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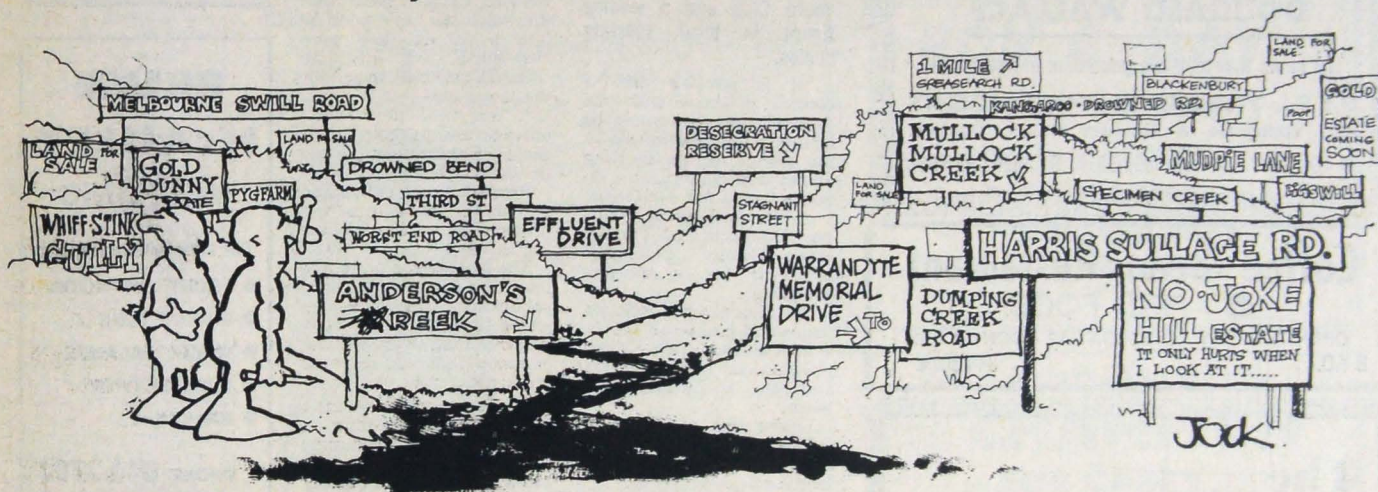
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## Jock's Warrandyte



## Marsden in by 50 votes

# CLOSE GO IN COUNCIL POLL

Mr Ian Marsden of Park Orchards won the recent Warrandyte Ward extraordinary election by 50 votes from Mr Wally Walsh, of Warrandyte.

The campaign was one of the most aggressive ever fought in the ward.

Solid backing from resigned Cr K. Buxton and former Park Orchards councillor Mr D. Marsh, played a big part in clinching the election for Mr Marsden.

Mr Marsden had missed by 39 votes against Mr A. Morton, also of Park Orchards, in the recent annual council elections.

Mr Walsh's supporters were pleased with his good polling. They claim the support fully justified their conservation stand.

Mr Walsh was sponsored by the Warrandyte Environment League and received

no support from outside bodies.

A feature of the election was the support for Mr Walsh in South Warrandyte and Warrandyte. South Warrandyte was considered to be a stronghold for Mr Marsden.

Mr R. Morton, secretary of the Warrandyte Environment League, said this week the league was disappointed Mr Walsh was defeated.

"However, we are gratified he came so very close to success, fighting an election solely on the environment issue.

"The fact that this issue formed a major part of all the candidates' election policies is an indication of the concern felt for the environment by the vast majority of residents in the Warrandyte Ward.

"Cr. Marsden has pledged himself to do all he can to protect the environment in Warrandyte and we offer him every support in his endeavours," said Mr R. Morton.

At the declaration of the poll Mr Marsden said it was the first time for a number of years that two council-

lors from Park Orchards had represented the ward.

However, he said, he was very conscious of his responsibility to Warrandyte.

