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Mae Holland (left) and Dolly Clifton prepare to cut the cake.

Warrandyte Elderly Citizens' Club entertained 96 guests at its 21st birthday party last month.

The party included an hour-long variety show put on by members, with Tom Pye on drums and Roy Stone on piano.

Afternoon tea was served and a birthday cake was cut by Mrs Dolly Clifton, a founding member, and Mrs Mae Holland, vice-president of the club.

Guests included repre-

## Old-timers' club is 21 years young

representatives of the elderly citizens clubs of Bulleen and Templestowe, Doncaster, Bayswater, Ringwood East, and Mooroolbark, residents of Bellden Lodge Retirement Home and students from local schools.

# Common sense can beat the fire threat

Two fire experts told a public meeting last month that the most important aspects of fire safety were prevention and the use of common sense when a fire threatened.

The meeting was arranged by the Fire Information Committee and was addressed by Mr Richard Rawson, a fire researcher with the Forests Commission, and Mr David Packham, a researcher at the Chisholm Institute of Technology, Caulfield.

The essence of their advice was that people must learn to live with the threat of fires by making basic preparations for survival.

Also Governments must be encouraged to finance further research into bushfire behaviour and survival and to help disseminate information about prevention.

Mr Rawson backed his arguments with slides and figures collated by the commission, which, he said, dealt with 828 fires in its areas last year. About 486,000 hectares of forest were destroyed.

The fires varied in severity. Those that reached a speed of between 50 and 100 metres an hour were fairly easily controlled and could be used for fuel reduction.

At a speed of 500 metres an hour, a fire could be controlled only by attacking the flanks. Fires that burn at between three and four kilometres an hour had to be fought by back-burning. Grass fires, which burn at up to 18 kilometres an hour, were even less controllable, Mr Rawson said.

"Apart from the flammability of the area involved due to fuel build-up on the ground, wind can intensify fires drastically. Apparently controllable fires, of no more than 100 metres per hour advance, can worsen as soon as winds speeds exceed 10 km," he said.

"On Ash Wednesday, speeds of up to 70 kmh were experienced. There is no possibility of controlling fires of that character."

Mr Rawson said fires burnt at different rates depending upon the terrain and the vegetation. "A fire moving fairly slowly down a gully can move at anything up to 30 times faster when it crosses over and starts up the upslope."

He said the only worthwhile preventive measure was to reduce fuel build-up on the ground. This was the responsibility of various authorities and of residents.

Mr Packham said bushfires, however frightening, could be survived by taking elementary precautions and by refusing to panic. He also emphasised the need to eliminate fuel.

He suggested that able-bodied adults should stay on their property to protect it when a bushfire threatened. He said a principal factor in saving a home was the presence of the owner.

"Do not be embarrassed about being prepared for a bushfire and do not consider evacuation unless you put a low value on your property or have a lot of faith in your insurance cover," he said.

"Of all the heat released in a fire, two-thirds is hot air going up and one-third is radiation.

"Put on decent clothes such as a boiler suit and prepare to fight the fire after the front has passed your house. Often houses do not burn down until hours later," Mr Packham said.

"Inside your house you are protected from the radiation of the fire and it may take only minutes, or even seconds, to pass by your place.

"When the fire is close bring in all wooden furniture, coir doormats etc, close all windows and doors, fill sinks and troughs with water and prepare to fight the fire from inside your house," he said.

"Stand by with mops and buckets of water to fight anything that catches alight. Two able-bodied people . . . are enough to defend a house against the worst of bushfires."

He also said that the risk of a house exploding was exaggerated, and that the hazards of evacuation

— crowded roads, poor visibility, accidents and panic — were greater than the risks of staying at home.

Both experts said evacuation should be carried out several hours ahead of the time the fire was expected to arrive.

Mr Packham said nearly all homes could be saved by following the basic precautions outlined in a CSIRO booklet 'In Case of Fire'. This booklet is copyright-free and photocopies are being distributed by the Warrandyte Environment League.

Mr Packham and Mr Rawson said house safety could be enhanced by installing a 500-gallon gravity-fed water supply. They said that in some cases houses had been lost when the mains water supply pressure sometimes got too low because of overuse.

Mr Packham said: "If you are about to build a house, build on a cement slab. In general, houses built of any type of material are defensible during fires, but I don't like bare cedar as a building material or wooden decks on houses, but these can be hosed down."

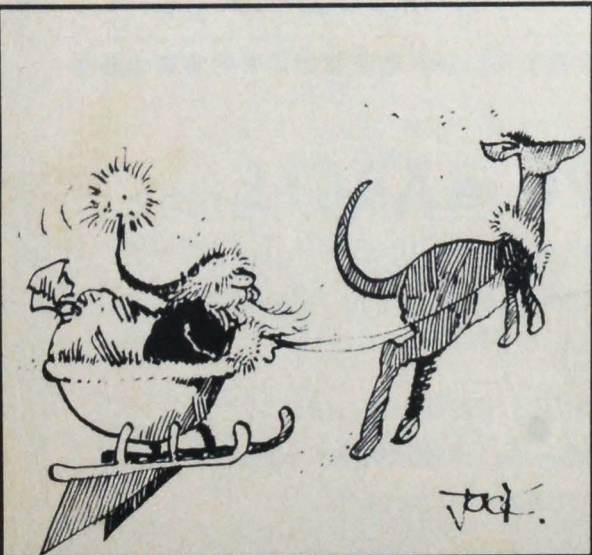
He said buckets of water were good for fire-fighting. "A fire really knows when its been hit by a bucket of water," he said, "and they never go wrong, unlike pumps."

Both men agreed that the different flammability rates of native and exotic trees were insignificant in fire minimisation. Understorey build-up due to introduced grasses and bushes was the main hazard.

Mr Packham said: "If we can get our fuels back to pre-European conditions then we are going to have much safer conditions.

"That must be about the only workable definition of conservation that I can see," he said.

**PAGE 4: Roadside verges to be cleared; PAGE 10: Make use of fire prevention information; Safety plan for elderly; New truck for fighting house fires.**



## The Diary

The Diary will not be published in January, allowing the editors, advertising staff, reporters and the many people who have contributed throughout the year, to have a well-earned rest.

The Diary wishes all readers a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year, and we hope to hear from you in 1984.

The Diary also wishes to thank Irene Allen, who is relinquishing her position as advertising representative owing to other commitments. Thanks Irene, for a great job under trying circumstances.

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## IN RED & WHITE



When Smokey was a mere whipper-snapper, kids were about as welcome on golf courses as blue movies at a Festival of Light prayer meeting.

All that's changed and it's great to see young 'uns involved in this greatest of all games (non-golfers need not respond).

Particularly when they're as well-versed in course etiquette as the four Warrandyte High Schoolers who were playing in front of Smokey and his mate at the local a couple of weeks ago.

Having reached the green on the par-three seventh, they stood back and actually called us on!

Then, having driven from the eighth while we putted out, they invited us to play through!

A lot of adults in general and women in particular could learn a great deal from these kids.

And Smokey himself could learn a lot about technique from one of them, who has out-driven your columnist by an embarrassing number of metres.

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Smokey's adoring fans will remember the complaint in a recent issue about people blocking access to the new village car park.

Well, Beth Gallagher and Ann Dickson have fessed up. But as they point out, the new arrangements, although providing more parking spaces, are not better from a safety point of view. Smokey, and a lot of other people, is concerned that there is going to be a bad accident in the village soon. The sooner the Yarra Street Task Force gets the wheels of state bureaucracy working the faster the better.

