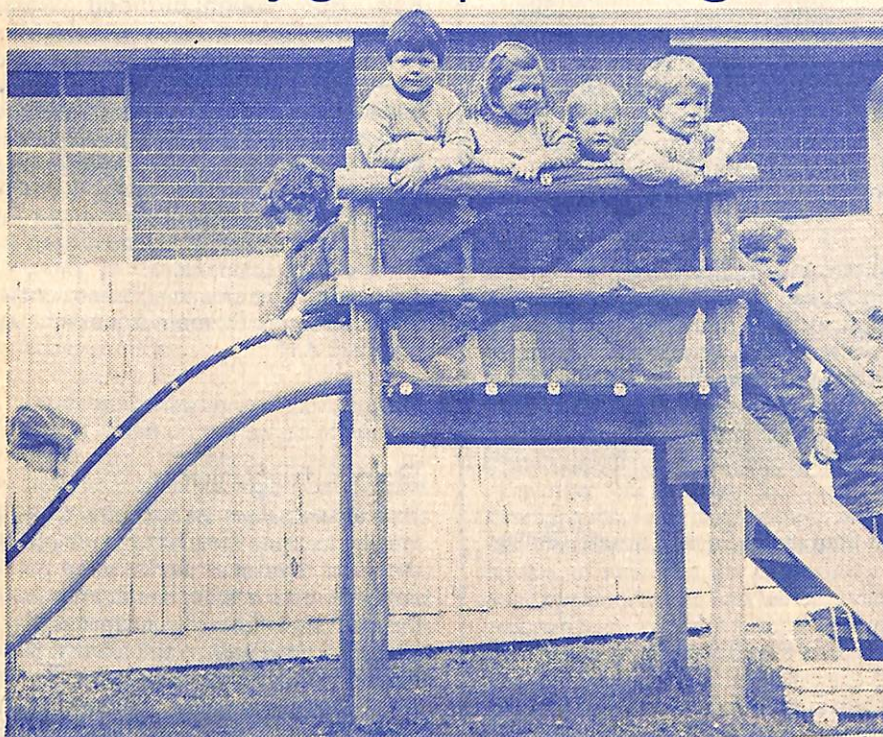


# KEWRIOSITY

Municipal Offices,  
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## Kew Playgroups are great!



Stania Tribbick

What is a playgroup? Playgroups provide preschool children with a range of social and learning experiences and give parents a chance to develop social contacts and friendships with people living in the local area. Two major playgroups operate in Kew. Highbury Grove offers a low cost drop-in facility with co-ordinators, and the playgroup's hours will be extended from 9.30am — 2.00pm on Wednesdays and Fridays during the school holidays. Woodlands Avenue provides a more structured environment with co-ordinator and a care option for children.

**Highbury Grove** — Parents with children aged 0-6 years are always welcome at Highbury Grove. The Playgroup operates on Wednesdays and Fridays 9.30am — 12.30pm on a drop-in basis. Co-ordinators are at both sessions. The cost is \$1.00 per family and sandwiches and drinks are supplied. Parents are asked to bring a piece of fruit. For further details please ring Jean McCombie 861-7093 or Karen Clarke 862-1189.

**Woodlands Avenue** — Over 80 families with young children attend one 2 hour session per week at the rear of the Baptist Church in Woodlands Avenue, East Kew. The children participate in a diverse range of play activities under the supervision of two paid staff — a kindergarten trained directress and an assistant. Most parents choose to stay with their children and meet other local people. However, children may be left in care for a small additional fee. Membership of the group is open to all families with young children.

Anyone interested in seeing the group in operation should ring the centre on 859-6475 between 9.30am — 11.30am on weekdays to arrange an inspection. Information on fees for 1987 is available from committee members — Beaty Masters on 859-1975 or Jennie Staples on 817-1350. Enrolments for next year are being taken by the directress, Jennifer Bede, on 598-2327 (A.H.)

Beaty Masters  
Karen Clarke

## A gentle reminder about Kew's By-laws

Don't smoke your neighbour out!

Now that summer is here, with the promise of beautiful weather, holidays, barbecues and plenty of time to do the odd bit of cleaning up in the garden, a reminder about incinerators and burning is timely.

Kew Council By-laws state that it is **prohibited to burn on a Sunday or a Monday and only between the hours of 8am and 6pm on other days.**

You must not burn any material which emits toxic or offensive fumes or excessive smoke.

