

# KEWRIOSITY

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Mrs Ivy Tilley receives her hot lunch from Mrs Lucy Smith (right), volunteer with Kew 'Meals on Wheels' service.

## Can you keep our wheels turning?

**Kew Council's 'Meals on Wheels' service needs 20 new volunteers if it is to maintain its current level of service.**

Margaret Farnfield, new co-ordinator of the service, said, "At the moment we're delivering a hot midday meal on weekdays to the homes of 130 residents who have difficulty preparing and cooking food for themselves."

To maintain that level of service, Kew needs between 12 and 16 volunteer drivers and 'jockeys' EVERY day.

"I'd love to hear from anyone who could spare a couple of hours once a fortnight — or

even once a month — to either be a driver or a jockey."

"We don't expect people to volunteer without knowing what it's all about, so we usually organise for them to join our current volunteers on regular rounds before they commit themselves."

Most volunteers work in pairs — perhaps they're a husband and wife team, or two friends. Or sometimes they are people who prefer being matched with a partner by the co-ordinator so they get to meet new people and make new friends.

Some people prefer to work alone, acting as driver and jockey.

"Some pairs of friends who volunteer, have told me that one of their reasons for doing so was that they get to spend a couple of precious hours together — especially if they're Mums of young families. For some it's their only chance to get together to have a 'good natter' and to be of some help to someone else at the same time."

Mrs Ivy Tilley has used the service "on and off" over the last few years. "I'm very satisfied with the food — it's excellent — and the service itself is splendid."

"I look forward to seeing my jockey each day. You get to know them well and they become good friends over time."

"It's not so much that I have trouble cooking for myself, it's the shopping that's the difficult part for me. I've been in and out of hospital over the last few months and the amount of shopping you need to do to cook for yourself is the problem — it's far too heavy to carry."

One volunteer, Mrs Lucy Smith, is a 'once a fortnight' driver or jockey. She's been part of Kew's 'Meals on Wheels' service for the last 16 years.

"I really enjoy what I do and my motto is: 'help someone else while you can, because you never know when you might need help yourself!'"

"I look forward to my rounds — you get to know the people you deliver to really well and you become very good friends — one of the family almost. It's wonderful to knock on the door with a tray in your hand and to know that a smiling face will greet you on the other side."

"People who use the service really appreciate it and look forward to the day-to-day contact with their jockey. For some it's not just the only hot meal they get all day, it's often the only contact they have with the outside world each day."

If you think you'd like to help keep our wheels turning, or would like to join our team for the day, please contact the Meals on Wheels supervisor on 861 7308.

## Council elections

**Informal advertisements calling for nominations for election as Councillor in the City of Kew, will appear in the local papers on June 29 in the lead-up to Statewide Local Government elections on Saturday, August 6.**

Nominations for Kew formally open on Friday, July 8 with a formal advertisement in 'The Age' newspaper. These will be accepted between 10 am and 4 pm from July 8 to July 15.

Forms for nomination are available from Adrian Halliday, Chief Executive, or Bob Worcester, Manager Administration, at the Municipal Offices, in Charles Street.

To be eligible to nominate, candidates must either own or occupy a rateable property in Kew.

Candidates' nomination forms must be signed by ten people on the electoral roll in the Ward they wish to represent and must be accompanied by a deposit of \$100 — either cash or bank cheque.

For electors in Kew — polling stations are not yet finalised, but a complete list will appear in the next edition of 'Kewriosity' and later editions of 'Progress Press'.

Remember, voting in Council elections is compulsory.