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Lovers of Mary Townsend's luscious sandwiches (Smokey included) fear not. Mary left the East End milk bar when Sam and Dawn sold out and is now at the Golden Gate milk bar — and if anything, the sangers are better than ever.

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They're a fun-loving lot at Chantik, the hairdressing salon at the East End shopping centre. It was the birthday of one of the young women who run it and the others decided it would be a good idea to have a special candle-lighting. Other shop owners were amazed to see an elegant figure in tutu, tights and tiara prance into Chantik to perform the ceremony. Smokey hears that Fred the Fairy's wand was put to good use.

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Chaos at Riverview Motors recently when some local lads took an old truck in for a check-up. As they got out so did several large black rats, much to the horror of women customers.

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Smokey wonders just how this particular hard-earned thirst was earned. A local gent was spotted walking out of the bottle shop at 10 pm recently — wearing a dressing gown.

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It's a case of "yes ma'am" as the kids of the under-13 Kangas cricket team go through their paces this season. They are taking their instructions from Suzanne Martin (nee Chapman), a member of Warrandyte's most illustrious cricketing family. A long-time and highly successful member of Warrandyte's women's team, Suzanne is training the Kangas. And they are in capable hands indeed. Warrandyte Cricket Club formed the Kangas team two seasons ago to foster the game at junior level at Kangaroo Ground. Their improvement has been remarkable.

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A case of Labor going smoothly: Lou Hill, the Member for Warrandyte, is the proud father of Edward Joseph. Mother and baby are both fine.

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A mate of Smokey's is paranoid about car thieves, and is very careful about hiding his keys when he leaves his car at the garage for a service. Some would say he is too careful, certainly the mechanic who recently spent an hour looking for them. Our man has a sense of humor, however. Smokey hears that he rang up to apologise with the words: "Did some clown leave a car here without telling you where he left the keys?"

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A smart local fellow worked out a system to beat the new public transport fare rises. Our man discovered it was cheaper to drive to East Doncaster and catch the bus to the city. The only trouble arose on the return journey — he fell asleep, a well-known failing of his. Smokey hears — only to be woken at the bridge. Smokey wondered what the bright red 124 Fiat was doing at the East Doncaster depot.

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# Flat meeting successful, says Martin

A meeting between Doncaster and Templestowe Council officers and the Ministry of Housing to discuss planning aspects of the villa units for elderly accommodation in Warrandyte last month proved a success, according to Councillor Anne Martin. Councillor Martin said council was "most helpful" in considering proposals for the design of the units.

"The council was very understanding and have agreed to draw up a landscaping plan with car-parks and walkways which will be sensitive to the environment of the area," she said.

"We also had in-depth discussions about the drainage problems and the environmental impact of the units."

A problem that arose from the meeting was the cost of the new design suggestions.

"We want the units constructed in accordance with the nature of the environment," Councillor Martin said. "These suggestions might prove more expensive than the funding provided. However, there may be ways in which the council and the community can make up the difference to provide units which are not going to be out of character with the area."

The decision to build the units was made after the Elderly Citizens Club expressed concern that the

older people of Warrandyte could no longer maintain their own homes and would be forced to move from the area to find accommodation if it could not be provided.

However, despite the success of the meeting, Councillor Martin is concerned that there might not be enough elderly citizens for the units.

"This has made the issue very urgent because the number of units to be constructed will be determined by the number of people we have to fill them," she said. "For this reason we will be compiling a list of elderly people who require accommodation in Warrandyte."

"I urge everyone in the community to let us know of anyone who is over the age of 60 years and is a local resident or a person has already had to move away from Warrandyte that would be interested in the elderly accommodation scheme. We will make personal enquiries and conduct a means test to establish eligibility."

"The problem is we don't want to build the units and find we can't accommodate them."

Elderly people should register by phoning Anne Martin on 844 3313 or writing to 27 Webb Street, Warrandyte or by phoning Maisie Temple on 844 3852.

# Good Samaritan needs a home

Only a few days before Christmas and things to not seem very bright for Thursa Lander, right.

She and her son, David, have been asked to vacate the house they are renting by December 18.

Thursa has lived in Warrandyte for 30 years and has been actively involved in voluntary work with the Lions Opportunity Shop for the past eight years.

"I want to live here," said Thursa. "All the people I know live in Warrandyte. I don't want to be forced to move into a strange area and try to make new friends."

Thursa is hoping that a two or even one-bedroom house will be available for rent before the end of December.

She has found it extremely difficult to find accommodation, and not only in Warrandyte. "I have sought the help of real estate agents in the area and have tried the Housing Commission," she said.

"I am so desperate and have been trying every angle to find a place before Christmas."

David is a gardener, a carpenter — an all-round handyman — and would be willing to renovate a house if it required attention.

Thursa is very determined. "As long as I have a place to live, I will look after it," she said.

Anyone who can help can call Thursa on 842 6225 as soon as possible. References are available.



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Craig, 19 years, is a qualified welder, but is willing to do laboring or gardening.

Anyone able to help is asked to contact Jean Chapman, 844 3326. Another Warrandyte Community Workshop Co-operative Ltd. project.

Warrandyte and Park Orchards churches invite people to attend the carol service to be held on Sunday December 18 at Stiggants Reserve. Bring a rug and a lantern. The times of Christmas services are being posted to householders this month.

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# Verges to be cleared

The Warrandyte community has always been concerned to preserve the bush character of the area, but there has also been a deep concern about the fire risk, especially since Ash Wednesday.

The City of Doncaster and Templestowe has formed a committee to develop a policy for treatment of the roadside verges. Membership includes representatives from various council departments, the CFA, the National Parks Service, Warrandyte Advisory Committee and the Warrandyte Environment League.

Last month several of the committee, together with the new Warrandyte councillor, Ken McKenzie, examined some of the roadside verges in the ward. As a result, a team of men will remove all dead trees up to a certain size and will clear the ground of all dead wood and rubbish that would impede other work. The opportunity will be taken to remove some exotic trees that do not appear to be of particular value.

The second phase will be to remove all long grass and low scrub by mechanical slashing.

"Unfortunately this will inevitably destroy some valuable small plants and very young trees and bushes," Mr McKenzie said. "It is clear that the council just does not have the financial resources to pay men to pull the grass out from between very small plants."

It was decided that land owners who valued the plants on their nature strip should have an opportunity to clear out the grass and dead trees themselves and thereby avoid having small plants removed or damaged by the council slasher. "We'll instruct the men not to interfere with nature strips that are clearly cared for by the land owner," said John Prince, the Council group manager, engineering services.

David Cameron, local botanist on the committee, is preparing a list of areas where the vegetation of the roadside verge is botanically valuable. This list, after approval by the council's proper officer will become a "register of conservationist's sacred sites" and these won't be touched by the workmen.

"If landowners feel that their nature strip falls into that category they should contact the council to try to have it added to the register, Mr Cameron said. The number is 848 1611, extension 278.

Warrandyte will get \$36,000 from the State Government's \$1 million Wage Pause Fire Prevention Program for the operation, the member for Warrandyte, Mr Lou Hill, said. The grant would help the council employ four unemployed people to remove fire hazards, he said.

He welcomed the council's plans to send the new workers to a 15-week training course at Burnley Horticultural College and provide on-the-spot training under the supervision of the City Engineer and the CFA.



