

# KEWRIOSITY

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## Focus on Children's Services



*"Are you being served?" So Jennifer Duke, 2, seems to be asking at Kew's Occasional Care Centre.*

Photo: Janusz Molinski

This is a most exciting time for families with young children who live in Kew. Because of the close working relationship between Council and the community's Children's Services Consultative Committee (CSCC), we are experiencing a time of constructive change in the area of children's services.

The CSCC is a very representative group of concerned people ranging from parents to professional caregivers. The Committee formed at a public meeting in 1983 and its successful liaison with Council on behalf of the community has been enhanced by the recent appointment of Elizabeth Sullivan as Kew Council's Children's Services Officer.

The scope of the CSCC's involvement is diverse. Two major issues confronted recently were:—

- The revision of the operating policy of the Occasional Care Centre (it now accommodates children from 0-6 years)
- Securing of Commonwealth Government funding to open a Full Day Care Centre at 3 Belford Road.

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## Kew is safe!

The State Government's recent about-face on forced local government restructure has been welcomed by Kew Council.

The campaign to keep Kew as Kew on the grounds of Council's proven efficiency and viability has been vindicated.

The government has stated that each council will be assessed in terms of its own performance and as recent surveys have indicated, Kew can stand on its record with assurance.

The Mayor, Cr Joe Orlando, is relieved that the government has finally recognized the wishes of the people.

"Now we know that Kew is not under threat of being amalgamated we can plan for the future with more certainty."

The Mayor said that Council would be looking at its major works: the library relocation, the recreation centre and maintenance of roads and footpaths, with renewed confidence.

"We know what we would like to provide for the residents of Kew and now we can continue with soundly based planning," he said.

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

### Overhanging trees

Did you know that it is an offence to allow any tree or shrub to overhang a footpath at a height less than three metres from the surface?

The time is just right for doing some pruning. Cut back those overhanging branches so that your fellow residents can negotiate the footpaths in safety.

For further enquiries, contact the By-laws Officer, Ron Cook, on 862-2466.

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# Dates for October

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**Big book fair**, 9.30 a.m.-3.00 p.m. in Kew Civic Centre, Hall 3, organized by the Friends of Kew Library to raise money for the purchase of furniture and equipment. Second hand books of all kinds will be going cheap! If you have books you can donate or if you would like to help on the day, please contact library staff.

**Annual Mission Fete** in the Convent Grounds of the Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver, 154 Cotham Road, from 9.30 a.m.-4.30 p.m.

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**Country Women's Association Inc.** Kew Balwyn Branch 23rd birthday meeting 1.00 p.m. in the East Kew Uniting Church Hall in Normanby Road. New members welcome. Contact 819-1686.

**Annual General Meeting of the Kew Neighbourhood Watch Area 001** at 7.30 p.m. in Hall 3 of the Kew Civic Centre. The meeting will follow a talk by a police sergeant on the additional powers police are seeking, particularly concerning amendments to the Crimes Act.

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**Hyde Park Fellowship**, 2.00 p.m. Guest speaker on trading partners, showing handmade craft items from other countries.

**Kew Community House Annual General Meeting**, 8 p.m. at 6 Derby Street. Speaker and supper. All welcome.

**Kew Garden Club**, 8 p.m. Senior Citizen's Centre. Miss D. Cattnach will speak about growing irises.

**A special "Neighbourhood Night"** will be held at the Church Theatre, 500 Burwood Rd., Hawthorn at 8 p.m. for a performance of **The Pathfinder**, a musical play about Australian poet, John Shaw Neilson. Concession price of \$3.00 for residents of Kew and Hawthorn, on proof of address. Bookings 819-1818.

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**Kew Historical Society Annual General Meeting**, 8 p.m. in the Manchester Unity Hall, Union Street. Guest speaker: the Mayor of Kew, Cr Joe Ormando. Visitors welcome. For more details, ring Sue Leong, 817-4660.

