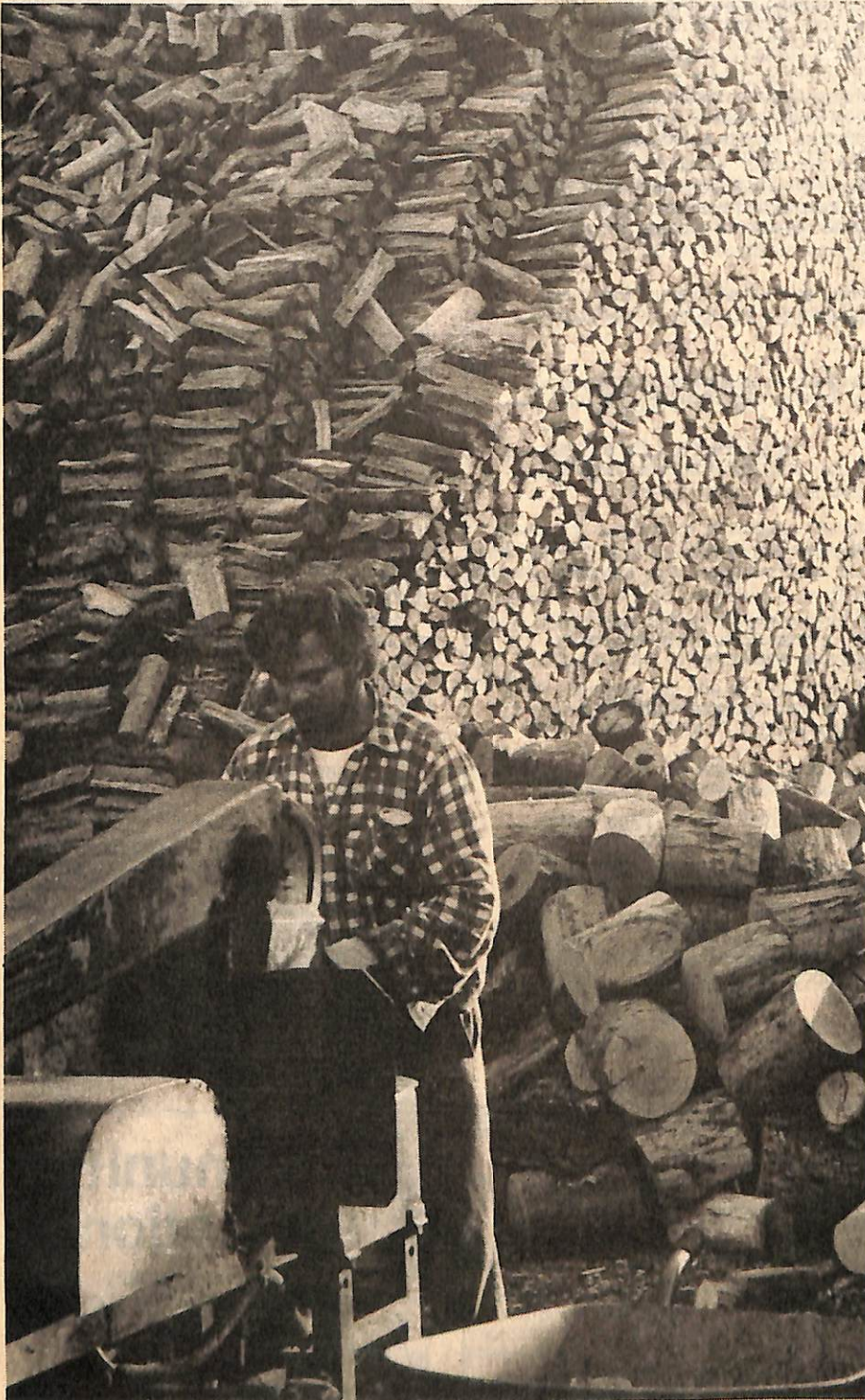


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• One of the winning entries in 'Images of Kew', the photographic competition and exhibition held each year in conjunction with Kew Festival. The photograph, of Dunning and Sons woodyard on the corner of High Street and Harp Road, East Kew, was taken by Doctor David Pitt. It won the section 'Best print by a Kew resident'. Other winning entries will be featured in future editions of Kewriosity.

Garden party for Kew

The Mayor and Mayoress of Kew, Jim and Helen Tutt, extend an open invitation to the residents of Kew to join them on Sunday, May 15 for a garden party in Alexandra Gardens.

The garden party is being held to mark the official opening of the Bicentennial Rotunda — one of Kew's lasting memorials to Australia's 200th birthday.

The garden party starts at 2.30pm and guests will be entertained by the Kew Citizens Band and other local music groups.

The official opening ceremony takes place at 3.15pm after which afternoon tea will be served. The day concludes at 4.15pm.

Any resident who wishes to be present at this community function is asked to contact the Municipal Offices on 862 2466. Our telephonist will accept your reply.

It is important you let us know if you can come so that we can cater for you.

Calling landscape architects

Kew Council would like resident landscape architects to contribute to its streetscaping scheme by donating their skills and services.

The Council is committed to improving Kew's environment through its streetscaping scheme and believes that landscape architects who are Kew residents have an invaluable contribution to make to the city in which they live.

