

TWO GREAT INNINGS FOR WARRANDYTE

It's 110 up for St. Stephen's

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It's 125 not out for our cricket

Warrandyte Cricket Club — one of the oldest in Victoria — celebrates its 125th anniversary this season.

And it promises to be an exciting time.

The club is planning a special anniversary match in February against Melbourne Cricket Club, hopefully at the local recreation reserve.

It will be a real trip down memory lane, with many of Warrandyte's past players invited to take part.

The club has other big plans for its anniversary season — see Page 12.



St. Stephen's . . . steeped in history. Picture by SANDY BURGOYNE.

In 1869, a church service was held in a tent beside Anderson's Creek in Gold Memorial Road.

And St. Stephen's Anglican Church was born.

On Sunday, September 16, special services at the church, in Stiggant Street, will celebrate the 110th anniversary.

At a barbecue in the church grounds on the same day, a documented history of St. Stephen's will be launched.

Called "One Hundred Years and Ten", it has been compiled by local identity Jess Shannon.

Before the first church was built in Stiggant Street on land granted by the State Government, regular services were held in the home of George Frencham by lay reader George Armstrong, who would arrive on horseback from Doncaster.

The first church was a primitive square structure which was replaced in 1906 by a rectangular wooden building. Beside it stood the Sunday School.

When these were destroyed by the bushfires of January, 1939, they were replaced by the present building.

Designed by Louis Williams, the leading church architect of the time, it was built for 530 pounds in very good time and opened and dedicated by the Archbishop of Melbourne, the Most Reverend F. W. Head, on Sunday, November 3, 1940.

Designed as a church hall, doors closed over the chancel when it was used for social functions.

The present church hall was bought and moved to the site in 1955.

While the new church was being built, services were conducted in the Mechanics Institute Hall by the Rev. Harvey L. Ebbs, from Croydon.

St. Stephen's became a separate parish in 1971.

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Church was born in a tent

VILLAGE ON AGAIN!

A proposed retirement village in Alexander Road is "on" again.

Plans for the village — to accommodate 800 people — were scrapped by the Warrandyte Church of England Trust early last year.

Reason: The controversial inter ring road would have run through the 50-acre site.

Now, with the freeway scheme abandoned, Doncaster-Templestowe City Council has voted overwhelmingly to reinstate the village project.

Groups supporting the village concept will petition Members of Parliament and the Board of Works, as rezoning of the land is required.

The decision to resurrect the retirement village project has been warmly applauded by one of its most enthusiastic supporters — the Advisory Committee on the Ageing.

Committee member Ruth Norman told the Diary:

"It is fantastic news.

"I have seen several retirement villages in other parts of Australia and the one envisaged for Alexander Road would be at least equal to the best of them."

IT'S A RIOT!

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So eat your heart out, Barassi

Warrandyte tennis coach Chris Saliba has won Smokey Joe's inaugural "Above - And - Beyond - The - Call - of" award!

His award-winning feat was to take four teams of our midweek competition girls under his wing and lead them to stardom.

So what's so great about that, you ask?

Well, if you'd seen these ladies in action before Chris took over, you'd might not have recognised their game as tennis.

A scene from "Monty Python's Flying Circus" perhaps. But tennis? No.

Tell you what, they were no Evonne Goolagongs!

Anyhow, Chris gets the four teams into the finals, and what do they do?

Three of 'em get swollen heads or butterflies in the old comics and are eliminated.

The other team do the right thing and win him the pennant.

Chris can't accept Smokey's award just yet, having taken a well-deserved break.

He's on a honeymoon cruise — and I'll bet he's not playing deck tennis!

It's reached the stage where John "Porky" Smith won't read the Diary any more unless we guarantee him a spot in this column.

So in the interests of circulation we report that he is in training for a comeback to cricket this season.

We suspect he has not heard that Mr. Packer is no longer recruiting.

Still, he may give new meaning to the term "silly mid-off".

