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FREE

Because of the holiday season, the Diary will not be published next month.

Publication will resume in February.

The Diary takes this opportunity to convey to readers and advertisers sincere best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

IT'S **BYE**

HIGH SCHOOL GOES has it's

The Education Department has run into spirited opposition to its selection of a site for Warrandyte's high school.

Its Regional Planning Authority has recommended a site in West Warrandyte, between Pound Road and Anderson Creek Road.

Being as it is the season of goodwill, it grieves Smokey Joe to report that a few people of this village have approached Christmas in quite the wrong spirit.

For one thing: Somebody has been tampering with Diary mail.

with Diary mail.

The letterbox in Yarra Street has been forced at the slot and letters have been opened.

We assume the culprits have been desperate for the dollar note which sometimes accompanies "mini-ads" and we strongly advise advertisers to deal direct with us.

The letterbox is soon to be replaced by something burnlarger.

In the meantime, it is being watched very closely.

For another thing: The success of a recent local charity function was more than somewhat soured by persons unknown who lobbed in the dead of early morning and pinched a left-over 18-gallon keg. We hope their hangovers were enormous.

No prize either to the lady who stopped her small white car in Research Road and picked up a pet black duck which had strayed from home.

Lady told a passerby that she would advertise it in the "lost and found" columns.

Not a word since.

The duck's four young owners are most upset.

We have been less than overwhelmed by the response to our offer of free space for local "situations wanted" advertisements.

Matter of fact, there hasn't been a taker so far.

Maybe Warrandyte has developed a myster
immunity to the nation's unemployment problem.

Anyhow, the offer still stands.

Russell Bourke, mine host at the local, hadn't long landed in England when the SOS arrived back for dad. No, he didn't urgently need an injection of spending

Merely a consignment of good old Australian wine. Said he couldn't go the stuff available over there at all. Dad duly obliged.

Seems that cricket's not the only thing we beat the Poms at!

In this, Smokey's last offering for 1976, it is time to reflect on a couple of messages that found their way into the Diary mailbox during the year.

One said: "Congrats on starting the Diary up again. It's well worthwhile."

The other "May the blustication of the property of the prope

"May the bluebird of happiness settle in The other: your tree.

To the first we say thanks. And we're left speechless with gratitude by the second.

-Smokey Joe

THAT CAR PARK: Board

gets tough

Motorists who use the car park opposite Bourke's Hotel face prosecution, according to the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works.

The board has cancelled the hotel's licence to use the area as a car park.

It had increased the annual rental from \$200 to \$1000 and the hotel refused to pay.

In a letter to Kevin Bourke, director of the hotel nominee company, the board said that anyone using the car park would be liable to prosecution.

Closure of the car park will inevitably intensify the already-serious traffic problem in Yarra Street.

"Warrandyte needs the car park — and an extension of it," Mr. Bourke told the Diary.

"Yarra Street also ur-gently needs a pedestrian crossing in the main shopping area — particularly for elderly people.

"The car park affair is out of my hands now," he said.

"The ball, as they say, is the Board of Works' in the court."

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This is several miles the originallyenvisaged site in the South Warrandyte area.

The high school steering committee had strongly fav-oured South Warrandyte be-cause of the need for a school to serve that area, area. Park Orchards and Wonga Park.

By recommending West Warrandyte, the Education Department has clearly given priority to relieving pres-sure on East Doncaster sure on E High School.

A meeting called by the steering committee month decided to:

- Tell the department's regional director that a West Warrandyte high school would not meet the requirements of the origi-nal proposal (which, it was understood, had been accep-ted by Education Minister ted by Education Minister Thompson).
- Send a questionnaire to parents of Warrandyte Primary School children to determine community attitude to the siting of the high school, the type of school and the curriculum.

A member of the high

school interim committee

school interim committee told the Diary:
"Because of the political overtones, it is essential that the Warrandyte community carefully considers munity carefully considers its attitude towards the department's plans to select a site in West Warrandyte.

"Any objections or de-lays could well result in the project being abandoned or relocated closer to East Doncaster."

Meanwhile. the Warrandyte Primary School project is proceeding on schedule.

Its interim committee has approached Doncaster-Templestowe Council assistance to provide better access to the school.

