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TIME FOR A BREAKAWAY COUNCIL

Another strong bid is underway to form a separate shire incorporating North Warrandyte and Warrandyte.

For many years residents on both sides of the Yarra have complained about the disadvantages of Warrandyte being within two different municipalities.

Latest shot fired in the "battle of the bridge" came from Cr. Don Ingersole during his farewell address to Eltham Shire Council early last month.

Expanding to the Diary on his farewell speech, Cr. Ingersole said that the residents of Warrandyte and nearby areas had been talking of municipal amalgamation for many years.

"The North Warrandyte area is the 'Cinderella' of Eltham Shire's North Riding. So too is the Warrandyte Ward of the City of Doncaster and Templestowe."

Cr. Ingersole said that if positive steps were taken to form a new municipality, the following districts could be incorporated:

The whole of the

the Shire of Eltham embracing North Warrandyte, Research, Kangaroo Ground, Panton Hill. St. Andrews, Cottle's Bridge, Arthur's Creek, Hurstbridge and Wattle Glen.

- The entire Warrandyte Ward from the City of Doncaster and Templestowe embracing Warrandyte, South Warrandyte and Park Orchards.
- All of Yarra Glen from the Shire of Healesville.
- All of Wonga Park from the Shire of Lilvdale.

Cr. Ingersole said: "The advantage of this marriage is that the residents would all have something in commonprotection of the environ-North Riding from ment; preservation of

rural and semi-rural countryside, abhorrence of high-rise or costly settled development and total rejection of freeways".

"Nearby councils which have large densely-populated wards, such as Eltham Shire, become suburbanised and councillors from these areas rarely appreciate the problems of councillors from rural areas within the same municipality.

"Consequently an atmosphere of perpetual conflict exists between the councillors, and the ratepayers are usually the victims", said Cr. Inger-

Cr. Ingersole said the creation of a new municipality could become the subject of a series of public meetings in the areas affected during the coming months.



Strange bedfellows. But there they were, chatting over a beer at the local as if they belonged to the same party.

Peter Hardie, State president of the Liberal Party, having that pause that refreshes on the way to addressing the local branch at North Warrandyte Community Hall.

And the well-known Pat Mackie, who's never been famous for his Liberal sentiments.

Maybe they were talking about the weather . . .

Anyone seen Wombie, the waddling wombat of Webb

Last seen he was heading south for the spring. South Warrandyte, that is.

If you do happen to see him waddle-crumping his weary way, you might like to give his people a ring.

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A lot of strange things get left behind after a footy

But our local club property steward regards this one as the prince of boo-boobs.

He found it in the shower after that hilarious ladies' game the other Sunday.

It's a Hickory, ma'am. Size 36. Cup uncertain.

And don't be too embarrassed to claim it. The property steward's been married for years!

We're sneaking this one in right at the bottom in the hope that co-editor Cliff Green won't see it before we go to press.

Cliff's a mighty modest fellow. He also writes a better-than-average script.

Which accounts for the two "Awgies" he brought home from the big night in Sydney recently.

Anyone who saw his "Marion" series on ABC tele will applaud the judges' verdict.

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MORE CASH FOR CENTRE

The \$34,600 Australian Government grant made available recently for construction of the North Ringwood Pre-school Centre would be increased to about \$39,000 if representations to the Australian Education Minister, Mr. Kim Beazley were successful.

The Federal Member for Casey, Mr. Race Mathews told the Diary this recently.

Mr. Mathews has told Mr. Beazley that the extra grant has become necessary as a result of an error being found in the tender accepted by Ringwood Council for construction of the centre.

He said this week that further delays in the project should not be tolerated.

"It would be heart-breaking if the committee which has raised \$10,000 towards the cost of bringing children in North Ringwood the benefit of pre-school education had to accept a further setback at this stage", said Mr. Mathews.

"Six weeks ago committee members received advice from the Victorian Health Department that the Victorian Government would only contribute \$6000 towards the cost of the centre instead of the \$15,000 originally promised".

"I am appalled that the Victorian authorities are not even prepared to subsidise the funds raised locally on a dollar for dollar basis".

