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**"FOR THE COMMUNITY,
OF THE COMMUNITY,"**

Welcome to Issue 6 of News and Notes. You still seem to be a bit shy in placing articles and we are patiently

waiting for them. Thank you to all who contribute regularly. As the end of Term 3 approaches, holidays are obviously around the corner. But do not despair!! As the weather is getting warmer outdoor activity increases and please remember that there are some of the most wonderful bush/nature walks just in our own backyards!

WONGA PARK COMMUNITY COTTAGE
The Cottage has been 'buzzing' this Term and many people are coming back to continue courses that they attended. Hopefully, we will be able to fit in some new exciting courses and workshops inbetween these. We are certainly utilising all our space. The Creche has also been used much more frequently this term. Don't forget to use our Occasional Care for some time out or Christmas shopping as well as to attend classes. We have lots of new things to play with thanks to some generous members of our Community. **INTRODUCTION TO THE WINE INDUSTRY** on Friday 5th with Denise Miller will be hard to beat, but due to harassment we will try to organise something else for all you wine buffs. We believe you all had a fantastic night drinking (we thought it was supposed to be tasting?!) some fabulously expensive wines. Glad you all enjoyed yourselves!

CAR RALLY. Early on Sunday 7th, as people arrived in high spirits, we knew everyone was going to have a good time. The winner of our much vied 1997 engraved trophy was a 'hot foot' from 'out of town'.



Lots of debate about answers was held while eating lunch. This was followed by Gum Boot throwing, mums, dads and childrens sack races, ball games and skittles etc. It was an ideal Fathers Day - they spent lots of fun time with the kids and they didn't have to cook (thanks to our volunteer Don and his lovely Doreen). Maps were distributed and most people went for a nature walk. **NEGATIVES** all all rally participants hopping backwards around their cars at the half way point at



Lilydale Lake will be available to the highse bidders soon !! Everyone is keen for next years Car Rally and we have already thought of a great fun place to end up. Nikki Polak did a fantastic job writing this one in her humorous, cryptic way, so we will let her have her baby and a little break before hounding her again. Thanks Nikki

COTTAGE AGM. Yes you escaped but 10 other people did not! We had an exciting night with new members eager to join our team of 'Managing the Cottage' Some serious business has to be attended to at our meetings, but we try to make it a supportive and socially enjoyable environment. All members of the community are always welcome to our meetings, Our next meeting is Tuesday 14/10/97 at 8.00pm. Suggestions for community programs and involvement etc are always welcome and with limited time we do our best. If you cannot attend a meeting phone us and have a chat. Carol is our Chairperson again (she did such a wonderful job last year). Rosalie is our new Treasurer and Jane has taken on the Secretarys' position. Christine does the wonderful job of producing this 'News & Notes and we will introduce others to you in later editions.

CRAFTWORKS

Our Grand Opening was a wonderful success. Thank you to all who helped on the day and to our local demonstrators. The kids had heaps of fun while their Mums, Dads, Nanas etc had a great time browsing and of course buying. Don't forget its open Tuesday PM/Thursday PM and the last Saturday in the month.

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REST IN PEACE

On August 27th 1997 Tony Colella tragically died in a tractor accident. Everyone who knew Tony was very sad to hear of this news. He was well known in the District as a very gentle person and had lived here all his life.

Our thoughts to go Nina and his sons Patrick, Marc, Paul and Damien.

F LORA'S POINT OF VIEW

We can all play a part in the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and now we have a Greenhouse Officer at Manningham Council whose job it is to advise us now to reduce our energy consumption. Adam Briscomb is his name and he would be pleased to hear from you if you need more information. Phone 9840 9325. We have all received the first issued of Greenhouse News and hopefully you have not pitched it out thinking it was just some more junk mail, There is some useful information and energy efficient appliances eg when buying your next washing machine consider a front loader. They use less water and detergent and speaking of detergents, Adam recommends 'no phosphorus' brands. Look for NP on the label.

There were 3 people from Wonga Park in the group that attended the last of the 10 workshops arranged to discuss the way cats and dogs are to be managed in Manningham. Domestic pets are an important part of our lives but responsible ownership is a very important issue. Very few of at the workshop were familiar with the Domestic Animals Act and so the need for a wider education program was recognized, At least most of us were aware that our cats and dogs must not be allowed to roam onto other people's properties. Those whose gardens provide food and shelter for native birds and mammals are not too happy to have them on the breakfast table of a cat hunting the the wee hours of the morning. Cat runs with a wire roof were suggested as a way of giving a cat its outside exercise. These may become compulsory. It was a very good night. Everybody had a chance to ask questions and a battery of people from the Disputes Settlement Board kept us from coming to blows!

HARD & GREEN WASTE COLLECTION

Green waste collection service.

