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CROWD AT YOUTH CLUB DISPLAY



Section of the crowd which paid £168 to see the Youth Club Show. Second from the left is Mr. Harry Sanders, whose son Graham, competed in one of the wrestling bouts. Behind him is Mr. Harry Johns, father of Bobby Johns.

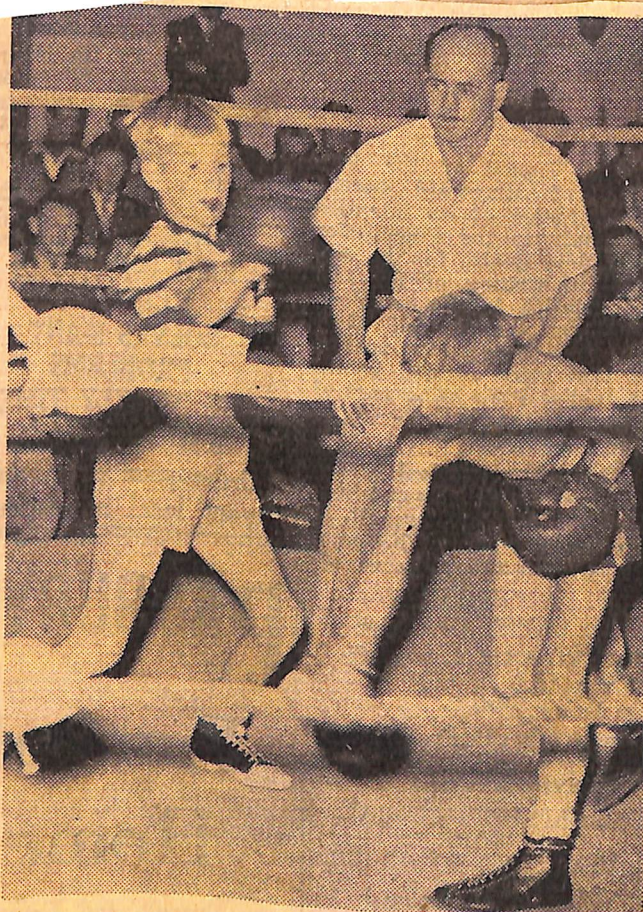
FIGHT OF THE NIGHT

Ernie Kirkwood's head was bloody but unbowed at the finish of the hardest fight of the carnival—his bout with Bob Shambrook (10.-10) of Mitcham. Shambrook has yet to be beaten in 5 years of boxing but Ernie (10.5) went in to do or die and, never taking a backward step, forced a draw. It was a brave performance and it was pleasant to see the boys, both covered with Ernie's plasma, embrace each other after the bout. It shows a fine spirit.

POLICE BOXER KNOCKED OUT

Another very game effort was that of the police boxer, Max Page (12.10) who was matched or, rather, over-matched, with the police boxer-wrestler, Ron Douglas (14.0) Douglas was too big and strong but Page mixed it until half way through the second round, when he ran in-

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Junior Victorian flyweight champion, Bobby Johns, misses with a right swing and Ken Seymour's right is on its way to black Bobby's right eye. A novice, Seymour showed instinctive boxing ability. Referee is K. Schultz, former Sth. Aust. bantam champion and a Ringwood Youth Club instructor

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BIG CROWD SAW YOUTH CLUB CARNIVAL

A BIG (and wildly enthusiastic) crowd attended the Ringwood Youth Club's first boxing and wrestling carnival at the Ringwood Town Hall on Monday and Tuesday nights of last week, and the able manner in which the carnival was organised and conducted, and the ability shown by the local boys who took part, evidenced the amazing progress made by the Club in the few months of its existence. The proceeds of the carnival amounted to £168.

The Club's instructors have unearthed several most promising lads and the manner in which they performed spoke volumes for the training they are receiving.

One very pleasing feature of the carnival was the whole-hearted manner in which the Mitcham Youth Club and other clubs assisted to make it such an outstanding success. The Mitcham Club loaned its boxing ring and other equipment, and sent up several of its best athletes to take part.

