

CAULFIELD CONTACT

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residents of the City.



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1000th disabled permit recipient



JOHN Whimfield, 71 was the 1000th recipient of the new Disabled Parking Permits which were first introduced last year. John has lived in Caulfield since 1942. Pictured with John is Council's traffic administration officer, Robyn McGrath.

Rate rise at an all time low

CAULFIELD Council will have a 1.6% increase in rate revenue, with no increase in the garbage charge for 1992/93.

In handing down the budget, Caulfield Mayor, Cr Ed Biggs, said "In recessionary times, Council has made every effort to keep expenditures down and minimise the impact of rates on the community. For the second year running, no new loans will be raised and the repayment of high interest loans of \$2.4m in 1991/92 has substantially reduced debt-servicing costs."

"Through prudent financial management, Council will maintain its broad range of services and provide a number of new initiatives for the community. Foremost of these is in the area of women's sport, with construction of an eight court netball complex at Duncan MacKinnon Park at a cost of \$400,000."

Youth employment will receive a boost of \$100,000 for projects yet to be determined.

In response to resident requests, a garden waste collection will be introduced at an estimated cost of \$75,000.

"The Federal Government's

Local Capital Works Program will bring additional funds of \$1.486m to Caulfield which will enable Council to fund a number of major projects ahead of schedule," said Cr Biggs.

With Government approval and Council's contribution of \$604,000 the following projects will be undertaken:

- Relocate Maple St Library to City Hall - \$960,000
- Extend meals-on-wheels facilities - \$150,000
- Safety works in local playgrounds - \$220,000
- Enhancement of local shopping centres - \$200,000
- Gardenvale Park completion - \$160,000
- Netball Centre - \$400,000

While Council has only increased its rate revenue by 1.6%, the relativity between rates paid on various properties will change due to the new valuation and phasing out of the minimum rates.

● **Property revaluation**
COUNCIL is required to revalue all rateable properties in the municipality on a four yearly basis. Such a revaluation was

completed and will be used for the first time in the 1992/93 rating year. The level of values is determined as at July 1, 1990.

The result of the revaluations will increase the portion of total rates paid by residential properties. The major beneficiary will be commercial/industrial properties, with a relatively minor benefit to multiple occupancy properties.

Single residential property valuations will, in 1992/93 provide 59.25% of Council's rating base, compared to 57.37% last year. This indicates that the rates on residential properties will rise by an average of 3.24% over

and above the general increase of 1.6%

Commercial/industrial property valuations will decline from 16.45% to 14.23% of the total. This is an average rate reduction of 13.44% and after allowing for the general increase of 1.6% will mean that the average rate fall will be 11.84%. Multiple occupancy residential property rates will, on average increase by a marginal percentage.

● Rating Options

Over the past six months, Council has reviewed the various rating options available under the new Local Government Act and following public consultation, has arrived at the solution most equitable to the majority of the ratepayers.

Decisions reached involved:

- Phasing out the current Minimum Rate over a four year period,
- No Municipal Charge adopted,
- No differential rating being adopted, and;
- Council continuing to rate on

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the same Nett Annual Valuation system as in previous years.

The garbage charge will remain at its present level as there has not been a variation in the cost of providing the service.

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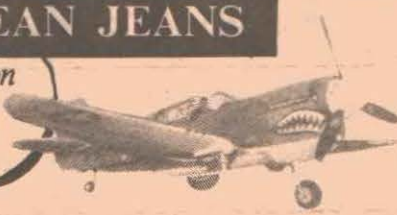
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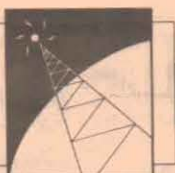
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COUNCIL MEETINGS

MEETING DATES FOR 1992

CAULFIELD Council has changed the name of some of its committees.

Executive Services is now known as Town Planning and Finance Strategy is simply Finance Committee.

The newly elected chairmen for these committees are as follows:

Town Planning - Cr Alan Grossbard	Finance Committee - Cr James Barrett
Policy & Environment - Cr Veronika Martens	

Oct 14	8pm	Policy & Environment
Oct 20	6pm	Finance
	8pm	Council
Nov 4	8pm	Town Planning
Nov 10	8pm	Policy & Environment
Nov 17	6pm	Finance
	8pm	Council
Dec 1	8pm	Town Planning
Dec 8	8pm	Policy & Environment
Dec 15	6pm	Finance
	8pm	Council

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Caulfield 3162
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Cr David Michelson
P O Box 4
Elsternwick 3185
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500 9111 (B)

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(Mayor)
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Cr Robert Kirby
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Caulfield South 3162
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Cr Noel Erlich
4 Pretoria St
Caulfield 3162
Tel: 523 7365

New residential parking scheme

CAULFIELD Council, has, for many years, provided residential parking permits to residents without onsite parking, enabling them to park outside their properties without infringing time restrictions imposed in their street.

Up until recently, a maximum of two permits were issued per household.

At Council's August policy and environment committee meeting, a new residential parking scheme was introduced. The new scheme is as follows:

- Permits shall only be issued to residents who have parking restrictions outside their residence;
- A maximum of two residential permits and one visitors permit will be issued free to every household. Further permits will be available at a fee fixed by Council;
- In the case where an applicant is the resident of a premises situated in a recognised commercial area and restrictions apply, any permit issued will apply to the nearest adjacent street only;
- No permit will be issued for major streets in commercial areas within the municipality;
- Proof of occupancy of a dwelling can be obtained from the Commonwealth or State Electoral Roll. If this is not possible, a copy of a contract of purchase, a lease or account should be submitted for sighting;
- Permits will be issued each calendar year. Permits must be renewed by applying to the superintendent traffic and local law, during January each year;
- Every permit and every renewal of a permit must be applied for in writing on the application form available from Council's Traffic counter;
- The loss of a permit must be reported to the superintendent traffic and local law;
- The transfer must be firmly affixed to the windscreen above or beside the registration sticker in such a manner that it is clearly visible;
- A residential permit issued to a specific vehicle may not be transferred to another vehicle or used by any person not named on the application form;
- If a person moves from a dwelling, the permit must be returned to the Superintendent traffic and local law;
- The issue of a permit does not guarantee the availability of parking space to the holder;
- The issue of a permit allows the respective vehicle to be left standing for unlimited periods in the street named. It does not allow any vehicle to stand in prohibited areas;
- Council reserves the right to withdraw permits at any time.

Engineering update

Footpath reconstruction

IN association with Council's ongoing program of footpath repair and replacement, the asphalt footpath section of the east side of Murrumbeena Rd, between Sydney St and Neerim Rd has been replaced with concrete.

This project involved removing the old asphalt footpath, placing concrete paving, property drainage upgrade and associated civil works.

The contract was awarded to Alpha Concreting at a total cost of \$9,556.

The purpose of carrying out this project was to overcome the general deterioration of the asphalt pavement and also to upgrade the pavement to Council's current standards.

Caulfield's parks on computer

With the ever increasing demand on recreational facilities and the subsequent improvements, alterations and installation of underground services within Council's parks and gardens, the need for accurate plans of each locality has evolved. Council's engineering department has therefore decided to produce park plans within its computer system. This will involve surveying the parks using electronic survey equipment and inputting this data into the computer which will produce accurate base plans for each park.

Plans are currently being produced for Duncan MacKinnon, East Caulfield and Glen Huntly parks with other parks to be completed as funds and time permits.

The plans will enable accurate recording of services such as underground cables or sprinkler lines, but more importantly, will provide drawings that can be used to plan for new buildings, landscaping, sporting or passive recreational areas. Efficiencies in information storage and plan production will also occur with presentation plans being able to be produced to almost any scale.

Carnegie Resource Centre - refurbishment

The Carnegie Resource Cen-

tre (Library) will soon move from 130 Koornang Rd to a significantly larger venue at 104 Koornang Rd, the old S E Dickens Supermarket site.

The refurbishment of 104 Koornang Rd has commenced and will provide the much needed extra space for both the public and staff who are presently experiencing very cramped conditions.

Together with a new shop front and entrance, the works will consist of new ground floor toilets and suspended ceilings will be fitted to reduce the ceiling height so that the air conditioning system at the existing library can be recycled into the new site. This will also provide a more efficient lighting design to be incorporated around the proposed shelving layout. The refurbishment will also include new carpet upstairs and downstairs and a new circulation desk will be positioned to provide easy movement for borrowers and other users.

The building works are expected to take approximately five weeks upon which arrangements will be made to carry out the unenviable task of moving the books.

Engineering plans to be microfilmed

In an older and well developed municipality such as Caulfield, there is a large infrastructure that has been built up over the years.

This has led to the creation and necessity for storage of large numbers of plans which record Council's roads, drains, buildings, parks and other physical assets.

These plans have to be economically stored to provide ready access to the information on them when required.

As a consequence, approximately 10 years ago, these records were transferred to microfilm which can now be readily viewed and copies produced when necessary.

As new plans are produced there is an ongoing need for these to be also microfilmed and the original stored. This process is carried out every two to three years. Recently some 1000 plans were microfilmed and will be added to this library of records.



CITY HALL PHONE NUMBERS

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Rates office	524 3215
Human Services	524 3228
Traffic & By Laws	524 3216
Engineering	524 3240
Town Planning	524 3374
Traffic Engineering	524 3324
Building	524 3201

Caulfield Community Bus Service needs volunteers to drive and/or assist passengers.