Council is in the process of establishing a streetscaping committee consisting of three councillors, three honorary resident landscape architects and two council staff members.

Anyone interested in nominating as a member of the committee should contact Neill Hocking, Engineers Department, on 862 2466.

Applications close on Wednesday, May 11, 1988.

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Dates for May

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Camberwell Music Society Saturday series concert at 8.15pm, St John's Hall, 552 Burke Road, Camberwell Junction. Contact: Margaret Sharp, 29 3935 or Dorothy Thorpe, 288 2200.

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Kew Philharmonic Society's 1st subscription concert for 1988 at Kew Uniting Church, Highbury Grove, at 8pm. Tickets: \$6 and \$4 concession. Enquiries: Valda Fouvy 817 1881 or Lola Stokes 817 3186.

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Kew Community Action Group's Annual General Meeting at 8pm at Kew Community House, 6-8 Derby Street. Guest speaker: Alex Wharry from Box Hill about 'Neighbourhood Networks'. All interested persons invited to attend. Enquiries: Rhonda McCaw 817 2940.

Kew/Balwyn branch of Country Women's Association meeting at Uniting Church Hall, Normanby Road, East Kew. Guest speaker: Sally Dixon — Radio for the Print Handicapped. New members welcome. Enquiries: Mrs Robinson, 819 1686.

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Kew Nursing Mothers' coffee morning at 30 Cole Avenue, East Kew from 10am to noon. Babies and toddlers are welcome. Enquiries: 861 9665 or 817 5721.

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Hyde Park Fellowship meeting with guest speaker, Rev. Ron Woodgate. 1.30pm, Hyde Park Uniting Church, 152 Pakington Street. Enquiries: Mrs McMillan, 861 9243.

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Kew Garden Club meets at 8pm at Senior Citizens' Centre, High Street, East Kew. Topic: 'All you ever wanted to know about Lilliums.'

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Kew Emergency Housing Committee meeting at 8pm at Kew Community House, 6-8 Derby Street. New members very welcome. Enquiries: Rhonda McCaw, 817 2940.

'Breastfeeding and Sexuality — is three a crowd?' is the topic for discussion at Kew Nursing Mothers' monthly meeting at 8pm at 144 Pakington Street. Enquiries: 861 9665 or 817 5721.

Kew Ladies' Auxiliary of the Royal Victorian Eye and Ear Hospital meets at 1.30pm in Kew Library Complex Hall, off Cotham Road. New members most welcome. Contact: Mrs Reed, 817 4671.

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Community Walk in Collins Bridge area. Leave Kew Community House, 6-8 Derby Street, at 1pm sharp, by bus for venue. Cost: donation of \$1.

Boroondara Bushwalkers meeting at 8pm, Kew Library Complex Hall, off Cotham Road. Enquiries: Fritz Schaumburg, 817 1640.

Guest speaker, Rohan Coull from the Australian Podiatry Association will be at Kew Arthritis Self-Help group meeting at 10.30am in Kew Library Complex Hall off Cotham Road. Visitors welcome. Morning tea provided. Enquiries: 862 2021 or 836 8794.

Camberwell Music Society morning series concert at 10.30am St John's Hall, 552 Burke Road, Camberwell Junction. Contact: Margaret Sharpe, 29 3935 or Dorothy Thorpe, 288 2200.

Kew Legacy Widows' Club monthly meeting at Kew RSL Hall, 63 Cotham Road, at 11am. All Legacy Widows welcome. Details: May Donovan, 817 5097 or Val Blakey, 859 2097.

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Camberwell Music Society Saturday series concert at 8.15pm, St John's Hall, 552 Burke Road, Camberwell Junction. Contact: Margaret Sharp, 29 3935 or Dorothy Thorpe, 288 2200.

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Kew Daytime Garden Club meeting this month at Jubilee Hall, Holy Trinity Church, corner High and Pakington Streets. Guest speaker: Pauline Green. Subject: Ferns. Enquiries: 859 2977. Time: 1.30pm. NOTE: Change of venue.

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Wednesday Drop-in Day with speaker on Alzheimer's Disease at Kew Community House, 6-8 Derby Street, starting at 11.30am. Stay for lunch at cost of \$1. Enquiries: 862 3126 at Community House.

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Kew Planning for Retirement Group meeting at 8pm in Kew Library Complex Hall, off Cotham Road. Guest speaker: Senior Fire Fighter, Paul Adamson, will talk about fire prevention in the home. All members and friends invited to attend.

New Production of 'Ten Times Table'

The Hartwell Players are seeking cast and backstage crew for their August production of Alan Ayckbourn's play, 'Ten Times Table'.

Auditions will be held on May 22 at 2 pm and May 23 at 7.30 pm, in the Hartwell Players rehearsal room, behind Hartwell Uniting Church, Eddy Street, Hartwell.

President of the Hartwell Players, Steve Gagen, said that although the group is not based in Kew, it does have a number of existing members who live in Kew and is always looking for more talented amateur actors and backstage crew.

The group also has quite a large following in Kew. Its April production 'Life with Father', played to good audiences at Kew High School Community Theatre.

'Ten Times Table' is an extremely funny, quick-paced play. Most roles — six male and four female — are medium to large in size and the characters allow the actors a great deal of scope for development.

If you are interested in an audition, contact the director, Glenn Harris, on 555 5101 evenings or weekends. Or just turn up and get yourself noticed!

