

KEWRIOSITY

Municipal Offices,
Charles St., Kew, 3101

December 1985 — January 1986

Celebrating
125
Years



Happy Annivers- ary Kew!

December 18th, 1985, marks Kew's 125th Anniversary as a separate municipality.

To recognise this occasion we have produced a bumper issue of **Kewriosity**. Inside you will find the Council and community information you have come to expect and a special 8 page supplement looking at Kew's past.

The **Progress Press** and **Free Press** have also entered into the spirit of the occasion with special anniversary issues of their papers which will be delivered to you, appropriately on December 18.

As mentioned in last month's **Kewriosity**, Council is recognising the Anniversary with the purchase of Alan Sumner's stained glass window, The Four Seasons.

Council has also given a substantial tree to each school in Kew. Cedars were chosen as this species dominates Kew's skyline, many having been planted in the early years.

A local history prize has also been announced which will encourage an interest in the history of our community. The prize winning essay will be kept in the Kew library to augment our own local history collection.

Turn to the middle pages and take a journey into Kew's past.



Clockwise: Kew Primary Folk Dancers and Ruyton String Trio at the Senior Citizens' Concert; The Mayor, Cr Hore accepting a flagpole donated by Mr Bob Parks; the Mayor plants a tree given by the Council to Kew High.

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Dates for December

- 1 **Sunday Afternoon at Kew** presents **In as much singers**, 2.30pm, Newnham Hall, Highbury Grove, Kew. Afternoon tea provided. For transport, ring Adele on 898 7079.
Discovering our Roots, the early history of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. presented by Gordon Stirling, at 7.00pm at the East Kew Church of Christ, Valerie St.
- 8 **Carol Singing**, East Kew Church of Christ, Valerie Street, at 7.00pm
Christmas Choral Music Service, East Kew Uniting Church, 10.30am arranged by retiring choir master, Trevor Jones.
- 12 **Grand Christmas Party** for all members and friends of the Kew Garden Club including the Australian Plant and Daytime Groups, 8.00pm at the Senior Citizens' Centre, cnr High and Childers Streets.
- 13 **Kew Historical Society Christmas Party**, 7.00pm, Manchester Unity Hall, Union Street, Kew. Dinner, \$10.00 a head, children free. Bring a gift for the tree and receive one in return. Contact Sue Leong on 80 4660.
- 15 **East Kew Church of Christ**, Valerie Street, 7.00pm. Speaker: Larry Gibbs, "Religion isn't enough". Soloist, Ken Harris of Campaigners for Christ.
Kew Carols by Candlelight, Petrie Square in front of Civic Centre at 8.30pm. Special guest compere, items from local talent and carols accompanied by Kew Citizens' Band.
- 22 **East Kew Church of Christ**, 7.00pm. Speaker Viney Longthorp "Travellers' Tales" — a Christmas address.
- 15 **Christmas Family Service**, 10.30am, East Kew Uniting Church. Junior Youth Group are helping to plan an informal service with emphasis on informality, participation and music. Morning tea to follow.
- 19 **Christmas Carols at Peppercorn Cottage**, 93 Elgin Street, West Hawthorn, 8.00pm. BYO candle and holder, chair and/or rug.

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Friends of Kew Library

■ The Book Fair at the Civic Centre in October, raised \$1100. This will be a boost to funds which will be used for the provision of an appropriate item in the City Library when it is relocated in the coming year.

The Friends held a meeting in November at which Ms Susan Robertson of the Victorian Library Council spoke on the design of libraries.

This organisation has grown quickly since its establishment in March this year and new members are welcome. You may join by asking at the City Library desk or make telephone enquiries at 859 6415.

An active 1986 is planned.

Pre-school Music and Movement

■ Enrolments are now being taken for children aged between 2 and 5 for music and movement sessions in 1986. Sessions are based on the ideas of Orff and Kodaly and allow not only for the development of musical skills but the chance to gain self confidence and social skills in a small group situation. Contact Betty Frey Taylor on 817 3044.

Historical Society Stationery

■ With Christmas just around the corner, it's time to consider messages of goodwill. The society has stationery available, depicting some grand old buildings of Kew. A packet of six letters and envelopes can be purchased for \$2.50. These make great Christmas cards or a packet of stationery can be a gift in itself. Members and Kew residents can lodge orders by telephoning 819 3118.

Neighbourhood Watch

■ Those interested in making the area bounded by Old Burke Road, Keystone Crescent and Lister Street, East Kew, a Neighbourhood Watch area, should contact Fred Villiers on 859 1704.



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 Uniting 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

Valerie Street, East Kew. 25th Dec — 9.00am.

Uniting Church

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

Deadline

KEWRIOSITY is prepared by the Information Officer, Susan Schwartz, and a community based Editorial Committee. Copy for the February issue should reach the Municipal Offices in Charles Street by January 3rd.

Kew at the Crossroads

The Christmas-New Year break is always a time for taking stock. We consider what we have achieved in the year just completed and what our direction will be in the year ahead.

For Council, 1985 has been eventful. We have seen the inception of new services and the consolidation of others. We've seen the application of Council decisions in numerous areas.

Kew is a forward thinking municipality and this is our 125th anniversary. True to our motto (Cresco: I grow) we have developed into the flourishing community our forefathers envisaged.

On the threshold of 1986, we should ask ourselves what we value about Kew and how we hope Kew will develop in the years ahead.

In the context of the government's policy to restructure all



Cr Phyllis Hore

municipalities, these considerations become even more pertinent, especially as Kew has a relatively small population.

We must evaluate the effects of

restructuring on Kew. To what extent will we be able to influence our future? Do we accept the inevitability of change? What impact will restructuring have on the life of the Kew community?

The answers to these questions are the most crucial for Kew since 1860 when the residents decided to separate from the Boroondara Roads Board and form their own municipality.

Consultation with the community has always been a high priority for the Council and I would like to hear your views on this major issue.

This holiday season, think about our community and the direction which you consider would be the most beneficial for Kew.

On behalf of the Council, I wish you a happy and healthy Christmas and New Year.



Traffic Management

AREA 5. Bounded by High, Princess, Earl and Asquith Streets.

As reported last month Council has adopted a scheme for this area which, with certain exceptions, is to be implemented in a temporary form for a minimum trial period of six months.

Detailed design of this scheme is proceeding and it is expected that construction will be commenced early in 1986.

AREA 6. Bounded by High Street, Harp, Burke and Cotham Roads and Charles Street.

