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Shire of
Pakenham

What's Happening at Council

Shire of Pakenham by Councillor Peter Meeking.



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CONSERVATION STRATEGY

Local resident (Guys Hill) Sue Harris defeated a strong field and has been appointed to develop a conservation and environmental strategy for the Shire.

ROADSIDE BEAUTIFICATION

Gardens in the medium strip on the Highway are now being planted out following the installation of a watering system, and have already added to the presentation of Beaconsfield.

COMMUNITY CENTRE - NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

With the building scheduled to open on the 24th May, the builder is nearing the end of his task, and the community volunteers have begun the big job of painting. Any helpers on a Sunday morning would be greatly appreciated.

PAKENHAM SHIRE'S NEW PLANNER

With the shock resignation and retirement of Mr. Perry Echert, Council has now appointed the very experienced and former City

of Berwick Planner, Mr. John McCaffrey, to the position.

BEAconsfield SCHOOL - LIBRARY STOP

Attempts have been made to convince the Dandenong Valley Regional Library Service to include an additional stop in its schedule so as to enable a stop at the Primary School. Added costs were estimated by DVRLS staff at \$2,133, and there was currently no possibility to alter the entire schedule so as to allow for this extra stop. Council has asked that the matter be looked at when the schedule is next reviewed. Currently the bus will continue to stop in Wood Street on Tuesdays from 10.15am until 11.45am.

MAJOR RECREATION RESERVE FOR SHIRE

In a negotiated agreement of some years ago Council agreed to rezone land for a Regional Cemetery at Pakenham, subject to the then Minister Mr. White agreeing to provide 50 acres of the total land to offset the impact of the Regional Cemetery on the Shire. The Minister agreed publicly and the Council and the community are working with Consultants on a forward plan for the development of major sporting facilities for the Shire. Advice is now at hand indicating that the Government may now not be willing to agree to the arrangements to transfer the land, even though the Council has completed the rezoning as requested.

GWEN NEVE RETIRES

The Beaconsfield Primary School community said farewell to their much loved head-cleaner of 24 years, Mrs. Gwen Neve, on Friday 10th April at a Picnic/BBQ held at the school.

Many old pupils, past head teachers and teachers, joined with her own family and the families of Beaconsfield Primary students, for the "send off" to Gwen. Gwen plans to spend her retirement catching up on friends, visiting relatives overseas, and working in her garden. Gwen will not be totally free of her duties as she has already put her name down for Canteen duty and has stated "I will return" from time to time to help out and have a cuppa and chat with my workmates.

Gwen has often been the first contact people have with the School and her friendly, caring personality has been a tremendous asset. Many a new teacher has been put at ease by Gwen who always makes them feel welcome. There is not a staff member who will forget the words "I'm making a cuppa, do you



Gwen enjoying a hard earned cuppa.

want one?", or "Can I give you a hand with that", or "Leave that to me, I'll take care of it" and she has, with a wave of her hand and a cheery smile.

Dear Gwen, thank you for your loyalty, your friendship, your caring and your toil. Although you may be replaced in your job, you will never be replaced in the hearts of those who have been part of the school over your years of service.

We all wish you good luck and good health in your new venture and may you thoroughly enjoy the time you can now take for yourself.

NEXT PUBLIC MEETING OF THE BEAconsfield PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

WHEN: 29TH. APRIL 1992

WHERE: BEAconsfield PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL

GUEST: MR WARRICK BAYLEY

Our meeting will be as follows:

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| 7.30pm. | Chat and cuppa. |
| 8.00pm. | Guest speaker Mr Warrick Bayley, Shire Engineer, will speak on "Where Beaconsfield is heading in the 1990's" |
| 9.00pm. | Question time. Any questions you have can be directed to Warrick Bailey, Shire Councillors, Progress Association members and Community Centre committee. |
| 9.30pm. | Chat and cuppa. |

SCHOOL FAIR A GREAT SUCCESS

WHAT A BONZA FAIR! What a great day! What a tremendous effort! What a great result! The Beaconsfield Primary School Fair which was held on Saturday, 21st March showed what a small community can do if they put their mind to it.