Graduate Jennifer Cleary presents a bunch of roses to course leader Kate Jonescu, watched by course leader Andrew Butterworth, Local MP Lou Hill and fellow graduate Gerald Walsh.

## TAFE 21 graduate

Twenty-one young people participated in the Warrandyte TAFE Transition Program's first graduation recently.

Mr Lou Hill, the Member for Warrandyte, congratulated the participants and said that the Warrandyte program was one of the most successful in Victoria. More than 90 per cent of the 15-19 year olds in the course have found jobs.

Mr Hill said the course leaders, Andrew Butterworth and Kate Jonescu, had worked long and hard with parents and the participants to give them the skills and confidence they needed to get and keep jobs. "Their efforts have paid off and we now have another 19 proud and successful young workers in Warrandyte," Mr Hill said.

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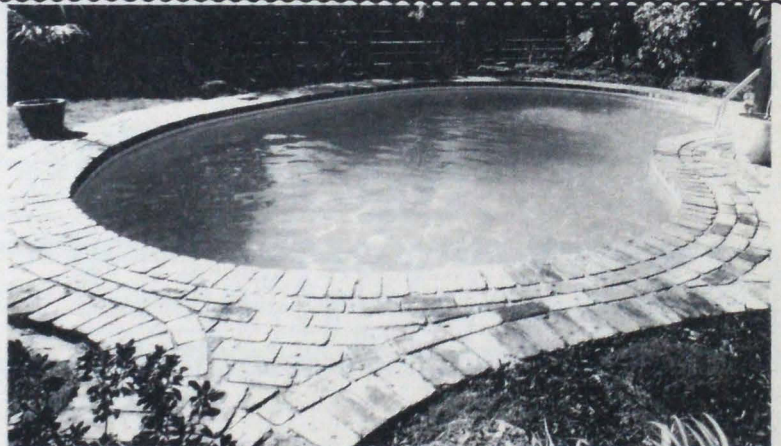
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Christmas always came early to our little school in the bush.

By early November rehearsals for the end-of-year concert were well under way and the Mothers' Club was arguing good-naturedly about who was going on "the present-buying trip".

The School Committee was earnestly seeking a suitable candidate to "wear the Red Suit", and debating whether they should ask old Gabby Finnegan for yet another branch off his big cypress, or risk a moonlight skirmish into the State Forest, in quest of a native pine sapling.

Our Red Suit was famous. Five years before, the committee had decided to take the plunge and "do the damned thing properly". Sick of the old cut-down crepe curtains, cotton wool whiskers and gum boots, they had ordered a new outfit, complete with wide black belt, genuine leather boots and a curled and flowing beard of finest white nylon.

It was a splendid suit. But above all else it was secure. Not a single child ever guessed who was inside — even if it was their own father. A place of safe-keeping had to be found for this sacred relic; fittingly, it was entrusted to the care of the local publican.

Of course, every school for miles around wanted to borrow our Red Suit. And why not, "so long as they looked after the damned thing"?

After slow and sober consideration of every likely contingency, the committee finally chose the night of our celebration. Cow Plains, the school up the highway, was awarded "second bite at the cherry".

Which is how Johnny Lonigan came to meet Father Christmas.

Johnny was eight years of age. His parents had bought the hotel on the highway a year or so before. Having lived in hotels all his life, Johnny was smart — "quicker off the mark than other kids".

The bucolic calm of our little school was shattered the day he walked through the door. Frogs appeared in the girls' toilet bowl, infants were locked in the toolshed, truths were stretched to breaking point; clearly Johnny was headed for a career as a used car dealer or prime minister.

Take the business with the bottles. His parents also ran the general store and post office; all three businesses were combined.

They encouraged Johnny and a couple of school friends to range up and down the highway on their bikes, picking up soft drink bottles and returning them to the store for the deposits. Until they caught Johnny taking bottles from the crates of empties in the backyard. The bottles were going

## The perils of Xmas

By CLIFF GREEN

out one door and in the other. Johnny knew all about the recycling of resources.

Johnny had been campaigning for an air rifle that year. But his parents were resisting, to the intense relief of the entire district. To hand Johnny Lonigan an air rifle was tantamount to equipping the Mafia with nuclear missiles.

But for all his incorrigible sophistication, Johnny was a touchingly naive and sweet-natured child. And he still believed in fairies.

When a five year-old arrived at school one morning with a wide-gapped grin and an account of how she had left the tooth in a glass overnight, "for the fairies", Johnny had asked her with innocent shrewdness, "What are they payin' this year?"

He also believed in Santa Claus. Absolutely and implicitly.

Cow Plains staged their Christmas Tree night before our celebration that year. The timing was critical. The Red Suit had to be returned post haste pronto — "and without rips and damned buttons missing".

Cow Plains had conned the police sergeant from a nearby town into pulling on the boots and whiskers, and when all the presents had been distributed, the committee secretary suggested they repair to the pub, return the outfit and enjoy a quiet drink or two.

The rest of the committee agreed. Then someone suggested that the policeman retain his disguise, arguing that there would be less chance of juvenile discovery if he changed in a back room at the pub, rather than behind the hall, as was usual.

It was well after closing time of course. But that had never worried anyone before. Besides, the policeman ho-hoed to the grinning publican, he was "operating in plain clothes". The bar was almost full — in more ways than one — and the charming novelty of drinking with Santa Claus certainly stimulated business.

Finally the publican's wife could resist the temptation no

longer. After a whispered word to her husband (who passed it on) she tip-toed down to Johnny's bedroom, gently shook the little boy into semi-wakefulness and helped him into his tartan dressing-gown and lambswool slippers.

"Come and see who's in the bar," she said. "He wants to meet you."

Johnny was led blinking into the smokey, brightly-lit room. And there, standing at the bar, a glass in his hand, was Father Christmas! The policeman was a kindly, merry man, and he contrived to give the little boy the most exciting night of his life.

The teacher's residence was close to the hotel, but five miles from the school, so each day I drove Johnny to and from school. He was always waiting when I pulled up outside the hotel, but the morning after the Cow Plains Christmas Tree his mother was there instead.

She explained what had happened, how Johnny had been difficult to wake and was still eating his breakfast. He appeared within a few minutes, eating a piece of toast and strangely silent.

We had travelled a couple of miles before he spoke.

"What would you reckon, Mr Green?" he asked finally.

"What, Johnny?"

"Father Christmas was in our pub last night," he continued.

"Go on," I said.

"No, he was. Dinkum. We had a real good talk."

Johnny said nothing for another half-mile, then, "I'm gettin' that air gun all right."

I said nothing. But I thought a lot.

Another long delay, then he said, "O' course, he'd had a few ..."

I told his mother what Johnny had said — privately, of course. I could not resist it.

Johnny got his gun.

By sunset on Boxing Day he had shattered six dozen assorted bottles, shot out the only street light in the settlement and smashed all the windows in the hotel toilet block. The offending weapon was confiscated and hidden in a locked wardrobe in a locked and unused back bedroom. Beneath the famous Red Suit.

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# More moves for Yarra St bypass

The Yarra Street Task Force is pressuring the Transport Ministry for extensions to be made to the proposed Northern Route.

The Task Force tried to resolve the problem politically when a delegation led by the Member for Warrandyte, Mr Lou Hill, met the Minister for Transport, Mr Crabb, earlier this year.