Burning must take place in a **properly constructed incinerator** which must not be within **1 metre** of any boundary fence or wall, **3 metres** of any dwelling on the same property or **4 metres** of any other dwelling.

**Buring during prohibited hours can incur a fine of \$400.**

While on the subject, please make sure your properties are free of undergrowth, or any other material which is likely to constitute a fire menace to any neighbouring property. Inspections can be made on properties for the purpose of preventing fires or minimising the possibility of the spread of fires.

Have you considered alternatives to burning garden waste? For information about composting and recycling, contact Council's Parks and Gardens Department on **862-1773** or the Environment Protection Authority on **651-4011**.

It's the neighbourly thing to do.

For any enquiries about By-laws contact Ron Cook on **862-2466**.

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# Dates for December

1

**Kew Playground Committee**, 8.00pm at the Peel Street Infant Welfare Centre. Contact Belinda Sims, 861 8158 or Sue Hill, 862 1724.

2

**Asthma Foundation of Victoria**, Community Education Session, 2 Highfield Grove, 10.30am or 7.30pm. Lecture by respiratory specialist, videos and question time. Covers all aspects of asthma, trigger factors and medication.

4

**Kew Nursing Mothers' Association**, Coffee Morning, 10am—12noon at the home of Ann McKenzie, 13 Boorool Road, East Kew. Babies and toddlers welcome and please bring a plate if possible. For further details ring Lorraine Graham, 859 8065 or Kay Noske, 817 5721.

7

**Kew Skindiving Club** social dive, including snorkelling, skindiving and underwater photography. All welcome. Ring 836 2222 for details.

8

**Kew Citizens' Band** Annual General Meeting, 8pm in the Music Centre at Kew East Primary School, Kitchener Street.

**Kew Nursing Mothers' Association**, 8.00pm at the home of Marlene Susman, 31 Sutherland Avenue, East Kew. A social worker will speak on "Introducing a new sibling to the family". For further details, ring as above.

10

**Hyde Park Fellowship** Annual General Meeting, 2pm. All welcome.

11

**Kew Garden Club** Christmas Party, 8pm at the Senior Citizens' Centre.

12

**The Probus Club of Kew** annual cocktail party, 7pm at the Sciences Club, 191 Royal Parade, Parkville.

16

**Kew Community House** Christmas Break-Up, 12—2pm. Lunch provided.

17

**Kew Legacy Widows' Club** Christmas luncheon and final meeting for the year. Speaker: social worker from the Department of Veterans' Affairs will speak on the services available to widows. Contact: 859 2346 (ah).

21

**Carols by Candlelight**, 8.30pm. Petrie Square (in front of the Municipal Offices).

## notices

### New Neighbourhood Watch area

Another Neighbourhood Watch programme is being implemented — in the East Kew area bounded by Kilby Rd./High St./Valerie St./Belford Rd. (called the 'East Kew H65 Neighbourhood Watch Programme').

A great deal of enthusiasm and support is needed to implement the programme, and shortly we will be calling on residents in 'our' area asking them to participate in the programme, which involves making a donation so that we can purchase equipment such as street signs, engraving pens to mark each household item for ready identification, etc.

For further information, please contact the Secretary, Colleen Anderson, on 859-7029 A.H.

### Babysitting clubs

The Kew-Balwyn Babysitting Club is looking for more families to participate in the club. The club works on a points system and each family has a turn at being the exchange. It would suit families in the Kew, East Kew, Balwyn and North Balwyn areas. If you are interested and would like some more information please ring the secretary Margaret Picken on 817-2902.

### Pensionati Italiani!

Nuovo Circolo è stato formato per Kew, Hawthorn e Camberwell. Per informazione, tel. Sign. Puccini 836 7508, Signa. Campefatto.

## Christmas services

### Anglican

**Kew:** Holy Trinity, High Street, 24th Dec. — 11.30pm; 25th Dec. — 8am, 10.00am.  
**St Hilary's**, John Street: 24th Dec. — 11.30-midnight; 25th Dec. — 8.00am, 9.45am. **East Kew:** St. Paul's, Windella Avenue: 24th Dec. — 11.30pm; 25th Dec. — 8am-10am.

### Baptist

**Kew:** Highbury Grove: 25th Dec. — 9.30am (combined with the Uniting Church. Kew. in the Baptist Church).

**East Kew:** Woodlands Avenue: 25th Dec. — 9.30am.

### Catholic

**Kew:** Sacred Heart, Cotham Road, 24th Dec. — 7.30pm, 10pm. Mass in Dutch; 25th Dec. — 8am, 9.30am, 11.00am.  
**East Kew:** St Anne's, Beresford Street, 24th Dec. — 7.30pm. Young Families: 25th Dec. — 8am, 10.30am.  
**North Kew:** St Joachim's Church, Barnard Grove, 25th Dec. — 9am.