It is hoped that Colin Avenue and part of Drys-dale Street will be built by the time the school opens

in the third term of 1978.
Warrandyte Primary
School has donated \$500 to
its West Warrandyte coun-

Much early attention is being given to landscaping around the new school.

The interim committee also plans to start a regu-lar newsletter to contact

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SNAKES ALIVE!-

Warrandyte's snakes are out in droves this summer.

An unusually high number of sightings have been reported not only in the bush and along the river banks, but in backyards and gardens.

The arrival of the school holiday season points up the annual snake hazard.

And as a community ervice, local doctor Rob Allen has drawn up for the Diary a list of "do's and dont's" in case of snakebite.

Rarely, says Dr. Allen, do bites occur anywhere but on the limbs. In two out of every three reported cases, it is on the less. the legs.

The following urgent first-aid measures should be taken:

The Diary suggests you memorise the instructions.

It could save your life.

• Apply a tourniquet immediately around the

(Or what to do if you don't watch your step)

limb at a point between the bite and the heart. The tourniquet should be of a reasonable width, such as a belt or an elastic bandage, rather than a cord or string which will tend to cut into the limb. However, if something thin is all that is available, it certainly better th than nothing.

- Place the patient at rest and reassure him.
- Immobilise the affected limb.
- · Seek urgent medical attention.

Stocks of antivenene are kept at most public hospitals at all times.

In Warrandyte's case, the nearest supply is at Box Hill and District Hospital.

It is important that

the snake be identified accurately because administration of the incorrect antivenene can be just as dangerous as the bite itself.

If possible, the snake should be killed (or captured) and presented where medical attention is given.

is given.

If not, an accurate description of the snake, its colouring and marking, should be given.

• Do NOT, says Dr. Allen, attempt to cut the puncture or squeeze and suck venene from it.

These techniques have invariably produced more damage or danger to both victim and rescuer.

And they are totally unnecessary if the re-commended first-aid measures are employed.

subdivisions Ihose

'S UNANIMOU

Three major bodies have adopted a unanimous policy for preservation of Warrandyte's Koornong bushland.

The Middle Yarra Advisory Council, Eltham Shire Council and the Board of Works have agreed on a compromise subdivision proposal. sub-committee which envisages involvement of all members of the community

It calls for a cluster subdivision of no more than 12 homes on the western side of the ridgeline, with the land from the ridge to the river preserved under strict controls.

The developers. developers, Lau-rence Investments, had sought approval for 20 homes on the 24 acres involved.

First priority of the MYAC, Eltham Council and the Board of Works is acquisition of the ridge-to-river land and its incorporation into the Warrandyte State Park.

This proposal would allow for a maximum of eight homes on the other side of the ridge.

The Board of Works has written to Premier Hamer asking that the State Government buy the land.

It has also written to Planning Minister Hayes asking him to represent the MYAC in the likely event of Laurence Investments of Laurence Investments appealing against refusal of earlier subdivision applica-

DEADLINE

Copy for the next (February) issue of the Diary closes Monday, January 24.

Eltham Shire Council has acquired a new weapon in its campaign against crowded subdivisions.

In a move particularly significant to North War-randyte, it has tightened its policy on sewage and sullage.

As a result, council will be more easily able to enforce larger minimum subdivisions in one-acre zonings.

regulations, Under new Under new regulations, sewage and sullage must be disposed of within site boundaries to the satisfaction of the Health Department, the council and the Environment Protection tion of the Health Department, the council and the Environment Protection Authority.

And council's policy is that one-acre subdivisions are inadequate for such disposal.

Adoption of the new regulations followed a letter to the council from the EPA and campaigning by the Warrandyte Environment League:

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WEL PLANS BIG LOCAL FESTIVA

A "This Is Warrandyte Festival" is being planned for Anzac Weekend next April.

The proposal has been drawn up by a Warandyte Environment League according to their individual talents and interests.

A sub-committee spokes-man told the Diary:

"Through this festival, we aim to demonstrate to the public at large ways in which we use our unique environment and heritage to enhance our way of life."

A meeting was held last month to discuss the feasi-bility of the project and many suggestions have come forward for the festival's format.

They include tours in orse-drawn vehicles of horse-drawn

places of historical and environmental interest; live theatre; art-craft exhibi-tions and demonstrations; sporting events; dancing; historical exhibitions; for-mal functions; a gymkhana; a singalong night; and, of course, the Anzac march.