The Victorian Police Athletic Club supplied many of the adult performers, and an international air was lent by the appearance of the French wrestler, George Atta.

The carnival and the Ringwood Club received recognition from the metropolitan dailies when Philip Wing-Dann, bantam champion weight-lifter, unofficially broke two Victorian records and equalled two others.

BEATON BEATS BATESON

One of the highlights on the opening night was the grudge fight between Laurie Bateson (11.12), Ringwood Youth Club instructor, and George Beaton (12.4), former Police Force champion. Both are former professionals and their willing exchanges brought the crowd to its toes.

Bateson, palpably out of condition, almost drained his physical resources in winning a fast-moving, hard-hitting first round, and thereafter he had to call on his almost uncanny evasive skill to remain on his feet at the final bell. Too tired to raise his hands in the last round, he sat on the middle rope and defied Beaton to hit him. Beautifully timed head movements enabled him to survive the resulting barrage of leather, though it might have been a different story had not excessive weight impaired the sharpness of Beaton's punching. Both men were cheered to the echo.

SEYMOUR DRAWS WITH JOHNS

The surprise of the night was the excellent showing given by Ken Seymour (5.2) against the Victorian Junior Flyweight Champion, Bobby Johns (also 5.2). Both are members of the Ringwood Youth Club, and Bobby had proved far superior in a couple of gym. spars with Ken.

On Monday night, however, it was a different story.

Moving stylishly, Bobby had little trouble in taking the first round, though Ken, nicely balanced on his feet, with his hands held high, and wasting few punches, was rather impressive.

Ken loosened up a little in the next round and, with a slightly longer reach, forced Bobby to throw his punches from out of range.

In the last round Ken continued to place his punches well, and his defence was so good that Bobby found himself punching a lot of holes in the atmosphere.

Many people considered that Ken had won, but referee Keith Schultz's split decision was the only one possible.

However, Master Seymour established himself as a lad with decided possibilities and more should be heard of him.

SUTTON MARS FINE DISPLAY

Ringwood produced a first-class prospect in Frank Sutton (9.7) against an earnest Mitcham lad named Trevor Hopley (also 9.7).

In shape, speed and hitting power, Sutton is the beau ideal of a fighter, and, at no stage of the bout did Trevor, who enjoys a bit of a reputation, have the slightest clue to Sutton's whereabouts.

Sutton was so superior that he treated Hopley with contempt, a fact which did not endear him to anyone. He could go places if he adopted a different outlook towards the sport.

OTHER BOUTS

Colin Anderson (4.5) was too rugged and knew too much for V. Murphy (4.7) whom he defeated on a technical k.o. in the first round. Both are Ringwood lads.

Geoff. Hager (6.11) was too big and strong for George Cummings (6.3) of Mitcham, and the bout was stopped in the second round.

Bobby Brown (8.4), of Mitcham, defeated Vic. Beveridge (8.7) of Ringwood, on points after a willing and very even battle.

David Rothney, of Mitcham, was too tall and too strong for Ian Pendlebury, of Ringwood, but Ian was game to the core and kept punching all the time. He lost on points.

PRESENTATION TO SNR CONST. ESLER

Before the interval, Mr. William Harrison, President of the Ringwood Chamber of Commerce, officially opened the carnival and, on behalf of several admirers, presented Snr. Constable Esler with a wallet of notes. Snr. Const. Esler, who was in charge of the Ringwood Police Station for 4½ years, has retired.

WRESTLING

Tony Hayward defeated Graham Sanders, two falls to none. Both are Ringwood lads. Bill Bienke (Ringwood) defeated Ken Woods, of Mitcham.

ATTA BOY!

Finale on the first night was the match between George Atta, French wrestling champion and holder of ten European titles, against Ron Hunt, Champion Police Wrestler.

Atta adopted a "bad man" role from the start, threw the referee around in approved fashion, tried to tear his opponent's limbs off, jumped out of the ring to exchange courtesies with some girls in ring-side seats and threw water over the crowd.

He was, almost literally, a riot.