Mr Hill told the Diary: "The position is that Mr Crabb had requested an overall report on major roads in Melbourne and no decision can be made until these reports are submitted.

"I have made a submission that a decision should be made on the proposed Northern Route as quickly as possible."

Councillor Anne Martin said: "Community pressure will assist in a decision being reached on the pressure.

"Residents in the Doncaster and Templestowe area have placed pressure on the Government to upgrade Reynolds Road, in order to free the residential areas from the intrusive through traffic.

"The Doncaster and Templestowe Council has also applied for bicentennial funding to assist with construction costs and we are hop-

ing that something will happen within the next two years.

"It is not known when any funds will be released for construction but we will continue to pressure the government for action."

The uncertainty surrounding the Northern Route has prevented the Task Force from calling a public meeting according to the spokesman, Jamie Troedel.

"We have decided not to call a public meeting at this stage because everything is at a boiling point and as a result no definite decisions have been made," he said.

"We have submitted proposals to the Transport Ministry and RoSTA and we have developed plans for a roundabout and parking in Yarra Street. This has all been in order to downgrade Yarra Street, and now we must wait for formal replies.

"However, our understanding is that their deliberations are heading in the right direction and we are positive as so far as Yarra Street point of view is concerned.

"When formal replies have been made and decisions reached, we will notify the public."

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**Roundabout  
design  
is approved**

A roundabout is to be built at the bridge.

It follows 12 months of proposals by the Yarra Street Task Force and meetings between Doncaster and Templestowe Council and RoSTA.

The agreement for construction of the roundabout has been a shot in the arm for the Task Force, which has been attempting to downgrade Yarra Street from a primary arterial road to a secondary road.

A Task Force spokesman, Mr Jamie Troedel, said: "The Task Force is all in favor of the roundabout being constructed as quickly as possible."

"It has been aesthetically designed to match the sensitivity of the area and will assist in downgrading Yarra Street as a primary road."

"A roundabout will obviously reduce traffic speed and it will enable motorists to enter Yarra Street from the bridge with considerable ease."

It is uncertain when construction will begin as there are small design alterations to be made and then approved by RoSTA. However, it is hoped that the roundabout will be completed by late next year.

**Van der Linden aid**

The Combined Service Club house fire appeal and raffle raised \$829 for Dorin and Hank Van der Linden, whose house burnt down recently.

First prize, \$200 went to Alice Watson, second prize, of \$100, went to Alison McLean and Brian Tomlinson won third prize, \$50.

*The amazing sea shells  
in the Yarra mystery*



The boys, from left, Ben, Matthew and Adam, show off their collection.

Sea shells in the Yarra could be considered strange. It is even more peculiar that they are found in a line, spanning the width of the river.

Ben and Adam Williams and Matthew Ingersole of North Warrandyte discovered a wide variety of the shells stretching across the Yarra near Pound Bend.

They were certainly shell-shocked about their find. Ben, 10, says: "The shells may have been swept down or had been dumped in the river by a disappointed collector."

"There are thousands of shells. The little ones were close to the banks and the larger shells were in the middle of the river."

The boys have clammed up about the exact location of the shells. Matthew, 9, says: "We don't want other people to find the shells."

"We are going to start our own collection now," says Ben. "We will collect some from the beach and we will probably collect some from the river again."

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# A centre for people with bees in their bonnets

By JOHN FORSTER



Carolyn Kibell

Ever wanted to make wine, speak Italian, do astrology, cook French-style or keep bees?

Eltham Living and Learning Centre is certainly the place to find inspiration and achieve your aspirations.

It is a community access centre which offers an incredible range of hobbies, arts and crafts, practical skills, animal husbandry and gardening alternatives.

The centre aims to provide a place where people can meet each other on the "firm and easy ground" of learning, creating and working together equally.

It has an atmosphere of friendship and trust. And, it provides programs in which people can come together, individually or in groups, to share their skills and experiences to improve the quality of their living.

The centre is a small cottage which is 120 years old and is pleasantly nestled amongst small garden settings and old fruit trees.

It was set up in 1975 with the financial aid of the Eltham Council, and has been growing ever since.

The co-ordinator of the centre, Carolyn Kibell, believes the volunteer tutors have been the major ingredient for the centre's popularity and success.

"The success of the centre can be attributed to the people who have given their time free of charge," she says. "The tutors are all volunteers, and they have shared their skills freely."

Carolyn has had a long association with community-based programmes, and has spent time

overseas working and studying similar services.

"I have always been interested in anything community-based, and I have had a long association with the Eltham Living and Learning Centre," she says.

"I began as a participant almost five years ago, and then became a tutor in rug-weaving."

Carolyn is a fully qualified teacher and taught at various schools before joining the centre.

She spent most of her childhood in Eltham, and although she is now living in Warrandyte, she believes both towns are similar.

"Eltham, like Warrandyte, has a need to focus, a way to express views and to share interests. Community programs at the centre can provide access to these needs," she says.

The centre offers several workshops which usually run for one or two days. They range from Calligraphy and Display Writing, Making Felt from Fleece, Picture Framing and Making Tiffany Lampshades.

Carolyn says: "Recent maintenance has increased the centre's beauty. Volunteers have landscaped outdoor sections of the centre, and we have constructed a pergola which will be available for most classes and workshops to now work outside."

The centre seems certain to flourish with the new ideas and the variety of courses that are being offered.

So if Permaculture, Latin or Simple Dulcimer Playing attract your interest, the Living and Learning Centre will almost certainly provide for your need.

## You too can live and learn

Eltham Living and Learning Centre and the North Riding Living and Learning Co-Operative are planning a wide variety of activities for the next year.

Details will be available at the Community Education Office or contact the centre on 439 2431 or the co-op on 719 7409.

The centre will offer a wide range of short courses, mostly at weekends, including chocolate-making, brick paving, bread-baking, house design and paper-making.

Day and evening classes include the usual craft instruction plus groups on Biographies, History, Local Government and You, Badminton, Timid Swimmers, Herbs,

and many others. Well-known locals Patrick Goodman, Pat Barr and Val Hunt are tutors.

Child-minding is available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Enrolment day is Saturday February 11 from 9 am to noon at the Community Centre, Pitt Street, Eltham.

The enrolment process has been streamlined and you can pay on the spot — \$10 or \$5 concession.

The co-op will be offering its popular house-building, leadlighting, yoga and aerobics classes again, plus some new ones including Posh Nosh and Massage for Women.

Some child-minding will be available.

## A verse or two for our Alice

*There's a "busy" little person missin' round the town, a gregariously happy character who's always buzzin' round,*

*brightening up the dark spots an' listening to all the groans.*

*She's a special ray of sunshine who very rarely moans.*

*She has that certain "something"*

*I imagine — quite unique.*

*And although she's growing older,*

*this seventy six year gal, the label "senior citizen" is kinda, well,*

*hard to believe.*

*I just can't conceive of anything further from the truth.*

*Struth! She's the essence of YOUTH!*

*OK, for a start presumably there's something wrong*

*with her heart,*

*and with this I agree, for it seems to me it's far too big for her anatomy.*

*Nevertheless, to those who've missed 'er*

*take it from me — her everlovin' sister,*

*she'll soon be back with us again*

*as The White House*

*chataleine.*

## Fitz Janeba dies, 78

Fritz Janeba, for more than 20 years resident of Kangaroo Ground Road, Warrandyte, died in his 78th year while holidaying at a spa village in southern Austria late in August.

