



# CAULFIELD CONTACT

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## Remember Anzac Day

Anzac Day will be remembered this year on April 15 in Caulfield Park at the cenotaph. The City of Caulfield Band will lead the march to the war memorial. The Mayor of Caulfield, Cr. Dorothy Ford, will lay a wreath in memory of the war dead of Caulfield. Please be at Caulfield Park by 2.15 p.m.



# New Directions in Infant Welfare

Caulfield's Infant Welfare services have recently undergone a number of changes. The plan for four major centres and a number of satellite centres is well underway. Already the care of mothers and their children is becoming an integral part of a number of Council services to families and children.

These developments, however, are not something that has sprung up overnight. In August 1976, the Council formed a community committee on Children's Health Services and obtained the participation and views of the community on the planning and development of future Infant Welfare Centres in the city.

This project was necessary because of the deteriorating struc-

tural condition of the Carnegie Infant Welfare Centre, the age and condition of the other centres and the need to determine a policy on the provision of health services for children. The five centres were built between 1924 and 1962.

Along with the development of new centres at Glenhuntly and Caulfield, and the continuing services at Murrumbeena and Elsternwick, a number of neighbourhood houses and facilities in

or near shopping centres are planned for the future. These will provide additional services for those not in the vicinity of the four main centres.

### Services to meet a variety of needs

The services available through the Infant Welfare Program have changed over the years. Mothers can still consult the Sisters for advice on baby health, feeding problems, growth and development and a variety of

other problems. But these days they can also attend toddlers' playgroups or groups for mothers with new babies.

There are discussion groups on topics of interest, sewing classes, coffee mornings and books on child development are available for loan. Family Planning Clinics are available along with immunisation programs and free hearing tests. The activities of the centres are many and varied and are limited only by the capacity to gauge community needs.

### A Base at Glenhuntly

Rather than maintain the existing five infant

welfare centres which were sited when circumstances were different, the points of service delivery now have a more equitable, geographic spread across the city.

A good example of this is the relocation of the City Hall Centre. This one centre has been replaced by the Maple Street Centre and the centre soon to be opened in Inkerman Road.

At the same time, it was considered that if a number of these centres could be located in shopping areas it would be more convenient for some of the parents and increase the number of outlets.

Combined with this was the construction of

the Glenhuntly Centre. Even though the outlets were increased, there were still only the same number of sisters to staff them. The Maternal and Child Welfare Centre at Glenhuntly has become the operational base for Infant Welfare services and will facilitate the computerisation of all records.

There is a tremendous amount of paper work connected with the services and the computer will be a great asset in this area. In the past, the Sisters have had to compile these statistics themselves, but from July a full-time Administrative Officer will do this work and leave them totally free for their important consulting work.

The Glenhuntly Centre is open five days a week from 9.00 a.m.-4.00 p.m. and the Sisters each have consultation times here as well as at the outlying centres. A Family Planning and Birth Control Clinic also operates on Friday afternoons and provides a free and confidential service to all members of the community.

Where parents have not had transport to Glenhuntly for immunisation sessions, Council has organised the community bus. But the numbers using this service have been quite small. Prior to building this centre parents would have attended the Carnegie, Ormond or Murrumbeena Centres.

### Increases in Caulfield's birth rate

The average numbers of birth notifications, new enrolments and attendances in Caulfield are between 20% and 30% higher than the State average. An application was recently made to the Health Commission for subsidies for the provision of an extra Infant Welfare Sister.

Unfortunately no provision was made in

the current budget for the employment of relieving personnel for when a Sister is on annual leave. This did cause a heavier workload to fall on the remaining Sisters and reduce the number of hours available to mothers. This will be rectified in the future with the employment of relieving Sisters during any absence of existing staff.

### Combined service delivery

One of the more innovative projects of the Caulfield Council was the development of the Carnegie Resource Centre in Koornang Road. This facility incorporates the shop-front library and a smaller infant welfare centre.

It appears, however, that whilst the concept is good in practice, there is not enough room for both operations at this particular venue. The project will be reviewed in the near future.

It was not meant to be a replacement for the Truganini Road Centre (which is still available for playgroups and similar activities), rather it was a temporary measure until a better site became available.

The Caulfield Council is attempting through all of this, to provide a better and easier service that meets the demands, as far as is reasonably possible, of all those requiring infant welfare services.

Not all centres operate the full five days per week and information on times of operation and services available should be obtained from the Health and Legislation Department at the City offices, cnr. Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield 3162, telephone 524 3281.

Information can also be obtained from the Glenhuntly Centre, cnr. Royal and Rosedale Avenues, Glenhuntly, telephone 524 3345.

## Gala Day at the Swimming Pool

The Caulfield Swimming Pool's recently held Gala Day proved to be loads of fun for all who entered into the activities of the day.

Aerobic demonstrations, free rides on the giant slide, diving competitions, Life. Be In It games, handball competitions and dinghy rides were all part of the day's events.

Above, rubber dinghy rides proved to be a popular activity on Gala Day.



## Councils No Longer to Receive Benefits from Fines

The Legal Profession Practice (further amendment) Act 1983, which became effective on January 1, 1984, was recently discussed by the Council's Executive Services Committee.

The main concern of the Committee was the repeal of Section 62 of the Summary Offences Act which previously provided for half of the fines awarded, in respect of offences

under sections of the Act, to be paid to the municipality in which the offences occurred.

By repealing Section 62, not only does the Council cease to receive such moneys, but also does not gain any fines imposed from actions taken by Council officers.

The repeal of this section, therefore, has effectively removed any incentive for Councils to take action under the Summary Offences Act. The Committee has recommended that

the Minister for Local Government be advised that the Caulfield Council objects to the repeal of this section because of the lack of provision for a municipality to receive any of the fines imposed as the result of taking action for a breach of the Act.

It is also recommended that this matter be given the widest possible publicity and support be sought from Local Members of Parliament and the Municipal Association of Victoria.

## Caulfield Infant Welfare Centres

### Glenhuntly

Cnr. Royal and Rosedale Avenues, Glenhuntly. Telephone 524 3345.

### Caulfield

Maple Street Library, Maple Street, Caulfield. Telephone 528 2502.

### Elsternwick

55 Orrong Road, Elsternwick 3185. Telephone 528 1895.

### Murrumbeena

89 Murrumbeena Road, Murrumbeena

3163. Telephone 569 5700.

### Carnegie

Carnegie Resource Centre, 230 Koornang Road, Carnegie 3163. Telephone 524 3356.

Other centres will become operational during the year and the Health and Legislation Department should be contacted for further information.

### CAULFIELD CITY HALL

Cnr. Glen Eira and Hawthorn Rds.,  
Telephone 524 3333. Opening Hours: Monday,  
Wednesday to Friday 8.30 a.m.-5.00 p.m.  
Tuesday 8.30 a.m.-8.00 p.m.



## Contact Letters

### Infant Welfare Madam,

I am amazed and extremely disappointed at what appears to be a lack of planning for the new infant welfare centre in Koornang Road, Carnegie. The concept of a shopfront combining a library and Infant Welfare Centre could only be hailed as extremely progressive but appears far from practical. The lack of space for the Sister-in-Charge and for mothers waiting is very apparent even to the undiscerning eye.

As a new first-time Mum (without trans-

port), the chance to have interaction with other mums and adequate space to meet babies' needs, e.g. changing, feeding, playing, is very important and just not possible in this venue.

I believe there should be an immediate re-evaluation of the suitability of this site in terms of the number of mothers it serves and the needs of mothers. Any planning should take this into account as well as affirm the importance of the Infant Welfare Centre and the key role it has to play as a valuable support to the family, if specially considering

the amount of stress which the family unit is currently experiencing.

**Jenny O'Neil,  
Coorigil Street,  
Carnegie.**

### Editor's Note

The Infant Welfare Service at the Carnegie Resource Centre was originally designed as an additional alternative site supplying minimal services only.

The role of this Centre is, however, currently under review and the lack of space and other facilities for mothers and children will be taken into account.

## Give the Kids a Break (and their families)

**After commencing only eight months ago, the innovative Interchange programme has done what it was established to do.**

Interchange is a community-based programme designed to care for disabled children. Host families with a genuine desire to know a disabled child are trained and matched with the natural family and their child.

The parents of the disabled child can feel confident their child is cared for in a secure, caring environment.

The demands on the parents of a disabled child can become overwhelming and leave little time to pursue other interests and meet the needs of other children in the family.

The host family, by regularly caring for the child, find the increased understanding and awareness gained enriches their lives enormously.

The children benefit too. They develop greater confidence in their relationship with the family and can participate in different activities and outings which increases their range of interests and abilities.

### Training

In training the host family to care for a disabled child, emphasis is placed on normalisation.

