supplied lunch over eight days. These lunches are keenly attended and around late February, devotees scan the food magazines or newspapers to make an early booking at what you hope will offer the most interesting food and or location. Try www.melbournefoodandwine.com.au for the earliest info.

This year we visited Livebait at Newquay at Docklands

and Bacash at South Yarra, both are seafood specialists and did not disappoint.

This was my first visit to Newquay and it was certainly an eye opener with it's many food outlets, million dollar yachts and apartments. I would imagine weekends are ultra busy and colourful.

Bacash being opposite the Botanical Gardens offers a peaceful and good for the soul walk before or after lunch.

So next year try and attend one of the functions from around 20th March onwards at the princely charge of zero through to \$150 or so.



Wine

Whites

Enjoyed Jamiesons Run Limestone Coast Chardonnay, 2003, \$11 winner of two Trophies and a lovely clean and fresh wine. Pol Gessner French Champagne, NV, \$28-30 only at Safeway and less with the 10% off for 6 bottles offer.

Vintage Cellars have a lovely sweet wine from the Rhone area of France at \$17 for 375ml, which is less than you might expect to pay for an equivalent local wine; it is Muscat Beaumes de Venise, 1999. This wine will keep and develop.

Reds:

The Age Uncorked Wine Guide recently awarded Best Red Wine to Seppelt Victorian Premium Reserve Shiraz, 2001, \$15-18 and Best Budget Red to Gramps Barossa Valley Grenache, 2002, \$15; both lovely now or will keep.

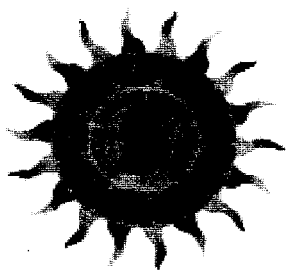
Penfolds Bin 28 Kalimna Shiraz, 2001, \$20 currently at Nicks normally \$28, my best red of recent tastings.

Favourite Ingredient:

Kikkoman Teriyaki Marinade with Roasted Garlic (a mouthful) try as a marinade with steak, in a casserole over winter or with some of those last ultra ripe tomatoes from your garden served with poached eggs.

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THE VOICE OF THE BAPTIST CHURCH

by David Morland

Where is the veranda on your home? Where is the place where you sit when you want some fresh air?

There was a time when all the verandas were built on the front of the houses. This meant that people would sit out the fount for their after dinner cup of tea. Sat at the front of their homes they would nod, wave and chat to neighbours walking down the street. More, if the neighbours over the road were out having their cuppa, there would inevitable be some healthy interaction.

Then something happened. Not sure when. I think about the 1950's. But this I notice the verandas were moved to the back of the houses. All the new homes were built with the verandas out the back. Pergolas and patios

and the like all went in around the side or the back of the new houses. So this is where people now sat for their after dinner drinks. All very sophisticated and private. But the down side was a lot less interaction with neighbours.

I am certainly not advocating that we all build front verandas and pergolas to sit under each evening! But I am saying that the more people in our lives the richer our lives and if we are not meeting our neighbours one way would ought to be finding ways to met them in other ways. By the way, when was the last time your street had a "Street Party"? Not that hard to pull off, and who knows what delightful folk you might discover living just a few doors away.

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For all dance dates, venues and the latest info – go to www.kidzrock.com.au or ring Geoff or Michelle on 59951477. We look forward to you joining us at Kidzrock.

FOCUS ON CHILDREN

by Tammy Labato, MP, member for Gembrook



In February I was delighted that the Premier of Victoria, the Hon. Steve Bracks, accepted my invitation to visit Beaconsfield. The Premier accompanied by the Minister for Community Services, Hon. Sherryl Garbutt MP, announced \$250,000 in State Government funding to establish a new children's centre to be based at the Beaconsfield Community Centre that is currently under construction.

The centre will host a range of services in one location: to create a one-stop shop for parents of children. The new centre will offer occasional care, preschool, consulting rooms and a mobile library. It is vital that

we give all our precious children the best possible start to life. Funding this facility is one way that the state government shows it is working with local government in partnership to improve facilities for the community.

Last year, another significant step was made to ensure that development and learning are optimised for children from pregnancy through to transition to school (0-8 years). The Premier established an advisory committee specifically to address these needs and to ensure that all children, and their parents, are receiving the best possible level of service. One of the

committee's role is to provide advice regarding the transitions and linkages between maternal and child health care, child care, preschool and primary school.

With the responsibility for providing support to parents and children being shared across a number of departments, the committee is looking at ways service delivery can be improved, through enhancing local networks, creating easy access to the universal support system and building better connected communities.

The committee is currently accepting submissions on these questions:

1. What are your major concerns about outcomes for children and families?
2. What are the best ways for Governments to improve outcomes for all children and address these concerns?
3. How well do current arrangements meet the child care needs of families, and what would need to change to improve outcomes?
4. The Victorian Government has committed funding for Children's Centres, bringing a range of children's services together under one roof. What are the key elements needed for the success of this model?

5. How can the linkages and transitions between maternal and child health services, childcare, preschool and the early years of school be improved to improve outcomes for children?