Fritz was born in Vienna and his exceptional artistic talents caused him to enter the Vienna Academy of Formative Arts where he was a pupil of two famous architects, Peter Behrens and Clemens Holzmeister. After graduating from the Academy he worked in Europe as an architect before coming to Melbourne just before the start of World War 2.

In the early 1940s Fritz and his wife Kate moved from Glen Iris to Warrandyte where Fritz was associated with the Koornong School and designed houses and other buildings in Warrandyte and Melbourne suburbs, and Kate, a potter, became a member of the Potters Cottage group of potters.

Later he became a senior lecturer in the Faculty of Architecture at Melbourne University. The Degree of Master of Architecture was conferred on him by Melbourne University and the Austrian Council in Melbourne bestowed on Fritz the title of Honorary Professor of the Vienna Academy of Formative Arts.

## Warrandyte nominated

Warrandyte Primary School has been nominated as the Maroondah Region entrant in the School Community Award.

The award is worth \$5000 and a bronze plaque and is sponsored by the Education Department, the Catholic Education Office, the Association of Independent Schools and the Age newspaper.

Warrandyte was nominated because of the richness and depth of its relations with people and groups outside the school.

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# School building design being studied

Design details for the new school buildings for Warrandyte High School are being considered by the School Council and architects Clarke, Hopkins and Clarke.

Among the planned facilities is a basketball stadium, to be built in conjunction with the Warrandyte Basketball Club and the City of Doncaster and Templestowe.

A further proposal to include a 400-seat theatre for school and community use is before Doncaster and Templestowe and Eltham councils.

The theatre would be available during school hours for drama classes at the school, and would be open to public hiring at night and at weekends. The general concept

is for the auditorium to be in two parts, an upper level with tiered floor and fixed seating to accommodate about 220 people, with a lower flat floor area. The lower area could accommodate around 180 on movable seating, or about 100 at tables if a cabaret performance were required. The flat floor space would be used for drama teaching during school hours, so that theatre groups wishing to leave a stage set intact throughout a "season" of several performances could do so without interfering with the school program.

The main financing of the proposed theatre would be provided from the financing for the school

complex, but a small community input is required by the Education Department as evidence of genuine community interest in the proposed joint project.

The Shire of Eltham has been asked to provide \$50,000 towards the project, and the City of Doncaster and Templestowe has been asked for \$70,000 towards the theatre and \$50,000 towards the basketball stadium.

The School Council has received enthusiastic support from a number of drama and musical groups in the district, and most have offered their expertise and advice in developing the detailed theatre plan.

## A guiding light

Elizabeth Forster is not a "quiet achiever", says a family member, but she certainly appears to be a leader of the pack.

She is the first guide from the 2nd Warrandyte Guide Company to gain her BP emblem, which is presented to Guides who have contributed and participated to the utmost in all Guide activities.

It commemorates the founder, Lord Baden-Powell who established scouting and guiding.

Elizabeth, 14, is a Patrol Leader and has worked towards the BP emblem for seven years. She worked in such areas as giving service, co-operating with people, exploring the arts and enjoying the out-of-doors to gain her award.

# DIARY CALENDAR

### APEX CLUB

Meets first and third Thursday each month at the Coffee Bean Restaurant, 7 pm. Inquiries — Dennis Parker, 844 2133 or Dennis Barnes, 844 2228.

### ARTS ASSOCIATION

**Crafts Group:** Meets first Monday of the month at various locations, 11.30 am. Inquiries — Leonie Horne, 844 2685.

**Painting Group:** Meets every Wednesday at 10 am at various locations. Inquiries — Eira Dodd, 712 0327.

**Pottery Group:** Meets each Tuesday and Wednesday at 10 am at the studio, Mitchell Avenue. Inquiries — Marjorie Beecham, 844 3206.

**Drama Group:** Meets on the third Wednesday of the month at the Mechanics Institute. Inquiries — Martin Walker, 870 2777 or 844 3508.

**Music Group:** Meets every three months for informal music nights at various locations. Inquiries — Ann Arnold, 844 3250 or Rene Maddocks (choir), 844 3992.

### ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting on December 14 at 8 pm, community centre.

### Barbecue, Carols Evening and Bush Dancing

Anderson's Creek Primary School, 7.30 — 8.30 pm, Monday December 12.

### BASKETBALL CLUB

Meets on the second Thursday of the month at the community centre.

### Carols by Torchlight

Warrandyte Primary School. Monday December 12 at 8 pm.

### CHURCHES

#### Gospel Chapel:

Services: Sundays at 10 am, coffee afterwards.

**Play group:** for pre-school children on Tuesdays at 10 am. Inquiries — 435 2794.

**Home Bible Studies:** Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

**Youth Activities:** Thursday and Saturday evenings.

**Inquiries — (Pastoral) Ray Meers, 844 2513 or Ken Dawson, 844 1147; (Youth Director) Steve Bentley, 435 2794. (Chapel Secretary) David Dawson, 844 2528.**

St Stephen's Anglican (St Stephen's Warrandyte with Emmanuel, Park Orchards):

Vicar, The Reverend Jeff Berger, 844 3473.

Services, St Stephen's — Sunday 8 am and 9 am. Emmanuel — 10.45 am.

**Anglican Boys' Society,** meets Tuesdays at 6.45 pm, St Stephen's Hall. Inquiries — Denis Wright, 876 1869.

**Girls' Friendly Society,** meets Wednesdays at 6.45 pm at St Stephen's Hall and Emmanuel Hall. Inquiries — Karen Berger, 844 3473 or Jenny Wright, 876 1869.

**Friends of St Stephen's,** meets first Wednesday of the month at St Stephen's Hall. Inquiries — Joy Hook, 844 2015.

**Emmanuel Ladies' Group,** meets first Wednesday of the month at noon. Inquiries — Joan Gordon, 876 1135.

**Prayer Group and Bible Study Group,** meets second and fourth Thursday of the month. Inquiries — E. Blackie, 844 3465.

**Youth Group (16 upwards),** Meets every second Friday night at 7.45. Inquiries — Margaret Pepper, 844 2434, or Joan McKenzie, 844 2637.

#### Catholic (St Anne's and St Gerard's):

Mass, Saturdays at 7 pm at Park Orchards, Sundays at 9 am at Warrandyte and 11 am at Park Orchards.

#### Uniting:

**Minister,** The Reverend John Blacker, 844 3476 or 370 6424.

**Worship,** Sunday at 10 am, Sunday School at 9 am. Inquiries — Fred Jungwirth, 844 3843.

**Youth Groups,** (10 upwards), inquiries — John Hanson, 844 3906.

**Neighbourhood Bible Study Group,** meets alternate Wednesdays at 10 am at the church. Inquiries — Heather Ingram, 844 3447.

**Evening Bible study,** at 8 pm on Wednesdays. Inquiries — 844 3476.

**Occasional Child Centre,** Tuesdays and Fridays from 9 am to 11.30 am. Inquiries — Tricia Sheehan, 844 1004.

### COMMUNITY EDUCATION OFFICE

Inquiries — Rosemary Tovey, 844 2985.

### COMMUNITY MARKET

First Saturday of the month at Stiggant's Reserve. Bookings by previous Tuesday. Inquiries — 844 2683 or 844 2761.

### COFFEE SHOP

Open Fridays 8 pm to 11 pm at the community centre. Pool table, table tennis, TV, music and light refreshments. Inquiries — 844 3326.

