

KEWRIOSITY

Municipal Offices,
Charles St., Kew, 3101

March 1986

Kew Festival looks bright!

A Bright Future is the theme chosen by the kindergartens for the Grand Parade on Saturday, March 15th, which will open the 12th Kew Community Festival.

The Parade, involving schools, kindergartens and community groups will start from the Fenton Way carpark and proceed down High Street, into Charles Street and then on to the Alexandra Gardens, led by the rousing beat of the well known Kew Citizens' Band.

After the parade, the Family Fun Day program in the gardens will get under way.

There will be a Craft Village, food stalls for every taste and an exciting range of acts at the Portico and in the gardens.

The Fun Day will finish with a bang — literally. There will be a fireworks display and the Rouseabouts Bush Band will provide lively entertainment, all for FREE. For a small charge you will be able to sample the mouthwatering spit roast to be served with a tempting array of salads provided by the Kew Primary School.

Festival week is crammed with stimulating activities. The Kew Historical Society will hold a tour of places of historical interest. There will be a fashion parade, an arts and crafts display and a recreation program. If games are your thing, you will be able to choose from bridge, backgammon, dungeons and dragons and more.

The Kew Philharmonic Orchestra will perform at the Civic Centre on Sunday 16th at 2.30pm.

Also on Sunday 16th, the Sisters of the Carmelite Monastery in Stevenson Street will hold the 12th Ecumenical Service in their chapel, to be followed by afternoon tea in the beautiful grounds.

The Kew City Triathlon on Saturday 22nd promises to be very exciting. Three hundred athletes will compete in a gruelling competition incorporating swimming, cycling and running. The Mayor, Cr Phyllis Hore, will make the presentation at 11.30am, near the Boathouse. The Triathlon, initiated last year, looks like becoming an annual event.

The Festival will conclude with an Open Day at the Community House on Saturday 22nd.

The Festival coincides with Senior Citizens' Week, the program for which is on page 7.

Festival programs will be distributed through schools, kindergartens, the Tuckerbag Supermarket at the Junction, the Library and the Municipal Offices.

STOP PRESS: Kew Festival Eve, March 14th, the Paradiddle Bush Band will perform at the Kew Civic Centre. Tables available, expert callers, concessions. Phone 756 7578 (ah) or 844 2100 (bh).

Sunday 23rd — the Kew Festival Bowls Tournament, 10.30 am at the East Kew Bowling Club in Windella Avenue. Be there!



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Dates for March

- 1 Kew/North Balwyn Branch** of the Nursing Mothers' Association of Australia is holding a Laminating day at the Community House, 6 Derby Street, Kew, between 9.30am and 5.00pm. Laminating (covering with clear plastic) is a great way to preserve drawings, dried flowers, timetables etc. Small charge.
- Garden Fair** at Bodalla, 32 Walpole Street, Kew, from 1.30pm to 4.30pm. Devonshire tea available for \$3.00.
- 7 Women's World Day of Prayer** at the Kew Uniting Church, Highbury Grove, Kew at 10.30am. Christian women in over 150 countries will share in a service specially written by Australian women. Speaker: Mrs Margaret Campbell.
- 12 Hyde Park Uniting Church Fellowship Meeting.** 2.00pm. Speaker: Mr Alex Packett from the Leprosy Mission.
- Kew Historical Society,** 8.00pm, in the Manchester Unity Hall, Union Street, Kew. Speaker: a representative from Kew Police will speak on the history of the Police Force in Kew. Visitors welcome. Enquiries: Sue Leong on 817 4660.
- 13 Kew Garden Club.** Talk and display by Judy Barker on the topic, Bush Daisies.
- 15 KEW COMMUNITY FESTIVAL BEGINS!** Continues until the 23rd. Check program for details.
- 20 Fashion Parade** during Festival Week. Clothes by Angela Padula, Marie France and menswear from Nazarao Parisi. Great night's entertainment at \$12.00 a head, including supper and drinks. Door prizes provided by local traders. Proceeds to the Woodlands Avenue Pre-school Support Group. For details, contact Sally Stribley on 861 5206.
- 22 Kew Community House Open Day.** Morning tea served between 10.00am and noon at 6-8 Derby Street.
- 23 Australian Plant Group.** Meet at 2.00pm at Karawarra Native Garden, Kalorama Reserve. Enquiries on 817 2255.
- 24 Guided walk** in the vicinity of Fairfield Boat House. Meet 1.00pm at the Community House, 6 Derby Street. Phone 862 3126.
- Daytime Gardening Club.** Speaker from the Craft Cottage at the Botanical Gardens. Senior Citizens' Centre, cnr. High and Childers Streets, 1.15pm.
- Neighbourhood Watch Meeting** for Studley Park residents, both north and south of Studley Park Road, to be held at the Kew Civic Centre at 7.30 p.m. Convened by Kew Police. Contact Mrs R. Nairn 861 9811 (ah).
- 25 Arthritis Foundation of Victoria,** Kew Self Help Group will meet at 10.30am in the Senior Citizens' Centre, cnr. High and Childers Streets, Kew. Speaker: Mr Williams, a plumber, who will demonstrate the use of special taps and fittings for household tasks. Contact: 862 2021, 818 4644.