The preparatory work carried out by Ross Chudleigh and his hard working committee proved to be the backbone of a most successful day. Over \$12,100 was raised! A record for a fair at the school. Congratulations to the team, but not only to them, but to the whole Beaconsfield Community who got behind them and made it a wonderful day.

We have a lot to be proud of in Beacy. We have very generous traders and very caring people, who when the going gets tough really get going. The help given was very heart-warming and I'm sure the com-



munity spirit felt on the day will bind us all.

A really great day!

Above :- Wally Wambat at the School Fair.

A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

From the President of the Beaconsfield Progress Association

Well done to all those who have helped and worked so hard over recent times to get the Community Centre ready and also with the school fair. Thank you all.

What great folk we have here. Our last public meeting, although not well attended, was most enjoyable with two gentlemen from the Public Transport Corporation enlightening us on how the Met and VicRail operate. A very interesting evening.

At our next meeting, to be held on April 29th (after the Easter and Term holiday break) Mr Warrick Bayley, Shire Engineer, will speak to us on "Where Beaconsfield is Headed in the 1990's" and how the plan for Beaconsfield can be implemented.

We have had suggestions regarding the placement of roundabouts, the planting of trees, the naming of reserves, etc. etc. over recent months

and anyone who would like to discuss a particular issue with Warrick is most welcome to attend. Question Time at the Progress Association meetings is always interesting - you never know what wonderful suggestions may be made. Come along and make your thoughts known. We can't help Beaconsfield progress in the manner the community wants if the community don't let us know their wishes.

Beaconsfield can be a well planned, well designed township if we all pool our ideas and utilize the talents of our community.

Melva Behr.

GIRL GUIDES

If you are interested in being a Girl Guide or a Brownie, contact Barbara Paton on 707 5942.

Brownies meet Mondays at 6pm. in the school community hall.

LETTERS

Dear Ed,

One of the most popular aspects of the Souter Street playground has gone missing. The sandpit scoop was the best piece of equipment the playground had to cater for children of various ages. Will the piece of equipment be returned? Is there any plans of providing some smaller climbing equipment for younger children. I feel that there would be adequate room for this. Does anyone else feel the same?

Margaret Boon
Souter Street

(The Shire of Pakenham advise that the sandpit scoop has been taken to their workshop and will be returned after repair.

They also advise that they will "have a look" at the possibility of supplying climbing equipment if feasible.)

Ed.

BEACONSFIELD GOODFELLOWS GRANTED LIQUOR LICENCE

Our local grocery store, Beaconsfield "Goodfellows", has been granted a liquor licence.

When fully operational a service could be provided from 9am to 9pm.

Mr Hass Patel advised the Banner that work is being undertaken to enable him to begin operating around September.

WOULD YOU BELIEVE IT?

A bird in the mailbox prevented a local electrician in Hudson Street from receiving his copy of the February Banner. As the voluntary Banner deliverer tried to put the Banner in the letterbox he was confronted by a very hostile bird. Needless to say, the hand retracted and so did our well known Committee Member.

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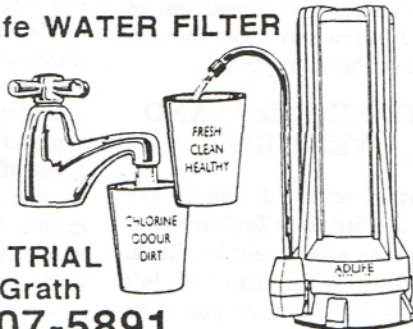
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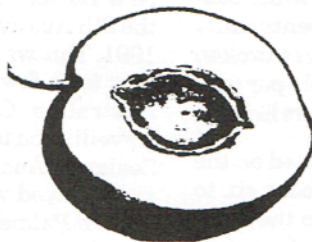
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'BUSHCARE' is a voluntary, independent group formed as a result of an initiative by the Conservation Council of Victoria (C.C.V.).