### Church of Christ

**East Kew:** Valerie Street: 25th Dec. — 9am.

### Uniting Church

**Kew:** Highbury Grove, 25th Dec. — 9.30am (combined with Kew Baptist, in the Baptist Church).  
**East Kew:** Normanby Road, 24th Dec. — 11.30pm, 25th Dec. — 9am. Hyde Park: Pakington St. (near Earl St), 25th Dec. — 9.30am.



# Commentary

## The year that was

1986 has certainly been a challenging year for Kew. A great deal of Council's time has been given to the restructure issue, which saw the threat of the amalgamation of Kew into a larger municipality, come and go.

While restructure had negative consequences by creating an atmosphere of uncertainty, delaying major projects and making forward planning impossible, there have also been positive effects.

In preparing our arguments to retain the status quo, Council underwent a rigorous self assessment. As part of this process, we commissioned a survey of residents' attitudes to the range and quality of services we provide and compared Kew's financial performance with that of 11 selected councils.

The results were very encouraging and we have acted on the areas of resident concern, most notably by increasing our budget allocation for road and footpath maintenance and by moving on our plans for a full day child care centre.

Other research centred around social, demographic, economic and financial analyses which have combined to give us a very clear picture of the Kew community, its advantages and assets and its areas of need.

Responding to community needs and providing channels through which these needs can be expressed, has always been a high priority for Council.

Over the remaining months of my mayoral year, I would like to encourage as much Council-resident contact as possible. All Councillors are very approachable and it's only by letting your representatives know your concerns that appropriate action can be taken.

I intend to hold a barbecue in each ward as a means of meeting residents informally and discussing their perceptions of the municipality. This will be an effective and enjoyable way of getting in touch with ward concerns.

I would like to remind residents that all Council and Committee meetings are open to the public. It is at the committee stage that issues are discussed in depth, so if there is a subject which concerns you, it is there that your input can have most effect.

Agendas of council and committee meetings are available in the library at the end of the week prior to the meeting taking place.



I'd also like to mention the Kew Community Festival, held in March of each year. The festival is a showcase for all aspects of Kew and an opportunity to assert our identity. The Festival Committee has been busy for some months planning events, so watch *Kewriosity* for details.

As our thoughts turn to Christmas and holidays, on behalf of Councillors and my wife, Cecilia, I would like to wish residents a very happy and safe Christmas and all the best for the New Year.

**Cr Joe Orlando**  
Mayor

## good gardening



### Trees: friends or foes?

Large trees are a real asset in Kew, adding beauty, shade and fresh air. However, a tree growing in the wrong place can be a real problem. We quite often hear of neighbours in dispute over a nuisance caused by tree branches or roots. In most cases the people put up with the nuisance for the sake of having beautiful large trees nearby, but in some cases trees do cause genuine concern to a neighbour. They may cause excessive shading, limbs may knock tiles off roofs or roots may lift driveways, and so on.

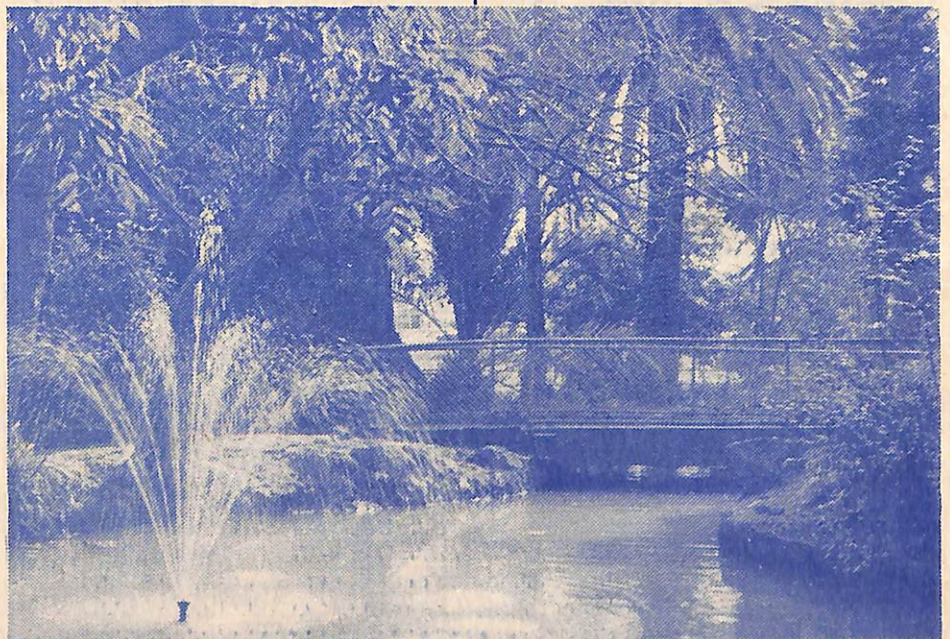
If there is a problem, the best course of action is to talk it over. You'll often find there is a compromise that will make you both happy.