"All we need is voluntary bodies or individuals to organise functions or sug-gest others which might stimulate involvement," the spokesman said.

"It will not be a fund-

raising effort, but admission charges will be necessary to cover costs.

"One beneficial side-effect should be the oppor-tunity for all groups to increase their membership and community interest."

All people interested in participating in the festival should contact Howard Geldard (844 3676).

Don't vet:

Don't despair — there is still hope! That's the advice of North Riding councillor Robert Marshall to some

Robert Marshall to some 650 ratepayers who were recently ruled ineligible for the farm rate benefit.

Cr. Marshall said that those involved should not pay their new rates — struck this month — until their applications for restoration of the for restoration concession ha tion of the dealt with.

"The first rate notice might not be the last, and a successful applica-tion could mean a 40-50 per cent reduction," he

Each ratepayer has been ruled ineligible will be sent a restoration application form.

Unsuccessful applicants face a rates increase of 50-70 per cent.

Forms for new applicants for the farm rate are available at the Eltham Shire Council

Private street scheme okayed

The Park Orchards private street system has finally got the go-ahead.

Work will start this month at a cost of \$807,357 - borne mainly by the ratepayers.

Almost 150 ratepayers petitioned Doncaster-Templestowe City Council 18 months ago for a new street system.

However, eight residents objected to the scheme and it was brought before the Arbitration Commission.

The arbitrator listened to all arguments and five months later decided the system should get the green light. all

The system is expected to be completed in June next

The kids on stage

Warrandyte Arts Associa-tion Theatrekids will this month perform four "little" plays they have written during the year.

They will present their award-winning Gliders And Spirits, The Tree (written by Gael Nuzum), Seanca (Sasha Reid) and The Empty Show, written by the group.

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The WAA has asked the The WAA has asked the Theatrekids to revive The Wizard of Warrandyte for next April's Warrandyte Festival. Auditions will be held towards the end of the school holidays.

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It's that again

If the fire signs aren't up by the time you read this, they will be very soon.

And that — as North Warrandyte Rural Fire Brigade emphasises — means no more burning off.

It's the "worry season" again for Warrandyte in general and the three disgeneral and the three trict brigades in particular.

Training sessions for vol-unteers have started at North Warrandyte brigade's Glynn's Road headquar-ters from 9.30 a.m. to noon on Sundays.

The Brigade has changed its testing time (two blasts of the siren) from 9.30 to 10 a.m. on Sundays.

All North Warrandyte residents will be circular-ised for financial assistance to meet the brigade's annual running costs of more than \$1600

The brigade's new officebearers are: Captain, Peter Hook (844 3342); secretary, (844 3528); P. Batronney treasurer, Kinnane; lieutenants, Lawrence, M. Lynch, Zezula, S. Gough, lieutenants.

Morton, who died this year.

This was YOU NAME

Mick Johansen's dad was a shift boss down at the mine when things were at their best way back in 1906. Mick well remembers his trips down the mine with his father's lunch.

"There's a gully down there called Ominy Gully — you know, hominy, kind of por-ridge. That's what they lived on," Mick recalls.

"All that gold came off the dyke — there were two heads of hard rock about 20 feet apart and all the quartz in be-tween was fine, so they'd scoop the whole lot out. Ran from down there behind Daisy's right up to Growlers Hill."

In those days, a miner's right cost about 2/6 an acre and most of the miners lived in bark huts. Mick's house, where his mother was where his mother was born 110 years ago, and where the Belzers live now, was originally bark and shingles.

His father took out a selection of 20 acres about 1896 and when Mick was about four they brought their tworoomed house out from north Fitzroy on a dray.

The trip took two days and the track they made to their place is now Johansens Lane.

"We grubbed all the timber off it and put an orchard in, mostly apples, but the borer ate that out," says

Mick.

"We had a go at everything. We ran cows all over Crown land and we grew strawberries — acres of them. Used to send them into the market and the bloke'd bring them back 'cause he couldn't get three-pence a punnet. So out they'd go to the fowls."

Mick and his brothers Mick and his brothers would take the apples into market, leaving about six in the evening and arriving after midnight. Then they'd put the nose bag on the horse and sleep in the wagon until trading began.

And there were the trips into market with the wood.