### DIAMOND VALLEY SPORT AND GAME CLUB

Meets second Wednesday of the month at North Warrandyte Community Centre. Inquiries — Max Green, 712 0328.

### ENVIRONMENT LEAGUE

Meets first Thursday of the month at 8 pm at home of Jan Vagg, 112 The Boulevard, North Warrandyte. Inquiries — Jan Vagg, 844 2746.

### FIRE BRIGADES

**North Warrandyte:** meets on first Monday of the month at 8 pm. Training sessions on Sundays at 10 am. Inquiries — 844 2217 or 844 3528. CFA recorded messages on restrictions — 11 540.

**South Warrandyte:** meets second Tuesday of the month at 8 pm. Inquiries — Ken Reid, 844 2131, or Les Dixon, 844 3673.

**Warrandyte:** meets third Sunday of the month at 11 am.

### GIRL GUIDES

Brownies, Guides and Rangers meet weekly. Inquiries — Gloria Lawrence, 844 2498.

### Historical Society

Photographic Exhibition — Then and Now, Sundays noon to 5 pm (or by appointment) until the end of the month. 844 3694.

### LIONS CLUB

Meets second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at the Coffee Bean Restaurant. Inquiries — Ron Cuthbert, 876 1182 or Don McDonald, 844 2195. Bookings for tennis courts — Warrandyte newsagency.

### LITTLE BUGGAS

Alpine flora and fauna at Mt Baw Baw. January 21 and 22. Family weekend, subject to power being available. Costs minimal. Inquiries — Tim Ferguson, 844 3139.

### SENIOR CITIZENS

**Mondays:** swimming class, meets at the clubrooms at 10.30 am, bus to Doncaster pool, return at noon. BYO lunch. Afternoon concert practice and singalong. Afternoon tea.

**Tuesdays and Wednesdays:** carpet bowls from 12.30 pm, includes pennant, competition and social bowls. Afternoon tea.

**Thursdays:** open at 9 am. Chiropody and hairdressing. Cooked lunch for \$1.50, followed by social afternoon including bingo, cards, Scrabble, table tennis and afternoon tea.

**Fridays and Saturdays:** open from 1 pm, social bowls, cuppa, chat. Inquiries — Maisie Temple, 844 3852.

### SOCIAL CLUB

Open 5 to 7 pm, Monday to Saturday. BYO. Two pool tables, table tennis, darts and indoor bowls. Informal golf game at Healesville most Saturdays. Several organised social functions during the year. New members welcome. Inquiries — 844 3567 between 5 and 7 pm.

### SCOUTS

Cubs and Scouts meet weekly. Inquiries — Marion Renn, 844 3691.

### TOY LIBRARY

At community centre every Thursday from 9.15 am to noon.

### WOMEN'S HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

Meets every third Tuesday of the month at 77 Yarra Street. Inquiries — Mrs A. O'Leary, 844 3453.

### Yoga and Dance Display

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## Police warn of house thefts in N Warrandyte

Warrandyte police are concerned about a recent increase in house burglaries, mainly in the North Warrandyte area.

Senior Constable Royce Beasley said: "The burglaries have been of some of the more expensive homes in the outlying areas of North Warrandyte."

"People should take care in locking up their house. They should make sure that all household items are insured."

The burglaries have occurred mostly at weekends, and video and stereo equipment has been at the top of the list for items stolen.

There have also been thefts from the national parks and materials have been stolen from several building sites.

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Staff cuts have created difficulties for Warrandyte police this month.

The recent drink-driving blitz has caused staff to be rostered around the district to man "booze stations", and this has caused drastic shortages in staff at Warrandyte station.

However, despite the staff shortage, Warrandyte is likely to witness drink-driving buses during the holidays.

Senior Constable Royce Beasley said: "We haven't had a major blitz in Warrandyte because the booze stations have been concentrating on the primary roads, but these stations are likely to be set up anywhere at anytime."

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Would anyone interested in volunteering to become involved in the setting up of a Citizens' Advice Bureau in Warrandyte please contact one of the following people: Jean Chapman, 844 3326; Louise Joy, 844 3600; Ken McKenzie 844 2332.

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Full-scale operation of the Warrandyte Community Workshop Co-operative Ltd.'s Child Care Centre will take place in February, after a restricted pilot program during December and January. Anyone wishing to enrol children is advised to ring Jim Lean or Anne Taylor on 844 2548.

The Coffee Shop will be open each Friday from 8 to 11 p.m. until December 27, after which it will close until late January.

We thank those people who have made the Labor Exchange so successful during 1983 and hope that they and others will combine to make it even more successful in 1984. People who need work may register by ringing 844 3326.

Shares in the co-operative are still available, at \$1 each.

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There will be no school holiday activity programs arranged in Warrandyte this year, but others will be operating in surrounding areas.

The YMCA and TRY will be organising a program — contact Wayne Buntly on 878 1725.

Donvale Arts Centre will be running an adult summer school from January 16 to 20 in French cookery and classes in floral art, lead-lighting and clay modelling for teenagers.

Details of Eltham Council's holiday activities program can be obtained by ringing 430 1264.

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The Warrandyte RSL sub-branch thanks people who supported the annual Remembrance Day appeal — Poppy Day.

The sub-branch is particularly grateful to local students who sold poppies in the schools and the Girl Guides who sold them to the public.

Under guidelines laid down by the Patriotic Funds Council of Victoria, the sub-branch is keeping a portion of the collection for a local cause.

## Dire straits for festival

Traditionally the Warrandyte Festival has been run on a very slender budget, and next year it appears that the situation will be even more desperate.

The festival committee needs help! Few people realise the tremendous work load imposed upon individuals, service groups and the committee who work to make the festival the success it has been in the past.

The committee is keen to talk to anyone who feels they may have something to offer. (The committee of course would be only too willing to accept cash donations!)

If you could help in any way, please contact any of the following people: Luanna Pianta, 844 3230; Claire Dawson, 844 2375; Leonie Horn, 844 2685; Robyn Hodgkinson, 844 3641; Rosemary Tovey, 844 3505/2985; Paul Gleeson, 844 2394; Colin Davis, 844 2307; or Bruce Youl, 844 2835.

Next year's festival will be held on March 24 and 25. It will be a

family affair, and as many local groups as possible are invited to become involved.

Among the variety of activities planned so far are: The familiar parade; fancy dress; pushbike registration; Punch and Judy show; school concert; river band entertainment; bush dance; billycart derby; photographic exhibition and competition; pet parade; art and craft exhibitions; Historical Society exhibition; gold mine tours; the traditional market; bush walks; the Sunday concert and a canoe race.

Any individual or group who would like to participate in any way or help organise any of these activities either before or on the day, could contact John Boyle on 844 3072.

The committee would like to thank the outgoing committee and in particular Bob Karl for the splendid job they did in March 1983.

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# Make good use of fire prevention information for your safety

During the past three months a lot of information has been presented to the community regarding bush-fire dangers and prevention measures that should be carried out now.

In the past month the three local brigades have delivered newsletters and supplementary information. If more details are required please contact them.

A public meeting was held last month to discuss fire hazards and safety. This article aims to reinforce some of the points made at the meeting.

**Heavy undergrowth:** Recent heavy rain has caused prolific heavy growth of grass and scrub. This should be reduced by mowing or slashing.

**Barbecues and incinerators:** During the fire restriction period you should use your common sense and avoid using small portable barbecues unless they are in a properly constructed fireplace.

