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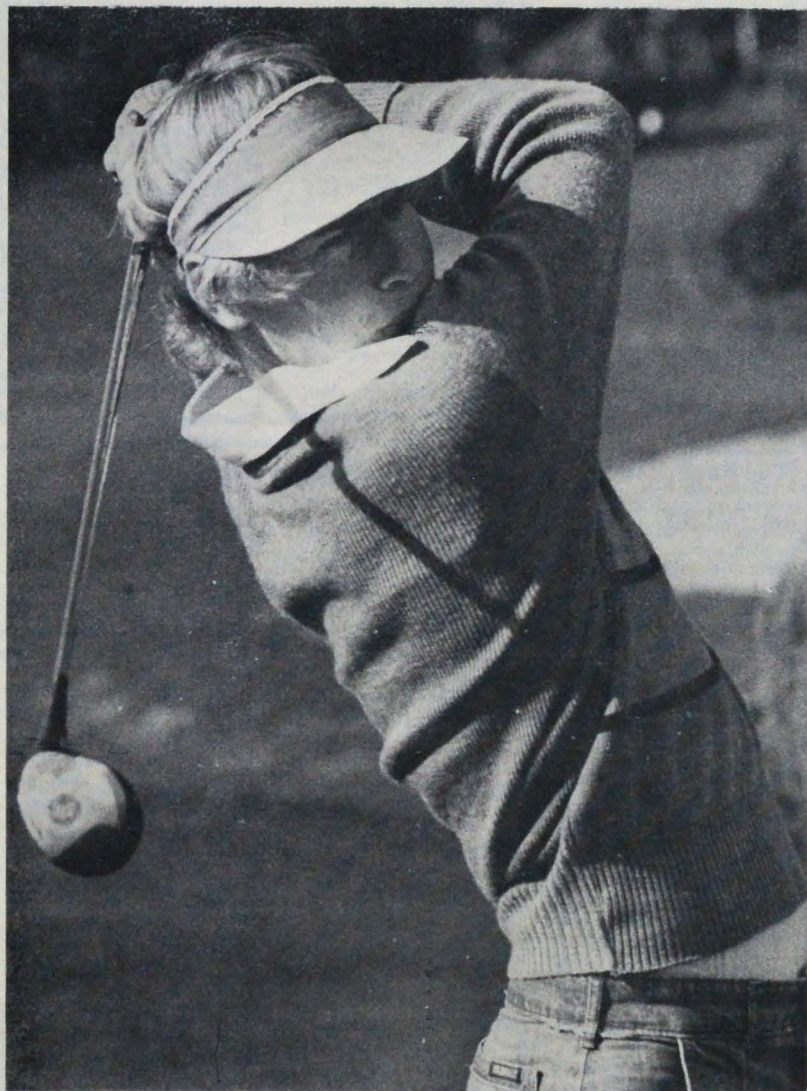
Warrandyte students at East Doncaster High School have been given an ultimatum:

Behave on the buses — or find another way to get to school and home again!

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## Third kinder to go ahead

Warrandyte's third pre-school centre — Yarra View Community Kindergarten — will open early next year.

A long-awaited financial grant from the State Health Department has come through and Eltham Shire Council has let a \$14,000 contract for extensions to North Warrandyte Community Centre to house the new kindergarten.

In addition, \$7000 will be spent on playground extensions and equipment.

Yarra View will operate in the community centre hall.

It will be a pack-away kindergarten and building extensions will include a big storeroom to house the equipment when other functions are on.

There will also be an office for the pre-school directress.

The kindergarten will be a combined effort by the Health Department, Doncaster-Templestowe and Eltham councils and the pre-school committee.

They have contributed \$15,000, \$3000, \$5000 and \$1000 respectively.

## SWEET-SWINGIN' KID!

You are looking at the sweetest golf swing in Warrandyte.

It belongs to a young man who has gone places in the few years he has been playing golf — and will go a lot further.

Smokey Joe, who fancies himself as a talent scout, has been watching his progress with a great deal of envy.

Read about this golf whizz-kid on Page 2.

## DEADLINE

Copy for the August Diary closes Friday, July 28.