After reviewing the overall responses

to the questionnaire on the proposed traffic management scheme for area 6 the Consultative Committee formed the view that there is insufficient community support for this scheme to be proceeded with at this time. The committee is continuing to examine the individual proposals in the scheme and the responses to the questionnaire from each sub area to determine need and practicality of proceeding with parts of the scheme.

The Consultative Committee will be reporting to Council when this further review is completed.

AREA 9. Charles Street.

Work has commenced on installing the traffic scheme in this area.

AREA 10. Bounded by Burke, Barkers, Glenferrie and Cotham Roads.

Works in Dean Street and Edgevale Road have now been completed. Replacement of other splitter islands in the area with permanent construction will be carried out shortly subject to the availability of a contractor.

Council meeting times for December.

Tues. 3rd. General Purpose Committee 7.30pm

Tues. 10th. COUNCIL 8.15pm

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

Heavy traffic

Bill Mildenhall, teacher at Kew's Traffic School has had a busy year. To June 30th 2,600 children attended the school program and in addition to that number many community groups as well as the Council Holiday Program have taken advantage of this excellent facility.

The Education Department has guaranteed that Kew will have a teacher at the School for 1986 although such secondments are at present under review.

Yarra Bend contribution

As one of the three Councils bordering Yarra Bend Park, Kew has authorised a contribution of \$15,800 to the Yarra Bend Park Trust for the 85/86 financial year.

The contributions from Council go towards the cost of groundsmen at the park.

Prospect Hill

Council will not object to the renewal of the Prospect Hill Hotel's annual liquor licence or the granting of a Sunday Trading Permit as there has been considerable improvement in the management of the Hotel and the conduct of its patrons.

Money for Mexico

Council will contribute \$500 towards the relief of those affected by the recent Mexico City earthquakes. The donation will be made through the International Disasters Emergency Committee.

IN BRIEF

Improvements to Willsmere Park

Council has agreed to Kew Hockey Club's request to upgrade the drainage to the playing fields and pathways to the park.

Residents of Willow Grove and the Willsmere Action Committee have been invited to comment on the club's proposals to provide extra training lights, an extended parking area and pavilion alterations.

Senior Citizens' Week

Senior Citizens' Week will be held from March 16-23, 1986.

A committee has been formed in Kew to initially co-ordinate and publicise activities for this week.

A meeting will be held on 19th November at 10.00am at the Senior Citizens' Centre on the corner of High and Childers Sts, Kew, and all interested people are invited to attend.

For further information contact Pat Throssell (chairperson) on 861 6995.

Safeway go-ahead

Council has approved plans for the Safeway expansion and pedestrian mall development.

Together with Simdub Pty Ltd, Council will submit an Application for a Town Planning Permit to the Ministry for Planning and the Environment.

Community Bus

Council operates a community bus service for senior citizens. The bus is

available for shopping trips on Friday afternoons, between 12.30 and 3.00pm and on the second Wednesday of the month. The bus takes residents to the library between 11-12.30pm.

Transport is also provided to the Senior Citizens Centre and Community Day Activity Centres.

For further information, contact the Social Development Department on 862 2466.

Dawn patrol for dogs

Council is concerned about owners letting their dogs out in the early morning as the dogs knock over rubbish bins.

The By-laws Officer will be carrying out inspections from 5.00am and any dog found loose between then and sunset will either be seized or the owner served with a \$50 Dog Infringement notice.

Public Meeting for North Ward Residents

North Ward Councillors Joe Ormando, Wendy Smith and Maree Williams will hold a ward meeting at the Community House, 6 Derby Street, at 7.30 on Wednesday, December 11th.

They urge North Ward residents to attend to discuss issues of importance to their area including Kew Junction Planning, Recreation Centre and human service needs. Residents will also be invited to put their point of view on any other Council matter.

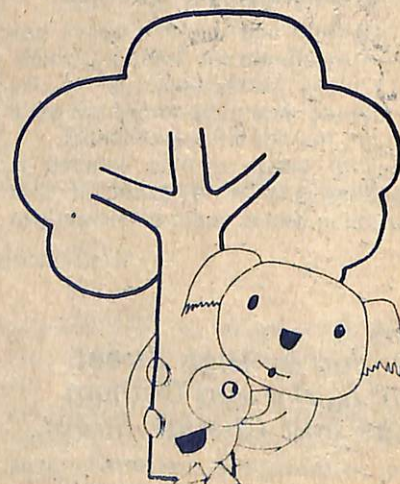
The meeting will enable North Ward Councillors to properly represent the views of the ward.

LOOKING FOR A PLAYGROUP?

Contact the Children's Services Officer

Kew City Council
862 2466

Mon.-Thurs. 12.00-2.00pm



125th Anniversary
Supplement




 SUPPLEMENT
 TO THE
VICTORIA GOVERNMENT GAZETTE
 OF TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1860.
 Published by Authority.

 TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19.
 THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT
 PROCLAMATION
 HENRY ROSS
 Mayor of C.

BOROUGH RATE
Pence in the

MBER 19.
THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF KNEW.
PROCLAMATION.
Henry Russell, Knight
Governor of the North Cape
Colony of Victoria.

Kew becomes a Municipality

Kew, Hawthorn and Camberwell were originally part of the Boroondara Roads Board which had its offices in Burwood Road, then in Camberwell.

The residents of Kew felt that with the Roads Board operating from Camberwell their interests would be overlooked. At a public meeting on 8th October, 1860 it was decided that Kew would "secede" and form a separate Roads Board and the Governor in Council was petitioned to this effect.

This action caused strained relations with the Boroondara Roads Board, which faced the loss of revenue from Kew and tried unsuccessfully to collect rates from the residents.

Kew was proclaimed a separate municipality by a notice appearing in a supplement to the **Victoria Government Gazette** on 18th December, 1860.

The **Richmond Australian** of December 22nd, 1860 carried an advertisement requesting Kew residents to attend a public meeting to decide the number of councillors to be elected, whether councillors should be paid and to elect the councillors.

The meeting held on January 11th, 1861 decided on 7 councillors who would not be paid. There were 19 nominations one of whom, Mr F. Payne, said that he had come forward because he thought it desirable to introduce "new blood" into the affair, especially as he had been led to believe that it was intended that the election was to result in the return of a "nice little family party". Nevertheless, he was not elected. The first Council was made up of Messrs: M. Cranwell, G.