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**Springtime Fair at the Uniting Church, East Kew**, 9.30 a.m.-6.30 p.m. Variety of stalls, spit roast for lunch and evening meal and many activities. **Fete at Karana Baptist Aged People's Home**, 55 Walpole Street at 1.30 p.m.

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**Kew Music Makers Concert**, 2 p.m. at the MLC Theatre in Barkers Road. Bookings: 861-5080.

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**Kew Legacy Widows' Club**, 11 a.m. in the Kew RSL Hall at Cotham Road. New members welcome. Inquiries: 859-2346 (AH), 859-2097.

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**Annie Get Your Gun**, performed by the Doncaster Templestowe Musical Society at the Kew High School Community Theatre. Season extends to November 1st. Bookings, 857-7937 or 850-5639.

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**Free lecture by Hugh Stretton** on privatizing and deregulating the mixed economy at 8 p.m. in the Camberwell High School Hall, Prospect Hill Road. Organized by the Kooyong F.E.A. of the ALP.

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**Probus Club of Kew** monthly meeting at 10 a.m. in the RSL Clubrooms, Cotham Road.

**Kew Arthritis Self Help Group**, 10.30 a.m. at the Senior Citizens' Centre Elva Renfrey from "Action House" will speak on the work of the Arthritis Foundation of Victoria. Inquiries, 862-2021 or 836-9794.

**Save the Children** fund raising morning at Nth Balwyn Church of Christ, 12 noon. Luncheon supplied donation \$5.00. Musical interlude by well known artists. Sales table.

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**Book Fair at the Holy Trinity Church**, cnr High and Pakington Streets. 5 p.m.-9 p.m.

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**Book Fair** as above, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

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# Notices

## Want to play croquet?

Croquet in Kew is in full swing. It's a great game to play — why not try it? New members are always welcome. Just phone the Secretary on 861-5658 or see us at the club in Victoria Park.

## Strawberry Fair

St Paul's Anglican Church, cnr Hale St and Windella Ave., East Kew will be holding its annual **Strawberry Fair** on Saturday, November 1st, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

There will be a wide range of stalls, live music, lunch and lashings of strawberries and cream.

## Learning for the less mobile

The **Hawthorn Community Education Project** offers programs for people who find it difficult to get out due to disabilities or frailness associated with age. We provide door to door transport for participants and are now able to offer courses for Kew residents thanks to the Sacred Heart/St Anne's Caring Group's voluntary drivers.

A 93 year old Kew resident has already joined our discussion group!

If you are interested in joining our program, please contact Judith Elsworth, Adult Education Officer, on 818-7371.

## Kew Little Athletics

The athletics season commences on **October 4th**. If your children would like to participate, please ring Mr Phillip Derham on 890-2176, Mrs Sheila Soulsby on 857-5830 or Mrs Judy Rhodes on 830-4881.

## Do you know Miss Brown?

Information is required about the work and life of **Miss Janet Forrest McGillivray Brown**.

Her last known address in 1981, was 1 Maitland Avenue, Kew.

She graduated in Science from Sydney University in 1915 and is believed to have been a co-author with the Sydney Professor of Organic Chemistry of an article published in the Transactions of the Chemical Society in 1917.

Would anyone knowing anything about this early woman scientist, please contact Joan Radford on 817-3756 or write to her at 25 Hillcrest Avenue, Kew.

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# Commentary

## How Council manages traffic

To judge by the phone calls received at the Municipal Offices during the last few weeks, a number of residents have queries about the traffic management works in Area 5 (bounded by Princess, High, Earl, Asquith and Valerie Streets).

The works are the result of more than two years of consultation with residents in the area, the resident consultative committee, Councillors, council engineers and consultants, Loder and Bayly.

The works are a mix of permanent and temporary constructions.

All right hand turn bans are permanent, as are kerb extensions made from concrete and pitch kerbs with brick paving infills and/or paving.

Works considered to be temporary and on trial are made of spiked down pre-cast kerbing or kerbing cast in situ. This is in line with Council's intention of minimising the cost of temporary works.

The majority of devices in Area 5 are temporary, including roundabouts and slow points.