"However, I am sure their abdication will not deter Mr. Beazley from providing the extra funds which are now found to be necessary", said Mr. Mathews.

. READER'S LETTER

LOSING THE

I wish to reply to H.G.L. of Kangaroo Ground who in the last issue of the Diary congratulated the member for Casey, Mr. Race Mathews on the hard work he is doing.

I think it is sad to see an energetic man working hard for the A.L.P., which party is becoming increasingly discredited in terms of lack of leadership, having a Minister of Labor, who earlier irresponsibly urged workers to go after pay rises but now cries halt, and having a great number of backbenchers who immorally voted a \$5000 plus per year pay increase during our inflation period.

The latest opinion poll shows a 9.5% drop in the popularity of the A.L.P., suggesting that I am not alone in my condemnation of a party of big noters.

In the same issue you report on the A.L.P. child care program. This venture

will cost millions of dollars, which we, the general public, will have to pay to meet the costs incurred in minding children of working mothers.

What consideration has been given to the family groups in which the mother wishes to remain home and run an open home for her children?

The DLP agreed at their recent state conference to urge that greatly increased child endowment payments be given to parents to allow families to stay together, and thereby save millions of dollars of taxpayers' money proposed for these centres.

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FOOTY JUNIORS

Chris best in iuniors

Chris Delahenty has won the best and fairest award in the Warrandyte Football Club's under-13

A big crowd of parents, friends, players and officials attended the presentation attended the presentation night in the club's pavilion.

The award for runner-up ended in a draw between Murray Sharp and Shane Garrick. Brian Chapman was third.

The most improved award was won by Tony McDougall. Craig Grant won the award for the most attentive at training.

Presentations were made to people who helped with the side each week. Special tributes were paid to the under-13's coach Mr. Eddie McLean.

Warrandyte Football Club's under-17 side will play off in the second semi-final at East Ringwood this Saturday, August 31.

The game will begin at 9.30 a.m. Warrandyte's opponents will be Bennettswood.

When the two sides met earlier in the season, Bennettswood won by six goals. This time the Warrandyte boys are keen to avenge that defeat.

The under-17 side has been groomed over the years by the Warrandyte Football Club and many of the boys are ready to step up and play with the senior

The committee has warned all under-17 players not to sign papers to play with any V.F.L. under-19 clubs.

With the seniors showing a big improvement this sea-son under former Prahran star John Tuckwell the club is making every effort to hold junior players.

A senior club official

warned under-17 players this week that if they signed with a V.F.L. under-19 side there was a chance that if they did not make the grade they could not be cleared back to Warrandyte.

The official told players who received any offers to take the papers to their parents, or the club committee before deciding to

Next season Warrandyte seniors will be eligible for an incentive payment scheme and this has already influenced several players to stick with Warrandyte next

Also, the club will be conducting a big recruiting drive during the summer season for experienced players to help bolster the side.

Club president, Mr. L. Sloan told the Diary this week he wished to thank the many business people who donated towards trophies.

The annual meeting will

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be held at the Coffee Bean

Restaurant on October 31. The club will provide the senior players' dinner this Friday (August 30).

Club officials this week paid tribute to the senior players who came from far

and wide each week to play with Warrandyte. These in-

cluded David Mitchell, from

DETAILS

South Wantirna 14.11-95 d. Warrandyte 10.8-68. Best: W. Blair, Beruldsen, McCartin.

Warrandyte 11.9-75 d. Rowville 7.13-55. Best: W. Blair, Schubert, Rochow, Ferguson, Mc-Cartin, Valentine.

SECONDS

Warrandyte 11.5-71 d. South Wantirna 5.15-45. Best: Rochow (7 gls.), Ness, Garlapp, N. Day, M. Lovett.

Rowville 13.7-85 d. Warrandyte 4.5-25. Best: Mitchell, Pulford, J. Rowville Read.

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'GUARDED' PROMISE ON NEW SCHOOL

It now seems possible that construction of a new primary school in West Warrandyte may commence during the latter half of next year.

The Minister of Education (Mr. Thompson) indicated this to a recent deputation from the committee of the Warrandyte Primary School.