Wharton, J. Carson, W. Derrick, G. Lewis, R. Oswin and Dr H. Fox, some of whose names have been given to streets in Kew. Councillor John Carson became the first elected Mayor of Kew.

"Ma" Dalley

One of Kew Council's more colourful characters was Marie Dalley O.B.E., affectionately known as "Ma".

Councillor Dalley ran a scrap metal yard in North Melbourne where the Melbourne Motor Inn now stands.

One of her bright ideas was to convert garbage into profit by treating refuse with bacteria and so transforming it into useable and saleable garden compost.

She carried out experiments to this end at her yard and although she achieved the product she desired, the project was considered uneconomic and so rejected.

Cr Dalley was the first woman to be elected to Kew Council and was Mayor from 1954-55.



*Cr Marie Dalley O.B.E., J.P.
Mayor 1954/55*

History of Kew Library

In Melbourne's early years Kew was a sparsely settled newly developed suburb. Residents were relatively isolated and in the manner of their times took responsibility for organizing their own activities. Thus in 1858 the Kew Literary and Scientific Society was formed by a group of worthy citizens with the aim of holding lectures, entertainment and the formation of a library.

The Society led to the formation of the Athenaeum Company which built a hall and library in Walpole St, on the present site of Safeways. The Library was opened in 1860 and Kew, with a population of less than 80 households, had commenced a library which has continued to the present.

For the next eighty years, however, the Library was very different from the free library service people expect today. Membership was by subscription but this did not provide sufficient finance to build bookstock and attract new subscribers. Some Council subsidy helped and eventually the library reached its heyday with a bookstock of over 8000 volumes and loans of 1000 books and magazines each month. Later, however, lack of funds for new books caused subscriptions to dwindle and in 1937, with only 32 financial subscribers, the Council took the service over.

It was fortunate that the three most prominent librarians in Victoria just happened to live in Kew in 1937, and so the Chief Librarian of the Public Library of Victoria, Melbourne University and the

Parliamentary Library were part of a Committee formed by Council to reorganise the Library. The cottage next to the old Town Hall which had been the Library home since 1904 was renovated, a large portion of the obsolete bookstock was discarded and a children's section added.

During the following years of rapid growth several extensions to the original building were made but these were inadequate to cope with the continuing rise in the use of the service. In 1972 the Library transferred from Walpole St to its present location on the lower floor of the Municipal Offices. Even this move only gave less than half the space recommended for a library serving a community the size of Kew. Plans are now well advanced for the conversion of the City Hall to a library and it is expected that there the Library will be able to further expand its capacity for meeting the needs of the citizens of Kew.

Today the people of Kew are strongly library minded and regularly borrow more items per head of population than users of any other library. Emphasis has remained on the core service of providing books and other print resources for home use. Services have been developed in areas of local history, a specialist family history collection, large print and foreign language books as well as records and cassettes. The Library is open every day of the week with over 4000 visits from users and 9000 loans each week.

Alex Tarr, City Librarian.

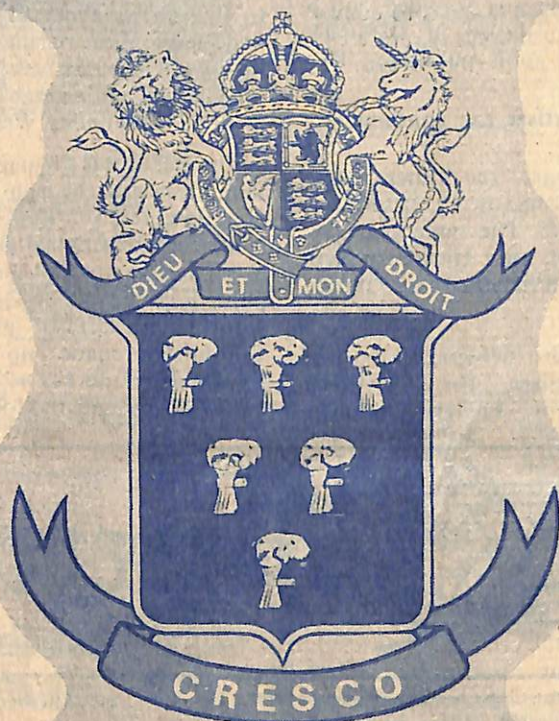


KEW DATES

First house built in central Kew
Proclaimed a Municipality
Created a Borough
Gazetted a Town
Gazetted a City

1852.
18th December, 1860.
1st October, 1863.
14th December, 1910.
1st March, 1921.

CITY OF



KEW

Kew's Crest

In February, 1861 the device of a shield with six sheaves of wheat and the Royal Arms was adopted as Kew's Crest. The motto "Cresco" meaning "I Grow" was an indication of the anticipated growth of the young municipality. And how it grew!

1861 — 1439 persons — 279 dwellings.

1910 — 15,700 persons — 3630 dwellings.

1936 — 27,036 persons — 6155 dwellings.

After the 1930's Kew's population stabilized. Today we have around 29,700 residents living in 10,741 dwellings.

The Outer Circle revisited

Have you noticed a street that runs in a south easterly direction from the East Kew Post Office and is named, for no apparent reason, STATION STREET?

Even though the swathe of grassland curving through the houses nearby is known as the Outer Circle and was, I knew in a vague sort of way, the route of an old railway line, I had not really connected the two until one wet and windy Sunday when I drifted into the Municipal Library and picked up **The Outer Circle — a history of the Oakleigh to Fairfield Railway**, by David V. Beardsell and Bruce H. Herbert.

These co-authors give us facts and figures in plenty and flesh them out with a fascinating text which traces the conception, birth, death, rebirth and final demise of a railway.

There's even a chapter on accidents, and lots of ancient black and white photographs of steam trains and long gone stations amid pastoral scenes where our homes stand today.

Space in **Kewriosity** is limited, so let's get back to where we started — at East Kew Station. It was positioned just to the west of Normanby Road and was opened in 1891 and closed in 1893.

East Kew Goods Siding was opened in 1925 and closed in 1943 and was constructed on the Deepdene (east) side of Normanby Road. So the name Station Street may not be novel or "punchy" but at least it was functional at the time.

Having settled that question, I think I'll take the dog for a run — on the Outer Circle. Where else?

Joan Barrett.

THE KEW ADVERTISER.

THURSDAY, MAY 23, 1928.