To prevent problems occurring find out as much as you can about a tree before you plant it. The height, spread, density, type of root system, and structural stability of the tree are important factors to find out.

Smaller trees often do not have the same appeal but in many situations should be used to prevent future problems. Some excellent small trees (under 7 metres) I have seen growing well in Kew are as follows:

*Acer palmatum* (Japanese Maple); *Acacia baileyana* (Cootamundra Wattle); *Cercis siliquastrum* (Judas Tree); *Hoheria populnea* 'Marginata' (New Zealand Lacebark); *Magnolia soulangeana* (Saucer Magnolia); *Malus floribunda* (Japanese and Flowering Crab-apple); *Lagerstroemia indica* (Crepe-Myrtle); *Melaleuca linariifolia* (Snow in Summer).

**Peter Davies**  
Superintendent of Parks and Gardens



The Alexandra Gardens in Cotham Road — a cool place on a summer's day.



# Profile

## Cr James McKenzie

Efficiency is a key word for Central Ward Councillor, James McKenzie.

Whether it be Council meeting procedure or the ergonomic design of a house, he is concerned that all components work for maximum effect.

He first became interested in Council when traffic management in Area 10 was being discussed. He felt he could make a constructive contribution to the consultative process.

This experience led him to nominate for Council and since his election his understanding of the extent of council responsibility has grown considerably.

"I see myself as both a delegate and a representative. It is my job to balance sectional and general interests and help make decisions for the benefit of the whole community," he said.

He has found his first 18 months as Councillor very rewarding. "There is a great sense of satisfaction derived from being a working part of the larger community".

Like other Councillors, James McKenzie has a history of community involvement. His particular interest has been in working as a voluntary instructor in first aid education. He



has made basic first aid a compulsory subject for all students at Brentwood High School where he teaches art and graphics.

His interest in first aid ties in with his desire to use resources efficiently and to anticipate and thereby prevent problems from occurring. His involvement in Council's

Forward Planning Committee can be seen in the same light.

He would like to work for the streamlining of Councillor-management relations in order to increase the effectiveness of decision making. He would also like to concentrate on enhancing our assets and acting on areas which need improvement.

Not surprisingly, Cr McKenzie is very keen on co-operation between Councils and believes that planning at a regional and sub-regional level is essential.

Which all brings us back to the beginning and another of James McKenzie's interests. His main leisure activity is the design of earth shelter houses with the focus being on the energy effectiveness of building construction. He finds alternative technologies fascinating.

He also restores old furniture, enjoys skiing and relaxing in the garden, an interest he shares with his wife Bernice, a doctor. They both love the parks and gardens in Kew and working to ensure the preservation of this beauty for future generations is yet another instance of the way James McKenzie's public and private interests dovetail very neatly.

## Family Carols in Petrie Square

There are at least two times a year when families get the opportunity to get together in the gardens of Kew. One is during the very successful Kew Festival, the other is on the evening in December when the City comes together for Christmas.

This year, the Carols will be held on Sunday, December 21st, commencing at 8.30pm.

It is hoped to have a very well known TV personality as compere. As usual, the Kew Citizens' Band will provide the music. Next year the Band is going overseas and this would be a great chance for all Kew residents to come along and show them that we wish them well in Edinburgh.

The Ministers Fraternal, organisers of the carols, invite all families to join them — and don't forget your candles!

**G. Petrie**  
Co-ordinator



## Council meeting times for December

2 General Purposes

Committee 7.30pm

9 COUNCIL 8.00pm

Meetings are held in the Committee Rooms at the Municipal Offices are open to the public. There will be no Council meetings during January.