C.C.V.'s objective is to set up a local community "owned and run" development and education program within the municipalities of Pakenham and Berwick in order to develop a community attitude of valuing and appreciating the importance of native vegetation on private property in the area.

Bushcare's aim is to promote the retention and quality of native vegetation on private land through community based education programs and other activities.

It is intended for Bushcare to be a model for other areas which may be able to follow and extend the Bushcare principles in their own localities. Neighbouring areas are specifically encouraged to compliment the work in progress in this initial area.

Our activities include:-

- * Education through Public Seminars to be given to community groups using invited specialist and our own local speakers.

- * A continuing program of stalls selling education literature, posters, maps, etc.

- * The printing of a community poster - Map showing areas of significant community items and in particular existing vegetation in our area.

- * Walks, plant identification, wildlife viewing and weeding demonstrations on private and public land using invited appropriate experts.

The Poster Map

Principally our Map will show areas of native vegetation but we hope it will also be able to depict

other areas and items considered to be of value by the local community. Through the Map "Bushcare" will help you and the local community to discover and preserve those things which we all value. You know your local area far more personally and in greater detail than those outside the district. To help us to complete this map, could you please take a little time to fill in and return our questionnaire which is available at the post office.

"Bushcare" welcomes new members. We meet every second Thursday at Beaconsfields Christian College, Toomuc Valley Road, Pakenham at 8.00 p.m.

If you are interested please come along or contact Helen on 059 428375.

PAMPAS GRASS NUISANCE ON MOUNT MISERY

Pampas grass is multiplying at a great pace on the Coinda Estate on Mount Misery.

This grass is imported and has become such a nuisance in Western Australia that it is now banned. Could this happen to us?

If you find Pampas Grass growing on your block, the best way to get rid of it is to cut it off as close to the roots as possible and then spray with 'Roundup'.

This plant has also taken hold near the railway station in Beaconsfield and could threaten the natural bushland beside the Beaconsfield - Emerald Road.

RESULTS OF COLOURING COMPETITION

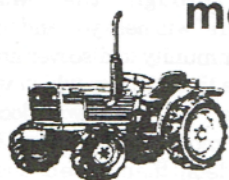
1st Prize was won by David Griffiths aged 12.

2nd Prize was won by Peter Warner aged 9.

3rd Prize was won by Amy Behr aged 8.

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BEACONSFIELD SCOUT GROUP

At the recently held Annual Presentation of Repost and Committee formation were guests M.L.C. Mr. Rob. McLellan, Councillor Peter Meeking, District Commissioner Bob Taylor, Lyn. Fisher and former Cub Leader and now Assistant Region Commissioner Margaret Turner. Parents of scout youth members also attended.

Guest speaker Paul De Hamer gave an account of his trip to New Zealand as a member of the Australian Contingent. Here is Paul's report:

5TH NEW ZEALAND VENTURE.

To start with I'd like to say that the 5th New Zealand Venture was absolutely brilliant. We as a Contingent of 74, left on the 1st January and flew Qantas New Zealand to Wellington. We stayed one night in an extra large scout hall. This night I found it almost impossible to sleep with N.Z. time being two hours ahead of ours and besides it was an icy cold night. Lets just say, it was hard to adjust.

The following day we arrived in Wanganui at Lake Wairarapa where the Venture was being held. In total there were 518 Venturers on site, 74 of them were Australians. We were the, third largest Contingent at the Venture, being outdone by Wellington with around 84.

We were put into two camps, Herman and Lepper which consisted of around seventy units all up. Each camp was broken up into six/ten people per unit with one or two leaders in each.

