



CAULFIELD CONTACT

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A Touch of the Past

Bernie and Frances Dingle are becoming well-known personalities in Caulfield.

Bernie operates a coachbuilding business — he is the only full time coachbuilder in Melbourne — and his wife Frances is a familiar sight driving her horse and jinker through the streets of Caulfield.



The horse and buggy is the only means of transport for the Dingles; they have never had a car and Bernie, who claims he hates cars, has never driven one and doesn't intend to.

Bernie developed an interest in horses and coachbuilding when he was a schoolboy of twelve. He admits to wagging school to go to the nearby dairy where he could watch and 'help'.

He learnt his trade under the guidance of Bill Knight, a Caulfield resident who operated a coachbuilding business which was established by his father. Bill, now 79, still shows a keen interest in coachbuilding and is a frequent visitor.

Bernie is kept busy maintaining his own coaches. He likes to exhibit them and does restoration work for a growing clientele who come from as far afield as Queensland, Tasmania and even New Zealand. He also repairs all his own saddles and harnesses and even shoes his horses himself.

According to Bernie, perhaps his most memorable work was a 19th century landau carriage which he painstakingly restored to its original, stately condition.

Pensioners— Proud of their record.

The Combined Pensioners Association of Victoria was founded in 1954. It had as its broad objectives the protection and advancement of pensioners of all categories.

Aged persons, invalids, widows, supporting parents and any other person in receipt of social security over the age of 16 are eligible to join.

All the work of the Association is voluntary and the founder, Marjorie Nunan became known throughout Australia for her devotion and dedication to the work involved in raising the status of pensioners.

She recognised the importance of organisation, of persons banding together to protect and advance their interests.

During the nine years of her presidency of the Association she built it into a militant force to be reckoned with and recognised.

"How will it benefit me?" or "What will I get out of it?" is sometimes asked when a pensioner is approached to join the Association.

The response is not surprising. Many pensioners today do not realise that life has been made easier through the efforts of the Combined Pensioners' Association.

Some achievements:
• Modifications to pensioner health benefit entitlements.

- Remissions on Council or Board of Works sewerage and water rates.
- Breakthroughs in travel concessions.
- Introduction of wives pension equal to married rate pension.
- Campaigning for low rental housing.
- Concession rates for annual agricultural show.
- Recognition of the anomaly of couples separated by illness.

The work of the branches at the local level is very significant. Nineteen pensioners joined the Caulfield Branch of this organisation at its inaugural meeting in February. This number has since swelled to over fifty.

A committee has been formed and the group meets on the third Tuesday of every month at the Caulfield Community Centre at 2 pm. The main issue at present is the loss of half yearly increases in pension rates.

Membership is open to pensioners of all ages at an annual fee of 50 cents. The Association is non-party, non-sectarian, non-profit making and is affiliated with the Australian Pensioners Federation.

For further information please contact the secretary, Mr Jessop on 277 5549 or Miss Roberts on 578 3372.

Public Meeting Well Attended

About 200 people attended the public meeting which discussed the Neerim Road, Glenhuntly Road Grade Separation of Railway and Road Traffic.

Prior to the meeting Caulfield Council circulated a questionnaire to residents of the Glenhuntly area.

As a result the following 83 replies were forthcoming —
4 do nothing
9 adopt elevated railway
58 adopt lowered railway
8 install boom barriers
4 combine partial lowering of road and raising of line

In addition joint letters with approximately 550 signatures were against the "mound" but in favour of a rail underpass.

A motion was passed at the meeting that Council should support residents in their desire for a rail underpass.

Council noted this motion and at their meeting on 8th May resolved to compile a copy of the material which was circulated to residents, all petitions, letters and relevant information, together with a copy of the resolution passed at the Public Meeting, and forward them to the Victorian Government.



UNEMPLOYED WORKERS' UNION

To keep out the cold and boredom of the long Melbourne winter the Unemployed Workers' Union is planning to organise some low cost entertainment for the kids of Melbourne.

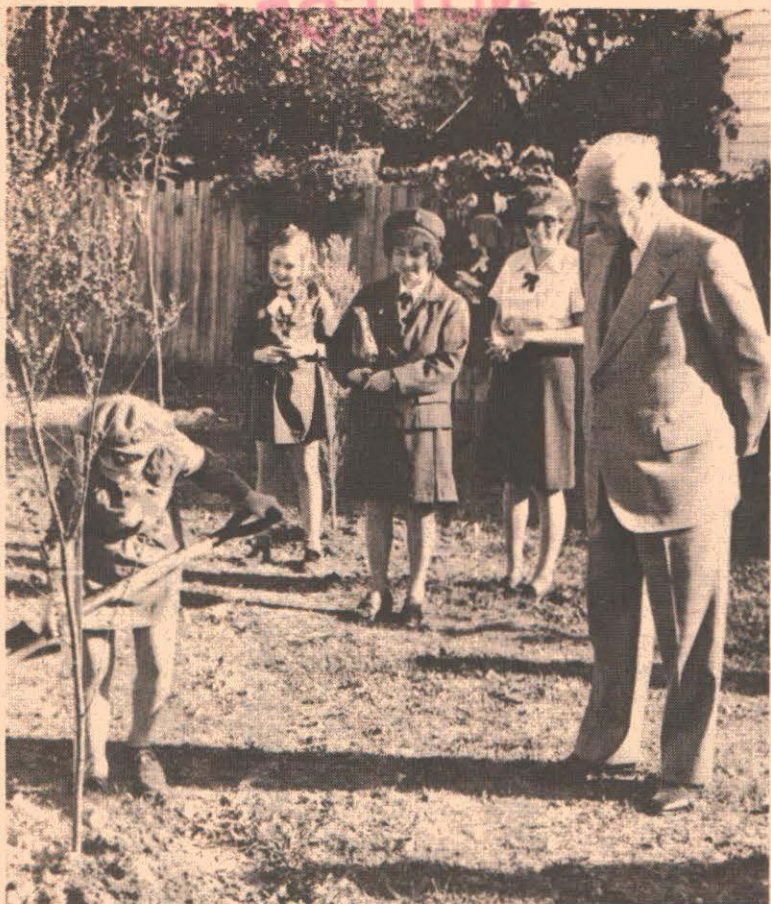
The Union believes that there is a great need in the community to provide alternative entertainment that is not organised solely for the purpose of making a profit.

Rock-n-Roll on the Dole, hopefully a weekly event, is being organised for Saturday, June 23. The admission price is being kept down to \$1.00 and this means a lot if you are on the dole.

A number of volunteers are seeking venues around Melbourne's inner suburbs and trying to tie up some suitable bands.

- If anyone can help, here's what is needed:
- an auditorium that can comfortably cater for a dance for 500 people, preferably in the inner suburbs of Melbourne
 - volunteers to help promote and run the dance
 - bands, and we want three a night, who would like some regular work to get established and are prepared to work for a percentage of the door take
 - any person who would like to prepare an act for the evening.

Contact can be made with the Unemployed Workers' Union at 151 High Street, Prahran, 51 9482 or ring direct to 211 1066 and ask for Damien or Mick.



Arbour Day

The weather on Arbour Day was perfect. It was just the sort of afternoon you'd want to spend in the garden, planting trees.

The Scouts and Guides of Caulfield did just that. Along with Sir Henry and Lady Winneke and others they planted about 500 trees at the Outer Circle Railwayline in Murrumbena.

Thanks to all those who helped make the afternoon a success.

NOISE POLLUTION

Over recent months Police have regularly been called to residential areas late at night to attend to complaints of "noisy" parties.

This type of call for Police attendance almost invariably occurs late on a Friday or Saturday night, at a time when the demand for Police services is at its peak.

With the current spate of serious crime, road accidents and the multitude of public requests the Police can ill afford this loss of time.

These time consuming calls are, in most cases, due to the inconsiderate actions of selfish people. They are unaware that the loud music or noise coming from their home is a source of annoyance to neighbours.

In some cases a word of caution from the members of the Force attending has the required effect and the complaint is dissolved immediately. But often the noise is renewed and the Police have to be recalled.

In 1975 The Environment Protection (Noise Control) Act was introduced, and this provides amongst other things, legislation to restrict "domestic" noise.