SECOND NIGHT BOXING

Jim Diogvardi (Ringwood) (11.2) and Maurie Felmingham (Ferntree Gully) (11.2) opened the proceedings on Tuesday night. Diogvardi was having his first fight, and he threw leather from everywhere. A full third of time he was in the ring, he held his right hand stiffly behind him, evidently waiting the opportunity to land a real hay-maker.

However, he was so busy with his left that he forgot about the right and Felmingham escaped the threatened annihilation. His bustling tactics kept Felmingham off balance and he couldn't get set to take advantage of the openings offered him, so Diogvardi won on points.

Allan Miller (10.1), of Ringwood, drew with Joe Kirkpatrick (10.1), of Ferntree Gully, after a bustling fight.

Ron Miller (8.7), of Ringwood, who has a nice style, had no trouble in defeating Kevin Gill (9.5), of Mitcham, on points, but nearly threw the fight away because of his impetuosity.

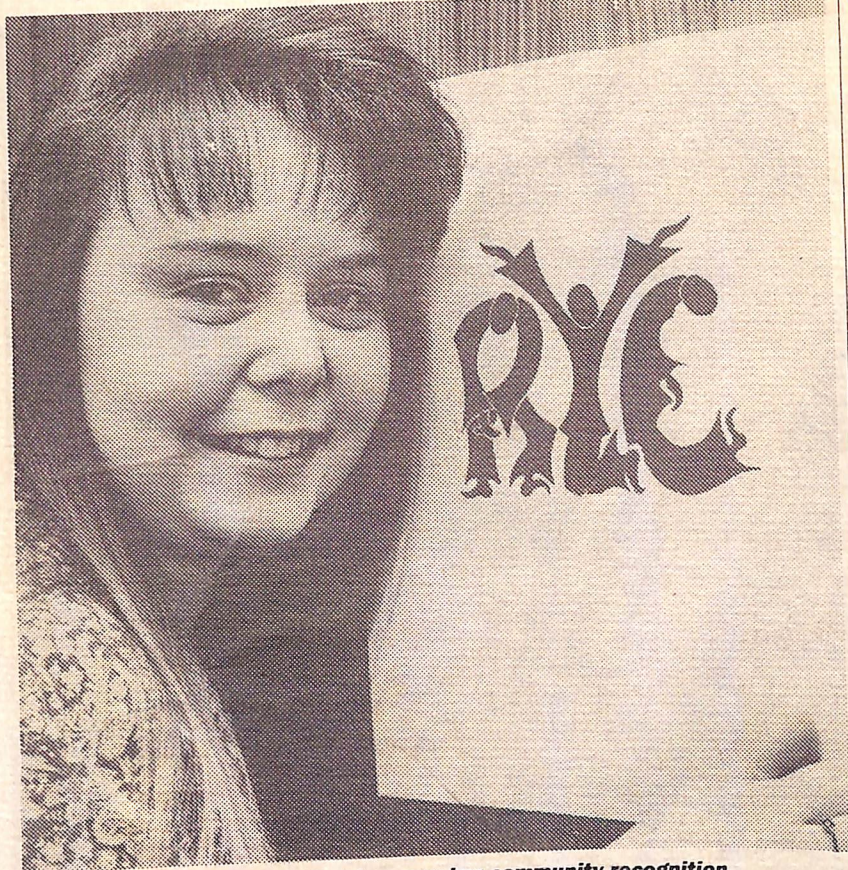
LAST ROUND OF THE GRUDGE FIGHT



With a clever head movement, Bateson makes Beaton miss with a flat-footed left lead, but confesses his weariness by claiming Beaton's arm instead of banging his right to the ribs. Beaton won on points.

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Youth 12/8/92



Leonie unveils the design that has won her community recognition.

Leonie's creation

THE inspiration for the new Ringwood Youth Committee logo has come from the creative talents of a 20 year old local girl.

Leonie Stevens, a resident of Ringwood for 10 years, won a competition to design a logo for the new group.

She felt the initials for the logo, RYC, had "great design potential, particularly if combined with pictorial representations of youth in our community."

Leonie is studying at Melbourne University to become a secondary art/craft teacher and leads a junior youth group in the area.