Major activities started on the 3rd January and about six to twelve units went on the same activity. I was fortunate enough to get into the Four Wheel Driving Expedition, and what an experience this was. Up and down sand dunes, over mud, through bogs and over really rough terrain. Half the time we had to get out of the 4WD's

and push the vehicles if they got bogged but that was all part of the fun. After the major activities were over we met up with everyone else who came back from their major activities and made a lot more Kiwi friends.

Almost every night they held a Kareoke or Disco up at one of the tents so we were really meeting people and having a good time.

For the last five days, each unit could choose from a number of activities and participate. Unit 50, my unit, ended up going Ten Pin Bowling and looking around town, tube rafting and taking a River Cruise. All except for the river cruise, were really exciting and some new experiences were had.

The 5th New Zealand Venture has to be the highlight of all my years of Cubs, Scouts and Venturing. Its the best way to meet totally different people to yourself and have a ball at the same time.

If you want to make the most of the short time spent in Ventures I highly recommend going on the 6th New Zealand or 9th Australian Venture. I assure you you will meet many new friends and enjoy a time you'll never forget.

AFTER THE VENTURE.

During the Venture I was fortunate enough to contact two New Zealand friends I met at the 8th Australian Venture in 1991. This was where I was to stay for a few days while the Australian Contingent was travelling on tour around New Zealand. Andrea Leask, the girl I stayed with showed me around Palmerston North the first day, then we held a going away party for her as she was leaving for Denmark the following day.

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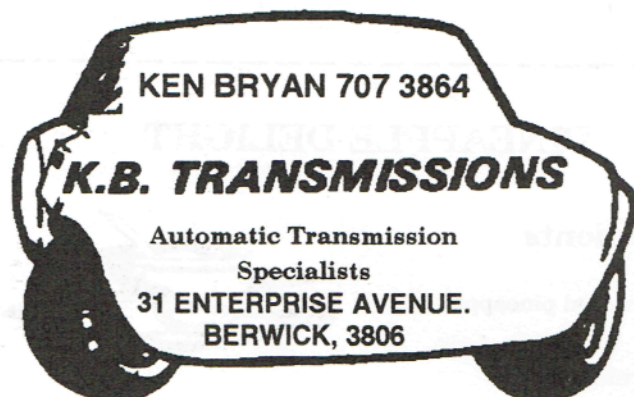
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In my short stay I was well looked after and couldn't get used to being treated virtually like a king, but I thank her and her family once again for such an enjoyable stay.

On the 12th January I left Palmerston North for an eight hour bus ride to Auckland. I figured this would be really boring, being on my own. But the scenery was unlike anything in Australia and I did meet and make conversation with another guy. He told me a bit about New Zealand and offered a place to stay if I was ever over there again. I met Kelly Taylor when the bus stopped and I was taken back to her house so I could settle in and meet her family. That last week in New Zealand was as the Kiwis would put it "CHOICE" and I'm definitely going back to New Zealand to catch up with all my friends in 1993. I want to thank Kelly Taylor and her family for their great hospitality and such a welcome stay.

Scouting continues to be an active and adventurous experience for youngsters between 8 and 18 and their leaders. Cub Scouts have enjoyed an active day at the Guide/Scout Sailing Centre at Sandringham and are looking forward to a Billycart Derby on April 12th when again they will join with Cubs from other Groups from the Toomuc District at a venue in Beaconsfield. A great afternoon for the boys and Mums and Dads too.

On 3rd May the Cub Scout will be joining with the Scouts at the camp in Upper Beaconsfield for another day of fun and learning. Parents will be attending with them to join in the activities.

Scouts have 3 "BIG" camps in the next 8 weeks. Stradbroke at Gilwell, Gembrook. This is considered the top camping competition in the State. Last year Beaconsfield won a GOLD, the first ever for our Group, so we are hopeful of another this year. This camp is held for four days over the Easter Weekend. In May the Troop Patrols will be competing for the top honours in the Troop and two weeks later will be again camping in competition against the rest of the District for the District Competition Award. A lot of cooperation and self discipline is required on all these competition camps. In all 5 camps will be held during the remainder of the year, as well as visits to some interesting venues.