# Dates for July

- 4** Country Women's Association Inc., Kew/Balwyn branch meeting at 1 pm, Uniting Church Hall, Normanby Road, East Kew. International Day — Brazil. New members welcome. Enquiries: Shirley Robinson, 819 1686.
- 5** Asthma Foundation education sessions 2 Highfield Grove, Kew, 10.30 am and 7.30 pm. Talk by a specialist, video, and demonstration. Enquiries: Margaret Hampson, 861 5666.
- 6** Children's immunisation session, North Kew Maternal & Child Health Centre, 152 Peel Street, from 9 am — 10.30 am. Enquiries: 861 9466.
- 11** 'Toilet Training' and 'Coping with Breast Refusal' are the topics for discussion at Nursing Mothers' meeting at 8 pm. Enquiries: 817 5721.  
Kew Community Action Group meeting at Kew Community House, 6-8 Derby Street, at 8 pm. New members welcome. Enquiries: Rhonda McCaw, 817 2940.
- 12** Annual General Meeting for Kew Toy Library members in Kew Library Complex hall, off Cotham Road, at 7.30 pm. Guest speaker at 8.15 pm from National Alliance Against War Toys. All welcome.
- 13** Hyde Park Fellowship meets at 1.30 pm at Hyde Park Uniting Church, 152 Pakington Street. Topic: Favourite hymns and sayings. Enquiries: Mrs McMillan, 861 9243.  
Kew Historical Society meeting at 8 pm in Kew Library Complex hall, off Cotham Road. Guest speaker: Norman Marshall on the history of Kew Tennis Club. Enquiries: Sue Leong, 817 4660.
- 14** Kew Garden Club meets at Senior Citizens' Centre, cnr High and Childers Streets. Topic: Royal Horticultural Society videos on Roses and on Landscaping will be shown. Time: 8 pm. All welcome.
- 18** Kew Ladies' Auxiliary of the Royal Victorian Eye and Ear Hospital meets at 1.30 pm in Kew Library Complex hall, off Cotham Road. New members welcome. Enquiries: 817 4671.
- 20** Kew Community House's series 'Know your Community', 11.30 am. Talk by Joy Nicholson, co-ordinator of Kew's new full-day care children's centre, Belford Oaks. Learn all about Kew's first government-subsidised, parent-run centre. Stay for lunch at cost of just \$1. All welcome.  
Kew Arthritis Self-Help Group monthly meeting at 10.30 am. Kew Library Complex hall, off Cotham Road. Susie Nuttall from the Arthritis Foundation is guest speaker. Morning tea served. Visitors welcome. Enquiries: 862 2021 or 836 8794.  
Children's immunisation session, East Kew Maternal & Child Health Centre, 21 Strathalbyn Street, 9 am — 10.30 am. Enquiries: 859 1380.  
Kew Legacy Widows' Club meets at Kew RSL Hall, 63 Cotham Road, at 11 am. Enquiries: 817 5097 or 859 2097.
- 23** Camberwell Music Society Saturday series at 8.15 pm, St John's Hall, 552 Burke Road, Camberwell Junction. Youth Concert with performers from Carey Grammar Symphony Orchestra. Enquiries: Margaret Sharp, 29 3935 or Dorothy Thorpe, 288 2200.
- 25** Kew Daytime Garden Club meeting at Jubilee Hall, Holy Trinity Church, cnr High and Pakington Streets, promptly at 1.30 pm. Topic: General Gardening by Norman White. Enquiries: 859 2977.  
Belford Oaks Management Committee meeting, 8 pm, 3 Belford Road, East Kew. Parents with children at Centre most welcome. Enquiries: Joy Nicholson, 859 7148.  
Kew Emergency Housing Committee meets at 8 pm at Kew Community House, 6-8 Derby Street. New members welcome. Enquiries: Rhonda McCaw, 817 2940.
- 26** Nursing Mothers' Association morning coffee from 10 am to noon. Babies and toddlers welcome. Enquiries: 817 5721.
- 27** Last concert in Camberwell Music Society's Wednesday Morning series, 10.30 am, St John's Hall, 552 Burke Road, Camberwell Junction. Enquiries: Margaret Sharp, 29 3935, or Dorothy Thorpe, 288 2200.
- 28** Kew Auxiliary of the Royal Womens' Hospital meets at 2.30 pm in Kew Library Complex hall. New members most welcome.  
Annual General Meeting for Kew Probus Club. Meets at Kew RSL rooms, 63 Cotham Road, at 11 am.
- 30** Centenary Fete at St Hilary's Anglican Church, John Street. 10 am to 3 pm, with Auction of goods at noon.

## For the nimble-fingered

If you remember reading about Kew's Bicenentary Tapestry — or if you've admired the photographs of the tapestry drawings on the cover of this year's Community Directory — you'll be interested in the information that follows.

From July 7, in Kew Library, residents can contribute their stitches to the working of the Bicenentary Tapestry, each Thursday afternoon between 2.30 pm and 4.30 pm.

You don't have to be an experienced needlewoman — or man — because there'll be somebody there to teach you how.

For those who can't help during the day, there'll be at least two evening sessions between 6 pm and 8 pm. Diary the dates now — they are August 2 and September 6.

The Bicenentary Tapestry is an enterprise organised by the Kew Bicenennial Committee. It is another of Kew's lasting contributions to Australia's 200th Birthday.

The eight-panel tapestry which represents Kew throughout its history, was drawn and designed by artist and former Kew resident, Joy Stewart.

Organisers hope to complete the tapestry's eight panels by the end of September this year.

If you have any enquiries regarding this project, please contact Dorothy Benyei on 861 8758.

## Traffic management update

*Area 5 — bounded by High, Valerie, Asquith, Earl and Princess Streets.*

**At its meeting on May 24, Kew Council resolved to remove the trial traffic management device at the intersection of Pakington and Eglinton Streets, and replace it with a roundabout. That work is now complete.**

Council also decided to reconvene the Area 5 Consultative Committee so it can review the construction of road humps or similar devices in Pakington Street as previously approved in the review of the Area 5 traffic management scheme.

*Area 7 — bounded by High Street, Studley Park Road, Walmer Street, Yarra Boulevard and Barkers Road.*

As part of the review of traffic in this area, Council's traffic engineering consultants, Ove Arup and Partners, have circulated a questionnaire to residents. The purpose of the questionnaire is to seek resident responses and input into traffic problems they experience in their area.

*Area 10 — bounded by Glenferrie, Barkers, Burke and Cotham Roads.*

The Residents Consultative Committee for the area has now been formed and will meet soon to commence its review of existing traffic arrangements and to reconsider some of the schemes previously proposed.

If you live in any of these areas, you are encouraged to make your opinions known either by contacting your local councillor, your local resident consultative committee, or Kew's Traffic Engineer, Don Robertson, on 862 2466.

# Commentary

## If someone asked you "What is the major business activity in Kew?", what would be your reply?

Mine would be Education. Yes! Education is by far the biggest business in Kew — to the tune of many millions of dollars every year.

Quite apart from State funded primary and secondary schools, there are numerous public/private schools providing education to thousands of children from all over Melbourne — and interstate and overseas because of the excellent boarding facilities at some schools.

Kew is therefore a major source of education and knowledge in the State and it 'exports' this knowledge for the benefit of all.