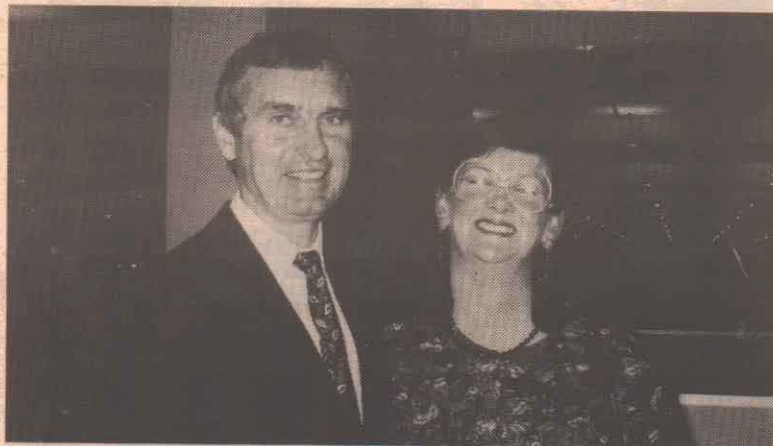


A small amount of your time enables many older, isolated people to enjoy an outing or shopping trip.

If you can help, please contact Kim Fisher, Mondays or Wednesdays, on 524 3314.



A night of 'grandness'



Above: Caulfield Mayor, Cr Ed Biggs and wife Jo.
Below: Enjoying one of the night's guest entertainers are (l - r): Louise Browne, Cr Tony Browne, Cr David Michelson and fiancée, Elana Shoueka.



APPROXIMATELY 2000 guests attended the gala opening of the Rupert Clarke Grandstand and the 1992 Spring Racing Carnival at Caulfield Racecourse on October 1.

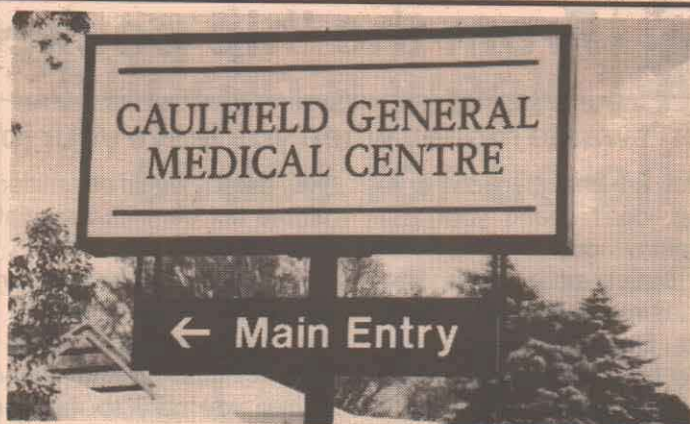
It has been many years since Melbourne witnessed such an evening.

The celebrations commenced at 6.30pm with guests entering the prestigious grandstand. They followed a predetermined path, touring the magnificent new facilities and several Spring Racing Carnival displays.

After initial drinks and savouries, guests were treated to the splendour of the Victorian State Opera, amidst a spectacular lighting display which could be seen through the largest glass wall in the Southern Hemisphere.

The VSO performed 'Ascot Gavotte' from 'My Fair Lady' and a series of songs and scenes relating to horse racing.

The Hon. Neil Trezise officially opened the grandstand and the then State Premier Joan Kirner declared the Spring Racing Carnival open.



Funding cuts to Caulfield General Medical Centre

CAULFIELD Mayor, Cr Ed Biggs and the chief executive officer, Doug Aylen recently met with the general manager of the Caulfield General Medical Centre, Jim Fulton and Local MP, Ted Tanner to pursue better funding arrangements for the hospital.

While cuts were previously reported as \$3.2m this year with a further \$3.2m the following year, this figure has been revised to \$1.9m for each of those years.

Cr Biggs said that although the reductions were not as high as originally advised, such changes in funding would still have dramatic consequences for the hospital, and in particular, nursing home beds.

"I asked Ted Tanner to assist the community in keeping facilities at the CGMC open, and he has undertaken to take up the various funding issues with the Government," said Cr

Biggs.

Mr Tanner advised Cr Biggs that when in Government, the Coalition would be able to review all capital projects in the health area and can reevaluate operational funding figures proposed by the Health Department. However, he confirmed that the Coalition Government would support the same method of funding for nursing home beds and these funds have to be managed to achieve the best possible results. Mr Tanner told Cr Biggs that he is keen to ensure that resources in Caulfield are the best possible. He also confirmed his support for triennial funding for hospitals.

"Whatever the Government, Caulfield Council is committed to support the Caulfield General Medical Centre," Cr Biggs said; "and I will continue to seek better funding arrangements."

Councillor's corner

CR Nicholas Gold is senior industrial officer for the Finance Sector Union, a position which is relatively new to him.

In 1990 Cr Nicholas Gold, then 29, was elected to represent Caulfield's north ward and at this time, was one of the youngest councillors to serve the City.

Cr Nicholas Gold's decision to run for Council was merely his desire to see residents playing a more active part in decisions made by Council.

"I strongly believe that residents should have an interest and become involved in the development of the City," said Cr Nicholas Gold. "Increased community input guarantees a Council representative of the needs and aspirations of its constituents," he added.

"There are always challenges that Councils must address to see the City providing optimal service to its community. We clearly need more open space, and I am keen to see Council actively generating increased pride and spirit in Caulfield, through such activities as the Caulfield Festival," he said.

In his spare time, Cr Nicholas Gold enjoys playing tennis and he has a great interest in music and the arts.

Cr Robert Kirby, 37 lives with his wife and two daughters in Elsternwick.

He is general manager of Telecom's Accounting Services Unit, a position he has held since

This is the first article in our series, *Councillor's corner*. Over the next issues of we will profile Caulfield's twelve councillors.



Above: Cr Nicholas Gold.

December 1989. Prior to this, he was responsible for the development of financial systems within Telecom. Also, Cr Kirby is a director of the EDI (Electronic Data Interchange) Council of Australia and has an active interest in the implementation of EDI into Telecom's business processes.

Officially endorsed by the Caulfield Resident's Association, Cr Kirby was elected to represent the west ward in 1990.

His background of business management and qualification as an accountant has played a significant role in improving efficiency within Council.

"I am particularly interested in the financial performance of the Council to ensure that efficiency



Above: Cr Robert Kirby.

is maintained within the organisation; I am a firm believer that Council be financially accountable to its ratepayers," said Cr Robert Kirby.

Aside from his interest in business management and accounting practises, Cr Robert Kirby is a strong believer that open consultation with residents on all major developments and issues is essential.

"I believe that all residents have a right to their say in the conduct of their community," he added.

Apart from spending time with his family, Cr Robert Kirby's spare time is taken up with interests in home renovation, gardening, golf and community issues.



The article deadline for the November 16 issue, is October 19

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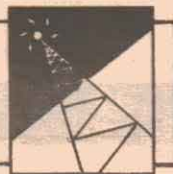
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Have you recently moved to Caulfield?

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From the 'hip pocket'

Don't waste money when you leave your job.

IF you are changing jobs or retiring, don't spend your ETP payout without fully considering the option of investing that money into an approved rollover fund. Otherwise you could virtually be throwing your money out the window.

ETP (Eligible Termination Payment) is simply money you receive when you retire or change jobs. ETP's include superannuation benefits, invalidity payments, "golden handshakes", unused sick leave and some other termination payments.

"Rollover" is the commonly used term for a particular range of government approved investments that provide tax concessions on invested ETP's. The main forms of rollover funds are Deferred Annuities (DA's) and Approved Deposit Funds (ADF's).

Whether you plan to retire now or in 20 years' time, you could miss out on special tax concessions and actually be penalised by the taxation office if you spend your ETP or invest it in assets rather than a rollover fund.

For instance, if you left your job and were entitled to an ETP of \$10,000 - depending on your age, your marginal tax rate, the nature of your ETP and when you commenced contributing to superannuation - you could lose up to \$3,125 of that money in tax if you decide to spend or invest it in other than a rollover fund.

However, if you rolled over your ETP into an approved rollover fund, that payment may not be taxed at all (depending on the nature of the ETP) and

your money would be entitled to all the tax benefits associated with rollovers.

These days there is a wide range of rollover products on the market, allowing you to invest in virtually any investment sector you care to name (ie: capital guaranteed equities and property etc.).

For instance, banks offer rollover bonds and approved deposit funds with a variety of portfolios to choose from. You can construct the portfolio that best suits the current investment climate and your attitude to risk.

Although it is simple to rollover your money into an ADF or DA it is not wise to rush into the first thing that appears attractive, especially if you are retiring. You should consult a professional financial planning consultant before making any firm decisions.

Remember, rolling over an ETP is straight forward. It is simply just investing your money, earned through years of effort, in the most tax effective way possible. After all, would you rather pay a little or a lot of tax?

If like most people, you prefer the former, then the decision can be easy, invest in a rollover fund for as long as you can.

NOTE: All information in this article is provided by National Australia Financial Management Ltd. If you require further information, or would like to discuss your financial needs, under no obligation, you may contact Ben Zazryn, financial planning consultant, NAFM, on 528 3622.

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It's time to enrol for 1993



Above: Imogen Armstrong-Orr, 3.

THE City of Caulfield has now opened the 1993 waiting list for child care at its five children's centres and applications will be received until Monday, November 16, 1992.

The children's centres provide quality day care for children aged five years and under and are open 50 weeks a year, from 7.30am to 6pm. Full-time (five days per week), or part-time (one to four days per week) care is available.

Nominate now for community awards

IN 1989, the City of Caulfield established the Caulfield Community Services Recognition Scheme.

This scheme gives Council an opportunity to publicly acknowledge the City's many dedicated volunteers.

