

WARRANDYTE Diary

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Tributes follow road tragedy

Tributes have flowed in since the tragic death late last month of local identity Daryl Valentine.

Mr. Valentine, 30, of Bradleys Lane, died following a head-on car smash at Stiggant corner in Yarra Street on Anzac night.

He was well-known as a sportsman and through his butcher's business at the post office shopping centre.

Mr. Fred Grundy, president of the Warrandyte Traders' Association, said that all members were deeply saddened.

"Daryl was a well known and accepted member of this community. Sincere condolences are extended to Daryl's family from all traders in Warrandyte," Mr. Grundy said.

Mr. John Gilbert, president of the Warrandyte Basketball Club, said, "Daryl was a prime mover in the formation of the club in 1974.

"His involvement with the club, particularly with the junior players and as a coach for the ladies, will be greatly missed.

"We all feel immense sympathy for his family.

"It has been decided that a perpetual trophy, in memory of Daryl, will be awarded to the best junior player each year."

Said Warrandyte Football Club official Tom Kerkhof: "Daryl was a true sportsman and a great competitor.

"He started his football in the juniors and played his first senior game in 1965.

"His determined play was typical of him, as was the dedication he put into the club.

"We extend our deepest sympathy to his family."

• Police at Warrandyte or the Doncaster CIB are seeking witnesses to the Anzac Day accident.

A new ball-game!

The derelict tennis courts at the Warrandyte bridge may soon be restored to peak condition.

The Lions' Club of Warrandyte is working with the Doncaster-Templestowe City Council on a project to bring the courts into public use again.

A spokesman for Lions said that the idea was to hire the courts to tourists as well as locals.

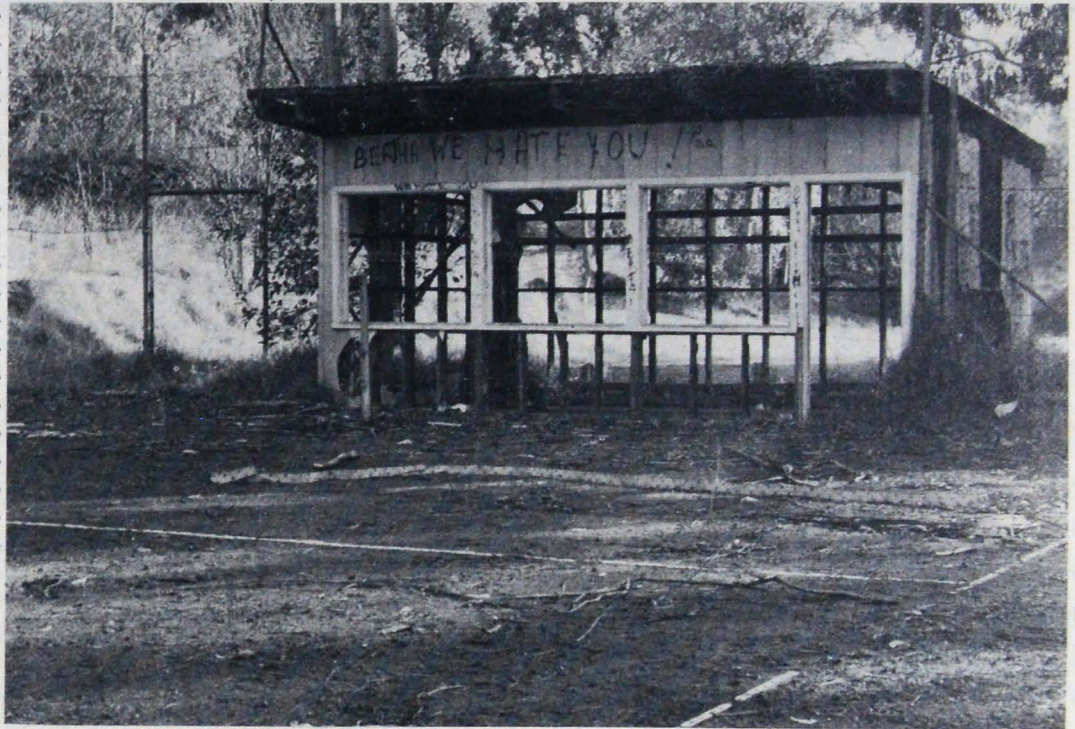
The original single court was constructed about 50 years ago of concrete.