In a letter to parents, the school's bus co-ordinator, Mr. P. L. Wilhelm, said the behaviour of bus travellers to East Doncaster High — particularly some students on the Warrandyte bridge special service — had been 'totally unsatisfactory'.

"The frequency and serious nature of offences in recent weeks now finds the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board giving consideration to withdrawing the entire service to our school," Mr. Wilhelm said.

"Its drivers are rapidly reaching the point of refusing to drive the buses.

"In an attempt to prevent such a situation occurring, future reports of misbehaviour will result in that child being refused permission to travel on the bus at all.

## Kids are told to cool it

"The driver's statement that the child misbehaved will be accepted without question.

"This seems the only way to maintain the service for those travellers, hopefully the majority, whose behaviour is satisfactory.

"Correct behaviour on buses and at bus stops is essential at all times — or you may lose the bus altogether," he said.

# A race in 2 — so far

At least two candidates will contest the North Riding seat at next month's Eltham Shire Council elections.

Observers believe a third runner — who would campaign on the platform of rates reform — may emerge before nominations close.

The declared candidates are North Warrandyte school teacher Robert Allen (28) and public accountant David Connor (33), of Cottle's Bridge, near Hurstbridge.

On the other side of the river, the Warrandyte ward seat at the Doncaster-Templestowe City Council poll again looks like being a "no-contest".

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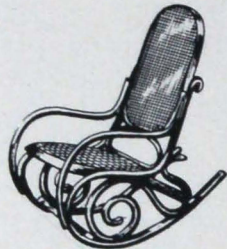
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# MALCOLM TEES UP FOR THE FUTURE

The young bloke in the Page 1 picture is Malcolm Abbott.

Malcolm is 16. He has a big grin, a ready "hello" — and one of the best golf swings you've ever seen.

He's just won his second successive A-grade championship at Warrandyte Golf Club. Quite a performance for a kid who didn't know what a golf stick looked like four years ago.

Malcolm, of Alexander Road, is a terror on the tees, a freak on the fairways and a guru on the greens.

In a few words, he's the best prospect Smokey has seen in all the years he's been inflicting a lot of purely-accidental damage on golf courses.

Malcolm wants to be a professional golfer and it's probably inevitable — but school comes first, says his dad Neil.

Malcolm, a fifth-former, plays off a five handicap.

He's been round the Warrandyte track in a two-under-par 68 (which is about Smokey's go for the front nine) and he'll admit under pressure that he's eagled the 14th "five or six times".

We told you last month about the local Lions wanting more groups involved in their weekly bingo nights.

Well, the message apparently didn't get through. So we'll tempt you a little further.

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The Lions do all the work — the other participating groups are

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Lance Vizard (844 3410) will supply further information to those groups who may suddenly find it an attractive proposition.

Eat your heart out, Collins Street. Here comes the Paris end of Yarra Street!

Pat Cruickshank, who has worked behind the counter there for years, has a lot of ideas for the Golden Gate Store now that she and her family have bought the place.

For one thing, she'll

put in tables and chairs out front to create the sort of atmosphere which the city strives for and which Warrandyte should have as a matter of course.

For another thing, she'll put in a garden.

She wants the Golden Gate to be as attractive as possible.

Pat's sisters Gwen and Margurite are helping her run the place.

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—Smokey Joe

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## \$1000 GRANT FOR OVAL

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# NEW HOPE FOR OLDIES IN THE NORTH

A new deal is in store for the elderly in Eltham Shire.

The shire council has authorised the preparation of a report on existing facilities — particularly accommodation — for the aging in its area and what should be done in the future.

There will be special emphasis on what part government and community groups should play in care for the elderly and submissions will be sought from the public.

Council's move follows recent discussions with Miss Isobel Strahan and Mr. Lou Wimpey, of the Victorian Council for the Aging.

"We agreed completely on a concept for the provision of accommodation for the aging," shire president Robert Marshall told the Diary.

"The last thing we want is a series of monolithic homes," Cr. Marshall said.

"Miss Strahan stressed — and we agreed — that new accommodation should leave these people as much as possible in their previous surroundings.

