

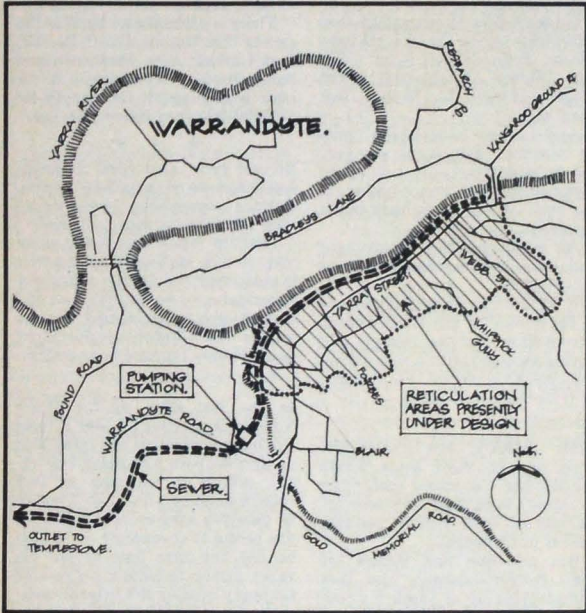
Warrandyte Diary

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Sewerage is coming



Planning is well advanced on connecting parts of Warrandyte to Melbourne's sewerage system.

The Board of Works expects to start work on the main trunk system within two years, with connections starting in three years, subject to the availability of money.

A delegation from the Warrandyte Advisory Committee and the Warrandyte Environment League, consisting of Doug Seymour, Greg Thorpe and Richard Schurmann, has seen the preliminary plans.

A spokesman for the delegation said board staff were keen to get local participation now and in future and were aware of the high level of concern for the environment in Warrandyte.

The spokesman said planning was well advanced on the main trunk system but that individual street service routes had not been selected.

The main trunk system is to run along the south side of the river from the bridge, under Everard Drive, to a pumping station near the Elderly Citizens' club at the

recreation reserve. The pumping station will connect with a major sewer in Templestowe possibly via Houghton Road, Warrandyte-Heidelberg Road and the valley, extending down towards Crystal Brook (although this is not finalised).

Warrandyte south of the river has been divided into areas to be progressively serviced during the next few years. The intention is to connect the commercial areas and the higher density residential areas first, and eventually south to about level with Fossickers Way. The first works will service the central commercial area and residences off Webb Street. There are no plans to service North Warrandyte at this stage although provision has been made to connect the area north of the river.

Any sewer excavation in Warrandyte will be costly, so the whole scheme may take a decade to construct. The general design practice is to run the reticulation pipes along the uphill road shoulder at the bottom of road cuttings to connect houses built higher than the street, and connect houses downhill of a street to a pipe placed

downhill along the boundary between properties. Placement is heavily constrained by the topography of Warrandyte.

The delegation saw the need for much closer consultation between the community, the board and local councils, for example to co-ordinate roadside verges clearing (for fire control and access) and sewage works by concentrating clearing on one side of each road rather than disturbing both sides and also to run the proposed bike track along the river on the easement wherever possible.

The general subject of disturbance to natural vegetation was discussed extensively. Further to its established supervision and restoration procedures, the board is willing to consider restoration programs submitted by local groups.

The method of pipe-placement, by trenching or the more costly tunnelling, depends on the depth and soil (rock) conditions. Extensive disturbance will occur in places, particularly as a result of trench excavation.

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Terrors on two wheels invade the town



Here they come, riding down the street . . . a horde of Warrandyte youngsters on bicycles leads the festival parade along Yarra Street. More pictures on pages 6 and 7.

Premierships

Warrandyte Cricket Club has won two premierships this season.

The firsts won the Chandler Shield, the Ringwood District Cricket Association's first grade competition, and the Under-16 boys won the association's first-grade junior competition.

Full report: Back Page.

G. Gate to go

Doncaster and Templestowe Council has approved an application to demolish the Golden Gate store.

Two smaller shops and, it is believed, a residence, are to be built on the site.



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Smokey Joe

Your columnist's career as a theatrical talent scout was spectacular only for its brevity.

"That man's brilliant!" Smokey declared after watching Martin Walker compe the 1984 edition of Festival Follies in the Mechanics Institute.

