

What a response!

NOT FOR LOAN



CAULFIELD CONTACT

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Above: The pile of donations started to grow very early in the morning following the devastating bush fires.



Pictured at left are the voluntary helpers who came to drop off goods and then stayed to sort them out. Thank you to you all.

Caulfield residents can be proud of themselves.

Over a period of two days more than 3,000 bags of clothing, bedding, food, medical supplies, household goods and other items were able to be sent direct to fire victims.

It is to Caulfield's credit that it was one of very few centres who sorted their goods before they were despatched. These were therefore able to be sent direct to those in need.

The morning after the fires we were able to send over 500 bags of urgent supplies to Gisborne, Pakenham and Geelong (Lorne). 2,000 sorted bags of clothing, food, bedding and household items were sent to the Red Cross in Geelong and the Gisborne Shire Council.

It was wonderful to see the way things happened. The few Town

Hall staff available, were facing an overwhelming task of sorting things out as the mountain of goods donated got higher and higher.

But people came to drop things off, saw the predicament and soon joined in. Because of this wonderful team of willing volunteers we were able to get things where they were needed very quickly and it is a credit to all involved.

Over \$3000 was also donated to emergency funds through the cashier at the Town Hall.

The response across

the State was equally impressive, so much so that the emergency services and the Salvation Army cannot cope with the quantity.

We at Caulfield have asked the relief centres to supply us with a list of their needs and we will forward specific items to them.

So far the list involves shoe cleaning items, deodorants, tea towels, cookbooks, pins for nappies, rubbish bins, clothes baskets, brooms and buckets, sewing kits, heavy work socks, work clothes, overalls, gardening equipment.

A Fund Established

It seems that the Lions Clubs are in on the ground floor when it comes to helping out in a catastrophe. Here in Caulfield a 'Bush Fire Relief Fund' was established last Thursday when \$200 was collected at the weekly Bingo night at the Town Hall.

With this good start it was decided that a trust fund would be established with the Mayor and

Councillors of the City of Caulfield as patrons.

The Caulfield Lions Club at its meeting added a further \$4,000 and will combine with the Carnegie Lions Club in further fund raising activities.

Other service organisations in the city (Rotary and Quota Clubs) will also be invited to become involved.

The fund will be administered by its trustees and be distributed to areas of need among bush fire victims.

The Council has been notified that relief agencies no longer require donations of goods. The excess of goods donated by the public have been taken to the two Caulfield Council sponsored opportunity shops and in return both Mrs Green from the Carnegie Elderly Citizen's Shop and Mrs Machin from the Caulfield Voluntary Worker's Shop have each pledged \$2,500 towards the fund from proceeds of the sale of these goods.

Scouts dream in ashes

Victoria's recent bushfires have had far reaching effects, particularly for the Scouts of Caulfield.

The Sunday following those dreadful fires was to have been the opening day for the Caulfield District Scout Group's Holiday Activity Centre at Dallas Brookes Park, Upper Beaconsfield.

There is nothing left of this \$150,000 dream — an activities and holiday centre for

use by scouts, guides, schools and community groups.

150 acres of land was mutually purchased and paid for over a period of eighteen years — the final payment being made in 1979.

The people of Caulfield helped to bring the project to fruition. Funds from the Caulfield Lions Club Bingo held at the Town Hall every week went towards its com-

pletion. The Caulfield Council has donated special grants and funding for the Scout Group along with funds loads of woodchips for the outdoor area of the Centre.

The building had accommodation for 40 people, male and female toilets and showers, four leaders rooms, a modern kitchen and a large communal area. It was set in beautiful bushland setting but now there

is nothing left.

It has been heart-breaking for all who were involved in the project and so much of the work that went into it was voluntary labour. But Mr Len Matthews, President of the Caulfield District is sure that the people of Caulfield will continue to support the Scouting Association as it rebuilds and completes its dream for a second time.

CAULFIELD FACES WATER SHORTAGES

The City of Caulfield is facing an ever growing problem as M.M.B.W. water restrictions progress through the different stages of severity.

At present, watering in the parks is restricted to hand held hosing. Because of the time involved, critical areas only, such as turf wickets and the conservatory, receive attention. The nursery is allowed to use sprinklers at any time without limit but water

displays such as fountains, waterfalls and lakes may only be topped up with mains water if they are sustaining plant or fish life.

Sporting facilities such as bowling greens and porous tennis courts are also restricted to hand watering for varying times.

There are several water bores under Council control which were sunk during the drought conditions in 1967. Four of these are operating but only two of the bores with higher yields are used regularly to provide for the watering of park

and street trees by tanker. This operation is unrestricted and invaluable for park preservation. Some bore water is also used for street flushing.

The M.M.B.W. at present permits some use of water from fire hydrants for the watering of street trees, but it is subject to approval and Councils are urged to seek alternate sources.

As restrictions increase, many sporting facilities such as turf wickets, bowling greens and tennis courts are in jeopardy and watering with bore water may

become critical.

Several places are now using a combination of mains and bore water but recent testing of the four operational bores shows the ground water generally has a high salinity. Three of these bores in fact have total dissolved salts exceeding the recommended maximum level for delicate lawns such as bowling greens.

Bores were also sunk at Koornang Park and Hopetoun Gardens but were not developed and the limited information available indicates that unstable ground condi-

tions together with high salinity of the available water caused their abandonment.

Future Bore Development

It will be necessary to improve existing bore water facilities by extending the present pipe work to cater for additional sporting areas. This work is limited however, by the yield of

There have not been any allowances made in this year's capital works budget to meet the costs of new installations or extensions to existing systems. Negotiations

are therefore underway the bore. New bore water systems may have to be established in those parks where no supply exists but this entails a degree of uncertainty with regard to the quality and quantity of the water.

Community Funding

It is desirable that a ground water consultant be employed to advise on the location of the bore, safe yield and the pumping requirements but costs for this can be in the order of \$1,500 for each bore.

with Committees of Management of the parks and sporting bodies encouraging them to meet these costs themselves.

If the works can be carried out at no cost to the Council, they will go ahead. It is considered that the sporting bodies would be the primary users of the bore water systems and therefore should meet the costs of such installations.

The approximate costs involved in sinking a bore including drilling, pumping facilities and reticulation can cost up to \$4,500.

The Boyd Family Exhibition

The name Boyd has many ties with the City of Caulfield and it is a name distinguished in many branches of the arts.

It is with pleasure that the Council is able to announce the Caulfield Arts Centre will be presenting the Boyd Family Exhibition on loan from the Arts Council of Australia.

The Council's Community Arts Officer, Merryn Carter, was offered this exhibition while in Sydney last year.

"It is particularly relevant," says Merryn, "that an exhibition of Boyd family works should be

recreated here in Caulfield".

The history of the Boyd family is interwoven with that of Caulfield. It was founded in Australia by Captain John Boyd who emigrated from Ireland in 1860. In 1876-77 he

bought the property on the corner of Inkerman Road and Hotham Street and named it "Glenfern". Such a large home was necessary because Captain Boyd had twelve children.

One of the twelve was Arthur Merric Boyd, painter, who married Emma Minnie A'Beckett, granddaughter of Sir William A'Beckett, Victoria's first Chief Justice. Both Emma and Arthur were Royal Academy painters. They had five children, four of whom were artists, (Gilbert, Merric, Penleigh and

Helen) and one a talented author (Martin).

William Merric Boyd bought a property in Wahroonga Crescent, Murrumbena in 1908 and built a pottery studio in 1910. His wife Doris Gough was also a talented artist.

Arthur studied at the Wedgewood factory in London after World War One and used mainly Australian motifs and designs in his pottery. Merric and Doris had five children all of whom excelled in the arts — Lucy, Arthur, Guy, David and Mary.

Arthur Merric Boyd, painter, sculptor and potter had a very limited education; he left school at 14 years of age and attended night classes at the National Gallery School in Melbourne only briefly.

His works however, have been described as being in the same class as Sir Sydney Nolan and he has exhibited widely both here and abroad.

Arthur opened a pottery after World War Two in Nerrim Road, Murrumbena with fellow potter, John Percival. In 1949 however, Arthur concentrated mainly on painting.

He was commissioned in 1955 to create the large ceramic sculpture for the Olympic Swimming Pool in Melbourne and now lives in London but will be returning to live in Australia soon.

Guy Martin Boyd another of Merric's

children is a gifted sculptor. He studied at East Sydney Tech. and started the Martin Boyd Pottery in Sydney but later returned to Melbourne and along with his wife started Guy Boyd Pottery in Murrumbena.