Brettle's SILKESTIA HOSE 5/11 pair
Brettle's ALL WOOL HOSE 6/11 pair
Prestige SILK & WOOL HOSE 3/11 and 4/11 pair
Good WINTER VESTS, wool and cotton . . . 3/11 and 5/11
Good WINTER VEST, silk and wool . . . 5/11 and 6/11
Men's Silk and Wool HALF HOSE . . 2/11 and 3/11 pair
3 and 4-ply WHITE VEST WOOL . . . 10½d. Skein
MISSSES GRAHAM
643 HIGH ST., EAST KEW.

GETTING THE NEWS TO KEW

The first newspaper that serviced Kew was the **Richmond Australian**, which commenced publication in 1858. It covered meetings of the Boroondara Roads Board, of which Kew was a member at that time.

In 1861, a new paper took over, The **South Bourke Standard** (Kew was part of the County of Bourke) and covered the meetings of Kew's first Council in great detail.

The **Standard's** role was usurped in the 1870s, with the publication of the **Kew & Hawthorn Express**.

The first newspaper to be established in Kew was the **Kew Mercury**, founded by W. Mott and Co., and first published in March 1888.

The paper was housed in an old wooden building. There the copy was assembled, then carried by buggy to Essendon where the type was cast. It was then returned to Kew where it was printed and distributed.

The quarterly subscription to the paper was 1s 1d.

The first issue carried the report of the Council meeting at which it was decided that the rate would be struck at 1s. in the pound. It also referred to a letter of complaint regarding a tram driver standing all the time he was on duty. Times must have been hard!

The general news covered the warrant for arrest of a man for wife beating and consideration of the extension of the railway to Doncaster (a recurring topic).

The **Mercury** continued to be Kew's newspaper until it was finally sold in 1922.

After the **Mercury's** demise, a small free newspaper, the **Kew Sentinel** was published. Its career was short and in 1926, the **Kew Advertiser** was founded and a local plant was installed in Denmark Street which was soon publishing five papers.

The **Kew Advertiser** ran continuously for 34 years.

For thirteen years, the **Outer Circle Mirror** (first published in 1953) serviced Kew and surrounds. The same year saw the emergence of the **Hawthorn-Kew News Weekly**. Both papers were to merge with larger ones.

In 1959, Standard newspapers bought the **Kew Advertiser**, the **Hawthorn Standard** and the **Eastern Suburbs**

Advertiser which merged to become the **Eastern Suburbs Standard**. It was distributed free to most of Kew and East Kew and ceased publication in 1978.

Kew news is now brought to you by the **Free Press**, (first published in 1932), the **Progress Press** (1946) and of course, **Kewriosity**, your monthly Council-community newspaper.

Kewriosity first appeared in June 1979 as a result of the interest and determination of a group of residents who felt that a community paper was the best way to share news about happenings in Kew and develop the feeling of community identity. The paper was jointly funded by the Council and a grant from the Department of Community Welfare Services.

The paper has changed from a single tabloid sheet to the eight or sixteen pages you now receive. **Kewriosity** is funded completely by Council and distributed to every dwelling and business in Kew. The paper is edited and designed by Council's Information Officer and an Editorial Committee made up of interested residents.

Kewriosity and the local press aim to

The Kew Mercury

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 1894

ONE PENNY



Schools. Messrs. Lord & Jaycock beg to inform

Proprietors of Schools that they execute all kinds of **School Printing** with speed and economy. Samples can be seen, and Estimates obtained free of all charge, on application at the **Kew Mercury** and **Hawthorn Advertiser** Office, High St., K.E.W.

Economy.

Clergymen, Secretaries of Societies, and others are respectfully informed that special attention is paid to all Printing necessary for Sermons, Entertainments, Lectures, Meetings, &c., as well as Reports, Parish Magazines, Balance Sheets, Circulars, Pamphlets and Books of every description in best style.

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"Kew Mercury"
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HIGH STREET, KEW.

Every description of Printing executed in first-class style.

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Best-class work.

—(Plain.)—

—(Ornate.)—

—(Artistic.)—

—(Attractive.)—

—(Appropriate.)—

—(Satisfactory.)—

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KEW DECORATIVE ESTABLISHMENT, 1894.

COTHAM ROAD, KEW.

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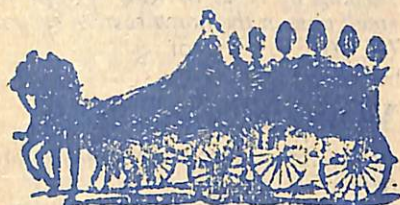
GELLIBRAND STREET,

KEW.

keep you in touch with what's going on in your community and that could be said for all the newspapers in Kew's short history!

Note: Kew Library has most issues of Kew's early papers on microfilm. For a fascinating trip into the past arrange a viewing time — you won't be disappointed.

For further information about Kew's newspapers, refer to Vaughan's Kew's Civic Century.



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 First-class stock of Boots and Shoes
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 MEN'S NAILED BLUCHERS from
 4s. 6d.
 LADIES' GLACE KID BALMORALS
 from 7s.
 GENTS' GOLOSHED BALMORAL,
 LEATHER LINED from 8s. 6d.
 REPAIRS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION
 NEATLY EXECUTED.

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Delivery Twice Daily in Kew, Hawthorn,
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Cream: Fresh or Clotted on 24 hours' notice.

New-Laid EGGS supplied.

Best Quality Cream Separated Butter Machine-made.
 (Delivered Fresh on Tuesdays and Fridays.)

Orders by Post promptly attended to. Inspection invited.

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 MODEL DAIRY CO.,
 KEW.



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 Practical Watchmaker
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ALL WORK GUARANTEED OF
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Country Orders will receive prompt attention

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ALL best brands of Tobacco, Cigars,
 and SHAGS.

Also, a large assortment of Silver-mounted
 pens and WALKING STICKS always on hand.
 Bazaar Ground and Set. Pipe Hospital
 Depot for FOOTBALL and CRICKETING
 MATERIALS.
 Hairdressing Saloon fitted with all latest
 improvements.
 Melbourne Pattern!

Breaking down monopoly in the Kew Cemetery

N. DEAR MONUMENTAL MASON AND
 GRAVE DECORATOR,

178 HIGH STREET, KEW,

Begs to announce to the public that he is prepared to Garden
 Graves, Erect Monuments, Headstones, Cut Inscriptions, and
 complete all kinds of Cemetery Work, with best workmanship
 and material at ten per cent. below local prices and twenty per
 cent. below Melbourne.

NOTE ADDRESS.

GOOD NEWS. — GOOD NEWS.