## Would you like to be part of Kewriosity?

If you are anticipating having some time on your hands in the New Year perhaps you could consider joining the Editorial Committee for Kewriosity. We meet once a month, generally at 10.30am to discuss the copy for the next issue. No experience is necessary but writing and/or graphic skills would be welcomed!

If you would like to attend a meeting (the first one for 1987 will be in the second week of January) ring Susan Schwartz on 862 2466.

### Deadline

Kewriosity is prepared and edited by Susan Schwartz, Information Officer for the City of Kew and a community based Editorial Committee. There will be no January edition, so copy for the February issue should reach the Municipal Offices by January 3rd.



## Post Office complex classified

The Post Office, Court House and Police Station complex in High Street, Kew, has been classified by the National Trust.

In the draft citation it is described as 'The earliest and finest complex of buildings in the English Queen Anne manner in Victoria'.

The complex was erected in 1887.

Council welcomes classification of this Kew landmark but is aware that real protection is dependent on the Post Office being registered under National Estate legislation.

Council is at present working towards gaining this registration.

## Don't forget to put your bottles out!

With the festive season just beginning, empty bottles may already be accumulating.

Take advantage of Council's bottle collection service to dispose of your empties quickly and easily.

Please do not put bottles in the bin. The compactor in the garbage truck can break bottles and create a hazard for the collectors.

## in brief

Bottles are picked up on the first garbage collection day of the month. The collection takes place during the day, so if your bin has been emptied and your bottles are still there, don't think you've been forgotten.

If you have a stack of empty bottles already, you can take them to the recycling centre at the Depot in Princess Street (near the Chandler Highway). The centre is open to the public from 8am to 3pm weekdays, from 10am to 2pm on Saturdays and Sundays and on all public holidays except Good Friday, Christmas Day and Anzac Day.

## Images of Kew

One of Kew's Bicentennial projects is the 'Images of Kew' photographic competition.

Amateur and professional photographers are invited to enter prints of people, places, objects — in fact of

anything that depicts life in Kew today.

Entries close on February 28th, 1987 and prizes of \$100 each will be awarded in various categories.

Entry forms are available from the Recreation Co-ordinator at the Municipal Offices or you can phone Rhys Williams on 861-7566.

With summer just around the corner it's a perfect time to get snapping!

## Kew Full Day Care Centre

Response to the article about the Kew Full Day Care Centre in last month's *Kewriosity* has been so overwhelming that the Enrolment Officer, Sue Hill, has been inundated with calls day and night.

If you would like to register your child's name for the centre, please ring Sue on 862-1724 but only between the hours of 9 and 11am.

## School Holiday Program

Council will be running its school holiday program for children and teenagers from the 5th to the 30th of January.

Watch the local papers for details about locations and activities or contact the Recreation Co-ordinator, Carolyn Graham, on 862 2466.



On Friday 24 October the Victorian Council of the Child Accident Prevention Foundation of Australia held the presentation of its Annual Merit Award. The Honorable Mrs Caroline Hogg, Minister for Community Services in Victoria, presented the 1986 Merit Award to the Maternal and Child Health Nurses of Victoria for their valuable contribution to parent education relating to child safety and accident prevention, and more specifically for their involvement in and commitment to the Early Childhood Injury Prevention Project (ECIPP).

ECIPP is a joint project of the Melbourne College of Advanced Education, the Institute of Early Childhood Development and the Child Accident Prevention Foundation of Australia.

Among the one hundred Maternal and Child Health Nurses (three from each

## Children's Services Update

region in Victoria) who enjoyed the afternoon of well-deserved festivities was Sister Peg Costello from East Kew. Sister Costello had been asked by the organisers to supply a Mum and baby to thank the Minister for her support of this excellent child safety project which operates Victoria-wide through local Infant Welfare Centres. This was a great honour for Kew,

and Damien (aged 16 months) and I were thrilled to meet the Minister and present her with a thank-you bouquet on behalf of all Victorian babies and their parents.

ECIPP is a great child safety project. If you would like to know more about it the Maternal and Child Health Nurse at your local Infant Welfare Centre will be pleased to elaborate.

**Krista Bell**



*The Hon. Caroline Hogg, with Krista Bell and Damien.*



## KEW COMMUNITY HOUSE

Co-Ordinator: Rhonda McCaw



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

### Courses for 1987

Planning is underway for 1987. Your suggestions for courses will be gratefully received and if you have a skill or craft you would like to share we would love to hear from you. If you work or are unable to attend classes during the day, don't despair, as we do intend to run night classes. The response to our 3rd term night classes has been overwhelming and obviously there are many people in our local community who are interested in pursuing leisure activities in the evening.