6. Maternal and child health and parenting services support positive outcomes for children. How can these services be improved to better meet the needs of children and families?

7. Would a local planning and service integration model such as that outlined above improve outcomes for children? What are the major barriers to its implementation?

I would be happy to pass on any submissions to the committee on your behalf. Please don't hesitate to contact my office on these or other issues at:
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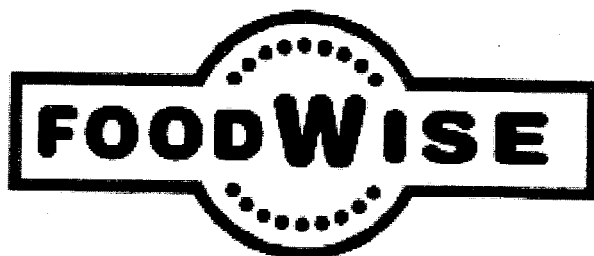
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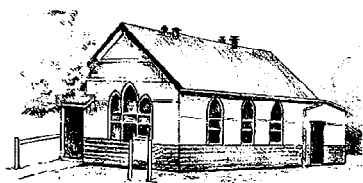
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by Tracie Lund, Centre Co-ordinator



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New Toys Needed

We are in need of durable toys, books, Lego, dolls, puzzles, cars, balls, and clothes - hats, bags, shirts, scarves for the dress up corner. Any donations would be very much appreciated. Your old toys will be our new treasures!!!

Wanted - New tutors

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New ideas always welcome! Remember it is YOUR Community Centre!

Finally, I wish you all a happy & safe Easter.

This is your Centre

The feedback from within the community about the Centres performance & service, highlights the success of promoting Community ownership & responsibility for the Centre. The program for Term One & Two is designed to reflect the range of interest within the community & is reflective of the suggestion I have received over the past 12 months.

Courses

Being offered in Term 2 are Photography, Scrap booking, Folk Art, Calligraphy, Meditation & Jazzercise. For the children we have limited vacancies for our Children's Dance Classes & our Playgroups. Don't delay call & book your class to ensure you get a place.

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FROM THE ACCOUNTANTS' DESK

by GRAEME J TAYLOR
C.A.

WILLS AND DECEASED ESTATES

Every adult should have a Will, so that assets of a deceased estate after payment of liabilities are distributed to beneficiaries in a manner that the deceased directs. In the absence of a Will, the laws of intestacy apply and allocate assets from a deceased estate to dependents and other relatives in a specified manner, which may not necessarily conform to the wishes of the deceased. Wills should be reviewed regularly and either amended or new Wills prepared where appropriate. Some taxation factors to be considered when making a Will would include:

income of minors. The assets of Testamentary Trusts are protected within each Trust and would not be available to any creditors claims against the surviving spouse or be available in the event of separation or remarriage.

Superannuation of a deceased paid to a surviving dependant eg. Spouse directly or indirectly through the Estate is generally tax-free. A dependent for this purpose includes the legal, defacto or former spouse and children under 18. However, Superannuation paid to non dependants of the deceased eg. to adult children of the deceased is taxed on the post 6/1983 portion at either 16.5% or 31.5% without any tax-free amounts.

Testamentary Trusts can be set-up in a Will and these can be useful in Estate Planning where the primary beneficiary has family dependents in a lower tax bracket and who also requires protection of his assets against claims of creditors. The typical arrangement is that the Wills of Husband A and Wife B are worded to bequeath monies to infant children or even grandchildren of A & B. Because the infant beneficiaries are deriving income from a Testamentary Trust then the income is taxed at adult tax rates and not punitive tax rates normally applicable to

Tax on Income of deceased estates is at the adult tax rates for up to three years after date of death. The Estate is taxed on the income up to the time that the assets can be distributed to beneficiaries without impediments ie. Grant of Probate has been received and there are no significant liabilities or claims outstanding against the Estate.

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WILLS AND DECEASED ESTATES

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Capital Gains Tax would apply to assets sold by the Estate or by beneficiaries if transferred. It may be preferable to distribute assets in specie to the beneficiaries rather than dispose of them. In addition, a principal residence owned by a deceased is usually free of Capital Gains Tax if sold within two years of the date of death.

Donations made during a persons lifetime to an approved Charity that are tax deductible would have a tax saving whereas a bequest in a Will would not have any income tax benefits.

You should discuss with your Accountant your circumstances and wishes for bequeathing your Estate prior to consulting a Solicitor for the preparation of your Will. A Solicitor should also be consulted on the appointment of a Power of Attorney should a person be unable to attend to their own affairs due to illness or extended absences away from home. A new Act extensively changes the law relating to Enduring Power of Attorneys in Victoria.

**GRAEME J TAYLOR
C.A.**

Community Complex Update

by Miriam Cormack,

President Beaconsfield Community Centre

I was one of the lucky few to participate in a tour of the work in progress that will become Beaconsfield's Community Complex.