'Ten Times Table' will be performed in Hartwell Uniting Church Hall on August 4, 5, 6 and 11, 12, 13 at 8.15 pm. A matinee performance is scheduled on August 13 at 2 pm.

Enquiries regarding bookings can be directed to Mrs Clementson on 29 5998.

Scouts in Kew

East Kew Scouts are looking for new members.

If you are male and are aged between 10½ and 15 years, you could become a Scout.

You'll join a patrol which is a group of six or more boys. Several patrols form 4th Kew Scouts who meet on Tuesday nights from 7.00 — 9.00 pm at the Scout Hall in Glass Street, East Kew.

If you think you would like to mix with boys your own age, go on hikes and camps and weekend activities, and share your ideas, then ring Cameron on 859 1508 or Betty on 859 5958 to ask about joining East Kew Scouts — or just go along any Tuesday to a troop meeting night.

Community Education

Short community education courses have just begun at Methodist Ladies' College, and some spaces are still available.

The term runs from April 26 to June 17. Course fees range from \$30 for an aerobics class to \$375 for expert scuba diving tuition and lots in between. Concessions are available for some courses.

For a course brochure or more information, telephone the Community Education Unit at M.L.C. on 810 1333.

Commentary

When our last issue went to press, Kew was in the midst of the State by-election and our own Kew Festival Fun Day — both on the same day!

It therefore seems timely to bid 'Adieu' to Prue Leggoe — formerly Sibree — who served the Kew electorate for almost seven years, and to welcome her successor, Jan Wade.

Prue Leggoe, a wife, mother, and politician, brought a human face to the world of politics. Exceedingly helpful in all her dealings with Council and our administrative staff, Prue always had the interests of Kew at the forefront of her political life.

She helped and supported us with several important campaigns — the 220kv powerline, the threatened closure of St George's Hospital, the proposed Council amalgamations and threatened cuts to library and kindergarten funding.

Prue chaired several public meetings on some of these issues and, with her help, we've successfully influenced the government's thinking — the powerline fight isn't over yet, but the government's moratorium on the work carried out so far is a good start.

Prue Leggoe has returned to commerce and industry and takes with her some invaluable experience. We shall miss her and she takes with her our blessings for a bright, happy and successful future.

Jan Wade, our new member, comes to us as a career woman, a working wife and mother, and with a stated desire to identify with the City of Kew and the concerns of its residents.

As a successful public servant and former chairman of the Equal Opportunity Board, Jan brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to her new job. Council looks forward to working with Jan and to cementing the excellent

relationship it has established with her in her first few weeks of office.

This month we must also bid 'Adieu' to Rhys Williams, Chairman of the Kew Festival Committee 1988. Rhys and his wife, ex-Councillor Maree Williams, and their family, are moving to Tasmania.

This year's Kew Festival was one of the most successful Festivals we've had and thanks for that must go to Rhys and his committee for all the time, effort and co-ordination that went into organising this two-week event.

Rhys and Maree Williams have made an invaluable contribution to the Kew community and we are sad to lose them. People of the calibre of Rhys and Maree are hard to find in any community — Tasmania's gain is certainly Kew's loss.



● Jim Tutt, Mayor of Kew.

Rates reminder

We want to remind our ratepayers that the third municipal rate instalment is due on May 31, 1988.

Failure to pay the rate instalment by this date means that interest at the annual rate of 17.25 per cent will be charged from December 10, 1987 — the date the rates became due and payable.

The interest charge is a requirement of the Local Government Act.

COUNCIL MEETING DATES

May 10	Standing Committees 7.30 pm
17	General Purposes Committee 7.30 pm
24	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.

Ron retires after 19 years with Kew

Ron Cook, Kew's By-laws Officer, retired on April 22 after serving the residents of Kew for 19 years.

Ron joined the City of Kew in April 1969 as traffic officer and spent five years in that job before becoming the City's by-laws officer.

He's been in that position for the last 14 years and says he knows 90 per cent of Kew's population and almost every dog in Kew.

Ron said, "In my sort of job a lot of funny and unusual things happen. When I tell people about some of my experiences, they just don't believe me."

"One day I picked up an abandoned puppy and after trying to find its owner, decided I'd have to take it to the Lost Dogs Home. Instead of putting the puppy in the back of the van behind the grille, I put him in the front seat beside me and when I got to the home, I shut him in the van while I went to book him in.

The puppy obviously wasn't happy about being abandoned (as he thought) twice in one day (or may be he had an inkling about what might happen to him), because he locked me out of the van. It's true. When I got back to the van I found he'd jumped up on the door lock, pushed the button down, and had locked me out."

Ron said that not many people would realise that although he's a dog catcher, he's also a dog lover.

"I'd far rather find a happy home for an abandoned dog than run the risk of having to have it put down. In my 14 years as by-laws officer, I've found hundreds of homes for unwanted pets."

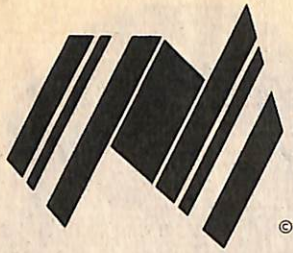
Ron's advice to those planning to buy a pet? Think very carefully about it and make sure you realise your obligations to your pet are the same as those to any member of your family, any of your friends and any person you come in to contact with. Animals have feelings, too.

