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Shire of
Pakenham

What's Happening at Council

Shire of Pakenham by Councillor Keith Ewenson.



Keith Ewenson,
McBride Road,
Beaconsfield Upper.
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Residents of Beaconsfield,

I welcome the opportunity of being invited to tell you about Council matters, as they relate to your area.

At our last Council Meeting we recommended to the D.V.A. that a Management Plan be developed for the Cardinia Creek Stream Reserve, and the co-operation of Berwick City be sought on the matter. There are many aspects to be considered for the use of the area, so an appropriate plan should be developed as soon as possible, to enable interested groups to know where they stand.

On this year's budget we have made a provision to construct the footpath from the Cardinia bridge to the Milkbar.

We continue to negotiate for the provision of a Public Hall. Currently the Council is again surveying the needs of the residents, and we are asking for the replies to be back by Monday, 8th October. If your organization hasn't received a copy they can be obtained from Mr. John Murrell, Community Services Co Ordinator, phone (059) 411011.

The present indications are that the cabinet could announce the details of the growth corridor in November - time will tell.

Support your Progress Association, make sure you are at the Annual General Meeting on the 24th October. See you there.

Cr. Keith Ewenson, J.P.

Next Meeting.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the
BEACONSFIELD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION
ref. page 12 for details.

PRESIDENT'S PREAMBLE.

From the President of the Beaconsfield Progress Association.

The Annual General Meeting of the Beaconsfield Progress Association will be held on Wednesday evening 24th October at the **Beaconsfield Primary School Hall Princes Highway Beaconsfield** at 7.30 p.m. As President for this last year I could sum up by saying that it has been both satisfying and frustrating. It has been satisfying to work with such a friendly committee and to have achieved so much. It has been frustrating not to have the time to perhaps achieve more. Briefly the Association over the last year has been involved in -

- Fundraising for the Primary School Centenary
- Initiating a new park by the creek
- Chairing Very Fast Train opinion nights
- Organising social events
- Producing a quality publication - The Banner
- Collecting for charity appeals
- Gaining public opinion on Town Planning proposals
- Attending the opening of the Jim Parkes Reserve
- Supporting moves for a Community House
- Liaising closely with Pakenham Shire Council on local problems
- Tackling Graffiti

Berwick is now bursting at the seams with development to our West and Pakenham is progressing apace to the East. How soon and how quickly will Beaconsfield grow now? That's the sixty-four thousand dollar question.

One thing however is for sure- i.e., the Government is cutting back on spending on education, childcare, health and welfare in general. It can't afford to maintain railway stations. That we have proved. Also it is cutting back funding for City and Shire Councils. In short, a community like Beaconsfield cannot expect facilities and services to improve unless we take on the "do it yourself" approach or take time out to make our pleas heard in the right way in the right places and at the right time. For this factor alone it is essential that Beaconsfield maintains an active and effective Progress Association.

On October 24th, the current committee will step down and all positions will become vacant. Please seriously consider your views and concerns about Beaconsfield then consider contributing some time to make your views known through a newly formed committee. Anyone is welcome to nominate. It would be great to have a junior nomination so that the needs of our youth can be represented. It only takes up one night a month for meetings. There must be a great wealth of untapped knowledge and talent amongst people in our community who have more time to spare than myself. Please, come along on the 24th October and see if you too can help in maintaining and improving the life style of Beaconsfield.

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NOTES FROM THE BEACONSFIELD FIRE BRIGADE

Now is the time to start your Summer Fire Period cleanup program around the home. Start with the spouting; is it clean of debris? The eaves; are they covered in? free from shrubbery growing close? free from birds nests? The Walls; in good repair? free from shrubs? Windows; able to be closed securely? (sheds included). Under the house; clean? protected from burning material blowing under it?

These are some of the commonsense things to remember and act on now to reduce the litter on the ground.

In the event of a major fire, is your road/driveway safe for a fire vehicle to travel on, or will it be a trap for fire fighters? Remember the fire brigade may not be able to safely respond to your assistance, take steps to help keep yourself alive; even to the extent of installing a sprinkler (external) system preferably powered by a combustion engine. If you intend to leave your property in the event of a major fire approaching, tell someone of your intentions, and leave early.