His best known works are the mural reliefs he was commissioned to create in 1970 for Tullamarine Airport and in 1971 for Kingsford Smith International Airport. Guy has also exhibited successfully in many one-man shows.

David Boyd is a well known painter and potter who studied music (piano) at the Melba Conservatorium of Music and studied painting and pottery at home with his family.

After World War Two David returned to art and worked with his wife as potters in Australia, England and France between the years of 1948 and 1956.

David has been concentrating mainly on painting and has held numerous one-man exhibitions both here and abroad. He lives in Sydney but like all the Boyd's feels the great link with Murrumbena and values the importance those years had on their lives.

The two daughters of Merric and Doris Boyd

are also very talented. Lucy (Boyd) Beck, a potter, married Hatton Beck, also a famous potter and for some time worked from the Murrumbena studio. Lucy's son Robert Beck and his wife Margot have carried on the family tradition.

It is Merric and his children that the residents of Caulfield usually remember best. Many residents will recall attending the Murrumbena Primary school with Arthur, David, Guy, Lucy or Mary and a great number of residents have a substantial number of Boyd pieces in their homes; pieces which were created at Wahroonga Cres. or Neerim Road.

The family home in Wahroonga Cres. was called "Open Country" for two reasons. Firstly, said David Boyd "it was a green oasis amongst the multi-colored roof tiles of suburban Murrumbena" and secondly it was always "open" to anyone who was interested in seeing how the pottery was made.

In 1926 Merric's studio was destroyed by fire but he was reported to have said that even though his livelihood was destroyed along with the fire, he had achieved some remarkable glazes on some of the pots that were salvaged from the charred remains.

Residents to Share in the Exhibition

Lisa Zachiaradis from the Caulfield Arts Centre is organising this exhibition and has been overwhelmed by the response of people in Caulfield and those who have moved elsewhere who have still maintained an interest in the Boyd family.

Lisa is writing a booklet outlining the family involvement in the area and this will be available during the exhibition.

She has already heard many interesting tales and there are very few people who lived in Murrumbena at that time who don't have a story to tell of the Boyd family.

"Many people," says Lisa, "are extremely interested in sharing their memories of the Boyd family and the booklet will certainly add a local touch to this already 'local exhibition'."

This will be an exciting time at the Caulfield Arts Centre. Exact dates for the exhibition have not been determined but keep watching Contact for details.

If you would like to speak to Lisa about the exhibition or if you have anything you feel could be exhibited contact her on 524 3277 for a chat.

Remember that the Arts Centre at 441 Inkerman Road has a number of activities going — check the back page for details.



Richard Tops Brother's Results

Three years ago Bastien De Boer of Glenhantly topped the Victorian H.S.C. results for Computer Study.

Now his brother Richard, 17, has topped that by becoming dux of Caulfield Grammar School. Among his H.S.C. results were five A's in English, Economics, General Maths, Chemistry and Biology.

Richard hopes to study medicine at Melbourne University. His father is Associate Professor De Boer, Chief of Laboratory Medicine at the Royal

Southern Memorial Hospital in Caulfield.

Richard's brother and two of his three sisters have also studied medicine with one already a doctor.

Richard excelled in many spheres during his schooling at Caulfield Grammar. He represented his school in, and received colours for, swimming and basketball and was a leader at the school's Outdoor Education Centre at Yarra Junction.

Last year he received a school prize for aptitude and diligence and also found time for bushwalking as well as representing his house in debating.

The Headmaster at Caulfield Grammar School, Rev. Angus Holmes, congratulated Richard on his results.

Richard De Boer (left) of Glenhantly, Dux of Caulfield Grammar School in 1982 shows his Valedictory award to his brother Bastien, a former senior student of the school.

SHORT STORY PRIZE WINNERS

Prize money of \$1,000 was awarded recently to winners of the Caulfield Hospital — Australian Pensioner short story contest.

The first prize of \$500 in the open category was presented to Mrs P. McCulloch of Hobart, Tasmania, for her entry "The Tree at The Gate".

For his story "McIndoe Begins Again", Mr Syd Goddard of Warrnambool won \$100 in the unpublished writer category. Mr Goddard, who is 73 years old, and retired found new doors opening with the competition.

In the aged and disabled topic, a prize of \$100 was awarded to Mrs D. Andrew of New South Wales for her story "Goodbye Dear Edward".

Mrs Mavis Thorpe-Clarke, author of "Pastor Doug", was Chairman of the judging panel and commented on "the high quality of the entries and their obvious sincerity."

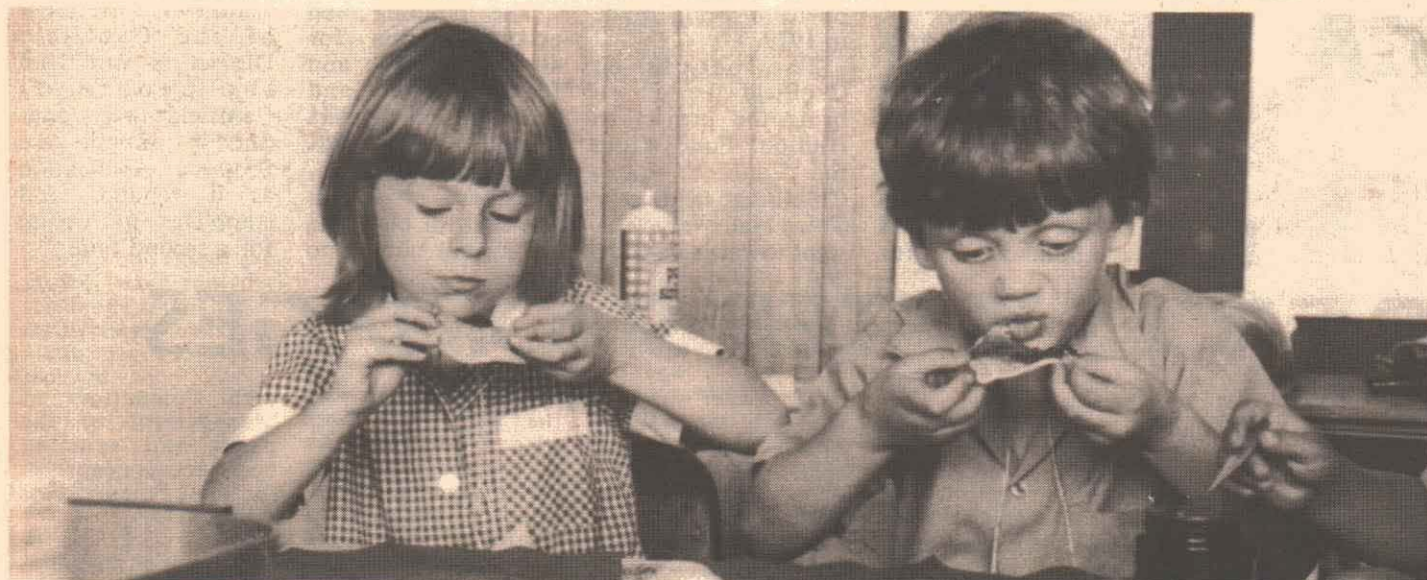
The aim of the competition was to draw attention to the problems faced by the elderly and disabled.

Caulfield Hospital, the Regional Rehabilitation and Extended Care

Hospital, says its sponsorship of the contest is part of its community education program.

Over 300 entries for the contest were received encouraging the repetition of the contest for 1983.

The ceremony was attended by the Mayor and Mayoress of Caulfield, Cr. and Mrs. Walters and many friends at the hospital.



Lions Launch National Youth Quest

The City of Caulfield's Lions Club is conducting club level judging in the Lions National Youth of the Year Quest on February 28.

The Quest, held annually by Lions International, selects an outstanding youth to be an ambassador for his country and travel overseas under the auspices of Lions International.

Candidates are judged on their leadership qualities, personality, sportsmanship, public speaking and good citizenship.

They are judged at various levels progressing

from club, regional, district and state levels to the national level to be judged in April, 1983.

The winner of the National Final will receive from the Westpac Banking Corporation an overseas trip to attend an International Youth Conference in the United Kingdom.

All regional winners will receive a \$100 Westpac Savings Bank Account.

Anyone interested in attending the function (three course meal with drinks for \$15 per head) can contact Mr R. Martin on 523 5287 or Mr I. McGowan on 240 9934.