Everyone in the potential host family needs to be interested and involved in the programme.

"It's no good for the wife to approach us and say she is interested but she isn't sure about her husband," says Co-ordinator of the programme, Faye Greaves.

The programme is informal but the host

family are made fully aware of the child's disability and what it may involve before beginning.

The relationship between the two families is important. The natural family need to have confidence in the host family. They need to feel their child will be happy and safe with the host family.

Faye Greaves says they will accept any

disabled child whether they have a physical or mental disability but what they really need at this stage are more host families.

Any family, person, group, with or without children, or grandparents who live in the southern region can join Interchange.

One weekend a month is all that is needed of the host family and the child should be involved in the weekend's activities, whatever they may be.

Before Interchange the only alternative for parents needing a break was to put the child into institutional care.

If you are interested in becoming a host family to a disabled child, contact the Co-ordinator Faye Greaves at 225 Beach Road, Black Rock, telephone 598 7421.



**Above, Co-ordinator of the Southern Region's Interchange program, Faye Greaves, in her office at 225 Beach Road, Black Rock. Faye is happy to hear from any families willing to host a disabled child for one weekend a month.**

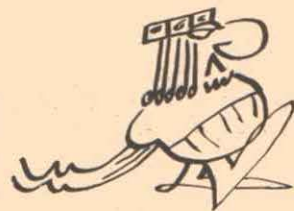
## Tune into the Southern Broadcasters First Transmission

**The Southern Community Broadcasters are holding their first test transmissions on April 10, 11 and 12 from 8.00 am-8.00 pm each day.**

Tune into FM frequency 106.5 MHz to listen to our first radio station for the southern region go to air.

Caulfield's Mayor, Cr. Dorothy Ford, will speak to Caulfield residents during the broadcast.

**TUNE TO  
106.5 FM  
MARCH 10, 11  
& 12  
8 AM-8 PM**



### Program Guide

**8.00 a.m.** Transmission begins, breakfast show.  
**9.00 a.m.** Kid's show, story time.  
**10.00 a.m.** Moorabbin Festival promotion, community announcements with music.  
**11.00 a.m.** Computer education talk.  
**11.30 a.m.** Rock music.

**12 noon** Comedy hour.  
**1.00 p.m.** Afternoon show featuring pop songs sung in the Hindu language, a selection of musicals, and New Orleans Jazz.  
**6.30 p.m.** Community announcements.  
**7.00 p.m.** Popular classics.  
**8.00 p.m.** Close.

## Holocaust Centre Opens in Caulfield

A Holocaust Resource and Research Centre will be opened on March 4 at 13 Selwyn Street, Elsternwick, by Dr. Yitzhak Arad, Chairman of the Directorate of Yadveshen, Jerusalem.

The Centre is based on a similar archives and resource centre in Jerusalem, of which Dr. Arad is Chairman, and will include a changing, ongoing exhibition.

Most of the artifacts, such as documents, money etc. were donated by people who lived through the concentration camps and by the ex-servicemen who liberated the camps at the end of the Second World War.

Mrs. Rathner, Co-ordinator of the Centre, says people do not want their proof of the Holocaust to be forgotten when they die.

Others use the Centre as a repository for the relics they have found or do not want to keep any longer.

The Centre houses a library of books for research purposes, donated by people of the Jewish community. Mrs. Rathner says many younger people are interested in the artifacts in the Centre for study purposes.

"Schools are welcome to arrange visits and guides are available to show them around."

Telephone Mrs. Rathner on 528 1985 for details.



**Pictured is Mr. Wiener Bono, co-president of the Centre,**

**with some of the photographs on display at the Centre.**

## Done Any Inventing Lately?

**Are you a potential or frustrated inventor that just needs a little bit of extra money to get your project underway?**

Under the Assistance to Inventors Scheme, grants of up to \$20,000 are available to inventors with the average grant between \$4,500 and \$5,000.

The money is usually used to manufacture a prototype, preferably

by an established manufacturer, although if the inventor has the skill and facilities, the grant can be paid directly to the inventor.

According to the Inventions Advisory Panel, there is no shortage of good ideas. Recent examples included a windscreen wiper

blade which scrubs and wipes and a sports trainer board from which a ball can bounce at different angles.

Less than 200 Australian inventions have been granted assistance since its inception, even though many more have applied.

One of the main reasons for this low figure is apparently a lack of understanding about what constitutes an invention and also about the Scheme itself.

Further information can be obtained from the Department of Science and Technology, 330 Swanston Street, Melbourne, telephone 665 6111.

## Free Medical Health Check

Aged pensioners may now have a complete medical health check free-of-charge by the Shepherd Foundation of St. Kilda.

With the introduc-

tion of Medicare, the foundation is bulk billing pensioners. This means the service which normally costs \$147.00 will be free to pensioners.

But pensioners will still require a referral

from their General Practitioner.

The Foundation's Medical Director, Dr. Leif Larsen, said that 60% of pensioner patients who have done the test programme are found to be in good

health.

Further details about the bulk billing facility may be obtained by contacting The Shepherd Foundation, 161 Fitzroy Street, St. Kilda West 3182, or telephone 537 1122.



# Funding for Local Groups

**The Department of Youth, Sport and Recreation recently announced funding for local youth organisations and Caulfield groups were successful in their applications.**

The Caulfield Youth Council received a Youth Information Grant of \$1,365 for the publication of a broad sheet by and for young people and focusing on youth needs.

The Balaclava Boys Club received \$500 for two eight-day camps;

St. Kevin's Youth Organisation received \$300 for weekly youth activities and Fusion Community Centre received \$1,500 for youth development activities, services and programs.

Enquiries regarding funding for your group could be made to Mr. Cyril Kennedy, M.L.C. for Waverley on 233 7121 or Dr. Gerard Vaughan, M.L.A. for Glenhuntly on 211 0858.

## Health Centre

The Chadstone Paramedical Community

Health Centre in Neerim Road, Hughesdale, received a \$14,000 grant to pay for maintenance repairs, a printing photocopy machine and new office equipment.

The grant is part of an expansion of community health services in Victoria during this financial year.

## Ethnic Grants

More than 100 ethnic organisations received State Government grants totalling \$163,725 under the Small Grants Funding Programme of the Vic-

torian Ethnic Affairs Commission for 1983/84.

123 organisations operating within 34 different ethnic groups received the grants.

Mr. Spyker, Minister for Ethnic Affairs, said "for the first time this year, we have widened the criteria for the allocation of funds to include community and multi-cultural organisations working closely with ethnic groups."

The grants under the Commission's funding programme represented

only a small percentage of the funds to be allocated to ethnic organisations.

"They will go largely to providing organisational support, to run seminars and conferences, printing costs and cultural activities," Mr. Spyker said.

The Special Projects grants, which represented the bulk of the Commission's funding programme, will be announced at a later date.

Mr. Spyker said the Commission was still assessing other applications for small grants and more organisations may be added to the list later.

# Heritage Week

**Only 39 days until Heritage Week is officially opened on April 8 in Princes Park by our Mayor, Cr Dorothy Ford.**

The Old Fashioned Family Picnic on Sunday, April 8 should prove to be a really fun day for all ages. A true old-fashioned flavour will be introduced into the food with a sausage sizzle by the Caulfield Scout groups and billy tea and damper available which will be organised by the Guides of Caulfield.

If you are too young to remember the horse and cart days of travel or if you do remember them and want to relive those days, then Caulfield's coach builder, Bernie Dingle, will be on hand with rides. If you've sometimes seen Bernie and his wife riding through Caulfield then now's your chance to imagine you are back in those days when a horse was a horse and not a car specification.

## Photographic Exhibition

If you really want to get a glimpse of what

Caulfield was like back in the old days then drop in at the Caulfield Arts Centre at 441 Inkerman Rd, between April 8 and 15 for a photographic exhibition.

The Caulfield Historical Society has numerous photos from the past that will be on display along with some found in obscure places of the City Hall, and some donated by Caulfield residents.

## City Hall Tours

If you've never really seen much more than the cashier's desk at rate-paying time then here's your chance to have a look at the rest of the City Hall. Conducted tours will be carried out from 10-11 am on Monday, April 9 and Wednesday, April 11. No bookings required. Just turn up a little before 10 am.

## Parks and Gardens Tours

Caulfield has many beautiful Parks and Gardens which are well looked after by the Council's gardeners. If you would like to participate in a guided tour of the City's parks and gardens, nursery, conservatory and major recreation areas then join Earl Pike on Monday, April 9 from 1-4 pm or on Wednesday,

April 11 from 10 am-1 pm. The tours cost \$2.00 per person and bookings can be made to Sonja Rosenberg or Cathy Catlow on 524 3333.