In "lay" terms domestic noise is "noise which is received on residential premises from any other residential premises when caused by vehicles, appliances, electrical or musical instruments" and this of course includes hi-fi sets, radios and television receivers.

Although the legislation provides that lawnmowers, electrical tools and musical instruments may be used at specified hours, noise can be "unreasonable" at any hour of the day i.e. motor car without proper exhaust being "revved" excessively etc.

Prosecution of offenders causing excessive noise may be undertaken by any person claiming to be affected by the noise, a member of the Police Force or an Officer of the municipality.

There are a number of prosecutions awaiting determination before the Courts at the present time in this district. Penalty provided by the legislation is a maximum fine of \$400.

As the day legally finishes at midnight the offender could be charged with committing offences on two separate dates — one before midnight and a second after midnight, when the new day has commenced.

This matter is one which parents should consider closely when arranging house parties for young people, or absenting themselves from the home whilst the party is conducted.

It is this situation which frequently confronts the Police when answering such calls. The parents are absent and the young people, oblivious to the nuisance being created, have the volume to its maximum.

This generation of unreasonable noise is responsible for creating discord between neighbours and making our municipality a less pleasant place.

It causes wastage of police time and costs dearly when prosecutions occur.

A much firmer line will be taken by police in this district when attending calls of this nature, and persons lodging complaints will be interviewed and called as witnesses to supply evidence of the "annoyance".

Bicycle Identification

An increase in the theft of bicycles has occurred recently and is possibly due to its popularity as a means of transport.

As an increased deterrent and a means of identification it has been decided to institute a system of numbering of bicycles.

Engravers have been provided by the Caulfield and Chadstone Rotary Clubs as a public service.

Bicycles may be brought to the Caulfield Police Station between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturday 9th June. Numbers will be inscribed under the centre bracket and all information left with the Police. Application forms will be available on the day.

This will be an ongoing program and will occur at other venues over the coming months.

10 YEARS SERVICE

The Caulfield Day Hospital in Kooyong Road is a community extension of the Caulfield Hospital. For 10 years it has been providing a service for disabled people of the area.

The Centre provides a full day programme for patients who have undergone and completed intensive rehabilitation and then require a maintenance program.

Both men and women attend the day hospital, which provides a therapeutic programme to avoid possible hospitalization or permanent nursing care. It gives relief to families who care for disabled people and a sheltered social group for these sometimes lonely people.

A doctor assesses all new referrals and the services and programme. The patient's progress is regularly reviewed and although some are long term patients many are satisfactorily discharged to attend community groups or social centres.

Patients attend up to twice a week according to their needs and each day's programme is balanced to provide physical exercise, mental stimulation and social interaction.

A constant effort is made to introduce new and imaginative ideas to keep the program stimulating. Group work and individual crafts are incorporated in the day's activities and there are opportunities for outings, films and other special occasions.

If necessary the patient's home is visited to assess their management, physical independence, social situation and to advise and ensure physical ease and safety in the home.

The success of the centre is due to the dedication of the staff and their concern for people. If you have any enquiries they will be happy to help you. Please telephone Sr. Audrey Paris on 528 5851.

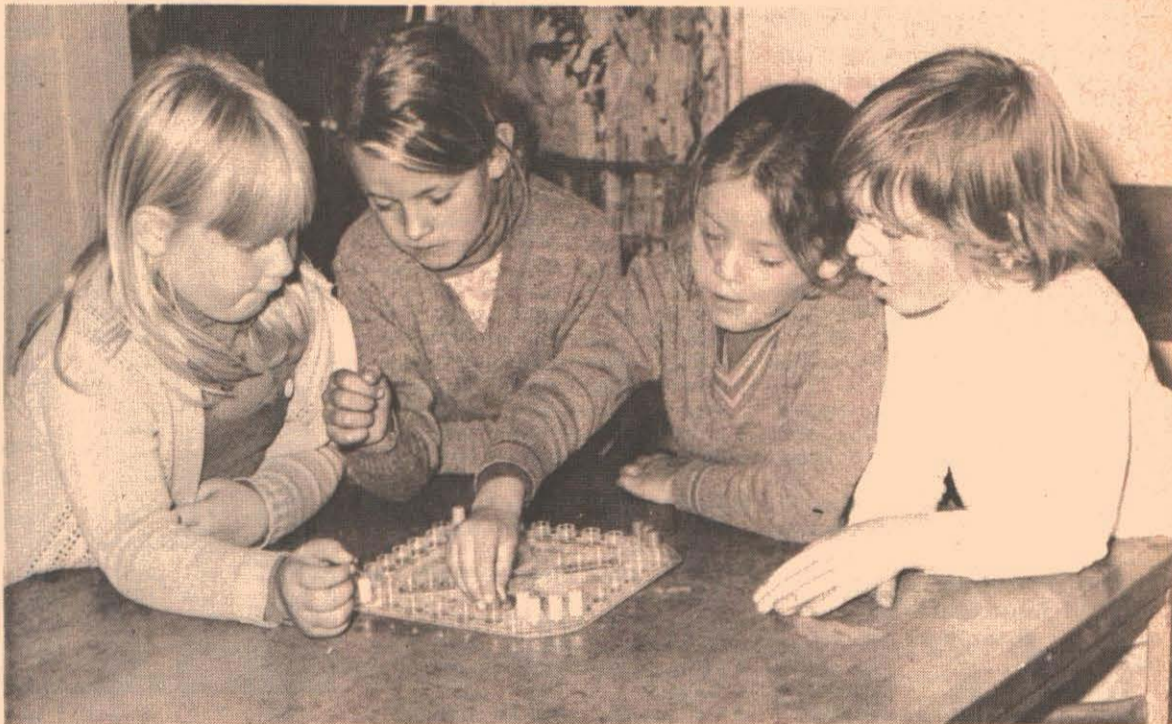
Bowls Champion '79

Harry Stewart of the Elsternwick Bowling Club defeated Bernie Heron 31-29 in a title match that developed into a real "cliff hanger".

Harry was not favoured to win but took the lead from the outset and held it until the last end. Bernie, who had been narrowing the gap, now took the lead and on the next end held three match points.

On his last bowl Harry played a magnificent shot. He "trailed the kitty" and regained the lead.

Mr Stewart took up bowling some ten years ago and his record by any standards has been excellent. However, when it is realised that a car accident mutilated his right hand, causing him to commence his bowling career as a left-hander, then his is a truly remarkable performance.



After School Programs

After-school programs in the City of Caulfield have been in existence since 1974 when Rippon Lea and Carnegie Primary Schools offered extracurricular activities for their students under the auspices of the Y.W.C.A.

Since that time the Rippon Lea Centre has closed and others have been established at Glenhuntly Primary School and the Caulfield Community Centre. Over the years the programs have been conducted by people from Toorak Teachers' College, with assistance from the local high school students and interested parents.

At present the Carnegie program is run by a group of local ladies most of whom have children at the school. The activities offered to the children include painting and craft, sewing and knitting, cooking and indoor and outdoor games. Under the

co-ordination of Lyn Leifman, the Carnegie program is providing an educational and entertaining after-school period.

A recent development at Glenhuntly is the establishing of a management committee to which the program co-ordinator will report. This is an example of the school community becoming involved in making better use of the facility outside of school hours.

We are hoping this will help develop the program into a real community-spirited operation. The school council at Glenhuntly is to be commended for the step they have taken in providing a wider educational experience for their children.

Generally speaking, the purpose of the programs is to give children the opportunity to be involved in a variety of activities within the school on an informal

New Books

A small selection of recent books added to the Caulfield-Malvern Regional Libraries is listed below. Those which are not at your local library may be reserved and obtained on inter-library loan.

Songs of the Great Australian Balladists by G. Jenkin.

An entertaining and authoritative selection which will appeal to anyone interested in Australian literature, folklore and music.

The Development of Australian Sculpture by S. Sturgeon.

A valuable work on Australian sculptors, with particular emphasis on the achievements of the last twenty years.

The Voyage of Charles Darwin by C. Darwin.

A selection of Darwin's autobiographical writings, which outline the events and scenes of his momentous journey.

Royal Families of the World by R. Davis.

The author, who is an experienced photographer of international royalty, has collected some of his best photographs of fifteen ruling dynasties, including those of the Netherlands, Japan, Monaco, Spain and Tonga as well as the British royal family.