PANCAKES GALORE!

It's not as easy as it looks, Charles Parkes seems to be saying, as he has a go at eating his pancake.

Meanwhile, Marita Dyson seems to be taking it all in her stride, as she contemplates the best way to approach pancake eating,

Both children were taking part in Shrove Tuesday celebrations at St. Joseph's Primary School, Elsternwick recently.

The Prep year at the school spent the afternoon cooking pancakes with the help of parents and staff.

Correction

In our last edition of Caulfield Contact, Vol. 9 No. 1, a wrong phone number was given in a letter "Thank You to Caulfield Residents". The number was listed on 578 4014 but is in fact 578 4016.

New Chamber of Commerce

An Ormond Chamber of Commerce was formed recently to look at the problems of decreasing trade and speeding traffic in side streets of Ormond.

In a meeting on February 9 attended by approximately 50 people the questions of parking, relocation of a bus stop and the flow of traffic off North Road were raised.

One of the Chamber's aims is to examine the shopping centre of Ormond in North Road. Trade has been decreasing with the increase in traffic. People are now going

straight through instead of stopping says the Chamber President, Mr Mark Lewis. Two accidents have occurred recently and there is a danger to the two schools and elderly pedestrians in the area.

Speeding traffic using side streets as a shortcut is also a problem.

Mr Lewis says they are concerned with not only the shopping centre of Ormond but the general environment.

"We want to make Ormond a pleasant place to live," he says.

"Of the 50 people at the meeting about 31 are traders in Ormond. We want 20 or so more to join us," said Mr Lewis.

Ormond has approximately 60 traders on the north side and 40 on the south side of North Road.

Concern over parking arrangements was expressed. The Chamber wants more parking on the Moorabbin side of North Road. The benefits of the car parks at the rear of the

shops on the north side of North Road was noted.

Mention was also made of the upgrading of the Ormond Railway Crossing and the resurfacing of the railway carpark in Katandra Road.

Anyone interested in becoming a member of the Ormond Chamber of Commerce can contact Secretary, David Israel, at the Melbourne Ski Centre, 519 North Road, Ormond (Telephone 578 8380) or to the President, Mark Lewis (Telephone 578 5807).

Know Your Library

Librarian in charge of Caulfield, Lyn Wade, has worked with our library service for seven years.

For the past three years, Lyn has been based at the Caulfield Library, Maple Street, South Caulfield.

She has worked in both the children's and adult's services and enjoys reading children's books, science fiction and particularly mysteries but other sorts of books as well.

At present, Lyn is studying for a degree in Mathematics and during her spare time enjoys craft, particularly needlecraft.

Lyn is enthusiastic about the range of material available from

our main library. "There are books for everybody: Board books for the very young, picture books, fiction books for beginner readers, children, young adults and adults.

"There are also books in large print for those who have difficulty reading normal print. We also have factual books for all ages on a wide range of subjects. The most popular areas are gardening, cookery, travel, biography, art and crafts and history."

"Our library is supplemented by a small collection of spoken word

cassettes. There are a limited number of non-english books, mainly in French, Italian, Greek, Polish and Russian; and a small collection of books for adults learning English. Prints and posters may also be borrowed."

The Caulfield Library is in Maple Street, South Caulfield, 3162. Telephone 528 6301.

Hours of opening:
Mon. & Thurs. 10.00am-5.30pm
Tues. & Fri. 1.00pm-8.30pm
Sat. 9.30am-12 noon
Sun. 2.00pm-5.00pm



Special Visitor

A recent special visitor to the Caulfield Library was Mr Geoff Raymond, A.B.C. News reader, who

spoke to Senior Citizens of Caulfield.

Mr Raymond gave a talk and showed slides on his recent trips to Egypt and the history of that country.

The afternoon was part of Senior Citizen's Week instigated by the State Government. Senior Citizens from all around Caulfield attended the talk.

'HOME OCCUPATION'

This Council administers the Melbourne Metropolitan Planning Scheme in so far as it affects this municipality, from time to time, amendments are made to this Scheme.

Currently Amendment No. 192 is being exhibited and this may be viewed at the Town Planning Department of the Council. Any written submissions must be lodged with the M.M.B.W. by the 19th April, 1983.

Included within this amendment are proposed variations to "Home Occupation".

This definition specifies certain requirements in relation to the repair and sale of motor vehicles and machinery materials or equipment for use in industry or the building trade, and the sale of goods manufactured or serviced on the premises.

It is proposed to clarify the existing paragraphs with the intention that motor vehicles are not to be repaired for profit in residential zones.

These proposed provisions read:

"No motor vehicle is repaired or serviced for gain or reward.

"No machinery, materials or equipment for use in industry or the building trade is repaired or kept, exposed or offered for sale or reward, and

"No goods other than goods manufactured or serviced within the dwelling are kept, exposed or offered for sale or reward."

Any enquiries on this or any other planning matter may be directed to the Council's Town Planning Department, telephone 524 3291.

Children's Services

A number of important changes have taken place within Council's Community and Family Services area.

Marilyn Godley (Family Services Development Officer) will be in charge of initial placement for child care. All enquiries for placement in Council's Children's Centres and Family Day Care Scheme, should be made to Marilyn.

She will also be concerned with such groups as the Family Support Network, Murrumbena House Committee and other development projects.

Catherine Thompson

(Children's Services Officer) will be responsible for all other aspects of the running of the Children's Centres. She will also provide the link with kindergartens, playgroups and the like. Any enquiries in this regard should be directed to her. Catherine will also continue to work in the Family Day Care Scheme.

Similarly the Children's Centres will continue to provide excellent centre-based care at Murrumbena, Ormond and Caulfield.

Please note all initial enquiries for Child Care should be made to Marilyn Godley on 524 2311, not to the Children's Centres or Family Day Care.



R.O.S.T.A. risk groups

In an effort to reduce the road toll, the Road Safety and Traffic Authority has listed three groups in the community most at risk.

These are children, young drivers, and senior citizens. Concern for these groups, has promoted R.O.S.T.A. to make available three specially trained speakers who are familiar with the problems of these groups.

The speakers are available to speak to

parent groups, youth organisations, gatherings of senior citizens and those about to retire, or any group who has a special interest in these areas.

R.O.S.T.A. offers the speakers free of charge but a booking must be made by forwarding a written request with details of location, times, numbers, along with a telephone number.

The audience size should be no smaller than 20 and bookings should be made to Mr J. Kenwright,

Chief Road Safety Promotions Officer, R.O.S.T.A., 801 Glenferrie Road, Hawthorn 3122.

For further information contact R.O.S.T.A. on 818 0421.

Correction

It has been pointed out in News from Council, Caulfield Contact, Vol. 9 No. 1, under the heading "New Application" that a mistake was made. It was stated that "Quinces Scenicruisers Pty. Ltd. have made a fresh application for a permit to extend their bus depot. Although their last permit was refused and this refusal was upheld by the Town Planning Appeals Board, they are able to apply again".

This is untrue, as Council did in fact grant the permit and it was the Town Planning Appeals Board which refused the permit.

News from Council



Turf Wickets in Jeopardy

The Council is supporting the Municipal Association of Victoria in its quest to allow the replacement of turf cricket wickets with artificial turf.

The high cost of maintaining the turf wickets has prompted the M.A.V. to approach the Victorian Cricket Association with its request to allow synthetic wicket to be used in turf wicket competitions.

Synthetic wickets have been accepted in N.S.W. and the V.C.A. is conducting its own feasibility study into the use of these wickets.

Circus Permit Refused

The Council at a recent Committee meeting decided that the City did not have a site suitable for the holding of a circus.

It was suggested that the west end of Princes Park, a butting Hawthorn Road, be used but many complaints were received from residents of the area when a circus was held there in 1980.

There was considerable damage to the park, excessive noise and parking problems. An application to hold a circus in the Municipality was therefore refused.

Bus Depot Extensions Approved

At the last General Meeting a notice of determination to grant a permit which gives the right of appeal to the objectors within 21 days was granted to Quinces Scenicruisers Pty. Ltd.

The planned demolition of two houses in Hobart Road will allow for the parking of buses. Following considerable discussion between objectors, the Council and the applicant a number of stringent conditions have been imposed in the granting of the permit.

These conditions include the installation of acoustic fencing, restricted hours of operation, satisfactory landscaping and a ban on the use by the buses of some surrounding residential streets.

A number of residents, however, are still unhappy with the decision.