GARDEN WASTE: Week beginning. 11/8/97
HARD WASTE &: Week beginning 13/10/97 &
METAL WASTE 20/10/97



SHOPPING TOUR

Saturday 25th October, 1997.

Come and join us for a fabulous days shopping at some of Melbourne's premier discount outlets.

Holeproof/Bonds	Specialty Nuts
Bus Stop	Amorni
JB Gifts	Oz Concepts
Le Spec	Ooh La La
Santa's showcase	Beaches

Price: \$31.00 per head including lunch at the Hyatt on Collins with wine and coffee

Phone the WPCC on 9722 1944 to book your seat and take the opportunity to buy some great gifts for Xmas. Come along and join to fun, bring your Mum, sisters, friends and anyone you can think of that would enjoy this great day.

INVITATION TO A GARDEN

57 O'Brien's Lane, Templestowe (mel 33K3).

27th & 28th September. 10.00am to 4.30pm. Cost \$3.50
Colin & Liana Joyce's adventure began eight years ago upon purchasing one acre of bare clay. There concept was to create habitat for our native wildlife. With the help of Landscape Consultant Paul Thompson, wetlands and a fully native garden have evolved. Though still in its youth, over sixty species of birds and a range of mammals and reptiles have either visited or are occupying our home with us. Our acceptance into the Land for Wildlife Scheme occurred in 1992. Adjoining is a Council Reserve (Tuscany Rise Reserve, 1ha) which has been planted with indigenous plants. Surrounding properties have extended this theme.



AUGUST WEATHER STATISTICS: NOT TO WET, NOT TOO DRY AND PRETTY COLD

WONGA PARK CRICKET CLUB Junior REGISTRATION DAY



The Wonga Park Cricket Club is seeking new players for their Under 12, Under 14 and Under 16 Junior sides. The Registration Day is being held on Sunday 14th September 1997 at the clubrooms, any time between 11.00am and 12.30pm.

New players are to provide proof of age (eg copy of birth certificate, health centre card etc). All existing players are expected to re register on the day also.

Also the Cricket Club will again be sponsoring a Vic Hit Clinic for young children (ages approximately 7 to 9) commencing 2nd November.

For any inquiries or more information, please ring the Clubs Junior Convenors:
Brian Kelly 9722 1709 or Alan Hassan 9722 1215

WONGA PARK HALL COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

The Annual General Meeting of the Wonga Park Hall Committee of Management is to be held on Tuesday 7th October 1997 at the Wonga Park Hall at 8.00pm.

We would like to extend an invitation to any interested local people or a representative of any local groups to attend this meeting.

The Wonga Park Hall Committee of Management is currently a group of 5 local residents who administer the Hall. The workload of the Committee is not arduous with a one hour meeting held approximately every 6 weeks, However, we would like some new committee members to join our Committee to help co ordinate the bookings and any problems as they arise,

It is vitally important that the people of Wonga Park continue to administer the Hall. If there is not enough people to help, the Council will take over the Hall and administer the Hall from the Council Offices. As well as being less convenient, this would also result in a significant increase in hire charges for the many people who use the Hall, both on a weekly basis like the Playgroup and for social functions of local groups and

It would be a sad reflection on the people of Wonga Park if this were to happen as we have been managing the hall for many years. The Wonga Park Hall Committee are very committed to continuing the management of the Hall and would welcome anyone who would like to become involved. For further information please contact the Secretary, Pamela Biggins on 9722 1313.

ENVIRONMENT SEMINAR SERIES WILDLIFE.

2nd Oct	George Paras	Yarra's Native Fish
6th Nov	Andrew Bennett	Wildlife Corridors
4th Dec	Linton Staples	Foxes

AT WARRANDYTE COMMUNITY CENTRE
7.30PM FIRST THURSDAYS \$2.00 ENTRY

Enquires: Bill Mallinson 9840 9338 or 9840 9333
Arranged and sponsored by Friends of Warrandyte State Park.

WONGAROO CHILD CARE CENTRE

The Committee, Parents, Staff and Children at the Wongaroo Child Care Centre would like to thank all families who supported their Bush Dance in the Wonga Park Hall on 19th July. Not only was this a great fun night for all families who attended it was a great fund raiser for the Centre. The amount of \$1,500.00 was raised which is being used to purchase new equipment at Wongaroo.

The next social function will be a Market Night on Wednesday 17th September 7.30 - 9.30pm Entry is \$3.00 and includes supper and great door prizes which will be given away during the night. Stall holders will include women's clothing, children's clothing (including Billycart), children's art smocks and library bags, pottery, Nutrimetics, Tupperware, Jigsaw toys and many many more stall holders. Items can be purchased on the night or ordered and collected at a later date.

Hope to see you there. Thanks Pam.



**Q. What did the raspberry say to the strawberry
A. You are berry, berry beautiful!!**

**Editors Note: If you have any clean jokes, poems etc.
that you wish to share, please place in WPCC letterbox**