



# CHORAL FESTIVAL SERVICE 1981

On the 4th June, at 8.00 p.m., there will be a Kew and East Kew Inter-Church and Church Affiliated Schools Choral Festival Service which will be held at Holy Trinity Church (Cnr. High & Pakington Streets). This service is being held under the patronage of the Kew Clergy Fraternal and "Music 81" (a special project of the Ministry of the Arts which aims to promote music in Victoria).

The object of the service is to mark the Victorian Council of Churches' Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Choirs, together with some instrumentalists from churches and church affiliated schools in the Kew area have combined to form a mass choir (of over one hundred voices) for the occasion.

The conductor of the mass choir and instrumentalists will be Dr. Malcolm John (Director of Music at Geelong Church of England Grammar School and the organist will be Mr. Mark Joyner (a Teacher of Music at Essendon and Penleigh

Grammar School as well as Organist and Choirmaster of Holy Trinity, Kew).

The guest preacher will be His Grace, The Most Reverend Sir Frank Woods, formerly Anglican Archbishop of Melbourne, Metropolitan of Victoria and Primate of Australia.

This is the first time such an Ecumenical Choral Festival Service has been organized for the whole of the Kew area and it promises to be most exciting. Everyone is welcome to attend and if any readers could assist the organizers by placing a printed poster in their shop window or office, please phone 819 1518.

## KEW CROSSROADS CLUB

A Christian Fellowship for Handicapped Teenagers

### HELD:

Fortnightly on Tuesday from 7.30 - 9.30 p.m., commencing 21st April.

### WHERE

Tennis club pavillion, St. Hilary's Church of England, 12 John St., Kew. (The Club is sponsored by St. Hilary's but is non-denominational).

### PROGRAM

A variety of activities will be offered each evening, including music, games and handcrafts. Members will prepare the supper, and evenings will conclude with a devotional time.

Christian education and worship experiences will be geared towards the needs of teenagers whose handicaps make it difficult for them to feel at home in regular Church programs. Presentation will be via spoken word, song and visual materials.

### COST

40¢. The club is sponsoring a World Vision child as part of our learning about caring for others in need.

### CONTACT PERSONS

Pat Johnston - 80 5775

Jackie Van Looy - 819 1628

### OTHER ACTIVITIES

When the club is established, occasional weekend camps, and Saturday outings will be arranged.

## SAVE THE CHILDREN FUND

"Save the Children Fund" meets every 2nd Thursday of the month for their meeting, and every 4th Thursday of the month for their fund raising morning which will be the 25th of June this month at 10.15 a.m.

A talk and demonstration on 'Teapots' of various shapes, designs and sizes from various places will be given.

Donation \$1.00 including morning tea.

## DO YOU LIVE IN KEW? (or nearby)

Would you give 1½ hours of your time once a week, fortnight or month?

The Kew Meals on Wheels service urgently needs drivers and/or jockeys on a regular or emergency only basis.

### PLEASE HELP!

Petrol vouchers available.

For information, ring Pat Grydzyn on 861 7308.

## VOLUNTEER READER

required

for visually handicapped UNIVERSITY SOCIAL WORK STUDENT.

Please ring 861 6657.

# THE MOUSE HOUSE

By Elizabeth Mackie

The "Mouse House" as it was known locally, can be found at 104 Peel Street, Kew. Although it stands right on the pavement, with no garden at all, it appears not of the scene, but derives its appearance straight from the realms of faerie. It looks like the work of a "do-it-yourself" leprechaun. No well-known architect planned the diminutive second-storey iron lace balcony or the round tower with a French Gothic peaked roof. It could be the tower of Rapunzel. There is a similar diminutive abode in Malmsbury Street, also with a peak-roofed tower, this time on a single storey house, but it certainly does not look as old as the Mouse House, which is constructed of old handmade bricks and covered with stucco, and backed with a one-storey dwelling of weatherboards.

There was a demolition order for eight years on this property because of its position right on the footpath, but Mr. Mitchell, an Architect, believed it to be worthy of restoration and accordingly approached Kew Historical Society and the National Trust.

An early owner at the turn of the century was Mr. S. Wills, a prominent Collins Street Dentist of early Melbourne. Later the two front rooms facing the street were let as a grocery store. It is thought that the house is well over 100 years old, possibly dating from the 1860's or early 1870's, but so far no research has shown any dating. It is known that handmade clay bricks were made in the 1850's on the premises of a pioneer family, the Dannock family, whose property extended between Cobden and Denby Streets, and it is possible that some of these bricks were used in the construction of the Mouse House.

The end of the story is a happy one. The demolition order by the Council has been revoked, and this unique old house is being restored. From the bay windows of the front room, which give an open panorama of the green Yarra Valley and blue hills in the distance, the new owners will be able to enjoy the scenery from one of the very early and most unusual homes of Kew.