## Walking Tours

If you enjoy a walk then why not join in one of the walking tours of Caulfield, either on Wednesday, April 11 from 1.30 pm or on Thursday, April 12 from 10.30 am. Details on route etc. can be obtained from Nancy Needham on 569 5467.

## Discover Caulfield Tours

Caulfield has many National Trust classified buildings which are included in the historical tours of the City that have proven to be so popular over the past 18 months. The famous Caulfield Racecourse Museum will be included in the tour. Information kits for all participants. The cost is \$2.00 per person. Tours conducted on Tuesday, April 10 from 10 am-1.00 pm and Thursday, April 12 from 1.00-4.00 pm. Bookings with Sonja Rosenberg or Cathy Catlow on 524 3333.

## Oral History

Don't forget the afternoon tea and oral history session for any interested senior citizens on Tuesday, April 10 at the Elsternwick Library. More



Above, Council's Records Officer, Bernie Carroll, with a scroll donated by a Caulfield resident for the Historical and Horticultural Display at the City Hall.

details from Library Headquarters on 524 3333.

## Renovations Seminar

A seminar on Wednesday, April 11 by the Architects Inspection Service on all relevant topics for home renovators. Visual display and discussion. Begins at 7.30 pm, \$2.00 admission, supper provided. Enquiries to Gaye McKenzie on 524 3333.

## Historical and Horticultural Display

From Friday, April 13 to Sunday, April 15 at the City Hall. A display of Caulfield's historical artifacts in

conjunction with the Historical Society and with donations from Caulfield residents. The garden clubs of Caulfield will put on a display as will the Australian Playing Card Collectors Society. Admission Adults \$1, Children and Pensioners 50c.

## Artifacts

Have you any old documents, photographs, scrap-books, newspapers or any memorabilia that you would like to donate for the historical exhibition at the City Hall? All care will be taken with anything donated. Please contact Bernie Carroll on 524 3333 for further details.

# Planning Begins for 1984 Festival

A public meeting will be held at 7.30 pm on Thursday, March 22, 1984 at the City Hall, Cnr. Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield, for the purpose of electing three (3) directors of Caulfield Festival Limited.

Nominations for the three positions of

Director are called for. Nominations must be in writing and must be received at the City Hall at least 24 hours prior to the time of the meeting.

E. Loftus, Secretary, Caulfield Festival Limited

The meeting will elect community repre-

sentatives for the board and the management committee for Caulfield Festival 84.

So if you've got some good ideas or you simply want to help, make a

start by coming to this meeting.

If you need a little encouragement or don't think you've got the nerve for public meetings, remember that Caulfield Festival is a community based event that will only

ever be as good as what you, the community, put into it.

Keep an eye on Caulfield Contact in the coming months for a regular information column on what's being planned.

## Caulfield Citizens' Advice Bureau

A special general meeting of the members of the Caulfield Citizens Advice Bureau will be held at 8.00 pm on Wednesday, March 28, 1984, in the Staff House, City Hall, Cnr. Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads,

Caulfield. The meeting will be held for the purpose of considering the following:

1. The incorporation of the Caulfield Citizens Advice Bureau under the Associations Incorporation Act, 1981.

2. Any amendments to the Constitution of the Caulfield Citizens Advice Bureau required for the purpose of such incorporation.

Brian Burley, Secretary.

## Racecourse Opened

After a few months of being closed for repairs, the Caulfield Race-

course is open once again with brand new turf on the tracks.

The first meeting for the year was held on Saturday, February 25.

## News from Council



## New Tram Shelters

Two more new, all glass, modular tram shelters are soon to be installed by the Metropolitan Transit Authority. They will be located on the south side of Balaclava Road, just east of Lumeah Road and on the west side of Hawthorn Road, south of Lockhart Street.

The Authority will pay the full cost of manufacture, erection, cleaning and maintenance of the shelters.

## Disabled Access

The lack of access to public and commercial buildings and facilities effectively prevents disabled people from participating in community life to the extent of their abilities.

The Caulfield Advisory Committee for disabled persons has pointed out some of the problem areas that still exist in the City and in conjunction with the Engineering staff of the Council, will prepare a list of priority works needed to be carried out to provide access to municipal facilities.

## Parlour Recommendations

The Government Working Party, formed in June 1983, to examine current planning controls and the location of massage parlours recently submitted its report to the Minister.

This working party has taken the view that massage parlours are a legitimate land use and that moral and social judgements were not included in its Brief.

Whilst the Caulfield Council supports the general thrust of the report, it is concerned that no attention has been given to distances between parlours and other land uses in the area. It sees a need for the provision of onsite car parking, advertising of all applications, and that no specific zone be set aside for parlours.

## Prosecuted for Removing Bottles

Two people caught removing bottles left on the nature-strip for recycling were recently prosecuted. Both were found guilty and were fined a total of \$100 each plus \$122 cost.

In excess of 8,400 dozen beer bottles and 75 tonnes of cullet were collected from residents during the last month. 1,152 dozen of these beer bottles were received at the Bottle Depot in Neerim Road.

## New Crossing Requested

The Council has requested that the Road Traffic Authority reassess the need for pedestrian operated signals in Kooyong Road near Clarence Street. Additional traffic count information will be used to support the application and the authority is being asked to take into account the recent accident record at the site.

## Permanent Closure

Under the provisions of the Local Government Act the Council will proceed with the permanent closure of Begonia Road at Elster Canal.

This will allow for the installation of the proposed parking scheme and thus relieve the congestion in the area.

This follows the successful six-week trial closure of the road. Negotiations will now be finalised with adjacent commercial and community facilities to share the cost of the car parking scheme.

## Upgrading of Sporting Facilities

The proposed upgrading of the change rooms at the Koornang Park Pavilion was recently approved and the Council will contribute \$7,000 towards the cost of the works.

Approval has also been sought for the establishment of a high quality hockey field in Koornang Park itself. The first stage of the works has been referred to the 1984/85 estimates.

The Princes Park Committee of Management is also seeking to renovate its pavilion. The labour associated with the works and some contribution towards the material costs will be borne by the Elsternwick United Football Club. The Council has approved the project and will contribute \$3,000 towards the costs.



# Pre-School Language Classes in Caulfield

It is well known that we learn languages best very early in life and with this in mind the Melbourne Pre-School Language Centre was formed.

Principal of the School, Alexandra Nicklewicz-Blackman, is a mother of two pre-school children who found that there were no services or tutors available to teach her children, and set about starting up her own program.

With a multi-lingual family background, Alexandra realised the importance of teaching children a second language early in life.

The Pre-School Language Centre was established in Richmond and has expanded to include courses at other Centres in Melbourne, including Caulfield.

A Pilot class in German commenced recently at Maple Street in South Caulfield where classes are held each Monday morning.

The Pilot Program is a means of ensuring the curriculum is of the highest standard and provides experience to the language teachers.

Each language has a Pilot Program. Participants are charged reduced fees until the program is established and is comfortable for the children concerned.

The teachers of the language programs are native speakers of the language they teach and

their performance is regularly monitored.

The classes are geared towards children from 3-6 years and parents are encouraged to participate in classes with their children.

Each class consists of eight to ten children (with a parent) and each language has a two-year curriculum of three terms a year and 13 sessions a term.

Music is used as an essential teaching tool in all classes and at home activities comprised of audio and visual materials.

Alexandra sees the primary benefit to children as being the introduction of a second language at the

most crucial stage of development.

The classes also provide the child with a firm foundation for formal language learning later at school.

The classes also hold many benefits for the parent including the chance to learn the basis of a new language together with the child without having to travel great distances to the classes.

The school intends to produce children confident in communicating in their new language and encourage them to keep learning the language.

If you would like a copy of the curriculum and objectives of the school, contact Alexandra on 429 3610.



Above, Ms. Zosia Dorecka, tutor for the German class with Yvette McLellan, 3, during the pre-school language class.

## Stay at School Plea

Local M.P. Mr. Ian MacPhee this week made a last-minute plea to school leavers to continue their education rather than leave school and trust luck that they will find a job.

"There are currently over 42,000 Victorian teenagers looking for work, many of them in the southern and south-eastern suburbs," Mr. MacPhee said.

"And the real figure could be twice that if you count the hidden unemployed — those people who have given up the search.

"The most recent official figures show that one in three school leavers aged 15-19 are unemployed and still looking for their first job.

"The message is clear — the odds are against you, so don't risk becoming one of those statistics if you don't have to. I know school has officially started, but it is not too late to apply to go back to school or on to College."

Mr. MacPhee, who is the M.P. for Balaclava and Federal Opposition Spokesman on Employment, said a recent survey shows that the chances of gaining employment improved dramatically with increased educational attainment.

"Recent Australian Bureau of Statistics figures show that people who do not finish secondary school are three times as likely to be unemployed as those with degree or diploma qualifications and almost twice as likely to be out of work as those who have some technical or trade qualifications."