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More childcare

■Peppercorn Childcare has recently opened at 102 Princess Street. Catering for children from 0-5, the centre is staffed by Mrs Vicki Daniel, a State Enrolled Nurse and Mrs Debra Harris. A Pre-school Mothercraft Nurse is running a kindergarten program for 3 and 4 year olds, five mornings a week. The centre is open from 7.00 am to 6.00 pm. For further information ring **861 5260**.

Gamesmanship

■If you play bridge, backgammon, solo or Dungeons and Dragons or if you would like to, the Melbourne Bridge Centre, 30 Cotham Road, Kew, is offering free demonstrations of the requisite skills during the festival week. Contact George Rogerson on **862 1449** or **859 8336**, for details.

Sorry!

■The listing of optometrists in Kew was inadvertently left out of the 1986 directory. Here is the current information:

W.E. Cutler,
678 High Street, East Kew. **859 3962**.
C. Gekas,
48 Cotham Road, Kew. **861 5091**.

No entrance fee

The Friends of Bodalla have decided to drop the entrance fee advertised for their Garden Fair at 32 Walpole Street, on March 1st, although all the attractions, including an art exhibition, patchwork demonstration, Celtic dancing and madrigal singing will remain. Drop in, a good afternoon is assured.

Concert for African Missions

■A concert providing music for all tastes will be held at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall, 116 Cotham Road, Kew, at 2.30pm on April 6th.

The concert has been organised by the Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver and there will be an address by Fr Gerald Dowling. Enquiries: **817 3715**.

SOS!

■Kew Historical Society's desperate plight with regard to the storage of its historical collection has been partially allayed by the Council's offer of improved temporary storage space within the Municipal Offices.

The society urgently needs more storage furniture, such as cabinets, wardrobes, glass fronted book cases and dressers. Should anyone have any of these items available, please think of us and ring **817 4660**.

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notes from council

Commentary *from the Mayor, Cr Phyllis Hore*

Over the past month, Council has had both good news and bad. The good news is that the Ministry for Planning and Environment has granted Kew \$2,000 to begin our heritage study and complete the survey initiated last year. The bad news is the alert being sounded about the precarious state of our historical archives, due to inadequate housing.

We are very pleased to receive the grant as a heritage study is essential to identify significant buildings, areas and structures. The study will ultimately enable town planning controls to be formulated to protect them.

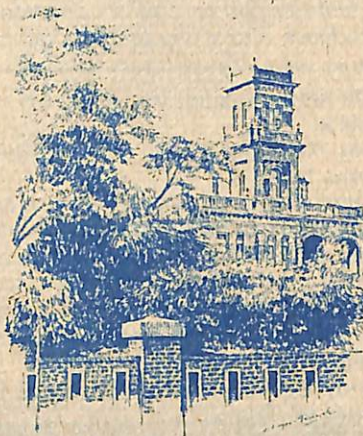
The study will also cover such matters as the critical phases of Kew's history and the roles played in its development by personalities, institutions and the environment, among other factors.