Bob Burgess

Remember "Bluey" Parkes?



*Our retired butcher
Jim Parkes.*

Unfortunately an era has ended with the passing of our retired butcher, Jim Parkes.

My earliest memories of Jim (or "Bluey" as everyone called him in the 1940s) are of a handsome, young man with beautiful red hair who always whistled a happy tune as he rode his bicycle around our streets. He always made one feel the world was a better place than we had been thinking before he came by.

Jim lived his whole life in the same way he rode that bike -- always the worker; never the passenger.

He worked for the late Dick Cole (a retired policeman come butcher) and they were a contrasting pair -- Mr. Cole, so large and very leisurely; a generation older than the slim, agile Jim darting around the shop. Later Jim bought the business and built it up into one of the best butcher's shops in the district.

During the 1950s and 1960s it was said of Jim that he was secretary of every organisation in Beaconsfield except the Mothers' Club. Exaggeration? Only slightly! He served in honorary leadership positions on at least eight local committees for sporting, educational and recreational organisations. Also he was a voluntary M.C. at dances held in the local public hall for over two decades before it was demolished to make way for the widening of the highway - and there was no more capable M.C. anywhere in surrounding districts.

Jim looked forward to a long and interesting retirement, but poor health took its toll on his energy, though never on his undefeatable spirit.

Thankfully he was well enough to enjoy two important days in 1990. One when the "Jim Parkes Reserve" was so deservedly named after him, and another at the Primary School's Centenary Celebrations where everyone who saw him went across pleased to speak to him. He will be missed by an enormous number of people.

Beaconsfield has been a very lucky town to have the Parkes family living and working in it, especially Jim and his parents, Jim's late wife Eileen, and now Jim's son Bryan who runs the family business.

M. Wilson.

HAVE YOU SEEN THE INITIALS E.P.R.G?

And wondered what it means?

It stands for Early Planning for Retirement Group, and it is a group of people who are doing some getting ready for their retirement years by becoming interested in activities that may help their retirement years be more enjoyable.

There are about 20 such groups around Melbourne, with more in some country towns, the nearest group to this area is at Dandenong, which has operated for about 14 years, but moves are afoot to get one such group going in Berwick.

It is aimed at those 55 years and over and is operated by a committee of members and various groups run by one compere. Dandenong has regular monthly meetings such as Cards,

Discussion, Music, Scrabble, Painting, Travel (talks illustrated by slides) and Short Park Walks, while Dine-Outs, Long Walks, Historic Strolls (around older suburbs), Craft, and several other topics are held at irregular intervals and members can go to all or one or two as the interest attracts.

The cost is usually 50 cents, to cover the cost of supper or a morning cup of tea, so the ability to pay for the entertainment is within reach of all.

Anyone interested in the Dandenong Group can get more information from the President, Mr. Arthur Gooding; 546 8903 and the proposed Group at Berwick from Don Day 704 7094.

Albie Jones.

PRESIDENT'S PREAMBLE. Cont.

BEAUCONSFIELD BONFIRE NIGHT

The night of November 5th will see the Town's first family Bonfire Night. It is on the Monday night preceeding the Cup Day Public Holiday Tuesday. Organised by the Progress Association and assisted by many community organisations this night promises to be a grand social event. The venue will be at the Town's new Public Park beside the creek behind the new shops. Features of this night will be soup, sausage sizzle, cakes and coffee by the Scouts, Kindergarten and Progress Association. There will be hand sparklers, balloons, masks and colouring competition, for the children. Captain Koala will put in an extra special appearance as will the Beaconsfield Fire Brigade. There will be a live band on stage behind the Pizza Shop and after the fire has been officially lit there will be a community camp fire song session around the embers. It promises to be a great night of fun and excitement and everyone is welcome to bring along burnable garden timbers and clippings on the Sunday before and assist in the building of the fire.

PUT IT IN YOUR DIARY NOW - NOVEMBER 5TH.

FAMILY BONFIRE NIGHT!

AT NEW PARK BEHIND THE NEW SHOPS

CONGRATULATIONS.

