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Introducing your **CENTRAL WARD COUNCILLORS**



Councillor J. Leaman

I entered local government as a councillor nearly eight years ago, as an independent in the Brunswick City Council, where I served two terms of 3 years. My pharmacy is in Brunswick, and that gave me the required qualification to be a councillor.

We have lived in Uvadale Grove, Kew, in the Central Ward for about 7 years and I became a Kew Councillor 1st August.

Councils like Kew, with no political endorsements, in my view, offer the individual the opportunity to represent the area and the people where he or she lives without the outside influences and pressures a political council exerts.

Local government with its unique position at the grass roots level, has a challenging valuable future. In these difficult times, new roles with added responsibilities will present local councillors with the opportunity to participate as the representative of a truly local government closest to the people.

I appreciate the opportunity to represent the people of Central Ward in particular and Kew in general, responsible only to them, and unfettered by outside pressures and allegiances.



Councillor M. Sartori

Cr. Max Sartori has lived in Kew with his wife Thea and two children for approximately 14 years. He has been a Kew Councillor for four years, during that time has served on the Physical Services Committee and the Administrative Services Committee being the past Chairman of the latter.

He is interested in the Community and represents Council on several committees being the Kew & Hawthorn Citizens Advice Bureau, Kew Philharmonic Society and the E6 Liaison Committee.

Max joined Council to fill a vacancy and gains satisfaction assisting members of the community with their problems. He is interested in the City of Kew and is of the opinion that decisions should be taken for the betterment of Kew as a city.

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with others on a Friday night in the Auxiliary Room - 8 p.m. All welcome.



Councillor G. Quinn

Cr. Gordon Quinn with his wife, Margaret, and his now teenage family of daughters, Susan and Elizabeth and sons, Andrew and Timothy, has lived in Kew for 10 years, most of this in Central Ward. He is in practice as a Chartered Accountant and has a special interest in management.

He has had some years experience in Local Government as a Municipal Auditor and hopes that this will assist him in his duties as a Councillor.

Cr. Quinn feels that Councils should be close to the citizens so that changes in the need for services can be identified. This may be particularly important in Kew in the coming years as new families move in. He fully supports the present Mayoral program of "Care for Kew" and has worked actively in community services over a long period - the most recent involvement as a member of the Council for 8 years and President of a local Special School.

Gordon Quinn is a keen jogger and residents may be able to catch up on local matters as he puffs past each morning.

BLACK OUT BLINDS

You feel a sense of history when you enter the East Kew Baptist Church. This year will mark the 51st. since this church was constituted — an offshoot from the mother church at Kew.

Mr. Les Herbert, one of the originals who came from Kew, still recalls those days. He remembers the stringencies of the war years, too. "Those 'black out' blinds", he confides, "were put in when we had to black out all lights during the war ... we couldn't get materials because everything was scarce."

He goes on to talk of making tables out of solid hardwood and making platforms and the base of the pulpit from scrap timber. "The man who did all this was the son of a China Inland Missionary, Alec Entwistle", Les tells me, and adds with some nostalgia, "pretty well everything about the property shows the innovativeness of 'Enty'," as Les likes to call him.

"We still use those black out blinds. I doubt that we'll ever replace them. They're part of our history," says Les.

Now this little church is trying something new each Sunday Night. The pastor, Rev. Stan Simmons mentions that the evening services throughout Winter will be conducted over a light soup and sandwiches meal from 5.00 p.m. to 6.15 p.m. The format will be informal and varied from night to night. He says it is an attempt to provide friendly fellowship at a time more convenient to people of East Kew. "We're not fighting a war, but adjusting to the Winter months," he said.

KEW LIBRARY

Interested in languages? Planning to travel overseas?

As well as guide and travel books relating to many countries, Kew Library now holds a large selection of foreign language cassettes with accompanying phrase-book/dictionaries. The wide range of languages available includes Indonesian, Italian and Japanese.

