

KEWRIOSITY

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Charles St., Kew, 3101

May 1985

The Armistice and our men come home — a personal memory of Kew by Bill Stent

Kew became my home in 1918, so you don't have to be a Rhodes scholar to reckon that I'm fortunate in having a few bonus years up my sleeve. My first pleasant recollection of Kew was being awakened by the dawn choir of blackbirds and thrushes which was very different from the subdued roar of the mines and crushing batteries I'd become used to in Kalgoorlie, my previous home. Over the last twenty years this choir has diminished until today it is almost mute.

When I came to Kew the street gas lighting was manually lit and extinguished by a bicycle rider with a long pole who proceeded from post to post renewing mantles as necessary. The gas was not ignited during moonlight hours. I think that Mr Allen, the father of several boys and long-time Kew resident, was the chief operator.

The main event for 1918 was the signing of the armistice on the 11th of November. Australia's troop commitment on a percentage basis was far greater than that of the U.K. or the U.S.A. and by the end of the war, 60,000 men had died on the battlefield.

There were rumours about the armistice a week before it was declared

and those of us who worked in the city would scan the notice boards outside The Age and The Argus in Collins Street for the latest bulletins. When the rumours were confirmed, the whole population exploded with relief. All the church bells were rung and every youngster who could bang a tin can, banged it.

During October the first batches of Anzacs who had been away for four years were granted their first home leave. They wore red, white and blue rosettes on their shoulder straps and they, together with the wounded who wore blue arm bands, added to the colour at the spontaneous celebrations for the war's ending.

The men who returned went back to work. Harry Holmes continued in his father's hardware business in High Street, Norm Lees and Stan Cook opened a plumbing business in Denmark Street and Ron Stapleton could once more be found in his grocer's shop on the corner of Derby and High Streets.

It was not until 1925 that the war memorial outside the Post Office was unveiled by the Mayor, Mr Carnegie. It is inscribed with the names of the over 600 Kew men who volunteered and the 200 who did not come back and is a constant reminder to all who pass by it each day, of the tragedy of war.



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Auxiliaries

St Paul's School for the Blind and Visually Handicapped

Fundraising should be **fun-raising!** That is the policy of our newly formed group which meets together once a month to plan and provide support for the children at the school.

You don't have to worry about more involvement than you can cope with. Come along and enjoy the social contact at meetings and the events we have planned for this year which will interest you.

If you would like to know more about our support group please contact **Janice Wilson** on **221 6666**. Our next meeting will be held at the school in Fernhurst Grove on **May 6th at 9.30 am**.

Clubs and societies

Kew Garden Club

Kew Garden Club is likely to make a point or two at its meeting on Thursday, 9th May! Speaker will be **Alan Stewart, President of the Cactus Society**. The meeting will be held as usual at 8.00 pm in the **Senior Citizens' Centre**.

What are a few prickles, when you can feast your eyes on the intricate beauty of a cactus flower! All welcome.

Australian Plant Group

"Daisy, Daisy . . ." At our meeting on Monday 27th May, **Judy Barker** will tell us all about the beautiful little **Australian daisies** (Brachyscomes, Helipterums, etc.) and how to grow them to perfection in the suburban garden. This event will take place at **8.00 pm** at the **Senior Citizens' Centre**. Please **NOTE** all future meetings will be held on the **fourth Monday of each month** at the same venue. Mark the dates in your diary now. Inquiries **80 2255**.

community notices

Kew (Daytime) Garden Club

May 27th at 1.30 pm. Elderly Citizens' Club, corner Childers and High Sts. Speaker: **Miss K. Dossetor**. Subject: **Liliums**. Display table and plant stall.

Childminding available at the **Occasional Care Centre** in Strathalbyn St. Enquiries: Mrs Win Fearon, Tel. **859 2977**.

Kew Historical Society

Dorothy Benjai and **Rosemary Smart** promise to give a most entertaining talk about Barnard Grove on **Wednesday May 8th, at 8.00 pm** in the **Manchester Hall, Union Street, Kew**.

For further enquiries contact Philip Barnes on **819 3118**.

General

BUSH DANCE

The Sacred Heart Tennis Club invites all citizens of Kew to an evening of Dance, Frivolity and Folk Song for the whole FAMILY!

This night will feature the music of "**THE FLYING PIEMEN**" along with a novelty supper including Damper, Soup and other snacks of the "**BUSH TUCKER**" variety.

Date: 31st May 1985

Venue: Kew Town Hall

Time: 8.00 pm - 12 midnight

Price: Adults\$12.00
Family.....\$30.00
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B.Y.O. Tickets available from the Ticket Secretaries:
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Jenny Hanger, **861 6731**

R.S.V.P. 24th May 1985

Kew Rotary Art Show

Paintings by Miss Jane F. Dickinson and Paul Macdonald Smith will be offered as raffle prizes at the **Rotary Club of Kew's Annual Art Show**, to be held in the Kew Civic Centre during the **Queen's Birthday weekend**.

A very competent water colorist, Miss Dickinson won **1st prize** in water color at the Kilmore Art Show in 1983.