The building work seems to have progressed at a fantastic rate with the Kinder rooms nearest to completion and what wonderful spaces they will be for our youngest community members with plenty of natural light and interesting shapes created by the innovative building design by Prior and Cheney Architects.

The Community Centre part of the Complex is coming along nicely with a great dedicated room for Children's programmes that will include Childcare and Playgroup and plenty of flexible spaces to cater for every possible need in our community with an Arts & Crafts area, Computer room, huge Toy Library,

consulting suites and meeting rooms all opening out on to lovely garden spaces at the rear and entering from a magnificent foyer space that will house a terrific display wall for us to show off items of interest, particularly those of historical significance. And of course the long awaited Hall as is now having the roof constructed and will provide much needed modern function facilities for Beaconsfield and surrounding towns.

The hall will provide a venue for many types of functions from sit down weddings and dinners dances to concerts and movie nights.

Altogether the Beaconsfield Community Complex is looking like it will be a wonderful space to provide a focal point for growing and strengthening our community.



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A NEW VENTURE FOR CHRIS NORTON

by Pam Norton

Chris Norton formerly of Beaconsfield since 1975, now residing in Avonsleigh with wife Jane and daughter Emily (18 months) has started a new business.

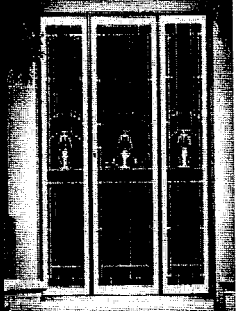
The business name just about explains it all 'Norton Excavations', with Bobcat and tipper ready and waiting for hire. With all the new housing taking place in the area he hopes to be able to work locally, but doesn't mind going further a-field.

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A BEACONSFIELD SOLDIERS STORY

3054 Private John Leslie CHRISTIE

Researched By Bob Sutherland

Enlisted from Beaconsfield, Victoria on 22nd July 1915 was aged 25 years, single and stated his occupation as a labourer.

He embarked on the troopship Commonwealth on 26th November 1915 with the 23rd Infantry Battalion, 7th Reinforcements and arrived in Egypt six weeks later. He was transferred to the 59th Infantry Battalion which was raised in Egypt on 21st February 1916 as part of the expansion of the Australian Imperial Force (AIF).

Approximately half of its recruits came from the veteran 7th Battalion [back from Gallipoli] and the other half were fresh reinforcements from Australia. The men of the Battalion were predominantly composed of men from rural Victoria.

In May it arrived in France as Part of the 5th Division. On the night of the 19/20 July 1916 the Australian 5th Division and the British 61st (South Midland) Division assaulted a German salient near the town of Fromelles on the Western Front. They entered the enemy front line, and the 5th Division

held on till next day, but the penetration of the Germans on the flanks and the murderous enfilade fire from a well-protected machine gun nest able to enfilade over two thirds of the front line made the position hopeless. The survivors scrambled back to where the attack started.

The Official AIF casualties were given as 5533 [1917 killed or died of wounds, 3146 wounded, 470 taken prisoner] which for an overnight battle, 6pm to 9am, were extraordinarily high, even by the standards of that terrible war.

Private Christie was seen to fall by some of his mates, but his body was never identified and he has No Known Grave. He is commemorated on a listing of names on the VC Corner, Australian Cemetery, France.

Footnote: Bob Sutherland will be at the Beaconsfield Anzac Day Memorial Service being held on 18th April. If you have any information that may be helpful for Bob's research about any of the Beaconsfield soldiers he would be pleased to hear from you.