The aim of all traffic management is to identify existing and future traffic problems and propose action that will improve safety and amenity of streets in the locality in a way which is acceptable to the majority of residents.

In Area 5, three traffic management schemes were proposed and circulated to residents. Responses were received, these were further discussed by the consultative committee and the final proposal was again circulated throughout the area.

Residents focused on traffic speed and volume and the noise associated with these, as major problems. Availability of parking was another dominant concern.

As a consequence, devices to discourage through traffic and slow traffic down, have been installed. The extensive use of two lane slow points, such as those in Pakington and Derby Streets, is an example of this.

This single lane slow point in Walpole Street was designed to prevent large transports using the street as a route to the Chandler Highway.

The implementation of traffic management schemes provides opportunities for landscaping. Slow points and roundabouts in particular offer significant areas for planting. Peter Davies, Superintendant of Parks and Gardens has included oaks and planes among the species for planting, as these predominate in the area.



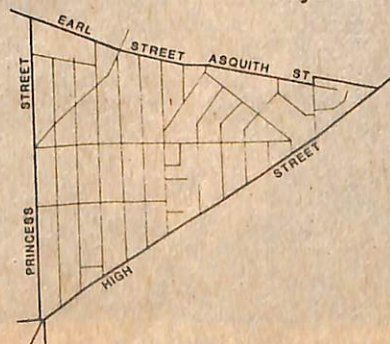
Further planting is being undertaken in Derby Street as part of Council's street-scape policy. It will be lined with plane trees, as it was originally. This will give the street distinct character and eventually form a green avenue which will take the eye to the hills in the distance.

There will be ongoing public consultation to assess the efficacy of the scheme and to determine how many of the temporary works will be made permanent once the trial period is over.

The trial period in Area 10 (bounded by Cotham, Burke, Barkers and Glenferrie Roads) has been completed and temporary works that have proved effective will be made permanent.

In Area 6 (bounded by Cotham, Burke and Harp Roads, High and Charles Streets) the resident consultative committee has met and adopted a traffic management scheme which will be presented to Council shortly. The scheme will be publicised in the next **Kewriosity**.

Cr Joe Orlando  
Mayor of Kew



## good gardening



### Growing lawns

Spring brings out many flowers, rapid growth in trees and shrubs, new leaves and vigorous grass growth. Lawns must be mown regularly. Council tractor and mower operators struggle to keep up with the areas growth in parks and reserves at this time.

In your own garden it is much better to mow the lawn regularly than let it grow long and then cut it short. This practice can cause some grasses to die out especially if hot weather follows. It is also important not to leave thick windrows of grass lying on the lawn for long periods because it can burn the grass beneath. If you use lawn clippings on the garden it is better to use it thinly or mix it with other compost. Heaps of grass clippings are ideal breeding places for flies.

Clippings left thinly on the lawn gradually break down and return nutrients to the soil. If they are collected all the time the lawn will require more fertilizer.

Springtime as well as autumn is a good time for repairing lawns or sowing new ones. In establishing a new lawn the most important things to remember are:

1. Prepare the soil well before sowing, the ideal would be to cultivate to a depth of 10 cm.
2. After sowing keep the soil moist all the time until the seed germinates.
3. When the new grass needs mowing raise the cutting height on the mower and just "top" the grass the first few times until it thickens up.

Peter Davies  
Superintendant of  
Parks and Gardens

### Council meeting times for October

- 7 Standing Committees, 7.30 p.m.
- 14 General Purposes Committee, 7.30 p.m.
- 21 COUNCIL 8.00 p.m.

Meetings are held in the Committee Rooms at the Municipal Offices and are open to the public.



# Profile

## Cr Jim Tutt

Jim Tutt is concerned with people. His history of community involvement, his eight years as a councillor for Studley Park Ward and his current position working in human resources development with the Road Construction Authority, testify to this.