"I love every inch of it. It is sacred to me," he said.

## CHURCH FAIR

The local Catholic parish of St Gerards and St Anns will hold a fair at the Warrandyte Recreation Ground on Saturday, November 18.

One of the highlights will be the drawing of a Christmas stocking raffle valued at \$300, including a week-end house boat trip on Lake Eildon.

There will be plenty of entertainment for the children with Geppo the clown, Punch and Judy and Father Christmas.

## Bottle drive

Save all your spare bottles in the next few weeks.

On Sunday, November 12, the First and Second Warrandyte Scouts and Cub packs will conduct a bottle drive.



● IAN MARSDEN... second time was lucky.

## How they voted

Less than 62% of rate-payers in the Warrandyte Ward cast votes in the recent extraordinary election.

This is how the votes came in:

Warrandyte — Humphries, 132; Marsden, 279; Walsh, 474; Informal, 16.

South Warrandyte — Humphries, 58; Marsden, 58; Walsh, 73; Informal, 16.

Park Orchards — Humphries 194; Marsden, 530; Walsh, 180; Informal, 29.

Postal votes — Humphries, 12; Marsden, 23; Walsh, 13; Informal, 1.

Total primary votes — Humphries, 396; Marsden, 890; Walsh, 740; Informal, 62.

Mr Humphries was then declared an unsuccessful candidate and his preferences allocated, 148 going to Mr Marsden and 248 to Mr Walsh.

Final figures — Marsden, 1038; Walsh, 988; a majority for Mr Marsden of 50 votes.



● WALLY WALSH... just pipped. Another try coming up?

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"It is essential that ward councillors take immediate steps to speed up the revised plan for the lower recreation oval in Warrandyte", Mr K. McKenzie said this week.

He is president of the Warrandyte Community Youth Club and a leading figure in local sporting bodies.

"It is obvious that if council proceeds with the original plan they would be acting in total opposition to the wishes of the sporting bodies and conservation interests," said Mr McKenzie.

As far back as May this year Doncaster and Templestowe Council announced proposals for a sporting complex.

Facilities planned included tennis and basketball courts, a new cricket oval, a small pavilion, car parking space, and an additional toilet block.

Under this plan council wanted to divert the creek and acquire some private land.

This scheme was totally rejected by the Warrandyte Tennis Club, Warrandyte Cricket Club and the Environment League.

Mr McKenzie said many people thought the Environment League was alone in

their opposition. This was not so.

A spokesman for the Warrandyte Cricket Club said this week the club stood to lose a lot if they were "shovelled" off into the council's second stage for the lower oval.

It was time the council moved closer to the sporting needs of the young people in Warrandyte.

Because of the population growth in Warrandyte, unprecedented interest was being shown in junior cricket.

The sporting groups and the Environment League submitted to council a plan which showed that all interests could be served without expensive destruction of the creek and bush.

This week Warrandyte Diary discussed the situation with several community leaders. They were unanimous in pointing out that it was up to council to call all parties together immediately.

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## Village Calendar

NOVEMBER

- 2—Elderly Citizens. Brownies.
- 3—Yoga. Youth Club.
- 4—WAA Painting and Pottery Exhibition. WAA Junior Painting and Dance Classes.
- 5—WAA Painting and Pottery Exhibition.
- 8—WAA Painting Class.
- 9—Elderly Citizens. Brownies.
- 10—ALP Meetings in Research and Warrandyte. Yoga. Youth Club.
- 11—Youth Club Dance. WAA Junior Painting and Dance Classes.
- 12—Scouts' and Cubs' Bottle Drive.
- 13—Guides L.A.
- 14—Guides.
- 15—WPS Mothers' Club. WAA Painting Class.
- 16—Elderly Citizens. Brownies. Scouts' and Cubs' Ladies' Auxiliary.
- 17—WPS Walkathon. Yoga. Youth Club.
- 18—Village Fair. Guides and Brownies Street Stall. WAA Junior Painting and Dance Classes.
- 19—Diary copy closes.
- 21—Guides.
- 22—WAA Painting Class.
- 23—Elderly Citizens. Brownies.
- 24—WAA Revue. Yoga. Youth Club.
- 25—WAA Junior Painting and Dance Classes. WAA Revue.
- 28—Guides.
- 29—WAA Painting Class.
- 30—Elderly Citizens. Brownies.