GREAT BANKRUPT SALE. MORE PLUMS FOR THE PEOPLE.

ANOTHER GREAT FAILURE
 OF A SUBURBAN DRAPER

The Estate amounting to ~~£3746~~ has been purchased at a tremendous Discount for Cash by

GREGG & DAVIDSON,
 170 & 172 BRIDGE RD., RICHMOND, (Late Miss FRAMES)

The Entire Stock, consisting of

Manchester	Millinery	Hosiery
Clothing	Silks	Gloves
Underclothing	Dresses	Corsets

Is now being Offered to the Public.

Of Councils past . . .

What rubbish!

In 1910, Mr J. Carrucan's tender of £167/14/- was accepted for the annual clearance of dust boxes in Kew, subject to ridge pole and cover being fixed on cart to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor. For the year ended September 30, 1960, the cost of clearing garbage receptacles was £21,511.

Kew by moonlight

In 1911, the Council initiated a series of moonlight concerts in the Alexandra Gardens. They were held at the full moon, or as near as possible, from November to March. The Kew City Band played selections, and moving pictures were screened.

Evil practices

In 1911, the attention of the police was directed to the practice of playing cards on Sundays in Victoria Park.

All quiet on the Council Front

In 1913, the Area Officer was asked to discontinue drilling of cadets in front of the Town Hall on Tuesday evenings during Council meetings.

Things change?

In July, 1913, a Kew Traders' Association was formed. The following month the Council decided to send a letter to the Association suggesting that some effort be made to improve the condition of business premises in High Street, and to make the business portion of Kew more attractive with a view to fostering local trade.

In the marketplace

In December, 1920, the Kew Council agreed to the establishment of open kerb markets for fruit growers. Older residents will remember how popular these were,

especially the one near the Harp Junction, East Kew.

Kew goes it alone

Kew was made a State Electorate in December, 1926. Prior to that it was included in the Hawthorn Electorate.

No cows for Kew

In June, 1933, the Council decided to make application under the Milk and Dairy Supervision Act to prohibit the keeping of cows in Kew, except for a small area in the north-eastern section of the city.

Voting is compulsory

In December, 1945, the Council refused a request from the Kew A.L.P. for compulsory voting to be introduced into Kew municipal elections, but agreed to change the day of polling from Thursday to Saturday. In March, 1949, the Council decided to introduce compulsory voting.

In the beginning . . .

In December, 1956, the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works agreed to pay the Kew Council the sum of £25,000 as compensation for the Outer Circle Railway land for the purpose of an arterial roadway.

Finding out about our history

Kew Municipal Library is the logical first stop for local historians. There are a variety of local history resources housed in the library.

Books and pamphlets

General histories such as

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| F. Barnard's | The Jubilee History of Kew. |
| D. Roger's | A History of Kew. |
| W. D. Vaughan's | Kew's Civic Century. |

Histories of Churches such as,

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| Jill Manton's | A history of Kew Baptist Church, 1856-1981 |
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Histories of schools: for example,

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| S. Sayers | By courage and faith, the first fifty years at Carey Baptist Grammar School. |
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Newsletters; belonging to schools, clubs and other organisations in Kew.

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| For example, | Gen-arrations. (Genazzano newsletter). |
| | Auburn Bowling Club newsletter. |

Newspapers.

Current local newspapers and microfilmed 19th century newspapers.

Microfilms.

Kew Municipality Rate Books 1862-1900 (microfilm).

Melbourne and Metropolitan plans of Kew prior to the installation of sewerage.

Photographs.

Aerial photographs of Kew which were co-ordinated by the Lands Department from the Central Map Office for the years 1946, 1956, 1966, 1974 and 1984.

A number of books and pamphlets have been indexed so that researchers can find specific information more quickly. The **Local History Index** (which is found at the Reader's Advisor's Table) has been useful to persons wanting to know more about their home or street or people trying to "piece together" the history of a particular Kew resident or institution. Please feel free to use the index for your research.



**Kew is 125?
She doesn't
look a day
over 100.**

From the "Old Rec" to the new Recreation Centre

The Kew Recreation Association was formed in 1878 to buy a hall for meetings, theatre, social gatherings and to be a home for sports, to cater for the needs of the rapidly expanding community.

In 1880, the Recreation Hall, bowling green, tennis courts and cricket ground were opened and "hailed with joy" according to a contemporary observer. The hall was a first for any Melbourne municipality.

The hall had the best dance floor in Melbourne and the bowling and tennis clubs excelled. The cricket ground, whilst not well used, eventually became the terminus of the Kew railway.

Due to the Association's financial difficulties during the First World War, Council bought the hall, courts and greens in 1917.

In 1918 a pavilion for the Bowling Club was added and during 1919 the hall was converted into an emergency hospital.

World War II saw the Hall being requisitioned by the Army, but after the war the "Old Rec" once again flourished and became the home of the "Q" Theatre Guild and the Kew Repertory Company.

With the opening of the new Town Hall in 1960 the days of the "Old Rec" were numbered and it was demolished in that year to make way for the further

expansion of the Kew Bowling Club.

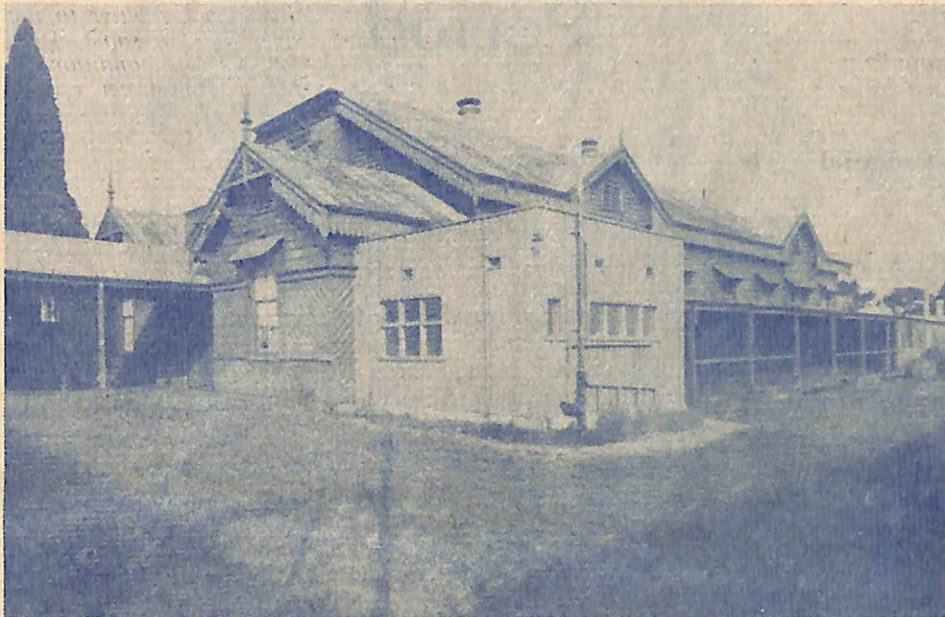
That was the end of an era for a building which had become a social focus for the Kew community.

