

ATHLETICS

After a successful cross-country season, Kew Little Athletics Centre are preparing for their Track and Field season which will commence on Saturday, 1st October.

Children from ages U/7 - U/12 can be registered for the 1983/84 season at Stradbroke Park (Cnr. Harp & Burke Rds.), on the following Saturday mornings: Sept., 17th and 24th. Thereafter, competition will be held every Saturday morning between 9.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon.

FAMILY, FUN and FITNESS is our motto, so if these types of activities interest your family, come down, we'd love to meet you.

Enquiries welcome - contact Centre Secretary, Mrs. Charlene White on 80 3869.

R.A.A.V. ACTION PROGRAM 983

- RESEARCH
- **EDUCATION**
- SERVICE

The Rheumatism and Arthritis Association of Victoria has a SELF HELP GROUP which meets at the Kew Civic Centre on the 4th Tuesday of each month.

Our next Meeting will be held in the Auxiliary Room on the 27th September, 1983 at 10.30 a.m.

Visitors are always welcome to attend these R.A.A.V. Self Help Group Meetings. For further information you may phone our President on 862 2021, or the R.A.A.V. Office, Yarra Boulevard, Kew - 862 2555.

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NEW KEWRIOSITY SHEET

The October issue of Kewriosity will be delivered to every dwelling in Kew. This will encourage a greater degree of identity with Kew and make it possible for the various community organizations, groups and clubs to convey information about their activities and needs to all the residents in Kew.

A public meeting to be advised in the October Kewriosity will be held in October to consider the future of Kewriosity. Everyone who is concerned to promote their own organisation or group will want to attend. There exists within many municipalities a community newspaper delivered house to house for the purpose of enabling and encouraging a deeper sense of community life - why not a community newspaper with a wider distribution in Kew?

PARK **FELLOWSHIP**

The Hyde Park Fellowship meeting will be held on Wednesday, 14th September, at 2.00 p.m. in the Hyde Park Church, Pakington St., Kew.

We are fortunate to have as our Guest Speaker, a member of the Overseas Mission Fellowship, so we are looking forward to an enjoyable as well as informative afternoon.

Please come along and join us, you will be very welcome. As usual tea will be served in the Hall at the conclusion of the meeting.

NATIONAL ARTHRITIS

September 18th - 24th

The launching of a new film on arthritis by the Governor of Victoria, Rear Admiral Sir Brian Murray, will mark the opening of National Arthritis Week in Victoria. The aims for Arthritis Week in Victoria are:-

- 1. To raise public awareness of rheumatic diseases.
- 2. To provide community education on the treatment of rheumatic diseases.
- To promote R.A.A.V. and the 3. services it provides.
- To promote Self Help Groups.

R.A.A.V. will be holding open week at Action House, with displays covering recreation, footcare, joint replacement, aids, research, etc. Audio visual material will be available for viewing. The general public are welcome to attend.

KEW LIBRARY

Holiday Activities at Kew Library during the August - September school holidays have been based on the theme "A pet for Mrs. Arbuckle"-a picture story-book which was Highly Recommended last year the Australian Children's Book Council and has proved very popular with younger borrowers. The entertainment will consist of a play based on the book, craft work and a special afternoon tea.

Please note that the Library will be closed on Thursday, 22nd September, because of the Show Day Holiday.

KEW HISTORICAL SOCIETY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

In September the Kew Historical Society will celebrate its Twenty-fifth Birthday. The Society was founded by Councillor W.H.S. Dickinson, MBE, JP, who was twice Mayor of Kew, first of all from 1946 to 1947 and later from 1960 to 1961. Between these terms he gave many years of service to the City of Kew.

Just before the City's Centennial he founded the Society, which met for many years in his house in Edgevale Road, later moving to the Meeting Room at the Civic Centre.

He was succeeded as President of the Society by Miss Winifred Hall, who remained in office until 1983, until her death.

Currently the President of the Society is Mrs. Raie Brunette. Councillor Jill O'Brien having been forced to give up the presidency because of pressure of work.