Her grandfather, Mr W.H. Dickinson, was a councillor of this city for 22 years and served for two terms as Mayor. He was also a president and founder of Kew Historical Society.

Theatre Workshops

Theatre Works, based in Canterbury Rd, Canterbury, seeks the participation of actors, writers, dancers, musicians, set builders, costume makers and storytellers for a theatrical celebration of Camberwell people and history.

Workshops, which are **free** and open to all ages and all levels of experience, run throughout May on **Wednesday nights (7.30-9.30 pm)** and **Saturday afternoons (2-4 pm)**.

For further information contact Theatre Works on **836 9933**.

Toddler Kindy Gymbaroo

Enrolments for term two are now open. Sessions are held for children between two months and eight years of age. Class sizes are limited and graded programs are provided by qualified personnel.

Gymbaroo endeavours to provide positive guidance to parents in learning through fun for their children. Research shows that the best time to enhance children's intellectual, emotional and physical development is **before** they go to school.

For enquiries contact **818 6927**.

National Arthritis Week

National Arthritis Week will be officially opened at **1.00 pm** at the **Kew Civic Centre on Sunday, May 12th**. A seminar on back pain will follow the launching ceremony. During the week which concludes on the 19th of May there will be many events of interest to sufferers of arthritis and to professionals working in the area.

For enquiries about the program, contact the Arthritis Centre on **862 2555** or **862 2022**.

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Consultation and the decision making process

The Kew community is a combination of individuals, services and institutions. One aspect of Council's role is to ensure that the provision of services to the community is running smoothly, that needs are recognized and that problems are discussed.

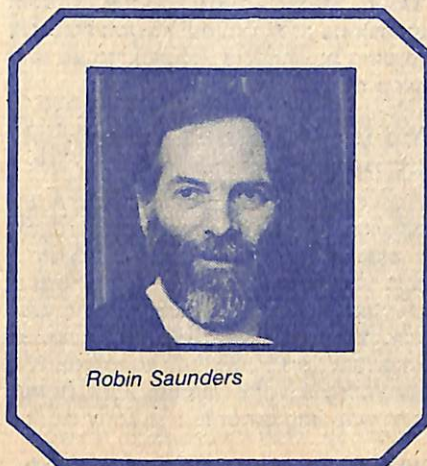
One way of achieving this is by maintaining consultative links with the different sections of our community. If you glance at the Kew Community Directory you will see that there are a number of groups in Kew representing various interests. From time to time these groups will approach Council on a particular issue and the consultative process will again begin.

Community consultative committees

Council encourages input from the community as a basis upon which informed decisions can be made. Our extended children's services program was developed as a result of investigations undertaken by the community-based Children's Services Consultative Committee.

The decision to establish a Community House is another example of close Council/community liaison. The Family and Community Services (F.A.C.S.) committee in Kew spearheaded the move for the establishment of the House and was able to convince Council that there was a need for this facility in Kew.

There are numerous instances of successful consultation between Council and community, although not all representations to Council meet with the result desired by that particular group. It is Council's role to deliberate on information received and to make decisions for the wellbeing of the whole community.



Robin Saunders

Traffic management and master plans

The implementation of our traffic management initiatives is the tangible result of a long process of consultation. Area consultative committees made up of interested residents, professional consultants and council officers are convened to work through problems and possible options in the local precinct. As part of that process in Area 5 volunteer residents conducted a doorknock during which reaction to a proposed traffic management scheme was canvassed. The response will help to shape the final recommendation which the consultative committee will present to Council.

Another method of maximising community input into the decision making process is by requesting information. Council has asked many of the private schools in our municipality to submit master plans detailing their current and proposed operations. These plans will act as a guide for both Council and the schools and enable any possible areas of concern to be discussed before any formal procedures to initiate changes are commenced.

This type of consultative process was seen in action in the recent discussions between Council and the Methodist Ladies' College about their proposed new indoor sports complex. Any areas of concern, whether they be held by

Council, school or residents, can be considered at this early point so that the final stages of planning become more straightforward.

Balancing costs

An important aspect of Council's role is to maintain a balance within the municipality. The satisfying of one group's wishes may disadvantage another group so the ramifications of specific decisions must be carefully considered.

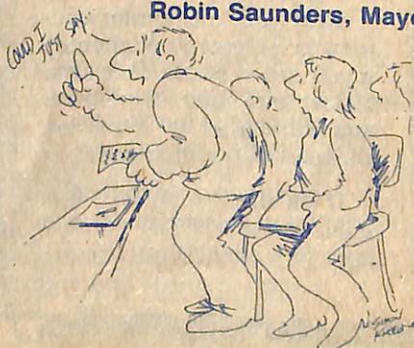
Another important consideration is our limited budget and adherence to the financial plan for major works. The realisation of a scheme may have to be delayed simply because we cannot afford it at the time. Priorities have to be set which may not always be popular but they are set after consideration of monies available to finance particular projects.

Interaction and consultation

Council is becoming increasingly involved in human services which can affect everyone from the infant to the aged. Council's relationship with the institutions which service the community is crucial to the smooth functioning of our City. Our policy of interaction and consultation at individual, group and institutional level will enable as many people as possible to have their comments taken into account.