Later, it was covered with bitumen and sawdust.

The second court was built in the late 1950s and both were then en-tout-cased.

Since the tennis club moved to the Recreation Reserve, the old courts have deteriorated badly, with vandals reducing the clubhouse to ruins.

The Lions Club had difficulty locating the authority responsible for the land, but found that the Board of Works recently gave the land to the Doncaster council to be governed by an advisory committee.



The wreckage of the tennis courts and clubhouse. Picture by SANDY BURGOYNE.

COUNCIL BLOCKS BRIDGE SHOPS

Doncaster-Templestowe City Council has rejected a proposed \$350,000 shopping complex near the Warrandyte bridge.

The developers, Ritter Davis Pty. Ltd., have appealed to the Town and Country Planning Tribunal.

They have also submitted to the council an alternative proposal for a single storey complex.

Cr. John Scott, of Warrandyte Ward, told the Diary that council had several serious reservations about the proposed complex, planned for the prime site between "Folkart" and the post office shopping centre.

Council considered it an overdevelopment in terms of what commercial development was available. The existing local traders tended to support this view.

The shops, which were to have had an accent on cottage crafts, could have included the whole gambit of arts and crafts, jewellery, picture framing and the like, and other tourist-orientated shops, including take away food bars.

However, the traffic congestion and parking difficulties — already a serious problem on weekends and public holidays — were

another major factor in council's decision.

Council was also extremely concerned that the bulk of this proposed building, in conjunction with the existing east end shops, would provide a facade on Yarra Street that would not be environmentally acceptable.

Council has agreed to the formation of a consultative committee to plan the river foreshore and Yarra Street shopping development, submitting its input to the local consultative body, shortly to be set up under the guidelines of the Warrandyte Strategy Plan.

"The alternative Ritter Davis plans are on display at council offices, and I would be very pleased to receive any objections and opinions on it from residents," said Cr. Scott.

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The open door to absurdity

You may have interpreted Smokey Joe's long silence on the matter as a tacit surrender to the vagaries of the Warrandyte buses.

Not so. Not so.

Let me tell you about the Saturday 1.34 out of this town.

The doors refuse to stay closed and the driver pulls into the Golden Gate and makes a marathon phone call to Doncaster depot.

A funny bloke this driver — certainly not a graduate of Dale Carnegie's charm school — because he tartly tells his bewildered passengers that they'd now be well on their way to town if someone had volunteered to stand up and hold the errant doors closed.

Under cross-examination, driver says he hasn't a clue what will happen next and suggests it might be 3.30 before relief arrives.

This is a fib, because he knows very well that the transport moguls at the depot are sending salvation.

Not one bus arrives, but two. Passengers give their original driver a silent raspberry, transfer to another vehicle and off they go.

God bless the Melbourne Metropolitan Tramways Board. They make life so interesting.

This month, it's "thumbs up" to Mrs. Sylvia Hussey, the charming, white-haired lady who shows the rest of us what fitness is, by riding her bike up Yarra Street whatever the weather.

Mrs. Hussey has been riding a bike since she was 12, she told Smokey, with a twinkle in her eye.

But she would rather speak about her involvement with the Warrandyte Auxiliary of the

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Royal Women's Hospital.

As a foundation member of the auxiliary, started by Dr. Eithel Osborne, Mrs. Hussey is very proud of the fact that they held their 49th annual meeting last month.

They're building a steel-hulled boat in North Warrandyte — and driving the neighbours nuts.

The late-night noises — rivetting and what-have-you — have stretched relationships almost to the ultimate. One kid says he can't do his homework because the vibrations shake his desk.