At a special ceremony each year, people who have given many hours of their valuable time and effort to our community are presented with a certificate and a badge by the Mayor in recognition of their valuable contribution to the life of the City. A similar ceremony is planned for June 1993. Accordingly, Council is seeking participation from community groups and organisations who might wish to nominate members for the awards.

Any group or organisation wishing to nominate, should contact Val Corby, human services, City Hall, 524 3228.

Programs for children in the centres encourage them to extend their knowledge and skills through learning experiences that promote growth and development.

Staff with early childhood qualifications plan these developmentally appropriate activities for both indoors and outdoors, while attending to the individual needs of each child.

Staff are mindful of the cultural backgrounds of families and readily engage in discussion regarding such issues with the aim of understanding and supporting Caulfield's culturally diverse community.

Caulfield Council is committed to the inclusion of children with disabilities and has, as a children's services team member, the developmental child care officer. Her role is to support children, families and staff, through resources, equipment,

extra staffing, referral and training.

The five children's centres are located throughout the municipality at:

● **CAULFIELD** - City Hall Complex, 35 children, 2-5 years.

● **ORMOND** - 2 Oakleigh Rd, 25 children, 9 months - 5 years.

● **CARNEGIE** - 15-17 Truganini Rd, 35 children, 6 months - 5 years.

● **MURRUMBEENA** - 23 Oakdene Cres, 24 children, 9 months - 5 years.

● **ELSTERNWICK** - 269 Kooyong Rd, 35 children, 6 months - 5 years.

A fee subsidy is available to families on moderate incomes. To achieve this subsidy, the family income must be assessed by the Department of Social Security.

Parents who live, work or study within the City of Caulfield will be given first priority and successful applicants will be notified in early December.

Child care waiting list forms can be obtained by contact Cathy Harney, Caulfield City Hall, on 524 3228.

The City of Caulfield also sponsors a family day care scheme which offers home based, family orientated child care.

Children are cared for in groups of up to four pre-schoolers in caregiver's homes and learn through everyday experiences, such as shopping, visiting and family routine.

Family day care staff visit caregivers and offer support and resources. Regular playgroups are organised for caregivers with children.

Both full-time and part-time care can be arranged and fees are set on an hourly basis. Fee relief subsidy is also available for family day care users.

If you are interested in family day care, please call Pam Arrott, or Bernadette Allan, on 524 3251 to make an appointment to fill out application forms.

Are you planning to retire?

THE Early Planning for Retirement Group Caulfield Inc. is an active group of people who believe that retirement is a beginning not an ending. Their enthusiasm brings them together to follow their interests such as photography, walking, dining out, travel, films, golf, reading and cards. Each of these activities is arranged by a convenor, so each week there is something interesting to attend.

At the monthly meeting, called "Interest Meeting", members discuss activities and a guest speaker is invited to enlighten and inform members on popu-

lar topics. Also, this year members joined the Malvern group and enjoyed an interesting coach and ferry trip to Kangaroo Island.

Some activities are listed each month in *Contact Diary* and visitors are invited to attend these events.

For further information, contact Group Secretary, Rosemary, on 568 6224, or President, Harry, on 578 2978.

New members and new ideas are always welcome.

This could be the answer to your "What am I going to do now?" feeling!



Integration program brings joy



Above: Caulfield's developmental child care officer, Margo Anderson with Jacqui Shafar, 3.

A TENET of the City of Caulfield's five children's centres and family day care scheme is that each child is unique and staff are committed to developing the individual potential of each child. Therefore, no discrimination against gender, race, religion, culture, language, ability or national origin is exercised.

To assist the Caulfield children's services staff implement this philosophy, an integration program, funded by the Department of Health, Housing and Community Services has been operating for a number of years.

Developmental child care officer, Margo Anderson works to ensure that children with disabilities who use Council's children's services, and staff who work with them, have opportunities to fulfill this philosophy.

During the past five years, Margo has been involved with the successful integration of a number of children with varying degrees and types of disability. Caregiving staff have developed many skills enabling them to write daily programs and offer play opportunities that allow all children to play cohesively.

The integration program provides hands-on assistance, resources, equipment, in-services and support to staff.

"I see a major function of my work to be with the families of children with disabilities in being able to offer them support, referrals and reassurances," said Margo.

"Each placement is seen as a cooperative relationship between the family, children's services staff and the developmental child care officer, and program planning meetings are held on a regular basis to draw on the expertise held by all parties involved. Guidance relating to the child's specific development is sought from paramedi-

cal and allied professionals associated with the child. This information is used to ensure that the Council's children's service is relevant to children with additional needs," she said.

According to Margo, the word "disability" often conjours up unrealistic images and a level of anxiety can exist about the word. The reality is often very, very different.

"When I look back on the children we have had the pleasure to care for in our services, I see children of courage, humor, good-will, determination, mischief and always children who want and need to play with other children. Including children with disabilities benefits our community as a whole, the children themselves, their parents, their siblings, their wider family, other children using child care and the child care profession," she added.

The degree of disability varies from child to child, as do the needs identified by the parents. Disability may be profound and require much attendant care assistance (feeding, moving etc) through to transient care needs (minor language delay or mobility dysfunction). Wherever a child is placed on this continuum, they are seen as a child first.

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THREE year old Jacqui Shafar who has Down's Syndrome attends the Caulfield children's centre as part of the integration program, two days a week.

Jacqui's mother, Susan, is thrilled with the service offered by the Centre.

"Jacqui has been attending the Centre for a year and a half and I can't believe how much progress she has made.

"Being a mother, you are choosy about who you leave your children with, but having a child with a disability is even

harder. I have found the staff at Caulfield to be very competent, caring and particularly supportive to Jacqui and to my family," said Mrs Shafar.

"I am delighted that Jacqui has the opportunity to lead a normal childhood; playing, painting, drawing, dressing up, reading, and singing like all the other kids do."

"I commend Caulfield Council on the fantastic child care service it offers," she added.

"Jacqui is my second child to attend the Centre and my third child is enrolled next year."

Crime never takes a holiday

NEIGHBOURHOOD Watch offers local communities a means of actively participating in the prevention and detection of crime in joint partnership with the Victoria Police.

Caulfield is part of the Neighbourhood Watch 'C' district which is broken up into 34 areas. Area coordinator for C71, Nola Baker has been actively involved in Neighbourhood Watch since it was first introduced to Caulfield in 1986.

"Neighbourhood Watch is a very worthwhile group," Nola commented. "I suppose it's getting back to the old fashioned way of meeting your neighbours and making people aware of what's going on around them," she added.

In her position as area coordinator, Nola holds a monthly meeting in her home and makes sure that monthly

Children's week 1992 - space for us all

AS part of Children's Week, the Caulfield Children and Family Services Network and the City of Caulfield have once again organised an activity day on Sunday, October 25, from 1-5pm at Princes Park, Caulfield South.

Many groups who provide services to children will host a variety of different activities. Some will be linked to the theme by way of exploring outer space, space for individual pursuits, safe space or space for community harmony. Children up to the age of 12 years can experience a wide range of things to do and see.

Shenanigans will hold two participatory concerts in the Caulfield Recreation Centre gym. The first will be at 2pm for primary school age children and the second at 3.30pm for preschoolers.

Both concerts are free, however admittance will be by ticket in order to avoid overcrowding. Tickets will be available from the information desk from 1pm on the day. Be early to avoid disappointment.

Other highlights on the day include:

● Trampolining

● Mural painting outside the Library with library staff

● Open Day at Caulfield South Kindergarten, Birch St

● Making headbands, space mobiles and playing with silver playdough, organised by various playgroups

● Building a rocket with Caulfield Primary After School Program

● Helping to make a collage with the Caulfield Toy Library

● Building and designing cubbies with staff from Council's children's services

● Join the Bicycle Users Group at Birch St for Penny Farthing rides, bike safety, maintenance and skill testing as well as competitions

● VicKick and football personalities at 1.30pm

● Basketball clinic

● Games at the Recreation Centre

Tea, coffee and cordial will be sold from the Safety House Caravan outside the Recreation Centre and at the Kindergarten in Birch St.

The Nursing Mothers Association will provide a change and feeding tent for mothers with babies and toddlers.

Below: Children enjoy themselves at last year's activity day.



newsletters are forwarded out to all residences in her area.

According to Nola, eight hours per month is all that's required of the area coordinator. However, she is very dedicated and willingly devotes all her spare time to the job. She is also the sub-district coordinator for the Caulfield area.

Area C71 has 1200 residences in its boundaries of Orrong Rd, Kooyong Rd, Glen Huntly Rd and Glen Eira Rd. Within this area there are 38 zones which are controlled by street representatives.

Members of the C71 community are welcome to attend the monthly Neighbourhood Watch meetings held at 31 Prahran Gve, Elsternwick on the second Monday of each month (except January).

● A Helpful Hint!

Crime never takes a holiday BEFORE you go on holidays, ensure that the following details have been taken care of:

● any valuables are deposited in a bank or another secure place;

● your garage and sheds are securely locked;

● you cancel your newspaper delivery;

● all doors and windows are securely locked;

● arrange for your mail to be collected;

● hide your garbage bins;

● hang out some inexpensive washing on your clothesline;

Making sure these tasks are done will ensure you of a carefree holiday and will dramatically increase your chances of a happy return.

Brighten somebody's day



Below: Friend for Older People volunteer, Geetha Jayaraju with Spurway Nursing Home resident, Onnie Lacey.

GEETHA Jayaraju is one of 30 volunteers involved in the newly established Friends for Older People program.