To which everybody at all familiar with theatre in Warrandyte said, quite nonchalantly: "Oh yes, we know."

Under subtle interrogation they said that whereas the likes of John Cleese, Peter Sellers, Peter Cook and Dudley Moore had to be taught comedy, Mr Walker was born with it.

And he was quite happy being an insurance man, thank you very much, so you can forget all about that contract you're scribbling on the back of the programme under the table.

Ah well, goodbye 10 per cent and hello a new appreciation of local talent.

It was Smokey's first experience of the Follies (or any WAA Drama Group show, for that matter), but having emerged with a shrug from this town's cultural backwaters, he'll be back next year.

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THE DIRTY HALF-DOZEN (Part Several): John Knox, Kevin Luttick and Co. swear each other to secrecy each time they take off on one of their fishing extravaganzas in Gippsland.

But privation and tinnies are great tongue-looseners and they are queuing up at Smokey's confessional as soon as they get back to Warrandyte. The ceremony differs sharply from the traditional form of confession in that these blokes omit their own indiscretions and devote their outpourings to those of their mates.

We have to report that Kevin stole the show on the latest trip.

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Second prize also goes to Kevin Luttick, who managed to be seasick for several hours but threw up only when he set foot on shore.

And the minor end of the purse goes to Ken McKenzie for another graphic bedtime telling of his war experiences. The others drew the line, though, when he told them he missed the Charge of the Light Brigade only because he overslept.

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In the last issue of the Diary Smokey Joe reported that a local fire brigade member had refused to co-operate with a Monash University survey on attitudes to fuel reduction burn-offs. The fireman in question assures us that he did not refuse to co-operate — he said he did not have time to put his views person-to-person because of his many existing fire brigade commitments. He said he was only too happy to put his views over the phone. The Diary apologises to the fireman and would like to repeat the remarks in the last issue that the person is a dedicated fireman and a responsible and caring member of the community.

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Yarra Street to be altered again

The new pedestrian crossing and car park in Yarra Street is to be changed.

A Doncaster and Templestowe Council official has told the Diary that the changes are necessary because the present arrangements are too dangerous.

He says there have been several near-misses on the crossing involving children in particular.

He says the main problem is that trucks and vans making deliveries to the nearby shops are blocking the vision of people using the crossing and drivers approaching it.

The main changes likely to occur are:

- Entry will be opposite the hotel
- Exit will be at the chemist shop
- The central entry-exit point will be blocked off.
- Time allocations for shop deliveries will be changed and formalised so trucks will not block driver or pedestrian vision at the busiest times.

The official says the shop owners will have to comply with the new rules.

Parking inspectors will be asked to police the new times strictly for several months. "The shop owners are not very happy with the new plan, but the lives of children are more important," the official says.

Work is likely to start within a month or two after final plans have been approved by council. The new arrangements will cost about \$10,000. Council has got almost \$5000 left over from the present work, and the official says the extra money will just have to be found.

The official is also concerned

that people from outside town are not aware of the dangers of Yarra Street and therefore council will be asked to have flashing lights put over the crossing and to approve a 40 kmh speed limit for the whole length of Yarra Street.

"The real problem of course is that children place too much trust in the pedestrian crossing. Some drivers are not slowing down, and the result is going to be a tragedy if something is not done, and done soon," the official says.

The chairman of the Warrandyte Advisory Committee, Mr Bob Karl, says people should have been given more time to get used to the present arrangements.

"The changes to the entry and exit points will only confuse a lot of people," he says.

"They could also cause a loss of custom to the Yarra Street shop

owners." He says the restrictions imposed by the new plan are likely to cause potential customers to use other shopping areas in the town.

"WAC is not going to oppose the new plans but we are certainly going to have a say in them," Mr Karl says. "We are a little concerned at the effects of the new work on the environment, especially the likely spill of filling onto the river bank.

"I also intend to speak to the city engineer, Peter Parkinson, and ask for more time to consider such matters." Mr Karl says WAC was not given enough time to discuss the plans and come up with suggestions.

WAC has formed a sub-committee to look into the matter.

The plans were drawn up by council and were accepted at a recent council meeting.

Advice bureau meeting

A public meeting last month endorsed plans to seek the establishment of a Citizens' Advice Bureau in Warrandyte.