Council and committee meetings are open to the public. Come along and have your say on any issue that concerns you; be part of the decision making process. That is what a healthy community is all about.

Robin Saunders, Mayor



Baby Safety Bassinet Loan Scheme

This is a program designed to save young Victorian lives. Under the program, up to 10,000 safety bassinets for use in cars will be bought and loaned at a nominal charge to parents throughout the State.

While 75% of children between six months and seven years use child restraints or adult seat belts, very few babies receive the protection of a safety bassinet. One reason for this is the difficulty of many parents to meet the expense of purchasing approved restraints when they can only be used for up to six months.

The loan scheme should overcome these problems. Both Australian Standards Association approved car bassinets, the "Steelcraft Safety Swinger" and the "Safe 'n' Sound Baby Safety Capsule" will be available under the scheme.

It was hoped to be able to publicise more details of the loan scheme in Kew in this issue, however due to delays these details should be in **June Kewriosity**.

Read this!

Incinerators may be used between the hours of 8.00 am and 6.00 pm from **TUESDAY** to **SATURDAY** only.

You can be fined up to **\$400** for burning outside these times.

Does your incinerator conform to by-law requirements? If you are in doubt check the by-law relating to incinerators and burning, at the Municipal Offices in Charles Street.

Think of your neighbours, think of the environment and burn to a minimum.

Traffic Management

Area 10 — bounded by Burke, Barkers, Glenferrie and Cotham Roads

Council considered implementation of traffic management proposals for this area at its last meeting. The designs under consideration are for treatments in Dean Street and Edgevale Roads. Discussions are continuing with schools regarding buses and the picking up and leaving of students.

Area 9 — Charles Street and environs

The report from the Road Traffic Authority on the Area 9 committee's preferred option has been received and a report was presented to the Physical and Community Services Committee recommending the implementation, in permanent form, of that scheme. The resurfacing of the bends in Charles Street was implemented in early April.

Area 6 — bounded by High Street, Harp, Burke and Cotham Roads and Charles Street

A meeting was held in March to determine the final form of a questionnaire to be delivered to all residents in Area 6. Residents should now have received their questionnaires and it is essential that as many people as possible indicate their views.

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

A doorknock was held in this area in April to gauge response to traffic management proposals which were developed at meetings of residents and the traffic engineering consultants appointed by Council.

The response to this questionnaire will be taken into account when council determines its preferred scheme.

For enquiries contact the **Traffic Engineer** on 862 2466.

Deadline

Kewriosity is prepared by the Information Officer, **Susan Schwartz**, and a community-based **Editorial Committee**. Copy for the June issue should reach the Municipal Office in Charles Street, Kew by **May 3rd**.



KINDERGARTEN

If your child is eligible to go to school next year and needs a full day more than a sessional kindergarten, you can take advantage of places available at the Council's Extended Hour Kindergarten.

For enquiries, contact the Social Development Officer, on 862 2466.

Did you know? . . .

Kew Municipal Library has built up two significant special collections — the **local history collection** and the **genealogy collection**. The local history collection consists of books, pamphlets, newspapers and microfilms — many of which are indexed in the **Local History Index** which is housed in the library. The family history holdings are mainly books but we also have microfilms and microfiches of original records.

If you would like to become acquainted with these collections you are invited to the library at the following times:

Family History: Thursday May 16th, 7.30-8.00 p.m. Enquiries: Alex Tarr. Ph: 861 6745, 861 6530.

Local History: Monday May 20th, 7.30-8.30 p.m. Enquiries: Deirdre Green. Ph: 861 6745, 861 6530.

Kew Jobs for Women

Did you know that five out of fifteen Kew councillors are women? This is far in excess of the one or two women councillors one finds in most municipalities. Kew's first woman Mayor was Marie Dalley in 1954 and in the last six years Councillor Kaye Cole and Councillor Jill O'Brien have worn the mayoral robes.

Kew Council has been quietly employing women in non-traditional areas for some time. This is in keeping with the tradition of women's involvement with the running of the municipality.

Are you the assistant?

Alicia Jones, 19, is the Assistant Rate Collector and has worked at Kew for 10 months. She has encountered more surprise than resistance when dealing with rate queries. Alicia is completing a Bachelor of Business (Local Government) part-time at RMIT and is one of three women in second year. She became interested in local government while at school and enjoys her job — even the complaints!

The Cadet Valuer, Pauline Johnson, 20, is also combining work with study. She is in the final year of her Associate Diploma in Valuations at RMIT and her



Linda Thompson hard at work

interest in the area grew when she worked with an estate agent on Saturday mornings, while at school. Her authority in the area has not been challenged — but there are always those who "want to speak to the boss".

A new Engineering Assistant is Janine Hunter, 19. She comes from a similar position with the Shire of Lillydale and is one of two women doing a Certificate of Technology in Civil Engineering at Box Hill TAFE.

According to Katrina Wright, 20, Town Planning is a growth area for women. While this is not yet in evidence in the workplace, about half of the students in her year at Melbourne University are women. Katrina has a scholarship from Kew Council and she works six weeks a year with the Council while she is completing her degree.

Mummy, that man is a lady!

