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#### What's Happening at Council

Shire of Pakenham by Councillor Peter Meeking.



**ELECTIONS** 

Thank you to the people of Bea-

consfield for re-electing me as a

Councillor for the Beacon Hills

Riding for the next three years. A

special thank you also to the many

people in the Beaconsfield com-

munity who worked steadily over

some 4 weeks on the election

It is my promise that I will con-

tinue to work closely with the

community so as to achieve those

projects and facilities which are necessary for living comfortably

within Beaconsfield and the sur-

rounding district.

campaign.

Peter S Meeking, P.O. Box 130, Berwick.3806 (059) 44 3568

#### COMPOST BINS -KINDERGARTEN

To assist the recycling process Council has agreed to provide all kindergartens with a compost bin at no cost as part of a reviewed policy.

#### SHIRE PRESIDENT

Councillor Bill Ronald of the Toomuc Riding has been elected as the Shire President for 1992/93. The Committee Chairpersons for 1992/93 are as follows:-Development Approvals Councillor Peter Meeking Works

Councillor Ron Metz Health/Community Services Councillor Cath Halvy Administration/Finance Councillor Lyn Dooley

#### ELECTION RESULTS BEACON HILLS RIDING.

Beaconsfield School.	
Meeking	534
New	375
Informal	44
Total	953
Officer Hall	
Meeking	316
New	192
Informal	11
Total	519

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT

Council is continuing to pursue employment opportunities for the many young unemployed existing within the Shire of Pakenham, particularly as recently released figures would suggest that the overall youth unemployment level could reach as high as 46%. Council is looking to become involved in two of the Government funded proposals which will enable the young unemployed to be involved in work and training at the Shire.

#### ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT STRATEGY IMPORTANT FOR BEACONSFIELD

The guest speaker at the Progress Association meeting to be held on Wednesday 26th August, 7.30pm at the Community Centre will be Sue Harris the Project Officer for the Environment Management Strategy being conducted by the Shire.

The Strategy has been divided into seven working groups:-

- Farmland and catchment management.
- 2. Natural and cultural heritage.
- Waste management, pollution and hazardous chemicals.
- Making our townships liveable and workable.
- 5. A hard rock quarry strategy.
- Roadside management and bush fire management.
- 7. Environmental Education.

Each group is set up with people from the community who wanted to participate on the working groups together with members of Council and relevant government institutions.

Some questions which could be put to the meeting may be:

Do we know of any historical place/s in the Shire that should be noted?

How do the residents of Beaconsfield see public transport could be improved in the Shire?

What can be done by the community and council to control waste?

How can residents be encouraged to save natural areas on private land?

What new recycling services would you like to see introduced?

The Progress Association would like to see as many people as possible at the meeting which begins at 7.30pm with a cuppa, followed by the guest speaker, question time, news from Council and any items of concern from residents. We finish with a light supper and an informal chat.

#### NEXT PUBLIC MEETING OF THE BEACONSFIELD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

WHEN: 26TH AUGUST 1992

WHERE: BEACONSFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE

GUEST: SUE HARRIS

Our meeting will be as follows:

7.30pm. Chat and Cuppa.

8.00pm. Guest speaker Sue Harris the Project Officer for

the Environment Management Strategy being

conducted by the Shire.

9.00pm. Question time. Questions may be asked on any item

which concern residents of Beaconsfield.

9.30pm. Cuppa and Chat.

(Please Do not park your cars in the Scout Car Park.)



#### Beaconsfield Community Centre Inc.

P.O. Box 2 Beaconsfield. Ph. 707 3449

Well, by now a lot more people out there will have seen the Community Centre, and hopefully have called in and enrolled for classes or short courses. We have a very exciting program lined up for third term, and if you don't have a brochure in your home, please call in and pick one up from the Centre.

We have many interesting courses running over the next few weeks.

Aromatherapy Short Course: This is a 3 week course running on Wednesday 12th, 19th and 26th August from 7.30pm to 9.30pm. Cost for the course is \$30.

Vegetarian Cooking: Tuesday 11th August from 12.30pm to 3.00pm. This class is already filling up, so if you are interested, enrol soon.

Natural Healing & Stress Management: Tuesday 1st September at 7.30pm. Peter Hansen will be at our Centre talking on natural healing and stress management. Peter has a wealth of knowledge on these subjects, so if you missed out on his talk last time, put this one in your diary.