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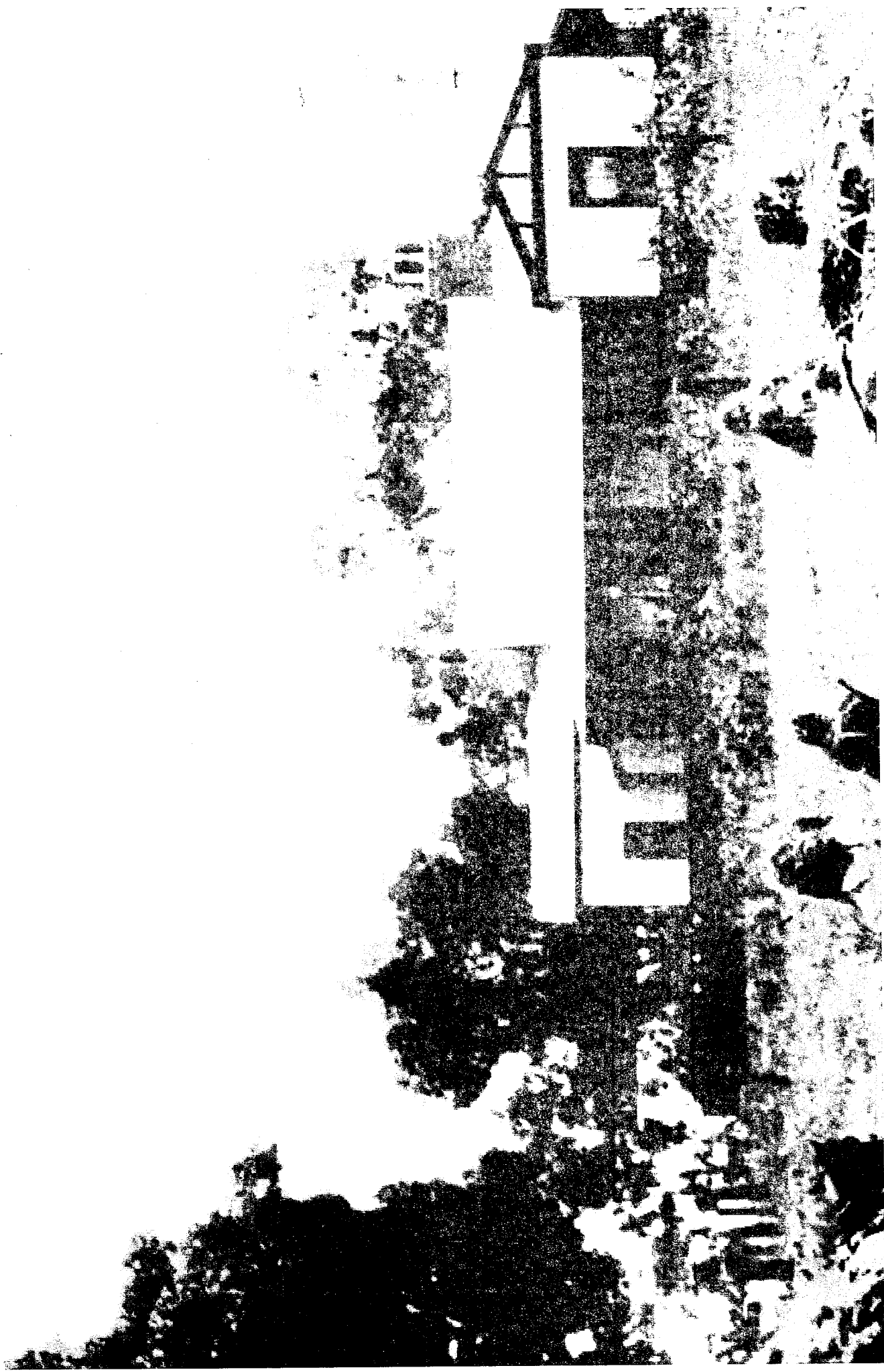
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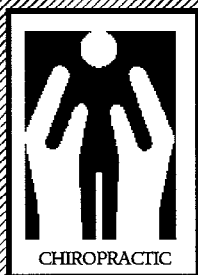
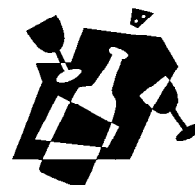
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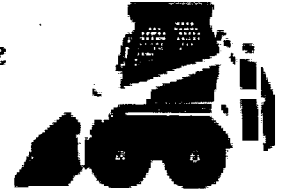
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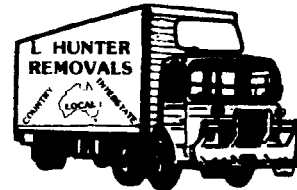
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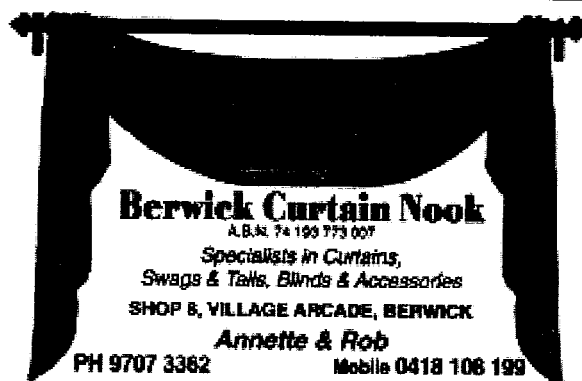
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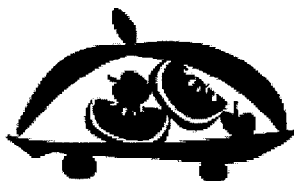
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by David Griffiths



It's been interesting to watch how many films have been topics of debate in the general news just recently. It seems everybody had an opinion on 'The Passions Of Christ' and it seemed you couldn't turn anywhere without hearing something about the film.

Of course an Australian film was also a topic of debate as well. Recently released was a low budget Australian film called 'One Perfect Day'. Directed by Paul Currie, 'One Perfect Day' went deep inside

Melbourne's rave and dance music scenes. Soon after the recent drug overdoses at a rave held in Melbourne many daily newspapers received letters widely criticising 'One Perfect Day' saying it promoted drug use. But were they right in blaming the film?

Actually they weren't right, as the film's major storyline revolves around the sadness and grief caused by drug taking in the rave scene and more importantly the grief a family goes through after a drug related death. For that reason it was pleasing to see that a number of people wrote to the papers setting the record straight. If anything 'One Perfect Day' is a film that works much the same way as

Danny Boyle's 'Trainspotting' does. Both films are designed to in one way use shock tactics to discourage young people into using drugs. One person went as far as to say that 'One Perfect Day' should be compulsory viewing for each teenager and their parents. The most important thing to remember is that dance music and drugs don't have to go hand in hand.