Mr. MacPhee said that though there was a limit to the extent to which parents could force their children to go back to school



against their will, they and the local papers could help by ensuring that young people have the full information on which to base their decision.

Mr. MacPhee said that according to the latest Department of Employment and Industrial Relations estimates, Malvern had the lowest unemployment in the south-eastern suburbs, with 5.2%, followed by Brighton with 5.3%. Then came Caulfield 5.9%, Sandringham 8.7%, Moorabbin 10.2%, Prahran 10.7%, Oakleigh 13.8% and St. Kilda 15.8%.

## Prahran Netball Association

The Prahran Netball Association is aiming to start up a Junior Netball competition for this season.

Any girls aged between 6 and 15 years can

meet with the Association on March 18 from 9am-12 noon at the Cato St carpark (behind Coles) in Prahran. Coaching and team placements. Enquiries to Debbie on 528 4956.

## New Residents Kits Available

If you have recently moved to the City of Caulfield and rent a house or flat then contact the Community Liaison section of the Caulfield City Hall for your New Residents Kit. If you are an owner/occupier then you will automatically receive a Kit in the mail. Telephone Sonja Rosenberg on 524 3259.

## False Impression

An article in the last Contact entitled "Primary School Works" suggested that the school was paying the costs of maintenance work. In fact the work undertaken is under contract issued by the Public Works Department drawing money from the South Central Regions Work Allocation budget.

## Wrong Number

The 1984 Community Resource Guide lists the Oakleigh Tip number as 528 3524. This number is incorrect; the correct number is 547 8043.

## Prize Money Awarded for Short Stories

Over 200 entries were received in the second annual Australian Pensioner/Caulfield Hospital short story contest. At an awards dinner held at Caulfield Hospital recently, \$1000 in prize money was presented to the winners.

The winner of the best short story, Mr. Jack Newton of Croydon, received \$500 for his excellent story "Rain on a Tin Roof". Mr. Newton is a newcomer to writing and admits that since his retirement five years ago, this new interest has given him a lot of pleasure.

Mrs. Ingrid Whitehorn of Ringwood won \$100 in the category for

unpublished writers for her story "Life is a Cumquat".

In the category on the subject of the 'aged' or 'disabled', Mrs. Nesta Skinner of South Australia won \$100 for her story "The Flower Pot Men". Nine stories have been highly commended and the authors received \$50 each.

Chief judge was author, Mrs. Mavis

Thorpe-Clarke, who feels that the entries were of a higher standard than the previous year.

According to Caulfield Hospital Manager, Mr. Garnet Edwards, one of the objectives of the contest is to stimulate interest in writing as well as to focus attention on the elderly and disabled.

The contest will be run again this spring.

## A Boyd Foundation

The Caulfield Council Art Selection Committee, which acquires works for the City's art collection, has recommended the establishment of a

Boyd Family Collection Foundation.

The Committee aims to maintain a broad range of art works and has purchased, over the years, pieces in various media and style. The painting "Waterfall"

by William Charles Pignuenit was considered outside the Council's objectives for the collection and was offered for sale. It realised \$6,000 (original purchase price \$4,000).

This \$6,000 has been reallocated for the pur-

pose of acquiring works of the Boyd family as a specific collection within the broader context of the City of Caulfield Art Collection.

This \$6,000, however, is seen only as an establishing grant and the Foundation will continue to be funded by donations and bequests.

## Migrant English Classes

The Department of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs is holding adult migrant English classes to help migrants overcome problems in settlement.

Two types of courses are available; those for newly arrived migrants

and an ongoing course.

The 'on arrival' courses are available to newly arrived migrants and refugees within the first 12 months of their settlement in Australia.

The program is specifically designed to provide basic information and general English to help newcomers to Australia. This

course represents the first leg of a comprehensive program.

The ongoing or second leg course offers various types of English language learning opportunities provided by the Department, the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology, English Language Teaching Unit and the

La Trobe University's language centre.

The program helps migrants continue to improve their English over whatever period needed and also contains many courses to meet specific needs, i.e. for those isolated at home.

Further information can be obtained by telephoning 662 2011.

## New Zoning

The Melbourne Metropolitan Board of Works has written to all Councils advising of a proposal to introduce a new business zone into the Planning Scheme which, over time, would replace the existing "Local Business Zone".

This new "Neigh-

bourhood Business zone" would be applied to sites at the local level as the Local Business zone was intended to do. Because of the minimal controls relating to shops in the Local Business zone, many Councils (including Caulfield in 1975) had them rezoned to "Restricted Business" which was, however,

designated for larger centres.

The new Neighbourhood Business zone is seen as being more appropriate for the smaller centres which cater to local people and would permit shops of up to 400 square metres with large stores of a super-market scale being prohibited.

Offices up to 500 square metres would also be a Discretionary

Use and other uses normally associated with a Local Business zone would also be permitted.

The Caulfield Council has advised the Board that it sees the need for, and supports the Neighbourhood Business zone as proposed and would see the new zone as being appropriate for some of its smaller local centres currently zoned Restricted Business.



# Quota Art Show

The Quota Club of Caulfield will again conduct its annual art show at the Caulfield Arts Centre, 441 Inkerman Road, North Caulfield from March 16-18 with all proceeds going as usual to the Caulfield Hospital.

The Quota Art Show has become well established and is in the 9th year, and is known for its high quality of oils, prints and water colours offered at reasonable prices. Well-known art demonstrator and local artist, Mr. Penny, will be at the Art Show from 2.00 pm-4.00 pm on Sunday, March 18.

Class work will also be on sale, pottery by Lorraine Dinan, work by Marilyn Verstraeten, artist in silver and gold, and Gabriella Verstraeten, textile artist.

A purchase order of \$700, for an oil painting and a print will be judged by Mr. Ken Hood, Deputy Director of the National Gallery of Victoria, Mr. Harold Farey, Dean of School of Art and Design, Chisholm Institute, and Kathryn Ballard, Art Adviser to the City of Caulfield.

The sponsors of this award include State-wide Building Society

and Spring Valley Fruit Juices Pty. Ltd. The works purchased will become part of Caulfield's collection 'On The Road' which is displayed throughout the City of Caulfield.

**The Mayor of Caulfield, Cr. Dorothy Ford, will officially open the Art Show on Friday, March 16 at 7.30 pm and Mr. Harold Freedman, well known for his murals, has again consented to publicly comment on the exhibits on that night.**

Gallery hours are Friday, March 16 from

7.30-10.30 pm, Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 from 12.00 noon-8.00 pm. Opening night tickets at \$8.00 are available from ticket secretary Judith Neil, Caulfield Hospital, telephone 528 6333.

## Raffle

The Quota Club of Caulfield is conducting a raffle in aid of the Caulfield Hospital. Prizes are a leisure pack donated by Elsternwick Furnishings, oil painting donated by Walter Fuerst, pottery donated by Lorraine Dinan and a watercolour donated by Shirley Anderson.

Tickets are available from Caulfield Hospital and at the opening night, Friday, March 16 of the Quota Art Show at Caulfield Arts Centre when the winning tickets will be drawn.

**Top left, Statewide Building Society Manageress, Maureen Henry, hands over a cheque to Quota Club President, Stella Mayer, for the Art Show. Bottom left, Mr. Ron Summers (right) and his son Greg, of Elsternwick Furnishings, with the Leisure pack of two chairs, banana lounge and umbrella, a major prize in the Quota Club's raffle.**



## Catering for the Parents' Clubs

If you are a parent of a child in a government school and a member of a State School Parent organisation you may need the Victorian Federation of State School Parents' Clubs.

The Federation, established in 1925, can provide information and support in many areas including keeping up with school curriculum changes, running a school canteen, helping your child at home, protecting your

rights as a parent and understanding the Education Department and its regulations.

The V.F.S.S.P.C. runs a parent information service during school hours, has a bi-monthly news-sheet - PIE (Parents in Education), a Policy Book and a Media Handbook.

They can provide representation of your case to Government or the Education Department via parent representatives on Regional and State committees and by regular contact with the Director General, the Minister of Education and the State Board of Education.

The V.F.S.S.P.C. is there to help parents'

clubs run their parent education workshops, seminars and training programs and can provide speakers at your meetings.

They also have a number of District Councils throughout Victoria and can in this way provide links with other clubs for mutual support.

These District Councils are groups of member Clubs from affiliated schools who meet regularly to discuss problems and plan action.

If you would like further information on the Federation please contact them at G.P.O. Box 449C, Melbourne 3001, telephone 654 4626.



Above, Alison Sommers, 16, at home with her mum's collection of playing cards.

Mention swap cards and most people think of their school days with lunchtimes spent discussing who has what card.