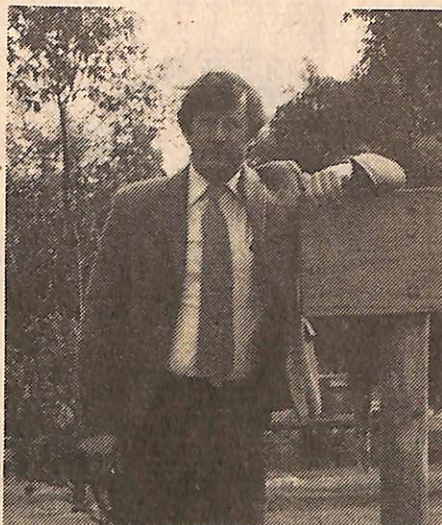
He is one of Kew's longest serving councillors and considers a reasonably long term commitment to Council as being very important.

"Understanding of council procedures and policy comes with experience. It is important to see the policies evolve and to be familiar with procedures and precedent already established," he said.

Cr Tutt is a great advocate of the community consultative process and regards Kew as having a proven record in this area. He speaks from first hand experience as both councillor and resident. Prior to nominating for Council (and part of his incentive for doing so) he was Vice President of the Kew Triangle Residents' Association, a group for those living in the area bounded by High and Denmark Streets and Barkers Road.

The Triangle Association was formed to prevent high rise flats but now keeps a watching brief on general community issues. Jim Tutt does not like the current trend towards issue oriented councils where decisions are made in a reactive manner rather than in consideration of what is best for the community as a whole.

"We should work out our priorities and develop long term strategies for Kew. Number one on the list at the moment is how Kew can build on some



of the concepts raised in the restructure debate, now that the government's 'big stick' approach has been abandoned."

Cr Tutt has long promoted a regional and sub-regional approach to local government planning as a means of furthering Kew's development.

"Kew's planning should not stop at our boundaries. We should be discussing services and projects with our neighbours in order to create greater possibilities for co-operation between councils and maximise the use of resources," he stated.

Cr Tutt firmly believes that we should only consider projects we can afford, not those that we may want but cannot afford. He thinks that joint funding with neighbouring councils of major facilities like the recreation centre should be considered.

"Human services such as those for children and the elderly are becoming increasingly costly. We cannot maintain these, repay loans for major works like the new depot and take on additional large capital projects all within three years unless rates go up dramatically," he said.

At this time of economic frailty he thinks all levels of government should be encouraging productivity and employment. He enthusiastically supports the Association of Inner Eastern Council's Youth Apprenticeship Training Scheme. He is one of the directors and is very optimistic about the scheme's potential to generate employment for young people and to promote business at the same time.

Cr Tutt is quick to admit that being a councillor can have its trying moments. He would like to see a streamlining of procedures and a greater utilisation of advisory groups as council business becomes increasingly complex.

"We need to develop the infrastructure to accommodate growing local government responsibility and we need greater definition of responsibilities in the areas of policy formulation and implementation," he commented.

Cr Tutt's wife, Helen, is also involved in the community. She has been a member of various kindergarten and school committees as their son Tim, 10, has grown. The family is very keen on cubs and scouts. Jim's favourite leisure pursuits include golf and fishing, and he is an enthusiastic sailor, currently being Commodore at the Anglesea Motor Yacht Club.

## Radio controlled car track for Foley Park?

Studley Park resident, Toby Warburton, 14, had the bright idea that the north-west corner of Foley Park would be an ideal site for a track to race his and fellow enthusiasts' radio-controlled cars.

He talked it over with his friends and parents who offered to make the track under the supervision of the Council.

He researched similar tracks, discovering that the one in Eltham had proved to be very popular and then discussed his plans with relevant Council Officers. They all concept for the park. They all supported the idea and felt that it was consistent with



Toby Warburton

the development concept.

Toby's plan is for a 12 metre wide continuous track which he believes would be an asset to Kew.

"Radio-controlled cars appeal to all age groups. They are exciting to watch and you need a lot of skill to operate them effectively," he said.

Toby added that they were very quiet and so would not disturb residents around the park.