"They should have homes in their own area, and they should live within easy walking distance of shops and transport."

"It is unthinkable that senior citizens of, say, Hurstbridge or Pantom Hill should be relocated in a new environment.

"For outer areas such as these we would envisage a cluster of cottages.

"Similarly, suburban

dwellers should be accommodated in familiar surroundings."

Cr. Marshall said the development of improved facilities for the elderly would not impose an additional burden on rate-payers.

"This is far from being a go-it-alone council program," he said.

"We want maximum government, church and community involvement."

• At a meeting this month, Warrandyte Elderly Citizens Club called on Doncaster-Templestowe City Council to plan for accommodation for the aging and elderly in Warrandyte.

## Sign 'em up now!

If you have kindergarten in mind for your almost-two-year-old, he or she will need to be enrolled in the very near future.

Children of pre-school age should be enrolled for kindergarten during the month in which they turn two.

A spokesperson for the Warrandyte Pre-School Centre pointed out that parents tended to forget this all-important fact, possibly jeopardising their child's chance of a place in kindergarten.

Enrolment forms are available at the Warrandyte kindergarten in Taroona Avenue, and at the North Warrandyte kindergarten, Research Road.

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## NEW LIGHT ON YARRA STREET

Warrandyte's shopping centre will at last see the light. Six new street lights will be installed in Yarra Street between the bridge and the hotel.

This follows a request from the Warrandyte Traders Association to the SEC.

The traders claimed that the poor street lighting in the area was a traffic hazard.

The new lights have been designed by the Doncaster-Templestowe City Council engineer.

## GREENIES GET TOGETHER

Warrandyte Environment League and the Doncaster-Templestowe Conservation Society got together last month for a barbecue and bushwalk.

The walk took in 15 acres along the south side of Naughton Avenue, recently bought by the Board of Works to be preserved for passive recreation.

The board has also acquired 90 acres at the bottom of Alexander Road which is at present leased as a cattle stud.

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# SCHOOL PLEA GOES TO MINISTER

A request for three specialist classrooms for Warrandyte High School has gone to State Education Minister Lindsay Thompson.

The school wants facilities for home economics, woodwork and arts-crafts next year, when enrolment is expected to increase from a first-year 44 to about 90.

The State Member for Warrandyte, Mr. Norman Lacy, outlined the needs in a submission to Mr. Thompson after a recent inspection of the school.

"I expect that there will be about 90 students at Warrandyte High next year and they are entitled to facilities appropriate to learning manual skills as well as academic," Mr. Lacy said.

"Although there are now only 44 students in the school they still need to learn subjects of a practical orientation.

"This year they have had to use a science classroom for art-craft. This would be quite unsatisfactory with larger numbers."

• Warrandyte will soon have another high school on its doorstep.

Parkwood High School, in Old Warrandyte Road, Park Orchards, will open next year.

## IT'S OUR VERY OWN CABARET

The desire to entertain runs strong in Warrandyte, particularly since the festival weekend last April.

The Historical Society and the Arts Association, two of the groups involved in the Festival, have combined to present "Cabaret — Warrandyte Style", on Friday and Saturday night (July 21 and 22) at the Mechanics Institute Hall.

The Historical Society start the night at 8 p.m. with their "Warrandyte Story", an audio-visual presentation of the area's distant and not-so-distant past.

The presentation combines slides, narration,

sound effects and live performances of poetry, folk songs and old-time dances.

A highlight will be the song "Warrandyte Morning", written and sung by local folk singer Mark Leehy.

Next will be "Environment", by Jock McNeish. Jock's dry humour and cartooning skills produce an hilarious view of Warrandyte's most talked about feature — the environment.

The night then dissolves into laughter with the Arts Association's presentation of their classic old melodrama, "Unhand Me, Squire!"

This highly-successful show returns especially for those disappointed people who missed it during the festival weekend.

Seating is at tables, so the audience is advised to bring food, liquor and glasses.

A supper of coffee and cakes is included in the admittance price of \$4 a head.

Bookings can be made on 844 2685 or 844 3694.