IN RED & WHITE



Smokey's sure that no Warrandyte resident would be so low as to leave two putrid bags of kitchen garbage outside the Op Shop, revolting the lady who put her hand inside to pull out the "donation".

Well, he's almost sure . . .

Anyone knowing Fred Martin — dog that is — would know that he is Anne Martin's best friend, and vice versa.

And anyone knowing that would wonder what Anne was on about writing to the Diary about dogs (Hounds and Sounds, August Issue).

Well she wouldn't, and she didn't.

The letter came from WEL, not Anne.

So Fred, you can talk to her again.

This month it's "thumbs up" to Leonie Horne in her role as "school crossing lady" for always managing a smile for the snug, passing motorists — even on the bleakest days.

If you've been frantically ringing the Warran-

dyte Fire Brigade for tickets to the dinner dance mentioned in last issue, please stop!

It's the North Warrandyte Fire Brigade who want to hear from you.

They are holding the dance on September 29 at the new Eltham Community Centre.

Paradiddle Folk Band are providing the music.

Tickets are \$22 a double — BYO.

So please ring the fellows at North Warrandyte on 844 2418 or 844 3999 and get them off Smokey's back.

After all those girls . . . it's a boy!

Having raised five lovely daughters, Jack and Gwen Stringer (late of North Warrandyte, now of Yarra Junction) were kinda hoping for a grandson.

Daughter Joanne Pearson (wife of John) delivered the goods this month.

Equally delighted are the other grandparents, Neil and Bub Pearson, of KG Road.

—Smokey Joe

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Goodbye, Briarly Martin

Briarly Martin, one of Warrandyte's best-loved characters, died last month. She was 82.

The name Briarly Martin was synonymous with Warrandyte for more than half a century.

She was a woman of many talents — journalist, playwright-producer, gourmet cook . . .

But most of all, she will be remembered as being part of Warrandyte.

Mrs. Martin came to this village in 1925. For several years, she ran a guesthouse with her family on the site where the Warrandyte Palette now stands.

The guesthouse was destroyed by fire and her brother built and ran the waxworks on the site.

Mrs. Martin ran a cooking program on radio 3XY in the 1930s and, during World War 2, managed the kitchen for the American Consulate in Melbourne.

She lived most of her life here in David Road, a home she called "Martin's Corner".

Diary readers will remember her monthly column — "Briarly Martin's Corner" — during the early 1970s.

Cliff Green, founder and then editor of the Diary, said in tribute:

"A little part of Warrandyte died with Briarly Martin.

"She was an unforgettable lady."

IT'S A RIOT!

The Warrandyte Arts Association Drama Group is looking for strong support from the local community for its major production for this year.

The group is performing the famous and hilarious "Comedy Of Errors", by Shakespeare.

This highly-entertaining play revolves around two men who meet with mad confusion while searching for their long-lost twin brothers.

Comedy is the order of the day as the situation becomes a tangle even Sherlock Holmes would have to laugh at.

Performance dates are Friday, September 21 — a BYO cabaret night; Friday, September 28 and Saturday, 29 (theatre nights) and Saturday, October 6, another cabaret night. Bookings phone 844 2621 or 844 3978.

Strategy plan c'tee chosen

The Consultative Committee for the Warrandyte Strategy Plan was elected at a meeting last month.

The committee of 13 comprises representatives from eight sections of the community, three independents and two councillors, one from each side of the river.

The committee members are chairman Dick Davies, independent; vice chairman Peter Getsun, commercial and retail; secretary Robyn Hodgkinson, youth; minute secretary Anne Martin, environment; Jo Laurence, art and culture; Anne Chalmers, education; John Heaney, service organisations; Dorothy Rush, health and welfare; Frank Harper, sport and recreation; Bev Hanson, independent; John Curry, independent and councillors John Scott and Robert Allen.

The first committee meeting was in August and was attended by Howard McCorkle from TRACT Consultants Pty. Ltd.

TRACT is conducting a

14 week survey of the township, and its commercial and retail requirements.