- Congratulations to Rosemarie Steiner of Wood St. Beaconsfield. Runner-up 11 - 15 section of the 1990 Miss Photogenic competition to raise funds for the Berwick Bush Nursing Hospital.

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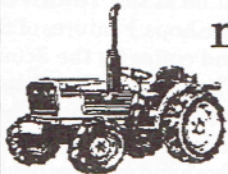
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PLAYTIME

Beaconsfield now has a 3 to 4 year old "PLAYTIME" where mums are able to leave their children for a two hour session each week.

Children attend sessions each Tuesday morning at the Beaconsfield Infant Welfare Centre and are able to enjoy themselves playing with other children in a happy, safe and healthy environment with many educational and creative activities provided.

Although our "Playtime" leader is a non-professional person she has a good understanding of child development and is an approved child care worker with Community Services Victoria. The "Playtime" leader makes every effort to create a warm and happy atmosphere for children to play and assists the children with activities.

Term 4 commences on 9th October 1990 and a few places are still available.

Numbers are limited and enrolments are necessary. Enrolments are also being accepted for 1991. For more information please ring Kathy 707 1284 or Barbara 707 5071.

TOY LIBRARY

We are currently organising a branch Toy Library for the Beaconsfield area (in association with the Pakenham Toy Library Inc.)

It is intended to make available toys, tapes, puzzles and other similar equipment which is used for play or to stimulate play for the young child (0-6).

The Library would provide an opportunity for your child to try a variety of toys that are of high quality. It also gives you the chance to try toys to see if your child enjoys them before you spend a fortune! Of course we need your

help to raise the necessary money. If you think you can spare some time and energy to help get started, please call one of the people listed.

Margaret Boon
Co-ordinator - 707 5053
Julie Oates - 707 5586
Jeanne Bowman - 707 5625.

PLAYGROUP

We provide the opportunity to attend Playgroup Sessions

Monday 10.00 - 11.30am
Thursday 10.00 - 11.30am
at the Old Baptist Church Hall,
Beaconsfield. For more information ring
R. Mulligan 707 5151.

BRICKBATS AND BOUQUETS.

Brickbats to the person or people who dumped concrete and tree roots at the northern end of the Beaconsfield Football Oval without permission.

Bouquets to Ivan for painting out the graffiti on the toilet block at the Baptist Church.

Bouquet to Frank Owner of the Steering Joint, who has all cars serviced, cleaned in and out before handing back to the satisfied customers.

Bouquet to the Railway Authorities who have increased the manning level at Beaconsfield Railway Station.

Brickbat to those litter bugs that dispose of their rubbish beside the Cardinia Creek under the viaduct on Soldiers Road Beaconsfield.

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BEACONSFIELD FAMILY HAVE A DOUBLE CELEBRATION



Pictured above Dulcie Rushton cuts her 50th Birthday cake while her son Bruce cuts his 21st Birthday cake.

On the 8th of September about 80 friends and relations celebrated Dulcie's 50th Birthday and also Bruce's 21st Birthday.

Dulcie moved to Beaconsfield in 1966 after she was married to Tony Rushton.

Bruce was born on the 8th of September 1969 and has lived in Beaconsfield all his life.

After attending School Bruce served his apprenticeship as a printer at Valley Graphics Pakenham.

NAME FOR NEW BEACONSFIELD PARK

It has been suggested that the new park/reserve beside the Cardinia Creek be named either the John Harbour Reserve, The Harbour Reserve or Harbour Park after pioneer Beaconsfield resident John Harbour and his family.

CAR STOLEN FROM HORNER ST BEACONSFIELD

On Saturday 15th September a White Datsun 1000 was stolen from outside a residence in Horner st.

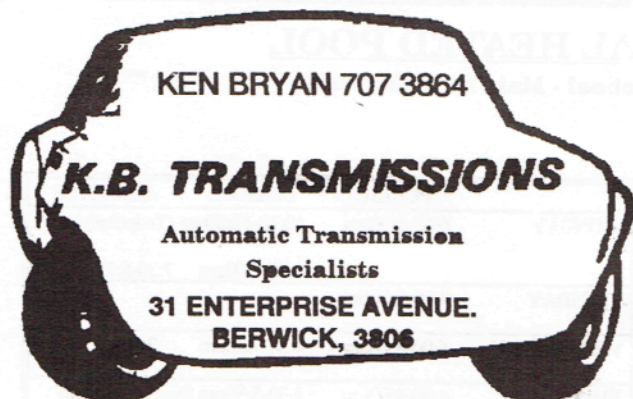
The Police found the car a couple days later at Tynong North where it had

been stripped and then smashed into a tree.