## SAVED!

Bicycle riders and bus travellers at Warrandyte High School are to be protected from the dangers of Warrandyte Road.

Doncaster-Templestowe City Council will build a bike path on the school side of the road between Pound and Alexander Roads.

It will also put in a bus bay near Alexander Road so that students don't have to wait near the main road for buses.

## Country-western night

The Grand Hotel Social Club will hold a country and western dance at the White House on Saturday, July 22, from 7.30 p.m. to midnight.

Tickets, at \$15 a double, are available at the hotel from Jack Greenwood, Peggy or Ray.

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# ANOTHER VIEW OF YARRA STREET IT'S A DEATH-TRAP, SAYS U.S. EXPERT

Yarra Street, in Warrandyte's main shopping centre, was one of the most dangerous stretches of roads for pedestrians that she had encountered, according to an overseas traffic expert.

She is Miss Caroline Branson, an American attached to the Guide Dogs Centre, Kew.

Part of her work includes mobility tests — helping blind and partially-sighted people to cross roads safely.

Recently Miss Branson worked in Eltham and Warrandyte conducting road tests with a partially sighted youth.

She was surprised at the lack of protection for pedestrians in the main shopping centre of Warrandyte.

Miss Branson said in her opinion the best place to cross Yarra street was in front of Getson Motors.

Warrandyte resident Peter Lovett, of Webb Street, who has been associated with work for the blind, said Miss Branson's observations were "an obvious warning" that pedestrian traffic lights were needed in the main shopping centre.

"They are not only needed for blind people, but for the elderly and young children," he said.

"I think instead of all this talk about widening Yarra Street we should give pedestrian lights top priority before we have a road tragedy," said Mr. Lovett.

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## BIG TARGET FOR VILLAGE FAIR

The combined Warrandyte primary schools are aiming for a \$5000-plus result from their Village Fair on October 21.

The event, at Andersons Creek school, West Warrandyte, follows last year's highly-successful Colonial Fair at Warrandyte Primary.

"We know this year's fair is still a long way off, but there are plenty of activities which can be started now in preparation for it," an organiser told the Diary. "Now is the time that plants can be potted to be ready for sale in October. Bottles can be collected for our mystery bottle section and items put away now for our white elephant stall."

Last year's fair was boosted by a local band, puppets, pony rides and topped off by the appearance of television star Daryl Summers.

Similar attractions are planned for this year.

### Briefly . . .

Former Warrandyte identity Don McLean died early this month at Mandurang, near Bendigo.

Mr. McLean taught at the original Koornong school many years ago and, later, at Warrandyte Primary School.

He lived off Kangaroo Ground Road.

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## JULY

- FRIDAY, SATURDAY 21-22: Warrandyte Historical Society and Arts Association's "CABARET — WARRANDYTE STYLE", Mechanics Institute Hall, 8 p.m.
- SATURDAY 22: Grand Hotel Social Club COUNTRY AND WESTERN DANCE, White House, 7.30 p.m. to midnight. \$15 a double, all inclusive. Tickets available Jack Greenwood, Peggy or Ray.
- SATURDAY 22: Uniting Church DUTCH AUCTION, 26 Hodsons Road, 9 a.m.
- SUNDAY 23: Warrandyte Youth Club's JUDO DEMONSTRATION, White House, 2-4 p.m. Experts from Judo Instructors' Association in action.
- FRIDAY 28: Warrandyte Social Club DINNER DANCE, Fergussons' Winery, Dixon's Creek. \$13 a head, bus included. Tickets Peter Lovett, 844 3794.
- FRIDAY—SATURDAY—SUNDAY 28-29-30: Yooralla Society's EXHIBITION AND SALE of paintings, pottery, exclusive jewellery, "Ponsonby", 22 Queens Road, South Melbourne. Hours: Fri. 7.30-10.30 p.m. (chicken and champagne official opening); Sat. noon-10.30 p.m.; Sun. noon-7.30 p.m.