What's doing in KEW for JULY

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| Thurs. | 1 | |
| | 2 | Baptist Church General Council — Kew Baptist Church — 7 p.m. |
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| Sun. | 4 | OPEN MAYORS ROOM.
Baptist Church East Kew — 10.30 a.m. Rev. Stan Simmons — Theme: People Jesus Loves — The Idealist. 5 p.m. — Table talk — A new style informal discussion over a light meal (Tea, coffee, soup provided — Bring your own food.) |
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| | 7 | Uniting Church East Kew afternoon Missionary Fellowship — 1.30 p.m. Musical Afternoon — All Welcome — Contact 82 6221. |
| | 8 | Baptist Women's Fellowship A Meeting — 10 a.m. — Rev. Stan Simmons speaker — All welcome — Morning tea served.
Save the Children Fund Auxiliary Room — 10.15 a.m. — All Welcome.
"Trees" by Hans Kosner of the Forestry Commission — Kew Garden Club — 8 p.m. Elder Citizens Hall. |
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| Sun. | 11 | Baptist Church East Kew — 10.30 a.m. Theme: People Jesus Loves The Teachable — Adult discussion groups and Sunday School meets from 11.45 a.m. to 12.15 p.m. — Table Talk Fellowship for all ages, 5 p.m. to 6.15 p.m. — The service goes on as you enjoy a light meal (Tea, coffee, soup, provided — Bring your own food.) |
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| | 14 | Uniting Church East Kew Evening Missionary Fellowship — 8 p.m. For details please contact 859 1220.
East Kew Baptist Church Vestry — 8 p.m. Bible discussion and prayer for all ages. Everyone welcome to ask questions and comment.
Kew Historical Society — 7.45 p.m. Auxiliary Room, Kew Civic Centre — Speaker Author Barbara Giles on "Images of Exile in Australian Literature." |
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| Sun. | 18 | East Kew Baptist Church Worship — 10.30 a.m. Theme: People Jesus Loves — The Tenacious — 11.45 a.m. to 12.15 p.m. Sunday School all ages — Table Talk Fellowship 5 p.m. to 6.15 p.m. An early start to get you home early to enjoy a nice long evening at the fireside.
"Native Plant Group" meets at Kane's Bridge Yarra Bend Park at 2.00 p.m. |
| | 19 | Uniting Church East Kew — 8 p.m. — The Fellowship Mary and Ken Dobson — "The Tale of Two Cities" — Contact 859 1229. |
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| | 21 | Uniting Church East Kew — 1.30 p.m. Brig. E. Briggs of the Salvation Army will speak to our Ladies Guild — Contact 859 3082. |
| | 22 | Missionary Meeting Baptist Church East Kew — 10 a.m. Speaker Grace Munro of Gambia.
Save the Children Fund — Fund raising morning Auxiliary Room 10.15 a.m. Donation \$1 including morning tea — Mr. Webster will show slides of New Zealand. |

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Sun. 25 East Kew Baptist Church 10.30 a.m. — Sunday School 11.45 a.m.
Table Talk Fellowship — 5 p.m.
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27 Uniting Church East Kew will have their Birthday Party at Regal
Avenue, East Doncaster — For information please ring 859 3788.
28 Highbury Grove Uniting Church Kew — 8 p.m. Evening Mission
Group "Aboriginal".
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Always Fancied a Block in STUDLEY PARK?

The Kew Garden Club is not exactly giving them away but — in conjunction with the Yarra Bend Trust they're looking for people who might like to take over an area of the Yarra Bend Park and keep it free of boneseed through the winter months.

If your family, neighbourhood group, school or club wants a piece

of the action (and a piece of the park) phone Jack Lyons on 861 9198 (H) or Terry Lanham 48 2171 (B). You'll learn what boneseed is doing to our parklands, get plenty of fresh air and your own place to picnic.

BONESEED BLITZ 1982 — KANE'S BRIDGE — SUNDAY 8th. AUGUST.
Mark your diary now.

Citizen's Advice Bureau



Volunteers advise members of the public on how to solve practical problems and where to get specialised advice. Legal advice is also available. Volunteers undertake a 14 week training course (2 hours, one day per week).

The Bureau is open 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m., Monday to Friday and 7.30 to 9.00 p.m. on Tuesday. Volunteers generally do one 2½ hour shift per week.

The Bureau is located at Kew Civic Centre, Cotham Road, Kew, 3101. Inquire at the Bureau 861 5422 or ring the President, Mrs. Thea Sartori, 80 3657.

NATIVE PLANT GROUP

Kew's Native Plant Group is gathering strength as it goes but there's plenty of room for new members. The next meeting will take the form of an excursion to Yarra Bend Park on Sunday 18th. July.

To learn more about your local flora, meet at Kane's Bridge at 2.00 p.m. and be prepared for walking.

Probus Club of Hawthorn

(and this includes people from all nearby suburbs.)

Probus clubs are for retired and semi-retired professional and business men to get together in an informal atmosphere. Programme includes talks and morning coffee. Present fee is \$12 per year.

This club meets every month on the fourth Tuesday from 10 a.m. to noon at Hawthorn Neighbourhood House, 39 William Street, Hawthorn. New members are welcome. Secretary's telephone is 818 2066.

GUIDE DOGS SPEAK OUT

This title may come as a surprise to you — we all know what intelligent animals Guide Dogs are, but surely the power of speech is beyond them. The speakers in this case are the members of the Guide Dogs Toastmasters Club which meet on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 7.30 p.m. at the Guide Dogs Centre, Chandler Highway, Kew.

The aim of Toastmasters is to promote self improvement, and the attainment of confidence, particularly in relation to speaking before an audience. Most of us are called upon to do this at one time or another, whether it is as a member of the Parents Club at a school, in the course of our work, or on a host of other occasions such as replying to a toast at a wedding, and as we all realise it is not an easy task.

At our Toastmaster Club meetings we help each other, and at the same time help ourselves by learning how to conduct a meeting, how to make a speech and above all to enjoy what we are doing.

We issue a very warm invitation to anyone reading this to come along to one of our meetings to learn "what we are all about".

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ring any of the following who will be happy to answer any queries and to encourage your attendance as a guest —

Business Hours:

Ray Morton 860 4444

After Hours:

Ivy Lathlean 836 8012

Max Warren 859 3037

KEW Garden Club

Kew Garden Club will celebrate the year of the Tree on Thursday 8th. July at 8.00 p.m. at the Elder Citizens Hall, Corner Childers & High Streets, East Kew.