### REMINDER

Warrandyte Diary could do with more news from the district.

We want to hear from Park Orchards, Warrandyte, Wonga Park, Kangaroo Ground, South and North Warrandyte and Research.

Remember, the Diary is YOUR local paper.

### LETTER TO THE EDITORS

## COUNCILLORS WILL BE AVAILABLE

As you are probably aware, there have been two extraordinary elections recently for councillors to represent the Warrandyte Ward, and we have been the successful candidates.

We both wish to emphasise that it is our privilege and our duty to represent the whole of the ward, and neither of us wish to be considered just as "Park Orchards councillors".

Therefore we bring to your attention the fact that we are available at any reasonable times to investigate the problems of any ratepayer in the Warrandyte Ward.

Our addresses and phone numbers are set out below.

Warrandyte is a classical example for the need to rationalise local government services, according to Mr Randell Champion, the Australia Party candidate for Casey.

Although Warrandyte is a distinctive small town with which its residents identify, it is divided by a council boundary, Mr Champion said.



● MR RANDELL CHAMPION

## Kinder dream closer

A six-year dream by supporters of the North Warrandyte Kindergarten is about to become a reality.

It is hoped to officially open the new kindergarten in Research Road early in February.

Enrolments look like being high. If there is any surplus Warrandyte Kindergarten is expected to take them.

On Saturday, December 2, North Warrandyte kindergarten will stage Warrandyte's first flea market in St Stephen's Church of England hall.

Anyone wishing to rent space for the sale of goods should ring 844-3866.

"From one side of the river to the other services, regulations and other local government matters can and do differ . . . mud bricks can be used as a building material in the Eltham side, but not on the Doncaster-Templestowe side."

Mr. Champion believes that local government should be rationalised so that the functions of local government are controlled by the appropriate group of people that are to be served.

"For example, the people from Warrandyte should be able to resolve local issues such as pre-school facilities, building materials, detailed planning including parking problems, traffic and advertising," said Mr Champion.

"Such Controls should be exercised within guidelines set out by regional councils, which would also channel finances to a town council for Warrandyte."

"Finances and specialised services, including research facilities for local government should be made available through the Federal or State system while it survives."

"Regional councils would handle matters of regional concern, such as pollution control, garbage disposal, regional libraries. Education should also be managed from a regional level and finances provided from the Federal Government."

"Warrandyte already has a community spirit which should be utilised in the integration of management of facilities for its residents. Warrandyte like many other small towns, has a special character which could be enhanced by the people of Warrandyte having control of their own local affairs," said Mr Champion.

### Xmas cards sell well

The Diary Xmas cards, featuring Harry Hudson's delightful drawing of the old Warrandyte post office, are selling quickly.

Anyone who still hasn't ordered cards should do so as soon as possible.

All proceeds from the sale of cards will assist the Community Youth Club. Details and order form on page 6.

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The show will be staged on November 24, and 25, and December 1 and 2.

A nightly B.Y.O. licence will enable patrons to watch the show from tables while enjoying their food and drink.

The program, under master of ceremonies John Verrall, will include barber shop quartet, folk singers Phil and Sue Plain, a melodrama, a sing-a-long segment, a "chorus" line, a topical sketch and a variety of entertainment by Joan Golding, Alan Tisdall, Ron Lowe, Tim and Lynne Sherwood, Marie Coleman, Claude Herring, Marlene Dickenson and Helen Davidson.