## AUGUST

- SATURDAY 5: Warrandyte Pre-School DISCO DINNER, Heathmont Tavern, Canterbury Road, Heathmont, Smorgasbord, BYO. \$10 a head. Tickets 844 2367.
- TUESDAY 8: Warrandyte Historical Society MEETING. Details phone 844 3694.
- THURSDAY 10: ALP branch MEETING. Details phone 844 3216.
- TUESDAY, 15: Warrandyte Cricket Club ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, North Warrandyte Community Centre, 8 p.m. All prospective players welcome.
- WEDNESDAY 16: Brotherhood of St. Laurence (Warrandyte Auxiliary) fund-raising luncheon, St. Stephen's Hall, Stiggant Street, 11 a.m. Guest speaker Miss Yolande Kleitner, advisor on women's affairs, Premier's Department. Enquiries Lady Reid, 844 3265. SHRDLeS
- WEDNESDAY 16: Warrandyte Environment League OPEN MEETING, North Warrandyte Community Centre, 8 p.m.

## LOOKING AHEAD

- SATURDAY, October 7: St. Stephen's ANNUAL FAIR.
- SATURDAY, October 21: Warrandyte State Schools' VILLAGE FAIR, Andersons Creek Primary School.
- MONDAY, November 6: Cup Eve DINNER DANCE, Mechanics Institute Hall, Smorgasbord, BYO. Bookings Peter Thomas (844 2119), Ian Parroissien (844 3959).

## The pacesetters

Warrandyte Netball Club have at least three strong premierships contenders this season.

The Open C-Reserve (3) team, the Under-16Bs and Under-14Cs are on top of their respective ladders and logical favourites.

The other teams — the Open B and Open C-Reserve (2) — are fourth at this stage and should contest the finals.

The Under-12 A-Reserves are just outside the four.

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## An inside job

Extensions are to be made to Warrandyte's Uniting Church.

But the building's attractive external appearance will not change.

The changes will be made inside the church to increase seating capacity.

They were approved at a congregational meeting last month.

The meeting also elected Fred Jungwirth to the Council of Elders, re-elected Jennifer Curwood and Derek Humphries to the Parish Council and elected a new member, Ellen Smedley.

A thanksgiving service was held late last month for Mr. Charles Hutton, who had died several days earlier.

During his long life, Mr. Hutton had been deeply involved in all aspects of the church's work and in recent years, while living with his daughter and family in Everard Drive, had been a regular worshipper at Warrandyte.

## Big night for Leos

Warrandyte Leos Club will hold their change-over night at the Sky-high Restaurant, Mt. Dandenong, on Saturday, July 29.

Incoming office-bearers are Jeff Webb (president), Steve Thomas (vice-president), Chris Thomas (secretary), Jane Dealy (treasurer) and Mark Kruger (Leotamer).

Jon Heaney, immediate past president of the Lions Club, is the new district chairman for Leos.

The Leos will hold a car rally, starting from Shoppingtown, on August 6. Jeff Webb (844 2142) has all the information.

## COUNCIL POLL

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When this edition of the Diary went to press, there had been no challenge to sitting member Ian Marsden.

Mr. Connor told the Diary he was campaigning on the following issues:

• No rates increases — "I feel the rates problem can be solved by stringent control on council spending and by full use of the Government's proposed differential rating," he said.

• Opposition to large-scale subdivision.

• Ratepayers to be fully informed about council activities.

• Any large-scale council development undertaking to be considered in the light of ratepayers' capacity to meet the bill.

• Full support for the green wedge policy and the protection of the environment.

• Better drainage and maintenance of existing roads.

• No major works to be conducted in the North Riding without residents being advised beforehand.

• Strong support for sporting and community groups.

• Continued development of each community within the riding.

"I feel I can contribute to a sound basis of council finance and administration," Mr. Connor said.

Mr. Allen, who outlined his policies in the June issue of the Diary, said he regarded North Warrandyte representation as an important issue in the August 12 poll.

"It is at least 10 years since North Warrandyte has been represented on council," he said.

"This is the most populous area in the North Riding.

"Surely it should be personally represented."

## TREES GO IN AT A. CREEK

Students and parents worked side by side last month in a tree-planting day at Andersons Creek Primary School.

The children are responsible for the care of the trees and have set about the task enthusiastically.