Our archives are clearly very important in this context as they provide the primary sources for an appreciation of Kew's past. The archives are being moved to an interim home and will be safely rehoused this year as part of the library relocation project.

A city is its past as much as its present. We are very keen to preserve the distinctive character of Kew, the buildings and places of special interest which make up our 125 year heritage. A respect for the past is essential if the future is to be built on firm foundations.

Kew has lost a number of fine buildings, as many long term residents will testify. Most recently, the first elm tree planed in Kew was uprooted. Why? Because Council had no power to preserve the tree. Many gracious old homes have been demolished over the years because Council cannot refuse a demolition permit unless the building is classified by the National Trust or on the Historic Buildings Register.

Only four buildings in Kew are so registered: Raheen, Willsmere Hospital, D'Estaville in Barry Street and Ross House in Cotham Road. Another 26



Raheen

have been recorded by the National Trust.

Raheen was the subject of controversy last year and the plans to renovate the back and less significant section of the house were finally approved. The future use of Willsmere Hospital and adjacent sites is still unsure. Council will participate actively in any team established to determine Willsmere's future.

Without doubt, these buildings are important in terms of the state's heritage as well as our city's. But it is the less historically significant buildings which give Kew its flavour. The diversity of architectural styles in Kew reflects its development. One can find small Victorian cottages and ornate mansions side by side with the clean lines of contemporary building design. A walk through the streets of Kew reveals its demographic movement from these areas which are predominantly Victorian or Edwardian, to those which have the distinctive features of the 30s, 40s or 50s.

There is an old saying, that a man who has no past has no future. This can be applied equally to a city. A respect for the past is essential if the future is to rest on firm foundations. Recognising the past for its true worth is the aim of the heritage study and the reason why it deserves the full support of the community.

The Heritage Study is particularly significant at this time, as Kew is on the threshold of an unknown future. Turn to page 4 for the latest information on restructuring.

Council meeting dates for March

- 4 General Purposes Committee 7.30pm
- 11 COUNCIL 8.00pm
- 18 —
- 25 Standing Committees 7.30pm

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



Traffic Management

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

Work is continuing to finalise the detailed designs for the traffic management scheme approved by Council. This scheme will be put into place for a trial period of at least six months. Part of the scheme will be constructed in permanent form and part in temporary form.

Area 6 bounded by Cotham, Burke and Harp Roads, High and Charles Streets.

Further meetings of the Consultative Committee are being arranged. The committee is further considering what traffic management actions are to be taken in this area as the scheme recommended by the consultant has received insufficient community support to be proceeded with.

The latest on Restructure

By the time you receive this *Kewriosity*, we expect that the Local Government Commission will have published its report on the principles to be applied to local government restructure.

The report will be available in the library.

Special Accommodation Houses under Review

Council's Social Development Department is preparing a submission for the Ministerial review of Special Accommodation Houses in Victoria. Kew has nine SAHs which provide accommodation for the aged and physically disabled. The review will aim at defining standards of care and improving the ability of residents to enforce their rights.

New OT

Occupational Therapist, Iris Solomons has recently joined our Social Development team. She is part

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time and will provide programs for aged and disabled people in Kew.

Thank you

Council is very pleased with participation of the school community in the running of the holiday programs and would like to thank St Paul's School for continued use of their wonderful facilities and Ruyton for allowing the 11-14 year old program to be situated in their grounds.

Numbers game

Policy guidelines have been laid down for street numbering. All applications for changes to property numbers should be made in writing to the Chief Executive Officer.

Heritage Study Grant

The Heritage Commission has granted council \$2,000 to commence its Heritage Study and to consider procedures and program options to

complete the Heritage Survey initiated last year.

Kinder enrolments

A review of kindergarten enrolment policy is underway. The proposals are available from the Social Development Department at the Municipal Offices and from the kindergartens. Council will consider the proposed changes to policy in May.

Do you need a break from the kids?

Kew Council runs an Occasional Care Centre in Strathalbyn Street which offers up to four hours child care on a casual basis.

The centre is open between 8.30am and 4.30pm and caters for up to 25 pre-school children.