It was not insured and was not able to be repaired.

If anyone has any information, please contact Berwick Police on 707 1555 or 707 1656

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BEES



Spring is the time when the Queen in a hive starts laying eggs and bees are foraging gathering pollen and nectar to feed their young emerging bees in the nest. Towards the end of October through November into December bees will be swarming; this is their natural way of increasing their numbers. People who keep bees as a hobby or to make their living try to stop their hives from swarming and there are several ways of doing this, but hives that are in houses or trees, etc. can't be controlled and so we see swarms in our gardens and hanging on trees and shrubs etc.

These swarms only stay in these situations for a day or two until their scouts have found some suitable place for them to set up a working hive. Swarms usually leave their own hive on a very warm afternoon and settle somewhere but sometimes the weather changes, it rains and becomes cold and the swarm not being able to find shelter stays where they are and all die of the cold and hunger.

As a matter of interest packages of bees and Queens are exported to Canada each year and Queensland Queen breeders are the major exporters to that country.

For assistance with swarms ring (03) 707 1820.

Peter Aurisch

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* Swimming lessons are offered during school terms. We follow the Royal Life Saving Society "Swim & Survive" program. All instructors are Austswim Qualified.

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* Adult classes are conducted separately.

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Squad (stroke improvement) - per session -	\$5.00

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		4:00-7:00pm	7:30-8:15pm
TUESDAY	4:00-9:00pm		
WEDNESDAY	6:00-8:00am	4:30-7:00pm	7:30-8:15pm
THURSDAY	4:00-9:00pm	4:30-5:30pm Swimming Club	
FRIDAY	6:00-8:00am	4:30-6:30pm	12:00-1:00pm
		6:30-7:00pm (Adults)	
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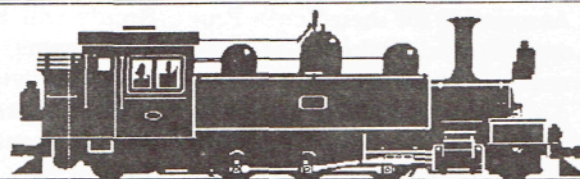
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PAKENHAM & DISTRICT HOUSING GROUP

The Pakenham & District Housing Group manages a 3 bedroom house in central Pakenham which provides emergency accommodation from 6 weeks to 3 months for families in need.

In 1989 the group was able to assist 5 families through the Pakenham Emergency House; all these families subsequently moved on to more stable long-term housing.

If you would like any further information regarding this group, please contact Margie Powell on 059 413594 or Anne Wilson 059 411011. Any assistance would be gratefully received.



DO YOU DREAM OF STEAM?

On December 2nd an R class locomotive will depart Dandenong at 10.40am and will pass through Beaconsfield at approximately 10.50am., so bring the kids out and let them see a trains of yesteryear.

The locomotive is an R Class, 70 of which were built by the North British Locomotive Company in 1952 as a replacement for the 40 year old A2 locomotives as Victoria's principal express passenger locomotive. The locomotive weights 187 tons all up, has 6 ft lin driving wheels, has a 4-6-4 wheel arrangement (Hudson), a mechanical stoker to feed coal into the firebox, works at a boiler pressure of 210lbs, carries 6 ton of coal and 9000 gals of water in the tender, with a maximum allowable speed of 70 mph. R761 was restored in 1984 by Steamrail at a cost of just over \$150,000 and countless hours work, and is one of three Steamrail locomotives allowed to haul special trains over V/LINE tracks. Steamrail Victoria is a voluntary group which funds the restoration and operation of steam and vintage trains from the proceeds of these trips.

If you would like to travel on this train, bookings can be made at any Bass outlet or by writing to P.O. Box 61, Caulfield East, 3145.

John Farrell

Next Meeting.