A sub-committee of the Warrandyte Advisory Committee has been formed to investigate the idea.

Councillor Ken McKenzie, who chaired the meeting, says: "We believe there is a definite need for this sort of service in Warrandyte because of our isolation.

"We will be spending the next couple of months looking at CABs in other areas and how they operate, encouraging local people to be involved, setting up a code of ethics, finding premises and deciding how many hours we will

open."

Members of the Association of Citizens' Advice Bureau attended the meeting. CABs are set up to provide the public with comprehensive, community-based information and referral services. Continuing training is provided for volunteer workers, who offer free, impartial and confidential guidance, support and information.

The WAC sub-committee is anxious to hear from people interested in such a service. They are asked to contact Councillor McKenzie, Warrandyte Co-op officials Louise Joy and Jean Chapman, or the community education officer, Rosemary Tovey.

How about hiring a trier

Each month we publish the names of two job-seekers. If you need a job done we ask you to hire, as a community service, one of our triers.

James, 21, a printer by trade, would like building or gardening work.

Rob, a fitter and welder, has

done house renovations and is interested in handyman jobs and gardening.

Anyone able to help is asked to contact Jean Chapman on 844 3326 or 844 2548.

Another Warrandyte Community Workshop Co-operative Ltd. Project.

Artifacts

The Brotherhood of St Laurence will hold a demonstration of making artifacts in clay and fibre on Thursday, May 3 at 11.30 am in the grounds of the Anglican Church in Stiggart Street.

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Council to ask MMBW to rezone West End land

Doncaster and Templestowe Council is to ask the Board of Works to rezone the timber yard site in the West End as a service business area.

A supermarket will not be allowed on the site if the board agrees to the request.

Davmark, one of two development companies that wants to build a supermarket in the West End, has an option on the site.

Councillor Anne Martin has told the Diary that if the board accepts the proposal then a supermarket will almost certainly go ahead on the site owned by the PISAG development company in Colin Avenue.

Davmark also has an option to buy the PISAG site.

PISAG has a permit for a supermarket — smaller than the one proposed by Davmark for the timber yard site — and this permit would be transferred to Davmark if it finally bought the PISAG site. The permit is valid until November 1985.

Councillor Martin says: "Basically, the whole thrust of this is that it is a saving to the ratepayers, because Davmark has taken council and PISAG to the Town Planning Appeals Board five times in the past five years and it is costing an awful lot of money in legal fees."

She hopes council's move will finally end all the wrangling over the supermarket proposals and prevent one being built on the timber yard site.

"I feel very strongly about this," she says. "Council has consistently agreed that the Colin Avenue site is the preferred site."

Davmark's option on the timber yard site expires in June this year.

Councillor Martin fears, however, that Davmark will mount a last-ditch campaign to get its timber yard proposal passed. She says: "Davmark still wants to develop the timber yard site on the ground that the PISAG site is too small and that any supermarket on the site would not be viable." She also fears that Davmark might try to get approval for extended trading hours.

The PISAG permit limits trading to 8am to 6pm Monday to Wednesday, 8am to 9pm on Thursday and Friday and from 8am to 1pm on Saturday.

Councillor Martin expects the Board of Works to give a fair hearing to council's request. "The board has been much more sympathetic to councils' needs in recent times."

She says council's case is strengthened by the Tract and Loder and Bayley reports, which say there is too much retail land in the West End.

Councillor Martin says: "I believe council has in this motion finally come out in support of the recommendations of the Loder and Bayley plan and the Tract plan."

She agrees, however, that there is still a possibility that Davmark could convince council to allow it to develop the timber yard site. "We are not out of the woods yet," she says.

"Council has consistently refused a permit (for the Davmark timber yard proposal) but at times it has been a very close vote."

"The public should be aware that council is taking a stand that will get us out of the woods."

One worry about the rezoning is that the owner of the timber yard site could lose land value if the board approves council's request.

Councillor Martin believes, however, that the range of business options provided by the service business proposal will prevent this. She points out that the current zoning prevents the use of the land for a timber yard. This will be permitted under a service business zoning, she says.