PROGRAMS FOR OLDER ADULTS

Are you in the position of having the kids grown up, the job under control and not making too many demands on you, or you've retired and find time is moving a bit too slowly?

Or perhaps you've busied yourself in a lot of community works, local charities, or even craft or art classes, but still feel you're missing out on something.

The School of Orientation Studies at CIT is proposing a series of courses that it hopes will be both intellectually stimulating as well as fun and rewarding, aimed at the group it calls 'older adults'.

They are requesting assistance from people in this group, to let them know whether or not the program is a good idea and whether they should start it up sometime in June.

The program will concentrate on the 'creative arts' i.e. drama, literature and music and will initially focus on workshops devoted to recording the participants' life experiences.

This oral history approach will attempt to gather information of historical and social significance from the participants and will be

recorded in various ways, e.g. short stories, tape recordings etc. which will be published toward the conclusion of the program.

This means that participants will be able to discuss their lives and record what they think are the achievements and failures of their experience.

It is hoped that these programs will assist the participants to develop and extend their skills in written and oral communication, as well as to discover and enjoy a new situation in which people of similar interests and backgrounds are able to mix.

The proposed program will be open to all interested adults and no prerequisites of any kind will apply. Any information regarding the proposed courses may be obtained by ringing 211 7722, ext. 213.

So, does this sound like it might be the thing for you? Don't wait, ring now and give CIT your views.



Social Dance Club

With the reopening of the Murrumbeena Hall in March another venue has been added to the Melbourne Dance Scene.

Formerly the Capri Cinema at 93 Murrumbeena Road, it was once considered for demolition. The hall has now been renovated and is in use as a Social Dance Club for adults. All the old dances are enjoyed: waltzes, fox-trots, charmaine and tango are

still favourites.

Come on your own or come with a partner. Tuition is provided during the first hour if you wish to learn or revise your dance steps.

Sundays, 7.00 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays 7.30 p.m. are the times for those in the 30's, 40's and over, while Wednesday 7.30 p.m. is the time the 20's and 30's get together.

Admission is \$2 and all these nights are well attended, so if you like the company of friendly people don't hesitate to come. You'll receive a warm welcome and can dance the night away.

The hall is also available for private hire and full details may be obtained from Harry Flood telephone 568 4089 or 570 3060.

New Acquisition



The Council has been purchasing a Public Art Collection over the past four years with the aim of acquiring a wide range of recognised Australian Works.

The most recent purchase 'Waterfall' by William Charles Pignuit was painted in oil in 1875. Pignuit was the first Australian-born professional painter and is important as an early master in the broad spectrum of the Collection.

This painting along with other works will be on public display for the first time at a New Acquisitions Exhibition at the Caulfield Arts Centre from May 30 to June 7. Enquiries 524 3277.

RUBELLA IMMUNIZATION FOR ADULTS

In most persons rubella is a minor disease. However this is not so in a developing foetus. If the virus infects the foetus during the process of organ formation in the first four months of the pregnancy the infant may be born with gross development defects of the eye, head and ear.

Rubella may, in addition, cause brain damage and retardation. However not every foetus develops all these illnesses.

Early in pregnancy, particularly in the first three to four months, many foetuses will get some of these problems. 90% of deaf/blind children and 35% of deaf children had rubella in the womb.

The incidence of incapacitating defects in children following maternal rubella in the first three months is assessed to be 10%. When infection occurs during the first four weeks of pregnancy, 60% of the infants have defects.

As rubella is to a mother a minor disease, this may even pass undetected, thus there is a medical responsibility to ensure that rubella will no longer be the cause of congenital abnormality.

In recent years a special rubella vaccination has been developed which provokes anti-bodies to the rubella virus and considerable immunity to infection.

Rubella (German Measles) is a viral disease entirely separate from measles and is often difficult to diagnose.

There is at present no specific curative treatment for rubella and it is sound medical practice to protect all women of child bearing age against rubella rather than assume that a previous disease with rash was rubella.

The Council's Health Department will be conducting rubella immunization nights at the Caulfield Infant Welfare Centre. The first of these sessions will be held on Tuesday June 12th from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

For further information please contact the Health Department at the Town Hall on 524 3333.

Dr. G. G. Stillwell Medical Officer-of-Health.



Music for Everyone — the Orff Schulwerk Way.

A group of teachers and parents interested in music education in primary and secondary schools have formed the Orff Schulwerk Association of Victoria.

The interest in this approach to music was shown following a Summer School in Orff Schulwerk in 1977 at the New England University at Armidale in New South Wales.

Creativity is inherent in Schulwerk activities and is expressed as elemental music and movement. This comes from improvisation, created and discovered in the experience; planned as it is performed.

Schulwerk supports the belief that children should be free to explore music before they learn to read music notation. Reading is an important part of music education but should not be introduced until children have a secure background of performing experience.

It does not offer a step by step method of music education but demonstrates how a number of techniques and simple musical forms can provide the foundation of a further program.

With Orff Schulwerk philosophies children begin making music immediately. The use of simple musical structures performed on simple instruments provides both stimulating and satisfying experiences.

Schulwerk activities are an integration of music, movement and speech.

The Orff Schulwerk Association of Victoria holds monthly meetings which take the form of workshops where members share ideas, improve skills and techniques and thoroughly enjoy themselves at the same time.

These workshops are held alternately on the third Tuesday or Thursday of each month at the State College of Victoria, Burwood from 7.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. with supper available afterwards.

The activities are geared to develop both the members' expertise and to provide suitable activities to try out with children. From time to time guest speakers, films or weekend workshops may be arranged.

All interested people are welcome to attend. Annual membership is \$5.00 and monthly newsletters will be sent to all members.

For further information please contact Mrs. Kathleen Whelan, 22 Perth Street, Murrumbeena, telephone 56 2171.

Key Persons Seminar



From left to right: Rev. F. Hoad, Mrs Gray (Shelford), Mr Gray (Caulfield Grammar), The Mayor.

Representatives from all sections of the community attended a seminar sponsored by the Caulfield Citizens' Advice Bureau.

Doctors, clergy, police, pharmacists, infant welfare sisters and others were supplied with information kits outlining the services offered by the bureau.

It is hoped that this will help the key people of Caulfield in their day to day work and contact with people.

GLENHUNTLY ATHLETICS

— Junior Champion

The Glenhuntly Women's Athletics group is particularly proud of one of their Sub-Juniors.

Fourteen-year-old Heather Jarvis has represented Victoria three times this year. It is Heather's first year of State selection and she has a string of credits to her name.

As early as 1976 she was a member of the Victorian Little Athletics team and took part in the high jump event.

Heather has represented Victoria in High School, All Schools and Sub-Junior Athletics teams and has featured in high jump and shotput events.

In the Victorian Sub-Junior Championships she gained a 1st in the pentathlon, 1st in the high jump, 2nd in the shotput and 6th in the 100m hurdles final.

Heather has three older brothers to keep her on her toes

and attends Moorleigh High School. She also finds time to play cricket, netball and follow the Carlton football team.

In her spare time Heather studies piano and enjoys handwork.

Congratulations to an up and coming champion. Keep up the good work Heather.

The Glenhuntly Women's Amateur Athletic Club celebrates its 50th Anniversary this year. With an excellent past record it is still looking out for new members.

For enquiries about the cross-country and track seasons please telephone the secretary of the club, Mrs Margaret Dunbar on 569 9865.



Junior Boys Active

The General Committee of the Club appointed a special junior leader to promote and encourage the junior boys' teams this year.

From the excellent results it appears that this decision has paid great dividends. After a vigorous recruitment program so many boys were attracted to the club that nine teams were entered in inter club competitions; 3 under 17 years teams and 2 teams each in the Under 15, Under 14 and Under 13 age groups.

All these teams had a very successful season.

The aim of the club is to provide the opportunity and incentive for boys aged 11-17 years to engage in healthy recreational activity. A club and team spirit is encouraged and the many social activities encourage this essential ingredient of junior athletics.

Much of the success of the past season is due to the generosity of hundreds of local businessmen who became supporter members.

The club wishes to take this opportunity to thank all those involved and hope that the support will continue.