"I was greatly inspired by this design challenge, which hopefully reflects my interest in youth in the Ringwood area," she said.

Leonie accompanied her entry with a letter explaining the logo and the reasoning behind it.

"The enlarged "Y" has been employed to stress the importance of youth, the essential core of this program.

"The outstretched arms of the "Y" embrace the letters R and C acting as a uniting force between Ringwood and the committee."

The competition was open to people between the ages of 12-25 and the first prize was \$100.

The committee received a number of entries that were of a high standard, but it is Leonie's design that will be used as the permanent logo for the youth committee.

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YOUTH CLUB NOTES

Next Sunday a full-scale working bee will be held at the Club Rooms in Bedford Park. An appeal is made to all parents to come along and help with the good work. Good progress has been made to date and with many hands the job can be made a lot easier for all concerned. The boys and girls are continuing to carry on their activities under difficulties, and they are looking forward to the time when they will have plenty of room and more varied programmes, which will be possible in the new rooms. The boys, by their own efforts, have raised money to help the Club along.

The training of the debutantes for the forthcoming ball will commence on Monday, 16th—St. Mary's Church Hall, Willana Street, at 8 p.m. We ask all girls to be in attendance and bring their partners, also any others desirous of making their debut.

Crisis centre closed

By BARBARA RYAN

MEMBER for Warrandyte, Mr Phil Honeywood, has strongly criticised Community Services Minister, Mr Peter Spyker, for his "indifferent" attitude to youth homelessness.

The criticism came following news that the Youth Accommodation Project in Ringwood - the only crisis refuge for homeless youth in the outer east - will be closed on December 15.

Funding

The closure is the result of a lack of State Government funding.

The emergency accommodation home at Ringwood has operated for eight years, catering for up to nine homeless teenagers at a time, for periods from one night to three months.

During its eight years of service it has provided emergency shelter for more than 500 young people in crisis and has received referrals from the Community Policing Squad, Children's Court and local community assistance groups.

The project is the responsibility of the Victorian Community Services Department under the Commonwealth-State Housing Agreement.

Staff

Currently the house is run by a house parent who is paid for a 40 hour working week. But the needs of the clients are not restricted to this 9-5 funding.

Instead, the management committee argues, the refuge needs staff to operate the house around the clock, seven days a week.

Since 1986, the committee of management has been asking the Minister, Mr Spyker, and the central

office of Community Services Victoria for sufficient funding to operate the house continuously - to no avail.

Closure

Now, according to management committee secretary, Mr David Jamieson, there are not enough volunteers to run the house and the pressures of the work overload have led to the house parent taking sick leave due to stress.

"It has become quite evident that we cannot function in this fashion," Mr Jamieson said.

Although Mr Jamieson was warm in his praise of the Ringwood CSV office, he said he had been greatly disappointed by the Minister's failure to support their numerous submissions for sufficient funding.

Mr Honeywood said the closure of the house would mean a severe diminution of services to youth throughout the outer east region which could have some very detrimental repercussions.

"What the closure will mean in practise is that local youngsters who may only be in temporary difficulties due to a family argument will now be drawn to the city as their only alternative for temporary accommodation.

Crime

"This will take them away from local support networks and, in many cases, lead to unsavoury influences such as the drug and crime cultures of inner-city Melbourne," Mr Honeywood said.

House parent, Mr Fred Stern, said he was very

worried that there were no guarantees that the house could continue next year.

"While the bureaucrats wrangle we have to shut our doors on kids in crisis - it just doesn't make sense.

"It's so sad.

"Usually at this time of year we are normally full as kids need a home at Christmas - instead we are talking about shutting down the only place in the outer east that accommodates kids with nowhere to go," Mr Stern said.

He said the outer east region received the lowest funding of anywhere in Victoria for welfare support accommodation assistance.

Outrage

"Many people still think that we don't have a youth homelessness problem in the eastern suburbs - that it's all very middle-class and affluent - but that just isn't the case.

"What we should be hearing from the community are cries of outrage that such a project is on the edge of collapse.