Ron is sad to be leaving his job. He says he's made hundreds of friends in Kew — residents, business people, and dogs — and he's really grateful for all the help he's had over the years from residents, ratepayers and Council staff.

Ron plans to spend the early part of his retirement renovating his home, continuing his woodworking hobby, and looking after his pot plants — all 1000 of them.



● Kew By-laws Officer, Ron Cook, who retired after 19 years service with the City of Kew.



News from Kew Bicentennial Committee

With almost half the Bicentennial year gone, it is time for us to reflect on what we have achieved so far.

In January we held a very successful community flag raising ceremony and barbecue breakfast on Australia Day. It was one of the best functions we have ever had in Kew and the community spirit was fantastic.

Kew Festival was another successful event for us and we must congratulate the Kew Festival Committee and all those who participated in the Kew Festival for making it one of the best ever staged. Who will ever forget the faces of the thousands of people who watched the Festival Fireworks Display?

During Kew Festival there were two very special events which warrant comment.

The installation of the historical horse trough and hitching post outside the Boroondara Cemetery gates on Festival Day and the photographic contest, 'Images of Kew'. The horse trough and hitching post really enhance the cemetery environs and have been the subject of much comment since they were installed.

The photographic competition produced many fine pictures of people and places in Kew, from both young and older camera enthusiasts, and also received much comment from those who saw it.

Months of planning has gone into the erection of the Bicentennial Rotunda in Alexandra Gardens and we are thrilled with the result. We're launching the project with an old-fashioned garden party and music recital and you will find more details in this issue of Kewriosity.

Another of our major projects for the Bicentennial is under way now — planning for a Children's Day in Victoria Park during Children's Week in October. The committee is working with all the schools in Kew to make sure this is a fantastic event and one that the children will never forget.

With planting of the Urban Forest in Stradbroke Park under way and work expected to start anytime on the Bicentennial Tapestry, it's great to see all our efforts beginning to be appreciated by the wider Kew community.

We've been very keen to make some permanent reminders of Australia's Bicentenary for the Kew citizens who follow us and we're pleased to see our efforts bearing fruit.

Gerard Petrie
Chairman

NOTICES

Because of some confusion over bookings for the Kew Library Complex Hall, we want to advise all those interested in the Boroondara Bushwalkers Club, that their monthly meetings are held now on the third Wednesday of the month in the Kew Library Complex Hall, off Cotham Road, at 8pm. Details: Fritz Schaumburg, President, on 817 1640.

Any confusion regarding these meetings is sincerely regretted.

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An under 15's Disco will be held on Saturday, May 14 at 7.10pm at the 4th Kew Scout Hall, Glass Street, East Kew. Food, lighting and music will be provided. Booking information: 859 5958 or 859 9271. A small number of tickets will be sold at the door at a cost of \$3.50.

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Studley Park Kindergarten has a number of places available for 3 year olds. Two sessions are available on Tuesday mornings and Thursday afternoons. The kindergarten is in a parkland setting, has a friendly and caring atmosphere, and offers stimulating activities and excursions throughout the year. Call at 31 Stawell Street or ring Sharon Hedley on 861 3704.

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Kew Baptist Church has services in Vietnamese three out of four Sundays in the month and enquiries may be made by ringing Reverend Nguyen, after hours, on 818 1459. The Church is on the corner of Cotham Road and Highbury Grove, Kew.

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The Asthma Foundation's monthly education sessions are on Tuesday, May 3 at 10.30am and 7.30pm, at 2 Highfield Grove, Kew.

The education sessions are free and are for small groups of patients with asthma, and their families. They are conducted by a specialist physician and include specially prepared audio-visual material, demonstrations of techniques, and a question and answer session.

The Foundation's Education Officer, Margaret Hampson, can help with your enquiries on 861 5666.

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Kew's only Bingo game

As a fundraising venture, Kew Citizens' Band runs regular Bingo sessions each Saturday night at the Kew Music Centre, East Kew Primary School, corner of Windella Avenue and Beresford Street, Kew.

This regular Bingo game offers a great friendly atmosphere in a bright, air-conditioned venue, free supper, good prizes, a Jackpot, and lucky number games. Eyes down is at 8pm.

Enquiries may be made by ringing the Band's President, Ian Mathers, on 878 3132 (h) or 729 4988 (w).



Neighbourhood Watch

Although only a new venture for the Victorian Police, their 'Crimestoppers' campaign is far more successful than they originally expected.

Information given to the campaign has led to 39 arrests and 130 charges being laid since the program began five months ago.

One of the Kew Neighbourhood Watch groups, Area H66, have invited 'Crimestoppers' coordinator, Detective Inspector Ken McKenzie, to be their guest speaker at their next meeting on Monday, May 9 at 8.00pm.

The meeting will be held in Kew Library Complex Hall, beside the Library, off Cotham Road and all Kew residents are invited to attend.

Inspector McKenzie will talk about the inception of the 'Crimestoppers' program in Victoria, its success, how Neighbourhood Watch groups have helped the program and how they can help the 'Crimestoppers' campaign team in the future.

Do you play scrabble?

Every Wednesday night at Kew Community House, 6-8 Derby Street, Kew, you can play Scrabble.