With the beginning of the first stage of our Recreation Centre in 1986 a new era will begin, although this centre will be very different from the old one.

For a start, it will be an aquatic centre

providing heated pool, spa and saunas. It will also be the first general purpose aquatic centre with therapeutic facilities for the elderly and disabled. It will have special features like a ramp and recessed stair access to the pool and texture and colour differentiations within the complex.

The initiative of the Kew Recreation Centre Consultative Committee has been supported financially by Kew Council and the Department of Sport and Recreation to provide the best indoor swimming facility for Kew which will, in its own way, become a focus for community life like the "Old Rec" was in its heyday.



The "Old Rec"

THE KEW ADVERTISER

Thursday, July 10, 1941

Kew League of Youth.

The Recreation Hall will again be the setting for a patriotic dance on Saturday, July 19. This dance is to aid the Kew Patriotic Fund.

Mrs. W. J. Price (Mayoress of Kew) is most anxious for this dance to be as successful as previous ones run by the league and, as president, extends a cordial welcome to all people keen to be of service to their country. Good music and an excellent floor, as well as supper, help to add to the enjoyment of those present. Fifty Air Force men have been invited to be present as guests, and feel assured that they will have as good a time as their comrades have had before them. Many prizes for Monte Carlo and Spot dances will be presented to some lucky people.

Members! be early for the next

fortnightly meeting to be held at the Town Hall on Wednesday, July 23.

Emergency Service.

The annual meeting will take place at 8 p.m. on Tuesday next, July 15, in the Recreation Hall. Miss Leura Anderson, who should be of interest to us, as she is closely associated with "Rockingham," will be the speaker, and there will also be musical items as well as the various reports. All members and their friends are particularly asked to be present. There have been a number of enquiries by those wishing to join the class for Child Management, to commence on Wednesday afternoons shortly. Besides being a most interesting course it is to help train members for evacuation purposes. Ring Haw. 3198.

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Kew's history in houses

Take a stroll around Kew and you will find many different styles of architecture — often in the same street.

Here is a guide to style and period to help identify your house and those around you.

Your Guide to Style and Period

Colonial Style — 1840s onwards



Early Italianate Style — late 1850s, 1860s

Gothic Revival Style — 1840s onwards



Italianate Style — 1860s, 1870s, 1880s

Boom Style — 1880s



Edwardian era Style — late 1890s, 1900s to circa 1914

Californian Bungalow Style — 1920s



Spanish Mission Style — 1920s

English Cottage Style — 1930s



Ultra-Modern Style — 1930s

Waterfall Front Style — 1930s



'Ow Commissioners Catered for Kew

'Asi 'eard 'ow the Ramsbottom family
Were involved in a famous to do?
'Iwere abaht the Kew train, through to Melbourne
And from Melbourne, the through train to Kew.

It were this way; in Ramsbottom family
'Iwere father 'oo won all the bread
So mother and Albert would take it in turns
To give 'im 'is breakfast in bed.

At quarter to eight by the wireless
'e'd hurriedly put on 'is pants
And do oop 'is boots in the kitchen
While listenin' to Norman McCance.

Then 'e'd kiss ma, and run for the station
And 'e knew, when 'e left the front gate
That if only 'is right leg suspender stayed put
'e'd reach station by 'arf past the eight.

Mr Ramsbottom 'ad the assurance
That when Guard, 'is whistle 'ad blew
'e'd go right through from Kew into Melbourne
Withaht any changin' to do.

This routine were constant and reg'lar
It satisfied all withaht doubt
Till some 'igh minded chaps in the Railways
A remarkable change brough abaht.

They were playin' at Ludo one Friday
When one said, 'As we've nothin to do
Let's inaugurate "Spirit of Progress"
So they did, 'twas from 'Awhorn to Kew.

Now this change mucked up Ramsbottom system
It made father feel quite a blob
For through 'avin' to change trains at 'Awhorn
'e was one minute late for 'is job.

This vexed the whole family real proper.
They decided the best thing to do
Was to go see Min'ster for Transport
And explain to 'im, their point of view.

While they dressed up, young Albert got ready
With clean neck and nice Sunday 'at
And 'is stick with the 'orse's 'ead 'andle
For to poke the Departmental cat.

They went in through front door of buildin'
And came to where Board members sat
With their knaves and their cads all arahnd them
Makin' notes abaht this thing and that.

The Min'ster stood oop when they entered
and 'e said, 'Well bah goom! look 'oos coom,
Blow'd if t'aint Ramsbottom family
There's father and Albert and Mum.

I suppose that you've coom 'ere to thank us
For Mickey Mouse service to Kew
That's the way we encourage our patrons
And make thinks much brighter for you'.

'Much brighter, not 'arf,' answered father
Rahnd the gills 'e went purple and red
'Through 'avin' to change trains at 'Awhorn
I can't 'ave me breakfast in bed.'

At this Min'ster turned cool and 'aughty
And said, 'Don't be nasty, old fruit,
For you'll 'ave to keep "Spirit of Progress"
And sheep ramp at 'Awhorn to boot.'

At this father got real excited
'I'm dahnrigh disgusted,' said 'e
'You can keep ruddy trains into Melbourne
It's a tram to the City for me.'

A Kew resident's thoughts on transport
quoted in Rogers' History of Kew. This
line was demolished in 1959.

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MELBOURNE.

Welcome Councillor Timms!

David Timms is Kew's newest councillor. He joins Councillors Moira Jeffreys and Allen Martin in Prospect ward.

Councillor Timms has lived in Kew almost all his life and for the past ten years he has been operating a plumbing business here.



Cr David Timms

He is looking forward to his new role as councillor and will be particularly interested in council's recreation initiatives.

Cr Timms is keen on sports (he says he's an "all-rounder") but he has a special interest in scuba diving and is an examiner for the Royal Lifesaving Society.