Led by Mr. Lance Vizard. chairman of the committee, and introduced by Mr. Norman Lacy, M.P. for Ringwood, the deputation pointed out to the Minister that the provision of a second primary school in the area was becoming a matter of extreme urgency.

"The school in Forbes Street is already overcrowded with both pupils and buildings", Mr. Vizard said.

"The steep nature of much of the site means that any further buildings will be erected to the detriment of the already inadequate playing space".

Already more than onethird of the children at the school live in the area adjoining the Harris Gulyy site. Vizard further pointed out that most of the current and future building development in the district would take place in this area, west of Anderson's Creek.

The Minister agreed that a second primary school for Warrandyte was obviously needed, indicated that the Education Department was watching the situation carefully, and further suggested that tenders for the proposed new school may be called during 1975, finances

The deputation then went on to elaborate to the Minister the case for the establishment of a comprehensive community secondary school in the area.

Mr. Richard Morton, committee secretary, pointed out that for some time parents in the Warrandyte ******

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844-3312 area have been concerned about the opportunities for post - primary education available to their children.

"All the post-primary schools which are available to our children are situated six miles or more from Warrandyte," he said.

Mr. Lacey said that there was a need for planning to begin for the provision of a secondary school serving the communities of Warrandyte, South Warrandyte, Wonga Park and Park Orchards.

Mr. Lacey said: "I have been conscious for the past character of the Warrantwelve months of the unique dyte community and the resources in that community which could be of tremendous value to the future of its education programmes.

"It is unacceptable to me that the secondary students of the district attend nine separate Government schools

"It divides the community, which is otherwise quite united. I therefore believe that Warrandyte has many suitable features which could be used for the establishment of a community school project", Mr. Lacey concluded.

Mr. Thompson indicated that he found the concept interesting, and said that the proposal would be investigated, bearing in mind the demands of other areas for secondary schooling.

PARK RANGER JOB IS OPEN

Long delayed plans for a national park in Warrandyte may be on the way to reality.

At least 18 months ago the Premier, Mr. Hamer, announced the government's intention to go ahead with preparations for the Warrandyte State Park.

Local conservationists this week welcomed the announcement by the National Parks Service calling for the appointment of a ranger-incharge for the proposed

Moves for the declaration of crown land and other attractive bushland reserves as national park began in Warrandyte as far back as 1968.

In May this year, the Warrandyte Environment League pointedout to the National Parks Service that some of the areas were deteriorating through lack of maintenance and protection.

It is expected that the park will include the Pound Bend and Jumping Creek public reserves, the Warrandyte North river frontage, the Jumping Creek and Black Flat boy scouts' camps and five other areas of unoccupied crown land and two timber reserves.

North hall to be extended

Plans are being considered to extend the North Warrandyte Community Centre Hall.

Eltham Council has made a grant available for the work.

The number of local groups using the hall is growing. It has become the meeting place for the Warrandyte Fidelity Club, the Warrandyte branch of the Liberal Party, a yoga group, and the mothers' club of the Warrandyte Primary School.

The children's film club has been a success with a membership of about 100. Five films will be shown in the first season. Because of the overwhelming response the club will operate again next year.

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Warrandyte teams really made their presence felt in the finals.

- The Under-14s (B-grade) could count themselves most unlucky. Having lost only one match during the season, they went down to Mullum in the grand final after being level at each change.
- The Under-12s (C, Section 2) were beaten by five goals in their preliminary final after being level at the third break.
- The Under-10 As finished on against St. Gregory's in their first semifinal to win by four goals in extra time.

CLUB AWARDS:

Under-10 (A Grade): Best tary: John Sh and fairest: Jill Holyoak; surer: Carol Bird.

Most improved: Natalie Mackinder.

Under-10 B-grade: Jenni Harper; Jacklyn Hockveen.

Under-12 A-Grade: Elizabeth Phillips; Amanda Harris.

Under-12 (C-Grade, Section 1, Team 3): Sarah Tindale; Carol Burgess.

Under-12 (C-Grade: Section 1, Team 4): Linda Oldfield; Debbie Jones.

Under 12 (C-Grade, Section 2): Elisa Day; Amanda Liddell.