The beneficiaries of this activity are numerous and, apart from the children themselves, include: residents — by virtue of the extra 'breathing space' provided by having the schools' grounds and playing fields around them; Kew traders who benefit because Teachers, students, and their parents, frequent the local shopping areas: the community — because Kew has one of the most well-educated and highly professional populations of any Melbourne suburb, and because it is a major centre of education, its stature as a centre for knowledge is recognised and assured.

Kew strives for excellent relationships with its schools. These relationships have been established over many years through consultation and involvement on many issues and through active participation in community services events: assistance with 'Meals on Wheels', household visits and chats with the sick and with our senior citizens, help with — and participation in — the Kew Festival, and so on.

Those relationships also involve social occasions and there is one in particular I'd like to refer to.

I would like to thank and congratulate Ruyton Girls' School, Trinity Grammar and Xavier College for their contribution to our recent Mayoral Dinner.

Students from these schools provided an outstanding selection of string music throughout the evening to a very appreciative audience of distinguished guests.

Helen and I were delighted that the schools shared our views about the value to students and the community of such a learning experience.

I hope that arrangements for musical presentations in our city will continue. I'm looking forward to such recitals in our recently renovated Alexandra Gardens Rotunda where residents, their families and friends, can relax in the beautiful, tranquil gardens and can recall the splendid days of massed bands, classical and chamber music.

Such occasions could not be arranged without our magnificent Kew Citizens' Band — who not only get better as each year goes by, but who are 'scooping the pool' at all the championships they enter. I hope they will feature regularly, but I also look forward to our schools providing a feast of entertaining music with a range of music types and moods to suit both young and old.

Don't You?

P.S. Kewriosity will bring you regular news on these 'concerts' when arrangements are made.



● Jim Tutt, Mayor of Kew.

## COUNCIL MEETING DATES

- July 12 Standing Committees 7.30 pm
- 19 General Purposes Committee 7.30 pm
- 26 Council 8.15 pm

Meetings are held in the Committee Rooms and Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices and all are open to the public. Copies of agendas are available in the Kew Library prior to each meeting.

## Ways to donate to Kew Library

### Donors to Kew Library now have several donation options available to them.

Those who donate to Kew Library Development Fund can now claim donations of \$2 and over as an allowable deduction against their personal income tax assessment.

The Australian Taxation Office has registered the Fund for this purpose, but donors should make sure they include a copy of their Kew Library Development Fund official receipt when making a claim.

Cheques should be drawn in favour of Kew Library Development Fund. Official receipts for EACH donation will be issued by Library staff.

A plate placed in the front of the book purchased with donated funds, will acknowledge the donors name.

The Library's second source of books and funds comes from those who donate books — either for use in the Library, or for the Friends of Kew Library's annual fundraising Book Fair.

The Fair, held each October, raises funds to purchase equipment and to improve facilities at the Library. The Friends expect their next donation to be a technical dictionary worth about \$2,000.

Donations of books, family papers and research material, are always welcome at the

Library. They are an important source of material and what the Library can't use, it either passes on to the Friends for their book fair or to other libraries which have a need for particular material.

Residents can also donate funds to purchase specific very high value items. These purchases are always made in consultation with the Librarian who knows and understands the Library's needs. Kew Library welcomes your enquiries about these items.

A bequest, or legacy, to the Library ensures that Kew Library continues to serve its borrowers and the community. In turn, it allows residents of Kew and borrowers at the Library to play an important role in the life of the Library well beyond their own lifespan.

If you would like to make a bequest to Kew Library, you should consult your solicitor either before making your Will or before making changes to an existing Will.

Alex Tarr, Kew's Librarian, said, "There's a lot of goodwill in the community towards Kew Library. Kew people really appreciate their library and the services it offers."

"Knowing just how much value they place on the library, I'm sure residents will be pleased to know they can contribute to it in such a variety of ways."

"We try hard to meet the community's needs and we're sure the community will respond by helping us meet ours — particularly when they know that subsidies from government to support libraries are diminishing."

## An apology

**Maureen McLaughlin, Kew Council's Youth Services Officer, would like to apologise to all those parents, young people, and anyone interested in skateboarding facilities in Kew, who went along to the public meeting she organised on Monday, June 6, at the Youth Resources Centre, 10-12 Derby Street.**

Maureen was unavoidably detained near Seymour, on her way back to Melbourne for the meeting, when her car broke down and she had to wait for RACV assistance.

Fortunately, the young people who had organised the meeting managed to get access to the Centre and conduct the meeting themselves, but Maureen was very disappointed she was not able to keep her commitment.

If you have any comments about skateboarding facilities in Kew you can contact Maureen on 861 6828 or 862 2466. Or if you would like to join the Kew Skateboard Riders Association which meets at the Youth Resource Centre, Maureen can give you details.

## NOTICES

We want to remind our residents that the Kew Library is closed each Monday.

The Library is open from Tuesday to Thursday from 10.30 am to 9 pm; Friday from 10.30 am to 6 pm; Saturday from 9 am to 12 noon, and Sunday from 2 pm to 5 pm.

Enquiries: Ring 861 6745 or 861 6530.

Don't forget the after hours chute for your returns..

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Kew Citizens' Advice Bureau is now located at the rear of the Library Complex, off Cotham Road. You can enter from the rear of the building where there is also wheelchair access for disabled clients.

The CAB's services are free and confidential and include a once-weekly legal service each Tuesday from 7.30 pm to 9 pm. The bureau is open weekdays from 10 am to 3 pm or you can ring on 861 5244 during opening hours.