The cross-country season is about to commence and regular training sessions have been arranged. Preparations are already under way for the next track and field season and an invitation is extended to all boys from 11-17 years of age who may like to participate or join in fitness training.

A program of social activities has been arranged for the winter season and the Glenhuntly Amateur Athletic Club feels that it has much to offer.

For further information contact the Junior Team Manager Leo Aarsman on 578 6183 or Ron Brown on 92 1063.

The Glenhuntly Amateur Athletic Club offers you the opportunity to go right to the top. They have teams in A grade, A reserve, B, C and D grades.

Anyone over 17 years of age who wishes to join the club may contact the secretary, Trevor Vincent on 232 4690.

Measured Drawing Competition

On behalf of the Victorian Government, the Matthew Flinders Measured Drawing Committee is conducting its third competition for measured drawings of Victoria's historic buildings.

The competition is a useful source of data on historic buildings as well as stimulating valuable interest amongst the

owners of the buildings, students and others.

First prize is \$800, second prize \$600, third prize \$400. Application forms, conditions of entry, rules of the competition and a list of available buildings are available from the Competition Office, 7th floor, 49 Spring Street, Melbourne and entries are to be delivered no later than 7th September, 1979.

Don't Smoke Out Your Neighbour

Clean air, like our drinking water, is one of the natural things we prize. Incinerator burning pollutes our air. Recent E.P.A. estimates show that 700,000 tonnes of rubbish are burnt annually in Melbourne's suburbs.

RECYCLE

Paper: A number of charities collect newspapers and householders are usually circularised prior to waste paper collecting days.

Rags: Old clothes and rags are often collected from households by charitable institutions or opportunity shops.

Plastic: Plastic and waxed cartons should be disposed of with your normal garbage collection services.

IF YOU CAN'T AVOID BURNING

- Make sure the material to be burnt is dry.
- Load the incinerator loosely and light it near the top.
- Burn on a fairly breezy day, near midday but be careful and considerate.

Whatever you do don't burn rubber or waxed cartons, paint or oil. These substances give off large volumes of black smoke. Food scraps or clothing cause odours when incinerated.

For further information on composting, recycling or on environment protection in general, contact the Information Services Branch, Environment Protection Authority, 240 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne, 3002.

MAKE COMPOST

A simple and economic means of converting garden and kitchen wastes to humus (soil improver) is to compost them. Leaves, light prunings, weeds, grass clippings, old tea leaves, vegetable and fruit kitchen wastes all compost readily.

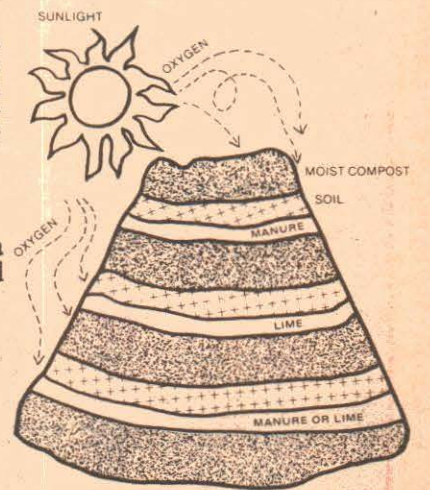
Simply select an area up to two metres square and enclose it on three sides or purchase a ready-made compost bin made of fibrelass or concrete.

Spread a layer of waste about 15cm deep on the ground and add alternate layers of soil and lime. Animal manure should be used alternatively with lime throughout the heap.

Compost is ready for use when the whole heap has a uniform earthy texture. The process can take between three and twelve months depending on weather conditions.

NOTE:

To avoid flies or rats, a top layer of soil should cover the compost heap.



Latest Addition



The mother and child is the latest addition to the group of sculptures to be set up at Caulfield Park. The total concept includes a number of life-size representatives of types of people who use the park.

The group will include the newspaper boy, already in position, children climbing poles, a child on a bicycle and others.

The work was started in 1975 and was part of the redevelopment of the western end of the park.

Artist Phillip Cannizzo is responsible for the design and work on the figures and it was his plan to develop a sense of belonging and affinity for those who visit the park.

City of Caulfield Receives \$200,000 Loan

The State Insurance Office has made available to the City of Caulfield a loan of \$200,000 to assist in financing permanent works and undertakings.

In acknowledging the loan, the Mayor, Cr. G. S. Patience, BEM., JP., said that the Council was pleased to receive the loan as it would assist it to finance the erection of buildings and the development and extension of recreational facilities.

Mr L. W. Carver, Insurance Commissioner, expressed delight that the State Insurance Office was able to assist the City of Caulfield with a loan of this magnitude.

He added that he was appreciative of the confidence that the community had shown in the State Insurance Office. Such support had made possible reciprocity in financing the development of community services and amenities.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND YOU



RESIDENT INVOLVEMENT IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT Summary of Position Paper 1

FOREWORD BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAULFIELD

The ideas and proposals outlined in this paper do not necessarily represent Council policy but are put forward for discussion purposes to encourage resident assessment and debate.

Resources are not unlimited and any decision, irrespective of its merit, to implement a new proposal or to expand an existing program, must be made in the light of the financial and organisational constraints within which the Council operates.

The Purpose of Position Papers

This is the first in a series of "Position Papers" which aim to inform local residents and encourage debate on a wide range of issues affecting the local community.

What is Public Participation?

"Resident Involvement" or "Public Participation" in local government simply means the involvement of local citizens in the formulation of policies, plans and proposals which affect their lives.

The Council recognises that such an involvement means more than the right to elect a Councillor; it also implies an immediate day to day interest in the local decision making process.

What is the Value of Resident Involvement

Local involvement has a number of advantages:-

- It is a source of insight, information and knowledge for the Council.
- It is a means of gaining the interest of local residents in civic affairs.
- It recognizes a number of basic rights for local residents with respect to local affairs, these are:-
 - The right of free speech
 - The right to information about issues and plans.
 - The right to an individual viewpoint
 - The right to influence decision making
 - The right to a continuing share in society's burdens and benefits.

Possible Problems in Resident Involvement

Difficult decisions still have to be made. Competing needs within a local area are not always easily reconcilable and a balance has to be struck between the rights of local residents immediately adjoining a proposal, the needs of the applicant and the interests of the wider and future community.

A balanced range of views is essential. A strident protest group with a narrow viewpoint may whip up a petition of a hundred names in favour of a certain course of action. These views must somehow be weighted against perhaps only a few contrary views representing the opinions of other sections of the community.

Resident involvement can be expensive. Greater public involvement also implies the availability of sufficient financial and staff resources to prepare and provide the necessary information to local groups and residents.

If these resources are not adequate, local residents will rapidly become disillusioned and feel that their efforts are not being rewarded by sufficient involvement on the part of the Council.

Resident involvement can cause delays. Involvement unless carefully monitored, can slow up the decision and plan making process to an unacceptable degree. It can create long delays, the loss of valuable opportunities for change and possibly the diversion of central government or private finance into other areas.

Other Government authorities also make decisions. While the Council may devote much time and effort to public consultation, it is only one agent of change in the City.

Other statutory authorities also undertake works and studies affecting local areas and local consultation by these authorities is not always adequate. The tendency has sometimes been to evolve a firm plan, then present it as the final solution to local residents.

CAULFIELD COUNCIL BELIEVES THAT RESIDENTS HAVE A RIGHT TO BE INVOLVED IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT DECISION MAKING PROCESS.

Councillors are elected by residents to make decisions on a wide range of issues affecting the City of Caulfield. Elected Councillors therefore have a mandate to govern but the quality of their decisions will depend in part on the information that they are provided with.

Good government at any level does not operate in a vacuum, but is open to ideas, comments and criticism in order that informed decisions may be made.

The Council has made considerable moves towards Resident Involvement by opening Council meetings and Committees to the public. Local residents are not only invited to attend meetings but are encouraged to make representations on matters which are of particular interest to them.

To describe the Council's current approach to resident involvement and to put forward a number of new ideas, a Position Paper has been prepared.

The main points in the paper are summarized below and copies of the complete paper are available at the Town hall and public libraries or by calling 524 3226.

What steps is the Council currently taking to encourage resident involvement?

Meetings of full Council and three of the Council's four Committees are open to the public. The fourth Committee discusses confidential items such as prospective land purchases which must necessarily remain confidential at the early stage.