Friends for Older People (FFOP), is a community based program which recruits members of the community to visit older isolated people in nursing homes.

The program was introduced in January this year, after studies conducted by the Federal Government found that a large number of elderly nursing home residents were isolated and lonely, many with no visitors or family at all.

Carnegie resident Geetha Jayaraju became involved in the program four months ago. Geetha's older friend is Spurway Nursing Home resident Onnie Lacey, 80.

"I spend about half an hour a week with Onnie. I just listen to

her and hold her hand. Onnie's hearing is impaired so she can't really hear me," Geetha said.

"The FFOP program is very worthwhile; it gives people like myself, the opportunity to make a big difference to somebody's life. By meeting, spending time with and becoming friends with an older person in a nursing home, you are able to bring new interests to that person's life," she added.

Coordinator of the program, Deen Le Coz is currently looking for more volunteers.

Deen is responsible for matching community members with the nursing home residents.

The selection process is initially an interview to find out the personality of the applicant. Deen then obtains references and with permission, a police check.

She is then given the task of

matching this applicant with a suitable resident, making sure there are some common interests between the two of them.

If you feel that you could spare approximately one hour per fortnight making a big difference to somebody's life, then please contact Deen Le Coz, on 563 8857.

Orientation sessions are available and the opportunity to participate in monthly support group sessions are also available. At these sessions topics of interest are discussed nominated by volunteers, relating to their experiences with their older person.

The FFOP program is funded by the Commonwealth Department of Health, Housing and Community Services, and is sponsored by the MS Society of Victoria Ltd.

Centre recognised for second year running

CHADSTONE Community Health Centre has been fully accredited for its Drinking and Driving Choices Program which first began at the Centre in 1990.

The Health Department of Victoria introduced a system of quality control of which the Centre has met the stringent requirements.

Manager of the Centre, Jackie Gleeson, said the program aims to inform and encourage people to change their attitudes and behaviour in relation to drinking and driving.

"It is an excellent program for those required to undertake such a program for licence restoration and for general community education," said Ms Gleeson.

"This Program is one of the strategies by which the Centre aims to reduce the incidence of substance abuse, thus improving the health and safety of the community, by minimising the harmful effects of drugs and drug use," she added.

The Program is fully accredited for its two components -
● an education course and;
● drink driver assessments
All drink drivers with blood

alcohol concentration above 0.15 or those with a second or subsequent offence, require two assessments at least 12 months apart before their licence can be restored.

Though drink drivers often feel inconvenienced by the new licence restoration requirements, much positive feedback has come from those who have attended the course.

The education program operates as a preventative, as well as rehabilitation program, and is open to any member of the community seeking to increase their knowledge about avoiding drinking and driving above the legal limit.

The Centre has drink driver assessments available on an appointment basis. Courses commence on the first Tuesday of each month, however prior bookings are essential. Assessments cost \$125 and courses cost \$100.

To make a booking, phone the Chadstone Community Health Centre, on 568 2599.

For enquiries regarding licence restoration requirements, telephone Direct Line, on 482 2711 (all hours).

A disease you'd rather forget



Above: Regent Lodge's Margaret Brodie and Kath McKernan, at the Alzheimer's information caravan, Elsternwick Shopping Centre for Alzheimer's Awareness Week. As well as offering information, there were jams, pickles, cakes, hand-knitted toys and hand painted flower pots available for sale.

ALZHEIMER'S Disease is an illness which is 14 times more common than multiple sclerosis.

Alzheimer's, (pronounced alt-sigh-mer's), is a disease where the brain tissue is degenerated in a characteristic way. At present it is unknown what causes it and there is no medical treatment to cure it, or even slow it down.

However, there are some promising research developments. For example, the brain of Alzheimer's disease sufferers, has been found to have low levels of an enzyme which pro-

duces the chemical acetyl choline.

This is one of the chemicals used by the brain to transmit messages between nerve cells. A deficiency of it may be the key to memory loss. Researchers are now working on ways to increase the level of acetyl choline in the brain.

If you require further information on Alzheimer's Disease, contact the Alzheimer Society of Victoria, on 818 3022.

Information from Alzheimer Society of Victoria's brochure, *The Dementias: Memory Loss and Confusion*.

Physical theatre workshops

A SERIES of physical theatre workshops will be held at Caulfield City Hall auditorium, from Monday, October 19 through to Monday, December 14, from 10-11.30am.

These workshops are for young people, (under 25 years) and they will include a combination of movement and dramatic skills, focussing on developing physical and creative abilities

with a view of a possible performance in December.

No experience is necessary, only the ability to enjoy yourself.

Well known performer, Lisa Petty will run the workshops. Lisa has performed in theatre and dance in both America and Australia, in modern, jazz/dance productions, television, cabaret, musicals and dramatic theatre. She has taught dance and

movement at tertiary and secondary levels. Lisa currently instructs at the National Theatre Drama School and is a teaching artist with The Victorian Arts Centre.

If you are under 25 years with some spare time and are interested in giving it a go, call Lyn or Trevor, on 524 3321 for bookings. Cost \$2 (negotiable).

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for the
November 16
issue, is
October 19.



How careful are Caulfield drivers?

SPECIAL FEATURE

CARELESSNESS, alcohol and speeding are the major contributing factors to vehicle fatalities in Victoria.

Since the introduction of speed cameras, booze buses and other enforcement measures in Victoria in 1989, statistics show that fatalities have fallen considerably.

In fact, fatalities decreased by 30% in 1990 and 8% in 1991, saving 274 lives.

In the first two months of 1992, the road toll was reduced by 24% compared with the same period in 1991.

The 1991 road toll was the lowest since 1953 and the second lowest since records were first kept in 1952.

Vehicle collisions were reduced by 16% in 1990 and a further 7% in 1991.

POLICE 'C' DISTRICT MUNICIPAL ROAD SAFETY LIAISON COMMITTEE

Caulfield is part of what's known as the Police 'C' district.

A Police 'C' District Municipal Road Safety Liaison Committee was established in 1988, incorporating the Caulfield Sandringham, Brighton, Malvern, Moorabbin and Oakleigh municipalities.

An advisory committee of this nature was set up to try to combat the increasingly high road toll at a local level.

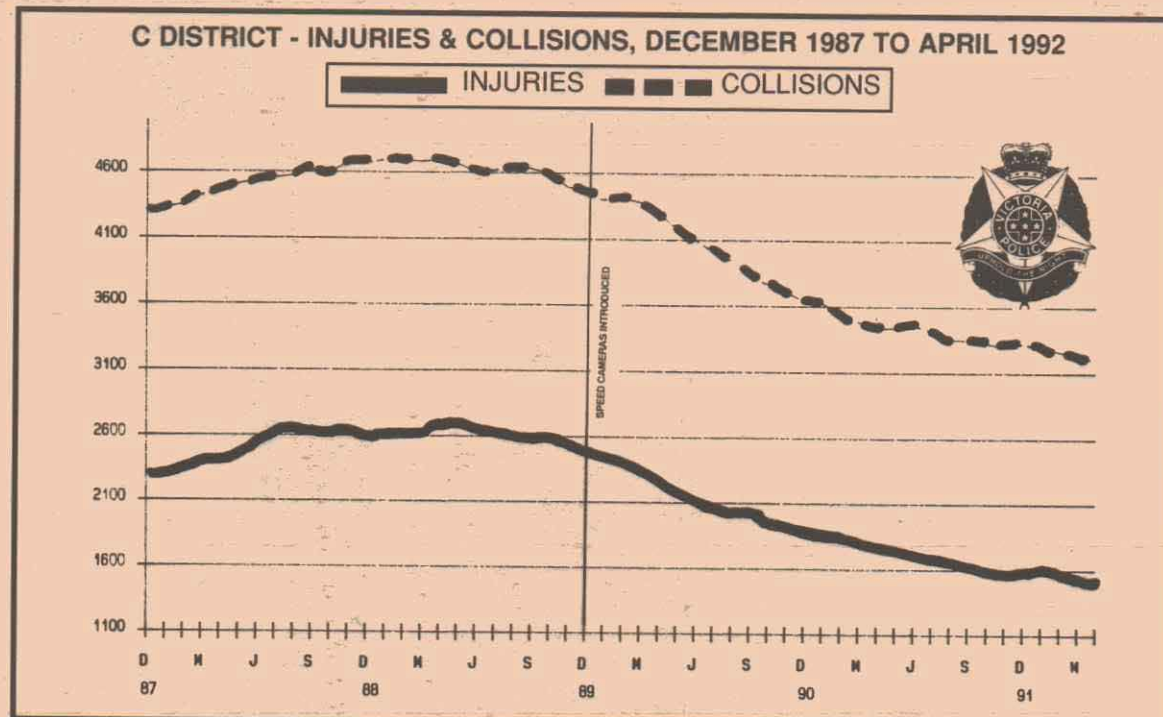
The Committee exists of members from the Police force and VicRoads, Councillors and council representatives from the various municipalities within the district.

Police representative for the Committee and Caulfield's Traffic officer, Senior Sergeant George Ferguson said that carelessness was the reason for nine of the ten fatalities in the district between January and June for the period 1988/92.

"Throughout the 'C' district we have 60 sites where speed cameras are operational, booze buses are set up about four times a fortnight and other enforcement measures, such as radar, tapes and speed checks are conducted at random."

"We are very fortunate today that through the introduction of the speed cameras etc. we are able to reduce road trauma and due to this, we make no apologies for pulling people over and issuing them with fines or even cancelling their licence," Snr Sgt Ferguson said.