Any standard player is welcome — beginners, too — and there is wheelchair access from the rear of the building for disabled players.

Play starts at 7.30pm and Leslie Mack can help you with enquiries on 578 6767.

Immunisation dates for May

North Kew Infant Welfare Centre's monthly immunisation session is on Wednesday, May 4 from 9am to 10.30am, at 152 Peel Street, Kew.

East Kew Infant Welfare Centre's monthly session is on Wednesday, May 18 from 9am to 10.30am at 21 Strathalbyn Street, Kew.

The Evening Immunisation and Adult Rubella Session is on Tuesday, May 17 from 6.30 to 7.30pm, in the Kew Library Complex Hall, off Cotham Road, Kew.

For further enquiries ring: North Kew Centre on 861 9466; East Kew Centre on 859 1380; or the Council's Health Surveyors, John Podlena or Mark Homden, on 862 2466.

Happy Easter from local bakery

A group of elderly citizens in Kew were treated to Hot Cross Buns at Easter.

The group are all members of HKC Activities Centre which meets at Kew Baptist Church Hall in Highbury Grove each Wednesday.

The buns, donated by Baker's Delight of Hawthorn, were well received by HKC members according to their day co-ordinator, Chris Finkelstein.

"They were a pleasant change from the scones we usually serve and members, co-ordinators and volunteers alike, really appreciate Baker's Delight's gesture."



• Hot Cross Buns on their way from the Baker's Delight, Glenferrie Road, Hawthorn to HKC Activities Centre, Highbury Grove, Kew.

Kew Cottages wins Advance Australia Award

The Advance Australia Foundation has presented one of its prestigious Advance Australia Awards to Kew Cottages.

Chairman of the Foundation's Victoria Committee, Mr Brian Powell, said Kew Cottages was nominated for its award by a member of his committee.

Kew Cottages won its award for its outstanding contribution to community service.

The Governor of Victoria, Dr Davis McCaughey, presented the award to Kew Cottages Chief Executive, Mr Max Jackson, at a special reception at Government House in February.

Mr Jackson said "Kew Cottages is absolutely delighted and thrilled to have been one of the 14 recipients of the award for 1987."

"Receiving the award on behalf of all our residents, their families, and our hard-working staff, was a very proud moment for me, because Kew Cottages has a 100 year history of caring community service."

The Advance Australia Awards are open to all Australians from all walks of life. Since their introduction in May, 1980, they have become an integral part of the Advance Australia campaign begun in 1979.

The presentation, held in each State every year, is a chance for all Australians to publicly say 'thank you' to the groups and individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the enrichment and advancement of Australia.

Among the Victorian recipients of the award this year were Bishop Hollingworth of the Brotherhood of St Laurence; former Chief Commissioner of the Victoria Police, Mr Mick Miller; entertainers John Farnham and Darryl Cotton, and 3RPH — Radio for the Print Handicapped.

Kew Cottages provides residential care and support for its residents, recreational, therapeutic and training activities in four community centre buildings, a large physiotherapy and swimming pool complex, and an industrial work area.

There is also an Education Department special school for 80 of the younger Cottage residents.

Mr Jackson said "Kew Cottages has been in existence for 100 years but it now provides a vastly improved quality of life for its intellectually disabled residents."

"We care for about 800 people and give

them the basic care, support and services they need to promote their individual growth."

To do this, Kew Cottages employ a broad range of nursing and non-nursing professional staff such as occupational and speech therapists, psychologists, social workers, and others.

"We encourage our residents to become independent by utilising their own particular skills and strengths within their total living environment. Our unit staff, by furnishing and decorating each unit as closely as possible to the home environment, try to create a homely atmosphere for each resident."

"Our aim for every resident is that their lifestyle should resemble, as closely as possible, that of any other community member."

With a Government report due soon on discussions resulting from its interim 10-Year Plan for service re-development for intellectually disabled Victorians — and its discussions and proposals for the re-development of the Willsmere Hospital site which houses Kew Cottages — the future for Kew Cottage residents is very uncertain at the moment.

New Ward Names

Kew Council has decided on the names for its four new wards which become operative on August 6 this year.

They are Willsmere, Sackville, Studley Park and Prospect.

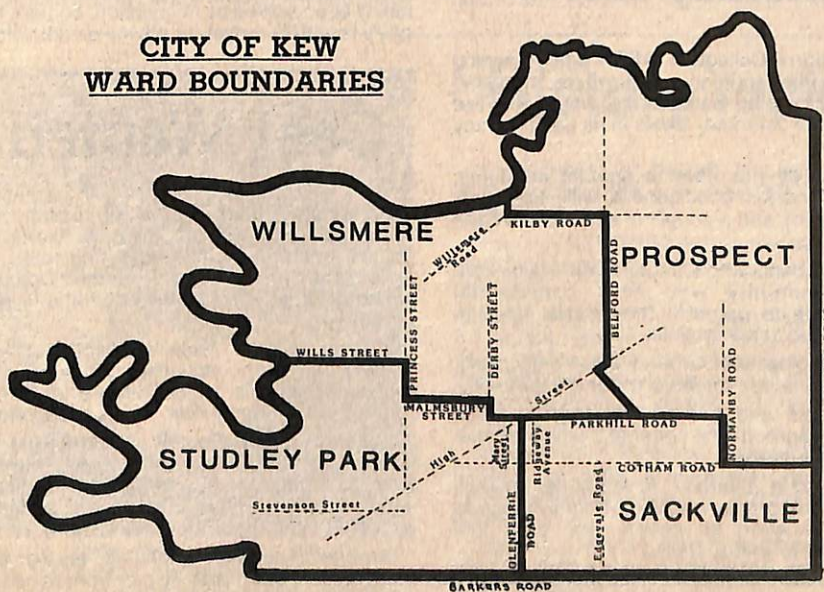
The two new ward names are Willsmere and Sackville — the names of the two other wards remain the same, but their boundaries have changed.