An Anniversary Garden Party will be held on Saturday, 25th September, in the grounds of a National Trust home in Kew. Tickets, which are \$3.00, can be obtained from Mrs. Clancy Crowe, whose number is 859 1520.

The Society's publications and gift stationery will be obtainable on this occasion, and all monies raised will go to the purchase of necessary items of storage and treatment for its holdings, and towards furnishing its permanent home, when obtained.

Many difficulties have faced the members with regard to proper care and storage of historic material, particularly in the light of modern methods of treatment and preservation.

However, we have hopes once again of a proper domicile for this thriving Historical Society.



While checking for these notes in Kew Library, I came across a fascinating project, put forward in 1903, by Mr. Thwaites, then Chief Engineer of the M.M.B.W.

The Thwaites Lakes Scheme, as it was called after its originator. involved damming the Yarra at Kew so as to form a long lake, or series of lakes, which he saw as beautifying the landscape, and providing endless opportunity for sport in safe waters. It would also raise property values, encourage the building of high class residences which would enjoy lake views. The cost at that time would not have been enormous, though the Kew Asylum would have to be found another site, this however, following pressure from residents, was being considered.

The dam would have certain practical advantages for the MMBW, such as allowing them to 'flush out' the Yarra below when necessary.

Nothing came of this. The scheme was dusted off again in 1927 by Mr. Kent Hughes, MLA. 'This lake forms naturally in flood time', he said, 'and the land cannot be built on.'

To move the Asylum still seemed desirable, the scheme would speed up settlement and make the railway profitable.

Nothing came of it then, and the world depression which arrived soon after would have prevented much of the expected expansion.

The members of the Kew Golf Club would have been less than happy to see their course drowned and lost to them, but what a prospect it opens up, a lake filled valley, windsurfers, yachtsmen, rowing sheds, prospects of water and trees, and no Freeway!

To weigh down the other side of the scales, the loss of various parklands and golf courses. As the dam was planned to bar the river at the outer circle bridge, Yarra Bend Park would have remained.

Who wants to build at dam? It was an interesting dream, however.

Kew Hebrew Congregation

Daily Morning and Evening Services are held at the Beth Nachman Synagogue, 53 Walpole St., Kew.

For details and further information ring – Mrs. Naphtali 861 9243.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY ROTARACT!!

The Rotaract Club of Kew is ten years old this month. We will celebrate by going out to Shufty's Theatre Restaurant in Malvern on Saturday, 24th September.

Our second decade promises to be dynamic – we're off to a great start!

SOCIAL ACTITIVITIES and MEETINGS

Saturday, 3rd:

Chelsea's Red Rubber Ball.

Sunday, 4th:

Breakfast at the Hilton with Malvern Rotaract. Blood Bank donations. Helping at Kew Cottages. Monday, 5th:

Visit A.P.M. Mill at Fairfield. Meet at Auxiliary Rooms, Kew Civic Centre, 6.30 p.m. sharp.

Monday, 19th:

Film Night at Karana Home for the Aged. Supper and meeting afterwards.

Saturday, 24th:

Our 10th Birthday!

Monday, 26th:

Wine and Cheese Tasting at the Auxiliary Rooms, Kew Civic Centre, 7.30 p.m. \$5.00 per head, all inclusive.

October 1st:

"Drag Night" Dance at Lilydale. Spit Roast and Band.

Other Dates:

Raiding! We will give some other Clubs a surprise visit.

Snowball Drive. Snowballs only \$1.80 per dozen. Proceeds to the Hawthorn Salvation Army Food Cupboard.

If you are a young adult (18-28), looking for new things to do with a friendly, active group, join us. Phone Phil on 859 2451 or Yvonne on 82 4899.

FAMILY & COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAM

The new Chairman of the FACS Inner Eastern Regional Consultative Council is Box Hill Councillor and Mayor Betty Walters.

Cr. Walters said she was delighted to be appointed by the Minister for Community Welfare Services whose department administers the Family and Community Services (FACS) program.