Starring Dan Spielman (who some people will remember as Tidy from TV's 'Secret Life Of Us'), Kerry Armstrong, Abbie Cornish and Leanna Walshman, 'One Perfect Day' boasts a killer soundtrack that showcases Australian artists such as Sandrine and The Offcutts but also contains known hit makers such as Fatboy Slim, Groove Armada and Underworld. 'One Perfect Day' is well worth a look if you're in the mood for a

drama with a good storyline.

My pick for the best DVD going around at the moment, has to go to the box sets for the British TV show 'Spooks'.

'Spooks' screened on the ABC here in Australia and defiantly warranted a larger fan base. Brilliantly written and always controversial, 'Spooks' delved into what life is like for a British MI-5 agent. While focusing more the on the personal lives of the agents, it managed to also incorporate enough action to keep you on the edge of your seat. Each episode of 'Spooks' really felt like watching an hour like film.

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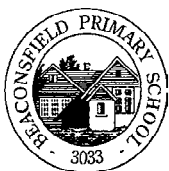
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by Lisa Loulier

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Clean Up Australia Day was an opportunity to clean up before welcoming some new residents to our area. In April, the Cardinia Creek will become home to a small number of young Platypus that are being released as part of an experimental re-introduction project by the Australian Platypus Conservancy. It is believed that Platypus were found in the Cardinia Creek prior to the Ash Wednesday bushfires, which destroyed the creek-side vegetation. Twenty-one years later, sufficient regeneration has occurred to enable this first-ever attempt to re-locate platypus to an area where they have become "locally extinct". You can help look after our new residents by reporting any sightings to

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April is also time for another important project - WildWatch Australia. From April 3 to April 7, ABC TV, Online and Radio will run this national Urban Wildlife Survey. Everyone is encouraged to observe the wildlife using their backyards, from small butterflies to birds and possums. It doesn't matter if you live in a unit or on 50 acres - everyone can participate. As our urban areas grow, the survey will help to discover how our backyards contribute to native wildlife conservation.

You can find more information at www.abc.net.au/wildwatch. The Friends Group are also interested in any interesting local wildlife sightings, particularly in or near the Beaconsfield Flora and Fauna Reserve.

The Friends of Cardinia Creek Sanctuary meet on the fourth Sunday of each month for a working bee. Morning tea is provided. For more information please contact:

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OUR NATURAL WORLD

by Peter Hansen

We may not think of it too often, if at all, but the Universe and all within it is circular. From the largest star to the atoms that are the basis of all things of a physical nature, we live in a Universe that is spherical.

This doctrine applies to the seasons as well, as over a twelve month period we travel through the endless cycle of spring, summer, autumn, winter. Nature has always worked in its own rhythmic manner and it's interesting to see the close correlation between our own lives and the ancient churning of the restorative mills of the marvel we call nature.

Autumn comes to gently ease all life into the pre-winter state of acceptance of the coming change as the

mornings become a little cooler and balmy autumn days signal a call to prepare for the coming season of cooling the earth after summer's baking of the land. The trees drop their leaves, animals prepare for hardships ahead, and a hush slowly develops over the affairs of the earth.

People look to autumn as a time to assess the activities of spring and summer and wonder if they achieved all they had set out to do during those months of maximum opportunity. A calm and contemplative season has come upon us and we intuitively understand that we should enjoy the balm to our souls that autumn is intended to impart to us. Spiritual thoughts come easily to us.

Winter's effect is the same to all life. A retreat to our inner sanctum be it cave, burrow or suburban home. A withdrawal to repair scars and hurts, failures and mistakes to forget in the gloom of clouds scudding across the moisture laden leaden skies.

It is a time to rest the mind and body and to let great plans lay dormant with the promise of a return to them in the future. A greater desire for home and hearth, warmth of body, and of closeness of love to sooth the enveloping sense of winter's depressing presence.

Spring in nature sees the gradual awakening from the torpor of the winter months where all has been darkness and gloom to the renewal of

the flora and fauna of the planet, and the creation of new life forms in unimaginable numbers. The sun gradually reasserts its dominance slowly moving forward into the most creative season out of the four. It is the awakening that cranks up the former hibernation into abundant life.

With the human family too new ideas and enthusiasm comes with the welcome brightness and increasing warmth. We shake off the depressing aura of gloom that pervaded our world for those months of colds and flu's, and stretch our minds and bodies from the hunkering down position, to one of new hope and life abundant. We are part of the cycle as much as trees and animal life.

Summer brings all living things into maturity with growth of everything to their maximum size and health under the greatest growth hormone of them all, the sun.

The human family too reacts to the sunshine and warmth by more activity both mental and physical, with the plans and ideas of spring becoming a reality in the season of maximum activity where the very earth seems to be alive. It's the time to be outside as much as possible, whether it's the beach or painting the house. Nature's dictum permeates our very being as with all things.