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SCOUTS COMPETE FOR TOP JOBS!

Mitre 10 Scout Job Week kicks off on Saturday 13th October and Scouts will be out in force looking for work in their local neighbourhood. As it did last year, Mitre 10 Southern Region is sponsoring Scout Job Week again this year. The sponsorship includes a discount token to everyone who gives their local Scout Group a job valued at \$2.00 or more. The tokens offer 10% discount on a range of products at the local Mitre 10 store and Mitre 10 will donate to the Scout Association for their Youth Program, an additional fifty cents for every token redeemed by shoppers.

This year, 10% of the total proceeds will go to the Life Education Centres to assist with their youth drug education program. Mitre 10 will also

award vouchers to the Scout Groups raising the most funds and urges local communities to get behind the efforts of their local Groups.

Finding Scouts for jobs will be made easier this year through the introduction of a special 008 telephone line designed to centralise the bookings for jobs. The number, 008 015 185 will be staffed from 9.00am to 5.00pm each day and will direct callers to their nearest Scout Group. Thousands of willing Scouts will be waiting to wash cars, mow lawns, clean up gardens, paint fences and whatever else locals can think of that needs doing by young enthusiastic Cub Scouts, Scouts, Venturers and Rovers.

The funds raised will be used by

Groups to train their leaders, and buy the equipment and resources that will help them extend Scouting throughout the community. Anyone interested in supporting Mitre 10 Scout Job Week and giving the local Group a job should call 008 015 185 or ask at their local Mitre 10 store.

For further information:

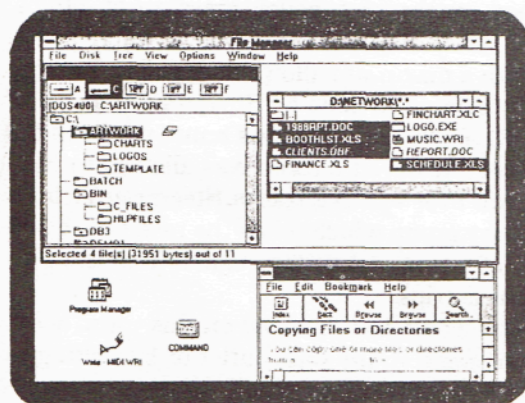
Mr. John Berwick
Ms Fiona Hocking
Marketing Manager Public Relations
Mitre 10 Southern Region
The Scout Association of Australia

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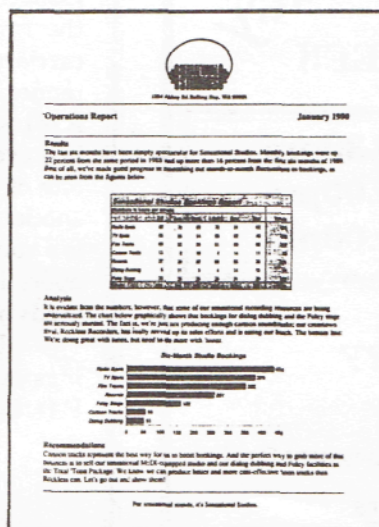
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RED CROSS REPORT

I am sure that local residents who display an interest in the work done by Red Cross would be pleased to know that the target set for the 1990 March Appeal as regards Red Cross Calling was reached and exceeded. The target was \$1,750,000. The final figure for Red Cross Calling (Door Knock) was \$1,773,943.

Thanks go to all Beaconsfield residents who with people all over Victoria generously helped to raise this magnificent total! Plans are well in hand for the 1990 Murray River Canoe Marathon. This event is held between Christmas and New Year and remains most popular. A number of enteries have already been received from overseas countries. There is one 'snag' up to date, a sponsor has not been found. Do we have any young people in the area who are keen canoists and would like to know more about the Marathon?

On a local level, Berwick/Upper Beaconsfield Unit held their Annual General Meeting in August. Fund raising for the year, including Red Cross Calling, created quite a record. The total was in the vicinity of \$28,000. At community level, the home nursing equipment handled by Mr. & Mrs. J. Abel is in strong demand. There is strong demand also for Red Cross members to transport sick and elderly people to keep appointments, not only locally, but as far away as Melbourne.