Pianist will be Pat Murphy. Tickets are \$1.25 for adults. Meg Pleasance (844-3571) is in charge of bookings.

## A.L.P. CHIEF AT RESEARCH

The Leader of the Opposition, Mr Clyde Holding, will speak in the Research Hall on Friday, November 10, at 8 p.m.

In view of his recent statements on sub-division and land speculation, it promises to be an interesting meeting.

Mr. Holding will be speaking in support of Mr Race Mathews the A.L.P. candidate for Casey.

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He will speak about his recent visit to North Vietnam. Films will also be shown.

The meeting will be held in St Stephen's Church of England hall, Stiggant Street. Starting time is 8 pm.

## Social news welcomed

Social news items and paragraphs of personal interest are welcome for inclusion in the columns of the Diary.

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Ernie Stewart was a quiet, gentle man who annoyed no-one, but had few friends.

Usually, his only companion was his dog.

I made his acquaintance during the odd times he visited the village—usually pension day or Saturday afternoons—when he bought supplies.

He was a lonely man, not over clean, but he would talk if you gave him the chance.

Ernie lived somewhere off Webb Street, in a tent. There were many ex-first world war soldiers living in Warrandyte then, mostly bachelors on war pensions.

Most of them enjoyed each other's company over a few drinks, but Ernie Stewart was excluded. He was well aware of this, but

did not appear to be bitter because of it.

Long service overcoat, bowyangs, battered hat, heavy boots and a staff, with a hessian bag slung on his shoulder. Ginger-and-pepper beard, sharp nose and blue eyes. His dog keeping careful watch over him.

Ernie always drunk brandy — neat — which amazed me. But he was rarely "tight". He would wend his way home with his provisions, including several bottles of brandy in the hessian shoulder sack, the dog now leading the way.

It was a long time before I discovered why he had been ex-communicate by his fellow ex-diggers around the district. Ernie had been a "provo", a military policeman, during the 1914-18 war, and for this he was never forgiven.

"Once a provo, always a provo," they said. Unchar-

itable perhaps, but the early diggers who went overseas to fight did not take kindly to authority and the military police were set apart, as were the military collectors of licence fees on the gold-fields during the last century.

So it was a hard, lonely battle for poor Ernie Stewart, who finally died in Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital from a chest complaint.

But they said he died of "shock", because he was bathed, shaved, had his hair cut, and received a delousing. Be that as it may, his camp was finally destroyed, officially. But a fair amount of gold in a jam jar was alleged to have disappeared.

So passed one of Warrandyte's characters. Some time after his death, he and his dog, sitting reading in his tent, complete with hurricane lamp, appeared on a calendar for one of the local stores.

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We travelled miles upon miles along that amazing Stuart highway, stark without any sign of human habitation until we would reach a little settlement.

A shop, a hotel and a restaurant where you had no more time than to snatch a meagre meal, then on again with the interminable miles ahead.

By now we reached the semi-tropical growth that surely could have fed thousands of sheep and cattle, but for this lack of water; spinifex and salt-bush on which these animals can thrive, abounds, but — no water.

We were held up for nine hours in the middle of nowhere in that stark and lonely country owing to a breakdown of our coach, but were finally rescued by another coach which hooked us on.

At the hotel we got talking to the cook, a hardy old soul with a hook arm. We could not grind it out of him how he came by it.

This disability did not interfere with the old boy's volubility. He told us he was born in this outpost, and would die there, and to hell with going south to get one of these new-fangled arms.

And so we boarded our coach and set off for Darwin, another long stretch of open country.

Small settlements, then surprisingly at Pine Creek a quite sophisticated hotel; but now we were nearing Darwin, the outskirts widening all the time, and worthy of a column of its own. Cheers.

### No January Diary

There will be no issue of the Diary published in January, 1973.