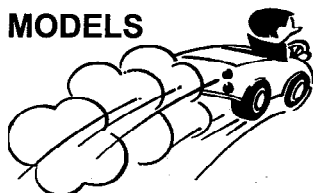
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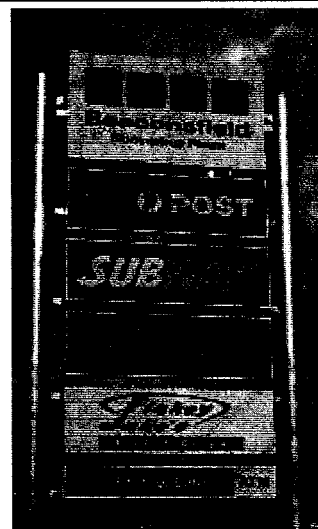
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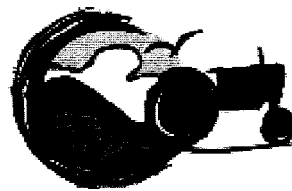
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A FARMER'S TALE OF WOE

It all started back in 1966 when they changed from pounds to dollars, my overdraft doubled.

Then they bought in kilograms instead of pounds and my butterfat dropped by half.

They changed rainfall from inches to millimetres. We haven't had an inch of rain since; they bought in celcius and it

never got over 40 degrees, so its nowonder my grass won't grow.

They changed acres to hectares, I ended up with half the land I bought.

By this time I decided to sell up, but they changed from miles to kilometres. Now I'm too far out of town for anybody to buy the place!

TEAMS NEEDED FOR CASEY RELAY FOR LIFE

The Casey Relay for Life organising committee is urgently calling on people to enter a team in their exciting 24 hour community fundraising event to be held on April 30 - May 1 of which all proceeds go to The Cancer Council Victoria.

The Casey Relay for Life will be held at the Akoonah Park, Berwick.

Anyone wanting to register as a team or an individual for Casey's 24 hour walk, run or stroll Relay for Life should contact The Cancer Council Victoria's Supporter's Hotline on 1300 65 65 85.

BEACONSFIELD'S HANDYMAN

by Phil Collins

Remember at school, you began a new exercise book with your very best writing and a resolve that this book would always be neat. That resolve only lasted until the first blot or the first ink fight. They don't have blots or ink fights now, nor do they have that bottle of ink with the pouring tube with a little hole for your finger to stop the flow once the ink well was full. Nibs have been replaced by ballpoints so you can't complain to 'sir' that your nib is crossed.

Billy carts seem to be in season, so I revived one that I made from an old golf buggy. Once in the mood I was dissatisfied with it so I began making a newer improved model. Of course, you can't, as a matter of honour, buy any material



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when you have got some old supermarket shelving. When the wheels were needed I whipped down to the hardware store to find that those I liked were \$20 each. Off to Minibah for an old pram – just the ticket with axles and a brake thrown in and only \$6. I had to make an adjustable seat for varying sized grandsons (we have 6 so far and another expected). Next

thing is paint, do I paint a billy cart – will it last that long?

Fortunately I have made a friend named Lindsay, a retired Industrial Designer. He has produced (and beautifully sketched) the design of a steering system for a billy cart using ropes and pulleys. Construction will be a good winter project.

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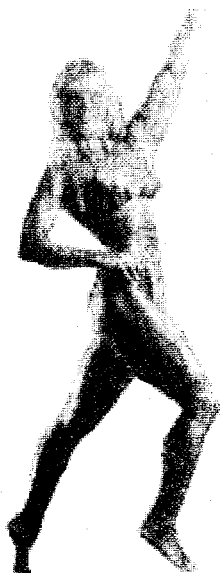
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BEACONSFIELD CRICKET CLUB

by Joe McMaster, President

THE TIGERS ROAR IN 2004

To top off a successful season of cricket the club participated with 7 teams in the semi-finals, all 5 senior teams and both of our U'14's teams.

Three teams were successful and played off in Grand Finals, two teams were successful and our Firsts and Seconds won Premiership flags.

Congratulations to Rick Colling our captain coach and Ryan "Rhino" O'Connor who received the player of the match medallion with a top score of 94 runs and snared 2/13 from 10 overs. The team dominated and were undefeated for the season. The boys are looking forward to competing in A grade next season.

Congratulations also go to our 'C' grade premiership team captained by Mick Lynch, a great win by the boys. Man of the match was won by Malcolm Bell who top scored with 64 runs. Darren Van den berghe bowled a marathon spell of quick bowling snaring 4/84 off 33.4 overs.

Commiserations to our D grade captained by Craig Douglas they enjoyed a great year and fell 41 runs short on day two.

A Trivia Night was held on 21st February which was very well attended and a great night was enjoyed by

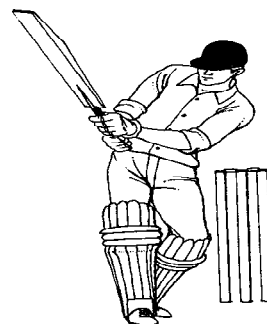
all, congratulations to the winning table the Sauvarin Family Greg and Cindy Tomamichael, D'Arne and Michael Fisher.