There is probably some truth in the rumour that the neighbours are praying for a Great Flood of Noah dimensions to float the bloody thing out of their lives.

Scout Group leader George Vlek answered the call of duty at the Anzac Day service with dignified bearing — and a wet sock! George valiantly stood on the sprinkler which was determinedly trying to drown the brownies.

Smokey suggests that the RSL looks pretty close to home for the fairy that beautified the garden at the memorial (see letters page 9).

Flower shops are great hangouts for fairies, you know.

And still the festival tales roll in . . .

Small boy approached the Lions food stall just on closing time and asked how much the hamburgers were.

"Thirty cents," he was told.

Kid looked so dejected that they asked how much he had.

"Twenty cents," he said.

"O.K. 20 cents will do," they told him.

"Good, I'll have five!" he said, producing a dollar.

Bottle dump patrons are requested again to use the new drive-in, dump, and drive-out facility at the Yarra Street dump.

No need for roadside mess!

Did you happen to notice the burnt-out Fiat at Riverview Motors recently?

While tootling along, the driver smelt smoke, stopped the car and jumped out just in time, as the car exploded into flames.

Smokey was sickened by the hoax report to police that a body was on the road in Yarra Street.

What a waste of public time and money!

—Smokey Joe

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LOCAL BUS PLAN FOR WARRANDYTE

A Warrandyte businessman is investigating the viability of a local, internal bus service.

He has already conducted a feasibility study and is seeking public response to his proposal.

He envisages a 22-seater bus making eight trips a day, Monday to Friday inclusive.

The planned route is: Pigeon Bank Lane (North Warrandyte) to the bridge, along Yarra Street to the old Melbourne Hill Road, Pound Road, Everard Drive, Taroon Avenue, Golden Gate, back to the bridge, Research Road to Glynn Road, back to the bridge, to Pigeon Bank Lane.

Fares would be set on a sectional basis.

"The need for a local bus service has been obvious to me for quite a time," the businessman told the Diary.

"It has become more pressing with each increase in the price of petrol and the threat of a future energy crisis only emphasises it further," he said.

"The first consideration is obviously to those local people — particularly the elderly — without cars.

"The service I plan would provide transport for them to the local shops and would also be a feeder service to the tramway buses to the city and to Ringwood.

"Clearly, it would ease Warrandyte's growing traffic problem. I would expect many people who use their cars for short, local trips to use the proposed bus

service.

"In many cases, it would eliminate the need for a second car in the family," he said.

• To appraise local reaction to the bus proposal, the Diary publishes below a questionnaire-coupon.

It urges local residents to fill it in and return to The Editors, P.O. Box 72, Warrandyte, or leave it in the Diary mailbox, in the main Yarra Street shopping centre.

I.....
of.....
regard a local bus service as worthwhile and necessary.

OR

I.....
of.....
regard Warrandyte's existing public transport as adequate.

PUBLIC MEETING

An important public meeting will be held in the Mechanics Institute Hall on May 31.

The meeting will elect a steering committee to look into the composition of the Warrandyte Consultative Committee as proposed in the Warrandyte Strategy Plan.

It will also decide the constitution of the committee.

The steering committee will report back to Doncaster-Templestowe City Council within about six weeks, suggesting people who could best serve on the consultative committee, and which community groups should be represented.

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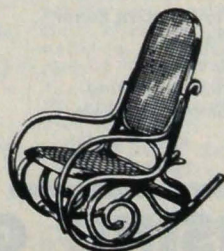
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TO MARKET, TO MARKET?

Warrantyte may soon have its own produce market. A group of enthusiastic locals are studying the possibilities.

The market would be community-oriented and held one Saturday morning each month, allowing local people to sell their home-grown, home-baked or home-made goods in pleasant surroundings and providing a relaxed meeting place for the local community.

Local community groups would be encouraged to be stallholders.

The exclusion of commercial enterprises

or second-hand dealers would prevent competition with local shopkeepers and ensure that the market remained in character with the area.