Again this year, the Unit will have available Christmas cards and gifts. Their sales each year help Red Cross to carry out a variety of humanitarian work.

M. Womersley,
Publicity Officer,

Berwick / Upper Beaconsfield
Unit.

COASTWALK AUSTRALIA.

Ross Machar, a 40 year old Australian, is leaving on October 28th from Melbourne to walk around the coast of Australia. Ross intends to walk on the beaches where possible, and together with his support crew collect information from the local people regarding their lifestyles over the years and also find out what fish can be caught, with what bait, and where, to assist Australian families who wish to "take a break" to know something of the area they are to visit and also how their children can catch a fish on their first day away.

As well as this information, they will gain sponsors for their expedition who for the cost of \$24 per year will receive bi-monthly publications giving information on all aspects of the expedition, from the sea life, flora and fauna, people met and interviewed, wildlife encountered, to the health of the walker and how his gear measures up. \$5 from each sponsor will be donated to one of five charities. The team hopes to raise in excess of \$1 million for charity over the five year expedition.

For those of us with a little adventure in our hearts, but unfortunately not the time or will to do something like this, this expedition, just for the human endeavour, should prove to be most interesting.

Ross is currently living in Beaconsfield until his departure and plans to answer the sceptics by returning to Beaconsfield in five years time after completing this expedition.

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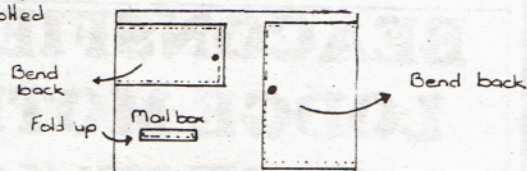
HAPPY RECYCLING

written by Beaconsfield Community Group Inc.

Keep all those special children's art pieces. All the beautiful paintings. Use them as wrapping paper for the next birthday present. Grandparents love to receive their own specially designed wrapping paper. Ask your child to make a card to go with it.

Extra large boxes are great for indoor cubbies for playing house, shop or post office. Tape the top and bottom closed, cut the windows and door as indicated and bend back. Make a hole for the mail box and finger holes for opening and closing the windows and doors.

Cut along dotted lines only.



Paint or colour with pens, pencils, crayons or just paste pictures onto it. Fold it up and pack it away in Grans wardrobe until next time you visit.

Egg cartons make caterpillars using half the bottom of the egg carton and some pipe cleaners or twist ties for feelers and legs and colour with paint or pen/pencil. How about a bee. A piece of egg carton and two bits of card cut to shape of wings attached to sides. Twist tie for a stinger, legs and feelers and pen/pencil to colour it. Make some Christmas tree decorations with single cups from egg cartons. To make a bell cover with paste and sprinkle confetti or coloured sparkles or just paint the cup. Thread a piece of wool or a pipe cleaner through the centre to hang on the tree. Open up an egg carton, turn upside down, draw numbers on the top

of the small cups, and insert a slit to feed some thin paper through and with some imagination you have a cash register.

Together with those empty grocery packets mum has saved your child experiences supermarket business first hand.

Jam Tins and Plastic Bottles Make sure tins have clean cut openings so there is no risk of being cut. Cover with pictures or contact and use for storing pens, pencils, etc.

Empty cordial bottles with a handle may be cut in half. The top half may be used as a funnel and the bottom half as a bucket. Make a hole on each side of the bottom half attach some string for a handle.

These are great for water and sand play. Not to forget the mud pies in the garden. Place rice or noodles in plastic bottles and secure lid tightly and you have a shaker for the little ones.

If you put your mind to it the ideas are endless, so next time you go to throw something in the rubbish ask yourself one question, or better still get your children's imagination going and ask them,

"WHAT DO YOU THINK COULD BE MADE FROM THIS?"

Watch what people are cynical about, and one can often discover what they lack.

Harry Emerson Fosdick.

RODENTS



With winter passing but still a lot of unsettled weather to arrive, the chances of having uninvited guests is very possible. Adding to this the constant moving of soil due to development in Beaconsfield and surrounding areas, can cause a rodent to pack up and move, looking for new accommodation.