The Venturers competed in the Annual District Raft Race on the Goulburn River, paddling over 34 kms the Beacy Venturers were defeated by 56 SECONDS. A great effort "fellas", but after 5 years in a row winning, you were generous in letting another Unit hold the Award for one year!!

We welcome the Beaconsfield Community Group next door and wish them great success. This group of young Mum's have put in a tremendous amount of time and effort to make this Centre a reality and a great Centre for Beaconsfield.

YOUTH - WHERE TO NOW????

The Upper Beaconsfield Community Centre, Salisbury Road, Upper Beaconsfield will be holding a Youth Forum to look at the options for recent school leavers.

WHEN: Thurs, 30th April

WHERE: Upper Beaconsfield Community Centre

TIME: 7.30pm

WHO'S INVITED: Youth, parents and any interested people.

Have you just completed V.C.E. or left school and can't

get into a college, Uni or find a job? What are your options? Come along and hear speakers from TAFE, D.E.E.T., C.E.S., D.S.S., Career Advisors. Take this opportunity to ask questions and develop strategies and find out about new courses offered through Community Centre and Shire and plan for your future.

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- 26th April.
Paper, can & bottle collection day.
- 29th April.
Progress Association Public Meeting
- 24th May.
Official Opening of Beaconsfield Community Centre.
- 24th May.
Paper, can & bottle collection day.
- 29th May.
Closing date for Banner
- 2nd. November (Cup Eve)
Beaconsfield Progress Association annual Bonfire night

Beaconsfield Progress Association Annual Fair will be held with Community Centre group in September 1992.

NOTE. From 1993 the Beaconsfield Progress Association Annual Fair will be held on the first Saturday in March.

RECIPE CORNER

PINEAPPLE DELIGHT

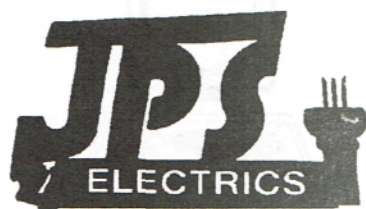
Ingredients

- 1 tin crushed pineapple
- 2 eggs
- 1 pint milk
- 1 tblspn sugar
- 1 dstspn cornflour
- 1 pkt pineapple jelly crystals



Method

Pour juice off pineapple, put in bowl.
Make a custard with the milk, sugar, cornflour, and yolk of eggs.
Stir well whilst cooking.
Cool slightly and pour over pineapple.
Heat pineapple juice with added water to make up amount as indicated on packet.
Dissolve jelly crystals in this and put aside to cool.
When jelly begins to set add beaten egg whites.
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OUR NATURAL WORLD

(PART 2)

Our last article finished at the beginnings of Biblical Jericho and it's earliest history. The original structure dates to about 8,000 B.C., and it was erected (and founded) at the site of a sacred spring, and has been identified as a shrine to a local spirit.

Towns may come and go, but the well remains where it always was, thus explaining the phenomenon of successive towns built around the same sacred place, the spirit of which became the foundation society. The foundation deity received the sacrifices offered in expiation of the crime of settlement, and giving the law by which the City was governed. It was regarded as a contract between Man and God, and this law was well understood by the founding fathers of ancient Cities.

But as these Cities expanded, often layers upon earlier layers, the contract between Man and Spirit becomes forgotten, and in the colourful phrases of the Bible, "the Holy City becomes Babylon, the parasitic whore who proceeds to destruction". Today we would simply speak of the degeneration, and social collapse of Cities, and plenty of "good" examples are easy to find on our troubled globe.

Imperial Rome presents an ancient example in this context, as it's expansion beyond the original City boundaries was considered a serious breach of "the Contract", and the protesting counsels of the Spiritually wise were ignored.

The results are well known historically, as Rome fell, and these events were well documented in the epic; "The Rise & Decline of the Roman Empire".