The centre co-ordinator, Mrs Margaret Campbell, is a trained kindergarten teacher and pre-school mothercraft nurse. She is assisted by Dale Black, a trained pre-school mothercraft nurse and two childcare workers.

Bookings or visits to the centre can be arranged by ringing Margaret on 859 6459.

Profile:

Cr Wendy Smith

Wendy Smith, North Ward Councillor, is a woman of many talents.

A former nurse educator with a B.A. in Classics from Melbourne University, she currently works part time as a librarian with the Victorian Technology Centre.

Wendy Smith was a founding member of the North Ward Action Group which was formed primarily to lobby for traffic management in the local area.

The experience gained representing the group at Council meetings, led her to nominate for office and she was elected in 1983.

Wendy Smith finds it challenging to be at the grass roots of government where democratic principles can be realised.

"The political process fascinates me. I can see great potential for progressive change in local government and the ability to be effective is there for everyone," she said.

Apart from traffic management, Wendy Smith has been very involved with the Recreation Centre project, at present chairing the community based Recreation Centre Consultative Committee. Working for the establishment of

this committee was her first act as councillor.

Town Planning is also an area which concerns her.

"Development is inevitable but it can be controlled. I would like to see quality designs with strong policies and guidelines laid down. Council's recent decision to establish an Aesthetics Advisory Panel is a step in the right direction," she said.

Wendy Smith successfully fought for



Wendy Smith with Benjamin and Anna.

the provision for underground parking and landscaped pedestrian walkways for the office development in the Derrick Street "triangle" of Kew Junction.

She is very happy to represent North Ward and speaks enthusiastically of the "good working relationship" she has with Cr Joe Ormando and Cr Maree Williams, her fellow north ward representatives.

"We all strongly believe in the consultative process and keeping our residents informed about key issues," she stated.

She would like Kew to be less insular in outlook and to be prepared for change. Wendy Smith considers that amalgamation with a neighbouring municipality such as Hawthorn has the potential for a better and more varied provision of services, with more value for money. She also sees amalgamation reducing the costly duplication in local government.

"It is naive to ignore the political climate and the time is right for Kew to have vision to initiate change rather than play a reactive role," she said.

There is another side to Wendy Smith. She and husband Michael have two children — six year old Benjamin and Anna who is four. And even with her family, council, community and work commitments, she still manages to go to the theatre, potter in the garden and play the occasional game of tennis!

Sheelah Mosley retires

Sheelah Mosley, directress of Davis Street kindergarten, has retired after teaching for 31 years.

Her long association with Kew started in 1953, in the Sunday School Hall behind the Congregational Church in Walpole Street (both now demolished). She went on to the Studley Park Kindergarten and then to Davis Street where she has been since 1963.

As a past president of the committee said, "Sheelah Mosley and Davis Street are synonymous."

There has been a marked continuity to Sheelah Mosley's career at Davis Street, not only in terms of time, but she has worked in tandem with her excellent assistant Mrs Loris Farlow throughout that period. It is fitting that Loris Farlow and Dot Griffin, assistant at Unit 2, have also announced their retirement.

When Sheelah Mosley speaks about her kindergarten experiences, her love for children shines through. Her chief satisfaction has centred on being with children and being able to pursue the career she always wanted.

"It's been a privilege to share these children," she enthused, "but I am happy to retire. Teaching can be very tiring."

Has Sheelah Mosley seen changes in children over the years?

"Mainly in the content of their games. They are still just as keen on dramatic play, but now they will act out skiing or going to Fiji," she said.

Sheelah Mosley has seen changes in other areas. The diversification of kindergarten training and the entry of

men into the field, both please her. She is also very happy with the concerted approach to children's services in Kew, where those directly involved with children as well as representatives from the library and the Social Development Department meet monthly to discuss relevant issues.

Sheelah Mosley has achieved her aim of providing a loving, warm, secure environment in which children can learn and she has always valued the support given by her assistants and teachers, committee, parents and the Council.