Swap cards are these days a big business with over 400 serious collectors in Australia buying and selling cards, sometimes for hundreds of dollars.

The Australian Playing Card Collectors Society has its base in Melbourne with Caulfield resident, Mrs Jill Sommers, as their President.

Jill is concerned only with collecting pre-1950 cards and has cards dating back to the 18th and 19th Centuries.

Jill has 170 albums with about 500 cards in each; well over 80,000 cards in all.

## History

The theories on the origin of playing cards are nearly as vast as the

games that are played, says Jill.

The main theory is that cards came from the mysterious East, another that the gypsies were the first people with cards and brought them from east to west.

Another legend claims that playing cards were invented in China in AD 1120 but there is no likeness between the Indian/Chinese cards and the European cards.

Cards must have been in England early in the 15th Century because an act of Parliament of 1463 banned their importation.

Complaints had apparently been received from English card manufacturers that imports were ruining their business. Unfortunately few cards made earlier than the 17th Century are preserved today.

By 1850 cards were being exported to America and France. Colors and designs were becoming more vibrant and double-headed court cards were introduced.

Recently at an auction at Southerby's in London a collection of De La Rue sample cards were sold for 120,000 pounds.

## Not just for the Kids

### First Fair

The Society is holding the very first swap card fair in Australia on March 24 from 1-5 pm in St. Marys Church Hall, cnr Glen Eira Rd. and Hood Cres., Caulfield.

Jill suggests that Brownies and Guides would benefit greatly from visiting the Fair as it will help them gain ideas for their own collections.

The group also holds monthly meetings in St. Marys Church Hall on the first Wednesday and first Thursday on alternate months at 7.45 pm.

Two more fairs will be held later in the year, one on July 14 and one on October 27.

Anyone interested in the Society or the Fair can contact Jill Sommers on 528 1484 (BH).

## Equal Pay For Women — — things aren't what they seem.

**Despite the introduction of equal pay principles in the mid-1970s, women in Australia still earn considerably less than men.**

Why this is so is a subject of a study undertaken by the Women's Bureau of the Department of Employment and Industrial Relations.

Mrs. Joan Child,

Federal Member for Henty, said that the paper entitled "Gender Wage Differentials in Australia" shows that even when men and women work in the same occupation, the

wage differences persist.

"The difference between male and female average weekly earnings in Australia has not significantly narrowed since 1976," she said.

"In May 1981, women's average weekly earnings remained at 67.6% of male earn-

ings. The majority (78%) of part-time workers are female.

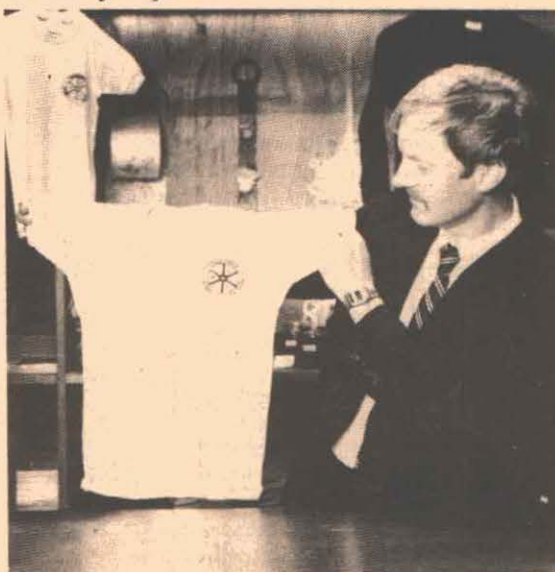
"Once the impact of part-time hours is allowed for, earning differences narrow significantly.

"Despite this, when the earnings of full-time workers were compared, female earnings were still only 80% of male earnings."

## A Shop with a Difference

The Caulfield High School Community Group recently opened a

school shop run on a voluntary basis by parents and students.



Initially the plan for the shop was to concentrate on providing quality stationery, books and other essential items at minimum cost, but enthusiasm for the venture has grown so much that other items are now being sold.

These include hand-crafts produced by parents and friends as well as greeting cards designed by students. All are available at competitive prices.

**Left, Dr. Gerard Vaughan, M.L.A. for Glenhenty in the High School shop that he recently opened.**

## Caulfield Progress Association

The next meeting of the Caulfield Progress Association is on March 24.

At a recent meeting of the Association the Committee members discussed the Council's draft policy for multi-unit development.

Members of the Committee can read the draft paper at the Council offices and at the Carnegie Resource Centre.

The Committee also discussed the Council rating system.



## NEW READERS

The Third Church of Christ, Scientist, at Rippon Grove, Elsternwick, recently elected two new readers for a three-year term.

Robin Clarke and Ray Saynor are the Church's new readers. The Church is unique in the way it has no official clergy but every three years elects two readers from its membership.

Robin is a part-time teacher at Elsternwick Primary School and Ray is a local businessman. As first reader, Robin also conducts another service on Wednesday evenings.

## REUNION

The Caulfield Group of the Nursing Mothers Association is celebrating their 20th birthday with a reunion of former members on Thursday, April 5.

The Reunion begins at 8 pm. Further details from Pauline on 568 1681 or Jo on 568 6580.

## NEW BOOKS

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

'SURVIVING DIVORCE: A HANDBOOK FOR MEN' by Gay Search, 1983 — a British book which sets out to explain the reality of divorce today — not just theory — for your children, your home, your finances and for you yourself.

'THE LOST WORLD OF IRIAN JAYA' by R. Mitton, 1983 — this pictorial study of a fast disappearing world is the work of a remarkable Australian Geographer and Anthropologist.

'THE TAROT: HOW TO USE AND INTERPRET THE CARDS' by B. Innes, 1977 — the amateur card reader can quickly gain a deep understanding of the Tarot trumps and the many ways in which they can be used to explain the past or forecast the future.

'JIMMY'S BLUES' by J. Baldwin, 1983 — the first selection of poems published by the author of 'Go tell it on the Mountain', 'Another Country' and many other novels with a racial message leavened by warmth and wit.

'WHAT WILD FLOWER IS THAT?' by A.C. Blombery, 1980 — over 750 photographs of Australian wild flowers in full colour.

'GIANT BOOK OF INSULTS' 1981 — this unique compendium of ready wit and rapid-fire repartee can be read just for the sheer fiendish fun of it.

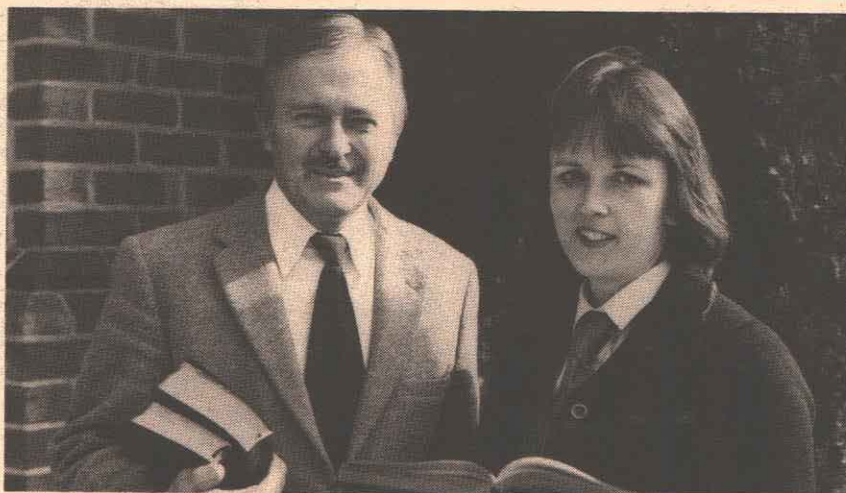
'TRAMPING IN NEW ZEALAND' 1982 — the tramp is in heaven in New Zealand and the purpose of this book is to open the gates for him. It is an aid for the Kiwi who wants to progress from day hikes to week-long tramps; or the overseas visitor with a limited time schedule.

DOCTOR WHO: A CELEBRATION, TWO DECADES THROUGH TIME AND SPACE' by P. Haining, 1983 — to mark its 20th anniversary, Peter Haining has compiled a fitting tribute to the success of the Doctor Who television series.

'OUT ON A LIMB' by S. MacLaine, 1983 — the author, now in her mid 40s and at the pinnacle of professional success, turns inward for the most extraordinary experience of her life, a voyage into the realm of the mind and spirit. This book is more than a typical celebrity memoir, it is the deeply personal story of a woman determined to know herself and to become all she is capable of being. Shirley MacLaine has opened her heart more than ever before, and her story is unforgettable.

'SALADS AND COLD HORS-d'OEUVRE, 1980 — well illustrated with easy to follow recipes with both metric and imperial measurements, this book will assist in the preparation of attractively tempting dishes.