Breast Self Examination: Tuesday 8th September at 1.00pm we will be running a workshop on Breast Self Examination. Every woman needs to know this technique. Child care is available (\$2.00/child).

Our new Committee is working hard to make the Centre friendly and available to all members of our community. The over 50's group (Midway) currently has over 20 members, the Model Railway Club, organized by Don Tye, (707-5636) is meeting monthly. Tai Chi, Yoga and Meditation and lots of children's groups are all running smoothly.



Bronwyn Coburn Cordinator.

We still have a couple of vacancies in our Children's art classes, so give us a callifyour child (over 10 years) is interested.

Anybody who has a suggestion for our Centre is invited to come down and have a chat. We certainlywelcome and need your input.

The new committee members

Ross Doherty - President Bernie Miles - Vice President Karen Popovits - Secretary Dilva Folkart - Minutes Secretary Margaret Boon - Treasurer Tony Rushton - Wages Treasurer Committee Members Peter Warner, Jenny Edwards, Carol McCormick, Helen Kresojevic, Ted Horton, and Sharon Smith.

Our co-ordinator Bronwyn Coburn is happy to assist with any enquiries or enrolments.

Our Childcare workers Kathy Hunter and Marita Meeking will certainly make your children feel welcome.

Call in or phone 707 3449.

PLAYGROUP -

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TOYLIBRARY -

MIDWAY - (Over 50's)

OCCASIONAL CARE - (from 3 months) Tuesday 12.30 - 3.30

Monday 9.30 - 11.00 Thursday 10.00 - 11.30

Tuesday 9.30 - 11.30 Wednesday 1.00 - 3.00

Friday 10.30 - 12.00

Monday 1.00 - 3.00

#### MIDWAY CLUB



Recent weeks have seen us enjoying a presentation of photographic slides of his travels, by Dick Webb, and talking of travel we are planning a trip on Monday 24th August touring Old Gippsland Historic Park. Cost of trip is \$24 and includes morning and afternoon tea, lunch and a film show. Those interested please ring Beaconsfield Community Centre (03) 707 3449, or call into the club for information on bookings.

Our thanks go to Worla Begg and Doreen Sanders for the lovely rugs they have made for the playgroup. Thanks also to Dorothy Simpson for the scrumptious cake we enjoy with afternoon tea.

A General Knowledge Quiz hosted by Gwen Neve, was won by Sev Dudley, proving a point that being born in Ireland can be an asset. Our hilarious contest was shared by Roy, Dorothy, Irma, Dorothea, Doreen, Worla and Iris. The absence of other male members left Roy undaunted. His enthusiasm has to be admired. A speedy recovery to those absent through sickness. The club would appreciate the donation of any unwanted games. i.e. Quoits, Board Games, Darts, Skittles, etc. Please help if you can. New members made welcome. Weekly Fee only \$1.

Come one, come all, and have a ball at the Midway Club on Mondays. If over 50 please give us a call and join us in our Fun days. Lonely? Bored? or feeling blue, This is the place to welcome you.

#### A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

From the President of the Beaconsfield Progress Association.



Melva Behr President of the Beaconsfield Progress Association.

Have you ever wondered why people don't come to meetings? Well the answer could be that there are so many people doing so much that they cannot always get to your particular meeting.

There are people involved with the Football Club, Tennis Club, Scouts, Cubs, Brownies, Guides, Netball, Community Centre, Kindergarten, Primary and Secondary Schools, Reserve Committee, Environment ManagementStrategy Committees

(7), Local Church groups, Fire Brigade, etc. etc. What a great bunch of community spirited people we have here in Beaconsfield all striving to maintain and improve the facilities for us all.

Over recent months there have been quite a lot of new and returning residents to Beaconsfield. To all of you, a special welcome from the committee of the Progress Association.

Melva Behr

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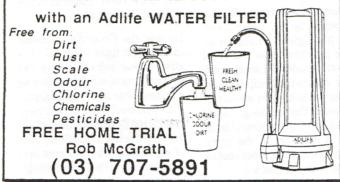
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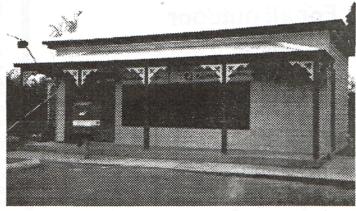
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#### POST OFFICE UPGRADE



Beaconsfield Post Office.