The traditional Cops and Robbers game was won by the local constabulary.

Our Club reunion was held over the March 7th long weekend, it was a great success, we had eight club coaches turn up for a great photo opportunity, nine life members and many past club executives.

A special thanks goes to Kevin Rankin for the time and effort he has put in, he has spent several weekends at the state library researching our clubs history and records, he has updated all of our plaques and trophies, he also presented the clubs highlights in 3 framed plaques which are now saved on computer, he has also listed all the clubs Century makers and they have been asked to sign an autograph bat.

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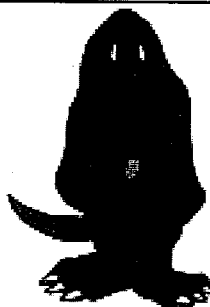
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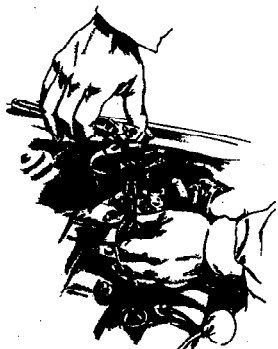
If you have a dog who is slow to get up in the morning, especially on cold

days or a dog who no longer chases that tennis ball with the same enthusiasm, talk to your vet about Rimadyl or other cox 2 anti-inflammatories. If however your spouse is slow to get up in the morning and won't chase a tennis ball, ignore the above advice and send him or her to the doctor. If humans and dogs go for a walk each day it will help everyone's joints.

If you have any further queries on arthritis in your pets contact Dr. Stewart or his helpful staff on 0500-525-003 for a visit to your house (mobile service) or to our base in Officer (Officer Veterinary Services). They all work in a well-oiled joint!

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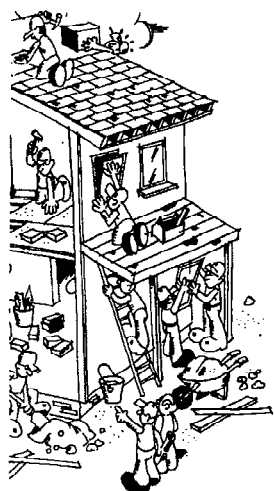
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PRESENTATION NIGHT

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Our Club held it's senior presentation night at the Pine Grove on Saturday 27th March and the following players picked up Trophies:

First Eleven

Batting Brad Miles
577 runs Average 72.13
Bowling Ryan O'Connor
23 wickets Average 7.57
Captains Award
Kris Fletcher

C Grade

Batting Robert Read
503 runs Average 62.88
Bowling Jamie Ingham
17 wickets Average 8.2
Captains Award
Damien Mc Master

D Grade

Batting Ross Mitchell
200 runs Average 28.57
Bowling Greg Butler
28 wickets Average 11.6
Captains Award
Ross Mitchell

E Grade

Batting Paul Benbow
187 runs Average 37.4
Bowling Steve Grindy
16 wickets Average 15.7
Captains Award
Steven Curtis

F Grade

Batting Stuart Mathieson
214 runs Average 35.67
Bowling Rhys Miller
17 wickets Average 8.1
Captains Award
Rick Cullis

The Junior Presentation was held at the Clubrooms on Sunday 28th March and the following players picked up Trophies:

Under 16's

Batting Dale Ackerman
196 runs Average 21.78
Bowling James Daly
10 wickets Average 23.7
Coaches Award
Jon Sheafe

Under 14's Bandits

Batting Peter Sofra
184 runs Average 61.33
Bowling Bradman Pitcher
12 wickets Average 7.5

Under 14's Tigers

Batting Troy Mc Dermott
275 runs Average 137.50
Bowling Ayden Mills
22 wickets Average 4.14

We are a family based Club and had 5 fathers playing in the same team as their son's this season we welcome players of all ages and abilities to come over for a game. The Club provides an enjoyable atmosphere and hosts competitive cricket for the community of Beaconsfield.

Our AGM will be held at the Clubrooms Wednesday 26th May 8.00 pm.

I would like to thank everyone who contributed to our club during the season and a special thanks to all of our wives, partners, girlfriends and children, you have our total attention and devotion till the next season start.

Joe Mc Master
President B.C.C

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BEACONSFIELD TENNIS CLUB INC.

TENNIS NEWS

Beaconsfield Tennis Club fielded 19 teams in the Berwick & District Tennis summer 2003/04 season. Our club was fortunate to have 12 of our teams finish the season in the top four with seven succeeding in reaching the grand finals played on 27th March in perfect tennis weather. While the weather may have been perfect the results did not match, with only Section Three succeeding Premier status. Congratulations to our Section Three team Tim, Daniel, Emily, Luke and Jack, pictured below.

While winning a grand final is a great aim, our club values participation just as much and all junior players were presented with participation certificates at an end of season celebration held at the club rooms on evening of Friday, 2nd April. Winter season starts 24th April and if you are 18 years old or under and interested in playing for our club, just give Lynne Day a call on 9707 4662.

Due to health and safety issues plans are in hand to remove aging native trees/shrubs at the Northern end of courts /car park and replace these with seating and lower growing shrubs.