'THE TRIUMPH OF AUSTRALIA II' by B. Stannard, 1983 — this book written by the Australian author and journalist who has been covering America's Cup racing for 13 years includes a brief history of the race which is also, in large measure, the history of the New York Yacht Club.



Above, new readers for the Third Church of Christ, Scientist, Robin Clarke (right), and Ray Saynor, who were elected recently to their new positions.

## HANDYMAN SERVICE

If you are an elderly or invalid resident then the Caulfield Council's Handyman Service can help you carry out basic repairs and services to your home.

The Handyman's work covers such areas as replacing light globes, changing tap washers, fitting safety bars in toilets and bathrooms, replacing cistern rubbers, sash cords, etc.

A small charge is made, plus the cost of materials. Contact Trevor Keen at the City offices on 524 3333 between 8.30 am-9.00 am Monday to Friday.

## OPPORTUNITY SHOP

Voluntary workers, male or female, are urgently required to work in the Humane Society's Opportunity Shop at 108 Hawthorn Road, Caulfield (near Balacava), one day a week or even for a couple of hours. If you are interested, please telephone the Humane Society on 523 8781.

## SWIM, THERAPY AND RECREATION

The Swim, Therapy and Recreation (STAR) Club to aid all handicapped people from the age of five and over will again be run by a team of paramedics from the Royal Southern Memorial Hospital, Community Care Centre on Tuesday evenings at the heated pool of the Glen Waverley Rehabilitation Centre. All groups start on March 8.

The children's group is from 5.00-5.30 pm. Children are not taught to swim in the conventional way but trained instructors use the Halliwick method to teach them to become "water free" (safe in the water) enabling them to enjoy aquatic activities and recreation.

For the adults there will be an exercise group from 5.45-6.15 pm. This helps those suffering from a wide range of disabilities and, in particular, arthritis.

To attend these groups it is necessary to be referred by a doctor. For further information and to enrol, ring Susan Hunt, Head Occupational Therapist on 528 6433, ext. 726.

## CHURCH HALL AVAILABLE

St. Stephen's Uniting Church, 158 Balacava Road, Caulfield, has vacancies for the use of the Church Hall. The main hall is suitable for gymnastics, karate and large meetings. There are two smaller halls and a meeting room to seat 50 people.

Facilities have been arranged for elderly folk (a drop-in centre is being run one day a week) and kindergarten equipment for pre-schoolers. There is also a well-equipped kitchen. For further information, contact Mrs. M. Franklin on 527 5538.

## VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are urgently required to assist with Caulfield Hospital's Progressive Program for elderly and rehabilitation patients.

Anyone who can chat, sew, shop, write letters, assist in meal times, enjoys craft work, or is interested in music, is invited to join the volunteer team.

If you are interested, please contact Karen Matheson on 528 6333, ext. 311.

## TWIN CLUB

The Moorabbin Branch of the Australian Multiple Birth Association is available to support multiple birth families throughout the southern suburbs of Melbourne.

The main aim of the group is to provide a means of communication for sharing information on the care and raising of multi-birth children. The group also offers social meetings and functions, a library of appropriate books, pram hire and education in raising more than one same-aged child.

Any parent, or expectant parent, of twins, triplets, etc. would be welcome to join. For further information, contact Gillian Dawson on 528 3214.

## DEADLINE

The deadline for the next issue of Caulfield Contact is Wednesday, March 14. Copy and photographs (black and white) should be submitted by that time. The paper will be published on Wednesday, March 28, 1984.

All materials should be submitted to Caulfield Contact, P.O. Box 42, South Caulfield 3162, or telephone 524 3258.

## SLIDE NIGHTS

Wanted! People interested in sharing their slides and movies of holidays etc. with a group of elderly people in the Special Accommodation Home, Winton Hall. The slide nights are being held as part of an activities program for the elderly at the home. So if you have some time and some slides to share, please contact Dianne Hutchins on 528 2623.

## RED CROSS CALLING

The Red Cross is looking for volunteers to help out for a couple of hours on March 17 and 18. If you can help on either day, please contact Mrs. A. Campbell on 568 0275.

## MURRUMBEENA HOUSE ACTIVITIES

Different groups are using the house at 105 Murrumbeena Road including an occasional child care co-operative on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9.30 am-12.30 pm, a women's group on Thursday from 1.30 pm and a single parents group on the first Saturday of the month from 2.00 pm.

Two demonstrations are organised for April, one on "Hot Cross Bun Making" from 2.00-3.00 pm on April 3 and one on "Getting the Most from your Microwave" on April 10 from 2.00-3.00 pm.

The cost for the afternoon is \$1 and bookings can be made on 568 4935.

The House belongs to the community and needs your ideas and support, so join in the activities, drop in for a cuppa or come to the next House meeting on Wednesday, March 21 at 8.00 pm. Information on all groups and meetings from Sue Wragg on 568 4935 or 570 4842 (A.H.).

Occasional Care: ring Maureen on 578 8639. Women's Group: ring 569 5447, 578 7178 or 568 5534. Single Parents Group: ring Bob on 568 6875.

## FRIENDSHIP DROP-IN CENTRE

The Elsternwick Baptist Church holds a friendship drop-in centre every Thursday from 1.30-3.30 pm. Free tea and biscuits. Contact Miss Dennis on 528 3665 for details.

## WOMEN'S ART

The Everywoman's Art Shop is looking into the possibility of organising an exhibition of women's art and craft. If you are good at organising, if you have ever baked a cake or painted a picture, or if you are just curious, give Eve a ring on 568 6738.

## BOOK GROUP

The Elsternwick Two Book Group is seeking additional members aged 25-45. The group meets at 8.00 pm on the third Monday of the month. \$17.50 per annum for hire of books, notes, etc. for discussion. Information from the Secretary on 528 3604.

## Chisholm Institute Activities

**C.I.T. COUSTIC** — Free pre-lunch time concerts from 12.30-1.30 pm on the second level, Phillip Law building, Chisholm Institute, 900 Dandenong Road, East Caulfield.

**MARCH 13** — Christopher Bogg (tenor), Robert Chamberlain (piano), playing Dowland, Schubert, Donizetti, Vaughan, and Williams.

**MARCH 20** — Brass quintette, baroque to contemporary.

**MARCH 27** — Susan Fawnby (actor/singer), Marianne Robinson (actor/singer), Jane Hammond (piano) playing theatre songs.

**C.I.T. SPEAKS** — Free lunch time talks from 12.30-1.30 pm on the second level of the Phillip Law Building of the Chisholm Institute.

**MARCH 8** — Talk to be given by Dr. J. Bapat on 'how to protect yourself from cancer'.

**MARCH 22** — Talk to be given by Professor Osmo Vowio, Head of Department of Communications, University of Helsinki on 'the information society and us humans'.

**C.I.T. MARKET** — Commencing on March 14 and every Wednesday thereafter, from 11.00 am-2.00 pm in the grounds of the Chisholm Institute of Technology (under cover if wet).

There will be stalls selling a range of items including groceries, vegetables and craft goods.



## Australian Air League

**Most people know of Scouts and Guides but the Australian Air League, although similar, is not as well known.**

The Air League Robey and Captain was established in W. Beale for those 1933 by a Mr. G. youths who "appar-

ently had no worth-while spare-time activities."

At this time aviation had captured the imagination of the world with flights by Ross, Keith Smith, Charles Kingsford-Smith, P. J. Taylor and many others, and aviation was thought to be an excellent theme for a new club.

The first Victorian Squadron was opened at Box Hill in 1939 and a girls section was added in 1944.

The aims of the league included developing the spirit of air-mindedness by giving instruction in the history and science of aviation; to provide scholarships for the advanced training of members and to develop the physical and mental standard of members.

The Air League is open to anyone over the age of nine and consists of three sections: Junior 9 to under 13 years, Cadet 13 to under 16 years and Senior 16 and over.

Adults can become instructors or Aus-

tralian Air League Officers.

The League has a uniform for members which is similar in design and colors to Air Force uniforms.

Members are taught a variety of subjects including navigation, astronomy, aero engines, signals, drill, drum and bugle band, air hostessing, knitting and sewing.

The Carnegie Squadron of the Air League

has its own band which practises Tuesdays from 7.30 pm in the Church of Christ Hall, Toolambool Rd., Carnegie.

Members are able to participate in camps, flying days, interstate trips, visits to aerodromes, inter-squadron activities such as swimming, athletics, drill and drum and bugle band competitions.

As in Guides and Scouts the members go for badges and awards.

Any young people interested in joining the band and the squadron would be most welcome



Below, a member of the Carnegie Squadron of the Australian Air League.

## Wanted — New Players for New Rooms

The Elsternwick Amateur Football Club recently had its first official use of the new Elsternwick Park Pavilion.