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The Post Office with its friendly postmistress has historically been a meeting place for the people of Beaconsfield. In our next issue we plan to feature the Post Office as part of our new "History of Beaconsfield Buildings" section.

#### WORK STARTS ON NEW POOL.



Construction of the Paul Sadler Swim School is now under way. Over the next few months it will be interesting to watch the transformation of this part of Beaconsfield.



#### FORWARD PLAN FOR BEACONSFIELD

Mr. John McCaffery, the town planner for the Shire of Pakenhamwas the guest speaker at the June meeting of the Progress Association.

Mr. McCaffery was most helpful and receptive to the needs of the

It is planned to hold a meeting of members of the community interested in the forward planning of traffic flow, building facades, bike paths, etc. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Beaconsfield Progress Association "Forward Plan Sub-Committee" contact Don Type on 707

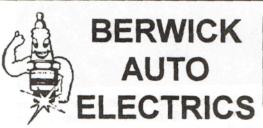
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# SHIRE OF PAKENHAM ADOPTS RURAL NUMBERS

Rural road numbering -a consistent and permanent means of property identification, is being introduced into the rural and rural residential areas of the Shire of Pakenham.

It will mean goodbye to the days of searching through a maze of confusing Lot Numbers and signswhich bearnoresemblance to a sequence. Now visitors to rural areas of the Shire will be guided to their destination by an easy-to-follow numbering sequence, saving valuable time.

This innovative system follows a 1986 study by the Corio Shire which highlighted a need for effective numbering in the rural and rural-residential area, along similar lines to the familiar house numbers in suburban streets. It was found that although local people knew the situation of properties in rural areas, the same could not be said for others not as familiar with the district.

People like doctors, police, taxi drivers, carriers, tradespeople, contractors, services and utilities, emergency organisations, tourists, visitors - and many others.

In the Shire of Pakenham, property owners are frequently faced by anxious people trying to find a property "half a kilometre from the comer", "the place with the red roof on the left" or "second or third house down the road"?

"The list goes on, and with hit-ormiss clues, residents do their best to direct them, but we all know the amount of time lost by people in spite of our efforts," said the Council's Manager of Works, Brian Wills.

At night, these problems are highlighted further.

The rural numbering is spaced according to distance of 10 for every 100 mt,-tres, giving consistency. Every displayed number becomes a signpost as well as a property identification.

The system won a prize in the

Edgerton, who carried out the original assignment whilst an employee of the Shire of Corio.

The Shire of Pakenham is the seventh municipality to assign Mr. Edgerton following Corio Shire. Other Councils include Eltham Shire, Bellarine Rural City, Barrabool and Winchelsea Shires, City of Whittlesea and the Shire of Cranbourne.

Mr. Wills said the Council is pleased to present this successful and proven numbering system to the rural residents of the Shire of Pakenham.

He said the Council's go-ahead in times of tight financial constraint, was influenced by the system's resounding success as a proven time and money saver. This was confirmed by a survey conducted by Bellarine Rural City in 1989, which produced evidence of significant time and cost savings, leading to its Council adopting rural numbering.

Mr. Wills said the transition passes quickly and from that moment forward, it sets up a permanent increase in efficiency, year after year, not only for Council services, but it also reaches out into every ,sector of the community. "The age-old tradition of a property name at the entrance will not be affected by the inclusion of the rural number - both will complement the other," he said.

"The rural number ensures both privacy and security. It is a number, not a name, which identifies the property - not the person living there."

Field work and allocation of numbers is in progress, to be followed by a letter with an explanation of the system enclosed which will be sent in the mail about late September.

Residential properties will receive reflective numerals by post free of charge. Absentee property owners who do not receive numbers by post can have numbers sent to them free of charge upon request.

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#### ANGLING FOR VICTORY



Ralph Neve from Beaconsfield

Ralph Neve is to again represent Australia as part of the Australian Course Angling team soon to compete in Ireland. (He was also a member of the Australian team when they competed in Bulgaria in 1989.) Ralph makes his own floatswhichare extremely colourful and light. He goes to great lengths

to find the materials necessary (some as unusual as Peacock feathers), to achieve the perfect float for the fish to be caught

On this occasion Ralph will be accompanied on the trip by his wife Gwen and after the Angling Championship they will visit relatives in England before returning to Australia in time to play host to the New Zealand team.