There are three species of rodents who have become pests in Australia. They are the Roof Rat, Sewer Rat and common House Mouse. Rodents play an important part in spreading diseases as some of their activities include feeding amongst rubbish, travelling in and out of drains and then they may decide to come and pay us a visit.

Economic damage to food products is enormous due to feeding and contamination. Unsightly damage through constant gnawing can cause serious damage to upholstery, doors and skirting, but the gnawing of wiring may result in very serious damage. Short circuiting is common and at the very worst, fires.

To understand what we are up against, here are a few examples of their physical abilities. Rodents are known to be able to:-

Drop fifteen metres without serious injury.

Burrow into the soil to a depth of one metre.

Climb vertical walls.

Swim about one kilometre in open water.

Gnaw through wood, lead and many other materials. These are just a few of the tricks they are able to get

up to. Remembering how resilient rodents are, how can we prevent them from entering our homes?

We have the aspect of sanitation. By using sound garbage bins with tight fitting lids, removing rubbish from around the home and not leaving it in the trailer. Keeping weeds down helps make your home less attractive to rodents, with less favourable conditions for shelter and provision of food.

We can reduce the inflow of rodents through sealing entry points, e.g. cracks and crevices. One of the first places to look is where the plumbing fittings to the sink pass through the wall. Quite often there is ample room for a rodent to gain entry. An easy way to resolve this problem is to use the old fashioned 'Steele Soap Pads' to block access. Check your external doors, do they require weather strips? Be on the look out for any other access points. If a rodent has overcome these hurdles then there is still the traps or baiting with the many rodent chemical baits available.

Please be careful to keep all baits away from children and pets. If you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact Gary at Dandenong Pest Control, 124 Princes Highway, Beaconsfield or Phone 707 1719.



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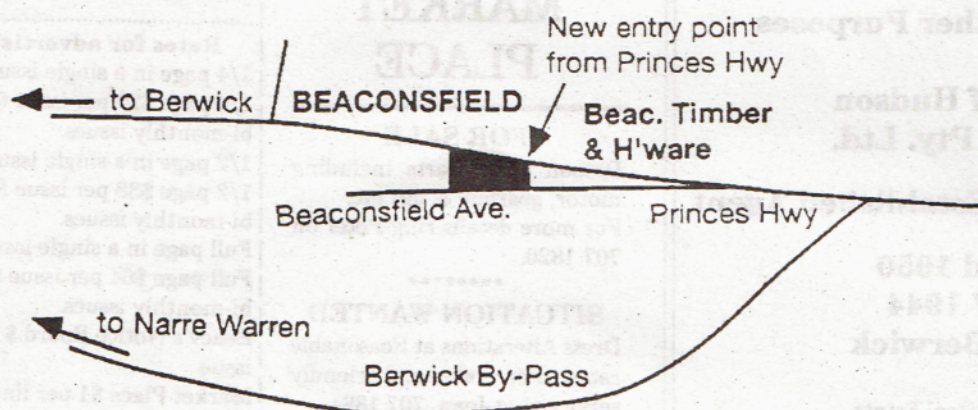
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The next meeting of the Beaconsfield Progress Association will be held at the Beaconsfield Primary School Hall on the 24th October commencing at 7.30pm.

GUEST SPEAKER

The special guest speaker is Mr. John Swinton of the Dandenong Valley "Family Action" who will speak on Financial Pressure on Families in the 90's and Consumer Credit.

Followed by:

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Business to elect office bearers.

FUNNY MONEY NIGHT

The Beaconsfield Primary School is running a "Funny Money Night" on October 27th at the Primary School. All welcome. Bookings can be made by contacting Mrs. Miles on 707 2946. \$12.50 per head. B.Y.O. This should be a great night and a fine opportunity to support the local Primary School.

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- * outside performances at Australia Day celebrations at Fountain Gate, and Beaconsfield Primary School Centenary.
- * competing at Eisteddfods at various venues;
- * a choreographic competition held at the Studio with students presenting their own work;
- * mid-year drama productions by both senior and junior groups at the Studio;
- * examinations in Ballet, Tap and Modern Dance have been taken at all levels.

All this has been happening along with normal classes which take place six days a week at the Studio in Railway Avenue.