### VCE (TOP)

Two humanities subjects, Australian Social History and Media Studies, are to be offered in 1987. These will be run on

Monday and Tuesday mornings from 9.30 a.m. — 12.30 p.m. for the whole year. Child care is available. Contact Rhonda for more details.

### Pamphlet

Our 1st semester pamphlet will be out early February and copies will be available at the Library, Municipal Offices, kindergartens, schools and playgroups and of course at 6 Derby St, Kew.

### Christmas greetings

On behalf of the Kew Community House committee I extend my sincere thanks to all who have helped to make 1986 such a wonderful year for the Community House.

1986 has seen many changes, acquisition of No. 8, renovations, alterations and most recently an attractive child-proof fence. It has been very encouraging to have developed so much this year. Child minding at the House has worked very well under the expert eye of Virginia Kemp and with work to be started soon on the outside playing area for children 1987 should offer a happy and safe place for them.

Christmas greetings to you all and looking forward to seeing you at our Christmas Break-Up or in the New Year.

**Rhonda McCaw**  
Co-ordinator



### Christmas Break-Up

We at the Community House invite you to a Christmas Lunch at 6 Derby St, Kew, from 12-2pm on **Tuesday, 16th December**. Taste some Christmas fare and spread some Christmas cheer.

Come and meet some of the people involved at the House and put in your ideas for next year's activities.

Cost? \$2.00 per person.

Please tell Rhonda by Thursday 9th if you can come.



## Overmantle returns to Villa Alba after 90 years

Following the very successful open day at Villa Alba in April, this imposing Victorian mansion will again be open to the public on **Saturday 6th, and Sunday 7th, December**.

This special opening has been arranged to display the magnificent overmantle from the main drawing room, the first reacquired piece of original furniture or fittings, and to raise funds for its purchase.

In the auction catalogue of March 1897 which details Villa Alba's "superb and costly high art furniture", the satinwood overmantle is described as being of "most elaborate design" with mirrors, cupboards, carved panels, columns, pillars, arched recesses with handpainted landscapes, side panels painted with scenes from Romeo and Juliet and other decorative devices.

Members of the Villa Alba Preservation Committee (VAPC) will be there to act as guides and room notes will be available.

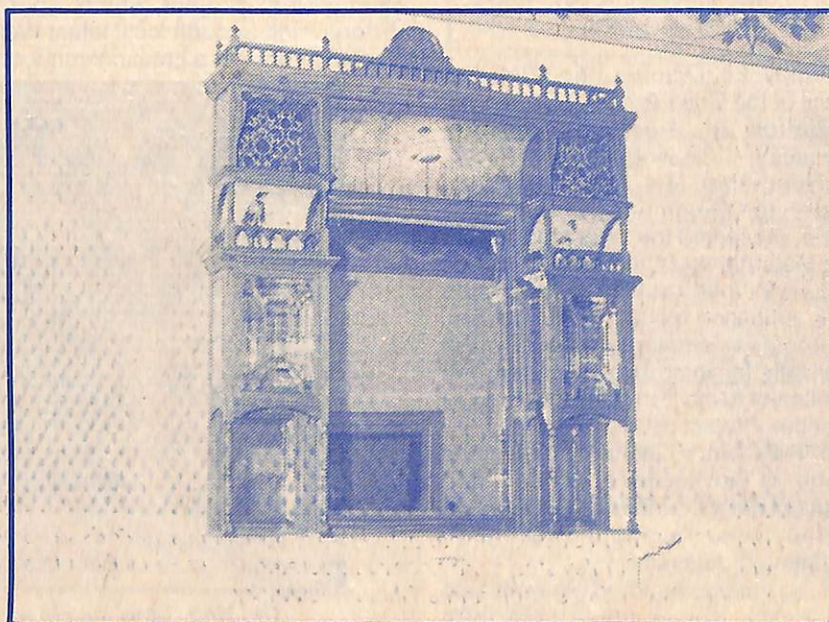
Visitors will have the opportunity to

register as "Friends of Villa Alba", a group to be convened by Mr Robert Campbell, recently retired Executive Director of Mount Royal Hospital, the owners of Villa Alba.

The overmantle was discovered by VAPC member, Mr Terence Lane, Senior Curator of Decorative Arts at the National Gallery of Victoria and very generously

made available by Mr Noel Long of Craftsman Traditional Fireplaces, on a small deposit and interest free terms.

