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RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY, 12TH
AUGUST, 1983, AT 8 PM IN THE COMMUNITY COTTAGE.

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COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Councillor Alistair Lee-Archer reported to the July meeting of the Residents' Association that, even on private property, the use of noisy trail bikes and other recreation vehicles is restricted to certain times of the day and even then a Council permit is required.

He also reported that, by law, dams on private property should have warning signs in four languages.

The Shire of Lillydale library must vacate its present headquarters in August. The loan for the construction of a branch library in Mooroolbark has been approved and the new main library will be attached to the municipal offices in Lillydale. There seems to be some confusion as to what will happen to the library between August and the availability of the new premises.

ST. JOHN'S ROAD PETITION

The residents of St. John's Road presented the Councillors present at the July meeting of the Residents' Association with a copy of a petition asking that the sealing of St. John's Road be included in the Council's 1983-84 estimates. The Residents' Association is giving its support to this petition.

HEALTH CARE SISTER

There have been complaints that mothers have had to wait for long periods in less than satisfactory conditions to see the health care sister and the Association has requested the Council to increase the visits of the health care sister from one half day a week to two half days a week to help alleviate this problem.

YARRA ROAD-DAWES ROAD INTERSECTION

It was reported to the Residents' Association that, in spite of the recent roadworks, the Yarra Road-Dawes Road intersection was still dangerous and the Association has written to the Shire of Lillydale requesting that a guard rail be erected to prevent speeding northbound vehicles from leaving the road.

WONGA PARK COMMUNITY COTTAGE (Old Yarra Road opposite tennis courts)

Contacts: Sue Couper 722 1738, Robyn Dennis 722 1461, Jenny Upton 722 1446

The next monthly meeting will be held at the cottage on Thursday, 8th September at 10 a.m.

Social Day The cottage invites you to an Italian Luncheon on Thursday 11th August at 12 noon. It will be a great opportunity for members of the cottage to all get together at the one time. Perhaps you've been thinking of participating in one of the classes or groups. The luncheon will be an easy way to meet everyone and to see what the cottage has to offer you. If you are able to come please ring Jenny Upton on 722 1446 A.S.A.P. All we ask you to bring is an Italian dish, sweet or savoury so that there will be a variety of dishes to make it an interesting luncheon.

Market Day Our Annual Cottage Market has been deferred to March next year due to Dudley Road and Yarra Road Primary Schools holding their fetes later in the year. Look for the cottage stall and display at both schools.

Electric Heater Has anyone an electric heater in good working order that is no longer needed? It would be greatly appreciated, especially in the back room of the cottage which can be bitterly cold for night classes. If you can help please ring Robyn on 722 1461.

Creche At the last monthly meeting it was decided that a supervised creche at the cottage could encourage mothers with pre-school children to participate more in the cottage. We are hoping to get a list of people together who are willing to spend a couple of hours a term on a roster basis. Please ring Robyn Dennis if you would use the creche and/or be willing to be rostered for creche duty as we would like this to be operating by third term.

Term III Term 3 classes begin Monday 12th September with Enrolment Day being held on 7th September 11 am to 3 pm at the cottage. All fees listed include the tutors fee and the cottage fee. In the event of the cancellation of any class, due to insufficient numbers, all fees will be refunded.

The cottage shop with delicious jams, honey, pottery, arts and crafts is open whenever a class is in attendance.

The cottage is available for hire as a venue for local community group meetings for a small fee by contacting Mrs. J. Aird on 722 1242.

CLASSES OFFERED FOR TERM III

MONDAY

Leadlighting 1 - 3 p.m.
7.30 - 9.30 p.m.
Tutor Amy Adams 836 2693 after 6 pm.
Cost \$30 for 10 weeks
Lead available for sale through cottage

TUESDAY

Stretch Sewing Course 9.15 - 11.15 a.m.
Tutor Judy Place 722 1584
Cost \$28 for 6 weeks
Art Group Tuesday morning (no formal tuition)
Contact Mrs. Loris Fletcher 876 3578
Cost \$5 per term

TUESDAY contd.