The Australian Team are the only team competing who have had to "pay their own way" as sponsorship has not been forthcoming. This is an international competition with many supporters, but unfortunately no company (or individual) has seen fit to sponsor travelling expenses for our team.

We wish you a safe and rewarding trip and are proud that a resident of Beaconsfield is up there with the world's best.

#### **BIG CATCH!**

#### (THE ONE THAT DIDN'T GET AWAY)



Beaconsfield boy Ben Ruxton recently caught this beautiful Brown Trout (2lb 7ozs) whilst fishing in our local Cardinia Creek.

Well done Ben!

Photo: Ben Ruxton and his big fish.



#### **RURAL NUMBERS**

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which has also resolved to introduce rural numbering for the benefit of its rural community.

When Pakenham is finished, it will create a combined total of just over 21,000 rural-numbered properties.

#### HOUSE NUMBERS

Street Numbering for the Beaconsfield township is being offered by a private business to the residents of Beaconsfield.

The Shire advises that the numbering system used is within their guidelines for house numbering but this is a private business venture and not instigated by the Shire.

> For more information Phone (03) 563 2613



How quickly time passes. Wasn't it last week that we were telling you of the happenings within our group?

Timothy Miles and Jonathon McGrath have joined the Cub Scouts and are working hard to learn their new chum work before being invested.

Two high points for the Cub Scouts this term:

1. The concert on Thursday, 27th August at 7pm in the Scout Hall, Beaconsfield Avenue. Cost \$2 per person or \$5 per family.

Promises to be a great evening with some funny skits and good acting. The night will not be very late finishing about 8.30pm with supper afterwards. If you are wondering what Cubs is all about, come and see some of the things the youth members do. This activity is a fund raiser to help pay for our second highlight of this term.

2. The Pack Holiday at Shoreham in September. This holiday has the theme "Early Australian Settlement. Lots and lots of activities have been planned for the two days around this theme.

Two Cub Scouts are working on their Link Badge prior to progressing into Scouts. Ben Johnston has earned his Gold Boomerang. Zane Ashley is nearly there. As part of their link the two Cub Scouts joined the Scouts at the Oasis swimming

pool in Dandenong for a fun night in the pool. Douglas McPhee was actually invested in the pool! Anightyou won't forgeteh Douglas?

Eagle Patrol visited the Scienceworks at Spotswood. Brent, Stephen, Malcolm, Marty, John and Tristan had a cool time there. Thanks to Roly and Peter for supplying transport.

Brent organized the activity as part of his Eagle award. Keep up the pace Brent and you will have the award by the end of the year. An orienteering day and an overnighthike will have all the Scouts participating.

Ann Vyverberg - Kaa - successfully completed a Red Cross First Aid Courserecently. Welldone Kaal

Group Committee ran a terrific fun Trivia night of quiz and frivolities. A big attendance all but filled our new community centre. Yes it will hold at least 80 people, all seated (most of the time that is). Did I hear a murmur that the Trivia King was toppled. Thank you to all who attended. The Scout Group appreciates your support in making this occasion a financially successful night with a lot of fun.

If you are interested in joining the Scout movement, please contact Joan Horton 707 1313 or P.O. Box 103, Beaconsfield for information.

Section ages:

Cub Scouts 8-11 years Scouts 11-15 years Venturers 15-18 years



Pictu ed above at the Trivia night August 8th. L-R Ted Horton, Joh 1 Rick ts, Chris Ireland, Jane Poulton and June Rickets.

#### **OUR NATURAL WORLD**



Peter Hansen

I'm sure most of us are familiar with the slang term "Cooking with Gas", but less so I am equally sure with the term "Cooking with Flowers". What are we talking about? I'll explain.

Flowers have delighted, fascinated and confused man throughout history and down the ages innumerable myths and legends have been woven around their appearance and powers. He has made love potions and witches brews of flowers; he has made them into bouquets to ban evilspirits, or to attract good ones. Flowers have played, and always do, a big part in our "red letter" days such as Mother's Day, Weddings, Funerals, etc. They are a part of our lives; we couldn't conceive of them not to be present. Without flowers the world would be indescribably drab and drear.