"We'd put in a day cutting a load," Mick recalls. "It was so rough up Jumping Creek you had to do two trips to the load because the horses couldn't carry it."

"We'd back it off down near Potters Cot-tage for the night then get up early in the morn-ing, feed the horses and set off for town. You'd have to walk beside the dray."

Mick also worked in the mines, first as a boy with his father and at Smith's Gully One Tree Hill mine and later at the Caledonia in Warrandyte.

Says Mick: "We used to walk the 17 miles to Smith's Gully on a

The House of Tanis

Cr. MORTON HONOURED

The Park Road Gully Reserve in Park Orchards is ow the Alan Morton-Park Road Gully Reserve.

The name was changed in honour of Councillor Alan

'ark Orchards Ratepayers' Association suggested the nge to Doncaster-Templestowe City Council.

/arrandyte's newest craft shop — Tanis Handcrafts — opened right opposite the bridge.

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Warrandyte

IT AND CHANCES MICK'S DONE IT

. Continuing her series on old Warrandyte, YVONNE REID talks with MICK JOHANSEN.

Sunday afternoon, carting our provisions for the week. We'd camp there while we worked, then walk back on the Saturday.

"I was the last bloke to come out of the Caledonia. They'd opened it up, a crown, when it'd been shut for a long time. Not long ago — about 1921.

about 1921.

"We were working on the 200 ft. level and we used to pump all night because it was so wet. I was working with this spiritualist sort of bloke, Rhyshap Thomas. On this particular night as we took the cage off the skids and put the 600-gallon tank on that used to pull the water up all night, Rhyshap said he thought the cable'd break that night. Not that it looked worn. But sure enough, in the morning the cable was broken and the tank was at the bottom. That was the end of it."

Rhyshap Thomas was one of a big family who lived in a bark hut up the other side of Mullens Road and Mick remembers them all getting as fat as whales when the new potatoes and the goat's milk came in. "Rhyshap used to make Cornish pasties for lunch," says Mick, "He'd get a whole sheep's head, skin it, roll vegetables and pastry round it and cook it. He'd leave one horn on to carry it by and clean up the whole thing for his lunch."

Mick admits that he and his brothers were a pretty wild lot. "When we were visiting our mother would take off our braces" he receils our braces," he recalls. "You'd need one hand to hold up your pants — and you can only get into a certain amount a certain amount misclef with one hand.

"We used to annoy this poor old fella Hyde, lived up the gully from here. He had a crook back and he gave us half Doan's backache and kidney pills. Well, that was too much money to spend on pills, so we called on Mrs. Hardi-

- she had lots of goats and kids, you see — and got some 'pills' there.

"We took them home and coated them in flour, them in a bottle and took them to him. A few days later he was out chopping wood. Herbal cure!"

"We used to fish a lot. Go up past Wonga Park and camp the Saturday night and come home with a heap of cod. And we went later on to dances at Wonga Park, or walked to Ringwood when they started the pictures there. Of course there were only about six houses between here and Ringwood. Ringwood.

"Our fishing mates were the Sloan boys — Jim, Jack, George, Har-old, Con, Kevin, Paul (you learned their names like a nursery rhyme)
— and their sisters Ruby,
Lorna, Nora, Kathleen
and Lil."

Mick remembers mak-ing tracks through the bush when there were open ford on the creek by Potters Cottage . . . carting water from the river behind Daisy's when it was high sum-mer and the tanks were

He recalls Morrie Zoch's mother making the best scones in her three-legged camp oven . . . the kerosene tins cut down for boiling on the stove . . . Con and Carl Shultz, the Husseys . .

All images from another Warrandyte the old Warrandyte that Mick Johansen's lively telling brings to that

'77 target for third kinder

An interim committee has been formed to establish a third kindergarten in Warrandyte — hopefully, next year.

A well-attended meeting last month discussed plans for a "Warrandyte Communfor a "Warrandyte Commun-ity Kindergarten" to cater for three-year-olds, and four-year-olds unable to be accommodated by the two

existing centres.
Fund-raising activities get under way on Friday,
December 17, with a cake
stall outside the State Bank
in Yarra Street.

A family barbecue is
also planned for early

February.

Inquiries about the new venture — and any offers of assistance — should be directed to Gwenda Ennis (844 2099).