Govt. Grant for Recreation Centre

The Minister for Sport and Recreation, the Hon. Neil Trezise, has allocated \$225,000 towards construction of the first stage of the Kew Recreation Centre.

This Major Facility Grant recognises Kew's diligence in demonstrating specific need for a year-round aquatic activity centre in the area.

Stage One of the Recreation Centre will be the provision of a heated indoor pool, spa and sauna. One of the main design considerations has been to ensure that the aquatic facilities are accessible to the elderly and disabled.

Plans for the Recreation Centre are under preparation and will be available for residents' inspection in the near future.



From left: Cr Wendy Smith, Hank van Apeldoorn, Regional Consultant, and Harvey Parker, Director General of the Department of Sport and Recreation, the Mayor, Cr Hore and Carolyn Graham, Municipal Recreation Officer, at the swimming pool site.

Volunteers needed for Kew Meals on Wheels

Kew's Meals on Wheels is in dire need of volunteers.

At present, there are about 60 volunteers per week involved in delivering meals but at least 10 more will be needed in 1986.

Meals on Wheels services around 200 aged and disabled people in Kew, delivering in excess of 800 meals in a week.

The service has been operating for 30 years and is continuing to grow.

Most volunteers offer their services once a month or once a fortnight. They deliver to approximately 20 houses and

a round takes about one and a half hours to complete.

Volunteers work in pairs, one acting as jockey, the other as driver. Individuals can be matched with a partner.

Helen Wood, Kew's Meals on Wheels Co-ordinator is appealing to schools, churches, service and community groups and residents to help maintain this vital service.

If you would like to help in this rewarding volunteer work, contact Helen at the Senior Citizen's Centre on 861 7308, between 8.30am and 4.00pm.

holiday programs

Children, teenagers and young people will all have the opportunity to participate in recreation based holiday programs over the summer holidays.

Programs available:

St. Pauls Playcentre — 6th to 31st January, 1986 for 5 to 11 year-olds. Hours — 8.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.

Teenage Holiday Program — New! 20th to 31st January, 1986 for 12 to 14 year-olds at Ruyton Girls' School. Hours — 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.

Youth Holiday Program — 6th to 31st January, 1986 for 14 to 18 year-olds at Kew Youth Centre, 4 Derby Place, Kew. Ring Ian Patching, Youth Services Officer on 861 6828 to enquire about hours.

Kew Traffic School — 6th to 31st January, 1986. Drop-in program for under 12 year-olds. Hours — 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m.

New Games Trailer — visiting different parks within Kew between 10.00 a.m. and 12.30 p.m. daily. 20th to 31st January, 1986.

Further information will be distributed to all schools or contact the Social Development Department on 862 2466.

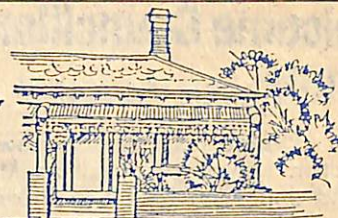


Why Kew?

In London, Kew is near Richmond, and for our founding fathers, geographical proximity seemed a good reason for calling the new settlement Kew (being near the slightly older settlement of Richmond).

We might have been called Cotham after the home of a group of influential residents but the geographers won and the Cothamites had to be content with a road — at least it is a main road!

KEW COMMUNITY HOUSE



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

Rhonda takes over

The Community House has a new co-ordinator, Rhonda McCaw.

Rhonda has been involved with the House since the beginning when it was first an idea developing out of the then Kew Recreation Program.

She was on the Steering Committee, formed in February 1983, which worked towards setting up the house.

Rhonda has been a Kew resident for six years and feels she knows Kew well. She sees the House as a focal point for the community, a place for meetings and skill sharing.

Rhonda has a great commitment to the House and will further develop former co-ordinator Jo Osborne's work in offering residents the opportunity for personal development through course activities.

"The House is an exciting place to be. It is dynamic, always changing, evolving in response to the needs of the community." It is clear that Rhonda is very enthusiastic about her new role!

We're expanding!

On behalf of the Kew Community House Committee of Management I would like to thank the Kew Council for their vote of encouragement and support in granting, in its 1985/86 Budget, the use of No. 8 Derby St, Kew, from February 1986, for the Kew Community House. We will now be able to provide quality childcare on the premises.

Lack of childcare has stopped many women in Kew from taking advantage of our courses and activities, and therefore we are very excited about the possibilities for 1986. The second house will give us space to provide a wider range of activities including a resource room with facilities for sewing, typing and possibly photocopying and a larger meeting room.

Volunteer Childcare workers

I would like to appeal to anyone in the local area who enjoys being with small children and who has some free time once or twice a week in the mornings to become part of our group of volunteer childcare workers. I would love to hear

from you, and remember, there is no upper limit on age!

Suggestion Box

To help me plan for 1986, I invite you to think about what the Kew Community House can offer you. What would you like to learn? What skills would you like to develop? Or do you have a skill you could share? Put your ideas in the Suggestion Box at the Kew Library or come and see me at the House.

T.O.P. at the House

We are planning to run two Tertiary Orientation Program courses in 1986. 1. English. 2. Australian Social History.

Tutors will be provided by Box Hill TAFE if we can find 12 people per course who are interested. The course would involve 3 hours per week at the House. 9.30-12.30pm midweek. Please contact me at the House if you are interested as it will be first in, first served as usual.

Christmas break-up

On Tuesday, 17th December, 1985 at 1.30pm at the House, there will be a Christmas break-up for all the "Friends of the Community House". So if you've done a course, tutored a course, dropped-in, volunteered during the year, or part of a group using the House, please come along for afternoon tea and entertainment as it promises to be a great day, and a great way to finish off 1985. We will be re-opening in early February, 1986.



Rhonda McCaw

YOUTH RESOURCE CENTRE
4 DERBY PLACE,
KEW 3101.
861 6828

YOUTH PAGE

Making the most of the holidays

Summer Holidays are almost here. Many young people are about to or have broken up from school and are into the first stage of relaxation and fun. This period does, however, bring some problems. What do you do with your time?

My Christmas message to young people is to use your initiative in organising yourselves into planned activities over the holidays, and above all use common sense.

I would ask parents to allow the young people to use their initiative and support them in their endeavours. Talk to them and help them organise their time.

Have a great time over the holidays, and come to the Holiday Program at the Youth Centre which is open all of January.

Ian.

What does Christmas mean to you?