"Instead all we are hearing are whimpers," Mr Stern said.

Mr Spyker, who visited the Monkami Centre last Thursday, said he was well aware of the situation at the Youth Accommodation Project.

"We are aware of the good work they do and we will be considering their application very sympathetically," Mr Spyker responded.

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Shopping around for support



Mr Hawke was visiting the store as part of a whirlwind visit to Deakin, with Labor candidate for the seat and Member for Streeeton, Mr Tony Lamb.

SURPRISED shoppers at Jewel's Supermarket in Ringwood Market wondered what on earth was happening when they found themselves sharing the aisles with Prime Minister, Mr Bob Hawke, last Thursday.

Mr Hawke was visiting the store as part of a whirlwind visit to Deakin.

Mr Lamb has been responsible for setting up the Price Watch Campaign in the local area and Jewels Supermarket had been surveyed as the cheapest supermarket in the outer east last month.

As the Prime Minister made his way around the store meeting staff and customers, he denied that his trip heralded the beginning of an election campaign.

"I am constantly travelling around Australia meeting people," Mr Hawke said.

Mr Hawke refused to predict when housing interest rates would fall and said Ringwood and Croydon voters were the same as other people around Australia who were essentially interested in their children and education.

"My government has shown that in both these areas we have had a significant success - increasing employment and keeping more children in education, he said.

He strongly denied that the graduate tax was an added imposition on young people - who not only had to cope with high interest rates, but also had to pay back part of their education costs when they started earning a sufficient wage.

"What burden is there on people?

"With the Liberal Government students and their

parents would have to pay an up front cost - people just have to decide what they would prefer," Mr Hawke said vehemently.

Mr Hawke was predictably warm in his praise of Mr Lamb, who he said had been "scuttled" by Shadow spokesman for Employment, Training and Youth Affairs, Mr Julian Beale. "People make their judgement of politicians through practical politics, and with Tony, his great work throughout the electorate will be what he will be judged on when the time comes," Mr Hawke said.

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Pushing for a better deal for youth has activated many young Ringwood residents. Paul Waight, Craig Rachfuss and Dean Allen have put their weight behind the Good Neighborhood push - and designed their own protest sign. STORY ON PAGE 3

Youth worker to be employed by council

RINGWOOD Council should employ a new youth worker within a few weeks.

About 50 people have phoned for a description of the position and final applications close today.

The council's manager of community services, Mr Scott Chapman, said the youth worker's first job would be to liaise with the Ringwood community about the needs of youth.

He said the new worker would talk with repre-

sentatives from schools, professional agencies for youth, community organisations, youth groups, churches and youth themselves before reporting to the council.

The council then will create a new policy on youth to reflect the community's needs.

Ringwood Council closed its youth outreach worker's office on May 4 after Mr Craig Dodgson resigned. The move sparked an outcry from Ringwood's young people, who formed a group

called the Plight of Ringwood Youth (PRY) and compiled petitions to register their protest.

Mr Chapman said he was looking forward to receiving the petitions, one to employ another outreach worker and one to retain the room formerly used by Mr Dodgson.

He said the council was negotiating with Ringwood SkillShare to retain Mr Dodgson's old office, which adjoins the SkillShare premises.

PRY spokesman Paul

Waight met with Mr Chapman last week to discuss the group's concerns.

Mr Waight said he was pleased with the 90-minute meeting.

He said PRY had collected more than 1000 signatures on their petitions and aimed to get up to 2000.

The council also met with people from Ringwood SkillShare and the Member for Ringwood and Minister for Community Services, Mrs Kay Setches.

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Youth at risk, council warned

A GROUP of young people is petitioning Ringwood Council to employ another youth outreach worker.

The group, which calls itself The Plight of Ringwood Youth (PRY), says an outreach worker is "vital" for the community.

"The youth of Ringwood need someone to turn to on a personal basis to discuss issues and find support, advice and help on domestic violence, drug and alcohol problems, to help with employment prospects and legal matters," the petition says.