Linda Thompson, 24, is a "grounds-person". She is often regarded with bemusement by elderly ladies as she wields the mighty lawn mowers and suffers a degree of harassment from male lunchers in the Alexandra Gardens where she spends most of her time. Linda has just commenced the Certificate of Horticulture course at Burnley. Almost half the students are women but she believes she is the only one already working.

To make up for the unpleasant comments are the lovely ones. A five year old girl attentively watching Linda manoeuvre a heavy machine said, "I want to be a gardener too, when I grow up."

Now that makes for job satisfaction!

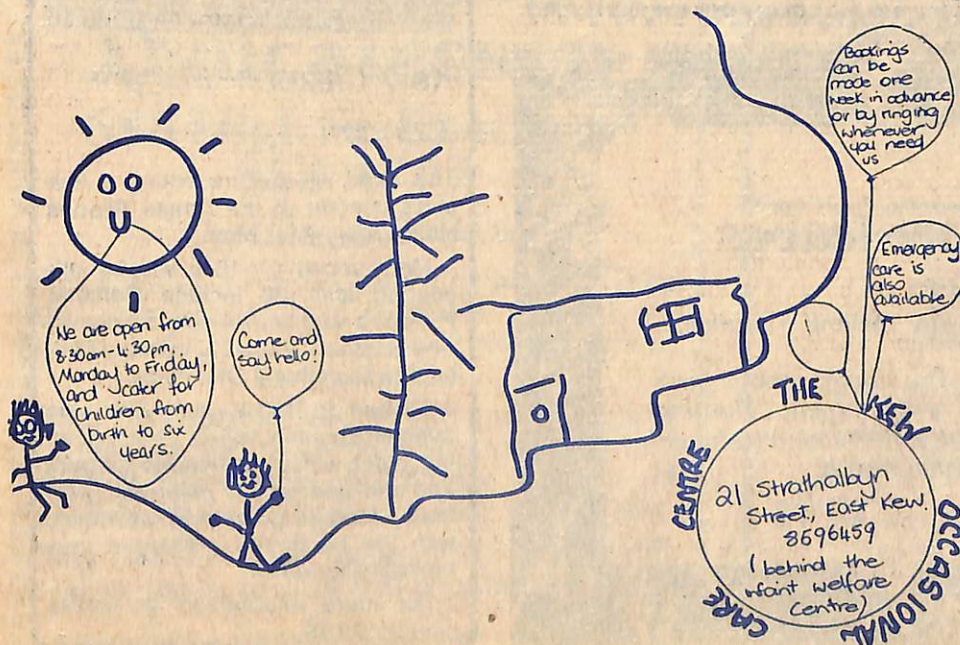
Council meeting times for May

Tues 7th: General Purposes Committee 7.30 pm
COUNCIL 8.15 pm

Tues 21st: Standing Committees 7.30 pm

Tues 28th: General Purposes Committee 7.30 pm

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



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The Churches of Kew
Invite you to Celebrate
Victoria's 150th Anniversary
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Leaves and more leaves

Autumn is the season of mists, mellow fruitfulness and lots and lots of leaves.

Please don't burn leaves. The smoke annoys your neighbours and harms the environment. Burning leaves wastes a valuable natural resource which can be composted or used as garden mulch.

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For more details, contact **J. Naismith** on **859 8030**.



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Dianne Briffa, a young and very talented soprano, will also be appearing, along with the **Lowanna Singers** and the spectacular **Glendell Precision Marching Team** who combine with the band and present a very entertaining act.

For more information or tickets contact **BASS**.

EAST KEW

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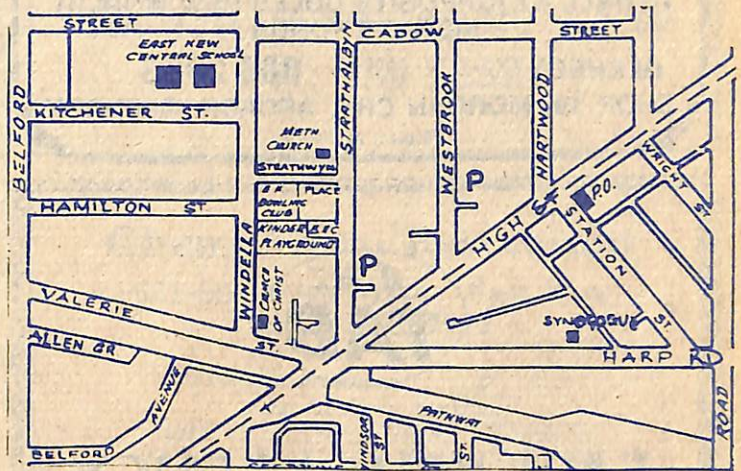
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YOUTH RESOURCE CENTRE
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YOUTH PAGE

Welcome! This month Youth Pages is looking at the major proposal to come out of the International Youth Year Committee. This hard-working group has been formulating a YOUTH THEATRE concept with a difference.

This proposal is the main objective of the I.Y.Y. Committee. It is not just a "one off" special but will benefit the young people of Kew over many years.