When plans and proposals for different areas are being considered by Council the local public are consulted. The Council often directs that development proposals which may have an injurious affect on the local area are advertised.

The Council also consults local

residents on specific proposals by means of letters, questionnaires, interview surveys, public meetings and conferences between any parties in dispute.

A Community Liaison Officer is employed to establish and maintain contact with local residents, keeping them fully and accurately informed about the Council's work and services.

Council publishes 'Caulfield Contact' once a month to keep all residents in the City up to date with local news and activities as well as providing a forum for discussion.

The Community Resource Guide "Caulfield '79", which gives information on everything from bus routes to family planning advice, was distributed to every household in the City.

An office is provided for the voluntary Citizens Advice Bureau at the Town Hall. This bureau gives advice and help to local residents and co-operates closely with the Council's Social Development Department.

Short films and a series of "position papers" to better acquaint residents with the Council's services and proposals are being prepared.

What more could be done?

Below are some of the ideas put forward in the Position Paper.

As a good housekeeper, the Council must consider additional schemes in the light of available resources.

Resident Advisory Groups

The Council could involve small local groups such as mothers' clubs, sporting clubs etc. in the planning of their local areas.

These groups would define key problems and issues in a local area, take part in local "workshops" during the preparation of proposals and comment on detailed plans and proposals as they are prepared by Council.

Caulfield Community Day

Each Council department could provide material informing residents of its regular activities and scope together with its current priorities for the coming year.

Orientation Day

The Council could consider running an annual "Orientation Day" at the Town Hall to give local residents a better understanding of the Council's functions and responsibilities. Displays, talks and discussions could be supplemented by tours of Council departments.

Information Offices

Consideration could be given to establishing decentralized information offices in areas of the City, particularly in the east, which do not have such good access to the Town Hall.

A "Contact Caravan"

A brightly painted "Contact Caravan" could be parked in shopping centres, local parks and near sites where major new developments are proposed.

This caravan could be used for such diverse purposes as publicising Arbor Day to illustrating the proposed designs for a new neighbourhood park.

Public Notices of Proposed Developments

Provided that it does not impose too onerous a burden on applicants the Council could require that larger, more noticeable advertisements are used to advertise important proposals.

Community Advocates

Many local residents become frustrated and upset when faced with new proposals for their area and they feel, whatever they say or do, the development will happen anyway.

Another means of improving the quality of resident involvement would be the appointment of a Community Advocate.

The role of a Community Advocate would be to articulate the views of local residents or groups, presenting these to Council, public meetings and enquiries. The Advocate would not seek to impose his own views or the views of the Council on local residents but would assist residents and possible local groups or organisations in defining their main areas of concern.

The main disadvantage of Community Advocates would be the potential duplication of the role of a Councillor. Councillors however have heavy workloads and responsibilities.

The main advantage of a Community Advocate would be that he or she could offer disadvantaged residents something approaching the standard of impartial professional advice and assistance that other better placed groups have at their disposal or can afford to retain on the open market.

Freedom of Information

Much Council information and many records are available for inspection on request. Clearly, certain information must remain confidential, however there may be other information sources which can be made available to the public or, more importantly, whose existence can be advertised.

A "Code of Practice" for Public Participation

In order to ensure that a consistent approach is taken to public participation by all authorities implementing proposals in the City, an agreement by all parties to adhere to a voluntary code of practice could be sought.

The Code of Practice would set out guidelines covering the appropriate division of responsibility for consultation between the Council and other authorities on proposals prepared by these authorities. It would also set down agreed standards for consultation.

Presentation of Proposals

Extensive public participation will be fruitless if local residents cannot clearly understand the proposals or ideas that are being put before them. The standard or presentation of proposals to the public in the past has not been high and many reports have been complex and lengthy.

The Council could consider setting simpler more straightforward standards for the presentation of proposals.

Ideas Competitions

The Council could consider sponsoring ideas competitions based around local issues, particularly planning problems. Local residents, shopkeepers, school children etc. could all be encouraged to participate with the Council making a small award for the best submission.

Now that you have read this summary, you may care to read the full Position Paper. Copies are available on request at the Town Hall or by calling 524 3226.

Your comments and ideas are sought. These should be sent to the 'Urban Planner', City of Caulfield Town Hall, cnr. Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield, 3162.

COMMUNITY ACCESS

COMMUNITY SERVICE

"Graffiti" Wanted

The Southern Regional Consultative Committee of the FACS program is holding a workshop at the Community Welfare Office, 230 Balaclava Road, Caulfield (nr. Junction) between 1.30 p.m. and 4.30 p.m. on Saturday, June 9th.

Anyone who is concerned with providing services to people, or has information about services of a welfare nature is invited to write their information on the wall so that a regional network of information can be established.

We need to know who does what, when and where! If you can't attend the workshop, please ring the Citizens Advice Bureau office on 524 3272 and the information will be passed on.

Health and Welfare

Helpers Needed

The Auxiliary for the Aged and Infirm, Caulfield Hospital, which runs the kiosk and tearoom at the Hospital is looking for helpers for the second Thursday of each month from June.

If you can help please ring Mrs Fraser on 568 0361 or after June 12th please ring Mrs Atkinson on 523 7630 or Mrs Stiles on 523 9281.

Annual Meeting

The Caulfield Auxiliary of the Royal Southern Memorial Hospital is holding its 12th Annual Meeting on Wednesday 13th June at 2 p.m. in the Board Room of the Hospital.

The President and members extend an invitation to you to attend.

Spastic Society

The Caulfield Auxiliary of the Spastic Society of Victoria, which works for the welfare of spastic children and adults in our community, would like to enlist some new members.

The Auxiliary meets in the Reception Rooms at the Town Hall on the first Monday of each month at 1.30 p.m. For further enquiries please ring Mrs Gillespie on 523 5401.

Wanted!!

A pianola for the residents at Curraweena. They have a piano but no pianist so if you have a pianola you would like to sell, swap or donate please contact Jane Bate at the Town Hall on 524 3333.

Your assistance would be appreciated by these elderly people who would then be able to enjoy musical evenings once again.

INTEREST GROUPS

Scouts

An invitation is extended to boys aged from 8 to 10 years, who are interested in Scouting, to join the 2nd Caulfield Cub Pack.

The group meets every Tuesday night from 7.00-8.00 p.m. at the Scout Hall, Inkerman Road (near Hawthorn Rd.). Activities include basic scouting skills, outings and guest speakers who talk on topics of interest to both Cubs and parents.

For further information please contact Tony Bloy on 578 5050 or David Sharpe on 528 2858.

Horticulture

The Caulfield and Districts Society for Growing Australian Plants meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 7.45 p.m. at the Uniting Church, cnr. North Road and Tara Grove, Carnegie.

The next meeting on June 5th will feature discussion on Acacias. If you are interested in growing Australian native plants why not go along.

Rippon Lea

The Fourth Thursday Luncheon Club will hold its next luncheon on June 28th. Guest speaker will be Dr Tim Ealey who will speak on remote races research. He has lived with our aboriginals and observed their customs, rituals and disciplines.

Tickets are available at \$5 a head or \$4 for a group booking of 20 or more and bookings may be made by ringing the ticket secretary, Miss Jill Bailey on 288 2357 after 6 p.m.

Solo Luncheon

The Carnegie R.S.L. and Citizens Ladies Bowling Club will hold a Solo Luncheon at Rosanna Street, Carnegie on Thursday, June 7th at 11 a.m. A hot lunch will be provided and the cost is \$2 a head.

Bookings may be made by ringing N. Sunderland on 569 9802.

Hughesdale Camera Club

The Club will meet on Thursday June 7th at 8.00 p.m. at the Hughesdale Community Centre, cnr. Poath and Kangaroo Roads, Hughesdale.

Features at the meeting will be "Nepal's Wonderland" and "Australia in Winter". Visitors are welcome and enquiries may be made by phoning 570 4758.

Philatelics

The Caulfield/Malvern Philatelic Society meets at All Saints Church of England Hall, near cnr. of Olive Street and Darling Road, East Malvern on the first Tuesday monthly at 8.00 p.m.

Facilities available to members include a library of overseas stamp magazines, handbooks and other philatelic literature. Interesting philatelic displays are made throughout the year and annual competitions are conducted.