PRY is circulating a second petition to ask the council to retain the office, which will close in two weeks, previously occupied by its outreach worker, Mr Craig Dodgson.

Mr Dodgson resigned on May 4 after working for seven years with Ringwood's youth.

The council paid four weeks' rent on his office, which adjoins Ringwood Skillshare, after he left.

PRY spokesmen, Paul Waight and Craig Rauchfuss, said the office was an ideal meeting place for young people because it was close to the CES, Department of Social Security, Legal Aid and public transport.

They said young people who frequented the office could take advantage of Ringwood Skillshare's courses in screenprinting, cooking, woodwork, computing and typing.

Mr Waight warned that if the out-

By TRACEY STICKLEY

reach worker was not replaced and the office not retained, the crime rate in Ringwood would rise by "at least 50 per cent".

Mr Rauchfuss said if Mr Dodgson's old office closed, young people would be forced to "hang out" on the streets.

"There is nowhere else in Ringwood to go," Mr Rauchfuss said.

The men expect signatures on the petitions to reach 2000 this week.

They have organised meetings with the council's community services manager, Mr Scott Chapman, and the Member for Ringwood, Mrs Setches, to discuss their problems.

Mr Waight said PRY was backed by the Ringwood Skillshare committee, and would send copies of its petitions to local MPs.

PRY also will write to Ringwood councillors.

Ringwood chief executive Mr John Paech said the council was reviewing its youth policy and would develop a new one to "reflect the needs of a youth development service".

Mr Chapman said Mr Dodgson was not replaced when he left because the council wanted to do the review and use ratepayers' money in the best possible way. A policy for Ringwood's 9000 youth is expected to be finished in about 13 weeks.

Mr Chapman said the council would continue to find accommodation and food for young people in trouble.

23/5/90

New job system in big demand here this year

THERE has been a massive increase in the number of people over 40 seeking new job skills through Skillshare, according to Skillshare manager, Mr Robert Menzies.

This was part of a general increase in the number of people using Ringwood Skillshare.

Last year to November there were 296 participants, this year by August 8 alone there had been 308 participants.

"Skillshare has become better known in the community," Mr Menzies said.

"More people are aware of the service."

Massive increase

He said there had been a massive increase in the number of over 40s using Skillshare based on last year's figures.

"A lot of these people have undertaken computer training with us," Mr Menzies said.

"Some of them have been re-trenched, so we have to spend some time with them to see what areas they could get into.

"Quite often they have been doing the same thing all their lives. They are bored and want to do something different."

He said older people were studying

computer skills, typing, word processing, job search skills and retailing skills.

Nevertheless, the biggest group that Ringwood Skillshare cater for are those from 15 to 25.

"Ringwood Skillshare maintains the highest youth participation rate in the eastern zone," Mr Menzies said. "It maintains a venue that has a youth emphasis."

He said there had been a massive decline over the past three years in courses for youth.

"A lot of young people we get here have failed the education system. We are helping build their confidence to go back to school or do a course or help them get access to jobs," he said.

Mr Menzies said the youth programs that Ringwood Skillshare operated were an automotive course, screen printing, retailing, living skills and flexi-maths.

It also provides quite a large cross section of TAFE programs as a provider for the Outer Eastern College of TAFE.

"We also have an employment counsellor on staff and we provide a resume service," Mr Menzies said.

For the six months to the end of June 1990, Ringwood Skillshare had placed 53 people in full-time employment, 19 into part-time employment, 28 into education courses and 51 were still unemployed.

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FLASHBACK photo taken on February 1, 1989, when Dennis Kerwin was a patient at the Austin Hospital.

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Dennis discovers a high-tech future

By MAY COUTTS

SHEER determination has enabled Dennis Kerwin, a quadriplegic for 17 months, to pick up the threads of life and go back to school.

Sixteen-year-old Dennis, of Croydon, became a quadriplegic following a diving accident.

He has come a long way since his 10 month stay at the Austin Hospital.

Mobility for Dennis comes by means of a specially made electric wheelchair and a manual one, both of which he handles like a veteran. He takes some catching up with.