Cr. Walters has represented the City of Box Hill on the Consultative Council since 1979 and has also been active on various FACS Committees. Cr. Walters replaces retiring Chairman Cr. Dorothy Laver from the City of Camberwell.

The Inner Eastern Region covers the muncipalities of Box Hill, Camberwell, Doncaster/Templestowe, Hawthorn, Kew and Waverley.

The FACS program is based on self-help and community involvement. Grants from FACS encourages resident initiatives and the development of family and community services. Each of the 18 Consultative Councils throughout the State, make funding recommendations to the Community Welfare Services Department.

Cr. Walters said the Consultative Council hoped that inner eastern groups would apply for funding during the next round of applications in August. Cr. Walters believes that the Inner Eastern Region appeared to many outsiders as a wealthy area.

"In fact, we have as many social problems and community needs as any region in Victoria, although sadly in many instances they are hidden by the overall impression of eastern suburbs affluence", Cr. Walters said.

Residents are welcome to attend, as observers, the meetings of the Consultative Council which are held on the fourth Thursday each month. Further details are available from FACS Community Welfare Officer Lisa Trood or FACS Social Administration Officer Des Lavery on 82 8193.

Kew Garden Club



DAYTIME GARDEN CLUB

Our July meeting was attended by several visitors who were well rewarded by Mrs. Nance Morley (a Fellow of the R.H.S. of Victoria) who shared with us her knowledge and experience of growing Camellias. She brought along about 30 blooms, ranging from the most familiar Japonica variety to the rarer Reticulata.

A visit was made to a private garden where Camellias were in bud and flower.

For September, our Speaker will be Mr. Hank Bongers – Subject - Orchids.

Do join us – hear about how to produce these exotic blooms – then GROW YOUR OWN!

Remember – September 22nd (the fourth Monday), at 1.00 p.m. in the Highbury Grove Uniting Church. Visitors Welcome.

Child care facilities are available at \$1.00 per family.

Further enquiries to Mrs. Win Fearon on 859 2977.

NATIVE PLANT GROUP

On Wednesday, 28th September at 8.00 p.m., the Group will meet at the home of Mrs. Barbara Flather, 32a Argyle Rd., Kew. Noted grower – Len Erwin, will speak on Native Orchids.

All members of the public interested in this topic are invited to be present.

An expert from the Royal Horticultural Society of Victoria will address the Club at 8.00 p.m. on Thursday, 8th September, at the usual venue – The Elder Citizens' Hall, Cnr. Childers & High Streets.

The subject will be Growing Vegetables in the Home Garden and the Speaker is Bill Firth. Bill has spoken at the Club before and is back 'by popular demand'.

YOU may NOT have been before, but there has to be a first time; so make a note of the date now. You won't be disappointed.

Uniting Church Normanby Road Pre-School Support Group

It is proposed to commence a 'pilot' Pre-School Support Group on Wednesday, 7th September, which will operate on a Wednesday from 10.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in the Kinder Hall, located at the Uniting Church Normanby Road, (near High Street if using tram stop 45).

For some months the need for another such group has been under investigation. It was revealed that existing groups were unable to fully meet the demand and it is now proposed to confirm this and if demand is considered sufficient, the third term 'pilot' will hopefully develop.

The initial aim is to provide limited facilities (increasing if the need is confirmed) to care for children while mothers have some free time to engage in other activities. As a certain ratio of adults to children is required, mothers will be asked to assist on a roster basis to maintain this ratio.

If you are interested in participating either as mother and child or helper, or have Early Child Development Training and would like to assist, further information is available from George Grant on 859 1206 (9.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m.), or Alan Duncan on 859 5477 (5.30 - 6.30 p.m.)

DEAFNESS AWARENESS WEEK

Are you concerned about your hearing or do you know someone who might have a hearing loss?

As last year, the Kew Local Consultative Committee is supporting Deafness Awareness Week, Sunday, 25th September to Saturday, 1st October, 1983.

Free Hearing Screening will be held outside Safeway, Walpole St., Kew, on Thursday, 29th September from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.