All this is very well, as they say, but what can Modern Man make of it. How does one marry tradition and commercialism, and still be true to the earth, and self? The difference between a modern industrialized landscape and, the landscape of our ancestors, creates quite traumatic emotions in today's people. Look at the exodus from Cities during holiday breaks. Where do they go; mostly to the country, to nature, to "get away from it all", as is commonly stated. Does this not imply that something is terribly wrong with our Civilization. Why are people happier camping on a river bank, than back in their 3 B.R. brick home, with all the "conveniences", so called?

Civilization is not all bad, of course, and whilst the "body" can be subjected to it, the spirit, in most cases, seems quite unable to accept it. Thus we toil in the workplace, to make enough to periodically get away from the workplace. Where then does our heart truly lie? Do country folk come to live in a City other than for economic reasons? Many questions, fewer answers, but Civilization enslaves the body and disquiets the spirit of man. Understand, and be as content as possible. Spirit lives, the body dies.

P. HANSEN

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At Platypus Technology, we certainly concede that Australian software prices are higher than America, but no where to the extent they used to be. In fact we increasingly see instances where big name products can be cheaper here. None the less, where does the \$500 plus go that you pay for serious software? The price of the books, packaging and disks probably amounts to no more than \$100 in most cases. Allowing for shipping, handling and markup, which we estimate accounts for 30%, there is still a big chunk of your money unaccounted for.

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The Pakenham Citizens Advice Bureau is in the Community House where other serv-

ices are available including a Financial Counsellor who will negotiate on your behalf regarding money matters with other parties and help with budget patterns, a Family Counsellor, a Marriage Guidance Counsellor as well as the C.A.B. trained staff to give you information and arrange referrals to whichever agency suits your needs.

Don't try and go it alone when you can obtain support by just a phone call to the Citizens Advice Bureau on (059) 412 377 or you can call into the Bureau, Community House, 24 Main Street, Pakenham (opposite the Consolidated School) Monday to Friday from 10.30am to 2.30pm.

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Beaconsfield Community Centre Inc.

Current Activity Groups
(Playgroup - Playtime - Toy Library)

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Children must be 3 years by June 30th, toilet trained and

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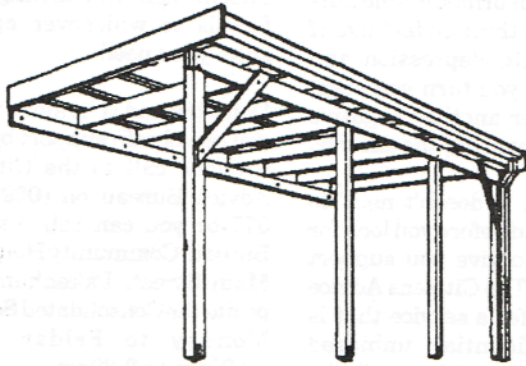
Enrolments for terms 3 & 4 are currently being accepted. Numbers are limited and early enrolment is advisable.

Enrolment forms and further information is available from Jenny Edwards, Playtime Co-ordinator Beaconsfield Community Centre Inc. Phone: 059 432378.