Her philosophy could be summed up in the anonymous poem she included in her last annual report:

*If children live with criticism,
they learn to condemn.*

*If children live with hostility,
they learn to fight.*

*If children live with ridicule,
they learn to be shy.*

*If children live with shame,
they learn to feel guilty.
If children live with tolerance,
they learn to be patient.
If children live with encouragement,
they learn confidence.
If children live with praise,
they learn to appreciate.
If children live with fairness,
they learn justice.
If children live with security,
they learn to have faith.
If children live with approval,
they learn to like themselves.
If children live with acceptance and
friendship,
they learn to find love in the world.*

Sheelah Mosley was farewelled in December at an afternoon tea attended by over 200 people who valued her special contribution to our community. She will spend her retirement in Cape Paterson.



L-R: Loris Farlow, Sheelah Mosley, Dot Griffin.



Senior Citizens' Week

Activities in Kew

16th to 23rd March

See program on page 7.
More detailed program available from the Municipal Offices, Senior Citizens' Centre Library, CAB and the local press.



Deadline

KEWRIOSITY is prepared by the Information Officer, Susan Schwartz, and a community based editorial committee. Copy for the April issue should reach the Municipal Offices by March 3rd.



For History Lovers

Review: Local History, A Handbook for Enthusiasts. Hibbens, Fahey and Askew. George Allen and Unwin. 1985. If living in a place makes you curious to find out about its past, this book is for you.

Local History, A Handbook for Enthusiasts has been produced by the History and Heritage Committee of Victoria's 150th Anniversary Board as an aid for the amateur historian. The book details the many paths by which study of your locality can be approached.

The authors take the fledgling historian step by step. They introduce research methods, show how to locate key areas, ways of evaluating sources. They even cover making notes and footnotes. They are clearly practical people aware of the time such research takes and the many pitfalls for the beginner.

If this sounds a little intimidating, rest assured the book isn't. It is written in a lively and informative manner which invites the reader to become a detective fossicking in the dust of the past to find clues about the lives of our forefathers. It provides many examples fascinating in themselves, which illustrate the points being made.

This Handbook should be particularly useful for those interested in Kew's history. Our library has an extensive, indexed collection on local history and a rich supply of primary source material on microfilm, including all newspapers servicing Kew from the 1960s onwards.

So if you are keen to uncover the history of your neighbourhood, school, church or your own family tree, you will find this book an invaluable guide on your journey.

It is available in the Kew library and from booksellers.

A stone's throw from Kew

Did you know that just across the river in Fairfield, there is a delightful park, boathouse and tea gardens?

From Kew, the park can be reached on foot via a walking track from the Boulevard near the Royal Talbot Hospital turn off. A 10 minute walk will bring you to the Fairfield Pipeline Bridge, at the end of which is the boathouse.

The less energetic can reach the boathouse by car from Heidelberg Road. A Discovery Trail winds through Fairfield Park and places and items of interest are clearly marked.

A walk to the Fairfield Boathouse will be organised from the Community House in Derby Street, on Monday, March 24th.

Kew Children's Services

Consultative Committee

Annual General Meeting
Thursday, **6th March at 8pm**

Senior Citizens' Centre,
Cnr. High & Childers Streets, Kew.

Guest speaker: **Mrs Mary Jeavons**
Playgrounds and Recreation Assoc. of Vic.

Topic: **Your Child's Play Needs in Kew**
— planning, design, safety and development of play opportunities.

Do you want to be involved in the planning process in Kew regarding Children's Services?
Become a Committee Member NOW!

Kew/North Balwyn Nursing Mums

The Kew/North Balwyn branch of the Nursing Mothers' Association of Australia meets regularly in member's homes for discussion on specific mothering and breast feeding topics. We also have morning and afternoon teas so that mothers in the area can get to know each other and share ideas and experiences.

N.M.A.A. is a non-profit organisation which was founded by Mary Paton in 1964. Since then nearly 76,000 members have joined the association. Its aim is to offer encouragement, education and support to mothers wishing to breast feed their babies, thus helping to create a basis for skilled and loving



mothering and happy family relationships. N.M.A.A. counsellors are extensively trained and all are mothers who have breast fed their babies.

We offer a 24 hour telephone counselling service on breast feeding enquiries to members and non-members alike, throughout Australia.

For further enquiries contact Deborah Anderson 857 7751, Ann Moran 859 3517 or Michelle Bishop 817 5422.