The Consultative Committee will announce a public meeting in three months, where they will read their constitution.

ALL AWASH

Artist David Taylor, of Somers Road, North Warrandyte, may be reasonably new to the area, but he is certainly not new to the art medium of watercolour.

David's large and beautiful works earned him the "Artist of the Year" award from the Victorian Artists' Society in 1976.

Now he has received a three-month overseas study grant, funded by Wellington Fashion House and Camberwell Rotary.

David left on his tour last week.

Sounds like another valuable asset to the Warrandyte community with its long history of recognised artists.

DEADLINE

Copy for the October Diary closes Wednesday, September 26.

Getting to know you

The Anglican, Catholic, Gospel Hall and Uniting Churches of Warrandyte and Park Orchards are sending out a joint letter to all the people of these districts.

It is a letter of greeting, expressing the desire that we may all get to know one another better.

To this end, everyone in the community is invited to attend the church of their choice on Sunday, October 21 — Friendship Sunday — and to share in a barbecue following worship.

The letter drop will be at the end of September, and details of church activities will be found in it.

So look out for the letter!

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THE PIPELINE GOES THROUGH

Eltham Shire Council has cleared the way for the construction of a pipeline from Sugarloaf Dam to Preston . . .

Despite the fact that the project will severely scar the landscape.

After months of negotiation with the Board of Works, council this month granted a permit for the pipeline.

"The pipeline is a big problem," North Riding councillor Robert Marshall told the Diary.

"It will certainly scar the landscape, but we couldn't stop it going through and, indeed, we couldn't justify stopping it.

"What council has done is to argue — forcibly and over a long period — for the pipeline to be built in such a way as to minimise impact on the environment.

"We have insisted on reinstatement of the environment when the project is finished."

Cr. Marshall said the pipeline would tunnel under Kangaroo Ground Road, about halfway between Warrantdyte and KG.

It would run in an almost straight line from Sugarloaf to Preston. . . .

"The pipeline will cost \$2500 a metre — so obviously they can't afford to turn too many corners," Cr. Marshall said.

Treasure or trash

Warrantdyte Environment League will be holding a Trash and Treasure stall at the St. Andrew's market on Saturday, September 29.

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YOUNG DISCO AND OLD ROCKERS

The Warrantdyte Community Youth Club will hold a Disco Night for teenagers on Saturday, October 20.

The dance will be unlicensed and have adult supervision. Admittance is \$2 a head and chips and drinks will be on sale.

For those interested in this night at the Whitehouse, watch for further details in the October Diary, also in the shop windows.

The youth Club has also organised a Cup Eve Rock Dance for Monday, November 5.

This dance will be licensed and is for adults only. Gumbout will supply the music.

The cost is \$3.50 per head. BYO — basket supper and drinks.

CHURCH BORN IN A TENT

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The special anniversary services are:

10 a.m.: Holy Eucharist, presided over by the Right Rev. J. A. Grant, Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Melbourne and Regional Bishop.

7.30 p.m.: Evensong. The preacher will be the Venerable David Chambers, Archdeacon of Sandringham and former Vicar of St. Stephen's.

The present Vicar, the Rev. G. Bruce Avery, is away on long service leave.

It is hoped that many former parishioners and clergy and their families will attend the services and the barbecue (which will follow the morning service).

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Being a large family concern, the Lancasters say they will have more time to expand the business to suit customer needs, such as the health food bar and take away foods.

Glenn has been involved in the community as president of the Warrandyte kindergarten in 1978 and a member of the Anderson's Creek School Council for the last two years.

Dot and Charlie have recently spent four months travelling around Queensland and NSW and are now ready for some hard work.

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George and Gladys Bell, of KG Road, are grandparents again!

Dean Cameron Bell, son of Ron and Dawn, arrived at Box Hill Hospital on August 17.

Weighed in at a sturdy 7 lb. 10 oz.

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Graham Nugent has left the Warrandyte Youth Club's judo class and the committee and his students wish to publicly thank him for the time and effort which he has put in.