Planning Amendments

Advice has been received from the M.M.B.W. that amendment 192 has been placed on exhibition until April 19.

Matters applicable to Caulfield include the rezoning of some areas and changes in the definition of "amusement parlour", "cafe" and "Home Occupation".

Minor changes are proposed in the Historic Buildings Act and in the control of outdoor advertising. Further information can be obtained from the Town Planning Department of the Town Hall.

Tree Plan

The Council has allocated \$60,000 in the current budget for the preparation of a structure plan for the City.

One of the items to be considered under the general heading of Environment and Conservation is the preparation of a street planting guide. This will involve a survey of street planting, an examination of suitable street tree types and the role of street trees in the character of an area.

A landscape architect will assist Council officers undertaking these tasks.

Bicycle Plan

The State Bicycle Committee has agreed to match half of the \$13,200 requested to implement Council's proposed bicycle track along the alignment of the old Rosstown Railway.

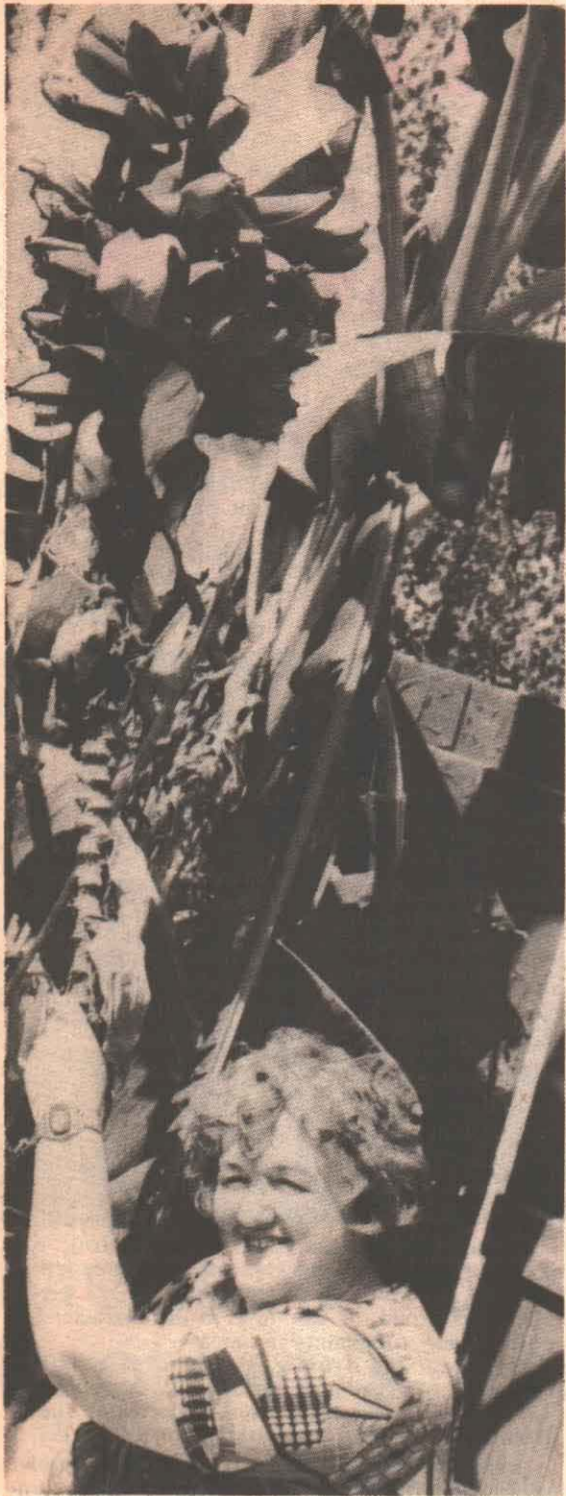
The S.B.C. has stipulated that the funds must be spent in the current financial year and the Council will be responsible for all construction and maintenance.

The \$6,000 will be financed from the capital funds available for the implementation of neighbourhood studies.

Bike Ed Cancelled

Following complaints from residents concerned with bicycles being ridden on footpaths the Council decided to sponsor an in-service Bicycle Education training program for teachers. Response to this Bike Ed program, which is conducted by R.O.S.T.A. and the police force, was poor and the course was cancelled.

Plans are under way to conduct another course over April 26 and 27. Interested teachers and parents should contact the Community Liaison section at the Town Hall on 524 3258 for further information.



Welcome to Tropical Caulfield!

Yes, they are bananas and they are growing in our fair city.

For the last three years this banana palm in Alma Road has produced a healthy crop of edible bananas for Mrs Denise Papay. Here Denise proudly shows off her crop.

Poverty Lines Revised

In a recent study on poverty lines in Australia, the Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research at Melbourne University has adjusted levels.

The average household disposable income per head per week for the September quarter was \$140.30.

The poverty line for a married couple family income unit with the head of the family in the workforce and two children, is \$189.80 including housing costs and \$146.90 for all costs other than housing.

The poverty line for a single person in a workforce is \$101.00 per week including housing costs and \$68.00 without housing costs.

For a married couple (no children) with head in the workforce the line is \$135.00 including housing costs or \$98.80 for costs other than housing.

For a single parent with one child the line is \$129.70. With two children it is \$157.00 or with three children \$184.30.

Copies of the lines can be obtained from Ian Manning on 341 5098 or Kiera O'Neill on 341 6544.

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Concern over Poll Closing Time

The Local Government (Municipal Council Elections) Bill was introduced into Parliament in November in 1982. But consideration of the Bill was adjourned to the end of February.

The Bill provides for a number of significant changes to the Local Government Act and includes specifications for the commencement and closing time of polling booths.

Polling hours are specified to commence at 8 a.m. and close at 6 p.m. Section 134 of the Local Government Act which allowed a polling booth to remain open to 8 p.m. is to be repealed.

This is the main item of concern to Caulfield because neither the Council nor the Minister for Local Government will

have a discretion to extend the polling time beyond 6 p.m.

The Council therefore is to request the Minister for Local Government and Local Members of Parliament to support an amendment to this Bill to allow ministerial discretion to be given to exempt Councils which apply to extend polling hours.

Other significant changes to the Act are the introduction of new procedures for the preparation of municipal voters rolls following the introduction of adult franchise at municipal

elections.

The adoption of the first Saturday in August as the date on which all annual Council elections are to be held, ordinary meetings of Council are required to commence on or after 5 p.m. unless an exemption is granted by the Minister for Local Government, and it will be no longer necessary for persons elected as Councillors to take the oath of allegiance.

It is anticipated that the Bill will be passed and be operative in time for the 1983 annual Council elections.

Youth, Sport and Recreation Grants

Many Victorian Associations of Youth Club groups have already submitted applications for grants, but if you haven't, you have got until March 11, 1983.

The grants come from the "Youth Fund" and there are four categories from which you can apply.

Firstly, the "Community Youth Development" grant. This includes operating costs, equipment and facility provision, activities compo-

nent, training of adult volunteers and recruitment and training of youth leaders.

Secondly, the "Youth Initiative" Grant which supports local initiative by groups of young people.

Thirdly, the "Teenage Holiday Activities" grant providing activities for

teenagers during holidays.

Fourthly, the "Youth Access" grant for the development and dissemination of information relevant to young people.

If you need to make an application for your youth club, contact your regional Youth, Sport and Recreation office for an application form and a guidelines booklet. They will be able to help you fill in your application form.



How's this?

Cr. Ron Walters, Mayor of Caulfield, checks on his ribbon cutting technique at the opening of the new wing at the Ormond Child Care Centre.

The Child Care Centre, in Oakleigh Rd., Ormond, recently added on a new building behind the existing house to accommodate

more children.

Children and their parents were invited to a barbecue to celebrate

the opening of the new building.

Parents had the chance to socialise with other parents and with staff of the centre.

"In Retrospect"

Bernie Carroll, Council's records officer is having a wonderful time sifting through all the old files and collections of trivia that have accumulated at the Town Hall over the years.

He is ensuring that Council records are not destroyed and is establishing an archival collection.

From time to time he presents us with little gems. The following is an extract from an article in the "Telegraph" dated July 22, 1891.

"There was a funny little discussion over a proposal by the V.A.T.C. to erect a new

fence on the east side of the Caulfield Racecourse. The residents in the vicinity objected to the fence being made any higher, and this led up to a discussion as to how high the fence was now.