## What's doing in KEW for JUNE

- Mon. 1  
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3 Kew Philharmonic Subscription Concert – 8 p.m. – Kew City Hall.  
Uniting Church East Kew – 1.30 p.m. Afternoon Missionary Fellowship – Speaker Sister Patricia - Catholic Mission. All welcome.  
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5 "Windella Ave." Kindergarten Cake & Craft Stall outside State Bank, High St., Kew – 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
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Sun. 7 Indian Community Service Baptist Church, East Kew - 10.30 a.m. followed by Indian Luncheon. Everyone welcome, especially people from other ethnic groups.  
Baptist Church East Kew – 7 p.m. Gideon's Bible Service led by Mr. Ron Slipper.  
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9 OPEN COUNCIL – 8 p.m.  
Uniting Church East Kew – 7.45 p.m. The Council of Elders meet in the Meeting Room.  
10 Kew Historical Society, Auxilliary Room- 7.45 p.m. Kew Civic Centre. Speaker Mrs. Sylvia Morrissey "Aspects of Australian History".  
Uniting Church East Kew – 8 p.m. Evening Missionary Fellowship – Speaker Mrs. Coral Jamieson. All Welcome.  
Chapters that Challenge – Bible Study & Prayer – East Kew Baptist Church in vestry at 8 p.m.  
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12 Uniting Church East Kew – 8 p.m. Christian Screening of an entertaining and challenging film in Main Hall. All Welcome.  
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Sun. 14 Baptist Church East Kew – 10.30 a.m. worship, 11.30 cuppa, followed by Sunday School and Adult Groups till 12.15 p.m.  
Sing-a-long with Joan Baxter & Merle Vines at the organ and piano at 7 p.m. Special appeal to young people.  
15 Uniting Church East Kew – 8 p.m. The Fellowship 'Around the world to Oberaniagau' with Harry Gust.  
16 Kew Community Aid Abroad – monthly meeting 8 p.m. – 1/6 Young St., Kew. New members welcome. Information – 861 8201.  
17 Uniting Church East Kew Tennis Club Square Dance in Church Hall commencing at 8 p.m.  
Person-to-Person Bible discussion with time for prayer 8 p.m. Baptist Church East Kew – vestry.  
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# COUNCIL NEWS

## I.Y.D.P. - CAN YOU CONTRIBUTE

The Kew Local Consultative Committee (L.C.C.) of the Family and Community Services Programme (F.A.C.S.) has decided to form itself into a Committee for the International Year of Disabled Persons (I.Y.D.P.).

At present the group would like your input and ideas about how we can raise community awareness on this topic.

If you have any comments at all, please ring Jane Bate, the Social Development Co-Ordinator at Kew City Council, or send a letter to the Municipal Offices, Charles Street, Kew, 3101 by 10th June, 1981.

## VICTORIA WELCOME GROUP

The Victoria Welcome Group is a volunteer service which plays an important role in the settlement of newly arrived migrants to Victoria.

### Volunteers

- Visit newly arrived migrants who live in their area.
- Welcome new settlers to Victoria.
- Inform the migrants of the local and community services which are available.
- Answer questions on various topics of interest to the newly arrived migrant.

It can be a confusing time for new settlers in the beginning.

"Where do I take my baby when she's sick?"

"How do I find an interpreter and where can I learn more English?"

"What does a Community Advice Bureau do?"

"Do I have to enrol my children at school this year or next?"

"Can I still drive with my International Driver's Licence?"

"Where do I go to get help?"

Volunteers of the Victoria Welcome Group are trained to give this type of information to new settlers.

Training courses are held before volunteers begin visiting.

The Victoria Welcome Group is a community service operating at a local level. Volunteers visit only within their own municipality.

The Victoria Welcome Group has volunteers throughout Victoria - in suburbs and country areas.

The major aim of the Victoria Welcome Group is to ensure the smooth settlement of the migrants in their new environment.

Volunteers provide a vital community service for the State of Victoria.

The Victoria Welcome Group is sponsored by the Victorian Ministry of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs.

## MESSAGE FROM THE MINISTER

The Minister of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs said that the Victoria Welcome Group was a good example of private endeavour in the public interest.

"These volunteers provide an invaluable service to newly arrived migrants", Mr. Kennett said.

"At a local level the Victoria Welcome Group assists these migrants at a time when they are most in need. Questions on available services and local resources are able to be answered when the information is of most value, that is soon after arrival."

"The work of the Victoria Welcome Group is satisfying for those involved, and I would encourage people who are interested in joining the team, to contact the Co-ordinator", Mr. Kennett concluded.

## KEW GARDEN CLUB

To most gardeners the month of June suggests "Roses" - their propagation and special care.

**If you are at all interested in growing these lovely flowers, come along and join the enthusiasts of Kew Garden Club at their monthly meeting on Thursday, June 11th at 8 p.m. in the Elder Citizens' Clubrooms, Corner of High & Childers Streets, Kew.**

Dr. A. Ferris, an expert in the art of rose growing will be Guest Speaker.

A very interesting evening is assured.

## HYDE PARK F'SHIP

Our monthly meeting of the Fellowship will be held in Hyde Park Church, Pakington Street, Kew on Wednesday, 3rd June.

We are happy to say that our speaker for the afternoon will be one of our own members, Mrs. Latu (better known as Susanne). Susanne spoke at one of our meetings last year and everyone enjoyed hearing about her holiday in Tonga. We don't know what her subject will be this time, but we can say it will be something worthwhile listening to, so please come along and join us.

Our meeting starts at 2 p.m. and afternoon tea is served at the conclusion of the meeting.

## NEW MEMBERS NEEDED FOR . . .

### Kew Royal Women's Hospital Auxiliary.

The Auxiliary meets on the fourth Thursday of the month in the Auxiliary Room, Kew Civic Centre at 2 p.m. and works to raise funds for equipment needed by the Hospital. The current project is the purchase of a mobile over-head heater, to be used in the Labour Ward, for the purpose of keeping mother and babe warm, during and after delivery.

**The Auxiliary would also be glad of English and Ethnic books and magazines for the Patient's Library, which is supervised by one of the members.**

Contact Miss Mary Plumridge, Secretary, 71 Princess St., Kew, 3101. Tel. 861 6569.

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3 Walpole St., Kew. Tel: 861 6281. Offers typewriter and do-it-yourself duplicating facilities at small cost to community groups and individuals in Kew.

Coffee making facilities are available. Contact: Thea Sartori - 80 3657 or Joy Stewart - 859 9267.