There are other ways of displaying our deep affection for these creation of a bountiful nature-we can eat them!

The Chinese were the first to boast extensive culinary experiments with flowers, having had many and varied flower recipes, as far back as 3000 B.C. Their long experience was adopted by the Japanese, who still attach great importance to the flower in the kitchen and on the table. In Europe the Greeks were the first to establish a culinary flower culture and the Romans followed the example in their own wasteful way.

The Rose was held in very high regard by Roman cooks, partly because they were convinced thatrose petals used infood could prevent drunkenness. Fresh rose petals floating in goblets of wine were said to be an effective remedy for the consequences of excessive drinking. Wishful thinking I would suggest, knowing the historical levels of drinking engaged in by the "sozzled citizens" of the latter day Roman Empire.

After the fall of the Roman edifice, the use of flowers declined in culinary usage and was not again popular until the Middle Ages, when the Knights of the Cross brought home flower recipes from their journeys in the near east. In 15th century England flowers decorating the table would also be served in each course of the meal. Now that's truly "flower power", but different to the flower culture of the 60's hippies.

Strangely enough "flower food" waned last century, to be revived in our time, when nostalgia and "back to nature" joined hands. 'Borage' is a plant that Columbus carried to America on his voyages of discovery. He planted the seeds on Isabella Island and he and his crew ate the flowers of this herb to cure melancholy and depression, and to give great courage to continue his epic travels. Borage today is used as a salad herb, in soups and sauces, and even as a main course vegetable.

'Carnations' are consumed in many ways, as pancakes, pickles, wine-vinegar and jam. A handful of crystalized flowers are said to give boundless energy, good for bushwalkers and wanderers. The Carnation was discovered in Spain by the Romans, and they still have a great pride in its beauty and use.

Chrysanthemums' even today playa large part in Japanese kitchens, being used to make soup, salads, tea, and croquettes with lentils. The Chrysanthemum is the personal emblem of the Japanese Emperor and according to many Historians, the red circle on the Japanese flag does not represent the sun, but a chrysanthemum with sixteen petals fitting closely and perfectly round a flowerheart.

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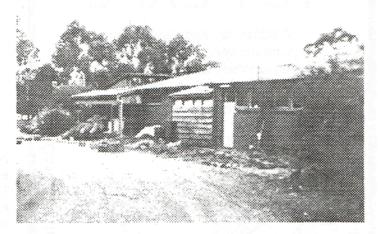
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Melaleuca Lodge before renovation work commenced.



Melaleuca Lodge at the corner of Brunt Road and the Princes Highway, Beaconsfield is operating with 7 of the eventual 21 units now available.

The refurbishing is well underway with the Reception Centre opening at the end of this month.

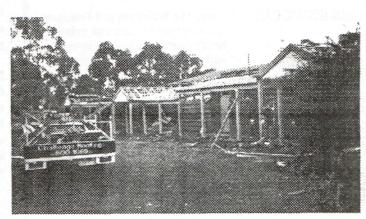
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The friendly husband and wife team of Graeme and Neilma Toy will make you most welcome.

Melaleuca Lodge is open for inspection without appointment. Their telephone number is 796 1044.



Melaleuca Lodge as renovations near completion.

Managing Director Bob McDowell stated that he was amazed how many of the local tradesmen he had employed during the renovations had their weddings or been at weddings at the complex and were enthusiastic about its reopening. BEACONSFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE inc.

#### OY EXPO

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#### VIRUS ATTACK ON YOUR COMPUTER!

I've picked a couple of diverse topics to talk about this month. The first is on computer viruses, which has come about due to a couple of calls for help that we had at Platypus this month.

Virus is an apt name for these little devils. Just as in the biological sense, computer viruses are a disease and can do much harm. Viruses are actually small computer programs written by asocial types with a chip on their shoulder or just to prove how clever they are.

Viruses are characterised by the fact that you don't see them or intentionally run them. They also duplicate themselves allowing them to spread and infect other machines. One of the best ways they spread is on pirate software, illegally copied software from one machine to another and also shareware. Viruses have led us to a whole new industry of antivirus software. Most companies, shareware libraries and many individual users now routinely check each new disk that they

Left unchecked a virus will often do something nasty such as scramble the information on your hard disk, making it totally unusable. If I've given you all a fright and you don't currently check for viruses don't worry, we have a good shareware program from McAfee Associates. Call our office if you would like a free copy. At the moment there are around several hundred identified computer virus strains, emanating from all corners of the globe.