Information, advice on hearing and problems, and a display of devices for the hearing impaired will be available at the same location. Members of the Australian Association for Better Hearing will be on hand to give advice. They will also accept donations of used hearing aids for its' needy persons' service.

Deafness can be a problem at any age, so please take advantage of this opportunity to obtain more information about this subject.

If you have a hearing loss there are classes to help you. The new term commences on Wednesday, September 7th at 10.00 a.m. in Hall No. 3, City Hall, opposite the Library. Enquiries – 51 3499.

East Kew Uniting Church

- Wed. 7th The Afternoon Missionary Fellowship meet for luncheon at 12.15 p.m. The speaker will be Mr. Howard Barclay, For more information and location, please contact either Mrs. Elsie Bresnahan on 82 6221 or Mrs. Nell Lloyd on 818 8556. 10th FOLK DANCING FESTIVAL at 8.00 p.m. in our hall at Sat. Normanby Road. This Evening will have an ethnic flavour with groups of Scottish, Greek and Austrian dancers dressed in their national costumes for most, if not all the dances. Donation is only \$4.00 each and family concession is available. Tickets and more information available from 859 5159 or 861 8764. Don't wait, ring now! Sun. 11th Seventh Anniversary Service at 10.30 a.m., followed by
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 Seventh Anniversary Service at 10.30 a.m., followed by 'Morning Tea and Fellowship'. The Guest Preacher on this occasion will be the Rev. Dr. Denham A. Grierson, B.A., B.D., M.Th., Rel.D., M.A.C.E., who is a lecturer at the Uniting Church Theological Hall and was a member of the previous Strathalbyn Street Methodist Congregation, which joined with the then Presbyterian Congregation at Normanby Road in 1976 to become what is now the Uniting Church East
- Wed. 14th The Evening Missionary Fellowship meet at 8.00 p.m. This meeting will revolve around a Missionary theme based on a 'Syllabus Item'. For more information, contact Mrs. Flo. Calder on 859 5159.
- Mon. 19th Combined meeting of The Fellowship and Rowan Club at 8.00 p.m. The Guest Speaker will be from the KEW HISTORICAL SOCIETY. For more information contact Mr. Harold Clark on 859 1229.
- Wed. 21st The Ladies Guild 'BIRTHDAY MEETING' at 1.30 p.m. The Guest Speakers will be Mr. and Mrs. Sumner. For more information please contact Mrs. Thelma Clark on 859 3082.

An invitation is extended to any previous member of either congregation who united in 1976 to become the Uniting Church at East Kew to attend our Anniversary Service on Sunday 11th. All visitors will be made most welcome, on this occasion as well as any of the other activities.

SPRINGTIME FAIR

Come to a Springtime Fair with a difference at East Kew Uniting Church, Normanby Road on Saturday, 8th October from 9.30 a.m. till 7.00 p.m. in the Church Halls.

Among the stalls will be Work-Craft-Gifts-Cakes-Produce-Toys-Refreshments-Sweets-Garden-White Elephant-Books. Also Hot Dogs and B.B.Q.'s will be available. Puppets, games and music in the Forecourt.

Please come along on Saturday, 8th October to Normanby Road for a day of Good Fun and Good Fellowship.

KEW HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The next meeting of the Kew Historical Society will be held on Wednesday, 14th September at 8.00 p.m. in the Auxiliary Room, Kew Civic Centre. The Speaker will be Mr. J. Copeland and his topic – "How our Streets were named".

ASIAN EVANGELICAL FELLOWSHIP

The Asian Evangelical Fellowship invites you to join in an evening of Good Singing - Music - Fellowship at the East Kew Baptist Church Hall, Woodlands Ave., East Kew, on September 11th at 5.00 p.m.

The Speaker will be Howard Barclay (Missionary to Nepal) and the Film will be "Peace Child".

Tea – All Welcome – enquiries, phone Con Halyburton on 890 7352.

Anyone for Tennis?

Holy Trinity Church Tennis Club is looking for people who would like to play social and/or competition tennis at its' courts in Peel Street, Kew.

If you, or someone you know, would like to know more about the Club, ring David Lyons on 861 9198.