The new pavilion was completed last September at a cost of \$250,000 after 25 years of using a sub-standard pavilion. The E.A.F.C. have been using the park for 77 years.

The Club plans to spend \$6,000 on training lights but what it really wants is plenty of new players.

The Club's Secretary, Alan Ramsey, said they "must finish in the four this season" and is keen to see new members join up.

Anyone wishing to play open age Australian football with a friendly well-organised Club in good com-

petition, is welcome to come along to pre-season training on Wednesdays and Fridays at 5.30 pm (training will revert to Tuesday and Thursday after the Labour Day long weekend).

Training is held at the Elsternwick Park No. 2 oval, St. Kilda Street, Elwood. Further details can be obtained from Secretary, Alan Ramsey, on 541 2440 (B.H.) or 796 8434 (A.H.), or the coach, Gary Rosewarne on 578 1120 (A.H.).

## Football Players Wanted

St. Kevin's/Ormond Football Club is currently recruiting new

players for its under-17 side.

The Club competes in the Eastern Suburban Churches League and has been runner-up to the Premiership two years running.

Club coach, Jeff Falkiner is keen to see the team make this year its premiership year.

The Club has been going for four years and trains Monday and Wednesday evenings at 5.00 pm at Koorng Park, Carnegie.

Any boys under 17 interested in joining the Club can contact Jeff Falkiner on 567 0202 (B.H.) or 560 0738 (A.H.).

## Caulfield Squash Club Loses Top Administrator

The Caulfield Squash Club at 75 Hawthorn Road, has this week accepted the resignation of Bev Akers, one of its top administrators.

Bev has accepted a position as Office Manager with the agency she works for which happens to be in Perth. Bev will be sadly missed by members of the Club. She was a

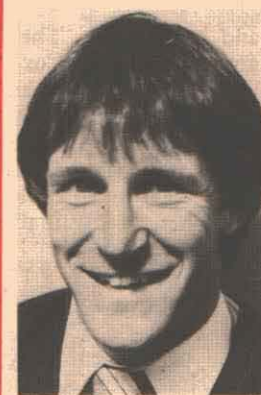
member of last season's premier B team and managed eight ladies teams in the current competition.

The Club wishes best of luck to Bev and takes solace from the fact that what is Caulfield's loss is Perth's gain.

to come along and see what the Air League's all about.

If you would like further information on the Air League or would like to attend a meeting of the squadron contact

Officer Commanding, Mr. A. Anderson on 211 6223 (AH); Squadron Adjutant Mr. B. Norton on 211 5037 (AH) or Officer Commanding Girls, Mrs. L. Smith on 221 1095.



## A LEISURELY LOOK

by Max Binnington

**Driving through the Black Spur yesterday, on my way to Marysville, has encouraged me to change the slant of this month's column.**

Those of you who have not driven through this area of the State are much the worse for not having done so. It is native bushland at its best. Tree ferns abound like you wouldn't believe.

The highest point is indicated by a sign at Dom Dom's Saddle which tells you that you are at 509 metres above sea level. Spectacular country! However, not more than 400 metres past this point I could not believe my eyes — staring me in the face was a pine plantation.

How incongruous to have this magnificent native scenery blotted by an introduced species. Perhaps we should all have a hand in the restoration of this natural bushland by encouraging reforestation with native plants when the pine plantations are felled.

We can also do our own little bit of reforestation by planting native trees and shrubs in our own gardens. If you don't have a garden of your own, talk to the groundsman at your local park about our urban forests. I am sure he will be only too happy to tell you the names of the plants and to talk to you more about our native vegetation. We have a lot of very knowledgeable horticulturalists on our Parks and Gardens staff.

Let's replant Australia today.

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**While on horticultural topics, a letter arrived recently from the Royal Horticultural Society introducing a joint venture with the Department of Youth Sport and Recreation.**

The Society is seeking people with experience in community work to act as Volunteer Field Officers. These people will work with the local community in introducing and educating in all aspects of home gardening from floral art to community gardens.

A new training programme for Field Workers will commence in May. It consists of eight Saturdays spread over 24 weeks and will be held in Melbourne and conducted by the Society and various State Departments.

Further information is available from Mrs. Wynne Alderton, phone 898 7646 or 898 7579.

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**My thanks to students of 8C at Caulfield High School for their reaction to my last article on cycling. Whilst they agree with much of its content, I didn't escape unscathed.**

However, they did make suggestions as to ways in which the problems may be tackled. I hope a few motorists give half as much thought to the problem as these students have.

(COUNCIL RECENTLY RECEIVED ITS SECOND GRANT FOR BICYCLE PATHS. IT'S A SLOW PROCESS 8C, BUT WE ARE WORKING ON IT.)

*Max Binnington*



# Contact diary



Contact Diary is compiled each month by Sonja Rosenberg who would be pleased to receive notice of your events by the 15th of each month.

Telephone 524 3259.

## Mini Prints

FEBRUARY-MARCH 12 — The Mini Prints exhibition finishes on March 12 at the Arts Centre, 441 Inkerman Road, North Caulfield. The Mini Prints is an exhibition of works by artists resident in Canada, England, Finland, Kenya, Japan, Philippines, Sweden, West Germany, United States of America, all Australian States and the Australian Capital Territory and is held in conjunction with the Print Council of Australia and the City of Caulfield Arts Centre.

## Camera Club

MARCH 1 — The Hughesdale Camera Club will meet in the community hall, cnr. Poath and Kangaroo Roads at 8.00 pm. Evening feature "Sierra Walk" by Frank Ryan. New members and visitors are welcome. For further details, telephone 568 0414.

## Seventieth Birthday

MARCH 2 — Don't forget the Glenhantly Primary School's 70th Birthday. If you were once a student, teacher or friend of the Grange Road School, then you are invited to join the pupils of today in their

celebrations. Enquiries to 211 2931.

## Theatre

MARCH 2-10 — The Elwood Theatre Company's first production for 1984 is "100 Years in a Triple Bill" — three one-act plays by Colin Pratt and Jan Wishart. They are "Box and Cox" written in 1847 by John Madderson Morton; "How He Lied to Her Husband" by G.B. Shaw 1904 and "Hello Out There" by William Saroyan, 1950s.

Performances at 8.15 pm on March 2, 3, 8, 9 and 10 at St. Columba's, cnr. Glenhantly and Normanby Roads, Elwood. Tickets \$5, except on Gala Night, March 10, which costs \$8, sherry at 7.45 pm and supper after the show. Pensioner and student night, March 8 for \$3. Party concessions. Bookings to ticket secretary on 578 1386.

## First Aid Classes

MARCH 5 — First Aid Classes conducted by the St. John Ambulance Brigade commence on Monday at 7.15 pm in the St. John Ambulance Hall, Birch Street, South Caulfield. Enquiries to Sr. Vianney on 523 9181 or Mr. Reynolds on 528 5367.

## Musical Society

MARCH 5 — The St. Anthony's Musical Society begins rehearsals for Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Gondoliers" at 8.00 pm in St. Anthony's Parish Centre, Neerim Road, Glenhantly. Singers welcome. Enquiries to Father Paul Gurry on 211 2077 (rehearsals will be held every Monday evening at 8.00 pm in the Parish Centre).

## Probus Club

MARCH 6 — The Probus Club of Caul-

field's next meeting will take the form of a visit to the Melbourne Fire Museum at 48 Gisborne Street, East Melbourne. Members meet in the City Hall carpark at 10.00 am where car loads will be made up to commence a tour at 10.30 am.

Probus is a Club for retired or semi-retired professionals and businessmen who would enjoy the company of their like at a once-a-month meeting. Details from John Fogarty, President, on 528 4336 or Jim Fox, Secretary, on 551 2689.

## First Aid Classes

MARCH 6 — First Aid Classes for children are conducted by the St. John Ambulance Brigade at 7.15 pm on Tuesdays in the St. John Ambulance Hall, Birch Street, South Caulfield. The classes are ongoing. Enquiries to Sr. Vianney on 523 9181 or Mr. Reynolds on 528 5367.

## Spinning Group

MARCH 7 — A small group of spinners meet at 10.30 am at a private home in Caulfield on the first Wednesday of every month to spin and share ideas. New members always welcome. Bring a spinning wheel and lunch (the group is not qualified to teach beginners). Contact Jean on 523 6916 for further details.

## Retirement

MARCH 8 — The Caulfield Branch of the Early Planning for Retirement Association meets at 7.30 pm at the Caulfield R.S.L., Hawthorn Road. Detective Leigh-Ann Aldridge of the Crime Prevention Bureau will lecture on home security. As this subject will be of benefit to members of

the public, a cordial welcome is extended. Enquiries to 568 7871.