Youth Theatre Concept

The amount of interest generated by the "Artists in the Schools" program held over the last 12 months has prompted the International Youth Year Committee to study the concept of a Youth Theatre Group in Kew. The recommendations from the committee are unique in many ways.

The recommendations include:

- The youth theatre will be an ongoing commitment to the young people of Kew.
- The aim is to create as much community support as possible in developing and continuing the concept.
- The youth theatre will be open to young people between 12 and 25

and will also be administered by young people.

- It will provide an alternative activity for young people to express themselves through drama, dance, comedy etc.

The Committee feels the Youth Theatre will be successful if the community realises the importance of such a facility to young people.

The Youth Services Officer has been conducting talks at local schools and with community groups, to generate interest among young people. The support has been excellent, but now is the time for young people to come together and launch this project.

Do you have any skills in any of these areas?

Management, Secretarial, Budgeting, Organising and all aspects of theatre work. Please contact the Youth Services Officer as soon as possible.

A group of people has to get together for the Theatre Group to have even the slightest chance. Come one, come all!!!



THE PARSONAGE

If ever you've driven down Highbury Grove on the way to Kentucky Fried or strolled back from the pool, you would have passed by "The Parsonage" at No. 21.

For years it's been the stately home of many ministers and their families, right back to 1889.

In 1985 the old house has got some young blood flowing through it in the form of four active, fun-loving people who are renting the house in co-operation with the Kew Uniting Church.

As well as being part of the Kew Community, and all working, Liz, Marg, Richard and Mark are hoping to meet lots of young people in the area, around 18 plus years who'd be interested in rolling up to "The Parsonage" every second Wednesday night (1st and 3rd of month) to get together with others, have a bit of fun, socialising and some good brewed coffee!

If you're interested, you can contact us on 861 7423, or better still, drop in for a cuppa, and we'll fill you in on all the info! See you there!



New Youth Centre

The new Youth Centre at 4 Derby Place is off and running. Feel free to drop in and see me any time whether you have any hassles or not.

Ian Patching,
Youth Services Officer

Football: Kew Records Two Wins

The **Kew Football Club** has just completed two practice matches — firstly against formidable rivals University Blacks who were defeated by seven goals and secondly against A Grade team Ivanhoe who were defeated by four goals. Recruits to show out in these matches were **Mick Ryan** (Fish Creek), **Martin Penrose** (Alphington) and one **James McEwan** (Camberwell).

With youngsters from the 1984 U19 team, **Lee Bradley**, **Ben Casuria** and **Grant Jackson** also showing out, the **Kew Club** is confident of winning the flag and returning to its rightful position in **A Grade**.

The Club XVIII in its practice match recorded a good seven-goal win against Richmond Amateurs.

President **Ken Blay** reiterated that any person wishing to act as an official, boundary/goal umpire or timekeeper is to ring the club (**80 1118**) or attend training any Tuesday or Thursday. Players are also required for all teams especially Under 19's through to U16, U14, U12 and U10.

Carn Kew!



library news

Both adults and children have been observing **Bruce Killen** drawing at Kew Municipal Library on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Bruce is a member of The Artists' Co-operative.

It is not often that we can watch an artist at work, but we can always appreciate art works through books. Kew Library has many art books. There are those which illustrate a particular type or period of art such as Impressionism, Realism, Surrealism, Abstract Art, Primitive Art, Baroque Art. Here are several titles available from the Library — **Primitive Art, Pre-Columbian, North American, Indian, African, Oceanic** — Ferdinand Anton and others. **Impressionism** — Pierre Courthian. **Dada and Surrealism** — Robert Short.

The art of a certain country or region is interesting to explore. Books on Italian, French, Dutch, Egyptian, American, Celtic, African, Japanese and Australian art, to name only a few, are all represented in books held at the Library. For example — **Africa, tribal art of forest and savanna** — Arnold Bamber. **The golden age of Australian painting: impressionism and the Heidelberg School** — Alan McCulloch.

For those who have been fortunate enough to visit some of the fine museums and art galleries of the world,

a book can help you recapture the visit. Three books which spring to mind are — **The Hermitage Picture Gallery, Western European Paintings, The Prado** — F.J. Canton, and **The British Museum and its collection**.

Once you have viewed many works of art you may be eager to learn more about the artists' lives, art history and criticism and aesthetics. Here are a few captivating titles which the Library holds:

Aesthetics — Ways of seeing — John Berger. **The Marxist theory of art** — Dave Laing.

Art history and criticism — **The shock of the new, art and the century of change** — Richard Hughes. **The meeting of Eastern and Western art, from the 16th century to the present day** — Michael Sullivan. **Eroticism in Western art** — E. Lucie-Smith. **Art in America, a brief history** — R. McLanathan. Biographies of artists — **The unspeakable confessions of Salvadore Dali. Beardsley and his world** — Brigid Brophy. **Norman Lindsay, impulse to draw** — Lin Bloomfield.

As well as these books which are mainly concerned with painting and painters, the Library also holds a sizeable collection of books concerned with the works of many other types of artists and craftspersons. Come into the Library and see these for yourself!

Flight of Fantasy

The Artists' Co-operative in the Kew-Deepdene area's production of **Crystal Flight** was a dance drama extravaganza, very exciting both visually and musically.