In fact the only problem with cars is the cost. You need a basic outlay of at least \$250 and that takes a lot of saving up!

Council would like resident comment on the proposal and interested people should contact the Recreation Co-ordinator on 862-2466.



## Focus on Children ★★★★★★★★★★

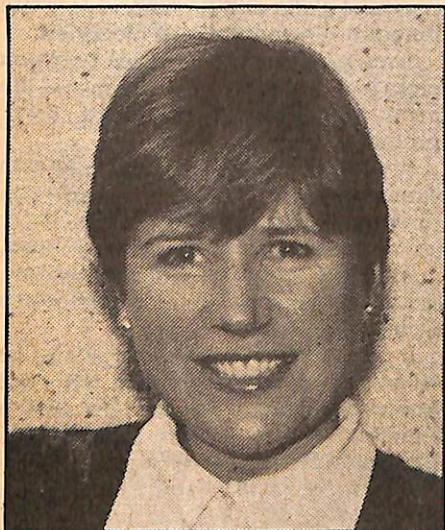
The last year has been an energetic one in Kew in regard to children's services. Council and the community have combined most successfully to achieve positive action on a grand scale. Community involvement has been spearheaded by the Children's Services Consultative Committee. With the common goal of upgrading and extending services offered to our children aged 0-8 years, the combined talents and energies of all concerned have produced the **Focus on Children Report**. This substantial document is the culmination of a consultation conducted in April/May this year.

The **Focus on Children Report** was officially launched by the Mayor, Cr. Joe Ormando, at a Reception held on 21st August. The information contained in the Report is vital to the development of services for our children as it will form the basis of a much needed Children's Services Policy for Kew. The Report also

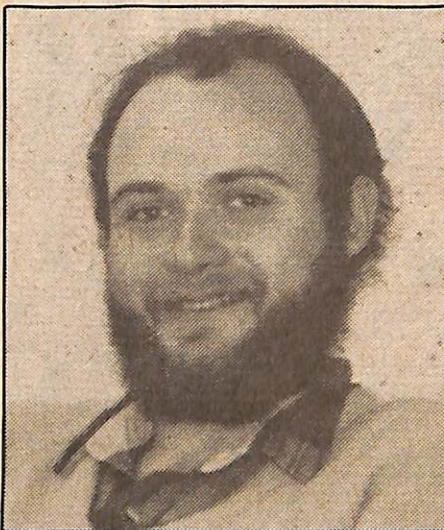
highlights the excellent standard of services we already enjoy in Kew through Council's Children's Services Staff.

With the **Focus on Children Report** in hand, your CSCC is now working closely with Council, its professional service providers, and other community groups to achieve the specific improvement you requested in your questionnaires and at the three **Focus on Children** public meetings held earlier this year. In many instances changes have already been made to existing services, in others the process is just under way.

Your Committee will monitor the progress of the specific issues raised in the **Focus on Children Report** and will keep you up to date via Kewriosity each month. If you would like to read the full **Focus on Children Report**, it is available for your perusal at the Municipal Offices, Kindergartens, Primary Schools, the Occasional Care Centre, Infant Welfare Centres and at the Library.



**Elizabeth Sullivan**  
Children's Services Officer



**Craig Midgley**  
Integration Officer

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Emergency and foster care, recreation programs, physical and financial access to all Children's Services are more areas your Committee is currently tackling, guided by the recently published "Focus on Children" Report (see above).

Krista Bell, Deputy Chairperson of the CSCC spoke enthusiastically about their progress: "We want to capitalise on the fact that the Council and the committee are striving together to achieve the range and standard of services we all want for our children."

She felt that the CSCC was a most accessible reference point to Council and welcomed the talents and input of anyone who would like to be involved with that energetic and highly motivated team.

Should you have any queries about the Committee, please phone Krista Bell on **817-2576**. If you have specific enquiries about Children's Services in Kew, please contact Elizabeth Sullivan, Children's Services Officer, at the Council on **862-2466**.