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Rosalie Vlek has been tying herself in knots again.

She participated in the macrame exhibition held as part of the Eltham festival, and thoroughly enjoyed the local enthusiasm for this craft.

NEW FACES AT THE GATE

Two other offers have been made for Rosalie to exhibit her work.

One for an Art and Craft show at La Trobe University Open Day, Sunday September 9 and the other for Eltham College Fair.

Rosalie's work is most unusual and very attractive.



She runs friendly, casual classes containing people from hopelessly new to very proficient, in her home in Valias Street on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, 7.30-10 and Wednesday afternoons 1-3.30.

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Welcome back to Mrs. George Maydom known to most as Miriam.

Mrs. Maydom left on May 8 for an extended trip to England with her sister Miss Annie Birchall.

They apparently had a wonderful time from John O'Groats to Land's End.

Whisper is they both have been sadly missed by more than one person in this community.

The 1979 office-bearers for the Warrandyte Historical Society read the same as 1978:

Ted Rotherham, president; Ian Hodgson, vice-president; Jo Laurence, secretary; Carolyn Dixon and Shirley Rotherham, assistant secretaries; Alan Alder, treasurer; Carolyn Dixon, newsletter.

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Maureen Lloyd is setting off on a three-week West Coast tour of the U.S. with her children, Ann and Greg.

Husband Ian didn't book to go at the time because of business commitments, but as the time draws nearer he's kicking himself.

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Hear that the Thorpes of Warrandyte North are off on a "find-their-own-way-round" and "carry-whatever-we-need" type tour of Indonesia.

Could be that the public transport situation in Warrandyte has them well prepared for that!

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Julie Cuthbert and Chris Delahenty left Warrandyte for Darwin on August 24 as Lions Club Youth Exchange students.

From Darwin they continued to Gove and remained as Lions guests until September 6.

Mark Marsh and Fiona Allen came to Warrandyte from Gove in the exchange.

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COUNCIL MOVES ON DOG PLAGUE

Eltham Shire Council has decided that the dog problem has gone quite far enough.

And it hopes to reduce the canine population in the shire by encouraging owners to have their dogs sterilised.

Council has almost trebled the registration fee for unsterilised dogs — from \$7 to \$20 — but it has reduced the fee for sterilised animals by \$2 to \$5.

Pensioners will pay \$7 and \$2 respectively.

"The dog problem —

particularly in the North Riding — has reached alarming proportions," councillor Robert Marshall told the Diary.

"The new fees are an incentive to owners to get their dogs sterilised which, of course, would ultimately reduce the dog population.

"Council is also investigating the possibility of providing a subsidy to people to have their dogs sterilised."

Cr. Marshall said council

intended establishing a fund to compensate stock owners who lose animals to marauding dogs.

"At the moment, farmers are losing valuable stock without any compensation at all," he said.



Briefly . . . Stop, go

ROSTA has made funds available for pedestrian-operated lights between Golden Gate and the Recreation Reserve. Work is expected to start shortly.

Unity and youth

Sunday, September 30 is the date of the next Uniting Church youth service.

Several young people from Eltham will provide the message and the music at this service beginning at 6.45 p.m.

Supper is served afterwards and the evening is finished by 8.30.

Watch for more news of the church fete to be held on November 17 in the church grounds.

FAIR GO

Don't miss St. Stephen's fete on October 6, starting at 9.30 a.m.

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WATERCOLORS, WEAVING, WINE

The Warrandyte and Park Orchards Catholic Church are running a day which should interest the whole family on September 30.

Basically it comprises an art and craft exhibition and sale, in the Domeney Park Hall in Knees Road, Park Orchards.

But to make it more relaxing for the parents, there will be free hay rides for the children, while mum and dad browse inside, or watch the craft demonstrations which will continue throughout the day.

A low \$1 per family will

cover refreshments for the adults — to make them even more relaxed! — and cordial for the children.

Lunch and devonshire teas will be on sale.

Though the organisers have been inundated with paintings, other local craftsmen — or craftspersons — are very welcome to exhibit.