The reduction in the number of wards, and changes to ward boundaries, came about because Kew Council, in conjunction with the Ministry for Local Government, wanted to correct the current imbalance in the distribution of voters between electoral subdivisions so that the principle of one vote, one value, applied across all electoral boundaries.

The changes mean that all 15 Kew councillors go out of office at the election on August 6, but only 12 will make up the new Council.

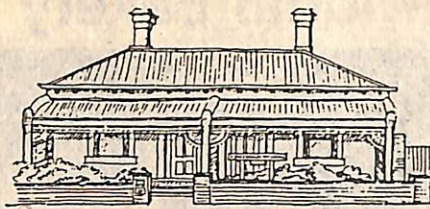
If you have any enquiries regarding the ward boundary changes or council elections you are invited to contact the Council's Administrative Officer, Alan Chung, on 862 2466.

CITY OF KEW WARD BOUNDARIES



KEW COMMUNITY HOUSE

Co-ordinator: Judy Price



6 DERBY STREET, KEW, VIC. 3101
Telephone: 862 3126

I am writing this to you up in the mountains below Mount Hotham — it's beautiful. The river is gurgling beside me and the sky is blue and the sun glorious.

It's my Easter break and it's time to reflect on all the good things about being a co-ordinator of a community house.

There are always new faces at the door and the chance of people sharing bits of their life experiences with you. This can happen over a cup of coffee, but it is also likely that during our short informal courses, I'll get the chance to make new acquaintances and to discover that we all share some common problems.

If you are prepared to drop in and see us or come to our regular drop-in lunches every Wednesday, or enrol in some of our short courses, you too can meet new friends, make new acquaintances, learn new skills and share new and old problems.

For busy people, some of our classes are just one or two sessions — classes like 'How to write those special letters'; Chinese cooking, pressed flowers, flower arranging and calligraphy.

Then there are those of three to four sessions — Winter fare cooking; patchwork cushions; French cooking; simple cross stitch; typing; home maintenance and relaxation.

For those who want a thorough knowledge of a subject, we can offer languages — conversational German and Italian. Or nutrition — in today's society of fast and packaged foods, we have a doctor who specialises in nutrition who is willing to teach good eating habits and nutrition in just eight lessons.

A secondary art and crafts teacher has offered a six week course in lead-lighting a window panel, a lampshade, a terrarium, and because he can supply the materials at wholesale prices, costs for the classes are much lower than those you will pay elsewhere.

We've got people interested in forming a Bridge Club and a Book Club so if you would like to join either of these, please give me a ring.

Our Scrabble Club has got off the ground but still needs new members to make it a more viable proposition — interested? — please give me a call.

You can pick up a second term course outline at Kew Community House or at Kew Library or you can ring me on 862 3126 for more details.

If you would like to arrange child care while you attend any of our classes then remember to discuss that with me too.

I look forward to seeing you at our house, soon.

Top honours to Kew band

Kew Citizens' Band won the title 'Best Australian Band' in the A-grade section of the Australian Bicentennial Band Championships in Sydney at Easter.

In this very high standard competition, Kew Citizens' Band finished in second place just 2 points behind New Zealand's Tenderkist Wanganui Band.

Competing in the 16 band section were five world famous New Zealand bands, the Kellerup Brass, Continental Airlines Brass Band, and last year's champions and close Kew rivals, Hawthorn Citizens' Band, who finished eight points behind Kew in the competition.

Because of its success, Kew Citizens' Band has been selected to represent Australia in the World Band Championships being held in Brisbane as part of World Expo 88.

Band president, Ian Mathers, said "This is a great honour for the band and the City of Kew. We have the chance to put Kew on the world band map in Brisbane and we'll be trying our best to win at the Expo championships."

"The fact that we've been chosen to represent Australia is a great reward for all the hard work that our band and its musical director, Doug Trotman, have put in over many years."

Training sessions for voluntary literacy tutors

Swinburne College of TAFE is again planning a short day training program for men and women, from all walks of life, who would like to become volunteer tutors in its adult literacy program.

Tutors do not need a special academic background, just good general skills, tolerance, enthusiasm, and a couple of spare hours each week!

The students who are tutored are adults from the community who seek confidential assistance to upgrade their basic spelling, writing and reading skills.

Tutoring is built around each individual's skills and needs for work or for life generally.

Students and tutors work together at a mutually agreed time either at Swinburne or at their local library.

The Adult Literacy Program is a well-established program which offers a bridge to adult education for people who don't feel confident to join a class.

If you are interested in this very worthwhile way of using your spare time, please give Mary Sutherland a ring at Swinburne on 819 8816.