The real Gladstone College!

Considerable interest has been generated among the older denizens of Kew concerning the whereabouts of Gladstone College.

Mrs Pat Duxbury, a descendant of John Gladstone, referred Kewriosity to the Holmes Family Story in Kew Library. This well produced book, which makes for fascinating reading, states that John Gladstones (sic) "was the first Head Teacher of the first State School in Kew". He was also related to the British Prime Minister, William Ewart Gladstone.

The real story would appear to be very different. Mrs Chambers, a long time Kew resident — in fact she was born here 85 years ago — attended Gladstone College as a four or five year old.

The college was so named because it was in Gladstone Street and it was run by a Mrs Smith and her daughter Hilda. Mrs Chambers was the youngest of seven children and surmises that she was sent to the college rather than the state school because she was not yet six (the requisite school age) and her mother needed her to be cared for during the day while she worked.

Mrs Chambers stayed at the school until she was 14 and remembers it as a very happy place. She loved music and handicraft and enthused over the wonderful Christmas concerts the college had at the Independent Church Hall in Peel Street.

Many Kew people sent their children to the college and Mrs Chambers is keen to find out if any former collegiates are still in Kew.

If you want to Gladstone College or would like to contact Mrs Chambers, ring the Editor, Susan Schwartz, on **862 2466**.



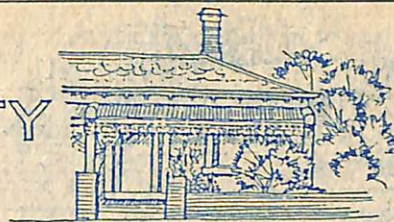
welcome
aboard
mate!

Kew Chess Club

Every Friday night at 8.00 pm.
First floor 30-32 Cotham Road.
Players of all ages and standards welcome.

Contact Mac Brazier **817 2180**
or Paul Spencer **819 1104**

KEW COMMUNITY HOUSE



New Co-ordinator Rhonda McCaw 6 DERBY STREET, KEW. 3101. Phone: 862 3126

Many hands make light work!

On Saturday, January 18th, a working bee was held at No. 6 and No. 8 Derby St, Kew. The plea for help was heard from near and far and Derby Street buzzed with the sound of hammers, vacuum cleaners, (one of which protested with smoke signals, to Alison's dismay) and spades hitting water pipes — OOPS! Nothing was too big a challenge, not the cobwebs in the 4 metre high cornices, nor the ½ tonne of garden soil to be moved from A to B after the fence was dealt with.

There was Lois and her mum, Patrick, (who just popped in to deliver something and stayed all day), Alison, Vince and his flatmate Bob, Rosemary, Mary, James and Chris (two apprentices aged eight and six), Bruce, Rhonda, Peter, Helen and Evelyn, and don't forget Don and Irena who came late to sort of inspect the results and offer many words of praise.

Much was achieved and a great time was had by all. I would like to thank everyone very much as I know we all have homes and gardens of our own that need our attention too.

You might ask — what caused such a flurry of activity amongst otherwise docile inhabitants of Kew?

It's 1st Term at the Kew Community House

Courses start from February 24th. Maybe there will be something we can

offer to brighten up your day. Childcare is now available and course fees are very reasonable. Here is a list of courses, some short, some long running in first term:

T.O.P. English and Australian Social History, Migrant English, Indian, Persian, Pritikin cooking and chocolate making, city walks, conversational German, fun with Fimo, simple clay modelling, effective speaking, conducting meetings, art appreciation, life drawing, daytime word games group, crochet and creative knitting.

Photocopying for Community Groups

At the Kew Community House we now have a photocopier available for public use at 10 cents per copy. The facility will be available from 10am to 2.30pm Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

Open Day

If you are curious about what goes on at the Community House, help us celebrate our second birthday by coming to our Open Day on Saturday 22nd, and have morning tea with some of the people who have become involved. We will be open from 10.00am to 12.00 noon.

Looking forward to seeing you,
Your friendly co-ordinator.