Road in danger

Elgin Crescent, Park Or-

chards, may be closed soon.

Doncaster - Templestowe
City Council is considering
closing the street because it
is taking too much traffic.

Motorite are wine Florin

Motorists are using Elgin Crescent as a short-cut to avoid Park Road where a new sub-division is being

Elgin Crescent residents have petitioned council to close the road.

The Mayor, Cr. John Scott, said the city engineer

investigating

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READERS' LETTERS

THE NIGHT THE PUB WENT

was most interested in the photograph and story of the old Warrandyte Hotel on the front page of the November Diary.

There seems to be a widely-held belief that the hotel was destroyed by fire on New Year's Eve, 1925.

However, the fire actually occurred on April 27 of that

I have a photostat copy of the Melbourne Argus report of the drama and I thought Diary readers might be interested.

The Argus (28/4/25)said:

In less than an hour early yesterday morning, the Warrandyte Hotel, a single storey weatherboard building, erected more than 70 years ago, was destroyed by

The licensee (Mrs. C. J. Connelly), her husband and their two children, and members of the hotel staff, who were sleeping in the building, escaped, but lost practically all of their personal property. personal property.

Owing to the fact that we Warrandyte Telephone Exchange closes at 6 o'clock it was impossible to com-municate with the nearest fire station, which is at Box Hill

reflection of the however, was seen The flames, however, was seen by the nightwatchman at the Doncaster Cool Stores the Doncaster Cool Stores at about half-past 12 and he communicated with the communicated with Surrey Hills fire station.

From there, a message was sent to Box Hill and detachments from both stations went to Warrandyte.

They arrived an hour after the fire was first discovered to find the hotel a heap of smoking ruins.

Mr. T. Griffiths, a baker, who lives opposite the hotel, was the first to notice the fire. He raised Mr. and Mrs. Connelly, who were in the front bedroom.

The alarm was given to members of the staff at the rear of the building and all ran out in their night attire.

In a few minutes, the whole building was in flames and everything but the brick chimneys was reduced to ashes.

The hotel garage, which

BORNHILL!

Another Cornhill arrived in Warrandyte this month.

Cameron, second son of Alan and Judy, fourth grandchild of Wally and Margaret, made his debut on December 10. Fighting fit,

adjoins the main building, was destroyed, but by the plucky action of Mrs. Marks, licensee of the Grand Hotel, Warrandyte, Mr. Connelly s motor car was saved.

Before the flames had reached the garage, Mrs. Marks ran inside and re-leased the brakes of the vehicle. A push was suffi-cient to start it rolling down an incline which leads

to the roadway.

The building was insured for £1400 . . . but the de-struction of the contents is likely to prove a complete loss to the licensee. Portion of the furnishings was in-sured by the previous licensee and there is some doubt whether the policy has remained valid.

Mrs. Connelly has made arrangements to establish a temporary bar and to accommodate visitors in another building.

The hotel was built by the late Mr. James McCutcheon, and was owned by Mrs. Scott, of Warrandyte. It was regarded as a landmark of early Victoria and has been a popular stopping place for travellers.

"Old-Timer".

"Old-Timer", South Warrandyte.

Action not words

Congratulations to the Diary and the local ALP branch for their attempt to do something about

to do something about people out of work ("In Red & White", Novem-ber issue). We are disgusted with the constant play with abstract words like "the Government", "Unem-Government", "Unemployment", "Inflation", "the Economy", etc. These terms should be left to linguists and phil-

osophers. What we expect from

the people elected to administer our affairs is to concentrate their efforts on finding jobs for every Australian and to make sure that commodities are available at prices every Australian can afford. can

No empty stomach can be filled by abstract notions or statistics. Emil S. Aldor

Melbourne Hill.

Anderson's, please

The suggestion in the last sisue of the Diary to call the new school the Anderson's Creek School would be most appropriate and welcomed by the majority of residents.

The present Warrandyte school was, of course, originally the Anderson's Creek, which accounts for it being State School No. 12.

The schools were originally numbered in alphabetical order. The original number remained when the school was

B. Bence, Brackenbury Street.

WELL, AS THE MAN SAID...

What a pity. Those sampans in the sunset that won't sit on the water are still with us.

They are presented to the already sick in a local doc-

Don't you think they could be better?