Annoyed by noise?

Noise pollution is with us almost all the time but we often don't recognise how serious its effects can be.

Noise can cause serious disturbances to our relaxation and sleep. If it is allowed to continue, it may cause severe mental stress. It could also bring about very real physical problems such as chronic exhaustion, high blood pressure and heart disease.

A quieter environment means less stress, more relaxation, and a happier and healthier community.

The best approach if you have noisy neighbours is to talk to them about the noise and try to settle the problem. It is important to keep on friendly terms with your neighbour.

You should seek help from us and from other authorities only if you have tried to do this and failed.

It may be helpful to know what the law is when you speak to your neighbour. The Nuisance Section of the Health Act, Kew Council by-laws 115 and 116, and Section 48A of the Environment Protection Act 1970, all make it an offence to create unreasonable noise at any time of the day on residential premises. The Environment Protection Act also makes it an offence to create noise from certain items of equipment during prescribed prohibited hours if the noise can be heard in a habitable room in your house.

Councils and the police have the power to take action over complaints about noise on residential and industrial premises, about noise from entertainment venues, burglar alarms, motor vehicles and air conditioners and pool filters.

For immediate relief of noise at night, contact your local police station.

Wherever possible, Council strives to prevent noise problems from major developments, or from household installations and renovations, in the planning stages.

If you intend installing an air conditioner or swimming pool or spa filter, or if you have a noise problem in your neighbourhood which hasn't been settled by negotiation, contact the city's Health Surveyor for advice on 862 2466.

Cast Wanted

An amateur theatrical group which will rehearse regularly in Kew, is seeking applications for singing and acting roles — either principals or chorus — for their October presentation of Franz Lehár's operetta *Gypsy Love*.

The group, the Viola Musical Comedy Society, will be conducting auditions and weekly rehearsals in St Hilary's Anglican Church, John Street, Kew, for its production.

Secretary of the Society, David Keane, is holding principal auditions on Monday, May 9, from 8pm, but those intending to audition should contact him to make an audition appointment.

Anyone interested in singing, acting, set construction, backstage help or front-of-house activities, should contact David on 383 1486 after 7pm.

Historical horse trough and hitching post restored

One of the projects undertaken by the Kew Bicentennial Committee as a permanent reminder of Australia's 200th birthday, was the restoration and re-siting of an historical horse trough and hitching post at Boroondara Cemetery.

Because of the historical connection of the horse trough and hitching post with Boroondara Cemetery, the committee decided this site was the most suitable place to put the restored items.

Although horse-drawn trams were a feature of Kew in 1856 when they ran from Hawthorn Bridge to Kew Junction, it was not until 1887 that the first horse-drawn tram collected cable tram passengers from Victoria Bridge and ferried them to Boroondara Cemetery.

When the trams reached the cemetery, the driver used to unhitch his horse, take it across to the lane nearby where the water trough stood, then after it had quenched its thirst, he would hitch the horse on to the outgoing end of the tram and make his return journey to Victoria Bridge.

The restored horse trough at Boroondara Cemetery is one of about 500 such troughs erected in Australia by a large bequest from the Estate of George and Annis Bills.

The Bills, a childless couple who migrated from England in 1850, were successful in business and devoted their lives to animal welfare.

George Bills was a Life Governor of the R.S.P.C.A. and in his will, he directed that income from his estate be used to "build drinking troughs for horses and other dumb animals for the alleviation of suffering animals in any country."

Troughs were supplied and erected free of charge by the Bills Trust, but Councils were responsible for the maintenance of the troughs and for seeing they were continuously filled with clean water.

As well as troughs erected all around Australia, the Bills Trust erected them in England, Ireland and Japan. Money from the Trust was also used to erect drinking troughs for donkeys in Switzerland.

The hitching post was one of many located all over Kew. There were several in Parkhill Road and in other areas around the Cemetery,



but with the advent of the motor car, they have long since disappeared.

According to Mr G. F. Bade who restored the hitching post, it originally stood outside the old Kew Town Hall in Walpole Street — the site now occupied by Safeway Supermarket.

It is thought the Bills Estate also supplied the hitching posts around Kew.

Our thanks to Dorothy Benyai, voluntary archivist and a member of the Kew Historical Society, who researched and supplied the information for this article.

We hope to have more articles on interesting aspects of Kew's history during Australia's Bicentennial Year.

An interesting note from Dorothy — In the days when people rode on horseback or in horse-drawn vehicles, water barrels were placed outside hotels for the use of horses and

● The Mayor of Kew, Councillor Jim Tutt, at the unveiling ceremony of Kew's historical horse trough and hitching post. Pictured with him are Dorothy Benyai (second from left) and Sue Leong (right) from the Kew Historical Society and Jim Fahey (left) and Jim Thompson, trustees of the Boroondara Cemetery Trust.

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travellers. Even teetotalers had to stop at most hotels along their route to water their horses!

Water barrels gradually gave way to horse troughs and before electric trams, trains and motor cars took the place of horse-drawn vehicles, horse troughs — and hitching posts to tether the horses while they drank — were commonplace.



● Helen Joyce (left) founder of Kew Lioness Club, with Lynette Bell, current club president, and the club's 10th birthday cake decorated by club secretary, Judy Dent, and her son.