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Pre-school Storytime at Kew Library — sessions are held every second Tuesday of the month from 11 am to 11.30 am.

July sessions are on July 12 and 26.

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Kew Scrabble Club meets Wednesday nights at Kew Community House, 6-8 Derby Street, at 7.30 pm. Wheelchair access at rear for disabled players. Parking too.

Any standard. Beginners welcome. Ring Leslie Mack on 578 6767.

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Hartwell Players production of 'Ten Times Table' takes place on August 4, 5, 6 and 11, 12, 13 at 8.15 pm and August 13 at 2 pm, at Hartwell Uniting Church hall, corner Eddy Street and Halley Avenue, Hartwell.

Bookings now open. Ring Mrs Clementson on 29 5998. Prices: \$6 adults, \$4 children and concession. Family ticket for 2 adults, 2 children is \$15. Matinee tickets \$4 and group concessions for 10 or more people — prices on request.

## News from the Friends

**A large and enthusiastic audience of members of the Friends of Kew Library were entertained, at their June meeting, by Doctor David Pitt, who presented an audio-visual coverage of some of his travels to Europe.**

The meeting was the last for two months because the Friends go into recess during July and August so they can prepare for their annual Book Fair in October.

If you would like to volunteer for this interesting work, contact Eric Flynn on 859 6415.

Or, if you have books to donate for sale at the Fair, please leave them at Kew Library's circulation desk.

All proceeds from the annual Book Fair are used by the Friends to purchase equipment for Kew's greatest facility, its Library.



## Community Recreation

**Kew's Community Recreation programs, run throughout the year, provide residents with an opportunity to enhance their well-being and have fun and friendship at the same time.**

Term three swimming classes for adults and toddlers, tennis classes and gentle exercise-to-music classes, get underway soon.

Tennis classes are designed for those people who want to learn how to play or who want to brush-up on their technique.

For those who want to improve their general fitness and flexibility, exercise-to-music or water exercises and swimming, might just suit. Fun and friendship is an important part of these programs, too.

For parents of young children, the water playgroup provides opportunities for youngsters to become familiar with and confident in the water. Water confidence at an early age helps later in teaching children how to swim and how to act safely in the water.

The Community Services Department at the Municipal Offices can help with further enquiries on 862 2466.

\* And residents, keep a lookout for more information in 'Kewriosity' about programs at the new Kew Recreation Centre due to open in December this year.

### Child care for 3-5 year olds

**'Belford Oaks', Kew's new community child-care Centre, has part-time vacancies for 3-5 year olds.**

Your child is eligible to attend the Centre if either you live in, or work in Kew.

Belford Oaks is managed by Kew Full Day Care Centre Inc. — a management committee of parents whose children attend the Centre.

It provides quality care for children 0-6 years in a very caring atmosphere.

Enquiries: Ring the Co-ordinator, Joy Nicholson, on 859 7148.

### Philharmonic's second concert for year

**Kew Philharmonic Society's second subscription concert for the year is being held on Sunday, August 9 at 2.30 pm, in Kew Uniting Church, Highbury Grove.**

The orchestra will play 'Berceuse' by Faure, 'Fantasy on Greensleeves' by Vaughan Williams, and Prelude on the Welsh tune, 'Rhosymedre', by J. D. Edwards.

The choir will perform 'Cantique de Jean Racine' by Faure, Variations on Schubert's 'Trout' by Franz Schoeggel, and part songs by Cyril Jenkins, Thomas Tallis and Thomas Morley.

Admission \$6, concession \$4.

Enquiries: Valda Fouvy 817 1881 or Lola Stokes, 817 3186.

## COMMUNITY EDUCATION

**Term 3 courses at Methodist Ladies' College continue from July 18.**

Use the Winter to update your typing and computer skills, or to keep fit with T-H-T (tummy, hips and thighs) courses or Aikido or indoor swimming.

Perhaps you might like to learn to write Fiction. Local novelist, Carmel Bird is running a course for budding authors.

Wordprocessing, Drawing, Writing Fiction and some sports like Badminton, are run on a Saturday morning as well as during the day.

For more information ring Pamela Wells, Community Education Unit, on 810 1333.

### Time capsule

**Another of the Kew Bicentennial Committee's projects is the placing of a Time Capsule in a secret location in the City. Future generations who find it, can see just what life was like in Kew in 1988.**

Community groups — and individuals — will be able to contribute to the capsule, but should be aware that items need to be compact if they are to be included.

You could include the constitution of your community group, meeting agenda, minutes of a meeting, photographs of your committee or other photographs which might interest future residents, pamphlets, brochures, booklets — the suggestions are endless.

If you would like to contribute an item or if you have an enquiry as to the suitability of items, contact Peter Wallinga, 862 1323, or Noell Lyall, 861 6968.

### Pregnancy Support

**The Caroline Chisholm Society is a non-denominational, volunteer organisation, which provides services to women who wish to continue with their pregnancy and to women with children up to the age of two years.**

Based in Moonee Ponds, the Society provides a twenty-four hour counselling service, Monday to Friday, and there is always a social worker on duty from 8.30 am to 5.00 pm, five days a week, as many clients present to the Centre without an appointment.

The Society helps mothers, or mothers-to-be, find accommodation, provides baby clothing and equipment, answers medical queries and undertakes pregnancy testing, runs family care programs, offers practical help and support by its friendly volunteers and conducts groups and coffee mornings.