"We don't like doing it, but



statistics have proved that these enforcement measures are working and people are becoming more aware."

"Why should innocent people who do the right thing be subject to careless, road users," he added.

The Caulfield Traffic Operations Group (TOG) is the headquarters responsible for setting up booze buses and speed cameras throughout the 'C' district.

Enforcement measures:

● BOOZE BUSES

The booze buses are staffed by one sergeant and three officers from the Caulfield branch every time the bus is in operation. These buses patrol the 'C' district four times a fortnight.

● SPEED CAMERAS

The objective of the speed camera program is to reduce the general level of travel speed across the whole community and to establish a base for a long term change in driver attitude to speeding.

For example, in Victoria in 1989 there were 17.9 deaths per 100,000 population - the highest rate of all the States - and three deaths per 10,000 registered vehicles.

Speed cameras were progressively introduced from December 1989. At the end of March 1992, fatalities were 10.1 per 100,000 population and 1.5 per 10,000 vehicles - the lowest of all the States.

The number of vehicles speeding has reduced dramatically since the program began in December from 23% to 6%. Notices issued for vehicles travelling 30 kph above speed limits have reduced from 1.6% in December 1989, to 0.5% in February 1992.

Below: Speed camera set up in North Rd, Caulfield South.



● RED LIGHT CAMERAS

Twenty percent of all casualty collisions occur at major intersections, most of which have traffic signals. The red light camera program aims to reduce

dangerous red light running.

Some facts about alcohol

If you are wondering how much alcohol you can drink in mod-

eration, the following information may help you.

MALES - No more than six standard drinks (60 grams of alcohol) per day, no more than four days per week.

FEMALES - No more than three standard drinks (30 grams of alcohol) per day, no more than four days per week.

The long term effects of alcohol can be quite devastating. Heavy drinkers usually suffer from vitamin deficiencies, loss of appetite, loss of coordination, aggression, brain or liver damage and decreased muscle tone.

If you want to estimate (not accurately) your blood alcohol readings, then try these three easy steps:

- Add up the number of standard drinks consumed.
- Take away the number of hours drinking.
- Multiply the answer by 0.015.

Example - Suppose a person drinks two double scotches and three middies of beer in two hours, then:

● the number of standard drinks $(2+2) + 3 = 7$

● the number of drinking hours 2, so

$7-2 = 5$

● multiply by 0.015, so

$0.015 \times 5 = 0.075$

Therefore your blood alcohol level reading is 0.075%.

The Walk with care program

Walk with Care is a newly introduced program aimed at educating pedestrians the importance of traffic safety.

Of the 13 people killed so far this year in the 'C' district, five of them have been pedestrians.

Most pedestrians killed or injured are hit by vehicles and simply aren't seen by the driver.

Three main groups of pedestrians are especially at risk. They are those over 60 years of age, the school aged/teenager group and the intoxicated.

As we grow older, crossing the road doesn't get any easier. Traffic seems to move faster while we move slower. Our eyesight and hearing may not be as good as it used to be.

There are simple steps that you can take to make yourself safer as a pedestrian.

Steps to take before your trip...

- Plan your trip to avoid busy traffic times.

- If walking at night, wear light colored clothing or a retroreflective aid.

- Have your eyesight and hearing checked at regular intervals.

- Many medications can affect your judgement. Check your medications with your pharmacist.

- Don't drink too much alcohol, it can affect your judgement.

- Remember, as a general rule, do not mix alcohol with medication.

On your trip, make sure you...

- Take the safest route.

- Cross at a pedestrian crossing, traffic signals or a pedestrian refuge where possible.

- Wherever possible, wait on the pedestrian refuge or median strip if you are unable to cross the whole road in one attempt.

- Scan carefully in all directions for vehicles before and as you cross the road.

- Make eye contact with the driver.

- Never assume that a driver has seen you.

- Avoid crossing from between parked cars.

- Give yourself plenty of time to cross.

- Cross by the shortest, most direct route.

- Make sure traffic on the far side of the road is far enough to allow you to cross safely.

- Avoid crossing at curves or humps in the road wherever possible; give the driver every chance to see you.

- Avoid crossing at uncontrolled busy intersections or roundabouts where drivers of cars turning into the street may not see you.

- Always set a good example for young children; when in their company, hold young children's hands on or near the road.



Local writing project receives recognition

THE Local Writing Project is a community project, initiated by the Caulfield Library Service and the Caulfield Writer's Group.

Funded by the Ministry for the Arts and the Caulfield Library Service, the writing project focuses on Caulfield, reflecting the diversity of life in the City.

Local resident and well-known author, Rosa Saffransky has edited the work in consultation with the editorial committee, Vivienne Ulman, Writer's Group member, Patricia Smyth, chief librarian and Liz Jesty, arts administrator.

Numerous submissions were received including poetry, short stories and autobiographies.

The work received is of such a high standard, that the Caulfield Writer's Group has decided to showcase it in a 48 page booklet to be distributed to local schools and bookshops, as well as the writing community throughout the State.

The booklet will be launched as part of this year's Caulfield Festival celebrations on Thursday, December 3.

On behalf of the editorial committee for the project, Council's chief librarian, Patricia Smyth would like to thank all the writers who submitted their work to this exciting project.

"Caulfield Library Service and Caulfield Council are thrilled to have been associated with this exciting local literary endeavour," said Ms Smyth. "This project only enhances Caulfield's firm commitment to the arts and literature," she added.

Following are two examples of the excellent work submitted to the project.

Below: Local resident and author, Rosa Saffransky.



Below: From (l to r), Patricia Smyth, chief librarian and Liz Jesty, arts administrator.



Caulfield Park

Everything here,
everything speaks of elsewhere...even the tables of people,
survivors of the camps - children then,
as their days ripped apart - greyed now,
arguing gently over cards or coffee...
stitching into a common life
the fifty year old colloquialisms
of words and patterns the fickle world
has long since winnowed out.

- by John Briggs.

A Rookie at the Races

I have been reading about chaps who make a lot of cash at the races. I have never been to the races, but I think I could use some easy money - off to the races I will go.

So I get out my very good Sunday clothes, and put on a nice white shirt, with a stiff collar, a pretty blue tie, and my grey church suit with my shiny black shoes. I make my way to the railway station, where a platform displays the sign "Race Train". With lots of other "smart" people, I get on the train and away we go.

Everyone is very friendly, but most seem very dowdy - no ties, and many blue jeans. One man says to me "What do you know, sport?" I reply, "It is a lovely day." "No mate, I mean, what do you think will win?" "Ah ha! - of course! I look so much wealthier than these people - with my new shirt and tie - that it is only natural they think that I'm a horse owner, and would know many winners. So, looking very wise, I

say, "I will wait till I get to the course." He replies, "I back 'The System' myself - and it often wins."

Next thing we know we are at the course, and the train stops. Out we all get. There is much pushing and jostling and yelling. I see people handing the bookies' money, and getting in return, cards with strange scribbles on them. Not long afterwards, they give the cards back, and get money for them. I get \$20 out of my pocket, and push my way to the bookie. He says "What do you want sport?" I just about jumped out of my skin with fright, and say, "I want \$20 on 'The System'." "O.K - 200 to 20."

This all seems strange and unusual to me. But I put my card deep in my pocket, and push my way out to watch the race. 'The System' wins and so I go back to the bookie to get my money.

I pass him the card and he says, "Give Romeo \$220."

Just as I was putting all the money away, I felt a tap on my

shoulder. "Ah! you have won, my friend." I looked around to see a fellow with a bright smiling face, and thought, "It seems friends are easy to get at the Races." And in a very matey way which really made me feel good, my new friend says - "Would you care for a drink?" I thought "Oh well! - a cup of tea would be nice." So he leads me away. But to my surprise, he orders two schooners of beer and gives me one - but pushes me in front of the barman to pay.

Now being a church-going chap, I am not used to alcohol. But my new friend appears to be very thirsty - and in a twinkling his glass is empty. So to be social, I drank mine as quickly as possible. But then he asked for another two schooners! Again, his was gone in a flash. But I was improving, and it did taste a bit better.

My new friend, whose name is Fred, is now joined by two of his friends, who are soon very great friends of mine - and Fred

orders four schooners. I am very happy now. I have three new friends, and a lot of money, though four beers at a time does not seem cheap. On top of this, Fred tells the barman to have one. I have never had so many mates. I also feel I'd better leave the bar for a time. But if I do, I have nothing to lean on. And it is necessary to lean, or maybe I will fall over, as I am a trifle giddy. Perhaps a couple more beers and the giddiness may go away! But all the excitement is starting to affect me, because I am beginning to feel ill, and must go to the toilet.

However, my legs do not seem to go where I want them to. But I have a good friend in Fred. He supports me all the way to the Gents. He even places me in position in the cubicle. He sits me on the seat, shuts the door and leaves me. I now feel very tired and content and doze off very soundly.

I awake much later, and all seems silent. I adjust my clothing, but I can't see my lovely hat

anywhere. Maybe Fred has looked after it for me!

I put my hand in my pocket to get my handkerchief, and then deeper to get my money. My pockets are empty. Ah well! My new friends will be looking after my money also. I brush myself, and go outside. There is no-one about at all. Fred and my new friends are not to be seen. I panic as I realise that the races must be over.

I start to walk home, but I keep getting lost. I reach my beloved sanctuary many hours later, very tired, footsore and weary.

I was later told that I was very lucky to win any money, even though I lost it again, because 'the system' meant "backing to a plan." It was sheer coincidence, or beginners luck that there happened to be a horse called 'The System' in the race I bet on.