Warrandyte Apex Club has completed an adventure playground at the school. It is hoped to extend the playground, develop a fitness track and an amphitheatre to seat 300.

Clubs have been started for four, five and six-graders and are operating very successfully. Activities include Chinese and general cookery, yoga, kite-making, chess, draughts and gardening.

The school is organising a disco night for Saturday, August 19. It is \$6 a head and inquiries should be directed to J. Law (844 3852) or V. Polley (844 3086).

## Davies elected

The ALP candidate for Warrandyte, Mr. Dick Davies, has been elected to the ALP State Policy Committee for Energy, Science and Technology.

Elections were held at the ALP State Conference last month.

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# IT'S NO GO FOR W'DYTE!

WARRANDYTE  
**Diary**  
SPORTS NEWS

By "BLOODHOUND"

## Narrow defeats put us on skids

**Two narrow defeats have virtually wiped out Warrandyte's chances of making the senior football finals.**

But the club have high hopes for the reserves.

The firsts can only blame themselves for missing out.

Too often when they were in a winning position at three-quarter time, they failed to finish on.

Against Mooroolbark, they were set for a win but went down by five points.

Officials claimed some puzzling umpiring decisions in the last quarter did not help their chances.

One official claimed Mooroolbark won 16 free kicks in this quarter to Warrandyte's six.

It was another poor effort against fourth side Montrose against fourth side Montrose.

Warrandyte rarely got the ball past centre half-forward

in the final term and lost by a point.

Walker and Dunnett were outstanding for Warrandyte.

They stood firm in the second half when Montrose came with a five-goal run to grab a five-point lead.

At three-quarter time, scores were level. Halfway through the final term Warrandyte moved to a five-point lead and looked as though they would see it out.

But some loose play in defence let Montrose in for a goal and they hung on grimly for their one-point win.

Ford, Bawdin and Howard played well all day for the 'Dytes.

The reserves thrashed Montrose and providing they win two of their remaining three games should clinch fourth spot.

The club's annual presentation night dinner-dance will be held at the Park Orchards Chalet on

Show Eve. Tom Kerkhof is in charge of tickets and table bookings.

An end-of-the-season dinner-dance will be held on August 5 in the North Warrandyte Hall. Tickets are \$16 a double and it's BYO.

### DETAILS

FIRST: Montrose 10.16 d. Warrandyte 11.9

SECONDS: Warrandyte 12.12 d. Montrose 3.4

UNDER-17: Montrose 18.17 d. Warrandyte 0.1

UNDER-15: Montrose 15.20 d. Warrandyte 2.4. Best: B. Rochow, McGrath, Bainbridge.

UNDER-13: Warrandyte 5.0 d. South Croydon. Best: Townsend, M. Rochow, Watkins, Secluna.

## ROBINS IN AT LAST

Five years of effort (and nine final-four appearances) have at last paid off for the Robins, Warrandyte's open division night netball team.

They have won their first premiership in the Yarra Valley competition.

The triumphant team members are Rosemary Blizard (captain), Jill Cheate (vice-captain), Kathy Hook, Mary Tresize, Fiona Barr, Sue Peterson, Maureen Grant and Jo Morris.

## JUDO ACES HERE

The big names of Victorian judo will be throwing their weight — and each other — about at the White House this month.

Experts from the Judo Instructors' Association will put on a demonstration on Sunday, July 23, from 2 to 4 p.m.

The display has been organised by the Warrandyte Community Youth Club.

Judo has already established itself in Youth Club classes every Thursday night at the White House.

Classes emphasise skill and self-discipline.

The club urges any interested person to attend the July 23 demonstration.

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## GIRLS AT IT AGAIN

The women's football match at the recreation reserve last month was so successful that another "extravaganza" has been arranged for July 30.

This time, the Warrandyte ladies committee — full of confidence after their success — will meet a team of hopefuls from GTV Channel 9.

Hostilities get under way at 2 p.m., with proceeds to Yooralla.

Tickets for the dinner dance at North Warrandyte Community Centre on Saturday, August 5 (\$16 a Double), are available from Margaret Nightingall (844 3239) or Chris Scott (844 3725), after 6 p.m.).

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