Much of the groundwork towards establishing such a market has been done. The essential task now is gauging public reaction.

If you are interested in being a stallholder, or would just like to let the group know that you support the concept, contact Janet Gilberthorpe (844 3420) or Judy Trenberth (844 2161).

DOWNGRADED - AN UPWARD MOVE

Doncaster-Templestowe City Council wants Yarra Street downgraded to a secondary arterial road.

And over we go . . .

A man had a lucky escape when his utility overturned on a steep drive in Somers Road, North Warrantyte.

The truck, carrying timber from Warrantyte Timbers, flipped onto its roof, spilling petrol in a wide arc.

The driver suffered only a sore arm.

PALETTE NEWS

Jess Sawkins and Pam Essing continue at the Palette as artists of the month, for May.

The pen and wash drawings, and oil paintings of Pauline Grayling, will be exhibited in June.

Added attractions for June are patchwork cushions, bedspreads and soft toys by Margaret McKenzie and Nell Nyssens' hand spun woollens, shawls, jackets and jumpers.

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Lock up!

Sergeant Noel Perry is settling into his new job at Warrandyte Police Station.

After observing the habits of our townsfolk for more than a month, he gives this word of warning:

Lock your houses and cars when leaving them unattended.

Thefts occur each week in the area, usually during the day when no-one is home. Access to houses is frequently too easy, through unlocked doors and windows.

Sgt. Perry also reminded residents that police can be contacted at the Warrandyte station throughout the night for any URGENT matter.

Brazen thieves' \$5000 clean-out

Sergeant Perry's warning about household security is underscored by a recent robbery in which a local woman suffered a frightening experience despite her caution:

Deciding not to answer a knock on her door, as she was still in her dressing gown, the lady, from Ringwood - Warrandyte Road, watched the caller walk down her drive, join someone in a car, and drive off.

A short time after, on emerging from her laundry, where the washing machine and dryer were going, she heard mens' voices in her bedroom.

Escaping through the back door, she ran down the drive and managed to

attract a postman's attention.

Meanwhile the intruders returned to their car, which was the one sighted earlier.

They escaped through the same window that they had jemmied open, carrying a suitcase crammed with over \$5000 worth of jewellery and goods.

The postman instantly alerted police, giving the car's registration number.

Within the hour the Heidelberg CIB had their man - and all the goods.

COUNCIL MOVES ON BUS-STOP DANGER

At last there may be some definite action afoot to solve the dangerous Warrandyte High School bus-stop problem.

Warrandyte Ward representative John Scott has moved that Doncaster-Templestowe City Council engineers examine the Alexander Road entrance to the school and decide whether school buses should collect children within the school grounds.

Alternatively, it could be more feasible for the bus to turn right on to the nature strip in Warrandyte Road, with council providing a bus shelter.

Council was not aware at that stage of any approaches by the Knox Regional Directorate over the matter.

The Knox Regional Directorate has expressed the opinion that neither Alexander Road nor the entrance and turn-around in the school grounds is suitable for the school bus to use.

It is interesting to note that the big municipal mobile library bus goes to the school weekly.

Look first, buy later

Eltham Shire Council has prepared detailed maps of drainage "trouble spots".

The maps, which are particularly applicable to North Warrandyte, are part of a concerted council assault on drainage and siltage problems.

Shire president Robert Marshall said he strongly advised prospective land buyers to study the maps and confer with the council

before making any purchase.

"If a particular site came into the drainage trouble-spot category, we would not issue a building permit for it," councillor Marshall said.

The maps are available for study at the shire offices and will be advertised in local newspapers.

VANDALS GO TO SCHOOL

Vandals had a "smashing" time at Warrandyte State School on Easter Saturday night.

Although damage was not extensive, they broke a window, pulled the canteen door off its hinges, damaged a duplicator and scattered other equipment.

Doncaster CIB is investigating.