## Card Afternoon

MARCH 9 — The Glenhantly Auxiliary of the Mission of St. James and St. John is holding a card afternoon from 12 noon in the Committee Room of the Caulfield City Hall. Afternoon tea included. All welcome.

## Rosary Crusade

MARCH 11 — The 67th Rosary Crusade will be held at St. Augustine's, Bourke Street, Melbourne, on Sunday from 2.30-3.45 pm. All enquiries to Eddie McGrath on 596 4820 or 596 4289.

## Walking Group

MARCH 13 — The Caulfield Branch of the Early Planning for Retirement Association walking group will meet at 10.00 am at H gate (Alexander Avenue) for a guided tour of the Botanical Gardens. Visitors welcome. For further information, phone Nancy Needham on 569 5467.

## Card Afternoon

MARCH 13 — The Caulfield Hospital Senior Auxiliary holds a card afternoon on the second Tuesday of every month in the Recreation Hall of the hospital, Kooyong Road from 12.30 pm. Solo and red aces played. Lucky prizes, raffle and afternoon tea. \$1.30 donation. Enquiries to Beryl Roley, M.B.E. on 527 5216 or Micky King on 531 5859.

## Art Group

MARCH 14 — The Hughesdale Art Group is holding a practical sketching night at 7.30 pm in the Hughesdale Community Centre, cnr. Poath and Kangaroo Roads, Hughesdale.

## Photography

MARCH 19 — The Caulfield Branch of the Early Planning for Retirement Association photography group meets at Jack Campbell's, 1 St. Georges Road, Elsternwick, at 7.45 p.m. Bring along 20 slides or prints of boats and ships (from canoes to ocean liners). Telephone 523 9288 for further details.

## Combined Pensioners

MARCH 20 — The Caulfield Branch of the Combined Pensioners Association meets at 1.30 pm in the Auxiliary Room of the Caulfield City Hall. Afternoon tea. All welcome.

## Bird Club

MARCH 21 — The Batman Budgerigar Club meets on the third Wednesday of every month at the St. John Hall, Birch Street, South Caulfield. Annual subscription \$5, Council registration \$6, rings \$15 per 100 or \$3 for 20. Visitors and new members always welcome. Enquiries to Mr. Tucker on 578 5532.

## Open Day

MARCH 22 — The Community Care Centre at the Royal Southern Memorial Hospital, 240 Kooyong Road, is holding an open day with displays, lectures and demonstrations from 9.30 am-7.00 pm. Official opening at 10.00 am and Devonshire teas will be available. Further details from Mrs. Sandra Gibson, Liaison Officer, telephone 528 6433, ext. 726.

## Care of the Elderly at Home

MARCH 24 — A one-day course from "Care of the Elderly at Home" by the Royal

Southern Memorial Hospital to discuss medical and mental aspects of ageing, safety and aids to daily living, importance of foot care, nursing in the home and resources and mobility of the elderly. Discussion groups. Held in the Recreation Hall, Caulfield Hospital, 294 Kooyong Road and bookings and further details from Mary Hirsh on 528 6433, ext. 726. (Registration closes March 16.)

## Music Lovers Society

MARCH 24 — An exciting year is planned, become a subscriber and share it with the group. Annual subscription \$15. Recital no. 250 at 8.00 pm in St. Georges Church Hall, 296 Glenferrie Road, Malvern. Program: Marian Brentnall (mezzo soprano) accompanied by Jean Vidulich (also an instrumentalist). Supper included. Non-member \$4, student/pensioners \$3 and child \$1. All enquiries to 598 3520.

## Swap Card Fair

MARCH 24 — The Australian Playing Card Collectors Society is holding their first Swap Card fair at St. Mary's Anglican Church Hall, cnr. Hood Cres. and Glen Eira Rd, Caulfield from 1.00-5.00 pm. Displays of 1000's of swap cards. Afternoon tea. Further information from Jill Sommers on 528 1484 or Theresa Cushen on 555 2701. Donation 50c.

## Collectables

MARCH 25 — A display of collectables will be held in the Holy Nativity Church Hall, cnr. Poath Road and Blyth Street, Hughesdale, from 10.00

am-5.00 pm. Donation, adults \$1, children 50c. Proceeds towards Church renovation fund. Tea and biscuits available, morning and afternoon.

Collections of dolls, thimbles, ceramics, china painting, tea spoons, tea towels, gem stones, etc. Any enquiries to Secretary of the Ladies Guild, Mrs. Jarrant on 569 9295.

## Rheumatism

The Caulfield Self Help Group of the Rheumatism and Arthritis Association meets at 10.30 am at 259 Kooyong Road, Elsternwick. Visitors welcome, enquiries to 527 2185.

## Gas Association

MARCH 27 — The Caulfield Women's Gas Association meets in the Auxiliary Room of the City Offices at 1.30 pm. It will be a craft afternoon, members bring a wire coat hanger and a ball of wool. Visitors welcome. 50c subscription and afternoon tea 20c. Enquiries to Mrs. Murdoch on 557 2254.

## Travel

MARCH 28 — The Caulfield Branch of the Early Planning for Retirement Association travel group meets at Caulfield Grammar Music Room, Glen Eira Road at 7.45 pm. Mrs. Maddocks will present a slide show of "Trans Siberian Railway and Russia". Visitors welcome. Telephone 568 7732.

## Art Group

MARCH 28 — The Hughesdale Art Group is holding a demonstration of portrait painting at 7.45 pm by Mr. Stan Ballard, a well-known artist, in the Hughesdale Community Centre, cnr. Poath and Kangaroo Roads, Hughesdale. All welcome.

# Senior Citizens Week

Victoria's second Senior Citizens Week begins on March 18 and the Special Projects Unit of the State Government has plenty of interesting activities planned.

Listed below is the 1984 program from March 18-24 including some local activities for Caulfield residents.

## Music, Song and Dance

MARCH 18 — Sounds of the '30s and '40s; an afternoon of music, song and dance at the Melbourne Town Hall commencing at 2.30 pm. Tickets available from Bass outlets at 40c each. Premier John Cain will attend and officially open Senior Citizens Week.

## Church Service

MARCH 18 — Ecumenical Service from St James Old Cathedral, West Melbourne will be recorded on Channel 2 at 11.00 am. Please be seated at 9.45 if you wish to attend. Features Suzanne Steele, the Welsh Male Singers and the Clayton Choral Singers.

## Lollipop Picnic

MARCH 19 — The

Brick Securities Lollipop Picnic will be held at the Kew Traffic School, Cotham Rd, Kew from 11.30-2.00 pm. A special luncheon for school crossing supervisors.

## Picnic in the Park

MARCH 10 — A Picnic in Caulfield Park (near the lake) featuring the Caulfield City Choir. BYO lunch, drinks and something to sit on. Enquiries to Carolyn Clark on 524 3333.

## Family Dance

MARCH 20 — ANZ/3AK Family Dance from 12.30 pm

to 4.00 pm at the Melbourne Town Hall. 3AK will look after the ticket distribution so stay tuned for details.

## Basket Picnic

MARCH 21 — Pensioner Basket Picnic in the Fitzroy Gardens starting at 12 noon. All-star nostalgic show. Bring your lunch and a chair along.

## Concert

MARCH 22 — The show you've all been talking about, "Love, Comedy, Life and Laughter" featuring Johnny Ladd and an all-star cast. At the Melbourne Concert Hall. 10.30 am or 2.30 pm. Book early.

## Zoo Day

MARCH 23 — Family Day at the Zoo. Free admission for all senior citizens.

## Awards Dinner

MARCH 23 — V.C.O.T.A. Senior Citizens Week Awards Dinner at the Hilton Hotel, Wellington Parade, East Melbourne with guest speaker Dr. Alex Kenworthy. \$10 per head (pensioners). Others welcome for \$30 a head. Bookings to 347 9199.

## Devonshire Tea

MARCH 24 — Winston Hall, the special accommodation home

at 508 Glenhantly Rd, is holding Devonshire teas and an historical display for any interested senior citizen. You are welcome to attend between 2-5 pm on the front lawns of the home.

## Tivoli Forever

MARCH 25 — At the Myer Music Bowl, commences at 2.30 pm. Features Jenny Howard, the legend of variety, plus an all-star line-up of entertainers. Premier John Cain will attend. Bring a chair or rug.

There are lots of other activities on during Senior Citizens Week such as free films at the State Film Centre each day at 10 am and 1.30 pm (1

Macarthur St, behind 1 Treasury Place).

National Trust properties will open for free from Monday to Friday for all senior citizens as is the National Gallery (except Monday).

Hoyts, Village and Greater Union cinemas will again allow all senior citizens free admittance to their cinemas from Monday to Friday.

Many race meetings will have free admission to senior citizens. Check with your local race course on details.

Just for definition, a Senior Citizen is a person retired from the work force who is 55 years or over.