"Cr. Wood asserted that a man could look over it, and Cr. Sharpe contended that a man could not. Cr. Wood rejoined that he had done so, but the point of the joke lies in the fact that Cr. Wood is tall and Cr. Sharpe is short.

"Cr. Grimwade allayed any agitation by assuring the councillors that the new fence was to be of the same height as the old. So the necessary permission was granted."

Holmesglen — Something for Everyone

Got some time to spare? If you would like to learn a language, take up computing or lose weight, Holmesglen College of TAFE has something for you.

With classes as diverse as marquetry, accounting, basic computing and the Hindu way of life, there is a lot to choose from!

All together we offer over 80 different day and evening classes as part of our short course program.

Classes are held for a couple of hours a week and a number of locations in the cities of Caulfield and Malvern. Anyone over the age of 15 can enrol and courses run for ten to twelve weeks.

If you would like details of all the courses available, telephone Alicia Birkett on 573 2421.

Small Business Training

The Holmesglen College of TAFE through its Business and Industry Development offers a comprehensive small business program.

The program is designed to introduce students to the concepts, techniques and procedures in organising, planning, starting and operating a small business unit.

The course is run in the evenings and consists of a number of independent but inter-related units. Most participants initially

select the units of small business management and basic financial management and record keeping before undertaking the further units on legal and taxation aspects, marketing and computer awareness of small businesses.

For further information and enrolment details, please contact Alicia Birkett on 573 2421 or Jannine Dawes on 573 2050.

Cut the cost of home buying in three easy lessons

The Holmesglen College of TAFE at Chadstone is organising three Saturday seminars early this year for people who want to do their own property conveyancing.

The seminars are from 9.30 a.m.-3.30 p.m. on March 19, April 30 and June 18 and will cover all the legal details of buying a home.

The enrolment fee of \$50 (single) or \$80 (double) includes a comprehensive conveyancing kit, lunch, morning and afternoon tea. For further information and enrolment details phone Alicia Birkett on 573 2421.

Student Tours

If you're a teacher at a Caulfield school then maybe local government is included in this year's curriculum?

If it is, Community Liaison can help you. Student tours of the Town Hall are a popular part of our work. Last year, hundreds of

students visited us and learnt about the way Caulfield Council works.

Please remember that groups are limited to 25 students, plus teachers. Tours last approximately 1½ hours.

If you would like more information please ring Community Liaison on 524 3333.

BREAKING RECORDS

Caulfield professional cyclist, Reg McVillie, is out to break the Melbourne to Adelaide to Melbourne cycling record.

The record of three days and two hours was set by Graham Woodruff in 1982 but Reg, 30, is confident of breaking it.

With a gruelling training plan of 600 kms cycling a week building up to 1,000 kms before the race, plus intensive weight training, Reg should be ready to handle the 800 km a day riding necessary for him to break the record.

To cover 800 km Reg needs to be cycling for 18 to 19 hours a day, something that is difficult to achieve when driving a car, let alone cycling.

The 1,800 km return trip will be a lonely one. The race is an individual unpaced event which means Reg has no team mates (or even competitors) to urge him on.

It's one person against the clock, an event that is nearly the most trying any cyclist could attempt.

Everyday Reg rides either around the Dandenongs or down the Peninsular to Mornington

and soon to Portsea. Training in suburban areas is impossible with traffic, lights and road signs to slow him down.

Apart from on-the-road training Reg is attending the Caulfield Recreation Centre five times a week for a 20 minute workout.

"The weight training is to increase Reg's muscular endurance," says Ron Rutter, Recreation Centre Supervisor, who will be part of Reg's crew on the record breaking trip.

Also on the trip will be six League of Victorian Wheelmen to act as timekeepers, a cook and "handlers" — people that hand Reg food and drink while cycling.

A high protein diet is important to Reg now, but before the race, and during it, the diet will also become high in Carbohydrates. Fruitcake, chocolate and Staminade provide the instant energy necessary to keep him going.

Reg, is with the Footscray Professional club and is the holder of the "Australian One Hour

Unpaced Track Record" of 26 miles and 903 yards.

Reg has been cycling for all of his adult years and has followed in his fathers footsteps. Mr McVillie was the 10 mile amateur champion in Tasmania.

Reg was born in Caulfield and has lived here all his life. The Caulfield Primary School, Glenhantly Road was the scene of his early life with senior years spent at Moorabbin High School.

When he was young he did all the normal school sports such as cross country running and athletics.

Preferring a more individual type of sport Reg took up cycling and hasn't looked back since. He hasn't got a car, has never had one and cycles everywhere he needs to go.

The Melbourne-Adelaide return trip has beckoned Reg since 1976 and now finally he is getting the chance to do it.

After leaving on May 11 for Adelaide from the G.P.O. Melbourne and returning hopefully three days later, Reg will at-

tempt the Perth to Sydney Transcontinental.

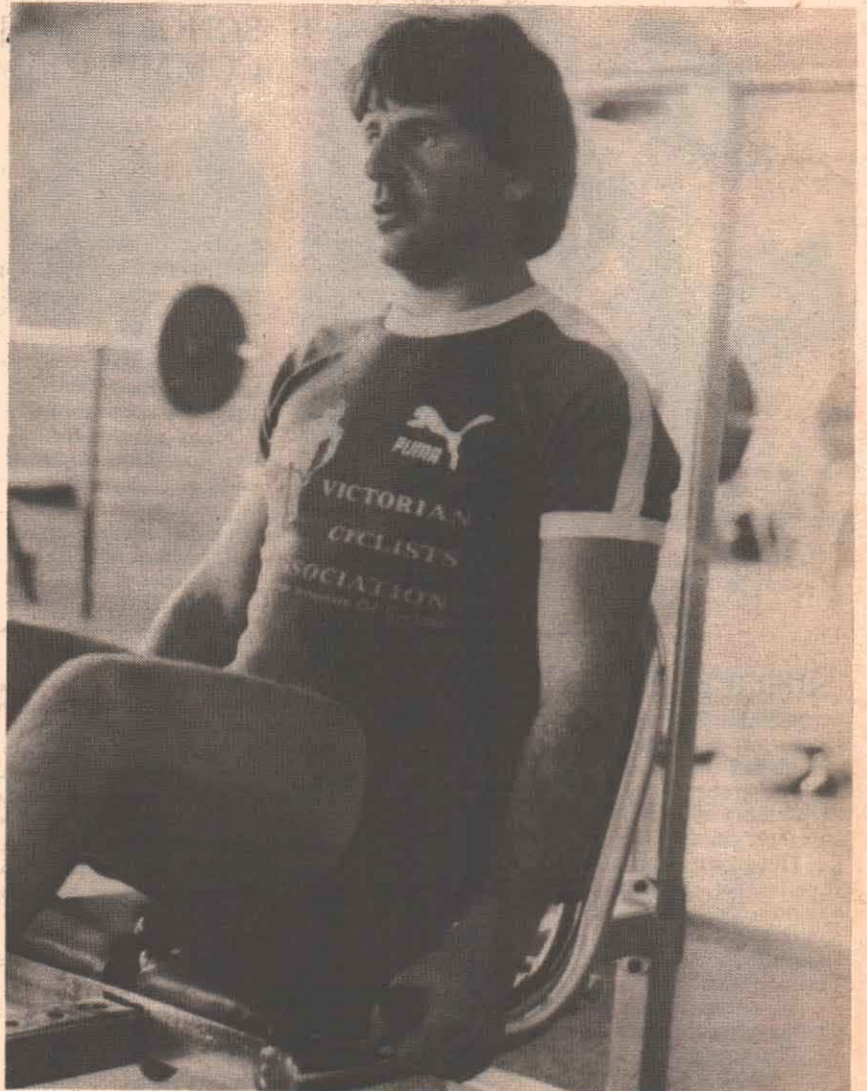
For this race he needs a good sponsor. The record of 11 days and two hours is held by Bruce Hunt.

Also on the list for the road season is the Sun Tour in October if he is selected. His chances are good if he breaks the record.

But at the present Reg is concentrating on doing well in the Adelaide race. By the time he gets around to racing he will have clocked up approximately 16,500 kilometres in just over five months.

Unfortunately breaking a record isn't cheap, so Reg is holding a fundraising event on March 6 for anyone interested.

A beef on the spit, salads and all drinks will be provided for \$15 a head. The event will be held at 20 Ellington Street, South Caulfield and anyone wanting tickets can contact Ron Rutter at the Recreation Centre on 524 3298.