"Beginners Luck", or not, I don't think I am interested in going to the races again.

- by Joyce Pitt.



Caulfield's spring Festival has fairytale flavor

CAULFIELD Arts Complex will hold a surprise farewell concert for the Melbourne Chamber Orchestra on Wednesday, October 28 at 7.45pm.

The Melbourne Chamber Orchestra, led by Spiros Rantos, leave for a series of concerts in Korea where they will represent Melbourne in the Music Festival in Seoul in November.

This concert is a special preview of the program to be performed in Seoul.

The performance features, Elgar's *Serenade for Strings*, Sculthorpe's *Port Essington*, Mozart's *Piano Concerto K414* - soloist Brachi Tilles and Tchaikovsky's *Serenade for Strings*.

Cost of tickets is \$20, or \$14 concession.

For bookings and enquiries, phone 524 3264 (b/h) and 848 7553 (a/h).

★★★

IN conjunction with the Melbourne Youth Music Council, Caulfield Arts Complex presents Melbourne Youth Orchestra, on Sunday, October 18 at 3pm.

This performance will also be

held at the Caulfield Arts Complex and will feature conductor, Spiros Rantos and soloists, James Fry and Natalie Afeyan.

Featuring Gershwin's, "An American in Paris" and the famous Seguidilla and Habanera from "Carmen".

Tickets \$12, or \$8 concession.

★★★

CAULFIELD Arts Complex will present The Stoliarsky Trio on Sunday, October 25 at 3pm.

This performance will feature Arch Feldman (violin), Alex Begelfor (cello) and Julian Portnoy (piano). Guest artists will be Anatoly Gelbak (piano) and Slava Gzigorian (guitar).

These popular Russian artists will perform a highly enjoyable program of light classical music, including works by Mozart, Chopin, Rachmaninoff and Scott Joplin.

Tickets \$10, or concession \$8.

For bookings and further information about any of these performances, please contact Liz Jesty, on 524 3264.

Below: Spiros Rantos, conductor.



Above: Miniature steam train that will lead the grand parades at this year's Caulfield Festival.

THIS year, a miniature steam train will lead the grand parade (11.30am and 1pm) through the pathways of Caulfield Park. Following will be the City of Caulfield Band, Kooka, fairy and pirate stiltwalkers, clowns and children dressed in the fairytale fantasy theme of this year's Festival. All children who participate will receive a gift.

Apart from the children, many community groups are becoming involved in the fairytale theme. Rumor has it that there will be fairies and other characters participating in the fun run at 9am and in the community walk, 10.30am. Even the ladies

of the CWA will be transforming the park pavilion into a fairytale world with mobiles and crafts.

Caulfield Little Athletics Centre has found an old pirate's treasure map of Caulfield Park. Someone will be lucky enough to find where the treasure is buried.

To help locate the many activities on the day, sporting demonstrations, stalls, international food, displays, children's activities, arts and crafts the pathways have been given fairytale names. There will be no way that our modern day Hanzels and Gretels will get lost in our enchanted park.

Free canoe rides will take children to see the fairy island in the lake where little people are said to live. The little people are secretive and keep to themselves, but some people, especially children, have the power of second sight and are able to see them.

Come along on Community day and enjoy the many family orientated activities and information displays.

It is the highlight of the Festival with huge participation by community groups and individuals.

For further information, contact Catherine, on 524 3406.

Caulfield Festival Coloring Competition

Just color in our Festival theme illustration and be in the running to win great prizes!



Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Age: _____

Send entries to: Catherine Cooper, Caulfield Arts Complex, Caulfield City Hall, P.O Box 42, Caulfield South, 3162.

Entries close November 20, 1992.

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Caulfield Arts Complex,

once again offers an exciting Term Program for adults and children, from Oct 19 to Dec 11, 1992.

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but hurry, places are limited!





Spotlight on Caulfield for Spring Racing Carnival

UNDOUBTEDLY most of the attention at this year's Spring Racing Carnival will be focused on the New Caulfield and the world class facilities it has to offer.

It is only fitting that one of Australia's most coveted and prestigious horse races, the Foster's Caulfield Cup, concludes the festivities at Caulfield for the Spring.

This year the \$1m Foster's Caulfield Cup which takes place on Saturday, October 17, will be contended by horses such as Super Impose, Star of the Realm, Rough Habit, Let's Elope and the star New Zealand galloper, Veandercross.

First acceptances have increased this year from 143 to 169. Trainer David Hayes has 16 horses still in the running, while Bart Cummings has 17. Among them, Let's Elope and Richfield Lady. Can Let's Elope make it two Caulfield Cups in a row?

The \$1m Foster's Caulfield Cup is described as the hardest handicap to win and is a true test of speed and stamina.

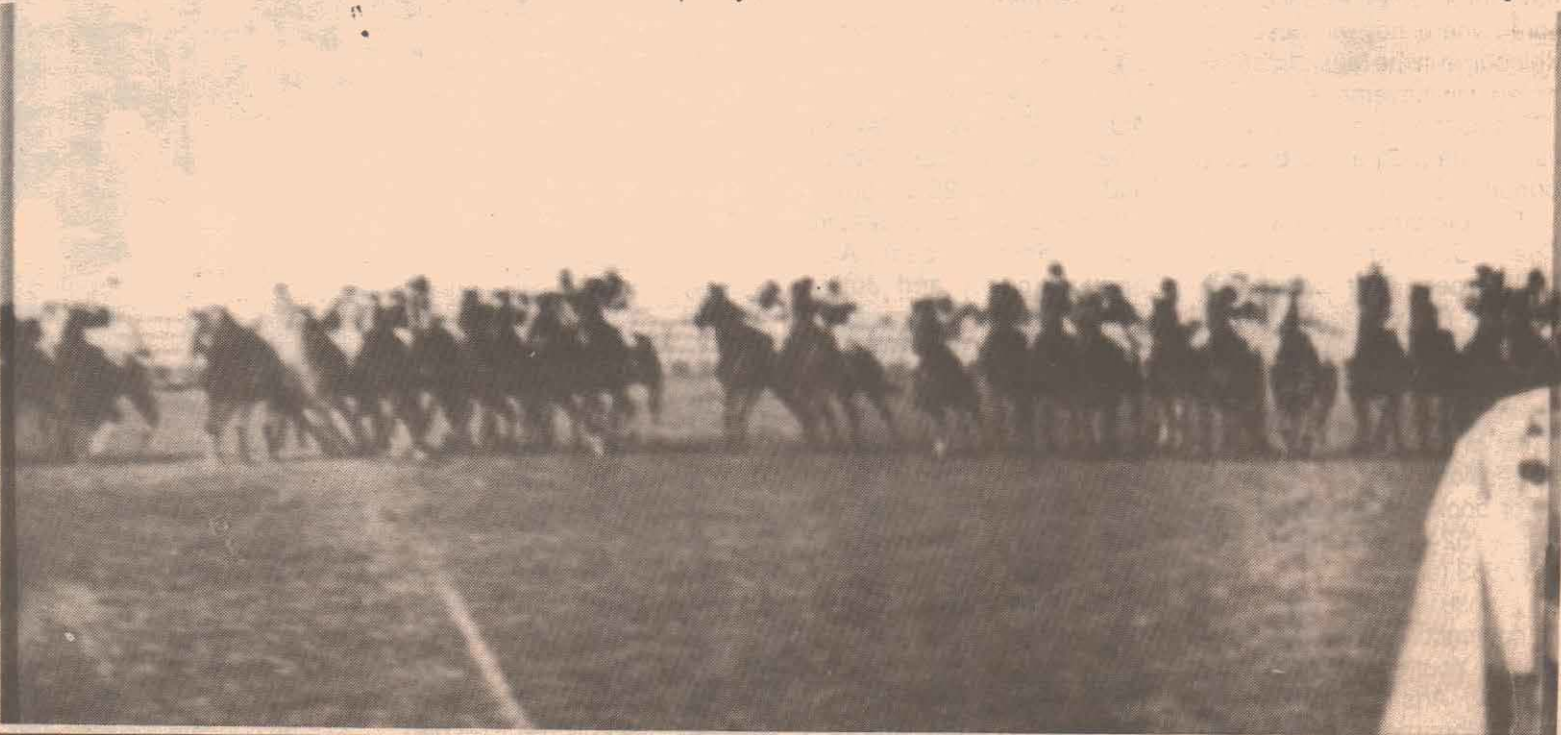
This year's winner will have the honor of winning the first Foster's Caulfield Cup to be run at the New Caulfield.

The New Caulfield is setting standards for racecourses for the future.

Mercedes-Benz traditionally reflect standards of uncompromising depth of quality and engineering refinement. It is therefore fitting that Mercedes-Benz be associated with the New Caulfield over the Spring Racing Carnival. Racegoers will have a once in a lifetime opportunity to win a Mercedes-Benz 180E. Valued at just under \$50,000, the Mercedes-Benz will be drawn on Caulfield Cup Day.

This is the first article in our series, *Sport in Caulfield*. This month, due to the opening of the prestigious Caulfield Grand Stand and the running of the coveted Caulfield Cup, we thought it appropriate to feature, *Racing in Caulfield*.

Below: The start of the Caulfield Cup, October 15, 1898. Photograph courtesy of the Caulfield Historical Society.



A day at the races...jargon you're bound to hear

HAND - Measure of horse's size. A hand is four inches, or about 10cm. The horse is measured from the highest point of the withers (ridge between shoulder bones) to the ground. Thoroughbreds usually measure between 15 and 17 hands.

HURDLE - The obstacle that horses jump in hurdle races. These are lower and not as thick as the fences for steeplechases. They are made from battens and at Moonee Valley have a brush top.