Pauline Bennett and **Jacinta Groutsch** who devised and produced this children's space adventure have demonstrated that what may be dismissed as too difficult, can be achieved. They co-ordinated children from seven local schools — Kew High, Sacred Heart, Kew, Deepdene, and Our Lady of Good Counsel Primaries, St. Paul's School for the Blind and Visually Handicapped and Glendonald School

for the Deaf, in a production which utilised the children's individual talents to the utmost. The sets were imaginative, the costumes (designed and often made by Pauline and Jacinta) were stunning and actors and audiences had a marvelous time.

An exciting development from the interest that **A.C.K.D.A.** has generated has been the formation of the **Kew Youth Theatre**. This group plans to participate in the **Next Wave Festival** in August and tour schools. You can read more about **Kew Youth Theatre** in this month's **Youth Pages**. Although **A.C.K.D.A.**'s official time with us has expired, artists **Bruce Killen** and **Richard Evans** will continue their involvement with the **Community House**.

What more can we say than thanks **A.C.K.D.A.!**



What is the Kew Community Action Group?

The **Kew Community Action Group** is the new name for the Family and Community Services Committee (F.A.C.S.) which we all felt was rather a mouthful. Our new name focuses on what we are about — community action.

We aim to help people become more involved in their local community by:

- **encouraging** activities and discussion on a wide range of issues that are relevant to Kew residents;
- **assisting** self-help groups and voluntary agencies in promoting their activities, making the community aware of their needs and assisting them in seeking funding;
- **supporting** single issue groups and individuals by bringing their needs to the attention of the larger community;
- **informing** Council of current issues that are of concern to residents;
- **strengthening** consultative links between Council, local groups and individuals;
- **consulting** with and bringing to the attention of the Regional Consultative Council, Inner Eastern Region, issues which are pertinent to the needs of Kew.

Who can be a member of the **Kew Community Action Group**?

Anyone living or working in Kew, representatives of self-help groups and voluntary agencies, church groups, service clubs and councillors. In short, anyone who is interested in promoting a more active community.

Meetings are held at **7.45 pm** on the **second Monday of the month** at the **Kew Senior Citizens' Centre**, on the corner of High and Childers Streets, Kew.

For further information contact: Maree Williams, Ph. 861 7566.



Would you like to help?

We need people with a little time to spare who can contribute to the house in any number of ways. You could:

- run a short course
- help clean the House
- donate goods or time to street stalls
- mind children
- cook a community lunch
- sit and chat with others
- paint signs
- repair toys

The Community House needs you!

Family Day Care in Kew

Family Day Care is a co-ordinated child care scheme where children are placed in the homes of individuals who care for children on a casual, part-time or full-time basis. These minders are called caregivers and are paid an hourly rate for their work.

Caregivers may be mothers already caring for their own children, single people or even grandmothers. The main prerequisite to be a caregiver is a warm nature and a love of children. To allow for greater individual attention, caregivers' groups are limited to a maximum of four children.

If you would like to know more about becoming a caregiver, or need care for your child, please ring or come in and see Kim Hainsworth or Jan Prassl at the Hawthorn/Kew Family Day Care office, 372 Burwood Road, Hawthorn or ring 819 2444, ext. 266.

Adult Literacy in Kew

A number of adults in Kew have difficulty in reading and writing with confidence. They can be quite embarrassed when people unthinkingly assume that everyone can decipher print — and of course they can't read **Kewriosity**. They rely on a trusted friend or relative who understands their dilemma to pass on information about where they can have a second chance at education.

Since 1978 a large number of adults from Kew, Hawthorn and Camberwell have been involved with the Adult Literacy Program based at **Swinburne College of TAFE**. Learning is initially one to one with each adult student working with a trained volunteer tutor on basic reading, writing and spelling — but, as participation is confidential, little is heard about this opportunity. When the student's confidence has increased, he or she may join with others an English workshop of eight. This is also free and can be a stepping off point to the many opportunities in mainstream adult education, or to enjoying the Kew library.

Both these programs assume the student speaks English, and about two-thirds of the adult literacy students in Kew are Australian-born, and one-third are migrants with fluent spoken English.

Similar problems exist all over Australia, but the one at Swinburne serves particularly Kew, Hawthorn and Camberwell. If you know someone who can't read this, could you please tell them they can make a second start with their education. They could ring **Mary Sutherland** at the **Community Access Unit, Swinburne College of TAFE, 44 William Street, Hawthorn — 819 8816**, or the **Swinburne Information Office (819 8444)**.



KEW COMMUNITY HOUSE

Co-ordinator: Jo Osborne,
6 Derby Street, Kew, 3101. Phone 862 3126



Open Day

Kew Community House celebrated its first birthday at a small gathering of friends and supporters recently. The birthday cake was cut by the Mayor, Cr. Robin Saunders, and a small book of poems written by the members of the Kew Writers Forum had its public launching.

Garden Tools Needed

The house would welcome the donation of a spade, rake, garden shears and a hoe. Do you have any old tools lying idle in the garden shed? We could make good use of them in our tiny garden.