Home barbecues should be avoided during the restriction period if winds are strong — don't take risks. Also, common sense should tell you not to use your

incinerator when there is a hot strong wind. The use of incinerators is restricted to between 6 pm and 6 am during restrictions. When using the incinerator ensure that it is in a cleared area of three metres radius; that there are no overhanging trees, that there is a wire mesh over the flue and that it has a tight-fitting lid.

**Firewood:** Don't stack it under the house.

**Power Lines:** Fires can start by trees, falling branches or wind forcing the lines to clash. The Warrandyte area has generally been

covered by the SEC workmen who have trimmed trees around the lines, but property owners are responsible for ensuring the removal of trees from near lines on their property. If you are in doubt about your lines, contact the SEC.

**Poor and overgrown access:** Make sure access to your property is sufficiently cleared to allow a fire truck to enter safely. Make sure it is clearly marked and not blocked by other vehicles. A fire truck must be able to turn around. If a fire hydrant is close to hand, make sure it is clearly marked and

not obscured by long grass or scrub.

As this is the last article before the extreme fire danger period, please act on the information that has been presented. Remember that the typical fire in this area occurs on very hot and dry days with strong gusty winds blowing from the north or north-west. Often this wind will change to a south-westerly direction.

Finally, the intensity of the fire is dictated in part by the amount of fuel available — dry grass, leaf litter, etc. — so reduce this fuel now.

## New unit for fighting house fires

Warrandyte Fire Brigade is preparing for a fire period that will be as potentially dangerous as that of last summer.

Last month the brigade took delivery of a new \$36,000 pumper, thanks to the generosity of residents and the Doncaster and Templestowe Council. The twin-cab Ford diesel, specially designed for house fires, is equipped with the latest foam apparatus and breathing equipment.

The brigade is also aiming to buy a third unit, a tanker. This truck will have a dual purpose role. It is a four-wheel drive, 3000-litre tanker for use in urban and rural areas and will increase the brigade's capacity for a faster attack on fire outbreaks.

The brigade captain, Ray Bellinger said: "The greater capacity our men have, the better protection we can give to people and property."

The brigade has warned that everyone should clear undergrowth and ground litter from their land, clean spoutings and brush up on speedy evacuation procedures.

"We don't have to describe the fires of last summer and the devastating aftermath yet again," he said.

"The people of Warrandyte obviously love the area. We all have to participate and work together to protect and preserve our environment."

## Safety plan for elderly

The Elderly Citizens Club will be a fire refuge as part of an Early Evacuation Scheme this summer.

This follows a proposal at the club's annual general meeting in August to provide a refuge for the elderly, disabled and those who may be isolated in the event of a bushfire, on days of Total Fire Ban.

The implementation of the scheme follows a four-year struggle by the club treasurer, Mr Allan Griffiths, to have local councils agree to a worthwhile fire evacuation scheme for such people.

The success of the scheme relies on people arranging with neighbors or friends to be taken to the club on the mornings of Total Fire

Ban days.

Mr Griffiths believes the scheme is necessary because of the lack of provisions for transport help for the elderly in present safety plans.

"I strongly urge all elderly, disabled and isolated people to make arrangements with their neighbors to be taken to the club on Total Fire Ban days. Arrangements should also be made for return journeys," he said.

The following Evacuation Register may be completed by those elderly, incapacitated or isolated people who wish to use the scheme. It should be forwarded to Mr A. Griffiths, the Elderly Citizens Club, Toroona Avenue, Warrandyte.

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# MARK — OUR GOLDEN BOY

Thirteen-year-old Mark Egglestone brought home a gold medal from the recent All High Schools Athletics Championships at Olympic Park.

Mark was one of seven Warrandyte High students who had won their way through championships at the school, then the Yarra Group competitions, then

Eastern Zone finals into the All High Schools finals.

Mark was a finalist in the under-14 shot put and javelin events and won the javelin with a personal best throw of 40.10 metres.

Fiona Curry competed in the open long jump, Robin Holmes in the open

3000m and under-17 1500m, and the boys open relay team comprised Laurie Brimacombe, Wayne Clark, Brad Ferguson and John O'Brien.

The school is justifiably proud of its representatives' performances and plans to make an even bigger impact on the championships next year.



Mark Egglestone admires his gold medal.

## Cricket details — all grades

### FIRSTS

Warrandyte 214 (Salter 52, Amiguet 32, Chapman 30) and 0/81 (Salter 45 n.o., White 34 n.o.) d. South Ringwood 140 (Pascoe 5.40, Lloyd 3.35). Player of match: S. Pascoe.

Warrandyte 8/240 (Chapman 62, White 46, Salter 40) d. Croydon United 192 (Lloyd 5/49, Jungwirth 4.89) POM: F. Jungwirth.  
Warrandyte 254 (Jacobs 90 n.o., Amiguet 49, White 27, Pascoe 23) d. Vermont 207 (Lloyd 6/62). POM: G. Jacobs.

### SECONDS

Warrandyte 222 (Peters 71, Jacobs 38, Vitiritti 27) and 1/54 (McMartin 22, R. Kline 19 n.o.) d. South Ringwood 164 (Leonard 5/52, Vitiritti 3/70, Stockley 2/7. POM: D. Peters.

Warrandyte 156 (Stanley 60, Peters 29) lost to Croydon United 7/304 (King 3/43, Stockley 3/96). POM: D. Stanley.  
Warrandyte 182 (Peters 68, Sloan 35) lost to Vermont 7/269 (McAdam 3/44, Stockley 2/45. POM: D. Peters.

### THIRDS

Warrandyte 262 (M. Day 74 n.o., Davis 44, Barr 42) d. South Ringwood 202 (Wilson 2/16, Utt 2/34). POM: M. Day.

Warrandyte 8/185 (Colin Dornig 74, Barr 30, Creber 25) lost to Croydon United 306 (Wilson 3/63, Sturesteps 3/30, Davis 2/47). POM: Colin Dornig.

Warrandyte 9/223 (Day 54 n.o., Bowen 40, Sturesteps 23, Utt 23) lost to Vermont 256 (Davis 2/35, Wilson 2/49). POM: M. Day.

### FOURTHS

Warrandyte 188 (O'Brien 63, Snaidero 34, Turner 40) d. South Ringwood 134 and 88 (Blair 6/33 and 2/13, O'Brien 5/41). POM: J. O'Brien.

Warrandyte 115 and 3/120 (O'Brien 27 and 46 n.o., Turner 29 n.o.) lost to Croydon United 310 (D. Jungwirth 4/58, O'Brien 2/69, Blair 3/73). POM: J. O'Brien.

Warrandyte 73 (O'Brien 23, Turner 21) lost to Vermont 146 (J. O'Brien 6/46, M. O'Brien 2/35, Jungwirth 2/48). POM: D. Jungwirth.

### FIFTHS

Warrandyte 117 (Chris Dornig 41 ret., J. Kline 24) lost to Glen Park 228 (Petrov 4/51, Walker 3/44) POM: C. Dornig.

Warrandyte 129 (Le Guier 27) lost to Knox City 150 (Le Guier 3/26, Beasley 3/33, Petrov 2/34). POM: R. Beasley.

Warrandyte 82 (Le Guier 21) and 4/111 (Petrov 36 n.o.) d. Heathmont Uniting 77 (Le Guier 4/21, Walker 2/35). POM: D. Petrov.