IRONS - True name - stirrups. They are iron hoops which hang by leather straps from the saddle and are footholds for the jockey. The stirrups and reins provide the jockey with the leverage to control the horse.

LEAD - If a jockey is too light to make up the right weight for a horse, he carries thin slabs of lead in pockets of his saddle, or if he has to carry a large amount of lead, it is put in a lead bag which is under the saddle.

LEG - Race which is part of a double or quadrella.

MAIDEN - A horse (of either sex) which has not won a race. In breeding, a mare who has never been to stud.

NEAR SIDE - Left side of a horse. Side on which the horse is always mounted.

ODDS-ON - A payout less than even money.

OFF SIDE - Right hand side of horse.

ON THE BIT - When a horse is galloping easily without being ridden hard by the jockey, he is said to be "on the bit."

PHOTO FINISH - When a finish is so close that the judge cannot make a decision, he consults a photo made by an automatic camera film to decide the winner of the finish to decide the winner. The camera continually photographs about one inch of the winning post as the horses past the post, the photo is made as the horses appear in that inch.

PLATES - Light shoes horses use in races.

POOL - The amount of money invested on a form of betting.

PRODUCE - The offspring of a mare.

PROTEST - If a horse is inter-

fered with and his chance of winning affected, his jockey can protest against the result. The stewards hear the protest and the response from the accused jockey and making a ruling whether the interference affected the chances of the protestor.

PUNT - Bet.

PUNTER - One who bets.

SCRATCHED - When a horse is withdrawn from a race.

SHIN SORE - Inflammation of the membrane of the cannon bone (shin). Young horses are susceptible to this and it is usually remedial with rest.

SILKS - Jackets jockeys wear (colors). Jockeys trousers are also called silks.

SIRE - Father of a horse.

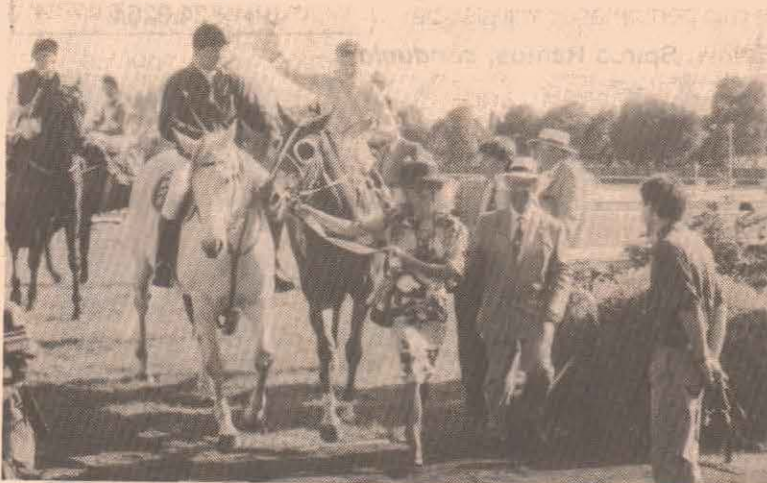
STRAIGHT - Straight part of the track which ends at the finish line.

TACK - Any gear for horses.

TONGUE TIE - Strap or tape used to tie a horse's tongue down to prevent him from getting it over the bit and choking down.

TRACKMAN - Person who times horses during their gallops at training sessions.

Below: Winner of the 1991 Caulfield Cup, *Let's Elope*, trained by Bart Cummings.



The foundation years

CAULFIELD Racecourse, which now occupies 65 hectares (160 acres), originated as *The Heath*.

The Heath was a large area of Crown land which was part of a continuous reserve adjoining what was then Main Dandenong Rd and included Caulfield Park and East Caulfield Reserve.

The Heath section consisted of fern and heath covered sandy ridges and marshes. It was popular for bushwalking, picnicking, shooting and was used for cross-country coursing and hunting by the Melbourne Hunt Club.

The first racetrack in Caulfield was established in the mid 1850's, a few acres away from the present course. It was

named *The Wattle Tree Race Track*.

In 1859 the new track at Caulfield Racecourse was in use for its first official meeting. It wasn't until after World War Two that the Caulfield Racecourse, the VATC and the Caulfield Cup were securely established.

In 1948, a record crowd of 108,000 saw the Cup run. The course and the Cup have now become national institutions, but their history is part of Caulfield's history and will remain part of the City's sporting heritage.

A complete history of Caulfield is available in a four volume set, *Caulfield's Heritage*, available from the cashier, City Hall, for \$15.



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RECREATION & LEISURE



BOWLED OVER...BOWLED OVER...BOWLED OVER

ELSTERNWICK District Bowling Club Inc. recently held its open day.

Ladies triples will take place on the second Friday of each month at 11am. Lunch provided, good trophies. Team or single entries welcome. Contact Val Sykes, on 570 1346 for information.

Mixed Sunday triples are held on the first Sunday of each month and mixed fours on the third Sunday of the month. Teams or single entries welcome. Afternoon tea provide. Cost \$2.50. For further information, call 528 2923, or 528 1358.

Elsternwick District welcomes new members of all ages to join the club. Free coaching is available. Phone 523 9005 for further details.

CAULFIELD South Bowls Club Inc. had one of their most successful bowls open days in many years.

Over 100 members and guests attended and were warmly welcomed by presidents Evan Stafford and Reyna Morris.

Caulfield Mayor, Cr Ed Biggs declared the greens open and wished the club well for the coming season.

Max Wright, vice-president of the RVBA presented Super Veterans badges to Viv Roberts, Chas Rixon and Jack Lipshut.

Esme Bouyer, VLBA councillor, made the same presentations to Isobel Austin, Glad Miller, Val Younger and Margaret Gange.

CARNEGIE Memorial Recreation Club Inc. will hold a casserole dinner and dance on Saturday, October 18, at 6.30pm, music supplied by Bert Goldsmith. For bookings, please

call 569 8483.

On Sunday, November 1, 11am, nominated fours, including lunch and afternoon tea, \$26 per rink.

Monday, November 2, 7pm will be a Cup Eve dinner dance. Visitors welcome. Phone 569 8483 for bookings.

Sunday, November 8, 10.30am, a Remembrance Day Service will be held in the club rooms. Visitors welcome.

Monday, November 9, interclub BYO lunch - sponsored by Charles Gourmet Meats.

Friday, November 13, 10am, ladies gala day, sponsored by Australia Pacific. Lots of lovely gifts and prizes to be won in the raffle.

ELSTERNWICK Club saw a good gathering for its recent opening day. The next social event will be on Caulfield Cup Eve, Friday, October 16. Featured will be a reasonably priced dinner.

Rinks are still available for the National Australia Bank competition on Sunday, October 18, mixed fours 10am start. For bookings, contact Lorie Chapman, 534 2073.

Lady presidents and delegates day will be held on Thursday, October 22. A fine day for the ladies.

CAULFIELD RSL Bowling Club will hold open mixed fours on the first Sunday of each month. This event is run by the male members. For all enquiries, call A Taylor, on 509 5843.

On Melbourne Cup day, Tuesday, November 3, mixed fours will also take place. Enquiries as above.

Ladies triples are held on the second Wednesday of each month and mixed triples on the

third Sunday. All enquiries to P Harte, 523 6391, J Roxburgh, 592 3617, or M Taylor, 509 5843.

Twilight games commence on Friday, November 13 and continue on December 4, January 8, 1993, February 5 and February 26, 1993. These nights are most enjoyable with play commencing at 5.30pm, followed by dinner.

ELSTERNWICK Park Bowling Club is looking forward to another successful season with the usual popular games being played each month as follows: first Monday of each month - mens triples, second Wednesday - mixed triples, second Sunday - mixed triples, third Friday - interclub, fourth Sunday - nominated mixed fours or all ladies.

Melbourne Cup Day has become very popular at the club, with bowls in the morning, followed by a chicken and champagne lunch and the resident bookmakers accepting bets in the afternoon. For further details, contact the secretary, Freda Smith, on 528 3789.

Daisy Bloumis and Etta Mayer are now accepting entries for the annual gala day on Sunday, February 7, 1993. Please state

which you would prefer, 9.30am or 11am.

New members are always welcome at our very sociable club and free coaching is provided. Ring Freda Smith or call at the club.

CARNEGIE Bowls Club have an interesting schedule ahead, weather permitting with the Jack Burn, Bill Cuman Memorial Day on Sunday, October 18. Nominated mixed fours will start at 1pm.

The interclub, BYO lunch will be held on Thursday, October 22, 11am. The mixed fours barbecue will be held on Sunday, October 25, commencing 12 noon.

The ladies A grade invitation fours, sponsored by the Com-

monwealth Bank, commences on Wednesday, October 28, 10.30am and the VLBA state fours will be played on Sunday, October 29.

MURRUMBEENA Park Bowls Club was officially opened for the season with the club champion, Irene Brown rolling the jack and the first bowl delivered by super veteran Chris McCubbin.

Both greens during the winter recess, had been fully reset and grassed by the men's committee for this season.

Immediate state past president Sheila Dillon, has announced that the VLBA's charity appeal will be for the Alfred Hospital, William Buckland Radiotherapy Centre.

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ISSUE	PUB DATE	DEADLINE
NOVEMBER	MON NOV 16	MON OCT 19
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All submissions, cancellations and alterations must be received in writing by the deadline date of the next issue. Contact staff will not check with advertisers on whether they want to repeat an advertisement. For enquiries, call 524 3323.