City Walks

Next walk **Monday May 20th, 1.15 p.m.** start. Walk along the Yarra in the beautiful Studley Park area. Register at the Community House by **15th May**. Fee 50c for a guided walk.

Committee Meetings

Interested in discovering how a Community House functions? Why not attend our meetings as an observer? **May 9th at 7.30 p.m.** is the time to join us. Everyone welcome to attend.

Kew Kids 'n' Kritters

A group of primary school children meet together each Monday at the Community House to learn how to care for and manage a huge variety of pets. **FREE** group which meets at **4.30 p.m.** every Monday.



Interchange Needs You!

"Interchange" is a community-based organisation which is designed to support disabled children and their families. It provides this service by matching up a disabled child with a host family or person from the community who regularly cares for that child on a basis of one weekend or day per month.

Many families with a disabled child are faced with extra pressure in their day-to-day role of caring for a child with special needs. More time and energy is required to provide the necessary visits to doctors, specialists, and education facilities. Added to this is the wearing effect of behaviour problems, the isolation, frustrations, emotional pressures and in some cases the maintenance of almost constant supervision. All these factors add to the sheer physical effort involved in coping on a day-to-day, year-to-year basis.



Interchange works on the principle of providing a suitable host or host family from the community who is willing and able to provide on-going monthly respite for a family of a child with special needs. People who volunteer as hosts are not expected to have any previous experience with disability. The only prerequisite is a genuine acceptance and willingness to care for such a child. A training program consisting of three evening sessions of two hours duration is provided by Interchange and is followed by the careful matching up of a child with a suitable host family.

We would welcome enquiries from any single person, grandparent or family who may be interested in our program.

For further details please contact the Co-ordinator, Mrs. Joy Ritchie, telephone 830 5711.



There was a great atmosphere at the Occasional Care Centre's Easter Party. At least 70 parents and children took part in the fun. Special guest was a 190 cm Easter Bunny (now that's big!) who gave each child an easter egg.

At last count 180 families have become members of the Occasional Care Centre and numbers continue to grow.

This Kewriosity is being delivered to you by —

The parents and children who have been delivering this issue of *Kewriosity* are from Kew Primary School, Peel Street, Kew.



Kew Primary School has been a part of the Kew community since 1871 when the first stage of the Peel Street building was erected. More buildings have been added over the years, with the latest developments being a major upgrading of the grounds, complete with adventure play equipment and a fitness track around the oval.

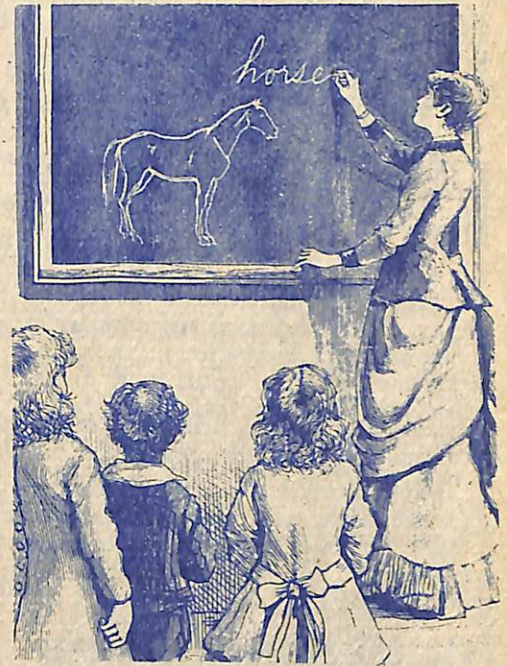
Fundraising by parents over the years has provided the school with a wide range of educational equipment and playground facilities. Current projects are computer equipment and a sprinkler system for the oval.

The **Canteen** at Kew Primary is a 'health food' canteen, supplying, nuts, fruit, juices and other wholesome foods, but no 'junk food'. It is very popular with the children and is renowned for the quality of food it serves.

Present staffing for the 350 children includes **specialist library and art teachers**. Teachers encourage development of positive attitudes and children's respect for themselves and others. They aim to build a sense of identity and achievement and the ability to work and share with others. Emphasis is placed on the acquisition of **literacy and numeracy**, with the arts, sciences and physical education also being fostered and developed.

If you are interested in sending your children to Kew Primary School, contact the Principal, **Mr Don Hunt**, on **861 8325**.

We will be doing computer studies after recess



Nothing to do? Join in the fun at the May School holiday program and say goodbye to boredom

May School Holiday Programs

The City of Kew will be conducting recreation programs during the school holidays. Booking for programs is not necessary and payment may be made on the day. For further information contact **Merryl Browning**, Children's Services Officer, mornings only on 862 2466.

Playcentre

When: Monday to Friday, 10th to 24th May, 1985
Where: St. Paul's School for the Blind, Fernhurst Grove, Kew
Age Group: Primary School Children
Program: 1. Activity Program (10.00 am to 4.00 pm)
 2. All Day Care (8.00 am to 6.00 pm)
Bring: Your own lunch
Fees: \$2.50 per day for Activity Program (\$5.00 maximum charge per family)
 \$5.00 per day for All Day

Care (\$7.50 maximum charge per family)

Additional charges may be made for special events, outings etc.