Hans Kosner of the Forestry Commission will discuss the regeneration of forests, answer your questions and show a film.

Hyde Park Fellowship

The monthly meeting of Hyde Park Fellowship will take place on Wednesday 7th. July at 2 p.m. As usual the meeting will be held at Hyde Park Uniting Church, Pakington Street, Kew.

This month we are fortunate to have as our Guest Speaker the Rev. K. H. Moorhead, who is the Director of the Footscray Outreach Mission.

Footscray Outreach Mission helps thousands of people each year and as

we are now in the winter months, many more people will be going to "Outreach" for help. Warm clothing and food is always needed - if you can spare a few tins of food or good used clothing, please bring them along to the meeting. Rev. K. H. Moorhead will be grateful for any donations.

Come along and join our very friendly Fellowship and enjoy afternoon tea with us at the conclusion of the meeting.

BEAT THE BONESEED

The Committee organizing this year's Boneseed Eradication Day in Studley Park (Sunday 8th. August) is gearing up again.

If you would like to help with the planning or the publicity or if your club, school or organization is willing to become involved in an ongoing programme please contact Jack Lyons on 861 9198.

This annual project is making progress but needs practical support. Please help if you can and **Beat the Boneseed in 1982.**

History in Houses

by Barbara Giles
Kew Historical Society

The history of an early settled suburb like Kew is written plain on its face in house styles. Without resort to books or maps an explorer of Kew's streets could give an approximate dating of subdivision and a sketch of building history.

Today areas almost the size of a suburb are planned as a whole, laid out at one time into blocks of similar size, and, while there may not be today as much building for resale as in former times, the big enterprises display and advertise their line in homes, and newly subdivided estates tend, except* in the most exclusive situations, to show a similarity of housing styles.

Kew is different. One finds solitary mansions which once stood surrounded by broad acres, now nestled into streets of Edwardian houses, distinguished by accentric Queen Anne style gables and 'Chinese' wooden fretwork. There are clusters of large Victorian houses, some of them having retained their large gardens, others close jostled by more recent houses.

In the eighties Edgevale Road between Wellington and FitzWilliam Streets was cut into small blocks for sale as shop and house sites - there is even a terrace of small single storey houses at the corner of Wellington Street. Time has given these small properties a value unexpected by their builders, their Victorian style has preserved them, whereas the large wooden Edwardian houses which infilled the vacant blocks early this century have been razed for blocks of 'Town Houses', which mark another tide line, 1970 plus. The piecemeal nature of building in Kew is well demonstrated

in streets like this, where building may date from the eighteen sixties to the present year. This randomness gives interest and variety to the streets of Kew.

The early subdivision of the land north of High Street, bounded by Princess, High Derby Eglinton Streets, resulted in a certain similarity in style, just as the persistence of farming in Kew nearer the river is demonstrated by streets of houses built in the twenties, thirties, even later.

Where there are anomalies, a reason always exists. One street in north Kew was built on in the fifties, when the tip it had faced was filled in. Buyers of blocks on the Golf Links Estate in East Kew did not all get houses built before the war, and so a gap of many years separates some of the houses built in Baker Street, and others, nearby.

Twenties roughcast and weatherboard prevails in some parts of north Kew, elsewhere we can find a reflection of the thirties 'California' style, in barleysugar columns and veranda arches. But nowhere do we find absolute uniformity which typifies some suburbs, uniformity which can be impressive if the building style is elegant, and dreary if it is not.

• Variety on a more expansive scale can be seen in the Studley Park area, where can be found houses in as various forms as Victorian mansion, thirties block modern, sixties Japanese, to the most recent organic houses which seem part of their sites.

To me the most interesting houses in Kew are not the mansions but the small wooden houses that persist in odd corners, sometimes in a one or two house cul-de-sac, tucked in be-

hind a more recent building, or jammed against a roadway in an unlikely fashion which makes it obvious the house was there first.

These modest houses, built on the simplest plan, must have once housed estate or farm workers before the land was subdivided for housing. Their like can be seen still in country places, two rooms - gable roofed - with another two tacked on behind - these houses grew as wanted. 'Workman's houses', purely practical, but they've lasted, and stand tricked out in sparkling white paint, with a word to say to the viewer about Kew of a hundred years ago, and seeming ready for the next hundred years.

Every now and then yet another of them falls under the wreckers' hands, and a new building arises, not always improving the street scape. But that's Kew, various, non-static, consider too the growing greenness of Kew, the small front gardens which once held lobelia and geranium, each sport a tree today.

Housing history, history in houses, each of us can be a do it yourself archeologist, with an eye out for the unusual and interesting in your own street. The oldest resident can tell you something about the why and the wherefore and the what's missing, and if you come up with something interesting let the Historical Society in on it. Legend does not exist without foundation, though it sometimes needs to be interpreted with common sense. There was, until recently, a bakery in our street, but not where a journalist on the housing page was trying to place it, behind a shop, but where the council has created a tiny park.