Visitors are welcome to all meetings and further enquiries may be made by ringing Mr Humphries on 211 2991.

Inaugural Meeting

The International Toastmistress Club will hold its first meeting in Caulfield in St. Catherine's Church Hall, cnr. Trevelyan St. and Kooyong Road, Elsternwick at 8.00 p.m. on Tuesday 19th June.

Toastmistress Clubs aim to train women to become poised and confident speakers. There is no racial, economic, religious or political bias; age does not matter — all are made to feel welcome and very useful.

Toastmistress training is very rewarding. It can give you self-confidence, stimulating company and lasting friendships. For further information please ring Gerda Bischof on 523 6419.

YOUR LETTERS

Bicycles on the Footpaths

Madam, Recently, as secretary of the Carnegie/Murrumbidgee Elderly Citizens Club, I wrote to the Council on behalf of the Committee and members.

I trust that now we will be supported by other organisations in the area, in the hope that something will be done before the Council Elections in August so that, apart from knowing who is genuine in their endeavours to work for the residents who put them into the limelight of the City, we may also feel that our citizens are receiving some protection from this dangerous practice, which has been going on far too long and I am afraid that a blind eye has been turned in this direction.

I believe that a by-law exists which prohibits the riding of bikes on footpaths. There is also

the menace people of all ages have to put up with and that is the inconvenience of walking around bicycles strewn all over the place.

There have been definite instances of elderly folk being knocked down after being menaced by swaying showmanship.

Surely the authorities are not afraid to act on a by-law of their own making or have the police department patrol the streets, as was done some months ago.

I realise it is a busy street, but it is time cars were made to use the parks provided as a lot of congestion has arisen in this way, despite the vigilance of the Traffic Officers.

If no action is taken, is the Council prepared to meet the cost of medical bills which have, and could, arise?

Perhaps the threat of abuse or reprisals has withheld any action by our Councillors but there is

such a thing as law and order.

I trust that other organisations will find time to add their comments and protests.

J. V. Kirby, Carnegie.

Letters to Editor, Caulfield Contact, Caulfield Town Hall, cnr. Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield, 3162.

Names and Addresses Must be supplied

Council has also received complaints regarding the riding of bicycles on footpaths in busy shopping centres.

These complaints are justified and unless there is a rapid improvement in the situation Council will have no alternative but to refer complaints to the Police for investigation.

Council has also resolved to inform school principals of the current problem with the objective of seeking their assistance in educating the children on the rules and regulations relating to the riding of bicycles.

Community Information Leaflets

ΝΟΙ ΠΥΡΚΑΙΪΣ

SERVIZI D'IGIENE

SERVIZI D'ISPEZIONE

Leaflets which provide information for Caulfield residents are available at the Town Hall. They have been printed in English, Italian and Greek and advise on Town Planning, Welfare, Recreation, By - Laws and Health Services.

If you think these Community Information Leaflets would be of use to you or anyone you know, please call in and ask for them.

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Caulfield Arts Centre

NEW CLASSES IN TERM II

The Arts Centre is offering two new classes in Term II — Knitting and crochet and Machine Knitting.

Both courses will be held for an 8 week term, day and evenings, and will commence with regular Term II workshops the week of June 11.

No prior experience or special equipment is necessary. Please ring the office on 524 3277 should you be interested.

June 1-7 — New Acquisitions Exhibition — A display of work recently purchased for the Caulfield City Council Permanent Art Collection featuring oils, prints and ceramics.

June 2, 2-4 p.m. — Crafts in Gear — Workshop 2: A Coates/Patons knitting expert will be present to advise you. Continuous sessions of films and slides related to this second National Crafts Project. Admission: \$2.00 adults; 50c children/pensioners.

June 3, 8 p.m. — Soirees Musicales — Chamber Music

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Calendar of Events

441 Inkerman Road, North Caulfield.
Telephone 524-3277.

Gallery Hours: Tues. - Fri. 10am - 6pm;
Sat. - Sun. 1pm - 6pm.

Concert: Canadian pianist Robert Silverman will present a recital of solo piano music and Faure's Piano Quartet in C minor in association with Melbourne string players. Enquiries 232 4564 (a.h.).

June 8 — Closing date for enrolments for Term II Crafts and Music Workshops Program. Brochures and enquiries on 524 3277.

June 15, 8 p.m. — Youth Concerto Concert — The Astra Orchestra, under conductor George Logie Smith, will accompany young soloists in concerto movements. Admission: \$3 adults; \$1.50 students. Enquiries — 20 1082.

June 21-27 — Victorian Ceramic Group Annual Membership Exhibition — In celebration of the Group's 10th Anniversary.

June 23, 2 p.m. — Saturday Club — Performance No. 3: Sounds Terrific!! Multi-instrumentalist, Wayne Roland Brown charms his audiences in a delightful program of a wide variety of music. Admission: By club membership or box office: adults \$2, children/pensioners \$1.75.

June 24, 2.30 p.m. — Musical Society of Victoria Youth Concert — Twenty young soloists will perform a variety of

chamber music. A special feature will be Pamela Turner, winner of the Heines Vocal Scholarship. Admission: Non-members: adults \$3; students/pensioners \$1.50, Society quests. Enquiries 82 5589.

June 24, 8 p.m. — Soirees Musicales Chamber Music Concert — The Melbourne Baroque Ensemble will present another of their exceedingly attractive evenings of music for flute, oboe, cello and harpsichord. Enquiries 232 4564 a.h.

June 29, 7 p.m. — Lauriston Girls' School Music Concert.



TERM II PROGRAMS

Caulfield Arts Centre Crafts and Music Workshops Program

Telephone 524 3277 for enquiries.

ADULTS

Acrylic Painting: Wed. 7-9 p.m.; Thurs. 1-3 p.m. — \$35.
Decoupage: Mon. Tues. 7-9 p.m.; Wed. 10-12 noon — \$35.
Drawing (basic): Mon. 10-12 noon — \$28.
Drawing (life): Thurs. 7-9 p.m. — \$32.
Dressmaking (for beginners): Tues. 10-1 p.m. & 7-10 p.m. — \$35.
Dressmaking (advanced): Thurs. 12-3 p.m. — \$35.
Enamelling: Tues. Wed. 7-9 p.m. — \$35.
General Fitness: Mon. Tues. 7-8 p.m. — \$20.
Greek Dancing: Fri. 7-8 p.m. — \$20.
Knitting and Crochet: Mon. 10-12 noon; Wed. 7-9 p.m. — \$25.
Leatherwork: Mon. 10-12 noon; Wed. 7-9 p.m.; Thurs. 1-3 p.m. — \$35.
Let's make a rug; help me make a wall hanging, with Isabel Foster: Wed. 10-12 n. — \$35.
Liquid Plastics: Mon. 1-3 p.m. — \$28.
Macrame: Tues. 1-3 p.m. — \$25.
Patchwork: Mon. 10-12.30 p.m. & 7-9.30 p.m.; Sat. 10-12.30 p.m. — \$28.
Pottery: Mon. 7-9 p.m.; Tues. 10-12 noon & 7-9 p.m.; Wed. 1-3 & 7-9 p.m. — \$32 — on-going classes. Contact office re starting dates.
Printmaking: Thurs. 10-12.30 p.m. & 7-9.30 p.m. — \$45.
Spinning: Wed. 1-3 p.m. — \$28.
Watercolour: Tues. 1-3 p.m. — \$30.
Weaving: Thurs. 9.30-12 noon & 7 p.m.-9.30 p.m. — \$35.
Weaving Workshop: Wed. 9.30-2.30 p.m. — \$60.

CHILDREN

Creative Movement: Mon. & Tues. 4-5 p.m., 4-6 yrs.; Tues. 5-6 p.m. 6-8 yrs. — \$15.
Exploring Music for new students: Wed. 11-12 noon, 4-5 yrs.; Sat. 10-11 a.m., 4-5 yrs.; Sat. 11-12 noon, 6-9 yrs. — \$20.
Jazz Ballet: Mon. 5-6 pm, 8-12 yrs.; Mon. 6-7 pm, 10-15 yrs. (advanced); Tues. 6-7 pm, 8-12 yrs. — \$15.
Multi-Media: Tues. 4-5.30 p.m. — \$20; Sat. 10-12 noon — \$24 (all enquiries to Arts Centre, closing date June 8th).
Pottery: Mon. & Tues. 4-5.30 p.m. — \$18; Sat. 10-12 noon & 1-3 p.m. — \$25 — on-going classes. Call office for starting dates.

CAULFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE

Telephone 524 3288 for enquiries.

ADULTS

Jazz Gym: Wed. 8-9 p.m.; Mon. Thurs. 10-11 a.m. — \$2 per session.
Yoga: Mon. 2-3 p.m.; Wed. 7-8 p.m. — \$17.
Guitar (beg.): Mon. 7-8 p.m. — \$17.
Ladies Fitness: Mon. 7-8 p.m. & 8-9 p.m.; Thurs. 6-7 p.m. — \$17.
Jazz Ballet: Wed. 6-7 p.m. & 7-8 p.m. — \$17.
Judo: Tues. & Thurs. 7.30-8.30 — \$2.50 per session.
Tae-Kwon-Do: Wed. & Fri. 6-8 p.m. — \$2.50 per session.
Amateur Wrestling, Mon. Wed. & Fri. 6-8 p.m. — \$1.00 per session.
Introduction to Home Landscaping: Wed. 8-9.30 p.m. — \$24.

CHILDREN

Gym (under 8's): Tues. 4-5 p.m. — \$12.
Gym (over 8's): Tues. 5-6 p.m. — \$12.
Chess: Tues. 4.30-6.00 p.m. — No charge.
Drama Club: Tues. 4-5.30 p.m. — cost to be decided.
Pottery: Tues. 4-5.30 p.m. — \$15.
Tramp (under 8's): Tues. & Thurs. 4-5 p.m. — \$12.
Tramp (over 8's): Tues. & Thurs. 5-6 p.m. — \$12.
Tramp (any age): Sat. 10-11 a.m. & 11-12 noon — \$12.
Gym (under 8's): Thurs. 4-5 p.m. — \$12.
Gym (over 8's): Thurs. 5-6 p.m. — \$12.
Guitar (beg.): Thurs. 6-7 p.m. — \$12.
Tiny Tots Tumbling: Thurs. 3.30-4 p.m.; 4-4.30 p.m. & 4.30-5 p.m. — \$8.
Judo: Tues. & Thurs. 6.30-7.30 p.m. — \$2 per session.
Ballet: Sat. 9-10 a.m. — \$12.
Creative Movement: Sat. 10-11 a.m. — \$12.
Tae-Kwon-Do: Sat. 11-12 noon — \$2 per session.

CLASSES COMMENCE THE WEEK OF June 11th, 1979.

Caulfield Community Centre

6 Maple Street,
South Caulfield.

Telephone 524 3288.



Home Landscaping

This course, which will be held on Wednesdays from 8.00 to 9.30 p.m. commencing June 13th, is designed to give a basic appreciation of home landscaping. The course deals with site planning, design, construction and maintenance with emphasis on various garden styles and the use of plant materials to make your garden more enjoyable. Included will be demonstrations, slides, discussions and handouts relating to the lectures.

Gym Club

The Centre is to have its own gym club, which will be affiliated to the V.A.G.A. and will follow the prescribed standards set down by this body. The club will initially meet between 9 a.m. and 12 noon on a Saturday morning. Boys and girls will have separate sessions conducted by qualified coaches. Anyone interested in enrolling their child may ring 524 3288.

Elderly Citizens Luncheon

A group of elderly citizens meet at the Community Centre on Monday afternoons from 12 noon to 2 p.m. A meal is provided at a cost of \$1 and various activities are offered afterwards. It is hoped in the future to organise art classes and landscape gardening. Please come along, all are welcome.



JUDO CLASSES

Judo is not only a form of self defence; it can give confidence to shy and unsure people and also lead to improved co-ordination — the basis for learning.

Classes in this sport are held every Tuesday night at the Caulfield Community Centre, 6 Maple Street, Caulfield from 6.30-7.30 p.m. The instructor is Mr Akira Yamada — a 5th black belt and ex-Olympic Team Coach — who attained his qualifications in Japan and now teaches judo in Melbourne universities and tertiary colleges. Fees for the course are \$25 for 3 months and \$45 for 6 months and a \$10 yearly membership applies. Classes will be created according to demand. For further enquiries please telephone 578 4460 a.h.

NETBALL COMPETITION

We have received many enquiries from ladies interested in beginning a netball competition on a Thursday morning.

Because the size of the court is smaller than the official standard, the rules might have to be altered slightly in order to play games. This alteration would affect the number of people playing, possibly five a side instead of seven.

The competition would be separate from any others and would not be affiliated to the V.N.A., although official umpires would preside over the games.

We are looking for about six teams to be involved in the competition, which would be played between 9 a.m. and 12 noon. Creche facilities could be provided if necessary. Any teams or individuals interested may ring the Community Centre on 524 3288.

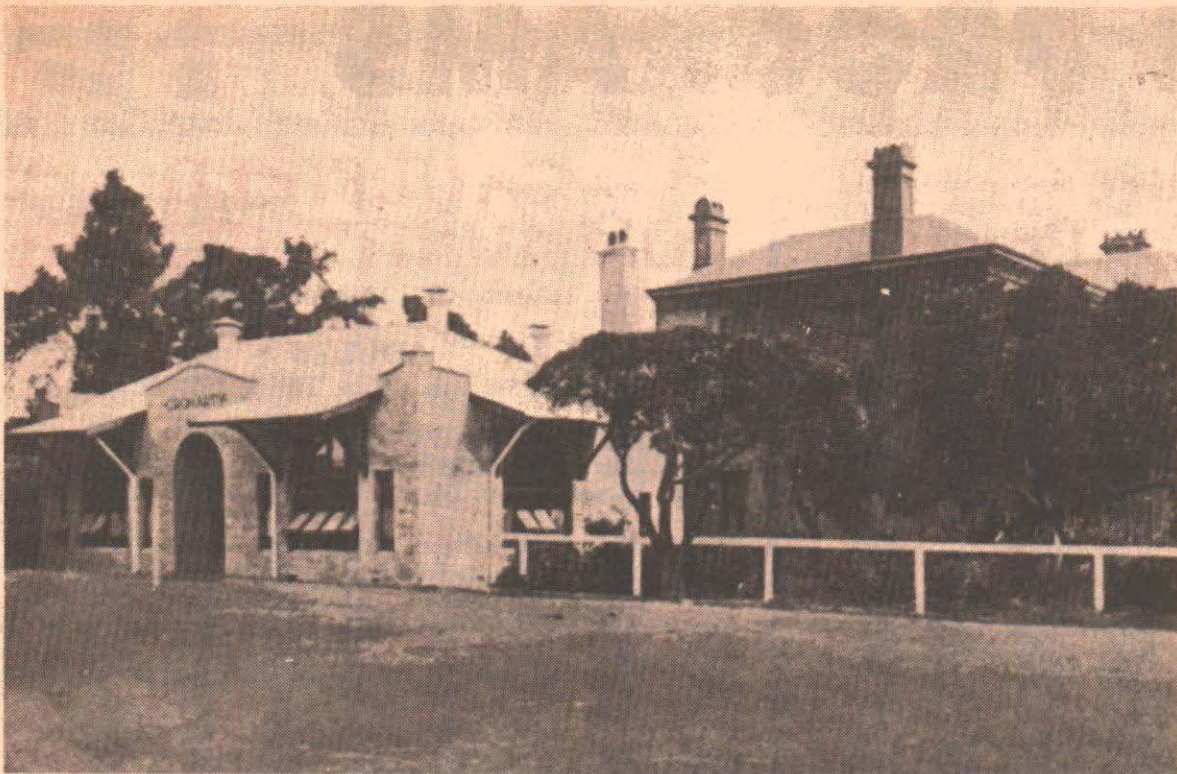
After School Program

The After School Program at the Centre is gaining in popularity. Approximately 40 children attend the sessions on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays between 3.30 and 5.30 p.m.

Qualified staff involve the children in trampolining, ball games, table tennis, arts and crafts and cooking. Many children have shown great potential, especially in the field of creative arts.

Films are shown once a fortnight and it is intended, in the near future, to conduct safety first in the home sessions and cardiac massage techniques.