Kew Traffic School

When: Monday to Friday, 10th to 24th May, 1985
Where: Kew Traffic School, Grange Road, Kew
Time: 10.00 am to 3.00 pm
Age Group: Primary School Children
Program: The Traffic School will be open as a drop-in centre for children to come and use its facilities. **This is not a care centre.** Some bikes are available for those children not able to bring their own. Bring your own lunch and all the family for a fun outing.
Fee: 80 cents per day

Mobile New Games Trailer

The trailer will be visiting the following parks on the days listed between 10.00 am and 12.00 noon.

Monday — Eglinton Reserve
 Tuesday — Victoria Park (mound)
 Wednesday — Stradbroke Park
 Thursday — Hyde Park
 Friday — Alexandra Gardens

Paper and bottle recycling

The Drive-in Recycling Depot at Holy Trinity Church, 10-12 Peel Street, Kew, is open to receive clean paper and bottles from 8.00 am to 12 noon from Monday to Saturday (public holidays excepted).

Politics

East Kew Labor Party

The next meeting of the branch will be held on **May 13th** in the meeting room at the back of **St Paul's Church** on the corner of Hale St and Windella Ave at **8 pm**. Discussion will continue on the theme Employment and Unemployment. The speaker will be **Peter Kerby** who has just recently presented a report to the Federal government on the subject. Anyone interested in attending should telephone **859 6494**.

Religious notices

Hyde Park Uniting Church

At our next meeting a speaker from the **Guide Dogs for the Blind** will show a film on training dogs and will bring a guide dog along too.

Time: 2.00 pm

Date: Wednesday 8th May

Place: Hyde Park Uniting Church

A warm welcome is assured and you can join us afterwards for afternoon tea.

Support groups

Operation Friendship

Operation Friendship is a free, friendly, informal get-together for people with time on their hands! It has commenced in the Baptist Hall, Woodlands Avenue, East Kew, and will be held on the **2nd and 4th Thursdays each month from 1-3 pm**. Programs will include speakers, films, crafts, music, demonstrations etc. etc. and afternoon tea and a chat! This is a community service sponsored by the East Kew Baptist Church, and all are welcome. Enquiries to Evelyn on **859 3751**.

community notices continued

Friends of Kew Library

The meetings held in April to establish the **Friends of Kew Library** were very successful. The group is now functioning and office-bearers have been elected.

The next meeting will be in **May**, on a date to be announced. Watch for details in "**Datelines**" in the Progress Press or contact **Mr Flynn**, the group's president, on **859 6415**.

Rheumatism and Arthritis Association of Victoria

The Kew Arthritis group were active at Kew Festival.

Our "Artie" travelling in Mr. Booth's M.G. in the parade was a hit with the children and our information booth and fund-raising stall were both very successful.

Thanks, must go to **Dawson's Electrics** for help with the audio-visual display.

Next meeting of the Self-Help Group:

DATE: 28th May

PLACE: Hall 3, Civic Centre

TIME: 10.30 am - 12.00 noon

For further information contact **862 2022**.

Kew Early Planning for Retirement Quarterly Meeting

Guest speakers will be two members of the Heart Foundation. **Miss Susan Rudolph**, a medical Social Worker, will speak about the work of the Foundation and discuss causes and prevention of heart disease. **Mr Frank Fabbi**, a physiotherapist, will outline the importance of exercising in the prevention of heart disease and cardiac rehabilitation for people of all ages. We urge all members to come. Non-members most welcome.

Venue: Kew City Hall.

Date: Thursday May 23rd.

Time: 8 pm.

Building confidence through movement

These classes for all ages are designed to benefit all those who feel "cut off from the outside" due to slow recovery from illness, breakdown or operation and those who feel they would like to have contact with others.

Careful exercising to music will help ease tension. You will relax and "do your own thing" with complete enjoyment. A doctor's certificate is advisable.

Join us on Thursdays from 10.30 to 11.30 am, at the Uniting Church Hall, Highbury Grove, Kew and have tea or coffee after the session.

Enquiries: **Rosemary Smart**, **861 9292**.

Headway

Headway Victoria was formed to assist the head-injured and their families. Traumatic head-injury, particularly as a result of road accidents, is a recent world-wide "epidemic". 70% of all road accident deaths are a direct result of head injury.

We complement the work of medical and rehabilitation teams by offering support, information, fund-raising and encouraging the provision of community facilities and specialized rehabilitation services.

Our strength lies in an active membership of the head-injured, their families, friends and concerned professionals. If you would like to join us or would like further information, contact **Headway** on **859 9477** or write to **Headway Victoria, P.O. Box 8, Box Hill 3128**.

Better Hearing Australia

Better Hearing Australia is an organization working to help people with hearing problems by conducting classes where lipreading skills are developed, the problems of hearing loss discussed and assistance given with hearing aids and other devices for the hearing-impaired.

The Kew group meets on **Wednesdays**, between **10.00 and 11.00 am** (except school holidays) at the **Senior Citizens' Centre** on the corner of High and Childers Streets.

If you would like to join the group, contact the hearing therapist for Kew, Mrs Merle Floyd, on **859 8086**.