If you can help by either becoming a volunteer, by providing unwanted baby and young children's clothes, equipment, toys and books, or by giving a cash donation, please contact the Caroline Chisholm Society on 370 5122.

If you are a mother or a mother-to-be, you can ring the pregnancy support service on 370 3933.

## Community planting of Urban Forest

Community groups, co-ordinated by Kew East Rotary Club and Kew Council, had their first community planting day on June 18 when almost 1,200 trees and shrubs were planted in the Urban Forest in Stradbroke Park.

Six groups, made up of about 60 volunteers, took about five hours to plant the first trees and shrubs in the forest.

Two more community planting days are planned for July 9 and July 30 and organisers hope the remaining 2,500 trees and shrubs will be planted then.

Bruce Schroder, Superintendent of Parks and Gardens for Kew Council, said it took several months of preparation to get the soil ready for the young plants. Work was held up in the initial stages by the long, dry Summer.

"The entire area being planted was deep-ripped and rotary-hoed to produce an ideal planting median for the 3,500 trees and shrubs being planted over the next three months."

"One of our major programs was to eradicate weeds because the young trees being planted need to establish themselves quickly and gain the maximum nutrient from the soil".

Weeds will have to be kept at bay for the next six to 12 months so that the young plants have the best chance for survival.

"Stradbroke Park may look a little stark at present and the wet weather will obviously create a few headaches with muddy soil, but the inconvenience will only be short-lived."

Sam Gasparini, Kew East Rotary Club member and one of the organisers of the volunteers, said "We got involved in the project because we wanted to do something in the locality which would celebrate Australia's Bicentenary but which would still be there in the years to come."

"The idea of an Urban Forest appealed to us because not only would it show how Stradbroke Park was before the planting, but how it had been improved years after the project was complete. It seemed to us that an urban forest could best illustrate the past as well as the future and that over the years the forest could only grow and get better and better for the residents who come after us."

Kew East Rotary Club also thought that the community planting days were an ideal way to foster a sense of community in Kew to encourage Kewites to make a positive contribution to the city in which they live.

Anyone who is not a member of a Kew community group involved in the plantings but who would like to offer their help, should contact Tom Wibrow of Kew East Rotary on 862 1873, Sam Gasparini on 859 1095, or Bruce Schroder on 862 1773.

### May celebration for two 'old' Lions

**Noel Lyall and Bert Stephens have something to celebrate.**

They've been in Kew Lions' Club for the past 34 years.

In fact they did celebrate, on May 10, when they both cut their 34th 'birthday' cake.

Bert Stephens, who is well-known around Kew, was the Club's Foundation President and Noel is its current Treasurer.



Dick Moore, left, of Green Acres Golf Club, Kew, hands over the Club's cheque for \$600 to Chris Finkelstein, Co-ordinator at HKC Activities Centre, Highbury Grove, Kew. The cheque will purchase a new wheelchair for the Centre.

## Senior Citizens at HKC ready to roll

Senior Citizens who attend the HKC (Hawthorn-Kew-Camberwell) Activities Centre in Kew, are the recipients of a six hundred dollar cheque and a set of carpet bowls.

The gifts, donated by Green Acres Golf Club, Kew, were presented to HKC members last month during their regular 'chat time' session.

Dick Moore, club captain at Green Acres, and Joyce Daehli, a member of the Club's charity committee, handed over the gifts which were the result of funds raised at the Club's yearly Charity Day.

"We regularly assist a number of organisations in Kew", Dick said, "and this year we have been able to extend our assistance. HKC was recommended to us by Kew Council."

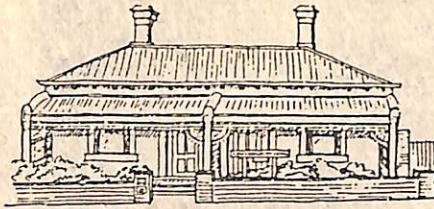
Chris Finkelstein, one of HKC's co-ordinators, accepted the gift of the bowls and the cheque. "It's a generous gift and we do appreciate it. With the bowls we'll be able to offer a wider range of activities to the large number of men who come to the Centre. And we plan to use the money to pay for a wheelchair to take our less-mobile participants on outings."



Reg Wilson, seated, a member at HKC Activities Centre, is pushed in the Centre's new wheelchair donated by Green Acres Golf Club, Kew. HKC Co-ordinator, Chris Finkelstein is the 'driver'.

## KEW COMMUNITY HOUSE

Co-ordinator: Judy Price



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### We've just had a fabulous fundraising lunch at our House.

Forty-five people crowded in to Kew Community House on May 31 for an 'Italian' lunch to help raise funds for equipment — read on and you'll see why.

One of the short course sessions we've been running, "Microwave Cooking", has been extremely popular.

It's one thing to organise classes like this, but quite another to get the equipment to do it. One of our volunteers had to lend their microwave oven for some of our sessions.

How much better to have our own, we thought!

And as well as being used for our courses, what an asset it would be for whipping-up a quick lunch for four or five people — a frequent occurrence at our House.

Yes!, you've guessed it. We decided to fundraise to make our microwave oven a reality.

We borrowed some microwaves and cooked Lasagne. Despite a few moments panic when we couldn't fit all the dishes in the ovens we had, those 45 mouths were fed fairly quickly and we raised \$300 as a result.

Our thanks go to all those people who came

along and supported us and who made our day so enjoyable.