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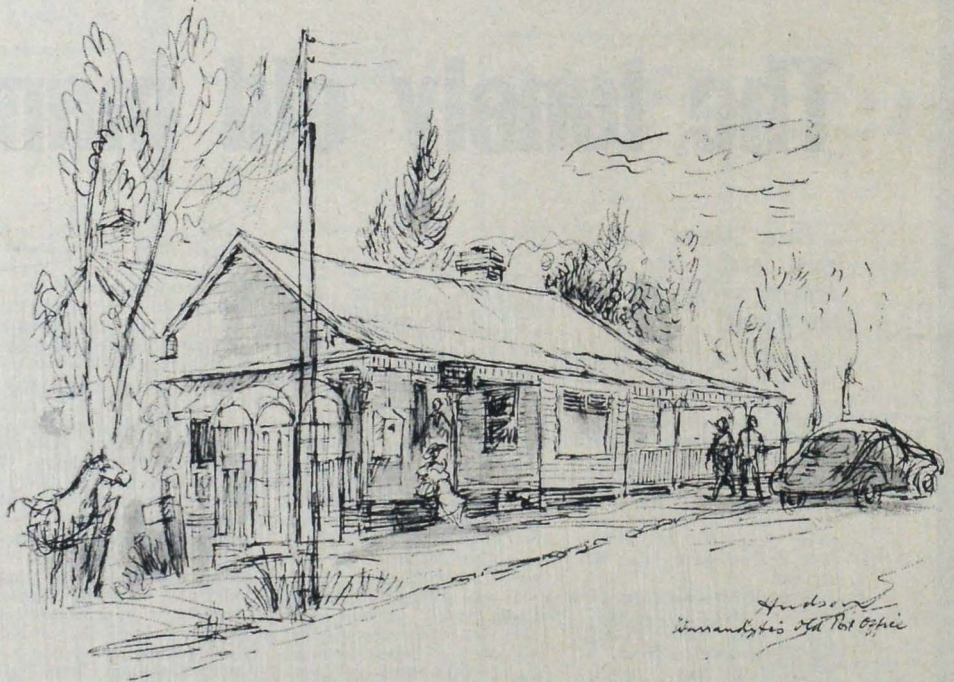
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# THANKS, SAYS CANDIDATE

My congratulations to Ian Marsden on his recent win in the Warrandyte Ward of the Doncaster and Templestowe Council.

I wish to thank all who supported me, particularly the Warrandyte Environment League.

The vote indicated how

important environment, pollution, recreation for young, etc, is in the Warrandyte Ward.

Two big issues in Warrandyte are the development of the White House as a community centre for young and old, and the improvement of the recreation ground to a standard suitable for all sports.

A lot of money has been spent on Dorney Reserve, Park Orchards. Ratepayers' money must be spent on giving Warrandyte people the same facilities.

W. Walsh,  
Yarra St, Warrandyte.

cularly in view of recent statements regarding subdivisions and pollution.

The Warrandyte Environment League criticised by many, has proved their fight has been worthwhile. Doncaster and Templestowe Council ward candidates cannot afford any longer to ignore their pleas.

What is happening in Warrandyte can happen in Park Orchards. With two councillors at Park Orchards, surely they should be able to show a bit more interest in the affairs in poor old Warrandyte.

Warrandyte Forever.  
(Name and address supplied.)

## Yarra St. traffic

A past councillor and a prospective councillor have recently mentioned "the need to widen the main street of Warrandyte".

We all live in a time when most politicians, councillors and leaders naturally enough support GROWTH, PROGRESS, ACCELERATION, DEVELOPMENT and CHANGE, but when we study ourselves as persons we find that many suffer TENSION, STRAIN and a LACK OF CONSIDERATION for others.

Is there a relationship between these things?

Have we all noticed how fast both local and other vehicles travel through our main street shopping centre? Just what will be gained by widening the street? Will more vehicles go slower, or is it intended to create extensive vehicle parks for our local and other machines?