CONTACT DIARY

Do you have an event coming up that you would like to publicise? This is the place to put it. Contact Diary is compiled monthly, so if you want to let the community know about your club, society or event, we'll be happy to include it on this page.

Let us know about your activities.

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**ART**

Hughesdale Art Group will hold their 29th Annual Art exhibition and sale of paintings from November 3-6, in the hall, cnr Poath and Kangaroo Rds, Hughesdale. Special opening night on Tuesday, November 3, 8pm. Miniature paintings, oils and watercolors. All welcome.

CHILDREN & FAMILY

Caulfield Children and Family Services Network will next meet on Thursday, October 29 at 8pm at Caulfield City Hall Maternal and Child Health Centre. People living or working in Caulfield, interested in issues affecting children and families are welcome to attend. For further details, phone 596 1481, or 524 3311.

COMMUNITY SHOPS

Glen Huntly Centre retail shop, 848 Glen Huntly Rd, Caulfield South is open from 10.30am-12 noon, Tuesday to Friday. Various items, all of which are produced within the Centre include: garden produce, plants, paintings, drawings, pottery, clothing and leather works. Entrance from Jasmine St.

DROP IN CENTRES

St Mary's Anglican Church will hold weekly barbecue lunches for unemployed people every Thursday, commencing October 15. The hall will be open each Thursday from 11am with lunch available from 1pm. The hall is situated cnr Glen Eira and Hood Cres, Caulfield. All welcome. For further details, contact Peter Hutchins, on 326 8599 (b/h), or 532 8715 (ah).

Carnegie Uniting Church Drop In Centre is open each Thursday from 9-11am, (except during school holidays). Entrance to the Centre is at the rear of the Church, cnr Toolambool and Neerim Rds. All age groups welcome.

EXHIBITIONS

Mustang Owners Club of Australia will hold a display of Mustangs on Sunday, October 25, from 10am-3pm at East Caulfield Park, Dandenong Rd. Two million dollars worth of Mustangs and other classic American

Fords will be on display. Refreshments, parts, memorabilia available. All welcome. Contact Sue Hayes, on 720 1267, for further details.

FETES & FAIRS

St Catharine's Anglican Church will hold a fete on Saturday, October 24 at 402 Kooyong Rd, Caulfield South. Stalls include cakes, cane and gifts, plants, books, trash and treasure, pre-loved clothing. A special play area will be set up for children five years and under.

Yeshivah Beth Rivkah Parents Association will hold Sunday in the Park, Grand Carnival, on Sunday, November 8, 10am-5pm at Caulfield Park, cnr Hawthorn and Balaclava Rds, Caulfield North. The Carnival will feature: The Adventures of Babar, 11.30am and 1.30pm, Haley's Puppet Shows, 10.15am, Simon Rann Stiltwalker, 12 noon, Sports Clinic and Auction, 2.30pm, Ron the Clown Extraordinaire, 3pm, Major Raffle Draw, 3.45pm, Planting Demonstration with the Gardening Team 3AW, stalls, food and much much more.

Caulfield Garden Club will hold their Spring Flower Show, on Sunday, October 18, 2-6pm. For show schedule and enquiries, phone Helen Reis, on 528 6480.

St Giles Uniting Church, Murrumbena Rd, Murrumbena will hold a Spring Fair and Trash and Treasure on Saturday, October 17, 9am-1.30pm. Plants, books, jams, bric-a-brac, devonshire tea, sausage sizzle, white elephant and much more.

HEALTH

Caulfield Region of Nursing Mother's Association of Australia invites Mums-to-be and new Mums to a free information/general discussion evening on Wednesday, October 21, 7.30pm at the Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre, cnr Royal and Rosedale Aves, Glen Huntly. Partners welcome. For further information, contact Tracey, on 568 1058, or Rebecca, on 571 4921.

MARKETS

Elsternwick Craft Cooperative will hold its next market on Saturday, October 24 from 9am-1pm. The market has many stalls including, plants, designer clothing, home-made pastries, pottery and jewellery etc. Admission is free. For enquiries, please phone 578 5149.

Caulfield Rotary Club holds a Sunday market every week from 8am-1pm, in Princes St (opposite Caulfield Station). Stalls \$5, entry donation 30c. Bric-a-brac, homecrafts, pre-loved clothing etc. For enquiries, call Perlen's Pharmacy, 528 5143.

MEETINGS

New Ormond Auxiliary will hold its next meeting on Monday, October 26 at 10.30am in the Uniting Church Hall, cnr North and Booran Rds, Ormond. Meetings are held on the fourth Monday of each month. New members very welcome. For enquiries, call Eveline Moir, on 578 1721.

Friends of Rippon Lea will hold its next lunch meeting on Thursday, October 22. For bookings and further details, please phone Joan Hare, 523 8839, or Lyn Dobson, on 555 8382, Monday - Friday, from 9-10am.

Oaks Toastmasters meet fortnightly to develop their communication skills. The atmosphere is friendly. Interested men and women are welcome. For further details, please phone 853 6180.

Neighbourhood Watch Area C29 will meet on Wednesday, October 14 at 7.30pm at the Duncan MacKinnon Reserve pavilion, North Rd, Murrumbena.

Neighbourhood Watch Area C7, bounded by Orrong Rd, Glen Eira Rd, Kooyong Rd and Inkerman St will next meet on Monday, November 2, 7.30pm at the Shelford Girls' School library, Hood Cres, Caulfield.

Royal Children's Hospital Caulfield Auxiliary will hold a Gala Champagne Lunch, on Wednesday, October 21 at 12 noon, Reception Rooms, Caulfield City Hall, cnr Glen Eira and Hawthorn Rds, Caulfield South. Paul, formerly of Paul's Antiques will be the guest speaker. If you have a favourite treasure (not jewellery), bring it for an appraisal. For bookings, phone Mrs Giles, on 523 9497 or Mrs Walters, on 571 6804. Donation \$8.

Caulfield Self Help Group of the Arthritis Foundation Victoria will meet on Monday, October 26, 10.15am at 259 Kooyong Rd, Elsternwick. Visitors

welcome. For further enquiries, please phone 570 4971.

Caulfield Branch of the Victorian Branch Gas Association will next meet on Tuesday, October 27, 1.30pm in the committee room, Caulfield City Hall. There will be a demonstration of Macadamia nuts. Bookings for the Christmas outing to the Baytree Restaurant will be finalised at this meeting. New members welcome. Annual subscription \$2, afternoon tea 40c. For enquiries, phone Mrs Murdoch, on 557 2254.

RECREATION

Early Planning for Retirement Group will hold the following activities for October:

October 12 - Photography Group - will meet 8pm at 1 St Georges Rd, Elsternwick. Subject - Nature, including landscapes. Visitors welcome. Supper will be served. For enquiries, phone 571 3687.

October 13 - Walking Group - will depart 9.30am from City Hall. Walk will be along Merri Creek, Bundoora. Bring your lunch. Visitors welcome. For enquiries, phone 528 5376.

October 15 - Interest Meeting - will meet 7.30pm Gladys Machin Hall, Cedar St, Caulfield. Guest speaker, Frank McKenna will present his wonderful collection of shoes and speak on *The History of Footwear Around the World*. Visitors welcome. Supper will be served. For enquiries, phone 578 2978.

October 28 - Travel Group - will meet 7.45pm Gladys Machin Hall, Cedar St, Caulfield. Betty Terrell will show slides, *An East African Safari*. Visitors welcome. Supper will be served. For enquiries, phone 571 3687.

Senior Ladies Friendship Group will hold their next meeting on Thursday, October 22, 10am-12noon at the community hall, 825 Poath Rd, Hughesdale. Enjoy two hours with a group of happy friendly ladies. Programs are varied and interesting. Morning tea, trading table, cost \$1. On Wednesday, November 4, from 11am-1.30pm there will be a trip to Sanitarium Health Foods, Kilsyth. This trip includes two course lunch, health talk, video, demonstrations, recipes, drinks and tour of

plant. Cost \$8. Tour departs from the Grange Room, 99 Grange Rd, Hughesdale at 10.15am. Bookings are essential. Phone Mavis, on 579 2174 or Margaret, on 596 6124.

Alma Road Neighbourhood House Inc., 200 Alma Rd, East S Kilda hold scrabble sessions every Tuesday 7.30pm. For bookings, call Fay, on 529 8527, Thursdays at 1pm.

Caulfield Combined Pensioners Inc. will meet on Tuesday, October 20, at 1.30pm, Caulfield City Hall. Guest speaker will be the Member for Melbourne Ports, The Hon Clyde Holding. All welcome. For further details, contact A Morton, on 528 4459.

Timeout, will meet in the balcony room, City Hall, on Tuesday, October 20 from 7.30-8.30pm. Give yourself a break. Experience the benefits of meditation through guided commentaries and group discussion. For further information, phone 528 4995.

RELIGION

Carnegie Uniting Church will hold a special hymn service on Sunday, October 25, 7.30pm, cnr Neerim and Toolambool Rds, Carnegie. Come along and enjoy singing then supper and a chat afterwards.

STREET STALLS

St Mary's Anglican Church, Caulfield will hold a street stall at the Glen Huntly Rd, Elsternwick Shopping Centre, on Saturday, October 24, commencing 9am.

VOLUNTEERS

Southern Citizen Advocacy needs volunteers. Your ability to handle everyday matters would assist an adult with a disability to participate in community life. Short orientation program begins soon. For further details, contact Southern Citizen Advocacy, on 576 0155.

Bethlehem Hospital is commencing interviews for the next course for volunteers. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer at Bethlehem Hospital, please contact the volunteer coordinator, on 596 2853.

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