Children's Services Officer  
Elizabeth Sullivan

## EAP DISABILITY

**You're passing a person with a disability in your local shopping centre and your child stops to stare in genuine curiosity. What do you do? What do you say? The temptation is to move on quickly, avoiding an embarrassing situation, or to discipline your child for staring or being rude.**

To make it easier for you we would like to suggest you take an honest approach and use the opportunity to pass on some new information to this inquisitive mind. Disability can range from a person with a guide dog to a person in a wheelchair and everyone in between. Sometimes a simple answer regarding, say, a person in a wheelchair might be "his/her legs don't work properly so the wheelchair does that job". If you also feel uncomfortable tell your child you'll explain later at home, and do be sure to follow up.

Please remember, try not to instil a feeling of pity for the person with a disability upon your child, but to explain the person has ABILITIES as well!

**Joanne Van Den Eynden, Bob Armstrong & Ann Paul**

People in Kew who have a disability, or who know of a person with a disability that may wish to become more involved in local community recreation activities are urged to contact the Project Officer for the Kew Recreation Integration Project.

A wide variety of clubs and activities exist in Kew for everyone to participate in. These include cricket, archery, courses, youth activities, soccer, writing, athletics, hockey, tennis and music. The Kew Council also offer activities for people of all ages that include keep fit groups, after school programs, tennis and school holiday programs.

For those who are unsure of what they may be interested in, a Leisure Awareness Kit is available to assist people to choose an activity they may wish to investigate.

A network of people with an interest in disability and integration in Kew is also being formed to propel this exciting and innovative project into the future. If you have an interest in this area and would like to play a role, please do not hesitate to contact the Project Officer.

The Project Officer, **Craig Midgley** can be contacted on Tuesdays (8.30 a.m.-2.00 p.m.) or Thursdays (8.30 a.m.-1.00 p.m.) at the Kew Municipal Offices on **862-2466**.



## Doing something worthwhile

**Interchange** is a community based program in the Inner East Region which provides regular relief care of a child with a disability by a volunteer host or host family. This allows the child's family to gain a day or weekend's regular break from the extra care required by their special child.

A volunteer host or host family is matched with a child who is well suited to their family. The host will usually care for the child once a month.

Being a host is not difficult and orientation is provided to help hosts understand **Interchange** and its children.

Parents of a child with a disability can feel confident that their child is being cared for in a secure, familiar environment. They can take some time for themselves and relax and enjoy their other children.

At the same time, their child has the opportunity to socialise with another family, to develop new friendships and expand his or her interests.

The host is rewarded by the affection and new dimensions that their "special" child will bring into their lives.

At present, **Interchange** has 50 children being cared for regularly by volunteer hosts. Many of these matches have been established for three or four years while some are more recent.

There is a waiting list of 52 children requiring hosts.

If you or your family would like to experience the satisfaction of being a host and give some welcome relieve to the parents and siblings of a child with a disability, please contact Diana Setchell on 836-9811.



*Kath, with her daughter Melissa, who is involved in the Interchange program.*

## Our bands are winners!

The senior and junior bands have had success recently in competitions. The senior band won the "A" grade section of the La Trobe Valley band contest while the junior band won the "B" grade Victorian Band's League junior bands championships.

The senior band won the trophy for the fourth consecutive year and the junior — competing for the first time — won its first championship.

Both bands are working hard for trips. The junior band is preparing for the Australian championships in Tasmania next Easter and the senior band is planning for its European tour next August.

The bands will be looking for support in their fund raising efforts from the local community. A car raffle will be under way soon and BINGO is held 8 p.m. Saturday nights at the East Kew Primary School.

## Would you like to be an Honorary Probation Officer?

An Honorary Probation Officer supervises and offers assistance to children aged between 10 and 18 placed on probation by the courts. The officer has direct and regular contact with the probationer and writes reports as required by the courts and the Department of Community Services.

The aim is to establish a constructive relationship and develop rapport with the probationer over a period of time.

The Honorary Probation Officer may offer practical assistance to the probationer by helping to obtain legal advice, employment and accommodation or by suggesting leisure activities. The officer acts as an information resource within the local and wider community.