A year 10 student, Dennis attends Parkwood Secondary College in North Ringwood where he has become a master of the computer.

BECAUSE his hands will not allow him to write, all his work is done on a lap computer with the aid of special finger splints. He also has a home computer given to him by the Footmen Club of Croydon.

Dennis has just completed two weeks of work experience at Just Communications at Mitcham and Hewlett-Packard Australia Ltd at Blackburn.

"The work was good and different," said Dennis.

Dennis's school has called in an architect to

discuss with Dennis ways to make areas of the school more accessible to him.

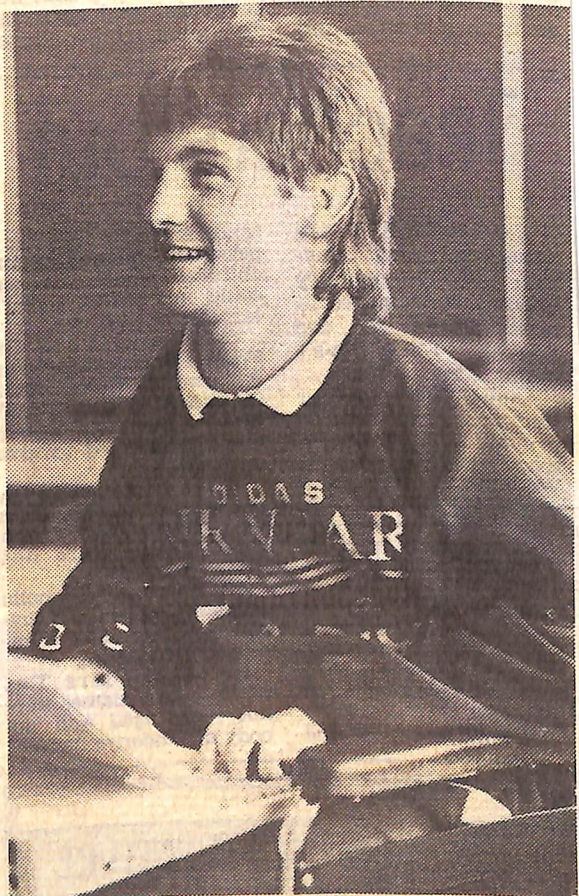
His mother, Mrs Ann Kerwin, said the school had been very helpful and had been ready and willing to accept Dennis.

Dennis spends his leisure hours reading, playing wheel chair rugby, using his computer

and, best of all, being with his mates.

There is just one small cloud on the horizon. Dennis will be returning to the Austin Hospital in a week for a three month stay. He will have a tendon transfer operation to give more movement in his hands.

Dennis said his aim in life was to be as independent as possible and to go to work, probably in the field of computers.



DENNIS uses his laptop computer at Parkwood Secondary College, North Ringwood

6/6/90

Youth worker seeks carers

By Barbara Ryan

YOUTH homelessness is not something that exists just in other areas - it exists right on our own doorsteps.

In fact, according to co-ordinator for the Ringwood Extended Family Program, Mr Paul Stolz, there are enough homeless young people in the Ringwood area to justify five times as many agencies as now exist to help young people find temporary and permanent accommodation.

Mr Stolz has just been appointed as the part-time youth homeless worker for the area, and most of his energies will be spent enlisting members of the community as carers for homeless kids.

He said that providing a caring and supportive environment for displaced youth had been identified by the Burdekin Report as one of the most effective ways of responding to the growing youth problems evident in society.

"A lot of these kids have been forced to leave home because of sexual, physical or emotional abuse and the Burdekin report found that more than 70 per cent of kids out on the streets were genuine cases who had no other option," Mr Stolz said.

He said that a stable, supporting home environment could be the means of helping homeless youth find their way back into society.

"Giving kids a solid, caring role model for family life is really important.

"What these kids need most of all is to feel loved and for their self esteem to be built up again by



Paul Stolz, Ringwood youth homeless worker seeks community helpers

seeing that people care what happens to them," Mr Stolz said.

"We would like to hear from people in the community who feel they can share their homes with teenagers with nowhere else to go.