#### **NEW ACCOUNTING** PRODUCT

Our second topic is on a new product. Microsoft Money is a newaccounting program for Windows. What's special about this Ihearyouask? Microsoft Money is the first entrant into the home/ small business accounting market by one of the really big software publishers, in this case probably the biggest. When we got our copy we were impressed by how easy to use and comprehensive it is for a product retailing under \$120.

Some of the nice touches include "pick lists" for expense categories and features that anticipate your requirements. Apart from recording expenses and balancing accounts, you can prepare budgets and track them, manage assets and prepare a very comprehensive range of reports for vourself and your accountant.

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Cheers,

Paul Chapman

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Tony Lucas	707 3260
Murray Johnston	707 3341
Ron Woodfine	707 1572
Bev Burgess	707 1389

\*The Beaconsfield Brigade is a volunteer emergency servicededicated to the protection of our lives and property.

Recent turnouts included a chimney fire and damage caused by the wind storm that swept the district.

It is wise to disconnect appliances during wild storms, to avoid damage from power surges. Should the power go off for long, don't forget to turn off the stove if you have anything cooking. When power is restored, possibly not until the early hours of the morning, that pan of oil will resume heating and burst into flames if unattended.

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#### JOB SEARCH

The Beaconsfield Progress Association in their publication the "Beaconsfield Banner" would like to assist unemployed Beaconsfield residents with a column on Job Search.

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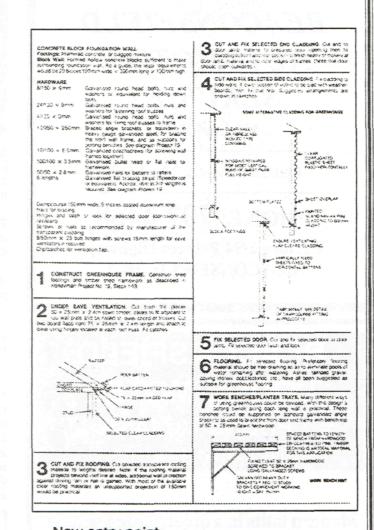


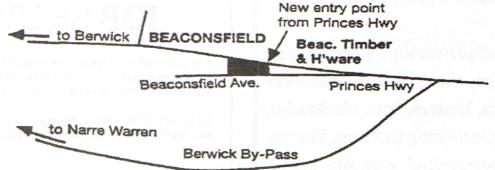
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- 23rd. Aug. Paper and Bottle Collection School and Scouts. Collection starts 9.00am.
- 26th. Aug. Progress Association Meeting 7.30pm. at new Community Centre. Guest Speaker Sue Harris "Environment Management Strategy"
- 27th. Aug. Scout Concert Beaconsfield Scout Hall Beaconsfield Ave. Starts 7.00pm.
- 1st. Sept. Natural Healing & Stress Management: Peter Hansen Starts 7.30pm. Com. Cen.
- 2nd. Sept. Toy Expo 7.30pm.-9.30pm. Com. Cen.
- 8th. Sept. Breast Self Examination: 1pm. Child care is available (\$2.00/child). Com. Cen.
- 5th Oct. Closing date for Banner advertising and articles.
- 11th Oct. Beaconsfield Annual Fair, Com. Cen. Starts 10am 2pm.
- 28th Oct. Progress Association Annual General Meeting. Com. Cen. Starts 7.30pm.
- 2nd. Nov. (Cup Eve) Beaconsfield Progress Association annual Bonfire night

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

#### RECIPE CORNER

#### **BOILED FRUIT CAKE**

#### Ingredients

- 1 cup butter
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 cup mixed dried fruit
- 50g walnuts
- 1 cup water
- lemon juice 4 large eggs
- 1 bottle whiskey
- 1 tablespoon brown sugar

#### Method

Place dried fruit, water and half a cup of sugar in small saucepan.

Boil 15 minutes.

Pour whiskey into glass, sample to check on quality.

Get large mixing bowl.

Check whiskey again.

Pour 1 level cup and drink.

Repeat previous step.

Turn on electric mixer and beat in a large fluffy bowl.