Talking of short courses — microwave and others — we've still got a few places left in the following sessions:

"Writing Those Special Letters" — a course run by a public relations professional who will help you, in two sessions, compose business, personal, special occasion or awkward-to-write letters.

Or our one session "Rug Making" course — which teaches a Polish method of crocheting scraps of material to make a beautiful rug.

There's spaces, too, in other courses like "Home Maintenance", a demonstration of the basic repairs needed around the home. You know, the ones that often have you tricked.

Or there's "Flower Arranging", a one session course in "Chinese Cooking", two sessions in "Simple French Cooking" or a "Crocheting Course" — June, who can teach you any stitch from the easiest to the most complicated, will guide you through these sessions.

Make sure you ring and book as soon as you've read this column because places will fill up fast. You'll never get a cheaper course or a better opportunity.

Ring me, Judy Price, at our House, on 862 3126.

## Do you know about EASE?

**EASE is an entertainment service for people with special needs — either disability or financial hardship.**

EASE operates a 'hotline' providing information about what's on in Melbourne, what access there is to each venue, and what concession tickets are available.

Sometimes complimentary tickets are available also.

EASE aims to assist and create the opportunities for people with special needs to attend Melbourne's entertainment events by providing information, social support and incentives.

EASE also aims to encourage promoters and venue management to ensure physical access is feasible at all events within the Melbourne metropolitan region.

The EASE Project has opened many doors to many people who may previously have been excluded from entertainment outside their own homes—either because of lack of finance, transport, or maybe lack of knowledge as to what is available to them.

EASE has been 'up and running' successfully for the last eight months. It is funded by the Department of Sport and Recreation, the Myer Foundation, Lance Reichstein Foundation and the Coles/Myer group. Funding is guaranteed for the next four months.

If you would like to find out more about EASE, or about tickets for cinema, theatre, rock music, classical music, folk music and/or sporting events, ring them on 699 8497.

You can ask to be put on their newsletter mailing list, too.

## Brush up your skills at Swinburne

**Swinburne Institute of Technology and College of TAFE is Kew's closest tertiary institution.**

It provides an array of courses to tempt adult students, some of which you can enrol for now.

Beginning this month, the TAFE College is offering a one-year, part-time course for initial training in the child care field. Lectures run on one afternoon and one evening per week.

Applicants must be 16 years old and be employed in child care for at least 16 hours per week.

Ring Naomi Vallins on 819 8370 or the Information Office on 819 8444 to enquire.

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For men and women who want to improve their spelling, there's a FREE course which runs for two hours per week for six weeks.

Jeanette or Robyn can help with enrolments or enquiries on 819 8806 or 819 8816.

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Also for adults — 19 plus — there are day and evening, full or part-time Maths and Science 'Bridging' courses run by the Applied Science Department.

They also want to catch up with women who

want to catch up on some maths and science in a supportive atmosphere. They've designed their 'Women in Science' course for just that purpose.

Students who need a more intensive preparation for year 12 maths, chemistry and physics for TAFE or tertiary entry in 1989, might like to enrol for 'Bridging Technology'.

Enquiries: Applied Science Department, 819 9378.

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Adults returning to study or seeking tertiary entry in 1989 have four course options open to them.

The VCE/TOP course, with classes run in the day and evening, is for students who have spent at least one year away from school.

Three new daytime VCE/HSC subjects are on offer for students over 21 who can get tertiary entrance with a pass in only 3 HSC subjects. They are English; Australian History; Human Development and Society.

Another innovation is Swinburne's composite approach to Year 12 study. Students can combine TOP and HSC subjects like Behavioural Science, Liberal Arts and Business Studies.

The last option is an Arts Preparatory Course — specifically designed for adult students who want to do an Arts Degree.

It takes half a year of full-time study so any



student wanting to do this course should enrol for second semester now. Subject choices include: Australian Literature; Images of Australia through Film and Television; Research Skills; Theories of Human Nature.

To meet the needs of part-time students, Research Skills and Theories of Human Nature are being offered in Semester 2.

Paul Gibson or Belinda McLennan on 819 8854, or Michael Elliot on 819 8543 can help with enquiries.

# Integration through recreation for disabled

**Doug Goodwin wants to foster a free and independent spirit among disabled people who would like to join able-bodied people in recreational activities in Kew.**

Doug, who is employed by Kew Integration Through Recreation Support Group as their Integration Co-ordinator, wants to help physically and intellectually disabled people make decisions about their own lives and help them join some of the local sporting and recreational clubs.

"We've had some success over the last few months — the new Harrigan's (Hotel) Darts Club and Kew Scrabble Club — and I want to build on and expand that success."

Working with Hawthorn's recreation officer, Paul Dunn, Doug has been able to help intellectually disabled adults join the Harrigan's Darts Team. The team plays every Tuesday and participates in weekly competitions with other teams at Harrigan's.

"Disabled players had some coaching from Bob Barclay of the Victorian Darts Council and are getting so good at their game, that they are almost ready to compete against players from other hotels."

Kew Scrabble Club, based at Kew Community House, meets every Wednesday at 7.30 pm and has a couple of physically disabled players as members. Doug would like to see more disabled players join the Club because Scrabble is an ideal activity for some physically disabled people. Kew Community House has ample parking next door and wheelchair access from the front and rear.

"I know disabled people would fit in well in the Club, would make a lot of friends from their membership of it, and would get a lot of

personal satisfaction from pitting their skills against other Scrabble Club members."