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Derros right on cue

The Warrandyte Derros Fishing Club may not always land the big ones, but their two teams cleaned up all-comers in the Warrandyte festival pool tournament.

Then they proceeded to clean up each other, with the "A" team of Tom and Geoff, defeating Spot and Johnston.

While another Derro, Mickey, cleaned up the raffle, one bloke was left wanting to clean up everybody for knocking off his last bottle!

They are a lively bunch, the Warrandyte Derros.


Scaly mates in the true sense of the words

WORD FROM WARRANWOOD

A four course meal (including drinks), for \$10 a head is offered by the Warranwood Auxiliary for the Yooralla Society at their Progressive Dinner on June 9.

Last year, with the money raised, they purchased a hoist which has been installed at the Maroondah Activity Centre, eradicating the necessity to physically lift handicapped people from their chairs.

If you would like tickets for the Progressive Dinner or if you would like to assist the auxiliary in any way, phone Coral Reynolds (876 2802) or Kay Bishop (876 2235).



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West End action

The West End traders and Anderson Creek State School have moved to provide safer and more comfortable access to the shops and the Golden Gate.

They have presented to Doncaster-Templestowe City Council a plan for the development and reconstruction of the service road from Melbourne Hill Road to the entrance to Warrandyte Road in front of the Ampol garage.

The plan also includes provision of a footpath from Colin Avenue to Melbourne Hill Road.

"We are very concerned for the safety of children walking from Anderson Creek State School," said traders representative Fred Grundy.

"There would be additional parking adjacent to the service road and sensible parking arrangements in front of the milk bar," he said.

"What do we have to do

to have approximately 150 metres of roadway properly constructed?

"In our last correspondence from council in April 1978, we were told that plans to upgrade the roadway were to be considered.

"We made inquiries as to progress in November last year, but have yet to receive an answer.

"In January, in answer to a personal enquiry, a council representative told me that the roadway would be graded and sprayed with a bituminous emulsion as a temporary measure, but this did not eventuate," said Mr. Grundy.

"Consequently we all suffer the potholes, dust, and/or mud."

A 'lesson' on China

China (the country, not the crockery) will be the subject of a function this month organised by the Brotherhood of St. Laurence Warrandyte Auxiliary.

China traveller Miss Burbridge, will give her impressions of the country, accompanying her talk with slides.

The function will be held at St. Stephan's Hall, Stiggant Street, on Wednesday, May 16, starting 10.45 a.m.

A light luncheon will be served and admission is \$1.50.

Koornong settled soon?

Eltham Shire president Robert Marshall expects a quick conclusion to the Koornong bushland affair.

He has received a letter from Premier Hamer thanking the council for its submission that the State Government buy the 16 acres of North Warrandyte river frontage for preservation as parkland.

Mr. Hamer had pledged that the government would buy the land if there was no other way of preserving it.

Conservationists hailed his statement as the end of an eight-year struggle to save the land from subdivision.

"I expect the matter to be settled quickly," councillor Marshall told the Diary.

"The Premier's letter indicated the government's willingness to proceed with the purchase, and I understand that the vendor, Choppington Pty. Ltd., is anxious to sell.

"It is now simply a matter of the two parties coming to terms."

A \$1000 FIRST FOR OUR APEX

The Warrandyte Apex Club have scored a national victory.

They are the first Australian Apex club to donate \$1000 to the Sudden Infant Death Research Foundation Fund, the 1979-1980 Apex National service scheme.

The scheme was only adopted by Apex at the national convention in Katoomba at Easter.

Mrs. Kaaren Fitzgerald, president of the foundation, received the Warrandyte cheque at a special ladies' night dinner at the Coffee Bean Restaurant.

Also present were David Bentley, Apex Zone 13 president, and Fred Bover, Apex District 1 Governor.

The club raised the money at the Whitehouse action in March. President Alan Hughes thanked the local community for supporting this event so well.

Far from resting on their laurels, however, Warrandyte Apex are doing service work at both the Primary and the High School.