CASH WILL HELP BUY FIRE PUMP

The Warrandyte firefighters' social committee finished the financial year with a credit balance of \$655

Some of this money will be used to buy a motorised pressure pump for the Warrandyte Rural Fire Brigade.

Annual election of officebearers resulted: President: Robyn Hodgkinson. Secretary: John Shugg. Trea-

MEALS GO OUT FAR AND WIDE

The Warrandyte and District Welfare Service delivered 1783 meals-on-wheels during 1973-74.

The service's recent annual meeting was told that meals were delivered five days a week by an average number of 46 voluntary workers.

The delivery roster continued to be handled by Mrs. M. McLaughlin and Mrs. J. Cole. However, earlier in the year Mrs. Cole retired and Mrs. R. Arnaud replaced her.

Service officials wish to express thanks to the following donors: Shire of Eltham, Warrandyte Elderly Citizens, Mrs. D. Blackie, Miss Branston, Doncaster-Templestowe Service Appeal, Mr. Foster, The Sun Sunball, The Herald Wealthwords, and the Dept. of Social Welfare.

The service has taken out membership with the Victorian Council of Social Services Incorporated. Mr. K. Wilson has been nominated as the service's representative member.

Election of office-bearers results: President: Mr. K. Wilson; Vice - presidents: Mrs. R. Arnaud, Mrs. M. McLaughlin; Secretary: Mrs. D. Rush; Treasurer: Mrs. H. Ingram; Committee: Mesdames A. Edwards, N. Webb, J. Cole, P. Dunnett, J. Sporton, Mr. V. Rush.

WINES AND FASHIONS

A chance to view the fashions and taste the wine is being offered by Kangaroo Ground primary school mothers' club.

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TURF WICKET IS NOT FAR AWAY

Doncaster and Templestowe Council plans to install a turf wicket before Christmas on the main oval at the Warrandyte Recreation Ground.

Warrandyte Cricket Club president, Mr. R. White, said that because of this, the club would not be using the main ground this

He said the club planned to play its senior and under-16 teams at Domeney Reserve, Park Orchards.

The two lower grade senior teams and the under-12 and under-14 teams will play on the second oval at Warrandyte.

"The council has assured s that they will delay in-stallation of the turf wicket if the second oval is not ready in time for the open-ing game of the season", Mr. White said.

"In this way we can use the main oval until the ground is ready".

The first practice session will be held at the nets at

the Warrandyte ground on September 7 for juniors and September 8 for seniors.

Warrandyte will again field three senior and three junior teams in the Box Hill Reporter Cricket Association this coming season.

This was decided at the club's annual meeting on August 13.

meeting re-elected Mr. White as president, for a second term and also returned secretary, Mr. John Chapman and treasurer, Mr. Alan Woolcock.

Mr. Woolcock told the meeting the club had made a profit of \$150 last season,

despite the added cost of fielding two extra teams.

He said the club now had a bank balance of more than \$850 and was looking to the coming season to further consolidate the club's financial position.

The new Warrandyte cricket club executive is: President, Robert White; senior vice president, Ian World; junior vice president, World; junior vice president, Ted Corbett; secretary, John Chapman; treasurer, Alan Woolcock; social secretary, Daryl Valentine; committee; John McCartin, Theo Grum-misch, Stephen Peake, Steve Wilson and Stuart Minetti.

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Warrandyte turned out in force at the Recreation Ground one recent Sunday to see the match of the year between women from the Warrandyte Football Club and the Warrandyte Ladies' Netball Club.

The day was a great social and financial success. great It is almost certain another match will be played next football season.

Several reports were received, but at the social and barbecue after the game the selectors decided not to pro-

Three Warrandyte football players and officials were "charged". In fact, some were still "charged" from the night before!!

Three football club members reported were goal umpires David Mitchell and Dennis Street, and runner Ken Beruldsen. All were charged with having been improperly attired.

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sen wore a white doctor's gown and top hat, and Dennis Street an old club dressing gown.

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Best player awards were:
Netball side: Alex Blair,
outstanding game all day,
Dianne Ashton proved a
real dasher on the forward
line, and Margaret World
proved as good a footballer
as her "old boy". Football
side: Carol, No. 14, and
"Bev."

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