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THE WAY WE WERE

Ninety seven years ago, Warrandyte — then Anderson's Creek — wasn't complaining of a dry season. A correspondent wrote the following report to The Evelyn Observer, on June 1, 1882:

For the last few days nothing but rain, penetrating, soaking rain.

How the farmers and squatters on the north-

ern side of the Divide would give thanks for such rain as obtained here.

None of your negative, drizzling, intermittent showers, but a positive down straight, cat and dog rain, has been blessing my eyes, and cheering my heart for the past week.

And not mine only, for mine hosts of the different hostleries should, I think, equally bless the wet without, that compels the saddened mud stirred heroes of the pick and tin dish to seek the comforts of a cheering, ruddy fire and heavy wet within . . .

Public affairs are at a standstill, the prevalent talk "the railway", and various opinions as to whether the Creek folk can get to town and back in the same day or not.

LIONS LINES

The Warrandyte Lions and their Lionesses had a very interesting and informative evening at their recent Ladies Night.

Guest speaker was Edith Hall from the Paraplegic and Quadraplegic Association of Victoria.

Edith, herself a Paraplegic for 42 years, was trying to make people aware of the huge funding needed for administration of the association.

Lions are considering supporting the project to raise \$1000 per month.

Another fund raising venture the Warrandyte Lions have undertaken is Bingo each Tuesday night at the Bulleen-Templestowe basketball premises.

The Kangaroo Ground Presbyterian Church Guild celebrated its 32nd birthday last month in the century-old church.

The 50 women who attended heard an informative talk by Rev. Ian Paxton, of the Mission of St. James and St. John.

Focal point of the birthday afternoon tea was a magnificent cake

The guild turns 32

made and iced by Beth Thomas and Cath Graham.

The guild's eldest member, Ise Pitman (82), performed the cake-cutting ceremony.

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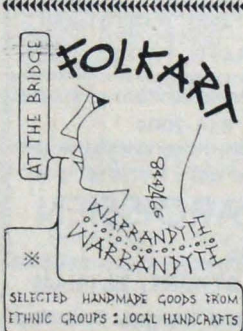
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be held in the area, and if
zoning makes it feasible
may grant a three month
trial period.

Members of council also
met with the Warrandyte
Primary School Committee
to discuss the safety of
children being picked up

after school in Brackenbury
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Increased parking areas
will be provided in the
street, with safer access for
children walking behind
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Also the footpath will be
continued from the school
pines, to the crossing so
that the children don't have
to walk on Brackenbury
Street at all.

Sausage sellout

Heather Cupples was just being polite when
she asked: "Is anyone waiting?"

The queue at the Warran-
dyte Primary Sausage
Sizzle was about 60 hungry
people long at that stage.

Peter's Meats provided
1500 sausages and that still
wasn't enough.

Hamburgers appeared on
the scene and vanished
again. At the last check a
few latecomers were seen
eyeing off the collected
sausage "leftovers", so it's
safe to say that the day
was a great success.

During the lunchtime
sausage sizzle, Shelagh
Morton officially opened
the school's new Multi-
Purpose Room.

Shelagh, who has worked
hard for the school over the
last 14 years, was an
appropriate person to open
the room.

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Perhaps the scouts Snow-
Time fair should have read
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Poor fellows were ankle
deep in mud.

Yet they persevered and
despite the freezing, wet
conditions, took more than
\$400.

"Soak the Scoutmaster"
lost some of its punch, as
half the spectators were
wetter than he anyway.

Some of the funds raised
will go towards helping a
large contingent of scouts
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READERS' LETTERS

Signs of the times

Why is it that new traders to this area think that they can capture more trade by defacing what that "trade" is coming here to see?

For years, several groups in the community have worked away at keeping the commercial area of the town rural in character.

This is part of its attraction.

Now, Warrandyte is starting to look like one of Jock MacNeish's cartoons, with notice boards on top of sandwich boards, sandwich boards on top of cars, a maze of signs in the post office area, and even flags and advertising balloons in the main street.