### SIXTHS

Warrandyte 114 and 40 (Owen 34, Chipperfield 22) lost to Mt. Evelyn 76 and 102 (Roberts 5/24, Owen 4/29, Blackburn 3/17). POM: H. Owen.

Warrandyte 141 (Roberts 27, Owen 23, Gathercole 21) lost to Wantirna South 209 (Owen 4/27). POM: J. Gathercole.

Warrandyte 156 (Gathercole 30, Chipperfield 28, Harris 25) lost to Norwood 226 (Chipperfield 3/36, Harris 3/38). POM: C. Chipperfield.

### WOMEN

Warrandyte 71 and 5/140 (Chapman 69, Prince 36, McGhee 33) lost to Hampton 96 and 3/88 (Chapman 4/14). POM: J. Chapman.

Warrandyte 66 and 142 (Prince 34 and 23) lost to Waverley 155 (McGhee 5/44, McLaws 3/42). POM: T. Prince.

Warrandyte 32 lost to Fountaingate 130.

### UNDER-16

Warrandyte 1/185 (Kline 71 n.o., Sloan 56 n.o., Peters 43) d. Croydon North 8/134 (O'Brien 2/25, Jungwirth 2/32, Sloan 2/32, Dornig 2/41).

Warrandyte 5/186 (Barr 104 n.o., Peters 50) d. Wantirna South 85 (Sloan 29,

Snaidero 2/9, Jungwirth 2/13, O'Brien 2/27).

Warrandyte 5/178 (Dorning 74 n.o., D. Peters 37, Snaidero 29 n.o.) d. Croydon United 8/70 (Sloan 4/2, O'Brien 2/19).

### UNDER-14(1)

Warrandyte 92 (Walker 16) lost to Croydon North 150 (Vitiritti 4/77, Reid 2/31).

Warrandyte 106 (J. Kline 36) lost to Wantirna South 3/149 (Vitiritti 3/66).

Warrandyte 7/56 (Kline 23) lost to Croydon United 1/64.

### UNDER-14(2)

Warrandyte 9/197 (Hughes 65) d. Wantirna South 98 and 6/40 (Webb 4/34, McFarlane 3/16 and 3/27) Hughes 3/27, Douglas 2/4).

Warrandyte 8/102 (Baker 28, Newton 25) d. Templeton 44 (McFarlane 5/17, Webb 4/18).

Warrandyte 6/67 (Rodwell 25, Whitchurch 14) lost to Ringwood 88 (Hughes 5/24, McFarlane 3/22).

### UNDER-12(1)

Warrandyte 9/113 (Guskich 30, Ferguson 20) d. Wantirna South 122 (Aytton 3/14, Coleman 2/8, Weatherly 2/23).

Warrandyte 8/110 (Gray 31, Guskich 31 ret.) d. Glen Park 55 and 5/71 (Aytton 3/3).

Warrandyte 6/64 (Aytton 20) lost to Mooroolbark 3/102.

### UNDER-12(2)

Warrandyte 3/89 (Hely 50 n.o.) d. Vermont 60 (McKenzie 2/2, O'Connor 2/19).

Warrandyte 73 (Bell 15 n.o.) d. Olinda 33 and 40 (Hughes 3/6, Joy 2/3).

Warrandyte 5/71 d. Croydon 4/34 (Howard 2/1).

### UNDER-12 KANGAS

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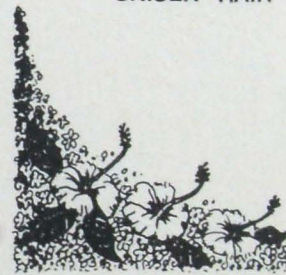
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It may not be the best cricket ground in Australia, but Warrandyte's recreation reserve, with its backdrop of towering gum trees, sure is pretty.

And Warrandyte Cricket Club urge more local residents to share the setting, the excitement — and the First XI's run of success.

The firsts have lost only one of their six matches.

So be in it!



# Dytes hit out, bowl along

Warrandyte, with new captain-coach John Salter leading by example, are squarely on course for the Ringwood District Cricket Association's senior pennant.

The Dytes have won five out of their six matches so far to be second on the ladder, behind the powerful East Ringwood.

The big test comes when they meet the leaders early in the new year, after the short Christmas recess.

Warrandyte's improved showing can be directly attributed to Salter's polish and consistency with the bat, the return after a season's absence of prolific run-getter John Chapman and the devastating form of swing bowler Graeme Lloyd.

Salter and Chapman have provided the batting solidarity which was lacking last season and Lloyd is collecting wickets in bags of five and six per innings.

In the fifth-round match against Croydon United, Chapman and Salter contributed 102 of Warrandyte's 8/240 and Lloyd returned figures of 5/49.

The seamer followed up in the latest fixture with 6/62 against Vermont.

"Graeme is well-known throughout the competition as a great bowler, but we're really seeing the best of him this season," a Warrandyte Cricket Club official told the Diary.

"His worst figures in an innings so far are 3/35.

"He has taken six wickets in three innings and five wickets twice.

"That makes 31 wickets for 273 runs — an average of a shade under nine."

While Lloyd is obviously the spearhead, the other bowlers are performing economically, restricting the opposition to losing scores.

The club are delighted with their acquisition of Salter, a former Hawthorn-East Melbourne District player, whose expertise and leadership have already paid big dividends.

"The arrival of Salter and the return of Chapman are just what we needed after last season's disappointments with the bat," the official said.

"We have some tough games coming up, but there's no reason why we can't go right on with it."

While other senior sides have turned in some indifferent performances, the Dytes have outstanding prospects for three junior pennants.

The Under-16s are undefeated and could well finish the season that way.

Reece Kline, David Sloan, Darren Peters, Lindsay Barr, Colin Dorning and John O'Brien are the nucleus of an outstanding side consistently winning by big margins.

Barr made an unbeaten century in the fifth-round match against Wantirna South.

Unfortunately, the second under-16 side have disbanded for the season for want of numbers.

Both under-12 teams are in line for pennants. The under-12 (1) have lost only one and the second team are undefeated.

"It is great news for the future of cricket in this town that we have such an abundance of talented juniors," the club spokesman said.

"Several of the under-16s are going to be pushing for a place in the first XI in the foreseeable future and, in the longer term, it is most encouraging to see the under-12s going so well."

## WARRANDYTE Diary SPORTS NEWS

Two young Warrandyte cricketers are in for the coaching experience of a lifetime.

Warrandyte Cricket Club have selected under-14s player Cameron Day and David Jungwirth (under-16s) as their first enrolments in a special coaching school run by Australian Sports Camps.

Among the tutors will be Sir Garfield Sobers — probably the greatest all-rounder in Test history — and Victorian captain and former Australian spinner Ray Bright.

Several past and present Victorian players will also be on hand to give the boys specialised and individual coaching at the clinic, to be held at Scotch College during the Christmas holidays.

Warrandyte will send two

## SIR GARY AND THE JUNIORS

juniors a year under a newly-formed scholarship scheme.

The project will not be restricted to boys.

Club officials administering the scheme will be on the lookout for junior girl candidates and each case will be judged on its merits.

Sponsors are being sought for the fund and any business or individual prepared to contribute is urged to contact WCC treasurer Marty McCarthy on 844 2822.



Up and over ... a young contestant and her mount negotiate a jump at the Warrandyte Lions Club gymkhana at Eastfield Park, Croydon.

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