



## NEWS & NOTES

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October Deadline will be Friday 14 September 1990.

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**TRAIL BIKES**

The Council has reminded us that a permit is required to ride trail bikes on private property. The permit limits the times during which the bike can be used and the rider(s) must be nominated in the permit.

**CNR JUMPING CREEK & YARRA ROADS**

The pine post barriers erected behind the bus shelter on this corner were put there by the Council at the request of a resident concerned at the number of vehicles driving across the grass. Council has now agreed to reposition the barrier to allow a semicircular track to be used, at the same time still restricting vehicles from driving on the grass. This piece of land used to be the old Yarra Road roadway and is a roadside reserve.

**COUNCIL ELECTIONS**

The Residents' Association congratulates Ann Atkinson on winning a seat on the Lilydale West Riding of the Council.

**OVERALL DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

The ODP for Wonga Park will be the subject of a panel hearing on 10 September 1990. The panel will hear from those who have lodged written submissions and objections before deciding on the final proposal. The ODP will form the basis of all future decisions that Council makes on zoning issues and subdivisions in the area in the future. The Upper Yarra Valley and Dandenong Ranges Authority are also currently in the process of re-examining the area.

## WHERE ARE THE WILDFLOWERS OF WONGA PARK?

Chocolate Lilies, Early Nancies, Milkmaids, Nodding Greenhoods, Scented Sundews, Apple Berries etc were once abundant, and children walking to school in Wonga Park years ago, would have known and loved them well.

Now, these treasures are to be found only in isolated remnants of bushland or on private property. Indigenous plants on roadsides are threatened by weed invasion and haphazard parking of vehicles etc.

Fortunately, this has, at last, been recognized by the Shire of Lillydale and some work, designed to protect indigenous vegetation, has begun at Wonga Park Reserve.

But community support is needed for the success of this venture.

Joanne Lambden, Landscape Development Officer with the Shire has expressed her willingness to meet a group of people interested in helping with management strategies such as weeding and seed collection.

If you are interested, please contact me .... 722 1776 ...

You don't need botanical expertise. The important thing is that you care about your own local plants.

I would be very pleased to lead walks to find wildflowers this coming spring to help you identify them. There's a wonderful world waiting to be explored.

Flora Anderson      Ph: 722 1776

## LAUNDERS AVENUE SHOPPING CENTRE

A planning consultant acting on behalf of the owners of the Launders Avenue Shopping Centre will be attending the next meeting of the Residents' Association. A copy of plans for proposed future extensions to the Launders Avenue shopping centre will be displayed and any questions relating to the development will be addressed.

## RAINFALL

In August 106 mm (4.24 inches) of rain were recorded. The total for the first 8 months of the year is 615.50 mm (24.62 inches). During August rain was recorded on 23 of the 31 days.

## WONGA PARK COMMUNITY COTTAGE NEWS

Under stress at work or home? Do you suffer from prolonged illness? Learn stress management, how to relax and "The WHY & HOW of a healthy approach to life". There are still a few vacancies in our MEDITATION PLUS WORKSHOP with Stephen Taylor (who works with Ian Gawler) and Edeltraud Enrich on Sunday 16 September from 9.30am-4.30pm, Cost \$20.

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A local community networking luncheon was held at the cottage on Thursday 30 August with representatives from the Wonga Park Primary School, Playgroup, Wongaroo and the Infant Welfare Centre. Both food and information were shared in abundance. The cottage intends to hold similar luncheons on a regular basis to assist in information sharing.

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The Term 4 program is nearly ready for printing and should be delivered in the post during the school holidays. We will be offering a mixed bag, with all our regular classes, and quite a few Christmas flavoured workshops, both gifts and decorations.

**\* TERM 4 Enrolment day will be on Wednesday 17 October 1990 \***

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Should you need any information regarding any cottage activities, please don't hesitate to call or leave a message. I'm at the cottage on Tuesdays 1-3 pm, Wednesdays 10am-3pm and Thursdays 10am-2.30pm (except school holidays). Hope to meet you soon.  
Linda Hay Ph 722 1944.

## **WONGAROO'S FIRST BIRTHDAY**

After a very busy first year of operation we are looking forward to our Birthday BBQ-lunch which will be held on Saturday 15th September for members and friends. We are very proud of our achievements over the past year and our steady growth in membership and use. This would not have been possible without the efforts and support of the many dedicated parents in this community who got together, first to see the building and now the service become a reality. The Parents and Staff strive to offer the highest quality of care, with attention to the needs of the community.

We are most grateful to ALL the other community groups in Wonga Park who offer their resources and support to us.

We were sad to lose Carmel whose warmth was appreciated by the families using the centre. She applied many extra hours to establishing the centre. Our new co-ordinator, Faye, carries on this caring tradition.

The past months have seen new equipment arriving to the delight of the children. The planning of equipment purchases etc., have made it seem like Christmas throughout the year. Our front garden area was completed and will be a picture as the plants establish and flower. Thank-you to Peter Maiden for donating the use of his backhoe to shift soil, it certainly saved the backs of those attending the gardening working bee. For any information regarding the operation of Wongaroo or Birthday arrangements ... phone 722 1801. We are open from 7am to 6.30pm.