No formal qualifications are required but the Honorary Probation Officer must be mature, have developed interpersonal skills and be able to tolerate different viewpoints and lifestyles.

Time involvement averages between eight and twelve hours a month and the case load does not exceed three probationers.

Attending a training course held one evening a week for thirteen weeks is a pre-requisite to appointment and there are on-going workshops and seminars.

Honorary Probation Officers become gazetted officers of the Children's Court.

If you are interested in becoming an Honorary Probation Officer, the next information night will be held at the Hawthorn Youth Welfare Service, 614 Glenferrie Road, in November. Contact Peter Boyer or Margaret Plummer on 816-6200 or 818-6217.



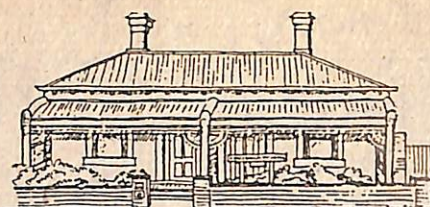
## Deadline

**Kewriosity** is produced and edited by Susan Schwartz, Information Officer for the City of Kew, and a community based Editorial Committee. Copy for the November issue should reach the Municipal Offices in Charles Street, by October 3rd.



# KEW COMMUNITY HOUSE

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## Annual Dinner

The first Annual Dinner of the Kew Community House was held on 21st August at the Panda Restaurant in Hawthorn.

Friends of the Community House including committee members, voluntary tutors, husbands and wives and others who have become regular visitors to the House shared a delicious meal and much lively conversation well into the night. It was a great opportunity to bring together a number of people for whom the Community House has become a special place. I feel very confident that this will certainly be an annual event!

## A range of courses

Besides a wide range of cooking, craft and general interest courses the Kew Community House this year is offering courses through Box Hill TAFE. A class in Australian Social History has been meeting Monday mornings all year and in October a 6 week course in "Return to Study" will start.

It will cover study techniques, essay writing and talks by tutors from Box Hill TAFE Humanities Department — an excellent opportunity to "ease" back into the education system.

Next year we plan to offer two V.C.E.

(T.O.P.) subjects and would like anyone interested to contact the Community House so they can be involved in planning for next year.

## Annual General Meeting

On Thursday October 9th at 8 p.m. the Kew Community House will hold its Third Annual General Meeting at 6 Derby St, Kew. A speaker has been invited and supper will follow the meeting. All interested people are invited to attend.

The Committee of Management for 1986/87 will be elected at this meeting and it is hoped that new committee members representing users of the house, participants in courses, users of childminding and voluntary tutors will be attracted. All you need is an understanding of the aims and objectives of the House, be able to attend monthly meetings on the second Thursday evening of the month and have a willingness to get involved.

## Your house

Remember, the door is always open for a friendly chat, come and have a read of our extensive notice board with lots of local information or bring along your hand crafts and share a couple of hours with us at the House.

## Planning for retirement?

In keeping with their name **Kew Early Planning for Retirement Group** wants to attract more pre-retired people. The 160 members of this happy Group can testify to the benefits of starting their retirement planning up to five years before retirement day.

Through their affiliation with the **Early Planning for Retirement Association** members have access to free professional and impartial investment advice, a Personal Planning Kit (\$13) and other educational material.

"If we can find 18 interested people in Kew who are preparing for retirement our Central Office would help us conduct a Leisure Planning Workshop for them at a nominal cost," said Gwlad Wade, honorary secretary.

June Mullens, president of the group added that if the group were larger they could extend the range of activities offered. "We already have antiques, travel, dine out, gardening, film day luncheons and morning coffee groups but we would like to add others such as walking, swimming, counter teas, golf and book discussions."

She said that the EPR Group was very good value for an annual subscription of only \$5 per person and that visitors would be welcome at the General Meeting in Hall 3 at the Kew Civic Centre on November 27 at 8 p.m. There will be a talk on brass rubbings and admission will be free.