Villa Alba will be open between **2pm and 5.30pm** on both days. The entrance is from Walmer Street (near Nolan Avenue) and tickets are \$2 and \$5 (family) with accompanied children under 12 years admitted free.





# Memories of a motor mechanic

*Mr Eric Buzza, former Kew resident, was inspired to write this article after reading last year's anniversary edition of Kewriosity, which reached him in Adelaide via West Australia!*

Around Easter 1920 I came to work at a small garage and machine shop in High Street, between Tennyson and Derby Streets, owned by H. Williams, Automotive Engineer. I was 19 years old.

We repaired cars and motorcycles, made destination signs for trams and modified the steering for the Motor Body Builders on the corner of Disraeli Street who made special bodies for Model T Fords. A Stanley Steamer operated for hire from the same address.

At that time there was plenty of vacant land around and after two or three years, Mr Williams built a larger garage at 320 High Street, on the corner of Charles Street. Nearby, there was an old house where orchardists could get a cup of tea on their way home from market.

Williams Motors soon had the Hudson and Essex car agency complete with salesmen and mechanics.

The Essex 6 was the cheapest closed car and the standard Ford could be bought for 199 pounds. You could get a Tin Lizzie in any colour as long as it was black.

In the mid-twenties the place became very busy as "talking pictures" came in and people wanted their cars returned the same day so that they could go to the movies.

Business was good until the Depression, when Williams Motors slipped back to one mechanic and one assistant.

About 1935 I joined the 1st Kew Scouts Parents' Committee. We held regular dances during the winter months. They were a great success and we made enough money through these and fetes to pay for the hall. At the dances there was a log fire and we drank milk coffee and I guess a romance or two began there.

The hall was big enough for the boys to hold display nights there and councillors would often attend. The 1st Kew Scout Hall was chosen for emergency accommodation for war victims and was partly equipped but fortunately not required for that purpose.

In 1940-41, the garage was requisitioned for defence work and manufactured jigs, screwdrivers, aeroplane engine stands and articles for the armed services. A gang of men worked 60 hours a week on war work.

Over the years Kew changed. Vacant land disappeared and it was no longer possible to get off the tram at Strathalbyn Street and walk across the paddocks to pick up Peter Hay's car or break your car springs on a rough ride along Bulleen Road.

Looking back, my 37 years in Kew leave very happy memories. Now, at almost 86, perhaps I need an "oil and grease" myself!

## Fine music all the way

The unofficial motto of radio 3MBS is "music, music, music... with just a dash of talk". It is this recipe that has kept them on air for 11 years, with subscriber members growing all the time.

The station, in Cotham Road, is run by the Music Broadcasting Society of Victoria Ltd from a building that could be kindly described as "a renovator's dream".

Undeterred by the less than aesthetic surroundings, those involved in 3MBS are dedicated to presenting fine music at the highest possible standard.

Amazingly, the highly complex task of running a radio station is performed for the most part by volunteers.



The only paid staff member is Sandy Worcester, Station Manager who "holds things together". Her husband John has been part of 3MBS from its inception and is currently president of the Board of Directors.

Volunteers determine programming policy, present programs, keep logs, run the library, perform clerical and typing duties, service the equipment, fix the furniture, wash dishes and everything else in between.

"The station would not exist without volunteers", said Sandy, marvelling at the diversity of their talents and their degree of commitment.

Sandy Worcester would love to hear from prospective volunteers. "We ask a great deal from our volunteers", she said. "They must undergo a rigorous training program in all aspects of running a radio station, but this is offset by the excitement of being involved in public broadcasting".

Potential subscribers and volunteers should contact Sandy on 817 3777.



Eric Buzza.



Williams garage at 320 High Street. The car at the petrol bowser is a 1927 Essex private hire car. It replaced the Stanley steam car and was operated by Mr Percy Bannister. The garage was flanked by a dress shop and a Chinese Laundry.