Right: Reg McVillie goes through his routine at the Caulfield Recreation Centre in Maple St., South Caulfield. Reg spends five days of the week working up his muscular endurance for the race to Adelaide later in the year.



Above: Cr Bob Baxter; The Mayor, Cr Ron Walters and Federal Minister for Transport and Construction, Mr Ralph Hunt.

Nepean Highway Inspected

Roadworks on the Nepean Highway widening project were inspected recently by the Federal Minister for Transport and Construction, Mr Ralf Hunt.

Also attending the inspection were local members of Parliament,

local Mayors and Councillors including Caulfield Mayor, Cr. Ron Walters and Cr. Bob Baxter.

The project is part of the Australian Bicentennial Road Development Program to improve National Highways, State Arterials and Council controlled local roads.

Victoria is to receive \$5.4 million this financial year for Australian Bicentennial Road

Development Local Roads which are the responsibility of 211 municipalities.

This is additional to money already committed by the Commonwealth under existing Road's Grants Act arrangements.

In 1982/83 the total of Australia wide allocation for local roads under A.B.R.D. and the ongoing roads grants program it supplements, would be an estimated \$200 million an increase of about \$38 million over 1981/82 level.

Overcoming your dental fears

Do you shake in your boots or break out in a cold sweat every time you think about going to the dentist?

If you do, then a Lecturer from Chisholm has a

program designed to help you.

As part of a research project and eventually a book, Ronald Francis, a registered psychologist, is offering free of charge,

the course as part of a larger program designed to help people overcome fears.

For further information and/or appointments please ring 523 5025.

Domestic Violence — The Quiet Crime

Domestic violence is known as the quiet crime — the one you don't see and the one people don't talk about.

What goes on behind closed doors usually remains behind closed doors for a variety of reasons.

It is noted as being the most under-reported crime in our community and is likely to stay that way.

Getting Away

The majority of women return to the marriage, few leave for good and very few seek help either from the police or a community worker.

A recent phone-in conducted by the Domestic Violence Committee (established in 1981) produced some startling facts.

Over 700 calls were received in the week. Of these only 135 women had left their partners while the rest stayed in the relationship.

Most women stayed "for the sake of the children", some for personal/emotional reasons, some due to their economic dependency and some because they realise they would find it hard to ever escape the husband's violence.

Acceptance

According to the phone-in, 330 women said they accepted the violence and did not like to cause confrontation. They tried to change to their husband's ideals which did not work with any of the women.

So, what happens to a woman who is trapped

in this violent situation. In some cases she approaches her doctor but very often receives no sympathy. Some go to the police and some go to friends or relatives to talk about the problem.

Policewomen

In Caulfield, the Community Policing Squad (formerly known as The Women's Police) deal with domestic violence, among other crimes.

As Sargeant Margaret Tudor, of the Squad, explains "We don't see a great deal of this sort of violence, we just don't hear about it, most of the time it's kept in the family."

"So far this year we have had 5 bad cases of women coming to us, mainly from the Carnegie area."

"A lot of the time it's the policeman that get called to a house where a bashing has occurred". The five cases all were referred to the Community Policing Squad from the Caulfield Police Station.

When a woman is brought into the C.P.S. or comes in or rings of her own accord a number of questions are asked.

"If the wife has been bashed they are asked if they are prepared to go to court and also if they are prepared to leave their husband, even if only for a week or so to go into a Women's Refuge."

"Most of the time they won't leave, don't or won't go to court so we can't do anything except send them to a Refuge or to a social worker or welfare officer."

The Reasons

The reasons behind domestic violence are varied. Sometimes it's alcohol, sometimes extra-marital relationships on either side, and sometimes money problems.

Unemployment is not seen as a problem. "More often the husband and wife stick together and support each other in this situation", says Sargeant Tudor.

She does maintain that in the more educated homes, the violence doesn't reach outside the home. "The problem can be just as bad but we don't hear about it. Those people can get away to their sister's place for the night; they have money and often a car and they have the means to take the children if need be."

Children

Children are often the meat in the sandwich so to say and suffer greatly by domestic violence.

A women can take her children along to a Women's Refuge. Most children go with their mothers, especially if they have seen the father's violent moods.

Way-of-Life

"They get so used to that environment, they have known nothing else

— it's a way of life for many children", says Sargeant Tudor.

Has Margaret Tudor ever seen the tables turned in her years as a policewoman?

"Only once have I ever seen a man bashed by his wife. The children also used to hop into him — they had no respect for him at all. In the end he was persuaded to leave as obviously the family did not need him".

Men at Large

The Community Policing Squad in Caulfield is all women but in other stations often men are in the majority.

"This creates many problems, Obviously the last person a bashed wife wants to talk to is a man!"

The role of the C.P.S. has remained the same as when they were known as the Women's Police.

"We still deal with exactly the same problems but because of the Equal Opportunity Act it was considered discriminatory to have a Women's Police Group", says Margaret Tudor.

But it's the Policewomen that ultimately end up having to deal with domestic violence, not the policemen.

And it seems that domestic violence is not just a police matter as they cannot do any more than legal work with the victim, and as long as women remain quiet or accept the violence they will go on "around in circles" for the rest of their lives.



Left to Right: Lee Marshall, Paul Cawson, Ray Taylors and Betty Eichler, at the recent barbecue!

SCHOOLS IN THE COMMUNITY

Last year Caulfield High School became involved in the community in a big way.

They had a "Swing into October" fund raising week featuring a reunion, a Greek night, a dancethon, a fete and during November the very successful production of "The Dream" was performed for the Caulfield Festival.

This year the school started off on a quieter note — a barbecue for the parents of Year 7 students was held for parents and teachers to meet together and discuss common interests.

Conversation covered everything from uniform, discipline and curriculum to the need for a few more similar activities.

Many parents turned up which shows parents are nowadays a lot more interested in their children than merely turning up on a report night.

The school plans to hold a few more barbecues for other levels over the next few months and is interested in hearing parents' points of view. The next barbecue is for Year 8 on March 3. Enquiries to Kerry Howard on 211 7838.

SINGLE PARENTS GROUP

A Single Parents Group was formed recently to cater for the needs of lone parents of young children (12 years and under).

The group is for parents whose children live with them and for those who have limited access to their children.

The group meets at weekends and provides activities for children and adults. Children's activities include art and craft afternoons and outings. Activities are also attended by parents and they may take part with their children or sit around and talk.

Functions for parents include social evenings, going to restaurants, bowling, films, discos etc.

The group aims to provide social contact in a relaxed atmosphere for parents and children and help reduce the feeling of isolation felt by many lone parents.

If you would like to join the group or want more information, come to Murrumbena House, 105 Murrumbena Road, after 2 p.m. on the first Saturday of the month. You could also phone Bob on 568 6875, Gay on 568 7870, Lynne on 568 0526 or Ivan on 20 5426.

SITUATIONS VACANT

A volunteer bus driver is needed for the Over 50's Swimming Program run by the Caulfield Council starting on April 12.

A driver is needed every Tuesday and can also join in the swimming program. If you are interested, ring the Transport Co-ordinator on 524 3314.

A volunteer driver is also needed to drive the Community Bus every Wednesday. The run involves picking up ten people from their homes and taking them to the Prahran Migrant Centre. The driver also takes them home. Contact Transport Co-ordinator on 524 3314 if you are interested.

HEALTH CENTRE ACTIVITIES

The Chadstone Community Health Centre is conducting various groups throughout 1983 including Social Skills Group, the HEAR Group and a Wellness Group.

The Social Skills group is for people who want to improve their self confidence and their ability to talk to others. It will begin at the end of March and will be held at the Centre, 568 Neerim Road, Hughesdale, from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on Wednesdays. Contact Helen Wirtz on 568 2599 for further information.

The HEAR Group is also held at the Centre weekly and provides educational and supportive sessions for adults and their families who have hearing problems. Held from 10-11.30 a.m. every Tuesday.

Hearing screening tests are conducted at the Centre on the third Tuesday of every month between 10 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. Ring 568 2599 for an appointment.

The Wellness Group shows people how to take responsibility for their own health and involve the body, mind, spirit and the whole person. Contact Marion Van Eyk for further information on 568 2599.

CHILDREN'S CENTRE

The Murrumbena Children's Centre has vacancies for children at the moment. Parents seeking day time care for their children can enrol by contacting Marilyn Godley at the Town Hall on 524 3333.

FILMS AND VIDEOS

If you are in an organisation or club why not become a borrower with the State Film Centre and discover the benefits of their library?