Although Doug Goodwin is a young man with a vision for the future of disabled people, he's not the person taking charge of that future. "That's up to disabled people themselves. I'm only there as a facilitator. It's my job to take my clients outside their own situations and to show them what opportunities there are in the wider community for them."

Some people have very definite ideas about the type of activities they would like to get involved in. It's Doug's job to get them to look at the positive and negative aspects of what it is they want to do and to try to anticipate or work through any potential problems.

Sometimes it's a matter of access for disabled people, sometimes of public transport to a venue, sometimes it's working through any apprehensions they may have about joining people who are more able-bodied than themselves.

"Whether you're disabled or able-bodied doesn't matter. You still have to make decisions about whether you want to get involved in certain activities and to what extent. You also have to anticipate problems and know how to handle them if they happen."

"The problem for some disabled people is that they haven't had to make some of these choices before — haven't been in full control of their own destiny — and, understandably, they need help to overcome their fears of the unknown."

For others it's a matter of simply not being aware of the opportunities which exist for them in the local community or, for that matter, wider afield.

Doug has leisure kits available and lists of



*Doug Goodwin, Integration Co-ordinator for the Kew Integration through Recreation Support Group.*

all different types of activities, both in Kew and in surrounding municipalities, which disabled people have complete access to.

"Part of my role as facilitator is to work with the sporting or recreation club members to overcome any of their reservations, to explain the types of disabilities that new members may have, to introduce new members, and to give both new members and the Club my support for the first couple of visits."

"After that, they're on their own and usually only call on me if they need specialist advice or if the disabled member decides that a particular activity is not suitable and wants to try something else."

If you are disabled and would like to join a local recreational activity, or if you know someone who might, you can contact Doug Goodwin at Kew Community House on 862 3126, Mondays and Tuesdays between 1 pm and 6 pm.

## 100th birthday for St Hilary's

**St Hilary's Anglican Church, John Street, Kew is celebrating its centenary.**

Opened on January 1, 1889, St Hilary's has an interesting history and acquired its name in an unusual way.

The land on which St Hilary's stands was donated by Captain Dumaresq, who owned most of the land between Sackville Street and Cotham Road.

Although Captain Dumaresq subdivided his property and donated the land for a church, it was not until 1888 that steps were taken to found and build a new church.

Captain Dumaresq's family had long been associated with the town of St Helier's in Jersey and he wanted the Kew church named in honour of the Jersey town.

The closest name to St Helier's with any religious significance, was St Hilary. St Hilary, a fifth century saint, was noted for strongly defending a biblical faith against heretics.

The first St Hilary's church was a large wooden church erected in 1888 and it looked rather like an American stable.

It was built facing Rowland Street on the site of the present St Hilary's tennis courts. It stayed

there for fifty years until 1939 when the present church was built.

Rowland and John Streets, nearby Alfred Street, and Charles Street where the municipal offices now stand, were all named after Captain Dumaresq's sons.

Chairman of St Hilary's Centenary Committee, Ian Woodside, said, "We plan to celebrate our foundation during the remainder of 1988."

"The highlight of our 100th year is a Centenary dinner and Thanksgiving Service on the weekend of November 18 — 20."

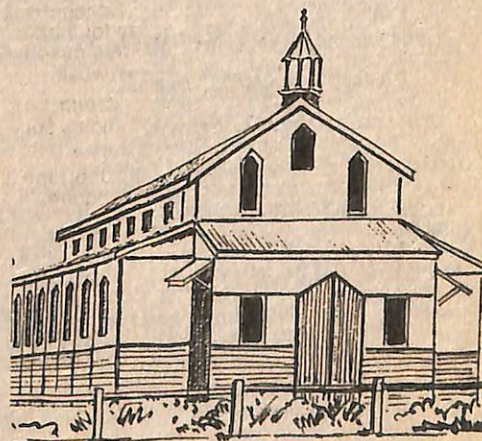
The Centenary dinner is on Saturday, November 19 and the Thanksgiving Service at which the Archbishop of Melbourne, Dr David Penman will preach, is on Sunday, November 20.

"Throughout the year we've planned some interesting and varied activities which involve groups such as our young people, our tennis club and our missions."

"Our Vicar, Reverend Peter Corney, and our Vestry, would like to see all past parishioners, and St Hilary's friends, take part in the Centenary celebrations we've organised for them."

If you would like more information then ring St Hilary's office on 817 4513.

If you have any memorabilia associated with St Hilary's which you would be willing to loan for a display on the Church foyer during November, please contact Ian Woodside, after hours, on 817 4196.



● A sketch of the original St Hilary's Church by the current Vicar, Reverend Peter Corney.



## Footy news

**Kew, with two strong wins against finals contenders, Parkside and Bulleen/Templestowe, are now undisputed 'B' grade amateur leaders by two clear games.**

The wins have been highlighted by a strong team spirit combined with the skills and ability to maintain pressure for the whole year.

The Reserves, with three successive losses, have relinquished their position in the Four. However, a win against leaders, Bulleen/Templestowe, puts them within reach of the top teams.

The Club Eighteen are placed one game outside the Four and with a good game against league leaders, Bloods, must pull out all stops to regain their position.

The season's halfway mark is fast approaching and Senior coach, Brett Burden, is hoping for a strong second round from players in all three teams.

If all three are successful, the strength of the Kew Club will really be shown during Finals time at amateur headquarters, Elsternwick Park.