Stephen May, Dingley Dell Road.

844 3324

• Neither the handwriting nor the message of this letter was quite clear. But everyone gets a say in the Diary.-Ed. ********

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A mere matter

Templestowe City Council is asking.

Council and the State and Federal Governments agreed to buy 110 acres at the back of Domney Re-serve, Park Orchards.

So far the council have put up its share of the \$2.2 million but its State and Federal partners have not come to the party.

The lack of funds from

these two sources prompted the Mayor, Cr. John Scott, the chairman of the Board of Works, Mr. Alan Croxford, and a Park Orchards Ratepayers' Association representative to see Premier Hamer last month.

The Premier said he would have to consider the matter and he is expected to give an answer soon.

give an answer soon.

Bloods seek new blood

Club officians have already begun recruiting for next season.

Last season the club in-troduced a cash incentive scheme to attract players.

Next season, the club intends to expand the scheme and have already interviewed two experienced players who have moved into the district. into the district.

One, a former Geelong player who played on contract in the country last season, would give the side

A FIRST FOR PHILIP

An oil painting by local boy Philip Dickson won a first prize recently in the Frankston Youth Art and Craft Competi-

Philip has been learning for 1½ terms in the Warrandyte Arts Association junior painting

The class, run by Irving Reid, may be expanded and divided next panded and divided next year. This would enable older children to learn more technical discipline while the younger stu-dents were free to work at their own level. Class enrolments can be made through Ann Dickson (844-3706).

ADDRESS

Warrandyte Football a big boost if negotiations

are successful.

Leading the early recruiting drive are club president Laurie Sloan and seniors coach Brian seniors coach Tomlinson.

Tomlinson said he was keen to hear from any new players who have moved into the area recently. He can be contacted on 876-2178.

At the recent annual meeting Mr. Sloan said the club would be remaining in third division next season. There would be 15 teams, with one bye each week.

The club finished the season with a small credit following a turnover of \$17,601. Previous year's turnover was about \$10,000.

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A Doncaster-Templestowe A Doncaster-Templestowe Council meeting was told last month that the board had bought the car park land for \$37,000 and wanted to sell it for \$137,000.

Cr. Ian Marsden said the council had been interested in acquiring the land to provide general car parking, but regarded the price as far too high.

Cr. Doug White, the council's Board of Works representative, said he would investigate what the board had in mind for the property.

He would also investi-gate the possibility of a leasing arrangement for the council.

A great year,

The enforced closure of senior activities night was the one discourag-ing aspect of an other-wise successful year for Warrandyte Community Youth Club.

Seniors night had to be discontinued for lack of leaders — a recur-ring complaint among local youth groups.

The club hopes re-open the Friday night group soon and would like to hear from any-one interested in helping

Volunteers should contact Ken West (844 3188) or Robyn Hodgkinson (844 3641).

The club winds up activities for 1976 this month with a calisthenics display on December 13, a party for the yoga group on December 14 and break-up barbecue for the juniors and their families on Decem-

It was a most successful year for the juniors, with outings to swimming and ice-skating and diversified activities at the home nights.

EIRA ON DISPLAY

Welsh - born, London trained local artist Eira Dodd is Warrandyte Palette's resident personality throughout this month.

Eira is secretary of the WAA painting group and has won many awards at various art shows.

She recently completed an exhibition of impressionist flower studies, landscapes and pen and wash drawand pen and was ings in Melbourne.

The Palette is also featur-ing handmade toys.

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CRICKETERS BREAK EVEN DISTRICT



SOS for players, coaches

Warrandyte Football Club are seeking experi-enced contract players for next season.

The club is offering good money for the right players. Enquiries can be made on 876-2178.

Honorary coaches are being sought for the Reserves, Under-17s, Under-15s, Under-11s and Under-9s.

Written applications should be addressed to the secretary, Box 151, P.O. Warrandyte.

It has been a case of win some, lose for Warransome for dyte's senior cricket team this season.

After six matches, the B1-grade side's ledger is square — three wins, three

They came off second-best in a desperate finish to their last match, against Mooroolbark Baptists.

Mooroolbark Baptists.
Warrandyte made 165 (R.
Bowen contributing 48 and
ever-consistent John Chapman 40) and Mooroolbark
were nine wickets when
they hit the winning run.