If other countries of the world with greater vehicle populations than ours can still leave villages and other beauty spots undeveloped, why not try the same enlightened approach here in Warrandyte?

John E. Windebank,  
Warrandyte.

## Need for seats

A few rough bush seats would not go astray around the Warrandyte village for we weary old footsloggers. They would need to be constructed so that vandals don't disturb them.

A. Branston,  
Warrandyte.

## Youth club dance

The Warrandyte Community Youth Club's November dance is on Saturday the 11th in the White House, Tarooma Ave.

The dance commences at 8.00 pm and admission is \$1.

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"Don't blame me, I voted informal".

## League praised

As a resident of Warrandyte for more than 20 years may I congratulate the Warrandyte Environment League on their stand in nominating a candidate at the last extraordinary council election.

I consider the Warrandyte Environment League should be proud of their stand over the past 12 months, parti-

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# FOOTBALL CLUB SEEKS Netball family honored NEW COACH

Warrandyte Football Club is seeking a playing coach for next season.

The club has advertised extensively for a player, particularly with senior experience.

Secretary Mr T. Kerkhof, of Mitchell Ave, Warrandyte, is receiving applications.

Several promising applications have been received, but the club is anxious to hear from other players who may be interested.

Nominations should be forwarded before the annual meeting to be held at the Coffee Bean Restaurant, Yarra St, Warrandyte, on Thursday, November 16.

Club officials are hoping for a big attendance so that coaching and other vital matters can be discussed.

Several money-raising functions have been held since the football season ended.

The club is grateful to John Ryan for making his home available recently for a get-together. More than \$60 was raised.

Club president Mr J. Templeton could do with more help with working bees on the extensions to the pavilion.

The concrete has been poured for the floor base and work has begun on welding support beams.

Four members of the Dann family of Warrandyte were recently made life members of the Warrandyte Basketball Club.

They are Mrs Dann, Merri Dann, Jenny Dann and Jill Dann. In addition, Bronwyn Stringer, Denise Mayne and Kathie Hook received life memberships.

Club awards this season are: Senior club award, Kerry Summers. Junior club award: Linda Mayne. Best and fairest: Denise Mayne, Colleen Fitzsimmons, Tricia Muurling, Ruth Hillbrick, Abra Day, Karen Manson. Most enthusiastic: Denise Henderson, Mandy Gibson. Most promising: J. Stringer, Allison Walker, Lisa Day. Most consistent: Jan Holyoak, Sharon Price. Most determined: Helen Goosens, Meredith Blair. Most improved: Betty Van Rijn, Lisa Van der Haar, Sheryl Dickson.

Awards were made to the captains, Jenny Dann, Carol Woolcock, Janine Gardiner, Gail Stringer, Abra Day, Jeanette Summers.

Coaches Mr Gardiner, Mr H. Mazairz and Kerry Summers also received awards.

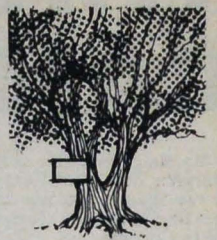
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## CRICKET WINS

Warrandyte Cricket Club began the season on a successful note with wins in the firsts and under-16 sides.

The under-16 side could do with more players and more parent support.

The under-12 side, playing in their first season, are coming along well. With more experience they should settle into a good side.

Club officials are busy working on the Melbourne Cup effort and the Warrandyte Business Directory. Mrs Chapman (844-3326) is handling directory enquiries.

Club secretary Mr G. Martin is now accepting membership fees. Players are reminded to check the

closing date for membership fees.

A recent barbecue at the president's home raised \$33 for the club.

### \$50 Auction

A Dutch auction in aid of the Warrandyte Guides and Brownies raised \$50 recently.

Proceeds will assist girl guides in the under-privileged areas of Melbourne.

A street stall will be held outside the State Savings Bank, Warrandyte, on November 18.

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