Add 1 spoontea of baking soda, half cup of sugar and beat again.

Resample whiskey to make sure it is still whiskey.

Turn off the mixer, break two leggs, add to bowl. Cont. Page 13.



#### NEW BUSINESSES OPEN IN BEACONSFIELD

The Progress Association would like to welcome the new businesses which have opened in Main Road (formerly Princes Highway) Beaconsfield. "Cathy's Market Place" and the "Gourmet Goanna Gallery" are both inventive businesses catering for a variety of needs, both run by two teams of two ladies.

#### GOURMET GOANNA GALLERY.

Chris Doherty (formerly of Studio 56 The Gallery Berwick) and Sue Rowe (formerly of Tea Rose Cafe Berwick) have joined forces to open this new business in Beaconsfield

They offer a wonderful range of local pottery, gifts and crafts together with a delicious variety of home made foods for morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea.

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The menu changes daily but Devonshire teas are a special favorite, and their creamy soups are a taste treat not to be missed

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#### OLD BAPTIST CHURCH - A LONG LIFE OF COMMUNITY SERVICE.



That rather picturesque timber church building in Railway Avenue symbolises the ecumenical spirit - the sense of family oneness - that is one of the good features of modern Christian life.

Built some seventy years ago it was originally a Congregational Church then it passed to the ownership of the Uniting Church, who later sold it to the Baptist fellowship that had been meeting there. They still use it for youth and community activities, e.g. Gillian Foks' Jazz Ballet classes have some of their groups there, but as the church has grown it

worships now in what used to be the well-known "Yellow Rose of Texas" cafe and service station which was refitted to suit.

There has been further building activities recently. You will have seen the new section consisting of rooms, toilet and kitchen facilities, making possible the renovation of the original interior to make a commodious area that increases accommodation by up to fifty per cent. This should be ready to open in August. Feel welcome to come and have a look.

In keeping with its history in the community many people from different church backgrounds (or none at all) worship happily together Sunday by Sunday and join in mid-week activities such as Make and Mingle-a handcraft and chat time on Wednesday mornings from 10.00am. We'd be glad to see you.

Fred Rudd, Pastor.

#### **BOILED FRUIT CAKE**

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Chuck in fried druit. Mix on the turner.

Sample whiskey to check consisticityty.

Next sift two cups of salt or something, who cares what?

Check the whiskey!

Now sift the lemon juice and strain the nuts.

 $\mbox{Add}\ 1$  tablespoon of brown sugar, or whichever colour you can find. Mix mell.

Grease the spoon, turn pan cake to 350 degrees.

Don't forget to beat off the turner.

Pour mix into cake pan and over bench.

Throw the bow out the window.

Stagger to laundry, put pan cake in oven and set to hot rinse.

Continue sampling whiskey till bottle is empty.

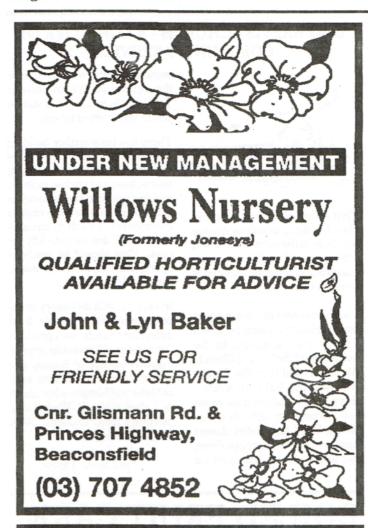
Go to bed.

#### FORMER QUEEN OF YAKKERBOO



A former Queen of Yakkerboo, Tara Crawley of Wood Street Beaconsfield graduated from Monash University on 20th May 1992 with a Diploma of Applied Science (Nursing).

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#### THE HISTORY OF A CHURCH



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Beaconsfield Community Church is one of those churches. It was started with the vision of being relevant to the Beaconsfield community and is actively involved in following through with that vision in mind.

In these days when it is important to find our "roots" it is necessary to discover the background of community based groups.