A. Vitritti bowled mag-nificently for Warrandyte, taking 5/44 off a marathon 20 overs.

Warrandyte won their previous match, against Montrose, by 20 runs on opposition in big trouble at 5/75 in the second.

The senior F-grade side have bounced right back, winning their last two matches after losing the first four.

Batsman T. Hulme and all-rounder M. Summers have starred in the revival. The women's team, which started the season like world-beaters, have lost their lets the metaber.

world-beaters, nave lost their last two matches. But now for the good news: last year's captain Suzanne Chapman is back after an ankle operation last

May.

Despite some spectacular performances from sister Jenny, the girls have been struggling recently and Suzanne's return spells big trouble for the opposition.

The boys' Under-14s have lost only one match this season, but the Under-16s and Under-12s are finding the going tough.

the going tough.

B-1 GRADE
Warrandyte 165 (R. Bowen 48,
J. Chapman 40, R. McDonald 28,
J. McCartin 27) lost to Moorool-bark Baptists 9/169 (A. Vitiritti
5/44).

Varrandyte 170 (G. Skinner 47, A. Vitiritti 28, J. McCartin 23) d. Montrose 150 (R. McDonald 5/27, I. Broome 2/28) and 5/75 (I. Broome 4/35).

F-GRADE
Warrandyte 196 (M. Summers 44 n.o., P. James 42) and 135 (U. James 28, M. Summers 28) d. South Croydon 177 (M. Summers 5/37) and 5/88 (M. Summers 3/27).

Warrandyte 151 (T. Hulme 68) d. Wantina 84 (T. Perry 6/37, M. Summers 3/39).

WOMEN

Wantirna 84 (T. Perry 6/37, M. Summers 3/39).

Women Warrandyte 72 (T. Prince 16) and 44 lost to St. Andrews 5/181 dec. (J. Chapman 3/57, M. McGhee 1/54).

Parkside 158 (J. Chapman 7/33 off 25 overs, J. McLaws 2/5-) d. Warrandyte 30 and 57 (S. Jeffs 27 n.o., J. Chapman 28).

BOYS UNDER-16

Warrandyte 48 (S. Andrew 19) and 40 (M. Scott 11) lost to Ringwood RSL 2/114.

Warrandyte 55 (M. Scott 18) and 3/42 (S. Knight 28) lost to Lilydale 67 (W. McCutchan 8/22).

UNDER-14

Warrandyte 85 (B. Chapman 50, D. Hilton 11) and 0/1 d. South Warrandyte 46 (T. McDougall 4/16, J. Woolcock 2/25, D. McCartin 2/3, B. Chapman three stumpings, two run-outs) and 39 (T. Woolcock 6/14, T. McDougall 2/14, D. McCartin 2/4).

Warrandyte 40 (B. Chapman 12/4).

2/4). McGartin
Warrandyte 40 (B. Chapman
17, T. McDougall 15) lost to
Scoresby 138 (T. McDougall
7/56 off 19 overs, J. Woolcock
1/53 off 19 overs, M. James 1/0).
UNDER-12
Warrandyte 40 (A. Manser 18)
lost to Ringwood 7/143.
Warrandyte 18 and 55 (D.
McDonald 19) lost to Eastfield 5/178.

GRAEME IN THE **BIG TIME**

Young Warrandyte star Graeme Harris will represent Victoria at the IBM tennis camp at Narabeen, NSW, next month. month.

month.
Graeme, 14, of Harris
Gully Road, was one of
three juniors chosen by
the Lawn Tennis Association of Victoria.

He is a member of the 1976 Victorian Shell Squad and has won three

Laurie again

Laurie Sloan has been reappointed president of Warrandyte Football Club for his sixth successive term. He was elected unopposed at the club's annual meeting last month.

Mr. Sloan thanked the meeting for the confidence they had shown in him.

Later, he told the Diary: "Next season we will be striving for a place in the finals. Already we have some promissing new players."

Mr. Sloan said he wanted to thank the business people of the town for their support over the years.

Other office-bearers for next season are: vice-president K. Luttick; secretary Ian Harris; assistant secretary T. Kerkhof; treasurer D. Mitchell; committee: G. Summerscales, K. Beruldsen, W. Manser, I. Hook, G. Summerson, L. Nightingall, W. McAuley.

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