JOIN WITH YOUR COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

Members interested in joining with the Committee of Management are welcome to attend meetings held on 2nd Wednesday of each month at 8:00pm at the clubhouse. Have a say in what YOUR club looks like and does. Give a Committee member a call if interested.

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

MID WEEK LADIES AGM

May 18th at 2:30pm at Club House

Interested in Mid Week ladies competition? All levels catered for - from novice to A grade. Come along to the AGM and find out more.

WORKING BEE

Sunday 2nd MAY - 9:00am to 12:00noon

Main aims for the day to improve OUR club are:

- *Clean up of court surrounds including areas between car park and hard courts and bushland between courts 6/7 & roadway.*
- *Installation of seating within these areas.*
- *Tree planting.*

MAINTENANCE PERSON WANTED

Are there any handy men/women amongst our members who are interested in helping out the club when there are minor repairs to be done? Ring a committee member if interested or know of someone who may be interested. Would suit a retired person.

CO-ORDINATOR

SATURDAY SENIOR COMPETITION

A co-ordinator is required to develop our club teams for this competition. Would be suited to an existing player from this competition or person interested in guiding upper level juniors to this level of play. No co-ordinator may mean this competition will disband.

Below left: Section Three premiers



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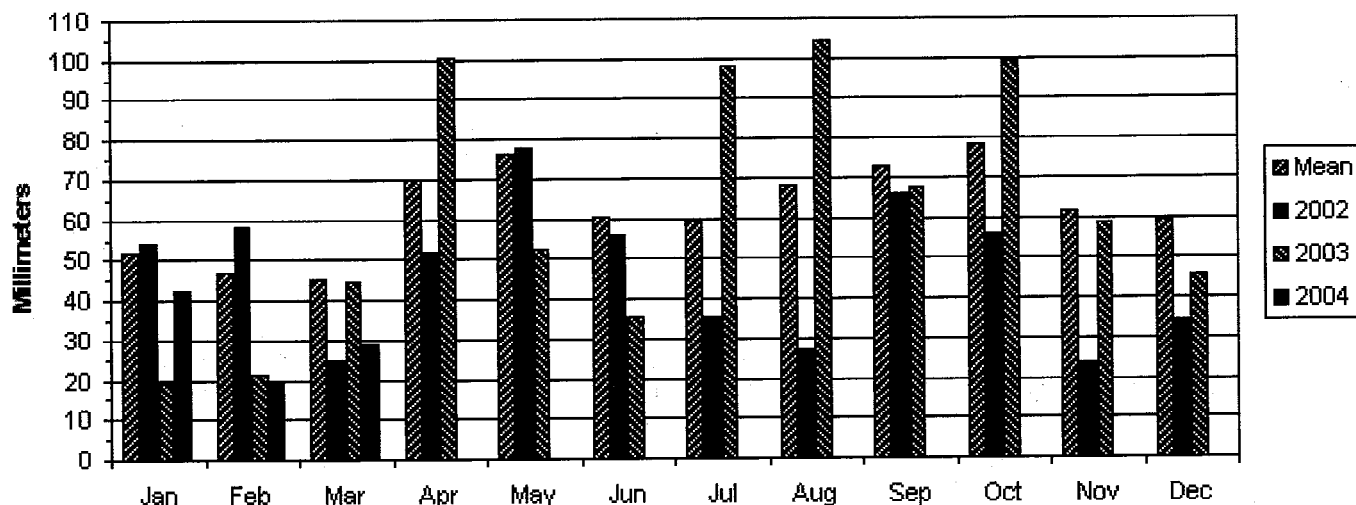
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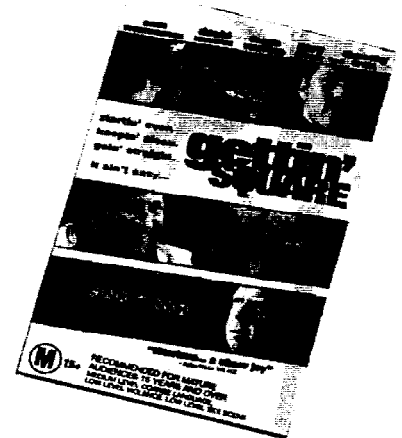
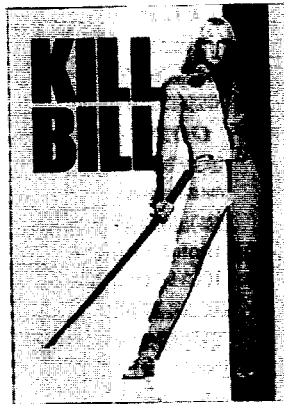
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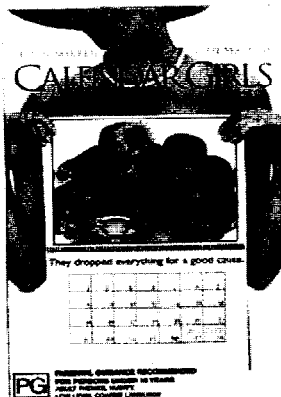
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