Toy Library fortnightly

Contact Jenny Upton 722 1446
Cost \$14 per family per annum
or \$11 per child per annum

All the toys and games are of excellent quality and are exchanged each term at the Lilydale Toy Library.

WEDNESDAY

Spinning and Weaving 11 - 3 p.m.

Cost \$5 per term

Spinning wheel and wool available at cottage for beginners along with plenty of expert advice for both spinning and weaving.

Art 1 - 3 p.m.

Tutor Jan Bissett-Johnson 722 1687

Cost \$32 for 10 weeks

THURSDAY

Danish Embroidery 10.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

Tutor Mrs. Margaret McLean 830 5895

Cost \$16 for 4 weeks

Mrs. McLean offers for sale an extensive range of embroidery kits, cottons and linen etc., at her classes.

Pottery evening 7.30 p.m. - 9.30 p.m.

Tutor Kerryn Barr 722 1440 after 6 p.m.

Cost \$30 for 10 weeks

Electric potters wheel available for use at the cottage and all firing is done locally for a very reasonable rate.

MEALS ON WHEELS

We have a good team of a dozen people who give an hour of their time once a fortnight to deliver meals to people who need some help to stay in their own homes.

If you can drive and spare the time Chris Couper on 722 1647 would be pleased to hear from you.

We urgently need two more drivers.

WONGA PARK COMMUNITY DUPLICATOR

For those who may not know, the duplicator is available for use by individuals as well as community groups. If you wish multiple copies of any notices, newsletters etc., please feel free to enquire about the use of the duplicator.
Enquiries : 722 1618 722 1755

WALKING WITH A NATURALIST

There are only ten places left for the Nature Study Walk on Yarra Brae with Naturalist John Reid on September 11th. Anyone still intending to participate please ring Lynda Hickling 722 1755.

RAINFALL

In June 62.50 mm (2.50 inches) of rain were recorded making the total for the year to the end of July 378 mm (15.12 inches).

Although we have had nearly 3.0 inches of rain in January the total rain recorded for the first four months was only 162 mm (6.48 inches). In May, June and July we had 216 mm (8.64 inches).

WONGA PARK PAST & PRESENT "DISCOVERY TRAIL"

A small group of interested people has met together to initiate and implement this project. The aim is to seek out, research, label and preserve aspects of all history of this area for the benefit of the local people and their children so that they can meaningfully experience and become part of the rich heritage and changing functions of the area.

The group decided to work towards two outcomes:-

- 1) a pamphlet listing and describing local features, historical and otherwise to be used as the "trail guide" and
- 2) a mini-museum to be established in a suitable place in which interesting memorabilia, documents, artefacts, etc., could be stored and displayed as appropriate.

We consider this to be a community project and thus welcome anyone with ideas, suggestions or interesting material to offer. Please ring Lynda Hickling on 722 1755.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH

Believing & Belonging We do not meet again until Thursday 22nd September. Please make sure you can come then so that we can rehearse our singing and dancing for THE SPRING RENEWAL-HARVEST FESTIVAL CELEBRATION on Sunday 25th September at 9.30 a.m. in the church grounds - an open air Eucharist. Put this in your diary!

What could be more important than this family happening? We plan processions, dancing, singing, fun making in the context of the Eucharist. You remember the drought and the bushfires? Now look around and rejoice for New Spring Growth and the promise of Renewal in nature and in ourselves.

You will want to celebrate by bringing tangible gifts for thank offering. Leave them in the Church on Saturday before (24th September) or bring along to the Sunday service. Fruits, vegetables, groceries, flowers, your own creations in arts and crafts to be offered then distributed to (local) Halfway House for Alcoholics and (State) Mission of St. James and St. John.

Think and thank, dance and sing, come along and bring yourselves, your children, your other growing things.

LOOKING AHEAD St. Francis Day Blessing of Pets - Blue Cross Speaker, Sunday October 9th 1983 at 9.30 a.m. Family Christmas Eve & Cradling & Carolling December 24th.

Believing & Belonging resumes on Thursdays at 4 p.m. from and including (most important) 22nd September. You are welcome to attend and enquire about our intentions and performances at any time.

Priest - in - Charge Bill Graham.