The State Film Centre, 1 MacArthur St., East Melbourne (off Spring St.) houses an exciting and varied range of films and videos on all topics.

Their 1983 Catalogue of Film and Videotape is out now and lists 3,511 titles in the centre's collection.

The Catalogue is available in hardcopy or microfiche and all you need to do to get a copy is join the Centre's borrowing list.

Contact the Centre on 651 1301 for membership enquiries.

LEARN ENGLISH — FOR FREE!

Apply to: Adult Migrant Education Services, 250 Elizabeth Street, Melbourne 3000. Telephone 663 2781. (A division of the Education Department of Victoria.)

Last year 27,000 students were enrolled in programs in full-time, part-time, day and evening courses.

If you would like to learn English, telephone or write to the above.

New Books

The following list of books of general interest include some titles recently added to the Caulfield library. Those not held at your local library may be reserved and obtained on inter-library loan.

"LIGHT THICKENS" BY N. MARSH, 1982. Ngaio Marsh's last novel, completed shortly before her death last year, is a testament to her abiding twin interests: drama and detective fiction.

"BLACK BEECH AND HONEYDEW" BY N. MARSH, 1981. The autobiography of Ngaio Marsh. The New Zealand born detective novelist, is a revised and enlarged version of the original published in 1966.

"THE COMPLETE APARTMENT GUIDE" BY H. ARDMAN, 1982. Everything you should know about selecting and utilizing your living space, whether you apartment is a rented studio or a multi bedroom condominium, whether you are single or married with a family.

"THE MILLER'S DANCE" BY W. GRAHAM, 1982. The ninth Poldark novel, set in Cornwall 1812 to 1813.

"THE AGATHA CHRISTIE HOUR" BY A. CHRISTIE, 1982. This collection of short stories is presently being shown on television and includes one story never published before the U.K. and the Commonwealth.

"BICYCLE" BY J. WILCOCKSON, 1980. Bicycling is for everyone. This book is for all those with an interest, new or established, in making best use of one of man's most efficient inventions.

"PRE-SCHOOL PLAYGROUPS" BY A. HENDERSON 1981. Anne Henderson and Joyce Lucas have combined to write this practical handbook which looks at topics as varied as the changing role of women, the difficulty of getting people to attend annual general meetings and how to keep the clay from drying out.

"HORSES OF THE WORLD" BY D. M. GOODALL, 1975. An illustrated survey with over 320 photographs of breeds of horses and ponies.

"LIFE STUDY, A TEXT BOOK OF BIOLOGY" BY D. G. MACKEAN, 1981. Illustrated with photographs and line drawings and written for the uninitiated. This book would make an excellent introduction to the subject and would answer many everyday questions.

"WOMEN IN HISTORY, 35 CENTURIES OF FEMININE ACHIEVEMENT" BY S. RAVEN AND A. WEIR, 1981. Throughout history, women as well as excelling in the arts and literature have fought battles, practised piracy and crime, started revolutions, governed nations, achieved scientific break-throughs, founded businesses, empires etc. This book brings together 476 of these women.

"THE NEW WORLD OF GOLD" BY T. GREEN, 1982. The inside story of the mines, the markets, the politics and the investors.

NEXT ISSUE

The next issue of Caulfield Contact will be printed on March 31. The deadline date for articles, diary items etc. is March 18. Please phone in on 524 3259, drop in and see us or post your item to Caulfield Contact, c/- Caulfield Town Hall, P.O. Box 42, South Caulfield 3162.

FOOTBALL

The Murrumbena Junior Football Club needs boys for its Under 10, Under 12, Under 14 and Under 16 teams. Training commences March 2 at the Kangaroo Road reserve. For further information please contact Coral Cole on 569 9916 or John Ewins on 211 9989.

NETBALL

The South Eastern Churches' Netball Association is starting its Saturday Afternoon Winter competition on March 19. The Association caters for primary school to open level teams.

Interested teams should contact Thea Pearce on 557 6946 for further information.

HOME VISITS

An innovative person in the Caulfield area is providing a much needed service for the disabled and elderly.

Optometrist, Miriam Bergman, saw a need for an optometrical service for those who are house bound. "Often an Optometrist does not have time or is not prepared to do home visits," said Miriam "but the disabled and elderly need the service".

Miriam is covering the south-eastern areas and lives in Caulfield North. As far as she knows there is no one else in Melbourne who specialises in home visits only. "It's really not economically practical because of travelling costs."

Miriam does check-ups on eye-sight and takes along visual aids for people and can prescribe changes in glasses or new ones if the person has lost or broken theirs.

Anyone who is house bound and needs the service can ring Miriam on 509 6736 for further information.

Purim Day for Children

A children's Purim Rally is being held this Saturday at the Caulfield Arts Centre from 10.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m.

The Chabad Youth Centre is holding the Purim day for children aged 5-13 years. The day includes clowns, bands, a grand raffle, prizes, a Purim kit and novelty give-aways for each child plus refreshments.

The Centre encourages mums, dads and children to come along and enjoy themselves. Doors will open at 9.30 a.m.

COFFEE LOUNGE

The Caulfield Table Tennis Centre, 193 Balaclava Road, Caulfield (near Hawthorn Road) is opening their coffee lounge in March.

The lounge will be open Mondays and Thursdays from 12 noon until 5 p.m. for people to meet and make friends, to chat or play cards, chess, Backgammon etc.

The entrance fee is \$1 each day and tea and coffee are provided free.

The Centre hopes to help bring people together by providing them with this opportunity to meet. Enquiries to 527 2305 or 578 4178.

GUIDES

The 1st Glenhuntingly Guide Company has had to close as they hadn't any leaders. The company will remain closed unless a leader can be found. If anyone can help out please contact District Commissioner, Mrs P. Faulks on 578 5801.

GARDEN CLUB

The Gardenvale and District Horticultural Society is changing its name to the Caulfield Garden Club. This will take in the whole municipality including Balaclava, East St. Kilda, Ripponlea, Elsternwick, Gardenvale, Caulfield, Caulfield South, Caulfield North, Glenhuntingly, Ormond, Carnegie and Murrumbena.

Meetings with a speaker or demonstrator are held regularly on the first Tuesday of the month at 8 p.m. (See diary for dates.) These are held in the Uniting Church Hall, cnr. Kooyong Road and Jupiter Street, South Caulfield. Subscription is \$2.50.

We cover all sections of gardening — trees and shrubs, cut flowers, ferns, roses, fruit and vegetables, cacti and succulents, herbs, indoor plants, baskets and natives and also floral art. Enquiries to Secretary Mrs Joyce Chaplin on 596 4085. New members very welcome.

SLIMMING CLUB

The Caulfield Slimming Club is conducting a membership drive for all those concerned about their weight.

The Club meets in St. Mary's Church Hall, Glen Eira Road every Monday from 7.00 p.m.

They are a non-profit making organisation and work on positive group therapy where members are rewarded for weight loss.

The cost is \$5 per year plus 60 cents each meeting. Please contact Mavis Hornstein on 509 2700 for further information.

ARE YOU AN ARTIST?

If you are an artist or craftsman or have musical skills you are invited to join the City of Caulfield's Artists Register.

The staff of the Caulfield Arts Centre are searching out local talent in all areas of art, craft, and music during 1983.

The register of names, addresses and telephone numbers will be used for reference when planning future community arts activities, starting new classes, finding new teachers and answering phone enquiries about art/craft/music teachers in the area.

If you would like to be registered as part of this valuable local resource, please contact the Arts Centre at 441 Inkerman Road, North Caulfield 3161 or telephone 524 3277 for a form.

Contact sport

Kung Fu School Open

Bowled Over

Carnegie Bowls Club

The Carnegie Bowls Club, Leila Road, Carnegie, have enjoyed an interesting series of social and tournament fixtures, the barbecue each month being the most popular.

The President's Invitation Night was a great success and representative fours were invited from seven nearby clubs and bowling went until 9.30 p.m. Prizes were donated by club member, Don Cross, and winners drawn at random from the cards.

The Roy Kerr Annual Masonic Day is also very popular. Roy was presented with the Citizens Award at the recent Australia Day Breakfast.

Other popular events are the Mini Gala Day, the Invitation Fours, sponsored by Billy Guyatts of Carnegie, the Bob and Belle Kurrle Triples and the Country Week. The club championship was won by Vic Hawkins for the fourth time and the runner-up was Vic Coffin.