Rhonda



SENIOR CITIZENS WEEK

SUNDAY 16th MARCH TO SUNDAY 23rd MARCH,
1986

Program of events in Kew

Saturday 15th

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Art and Craft Exhibition, Hall No. 2, Kew.
Open Daily (except Sunday 16th).

Monday 17th

9.30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Keep Fit Class, St. Paul's School gym, Fernhurst Grove, Kew.

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Senior Citizens' Centre, Cnr. High and Childers Streets.
Open Daily.

10.30 a.m.

Karana, 55 Walpole Street, Kew. Morning tea, talk and slide show by Kew resident, Mrs. Fuller, on Australian Art.

Tuesday 18th

10 a.m. to 11.30 p.m.

Water exercises and swimming class, St. Paul's heated indoor pool, Fernhurst Grove, Kew.

1.30 p.m.

Highland Gathering at Carnsworth Garoopna, 18 Barry Street, Kew.

Wednesday 19th

9.30 a.m. to 12 noon

Open Day, Gatehouse Day Centre for confused elderly.

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Open Day at the H.K.C. Day Activities Centre, Baptist Church Hall, 6 Highbury Grove, Kew.

11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Garden Party under the oaks at Willsmere BBQ Lunch, morning and afternoon tea (reasonable charge).

1.30 p.m.

Open Day — Indoor bowls event, Senior Citizens' Centre.

7 p.m.

Film Night at Kew Senior Citizens' Centre. Bing Crosby in **Waikiki Wedding**. Contact Helen Wood, **861 7308**.

Thursday 20th

9.30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Water Play, Water Exercises, St. Paul's School Indoor Heated Pool, Fernhurst Grove, Kew.

12 noon

Luncheon and entertainment by Alma Quon for the Meals on Wheels recipients at Kew Senior Citizens' Centre, Cnr. High and Childers Streets, Kew.

10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Hamer Court Open Day, Hamer Court Hostel, 533 High Street, Kew (behind Senior Citizens' Centre). Contact Janet Dobbyn, **862 1718**.

Friday 21st

9.30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Tennis for Fun, Kew Tennis Club, Adeney Avenue, Kew.

8 p.m. to 11 p.m.

50/50 Dance at Kew Senior Citizens' Centre. Dance to the strains of Arthur Levin's Dance Band. Supper will be served.

12 noon

Closure of Art & Craft Exhibition in Civic Centre.

TRANSPORT

For transport to any of the activities please contact Mrs. Marie Petrie on **861 9500** (6 p.m. to 7 p.m.).

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Neighbourhood Watch for East Kew

■ Moves are afoot to establish Neighbourhood Watch in the area bounded by Belford, Kilby and Willsmere Roads, Earl and Asquith Streets.

If you are interested in this project, contact John Nickless on 859 8485, before 7.00 p.m. Volunteers are needed to collect signatures.

Are you interested in being a volunteer tutor for adult literacy?

■ A small group of volunteer tutors is again being trained at Swinburne College of TAFE to offer confidential one-to-one tutoring for adults wanting to improve their basic reading, writing and spelling.

Tutors come from all walks of life. They do not need special qualifications, just a couple of hours free a week and an accepting interest in people. As more than half the tutoring is done in the evening, the first series of tutor training sessions will be held on Monday evenings beginning in March. A parallel day series on Thursday mornings will begin after Easter.

If you are interested please ring Mary Sutherland on **819 8816**, or leave a message on **819 8118**.

Video available

■ The 20 minute video, Turning 18, which discusses in an amusing and informative way the issues facing young adults, is available from Nancy Nankervis, Community Education Officer. She can be contacted on **859 8368**.

Friends of Kew Library

The Friends will be active again this year, with meetings devoted to interesting topics or outings, all on a monthly basis commencing March. Watch "Progress Press" Datelines for details.

A big event for the Library this year will be the construction of its new home in the City Hall. The Friends will be lending what assistance they can and, as in 1985, conducting a big secondhand book sale in October to raise funds with which to make some special purchases for the Library. Some \$1,000 is held from the 1985 Book Sale for this purpose.

Membership is only \$8.00 per adult, \$10.00 per family, with special low rates for students and pensioners. Application forms are available at the Library circulation desk.