Barbecues are to be built at both schools and a further donation of \$220 will go to the High School to help provide sporting equipment. (The school depleted its funds on blackberry spraying in the school grounds.

Anyone interested in joining the Warrandyte Apex club should contact Richard Forde on 844 2240.

Young at heart

The Warrandyte Uniting Church deserves much credit for their continuing interest in our youth.

A weekend camp was recently held at Toolangi for 50 kids and greatly enjoyed by all.

The monthly youth services continue. Last month Clive Stebbing, from "Youth for Christ", was guest speaker, supported by Irish guitarist Steve McIlwain and the group, Searchlight.

Stan Stewart, a past minister of the church, will be guest speaker at the next service, on May 27. Rev. Stewart has a radio talk-back program on 3AW, "Stewart's People".

It promises to be an interesting night.

A church luncheon is planned for June for families to celebrate Pentecost.

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Death of Hilda Barbour

Anyone remembering the early days of the Warrandyte Arts Association Music Group will be sorry to hear of the death of Hilda Barbour.

Mrs. Barbour, a good singing teacher and brilliant pianist, came to Warrandyte before the WAA was formed in 1956 and was instantly involved in teaching the CWA singing group, enabling them to win several awards.

After the WAA formation, Mrs. Barbour's talents were in great demand for the Music Group. A tireless worker, and for some time the chairman, she took part in many musical occasions. She was awarded a life membership of WAA.

Mrs. Barbour died last month after a long illness.

Gail and Barry Dick, of Lynette Avenue, are celebrating the birth of their first child, Jarrod, who weighed in at a healthy 4.1 kg (9 lb.).

Barry is not so ecstatic about wearing the Apex "new father" bib. He has to suffer this at all Apex meetings until someone else joins the club . . . so to speak!

Another Cottage special

Pottery and drawings by Michael John Taylor from Lismore, NSW, will be exhibited at Potters Cottage from May 25 to June 10.

Born in the UK, Mr. Taylor has taught at schools at Lismore since 1964 and has his own pottery and gallery, Whian Whian, there.

Mr. Taylor has held one-man exhibitions in NSW and Queensland and has a long list of awards from both States for his pottery and drawings.

His works are valued in many private collections and those of Brisbane and Flinders Universities and the Margaret Carnegie College.

The Potters Gallery is open Tuesday to Friday from 11 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. and Saturday, Sunday and public holidays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Old Toby Jug, in Yarra Street, has changed hands.

Beryl and Bill Riggs have taken over from Fred and Mary Brooks, who would like to thank Warrandyte people for their patronage over the past few years.

Ian and Maureen Lloyd have sold their milk bar and are looking forward to a quieter life after two years of bringing us our daily bread.

The new owners are partners, Ian and Val Donohue, and Geoff and Marie Williams.

Ian and Maureen have bought land in Kruses Road, North Warrandyte.

Congratulations to Margaret Blackie, daughter of Em and Don Blackie, Yarra Street, and to William Kars, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Kars of Tiel, Holland, on their wedding at St. Stephen's Anglican Church, Warrandyte, on March 31.

Maureen Lloyd is recovering slowly after cutting too close to the bone while preparing food for a festival stall. Unfortunately it was her bone.

Maureen spent several days in hospital receiving skin-grafts for her badly cut thumb.

Ann and Kel Arnold of Kangaroo Ground Road, are on the move again.

This time to South Caicos Island in the West Indies, where Kel is in charge of setting up an Air Traffic Control System, under the direction of the U.N.

Don and Jill Mays, formerly of Webb Street, were visiting friends at Echuca when they recognised the folk next door.

None other than Charles and Elaine Spong, also ex-Webb Street and now living at Echuca.

Elaine, of course, is former advertising and business manageress of the Diary.

She receives a copy of each issue to keep in touch with Warrandyte happenings.

Elaine and Max Garner of Warrandyte-Research Road, have a new baby daughter.

As president of the Warrandyte Primary School Council, Max obviously believes in keeping the supply up to the demand.