The club regrets the recent passing of its popular and hard working secretary, Arch Girdle. More than 50 club members were at the Springvale Chapel to pay their last respects.

Murrumbeena Park Bowling Club

The Club recently celebrated their 25th Anniversary with a Men's Day, Ladies' Guest Day and a Silver Anniversary Dinner with foundation and past members present.

The dinner was attended by the R.V.B.A. president, Mr D. Parker, the V.L.B.A. president, Mrs P. Pullen, Honorary Secretary, Mrs E. Bloomfield ODM, and the Mayor and Mayoress of Caulfield, Cr. and Mrs Ron Walters.

Foundation President, Mr H. Gamble, and Foundation Secretary, Mr H. Beatty, were introduced. Mr Beatty is a past president of the R.V.B.A.

The club was congratulated on their achievements over the last 25 years by the Mayor and the R.V.B.A.

The lady associates jointly contributed to the function and welcomed previous members and guest Lady President Mrs P. Pullen.

Glenhantly Bowls Club

The main activities at Glenhantly during February were two night events, the Vice-Presidents' night and the annual visit by Masonic Bowlers and the Commonwealth Bank's open mixed triples starting at 10.30 in the morning.

The excellent entry of mixed fours on Vice-Presidents' night was an indication of the appreciation of members of the work done for the club by the Vice-President, Graham Wood, and Henry Keogh. Winners were Pearl McGaw, Ted Parrott, Ethel Peagram and Athol Johns (skipper).

When presenting the trophies, Club President Perce Dance welcomed a number of new bowlers to the Club and complimented them on their success already in club tournaments, most recent being Ted Parrott, Anne Hitch, Mary Hibbitt, Alan McDowall and Reg Lechte.

The Annual Masonic night of tea and men's fours filled the green and was won by the Moorabbin rink. A feature of the evening was the excellent tea prepared and served by a handful of lady members of the club.

Commonwealth Bank Day was also a success, mixed triples being enjoyed by a capacity entry, the outright winners being Doreen Robinson, Trevor Battersby and Cyril Robinson (skipper). Numerous minor prizes were also presented by the Glenhantly Commonwealth Bank Manager on the completion of an enjoyable day of social bowls.

Elsternwick District Bowling Club

The Elsternwick District Bowling Club held their Club Championship recently and second year bowler, Brian Gibb, defeated Eric Jarman 31/23.

Brian Gibb also defeated last year's champion Glen Bennett in the first round. He also skipped a Triples Rink to be runner up to Jeff Cohen in the Charles Hannah Memorial Trophy.

He will play off in the Club Minor Championship against Trevor Battersby soon.



The Golden Lion Kung Fu School is conducting classes in Caulfield on a regular basis.

Kung Fu is a Chinese martial art and cultivates health and fitness. Training sessions include stretching exercises, corrective

breathing and meditation.

Special self defence classes for children and ladies will also be conducted at school. Classes are held every Friday from 6.30-8.00 p.m. in the 2nd Caulfield Scout Hall, 702 Inkerman Road, North Caulfield (near Hawthorn Road).

The classes are for children and adults, both male and female, and of all ages.

A free introductory lesson is available to people interested who bring along this article. Further information can be obtained by ringing 570 6389 weekdays after 4.30 p.m.

Swim School Open Again

The Royal Southern Memorial Hospital's swim group for the handicapped is on again on Tuesday evenings.

The Swim, Therapy and Recreation (STAR) Club for all handicapped people from age five is held at the heated pool of the Glen Waverley Rehabilitation Centre.

Children are taught by trained instructors using the Halliwick method to teach them to become "water-free" (safe in the water) allowing them to enjoy aquatic activities.

For the adults there will be a hydrotherapy exercise group which helps those

suffering from a wide range of disabilities, especially arthritis.

The children's group is from 5.00 to 5.30 pm and the adults group from 5.45 to 6.15 pm. Time is given for free activity.

To attend these groups it is necessary to be referred by a doctor. For further information and enrolments ring Susan Hunt on 528 6433 extension 726.

Park Pavilion being built

A new pavilion complex will be built in Elsternwick Park this year to service No. 1 and No. 2 ovals used by Caulfield's sporting groups.

The Elsternwick Amateur Football Club, the Elsternwick Cricket Club and the Victorian Amateur Football Association are the main users of the grounds and along with Brighton Council, will provide approximately \$200,000 to build the complex.

The new pavilion complex is replacing the two existing timber pavilions, one which is reputed to date back to when Elsternwick Park was a trotting pony racing track.

The Elsternwick Amateur Football Club has played football at

Elsternwick Park for all of its 77 year history and is excited about obtaining new rooms.

The club is contributing a substantial amount of money towards the cost of these facilities and will raise money by launching a building appeal.

Financial assistance is sought from club members, local citizens, local traders and large companies. Any Caulfield resident who would like to financially assist the appeal should contact club secretary, Alan Ramsay, telephone 541 2440 (B.H.) or 796 8434 (A.H.)

Club Reappoints Coach

The Elsternwick Amateur Football Club (V.A.F.A. E grade) reappointed Garry Rosewarne as playing coach for 1983 recently.

Garry was playing coach for 1982 and won the V.A.F.A.'s J. Fullerton Trophy for best and fairest player in E Grade amateurs. Garry works and lives in Caulfield and

hopes for an even better year in 1983.

Pre-season training for 1983 commenced recently and is being held on Wednesdays at 5.30 p.m. and Sundays at 10.30 a.m. at Elsternwick Park, Oval No 2, St. Kilda Street, Elwood.

Training will revert to the normal Tuesday and Thursday at 5 p.m. after the Labour Day long weekend.

New Social Worker

The Caulfield Town Hall, Community Development Department has a new Social Worker.

Kay Rundle is part-time and will be available for 20 hours per week during the following times:

MONDAY — 8.30 a.m.-1.30 p.m.
TUESDAY — 12.00 p.m.-5.00 p.m.
THURSDAY — 12.00 p.m.-5.00 p.m.
FRIDAY — 12.00 p.m.-5.00 p.m.

Apart from these times, there will not be a Social Worker available at the Town Hall. However, people wishing to see a Social Worker are welcome to come in or ring to make an appointment with Kay.



A LEISURELY LOOK

by Max Binnington

Sports Council

Following the "Green Paper: A Proposal for the Development of a Victorian Sports Assembly and a Sports House", publicly debated in 1981, the Victorian Government responded by setting in motion the machinery for dealing with the recommendations.

The Department of Youth, Sport and Recreation has established an interim State Sports Council which has as one of its major tasks the setting up of Regional Sports Assemblies. The suggested objectives of such assemblies being:

- Encourage the development of sport in a particular region/area;
- Through a partnership between appropriate agencies (i.e. local government authorities, sporting associations, education agencies etc.) achieve a greater degree of co-ordination in the use of human and physical resources available for sport in the community;
- Implementation of projects and programs of regional/local significance that meet community sporting needs;
- To assist in the development of policies and priorities for the overall growth of sport.

The Minister for Youth, Sport and Recreation, Mr Neil Tresize, recently indicated to the State Sports Councils that he wished them to be more directly involved in the decisions of funding and facility development.

This gives the proposed Regional Assemblies a significant role to play in terms of passing on their opinions to the State Sports Council.

At present three regions have made positive steps in setting up their assemblies. The Loddon-Campaspe model is up and running, Western Suburbs is close behind and our own Southern Suburbs has been granted funds to employ a full time executive officer.

I have had the good fortune of being appointed not only to the Southern Regional task group for the formation of our assembly but also as one of two regional representatives to the State Sports Council.

This gives Southern Suburbs direct access to an influential group in the formation of sport policy in Victoria.

What does this mean for sportsmen in Caulfield? In the very near future the local branch of Youth, Sport and Recreation will be inviting your nominations for positions on the regional assembly.

It is intended that this assembly will be a representative group and not merely a reflection of the policies of a few pressure groups. Interested organisations and individuals should make sure they participate in the formulation stages.

Keep your eyes and ears open for dates and times. Meanwhile have a think about the directions sports in the Southern Suburbs may head. I add that your approach needs to be of a very broad perspective not narrow and parochial.

Responsibility for the establishment of the assembly rests with the Department of Youth, Sport and Recreation Yarra Street office but is being held up at present by approval of the executive officer appointee by the Minister.

Caulfield Contact will inform you when the next stage is in motion. I look forward to interacting with many of our forward thinking sportsmen and women on the Regional Sports Assembly.

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