On the Club's social scene, John Bradley, Club chairman, reports, that a 'Hat Night' and a 'Fancy Dress' night held recently at the Victoria Park Pavilion, were both outstanding successes — with a good time had by all who attended.

Matches for July are:

July 2, Kew v Ivanhoe, Victoria Park.  
July 9, Caulfield Grammarians v Kew.  
July 16, Bye.  
July 23, Fawkner v Kew, Victoria Park.  
July 30, Old Trinity v Kew, Victoria Park.

Ian Job, who is compiling a history of Kew Football, is still looking for Club history or trivia — especially from the 20's and 30's era. Ring him on 859 4706, if you can help.

Other enquiries should be directed to Club Secretary, Michael Bollman, on 818 6531 (h), 653 0481 (w) or 817 1118 (pavilion).

## Learn to Ski or improve your skiing skills

**Howman's Gap Ski camps, run by the Department of Sport and Recreation, are for beginners, disabled skiers, families and veteran skiers. Each ski course includes excellent accommodation in a heated lodge, all meals, quality ski equipment, professional ski instruction — with additional assistance from a friendly leadership team — tow tickets, coach transport from Melbourne, and daily coach travel to and from the ski slopes of Falls Creek.**

The camps run for seven days each, which allows for six full days of skiing and one full day for travelling.

The prices — all in — range from \$425 for Nordic courses — including skills improvement and campouts — to \$655 for all Alpine courses. Family Snow Experience courses are a special

package and prices for these will be given on application to the Department of Sport and Recreation on (03) 666 4348.

The Family Snow Experience camps are run in the September school holidays and the Alpine and Cross Country courses from July 1 through to August 28.

For more information, or to obtain a booking form, ring the Department of Sport and Recreation on (03) 666 4348.



## Keeping you informed

**We are all consumers of goods and services provided by others.**

But sometimes, we get less than a 'fair deal' from those we deal with.

In minor matters, most people are inclined to avoid 'making a fuss' about faulty goods or poor service. But unless as a society we want unscrupulous and incompetent people to prosper, it is essential to make sure that those who fail to carry out their business responsibilities satisfactorily, are actively pursued through the correct channels.

If these channels fail to provide adequate redress, there are Ombudsmen in both State and Federal areas to investigate complaints against publicly-owned enterprises.

For non-government organisations, there are professional and trade associations which seek to maintain high standards of ethics and workmanship and deal with complaints.

Kew Citizens' Advice Bureau has information on many of these bodies which endeavour to protect the public against unfair practices.

If you have a consumer problem, one of our volunteers may be able to help you select the proper organisation to investigate and remedy your complaint.

The bureau is at the rear of the Library complex, off Cotham Road, and has wheelchair access. It is open between 10 am and 3 pm each weekday.

A free legal service operates each Tuesday evening between 7.30 pm and 9.30 pm or you may call on 861 5244 during Bureau hours.

A qualified social worker can help you with problems of a personal nature. Contact the Bureau to make an appointment to suit you.

## More wins for Kew Band players

**Members of Kew Citizens' Band took out top honours in the recent State Solo Performers Championships held at the Kew Music Centre in Kitchener Street.**

In the open events, Wendy Steele, Keith Callinan, Jack Kelly and Jeff Steele, took out first placings. In the junior events, Malcolm Callinan came out top.

Placegetters in other events were Rachel, Catherine, David and Daniel Gurvich, Virginia Rice and Antony Callinan.



## Good gardening

**Winter has well and truly arrived after a magnificent Summer I'm sure many of us thought would never end.**

I guess that is one of the things I like most about living in Melbourne — the unpredictable variation in our weather patterns. This in turn leads to significant variations in the flowering periods of many of our garden plants.

For example: the long Summer meant an excellent flowering season for Hibiscus — generally considered a tropical plant, its success is somewhat more marginal in Melbourne. I know of another tropical plant, Frangipanni, which is flowering profusely against a hot north-facing wall in North Balwyn — it just loved this past summer!

Australian native plants also vary their flowering period depending on the season.

Many people think that Winter is a dull period in the garden with trees and shrubs dormant, just sitting out the cooler weather waiting to burst forth in Spring. Not so with Australian natives.

There are many in flower now and a great variety of Grevilleas just starting to flower. Baeckea, Epacris, Banksias and Thryptomene are in full bloom now and there are many more to come.

One plant worth seeking out is Baeckea 'Winter Pink'. As its name suggests, it flowers in Winter. Mine has been flowering for over 12 months though and it has its peak flowering period during the Winter months.

Another great little rockery plant for a full-sun position, one which is flowering bright yellow now, is Conostylis bealiana. Others flowering now are Tetratheca thymifolia 'Bicentennial Belle' (mauve/pink), Epacris impressa (white, pink, red), Brachycome multifida 'Break o'day' (purple/mauve), Dampiera Diversifolia (deep blue), Grevillea depauperata (orange/red), Baeckea ramosissima (deep pink), Brachysema sericeum (red) — the list is never ending.

Another plant worth seeking out if you want something for an open, sunny, position — but you will need more space as it grows 1.5-2 metres high — is Grevillea 'Superb' — and it really is. With large clusters of orange/red spider-like flowers, it blooms throughout Winter and Spring. It's a must!

A trip around some of the specialist nurseries in the Eastern suburbs is a great day out at this time of the year and it will really open your eyes to some of our wonderful Australian plants.

Bruce Schroder,  
Superintendent, Parks and Gardens.

## DEADLINE

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