Even the reasonably stately facade of the hotel is hard to spot between the myriad signs appearing there.

One West End trader isn't content with advertising in the Golden Gate car park, he has to set signs up at the top of Melbourne Hill Road.

Competition is all very fine, but a rural atmosphere is even finer.

Perhaps the new Strategy Committee will hold some sway with council over the growing mess.

I certainly hope so.

"Agitated",
 Blooms Road

**Thanks
 again**

A big "thank you" to those community minded residents who helped to make our Election Day (Aug. 11) collection such a success.

An amount of \$230 was collected with the help of many volunteers who stood in the cold during the day.

The money goes towards keeping the cost of "Meals On Wheels" down to a minimum, thereby the cost of each meal delivered by our volunteers is kept much lower than other districts.

Thank you once again to contributors and volunteers. Any enquiries for this service could be made on 844 3438 or 844 3746.

*Norma Webb,
 Collection Convenor,
 Warrandyte & District
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I was horrified upon seeing staff in a local shop actually selling air rifle pellets over the counter.

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BANGERS AND BURGERS

Warrandyte Basketball Club have chosen the two Bs — "bangers and burgers" — as the fare for the junior presentation on Sunday, September 23.

The function will be held in the recreation ground pavilion, starting 5.30 p.m.

The spring-summer season for juniors starts on September 22 and the club welcomes new players for all age groups.

Inquiries should be directed to Bev Day (712 0324) or Frank Harper (844 2265).

The club's recent annual general meeting elected the following committee:

Jan Van Kuyk, president; Frank Harper and Margaret James, vice-presidents; Bev Day, secretary; Fiona Barr, secretary; John Gilbert, John Rollings, Margaret Termorshuizen, Brian Bay, Alan Woolcock, John McCartin.

SUDS AND CEBS

If your car is in need of a wash on October 6 — St. Stephen's fete day — CEBS are running a car wash for a dollar a time at the church grounds.

CEBS is a uniformed christian boys club for boys from eight years and up.

The Warrandyte CEBS are boys from Warrandyte and Park Orchards and their programme covers physical activity, spiritual commitments, learning and social activities. This year they have been hiking, camping, ice-skating, roller skating, swimming and ten-pin bowling.

They are currently making an 8mm film of their activities.

CEBS meet at St. Stephen's Hall on Tuesdays from 6.45. For further enquiries: Denis Wright (876 1869).

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Kids keep their cool, win a flag

Warrandyte's Under-14C Reserve girls kept the local flag aloft at the Melbourne Eastern Netball Association's junior winter finals.

But only after their mums and supporters had chewed the fingernails down to nothing.

Warrandyte beat Nunawading 21—18 in the grand final in 10 minutes of extra time.

The Dytes thought they had won it earlier, but a goal on the final whistle was disallowed and the scores were tied.

Extra time was then called.

The premier team is: T. O'Connor (captain), A. Szabo, T. Preston, A. Bridgeman, E. Cheatle, L. MacGuire, J. Clarke and F. Curry.

Season's trophy winners:
Under-12: Leanne Lyell, best and fairest; Rhonda Howarth, runner-up.

Under-14B: Janet Van Maanen and Bernadette Bridgeman, equal 1; Samantha Cheatle 2. Janice Pavis, most improved.

Under-14C Reserve: Anna Szabo 1; Tracey Preston 2. Louise MacGuire most improved.

Under-16: Meegan Delahunty 1; Jenny Tindale 2.

Warrandyte Netball Club's senior presentation night will be held on Saturday, September 22 at Eltham Barrel, starting 7.30 p.m.

Enquiries to 844 2145 or 844 2276.

Bombs away!

(FAR AWAY)

It's official — the shire of Eltham is a nuclear-free zone!

Eltham Shire Council adopted the tag at a meeting this month.

It means simply that the council would not tolerate any form of nuclear activity within its boundaries.

Signs proclaiming the zone are to be posted on the shire boundaries.