"There are no special

qualifications needed, just an ability and desire to be supportive and interested," Mr Stolz said.

Anyone wishing to enter the program as caregivers or who would like more information on the program can contact Mr Stolz on 870 7054.

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Group to push youth issues

ESTABLISHING a Good Neighbourhood was a popular concept with more than 25 people from the Ringwood community who attended last week's meeting to officially launch the scheme.

Held at the office of the Member for Ringwood, Community Services Victoria Minister, Kay Setches, the meeting attracted representatives of local youth, teachers, community workers, officers from the Ringwood Office of Corrections, Ringwood councillor, Mr Max Williams, local school council representatives, volunteers from the Croydon Good Neighbourhood project, interested members of the public and Ms Setches.

All re-affirmed their belief that such a project was urgently needed in the Ringwood area to help find solutions to many of the problems currently faced by local youth.

The meeting pledged its commitment to the program and asked that Cr Williams pass on the committee's wish to be auspiced by Ringwood Council.

It also asked that Ms Setches set in motion the request for a \$5000 seeding grant for the group.

Cr Williams said the matter had already been discussed and that the Council was prepared to auspice the Good Neighbourhood Committee and to provide services such as the typing of minutes and the use of its council facilities for meetings.

Ms Setches advised the meeting that up to \$40,000 in grants is available to the project if it plans and implements sufficiently effective and constructive initiatives for local youth.

"It is very important that any initiatives arise out of the needs reflected by Ringwood's youth and

not those perceived to be the needs of young people by adults," Ms Setches said.

"Ringwood is just pathetic in what it doesn't offer kids," said 19-year-old Paul Waight.

"We don't have a cinema, there is nowhere to go and nothing to do - no wonder there is so much trouble on the streets," he said.

"Why has Ringwood Council never made any plans for family entertainment?"

"It boils down to the fact that kids are just not on the Council's list of priorities," Paul said.

Paul said he wanted to get "deeply involved" with the Good Neighbourhood program.

"There are a lot of kids out there who can easily go off the rails and get into real trouble and it seems to me that most of the community, young and old, are in favour of trying to do something constructive," Paul said.

The next meeting of the Ringwood Good Neighbourhood Committee will meet the Skillshare rooms at the corner of Maroondah Highway and Warrandyte Rd, Ringwood at 7.30pm on Tuesday, July 3.

24/6/90

A message from the Mayor

BACK in the 1960's, Commonwealth Youth Sunday was celebrated with a march through the street of Ringwood starting at the Lake and finishing at East Ringwood Reserve. Young people from scouts, guides, schools and a variety of youth clubs participated in the march.

In the 70's Commonwealth Youth Sunday was replaced with a Family Fun Day held at Ringwood Lake, and more recently this was expanded and renamed the Ringwood Festival.

The festival is jointly organised by officers of the Council.

The committee is made up of a group of extremely energetic, enthusiastic and active people, dedicated to making the festival an occasion that can be enjoyed by everyone.

Performances are being held each night at the Karralika Theatre and these performances are either free or carry a very small charge.

The only item you will pay for at the festival at the Lake is a small donation to the Air League when you attend the sausage sizzle. All the rest - the face painting, clowns, sound shell performances etc are absolutely free.

The festival is essentially a fun filled get together for the community to be enjoyed by everybody, young or not so young. I do hope that the community will participate and enjoy the activities provided.

*Lillian Rosewarne
Mayor*



3/4/90

One-off grants for youth

TWO Ringwood youth programs have received one-off government funding.

The Ringwood Young Mums' Support Group has been approved funding of \$764 from the Local Community Project Grants Program, run through the Ministry for Ethnic, Municipal and Community Affairs.

Another \$1000 has been allocated to the Ringwood Youth Advisory Committee from the same program.

The money will contribute to the development of the committee's

youth information project, aimed at providing young people in Ringwood with access to reliable and up-to-date information and to improve the image of young people in the community.

The young mums' support group is a joint project between Ringwood Council's Youth Services and Maternal and child health nurses.

It meets fortnightly and emphasises educational and recreational needs of the young participants and their children.

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