Anyone wishing to volunteer their services during these times would be gladly welcomed. Please ring or visit the Centre, 6 Maple Street, South Caulfield, 524 3288.



Front view of the school house showing two of the classrooms.

"Cromarty" — Gone but not Forgotten

Cromarty School for Girls was established in 1897 in Orrong Road, Elsternwick (a few doors south of Glenhuntly Road) but was later relocated in Sandham Street.

Doris McKellar, who has lived in Caulfield for the past 76 years, was a former pupil at the school from 1905-1914. At 82 she is still an active member of the C.O.G.A. (Cromarty Old Girls Association) and was effective in the group's formation in 1922.

The school, which catered for sub-primary, primary and secondary students, was run by the Misses Day — usually known as

Miss Day, Miss Jeanie and Miss Louie.

Fees ranged from 2 guineas a term for under 7's to 21 guineas for boarders, whose school requisites included "goloshes" and "ulsters" — long belted overcoats.

The C.O.G.A. has met twice a month for the past 57 years, which is an admirable record, and Mrs McKellar proudly pointed out that 22 members attended their last meeting.

Sadly, the Association will be disbanding later this year; however the knitting group will continue to make patchwork

rugs for the hospitals.

The original buildings still stand in St Joseph's School, Elsternwick and the Sandham Street residence is now a Presentation Convent. This residence, which from 1901-1910 was known as "Chislehurst", is now classified "D" by the National Trust on the grounds of "its representative architecture and historic interest."

The Cromarty School for Girls closed its doors for the last time in 1923 but its former pupils hold fond memories of its existence and many friendships formed there are still retained.



Doris McKellar remembers.

Funds available to groups within the City of Caulfield

The Department of Youth, Sport & Recreation has funds available in the following categories:

- **Major Municipal Projects.** A grant of \$125,000 and an interest free loan of \$125,000 giving a maximum allocation of \$250,000 on a \$1 for \$1 basis is available for major projects. No project is guaranteed funding, however, until the Regional Recreation Consultant has submitted his recommendation on the project and that as the City of Caulfield's first priority it has been approved by the Minister.
- **Outdoor sports recreation facilities.** This includes projects developed for combined purpose of club competition and public usage and access. It includes playing fields, pitches and courts, with auxiliary facilities such as changerooms, toilets, viewing areas, barbecues, canteens, social rooms, children's playgrounds and water reticulation, provision of sewerage, roads, parking areas, and appropriate landscaping within the boundaries of the reserves.
- **Minor Municipal Projects.** This includes funding for playgrounds, local walking tracks, recreation cycle paths, fun and fitness tracks and modification of school facilities. These are all on a \$1 for \$1 basis and require that the completed project be available for public use.
- **"Life. Be In It." Activities.** A small amount of funding is available for physical recreation programs which meet the "Life. Be In It." philosophy.
- **Community Recreation Programs in Schools.** A grant of up to \$500 is available per financial year for the development of activities using school grounds or buildings.
- **The Soccer Grounds Development Fund** is available for the installation of lighting, improvement of existing changeroom facilities and ground equipment for new clubs (e.g. goal posts, nets etc.) maximum grant of \$1,000.
- **Australian Rules Football Assistance** is given to schools through grants to school sporting bodies for the provision of goal posts and in-service training schemes. Courses, charts, manuals and audio visual aids are also produced. This scheme also provides assistance for the development of out-of-school hours use of school facilities by clubs run and coached by parents.

Community Education Programs

School Holiday Programs may receive funding from the Department of Child Care. This money is available to any organisation wishing to provide activities during the holiday period.

After School Programs may be funded through the Youth, Sport and Recreation grant or the Community Education section of the Education Department.

Innovative Grants are available for educational programs and are funded Federally.

Community Arts assistance is available through the Australia Council and is applicable to both school based and non-school based activities.

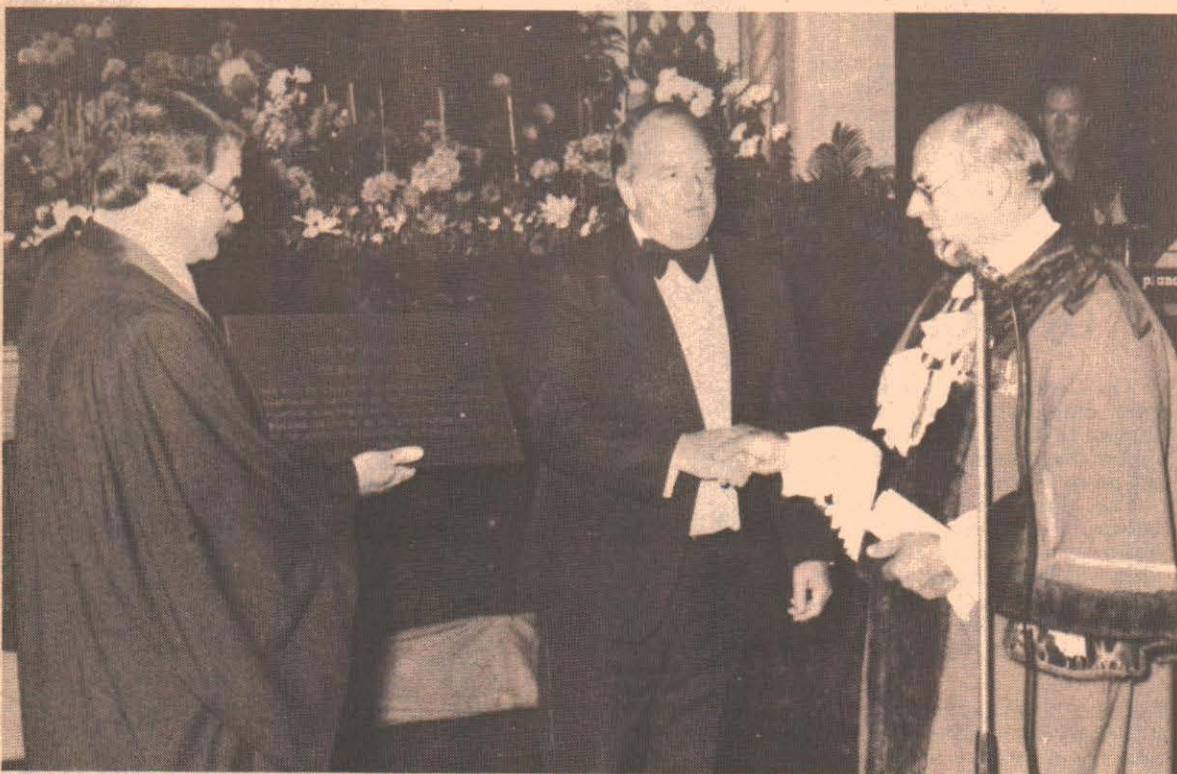
Grants of up to \$1,000 for community education programs are available from the Education Department and up to \$10,000 can be sought by school councils for alterations or additions to existing facilities.

Family and Community Services Program (FACS)

Funds are available for programs which are seen as enhancing family life in Victoria.

If your group is in need of funds and fits one or another of these categories, contact the Community Recreation Officer on 524 3333. People who are interested in forming an interest group are also encouraged to use these channels.

MAYORAL BALL



This year's Charity Ball saw the first presentation of the City of Caulfield Design Award. Mr Christopher Humphries was the architect whose work on the Billy Guyatt Store was considered worthy of merit and Mr. Max Finch accepted the award on behalf of the Billy Guyatt Store.

Council in conjunction with the Australian Institute of Architects (Victorian Chapter) selected this project as one worthy of merit.

The category to be considered next year will be **NEW HOUSES AND/OR HOME UNITS.**

With the proceeds from the Ball, the Mayor, Cr Patience was

able to present a cheque for \$3000 to Mr Robinson, Chairman of the Royal Southern Memorial Hospital.

This money will be put aside to set up a new research trust fund.

Two hundred and seventy-five guests danced the night away in the newly decorated Town Hall. Neighbouring municipalities

and community organisations were well represented.

A cheque for \$1921 was also presented to Mr. Montgomery, Chairman of the Caulfield Hospital. This money was the proceeds from the Australia Day Breakfast and has been used to purchase an ambulift to assist the nursing staff in lifting patients.