I took a random selection of young people who come to the Youth Centre and asked them about their feelings on Christmas. The only stipulations for their answer was that it must be genuine and individual. Here's what they mentioned:

- family reunions, presents, Christmas dinner, going away.
- holidays, presents, sun, summer,

beach, opposite sex, food.

- having to see hated relatives, holidays, presents, summer, the beach.
- nothing.

Christmas raises many questions in young people's minds. In Kew we are perhaps in a better situation than many others. Even young people who can be considered "at risk" in our community can still look forward to a happy Christmas period, in terms of family and friends. Many people in the community are not in the position to give and receive gifts. Please spare a thought to those and wish them a Merry Christmas as well.

Holiday Program

The Youth Centre will be open in January from Monday 6th to Friday 31st for young people 12 to 25 years of age. However, the average age of participants is 16 so please keep that in mind. Operating hours will be announced at a later date but the Centre will generally be open from 2.30pm to 10.30pm each day. Activities include



Drop out of your holidays,
drop into yourself!

bus trips, videos, pool, table tennis, board games and as we are now so close to the swimming pool, a system of pass outs from the pool to the Youth Centre will operate. This summer can be the best, so come along and get that summer feeling. Cost has been kept down to only 75 cents per day and you can't get much cheaper than that. See you there.



Christmas card designs for the Foster Parents Plan. Order form 2 Highbury Grove, Kew 3101.

1888 organ restoration recalls Kew businessman

Variety, we are told, is the "spice of life", and that certainly seems to have been the view of Alfred Fuller, a one-time Kew businessman, who — at various stages — was a brewer of ale, a real estate agent, and a designer and maker of church organs!

It is this latter profession, which Fuller followed between 1880 and 1899, which has caused his name to be well-remembered among subsequent generations of Victorian musicians and music historians.

For Alfred Fuller was not just another soon-to-be-forgotten colonial organ builder. Right from the outset, in 1880, when he made his first and largest-ever organ just in time for the great Melbourne International Exhibition, Fuller's organs revealed tonal qualities which were new to the colony and which drew enthusiastic praise from all who heard them.

And now, the story of Alfred Fuller's work is to be told anew due to the authentic restoration of an 1888 Fuller organ which has recently been transported from the Ballarat Congregational Church to the Catholic Church of St Mark's in Fawkner.

Noted Melbourne maker and restorer of historic instruments, Marc Nobel, who is in charge of the project, has described the task of studying, dismantling and rebuilding the organ as a "fascinating journey into history".

Marc Nobel's investigation of the organ's background has led him to what was formerly known as Main Road, Kew (now High St.) where, in 1879, what had previously been Fuller's "Kew Brewery" suddenly became an organ-building works!

The actual site of Fuller's establishment was a block of land adjoining and below the Clifton Hotel, which had been opened around 1869.

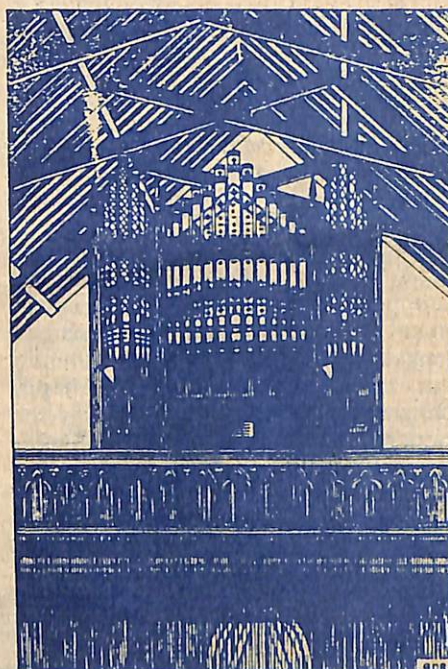
It was from here that many of Australia's finest early organs were despatched to places as far afield as Fremantle, West Australia, and Ipswich, in Queensland. Unfortunately, no Fuller organs exist today in Kew, the one which was previously in the Independent (Congregational) Church having been removed in 1976 to the Lutheran Church in Mount Barker, South Australia.

However, with the restoration of the organ at St Mark's, Fawkner, music lovers will again have the opportunity to hear an Alfred Fuller organ as it would have sounded a century ago.

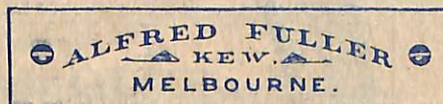
The blessing of the renewed organ and a preview demonstration will take place at 11am on Sunday, December 8th. An inaugural recital on the organ will be given at 8.15pm, on Thursday, February 27th.

The parishioners of St Mark's have issued an open invitation to organists, music-lovers and historians to attend these two notable musical events. Residents of Kew will be especially welcome.

Mark Hill.



Alfred Fuller organ (1886), St Brigid's Roman Catholic Church, North Fitzroy. Drawing: Graeme Rushworth.



The Citizens' Advice Bureau needs volunteers

What kind of person makes a good C.A.B. Volunteer?

- One who is interested in, and cares about, people.

- One who is willing to take a training course which will add to his/her experience and ability to help generally.

What do C.A.B. Volunteers do?

- When people phone or come to the C.A.B., as they do with all kinds of questions and requests for information, the volunteers can provide the answers or can tell them who does know the answers.

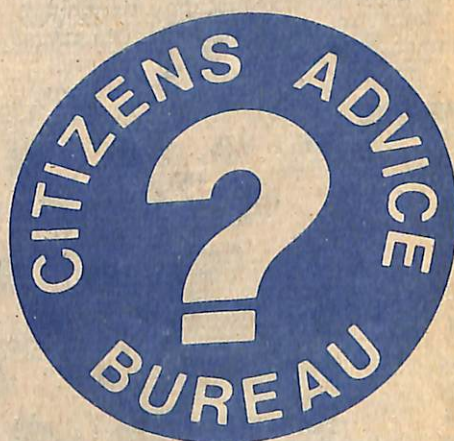
- When there are worries, small or great, the volunteers listen to and talk with the client, helping him/her to sort things out. They can then suggest possible lines of action and, if needed, can refer people to where they can find further help. Absolute confidentiality is always observed.

How do you become a volunteer worker?

- Contact the Kew or Hawthorn Bureau, and our Co-ordinator of volunteers will be able to give you information about the course, about what the Bureau work entails, and how to apply for training.

Kew — Rear of Municipal Offices, Cotham Road, Kew. Phone 861 5244.

Hawthorn — R.S.L. Hall, Cnr. Glenferrie and Manningtree Roads, Hawthorn. Phone 819 2772.



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