## What's what in the playground?

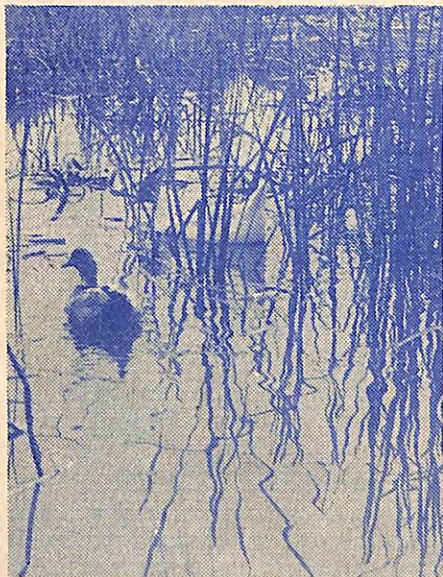
The Kew Playground Committee has been hard at work documenting the types of play equipment in Kew parks. Here are some more of their findings:

**Hays Paddock**, Leason Street: 3 spring horses, 1 spring 4 person see-saw, 1x2 swings, 2 large wooden play gyms with flying fox, duck pond, BBQ, seats, drinking fountain, 2 ovals.

**Willsmere Park**, Willow Grove (including the Billabong): seats, playing fields, pavilion.

**Hyde Park**, Willsmere and Kilby Roads, White Avenue: 1 small see-saw, 1 large tunnel/slide/tyre swing, 1 cubbie with tyre swing, 1 round metal dizzy.

**Eglinton Reserve**, cnr Derby and Eglinton Streets: 1 slide, two climbing frames, 1 wooden tower, 3 see-saws, 2 swings, 1 covered slide, 2 tyre swings, 1 wooden low pole, 1 large wooden tower, 2 BBQs, 1 shelter, seats, drinking fountain.



Ducks at Hay's Paddock

## Having fun under water

The Kew Skindiving Club has been a congregating point for the aquatic souls in the area for over 30 years.

Members take part in regular social and competition spearfishing dives, snorkelling and skindiving.

They are also keen on underwater photography and are currently developing an underwater hockey team.

When not submerged, club members are very fond of barbecues and swapping fishy stories.

They would love some new members to take part in the many activities offered. If you are interested in finding out more about the club, ring 836-2222.

## Australia's fastest growing sport

Statistics show that there are more people playing lawn bowls in Australia than any other sport.

You can be part of this very enjoyable, healthy activity simply by coming along to the East Kew Bowling Club in Windella Avenue any afternoon during the week.

New members are being sought to join in the many club activities. Both men and women have Pennant teams while on Sunday afternoons, Mixed Fours are played. Evening games under lights have been arranged as well as inter-club

## Keeping you informed



There was a time when most Australians had little if any exposure to languages other than English. Even a few years of French at school proved of little value when confronted with a person for whom it was their only tongue. Now we are accustomed to seeing signs in Greek, Chinese and Vietnamese or other languages which do not share our Roman alphabet.

The Citizens' Advice Bureau does not provide a multi-lingual service but it does have records of the many facilities available to help those in our community who lack skills in English.

Our listings include interpreter and translation services and self-help groups catering for the needs of people from many different national backgrounds. We can also supply information about English language classes.

The Bureau will be found at the City Hall immediately opposite the Library, or call us on 861-5244. We are open from 10am to 3pm each weekday.



matches.

It costs very little to join and only \$1 a game when playing in matches. Coaching is free and afternoon tea makes every game well worthwhile.

Bowls is the game where mums and dads can enjoy the sunshine together. Many grown up children are now taking on their parents in social games and competitions.

The exercise and good company of fellow bowlers can be enjoyed at any club in Australia after you have joined East Kew. Come along and see for yourself.

**G. Petrie**  
Vice President



## Kew Citizens' Band Tour Appeal

Kew Citizens' Band and its many friends are busy raising money for its forthcoming European tour.

Over the past ten years, the band has become one of Australia's leading A Grade bands and now its success has been recognized internationally with invitations to the Fete de Geneve in Switzerland and to the Edinburgh Festival.

The band will appear with the Glendells Precision Drill Team at the Swiss Festival, tour that country and then head off to Edinburgh.

Such trips do not come cheaply, so if you would like to contribute to the fund raising, please contact John Naismith on 481-1056 (ah).

The band was pleased with the efforts of soloists at the recent Royal South St. competitions at Ballarat.

Players won three open and four instrumental sections.

Wendy Steele won the under 16 champion of champions event and brother Jeff won the under 19 champion of champions. Jeff also won the coveted open champion of champions event for the second year running.

The junior band is to perform at a concert at Canterbury Girls' High School on Sunday Dec. 7th at 2 p.m.

The senior band has been kept active with engagements and a busy program is set for the remainder of the year.

And don't forget, you can enjoy the fine playing of the Kew Citizens' Band at the Kew Carols by Candlelight in Petrie Square outside the Municipal Offices, on December 21st.