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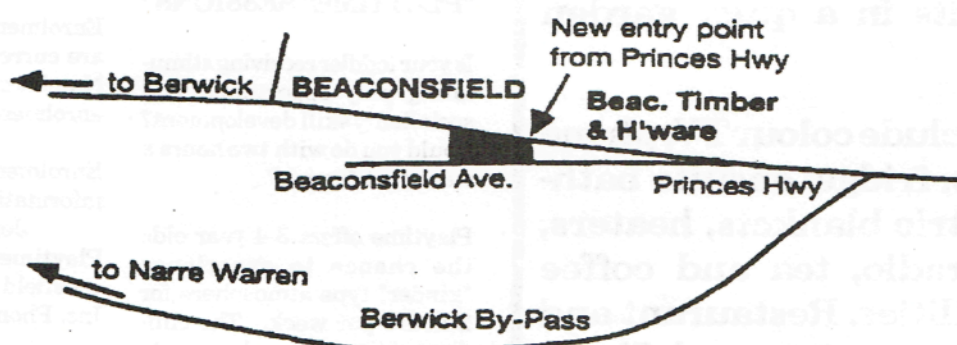
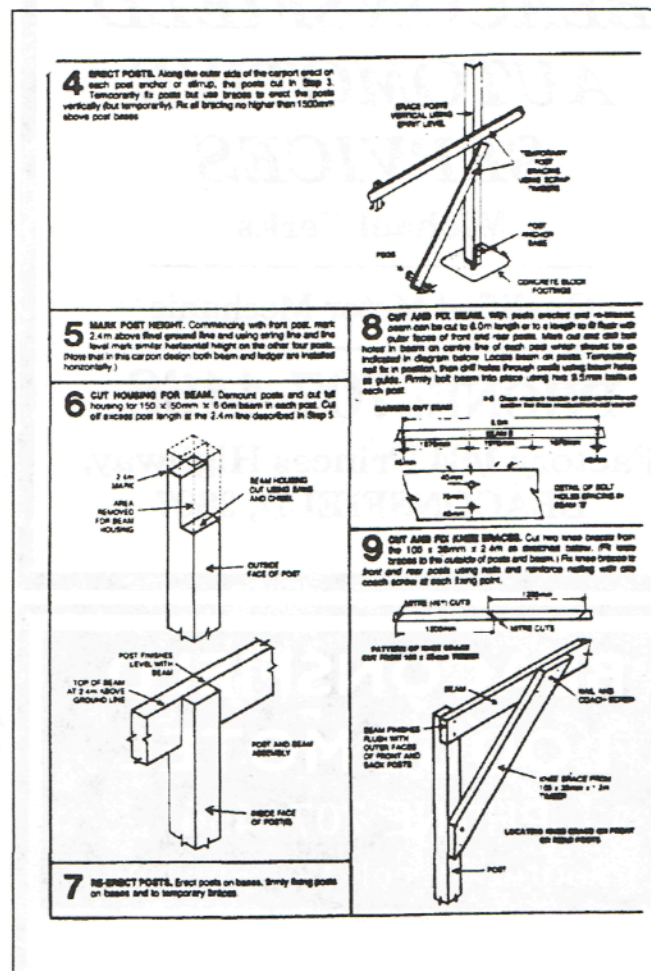


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OFFICIAL OPENING OF E.A. OWEN RESERVE

The weather was terrible but the atmosphere was Terrific! Yes, all those who attended enjoyed the warm, friendly companionship which was felt at the official opening of the E.A. Owen reserve in Dickie Road, Officer.

Mr. Barry Pullen, M.P., made a very appropriate speech giving congratulations both to the Shire of Pakenham and Cr. Ted Owen for their contribution in enabling this most beautiful vir-

gin bush reserve to remain in tact for future generations to enjoy.

Take your family and friends on this most beautiful trek and enjoy what mother nature has to offer. The track is too rough for those unable to walk on uneven ground, but those who can manage will reap the rewards of this unspoiled bushland.

To those whose efforts have gone into making this land available, who recognized its natural

beauty and worked to have it saved, and who have worked so hard to put in the track and then made the opening such a lovely occasion, "Thank You" from the people of Beaconsfield.

Right: At the opening of the E.A. Owen Conservation Reserve. L-R Shire President Cr. Charlie Rundell, Cr Ted Owen, The Hon. Barry Pullen M.L.C. and Cr. Peter Meeking.



BEACONSFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE INC.

A big "thank you" to those willing people who have helped us with painting, etc. at the Community Centre.

If you can help with painting, work on the garden, fencing, ramps, and carpentry (covering in the undersides) then phone Karen on 707 3570 who will be able to give you more information on what is to be done and when. This Centre is a great community facility. What we put in now will not only benefit our families, but all who follow. Be part of the action - it's good fun and a good feeling to be part of this wonderful venture.