CUBS FEEL THE PULSE

Nineteen cubs from Warrandyte's Wurrenjerri pack had an absorbing evening with the St. John's Ambulance Resussianne.

Resussianne is a life-sized doll, complete with arm pulse and lung pressure gauge.

Mr. Soltau, from St. John's Ambulance, demonstrated head bandaging to the boys.

At the same meeting Anthony Baragwanath received his Silver Boomerang, and Bronze Boomerangs were awarded to Paul Bridgeman, Justin McGill, Julian Hanson, Geoffrey King and Daryl Keeley.

Sixer Certificates were awarded to Hugh Cox, Simon Cock, Shaun Phillips and Nicholas Robertshaw.

Matthew Burgess, Anthony Baragwanath and Geoffrey King are the pack's new Seconders.

PENNY AT POTTERS

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COLLEGE SETS PACE IN CONSERVATION

Eltham College plans to become a pacesetter in conservation in Australia.

It intends to set up a conservation station — the first of its kind in this country.

The station would be set up with student assistance and with full support of the College Council and the principal.

It would demonstrate and evolve ways of conserving energy, recycling waste, harnessing natural energy and using the resources of nature more effectively.

Envisaged are an organic garden (using school-produced compost), a water-bird habitat and pond for fish culture as a food source and a methane gas production plant using sewage wastes from toilets and vegetable matter, providing heat and power for cooking.

Several other schemes, such as solar and wind-generated energy, would be incorporated in the station.

A college spokesman told the Diary that since its establishment five years ago, the school had involved students and staff in a simple process of recycling waste products.

"The sale of packaged goods in throw-aways has been discouraged," the spokesman said.

"The school has expressed its concern — which it believes all citizens should share — that resources should not be wasted.

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WHEYS AND MEANS

Georges Australia has ordered a second consignment of "The Wheys of Warrandyte".

Georges selected this cookbook, produced by the Warrandyte Arts Association, as one with distinctive local flavour to sell in their gourmet section.

The WAA are looking for someone who may be able to run a junior dancing class, and "Theatrekids".

Bob Karl would be pleased to hear from anyone who could help, on 844 3742.

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Lloyds bow out

It was with mixed feelings that we handed the keys of our shop over to its new owners, Ian and Val Donohue, and Geoff and Marie Williams.

Although relative newcomers to Warrandyte, we have been made to feel very welcome, and would like to thank all our friends and customers for their loyal support, in business and otherwise, over the past two years.

At the same time we would like to wish Ian, Val, Geoff and Marie all the best in their partnership.

Thanks again, Warrandyte.

Ian and Maureen Lloyd,
Lloyd's Milk Bar.

ON BEING GIVEN A BUM STEER

At the risk of shaking a stick at one of Warrandyte's sacred cows — namely equestrians — could I suggest that with early dusks closing upon us, more effort be made by these people to make both themselves and their mounts clearly visible to motorists.

For several winters, I have experienced the heart-stopping shock of a previously unseen rider materialising within inches (centimetres?) of my car, the looming rump of a horse seeming a considerable hazard from such a vantage point.

Like an ostrich in reverse, these dusk riders seem to think that if they are aware of the motorist then the motorist is automatically aware of them. Wrong!!

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THE PLIGHT OF OUR ELDERLIES

As a number of our elderly citizens have and are selling up to move out of Warrandyte, often with reluctance, shouldn't the questions "why" and "what could be done" be asked?

Our elderlies are coping with a terrain, however magnificent it may be, that is better suited to mountain goats than elderly people who have to walk everywhere if unable to drive.

Often homes and properties have become too big to manage and if ill, these people can find themselves quite isolated and in severe trouble.

The lack of efficient public transport around Warrandyte aggravates the problem.

Do we need a self-contained "village" in Warrandyte where our elderly folk can be looked after, have privacy in their own units but company close at hand if wanted, and still be able to live in the area they love and have, in many cases, lived in for many years?