At present, excitement is mounting as we prepare for the end of year performances. These will be held at two venues and will demonstrate the work and standard achieved by the students during the year as well as being high quality entertainment.

Junior School - OPEN NIGHT

at Pakenham Public Hall
Wednesday, 28th November, and
Thursday, 29th November at 6.30pm
Adults \$6.00. Child or Conc. \$3.00.

Senior Students-"SILENT NIGHT" -

a dance and drama production - at Berwick High School
P.A.C. on Friday, 7th December and
Saturday, 8th December at 7.30p.m.
Adults \$12.00 Conc \$8.00 Child \$6.00.

Today we present a small selection of dances which we hope will entertain you and give you an idea of the type of work we do. The majority of girls dancing today have entered in competitions throughout the year and have gained places or Honourable Mentions.

1. "Morning Mist" - a Neo-classical dance performed by Standard 3 Ballet class.
2. "Free at last" - Demi-character Duo by Melissa O'Brien & Sian Feher - Grade 2 Ballet students
3. Classical Solo - Svea Kemp - a Standard 3 student
4. Tap Duo by Natarsha & Cassie Nicholson .This dance was choreographed by these 2 students. This is Grade 4 Tap standard.
5. Classical Solo by Vicky Till a Grade 2 Ballet student.Vicky presented this dance in the city at a special scholarship and was Highly Commended for her performance.
6. "The show must go on" - Demi-character solo by Elizabeth Youdale- a Standard 3 Ballet

7. We are basically a Ballet school so our Modern dance is generally Ballet based.However we will conclude with a fun number from our forthcoming show with a few of the students.This is only part of a number and only 6 out of 19 girls are performing.

Thankyou for your attention.



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All enquiries to the Principal -
Gillian Foks, (03) 707 1615.

TREATMENT OF HEADLICE

Headlice is a problem that, as many people know, mainly affects school children. Although some people are very embarrassed it has no reflection on personal hygiene; i.e. it doesn't matter how clean your head is, you can still get lice. Headlice can be obtained by simply playing with children that are affected.

When lice-mite infects the hair, it lays eggs which adhere to the hair shaft, usually near the scalp. These eggs hatch, and more "mites" are produced, and in turn these lay more eggs etc., until the whole head is infested.

Treatment of headlice is very simple and very effective.

There are many proprietary shampoos and lotions on the market for the eradication of headlice. The most effective is as follows:

1. Place children in bath and wash hair with lice shampoo. Depending on the product, shampoo for 5 to 10 minutes, rinse then repeat the entire process.
2. Using 'fine tooth comb' hair should be combed through. The fine tooth comb will strip the eggs off the hair shaft. It's a good idea to dip the comb into vinegar, as this will help the removal of the eggs by dissolving the adhesive which keeps the egg stuck to the hair.
3. Towel hair dry. Apply lice lotion to the hair and massage through until it has gone right through the hair. This will dry and should be left in the hair for 12 hours (ideally overnight). The lotion will kill any mites left in the hair, and also will have enough time to kill any eggs as well.
4. In the morning wash out the lotion with lice shampoo.

This treatment is 100% effective.

It is essential to advise the school if your child has a headlice problem. They will involve the local council who will do a check at the school. The problem can only be eradicated by all the effected children being adequately treated at the same time.

Local council also supply headlice lotion and combs and currently recommend treatment using an overnight lotion.

For your information; *Pediculus humanus capitis*, commonly called the head louse, is a tiny 2-3mm long, insect parasite that is confined almost exclusively to the head region. The adult louse has a slender, tapering body and 3 pairs of legs with delicate hooks.

The body colour is greyish except after feeding, when it acquires a reddish hue. Its favourite hiding places are those areas behind the ears and on the back of the neck, although it can be found almost anywhere on the hair or hairy surface of the scalp. It is not generally found on eyebrows or eyelashes. For nourishment, both the adult and immature lice (nymphs) feed on human blood by stabbing an opening through the surface of the skin and pouring in saliva to prevent clotting. It is not known whether they eat pizza but they have definitely never been heard to utter 'cowabunga' and with some luck should never be the stars of a movie nor a market-ing fad.

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