History making service club

Kew Lioness Club, the very first Lioness Club in Melbourne, has just celebrated its 10th birthday.

The club, founded by its first president, Helen Joyce, still has nine of its original 15 charter members.

Helen said that in 1977, very keen to start a Lioness Club, she wrote to 80 women — some friends, some acquaintances, some old schoolmates, some people from political parties and some people she just thought would be eager beavers.

Few bothered to answer, Helen said, but 22 women attended a feasibility meeting in February 1978 and the Kew Lioness Club was formed.

Lionesses devote their time to fundraising for the support of community groups and community projects.

"Not only do we work for the community and

for others, but we also share friendship within our club and with other Lioness clubs."

"Our club is a 'fun' club and we consider the very feature of enjoying ourselves as we help others, to be our greatest strength."

As with any club, members come and go. Kew Lioness Club is losing some of its original members, soon, and because it likes to keep its membership at about thirty, is recruiting new members now.

If you are interested in joining Kew Lioness Club, its members suggest you go along to 2 or 3 meetings to learn all about what the club has to offer the community and what membership of the club has to offer you.

This attendance does not commit you to the club but gives you a better understanding of what it is all about.

More details can be provided by ringing 819 1561.

Mothers Matter Too



By Carina Buttner

EVERY Mum is a working Mum.

That's the message the Kew Nursing Mothers group wants to spread during the next week in the lead-up to Mother's Day.

It's National Mothering Week — a time for family and friends to give a little extra thought to Kew's many hard-working mums.

Some mothers work full-time in the home. Others combine the work of mothering with paid or voluntary work in the community. But whatever their role, mothers work hard. For many, the eight-hour day is just a dream — they're on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

That's not to say that Kew's mothers don't enjoy their jobs or that they don't appreciate the help given by husbands, family and friends. A cheeky baby smile, or the words "I love you, Mum" are often enough to make it all worthwhile — even if it is 3 am and you feel you're the only person still awake in Kew.

But it is disappointing that mothers should still hear comments such as: "You're only a mother" or "Oh, you don't work any more".

The Nursing Mothers' Association calls on mothers in Kew and throughout Australia to promote their own cause a little more during National Mothering Week.

We are all "working mothers", making a valuable contribution to both our own families

● *A well-earned break . . . one of Kew's many "working mums" enjoys the chance to play with her two children.*

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and the future of our nation. It's just that some of us don't get a regular paypacket.

You can meet some of Kew's "working mums" through the Nursing Mothers' Association which holds regular social functions for mothers and their babies. For details phone 861 9665 or 817 5721.



If you were born in Australia, you've probably never pondered the question of citizenship.

But if you were to attend a citizenship ceremony, several of which are held in Kew each year, you might be surprised at the diversity of people who become Australian citizens and who contribute so much to the development of our nation.

At the most recent ceremony in April, 30 candidates from 14 different countries of origin pledged their allegiance to Australia.

The Mayor, Councillor Jim Tutt, welcomed them as full members of the Kew community and presented them with their certificates of Australian citizenship.

After each ceremony, our new citizens are served supper by volunteers from the Citizens' Advice Bureau who offer a personal welcome and outline how the bureau can help those in need.

For all citizens, new and old, Kew Citizens' Advice Bureau offers a wide range of advisory services on all aspects of civic and national affairs.

The bureau is at the rear of the Kew Library, in the Library Complex off Cotham Road, and is open weekdays from 10am to 3pm. You can ring during bureau hours on 861 5244 and one of the volunteers will be able to help.

Interested in 'Jack High'?

Then you must be interested in lawn bowls.

Kew Bowling Club is recruiting new members for its club at 14 Wellington Street, Kew.

All you need to do is ring any of the members listed and make arrangements to go along to the club for a trial run. A time will be arranged to suit you.

Coaching is free and apart from casual clothes for your initial introduction, all you need is a pair of flat-soled shoes or sandshoes.

The club is not restricted by age — it wants young and not-so-young members, males and females.

If for some reason you decide you don't want to bowl, you might like to join the social activities of the club. It is fully licensed.

Club President, Ian Cullen on 861 9650, and Club Secretary, Frank Corrie, on 861 9650, will happily help with your enquiries.



Footy News

Kew has shown fine pre-season form with wins against Aberfeldie, Old Brighton, Balaclava, St Bernard's and Balwyn.

The Reserves, under new coach Barry Tobias, have also recorded some fine wins while the club eighteen are set for another good season under coach, Tom Vana.

Senior Coach, Brett Burden, said that although the wins against Aberfeldie and Balwyn have indicated that amateur football is of a very high standard and that Kew can win against various local suburban clubs, players should not allow any complacency to creep in.

During May the matches are:

- May 7 — Kew versus Ivanhoe (away)
- May 14 — Kew versus Fawkner (away)
- May 21 — Kew versus Parkside (home)
- May 28 — Kew versus Bulleen-Templestowe (away)

If you have a friend or family member who plays for Kew, why not go along and give him your support — make Kew Football Club a true family club.

Michael Bollman can help with any enquiries on 818 6536 (h), 653 0481 (w) or 817 1118 (the club pavilion).

Ian Job, the Club's vice-president, is still accumulating the history of Kew, Kew District and East Kew Football Clubs and would like to hear from you if you have any information which could help him. Ring 859 4706 (h) or 418 3223 (w).