Doncaster - Templestowe City Council, which has been probing this problem for some time, last month rejected an application for

a development in Reynolds Road, as it did not fit in with council requirements for such a village.

It would be a long way from shops and there is no public transport. An appeal has been lodged by the developers with the Town and Country Planning Tribunal.

Perhaps this matter could be a high priority when the local Consultative Body is set up in a few months, as proposed in the Warrandyte Strategy Plan.

Cr. John Scott,
Warrandyte Ward.

URNS FOR THE WORSE

Would drivers turning on to the bridge from Yarra Street and into Harris Gully Road from Yarra Street, please use their indicators — and preferably for more than one flash.

"Flasher",
Blooms Road.

Diggers Thanks

The president, committee and members of the Warrandyte Sub-branch, RSL, wish to thank all those members of the community, and others, for their very generous support of our recent Anzac appeal.

We are also very grateful to all who participated in our Anzac Day Service and after — and especially to the good fairy or fairies who did such a marvellous job on the flower garden below the memorial.

Lyn Mitchell,
Secretary.

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'WE'LL KICK ON'—BLOODS SHRUG OFF DEFEATS

By BLOODHOUND

Warrandyte Football Club have their sights set squarely on the finals despite defeats in their last two matches.

The Dytes lost by seven points to Forest Hill, then by three points to Norwood.

They were games that Warrandyte could — and probably should — have won.

The Bloods led Forest Hill by almost six goals at half-time, then "went to sleep".

"We really played only one quarter against Norwood, yet still lost by only three points," a club official told the Diary.

He said the defeats had not dented the confidence

or spirit of the team, who started the season with three straight wins.

"It must be remembered that the two games we lost were against top sides," the official said.

"It should also be remembered that we've had a crop of important injuries.

"When we get these

players back, we will be a different proposition."

A bye in the last round has given injuries time to heal and captain-coach Colin Bawden time to regroup his forces for the games ahead.

One trouble spot in the Bloods' game is their kicking for goal.

The forwards were way off target against Norwood, kicking an untidy 11.16 to 13.7.

The reserves continue to play well. They beat Forest Hill 15.9 to 11.16 and Norwood 18.13 to 13.14.

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"After all, local ratepayers have already financed public facilities at Pantom Hill.

"They should not be asked to do it twice," Cr. Marshall said.

rebuild the hall and an expanded football ground together on a central site.

The existing golf course at the back of the Pantom Hill Hotel would also be extended as part of the complex.

"The hall and the football ground would often be used together, so the advantages of having them on the same site are obvious," shire president Robert Marshall told the Diary.

"But wherever the hall is rebuilt, council strongly believes it should be financed by the State Government.

Sports complex proposed

The fire which destroyed the Pantom Hill hall last Christmas may yet turn out to be a disguised blessing — particularly for local sport.

Eltham Shire Council is investigating the possibility of resiting a new hall as part of a recreation ground-golf course complex.

Difficulties — largely drainage — surround the original plan to rebuild the hall on its existing site.

Both the hall and the football ground are in the catchment area of the proposed Watsons Creek dam.

Although the original site has not been abandoned, an alternative proposal is to

The girls' night out

Warrandyte Netball Club are celebrating their 10th Anniversary with a "Girls' Night Out" on Friday, June 29.

All past and present players are eligible to attend — so if you are a past player, or know of any, please contact club president Wendy Rule (876 1268) and help make this a great reunion.

There are still some of the original team playing now.

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SPORTS NEWS

WHAT A DAY!

Warrandyte Football Club statisticians were reaching for the Guinness Book of Records recently.

They wanted to know if an older bloke than Brian Day had ever played footy — not just for the Bloods, but for anyone, anywhere.

They still don't know. But they do know that Brian is 46.

He made his comeback with the Reserves. His grey beard looked somewhat out of place, but he went pretty well.

Brian left soon after the game on a couple of weeks holiday, but there is no firm evidence that his comeback and the need for rest were connected. —

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