Interviews are being held at the moment for the position of Community Officer. In the near future we will require Child Care Worker(s).

The official opening will be on

Sunday, 24th May at 2pm. Light refreshments will be available. Watch your letterbox for more detailed information.

A raffle will be run in conjunction with the opening of the centre and tickets (\$2 each) will be available throughout the town. The prizes are fantastic. Thank you to all the people who have been so generous with donations of prizes for our raffle.

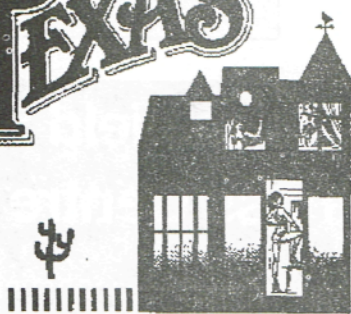


Above: Kathy Hunter painting

Below: Some of the workers take a break for morning tea.



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The Beaconsfield Primary school has been invited to present a display at this year's National Environmental Expo to be held at the Exhibition buildings in Melbourne from 18-26 April. Only a handful of primary schools are to be included in the School Projects Display which is a special feature at this year's Expo.

Our school is mounting a display called Environmental Science across the Curriculum which will include photos, worksheets, posters & books made by the students at our school demonstrating how our schools environmental awareness programs stretch into all our learning areas.

The display will be viewed by an audience in excess of 100,000 people. The whole Expo sounds very interesting and would make a good outing over the Easter break.

PART OF A LETTER FROM AN OLD FRIEND

"I have become a little older since I last saw you and a few changes have come into my life. Frankly, I have become a very frivolous old girl. I'm seeing five old gentlemen every day.

As I wake up, WILL POWER helps me out of bed. Then I go to see JOHN. Next, it's time for UNCLE TOBY to come along, followed by BILLY T. They leave and ARTHUR RITIS shows up and stays the rest of the day. (He doesn't like to stay in one place very long, so he takes me from joint to joint.) After such a busy day, I'm really tired and glad to go to bed with JOHNNY WALKER."

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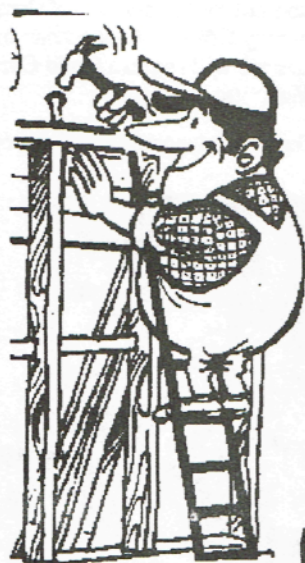
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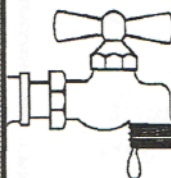
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FRANK DUNDAS A LONG TIME RESIDENT OF BEACONSFIELD PASSED AWAY

A long time resident of Beaconsfield Frank Dundas passed away on the 26th. February after a short illness.

Frank lived most of his life in Beaconsfield and Berwick, except for 4 1/2 years in the army. He was taken prisoner by the Japanese in Timor and was eventually taken to Burma where he spent 3 1/2 years working on the Burma railway.

After being discharged from the army he worked at James Hicks pipe works at Officer.

For a short time he had a dairy farm where he met his future wife Peggy.

He later returned to the pipe works and continued there until he was able to get a job at H. J. Heinz where he worked until his retirement in 1981.



Frank Dundas will be sadly missed by his friends in Beaconsfield.

He spent his later years quietly having to cope with a few health problems about which he never complained, being happy with the company of his friends and the occasional holiday to Lakes Entrance.

PERSONAL COLUMN

BIRTH NOTICE

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Congratulations
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ENGAGEMENT

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