The new Beaconsfield Church is part of an Australian founded denominational group of churches known as the "Christian Revival Crusade". These churches, now called the C.R.C. were founded by a man called Leo Harris in Adelaide about 50 years ago. Having resisted attempts from within and without to become an extremist group, the C.R.C. has grown in number and popularity throughout Australia and New Zealand, having about 200 churches in Papua New Guinea and are currently outreaching to places like the USA, Indonesia, Russia and the PhilipThe denominational concept that was part of Mr Harris' vision makes the C.R.C. more open to the needs of each community This allows each local church to be like an independent church, free to adapt the outworking of true Christian ideals in a way that best suits each community. Unlike a conventional denomination which sets the style of each church from a central base, the C.R.C. is an organization that carefully monitors the beliefs and performance of the local church leaders to ensure the moral integrity of the church leaders.

The leaders of Beaconsfield Community Church are actively working toward a church that adds to the flavour of Beaconsfield. The inspiration for such a church came from talks with long time Beaconsfield residents who were attending Pakenham Christian Centre and great care has been taken by those involved to produce a real Beaconsfield flayour in the church. This seems to have been successful so far and about 50 people have been attending the 4.00pm service held each Sunday in the community hall. Those involved are looking forward to an even greater involvement of people from the Beaconsfield community.

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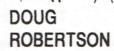


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#### OLYMPICS - MEMORIES OF 1956, CONGRATULATIONS FOR 1992.

What well known member of the Beaconsfield community remembers catching a train from Hamilton at 5.30am to go to Melbourne for the Olympics. She had a blanket wrapped around her which was to help her get some extra sleep but because of the bubbling chatter of excited children was unable to catch some shut-eye.

On arrival in Melbourne her group was no doubt picked up by bus from Spencer Street and driven to the MCG. What a day. They sat at the opposite end to the scoreboard, under the Olympic flame, on the first tier 3-4 rows from the front which gave them an excellent view of the running track with such wonderful performers as Betty Cuthbert, Shirley Strickland and Marjorie Jackson steaming down the lanes

Another member of our community was also watching that day.

Her family had an Olympic visitor billeted to their home. Her brother was a St John's Ambulance First Aider at the Olympics and had travelled home by train sitting next to a young Welshman. The Welshman alighted at Murrumbeena with the young man going on to Hughesdale.

Imagine the surprise when they both turned into the same house from different directions. Yes, the Welshman from Cardiff was billeted to the young first aiders home and they had sat side by side on the train not knowing each other.

Today we thank our 1992 champions for their efforts in Barcelona. To see young Australians achieving their lifelong ambitions to represent Australia in an Olympics is heartwarming. To achieve medal status is a bonus.

Congratulations to them all!



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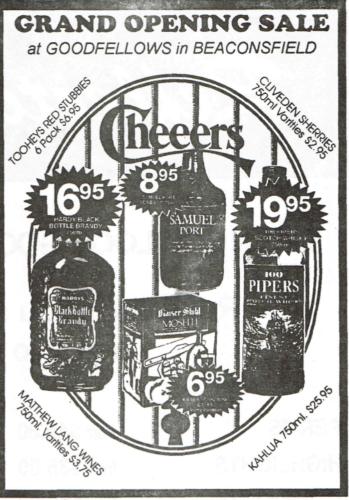


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'Clover', especially the fourleaved variety, makes a tasty sandwich, sweet and sour pickles, and Clover wine is a well known brew. Clover is said to relieve depression and melancholy and had magical properties, according to legend.

The Common 'Daisy' is another flower which is consumed in a salad, and is also made into a wine. The boiled leaves are used to make rich food more palatable and digestible. In some parts of Europe, fresh Daisy leaves are chewed to help cure mouth infections.

The 'Dandelion' was used by the ancient Greeks to cure certain eye ailments, but in European culture it was eaten by man and animal too. Horses eat Dandelion so much, that on the Continent it is known as "Horse Flower". It is also called "Rabbitleaf" as rabbits like it more than horses do. Humans consume it as a soup, omelettes, cool drinks, wine, and of course, as a salad.

"Lavender" was used by the Romans in their bathwater, for the calming effect and as a mild antiseptic for wounds or burns, but today it can be used to flavour sugar, make lavender and mint jelly, make lavender honey, lavender vinegar, and lavender and pineapple drink.

"Lilies" can be used to make honey, the buds can be deep fried and eaten. Lily vinegar is also made using the dried flowers of the white lily.

Unfortunately space is against us to list further examples of which there are dozens and possibly hundreds, but later on we can perhaps explore some of the mythology and medicinal aspects of flowers, which are little known today.

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