For further information, contact Gwlad Wade on 817-1621 or June Mullins on 861-9030 (B).



Making bonbons at the Community House.

## BIG USED BOOK FAIR

Kew Civic Centre  
Hall 3

9.30am —

3.00pm

October 4

Organized by  
**Friends of Kew  
Library**

Please leave your  
surplus books at the  
library desk.



## Dates and notices continued

**26** **East Kew Baptist Church 55th Anniversary.** Special services at 10.30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Rev. Peter Stockman will preach morning service after which there will be a luncheon. Special musical items will be included and all are invited to attend.

**28** **Country Women's Association Inc. Kew/Balwyn Branch.** Craft Day at 10 a.m., East Kew Uniting Church Hall, Normanby Road.

## Anyone for tennis?

**Kew Uniting Church Tennis Club** in Highbury Grove is looking for new members to play on Tuesdays at 9 a.m. If you are interested, please ring 817-3929.

## Footy News

After dropping to fifth position with three matches to play Kew scored a fine win over Banyule with Chris HARALAMBOPOULOS (12 goals), Craig Atkins and skipper Joey Busutill dominating the forward line. However disappearing losses to St Kevin's and Trinity saw Kew remain sixth.

Club XVIII finished their season with two final's losses to Bloods and Haileybury.

Best and fairest winners are Seniors — Joey BUSUTILL (1) Rick James (2) Rob Schoben (3); Reserves — Marty French Club XVIII — Dick Lindsay.

Presentation Night is being held at Ringwood R.S.L. on Sat., 18 October. Details — Secretary Mick Bollman 63-0481 (W), 818-6536 (H).

## Keeping you informed



Current economic pressures are forcing many organisations to rely increasingly on voluntary help to maintain their community services.

There are many ways in which people in Kew can offer time and talents to help others.

For drivers, there are Meals-on-Wheels, the Community Bus and book deliveries for the Library.

Others may prefer work with an Auxiliary or visiting the housebound.

Whatever your special interest, you should find it listed in the Volunteer Register at the Citizens Advice Bureau which is also keen to add to its own team of trained volunteers.

Just call in one week-day between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. or telephone on 861-5244 and learn about the many avenues of voluntary service.

The Bureau is located at the rear of the City Hall immediately opposite the Library.

# letter

## Staff refute rumours about library

We, the staff of Kew Library wish to refute rumours which have been brought to our attention following the recent Council elections.

There has been no increase in staffing levels since November 1981 when the Library hours were extended and Sunday opening was introduced. Until that time, the ratio of loans per staff member was the highest in the state, and it is still eighth highest out of the fifty-nine library systems, according to the most recent statistical bulletin of the Library Council of Victoria.

Staff conditions have been improved, but the public areas are most inadequate. We are concerned that, due to lack of space, we are able to provide only third-rate services and facilities; seating and study areas are far from satisfactory, and there is nowhere to hold activities for older children or for groups of more than fifteen. The area of the current library is less than one-half of the size recommended by Library Council of Victoria Standards, which is unfortunate considering that Kew Library is the busiest library per head of population in Victoria.

Following publicity and budget allocations over the past two years, borrowers have come to expect the Library move to the City Hall and have suffered a 50% reduction in new book purchases in anticipation of this move.

**Staff of Kew Library**

## Ever thought of playing Bowls?

Bowls, Australia's biggest participant sport, is one of the most enjoyable games for married couples.

East Kew Bowling Club invites you to come along and give it a go.

Bowls and shoes are available for the beginner.

There is **NO JOINING FEE**.

Annual Subscription is \$70 and **FREE TUITION** from skilled coaches is available.

If you are interested contact Graham

Bainbridge on 861-9081 (A/H) or Mrs Joyce Watkins on 859-3344.

Drop into our Club in Windella Avenue and you will see for yourself that Bowls can be fun and friendship can come from playing.

East Kew is not a big club; we put pleasure before pennants. We like to win but we value the enjoyment of healthy exercise and social contact more.

Gerard Petrie  
Vice President