AT THE PALETTE

Barbara Beasley is artist for September at the Warrandyte Palette.

Painting mainly in oils on canvas and a true lover of nature, Barbara has travelled extensively throughout Australia.

She is well known for her true to life landscapes of the Australian countryside, and has won many art awards over the past few years, including the Sir Arthur Streeton Art Award at Sherbrooke for 1978 and 1979.

Craftswoman for September is Dot Pascoe, who will again display her hand-painted porcelain jewellery, including pendants, rings and brooches.

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DYTES LINE UP TEN FOR THEIR BIG YEAR

Warrantdyte Cricket Club will field 10 teams in the Ringwood district competition in 1979-80, one more than last season.

The addition for their 125th anniversary season is a fifth senior men's side.

There will be a senior women's team and four boys' teams.

The new season starts on Saturday, October 6, by which time the Dytes will have a month's solid practice under their belts.

Warrantdyte have recruited actively but are still

14 TEAMS

Warrantdyte Tennis Club will have 14 teams — seven senior, seven junior — in the summer competition.

The seniors will field one men's and six mixed teams and the juniors four mixed, one boys' and two girls'.

Two junior teams (one of each sex) made the grand finals of the winter competition, but were defeated.

MIDWEEKERS A WOW

Warrantdyte's midweek tennis women came home triumphant from the EMRLTA presentation luncheon at Croydon last month.

They brought with them the Anne Hubbard Trophy for the best all-round performance in the competition.

Five of Warrantdyte's six teams made the finals and one — the C-grade — took the premiership.

The premiership team is Val Spargo (captain), Maureen Fiddes, Judy Green and Nan Hickman.

seeking players. Anyone interested in playing should contact president Geoff Day (844 2423) or secretary Sandra Hodge (725 0833).

The energetic committee is determined to improve on the two premierships (H-Grade and Under-12A) the club brought home last season.

It also plans to completely upgrade the facilities provided at the recreation reserve.

"For many years, local sporting clubs have had to put up with meagre facilities in the clubrooms," a club official told the Diary.

"It's going to take a lot of effort from players, committee and supporters alike if our plans to upgrade the facilities are to succeed."

The following office-bearers were elected at the club's annual general meeting last month.

Geoff Day, president; Sandra Hodge, secretary; George Sturesteps, treasurer; Barry Johnson, registration secretary; Maria McGhee, social secretary; Steve Pascoe, match committee chairman; Allan Belling, grounds committee chairman; Bruce Klein, junior administrator; Teresa Prince, publicity officer.

KG tennis kicks on

Kangaroo Ground Tennis Club is to get two new courts — and a "new" clubhouse.

Eltham Shire Council will buy land adjoining the existing two courts to accommodate two more and, later, a fifth.

The club has also acquired the old Country Fire Authority station next to the courts for use as clubrooms.

Luckless Bloods bomb out again

Warrantdyte Football Club's last hope for a 1979 premiership ended in drawn-out defeat — and complaints about the umpiring.

Club officials and supporters criticised the standard of umpiring after Warrantdyte had lost by 11 points to Norwood in a replay of the drawn seconds preliminary final.

"We might have considered a formal complaint if it had been earlier in the season," a club official told the Diary.

"But it's pointless protesting after your last match. "Still, it was a disappointing note on which to finish the season."

The game was played in shocking conditions which were all against Warrantdyte's style of play.

Officials believe the Bloods would have reversed the result had the ground been reasonably dry.

Warrantdyte's chances looked good when they kicked two goals against the wind in the first quarter while restricting Norwood to 1.6.

However, they wasted the breeze in the second term, scoring only 1.3 while Norwood kicked 2.2.

The Bloods were still very much in it when they trailed by only 11 points at the last change but Norwood matched them kick for kick until the final siren.

Trophies for the 1979 season will be presented at the club's Show Eve ball on Wednesday, September 26.

Tickets for the ball, at North Ringwood Community Centre in Oban Road, are \$30 a double.

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