Approved uses also include a plant nursery, boat sales, car sales, film studio, industrial sales and service industry. (There are strict regulations covering the operations of these businesses); bank, cafe, car park, commercial display area, flat, fuel depot, funeral parlor, furniture and carpet sales, hotel, light industry, car wash, car repairs, garage, small utility station, office, meeting place, church, reception rooms, restaurant, store, takeaway food shop, transport depot and warehouse.

The PISAG permit is for a 443 square-metre supermarket, two shops of 58 sq m and one shop of 60 sq m. Provision has been made for 27 car parking bays.

The Davmark timber yard proposal is for a bigger supermarket.

Councillor Martin also believes that if the PISAG site supermarket goes ahead, much-needed general roadworks in the area might be able to proceed in tandem with works needed for the development.

Part of council's recommendation is that a local development scheme for the area will not go ahead. The scheme was proposed by council in December 1982.

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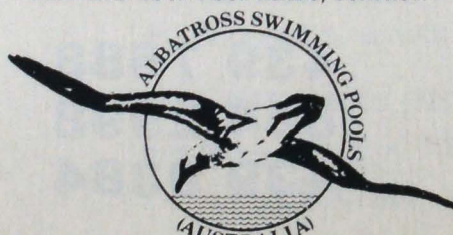


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Yarra track plans delayed

Planning for the proposed bike/pedestrian/horse track along the Yarra has been stopped while the possible effects on it of the planned sewerage pipe are examined.

The main trunk line for the sewerage system will go along the Yarra and could mean that the track will have to be sited elsewhere.

A spokesman for the Warrandyte Advisory Committee says there is not much point putting in the track and then having it ruined by excavations for the pipe.

Child care

The Warrandyte Occasional Child Care Centre, at the Uniting Church, Tarooma Ave, can provide a break for parents of pre-school children for a few hours each week.

The centre is open on Tuesday and Friday from 9 am to 11.30 am. Run by volunteer mothers, the centre can provide stimulation with games, toys and inside and outside activities for pre-school children.

For further inquiries, please contact Ann Hardy, 844 1039, Cheryl Whittington, 842 7819 or Jill Kerr, 844 2744.

Aid office

The member for Casey, Mr Pete Steedman, says he is pleased with the response from Warrandyte people to the office he has opened in the town for a half-day per week.

Mr Steedman says that he has rented space at the Community Education Office, next door to the Co-op, on Wednesdays between 9.30 am and 12 pm.

Mr Steedman says that because of the size of the Casey electorate and lack of public transport it is very difficult for many people to get to his Mooroolbark office. "I decided that if the people couldn't get to me I'd go to them," he says.

He urges any people with problems related to the Federal Government, such as immigration, social security, taxation, health and employment, to go to the office or to make an appointment with his Mooroolbark office on 726 0855.

White House may get facelift

White House renovations worth \$20,000 could go ahead in the next financial year, depending on Doncaster and Templestowe Council.

Council has referred to its estimates committee a recommendation that the work be done.

Most of the work, recommended by Park Orchards architects Marsh Ouw and Barry, is internal.

They suggest that the first floor is structurally unsafe for occupation. "Calculations indicate that the trusses and posts have insufficient capacity to carry the loads that could be imposed on them when the first floor is occupied," they say. The central strut had been weakened to the extent that it is ineffective.

"If it is intended to use the first floor then the structural system of trusses and posts should be replaced with ones able to safely carry the imposed loading. Should the first floor be sealed off with only access for repair and maintenance it would be necessary to jack up and repair the central truss by replacing the removed members, and add ancillary bracings. Alternatively, the first floor could be removed and roof structure lowered to create a single storey Hall. Should the first floor be sealed off or removed the access stairs could be dispensed with," they say.

They recommend that the first floor partitions be demolished, and that the external stairs facing the football pavilion be removed. The central roof truss should be replaced.

Work recommended in the hall itself, includes resurfacing the floor, replacing some of the partitions, fixing the ceiling, and repainting.

In the hall kitchen, the report recommends new vinyl floor tiles, wall repairs and repainting.

In the caretaker's bedroom and living room, the walls and ceilings need to be repaired and repainted, new light fittings installed and new carpet laid.

The caretaker's laundry should be converted into a kitchen and the

present kitchen should become a meeting room. The caretaker's bathroom also needs a toilet, a repaint and new vinyl floor covering.

Councillor Anne Martin, who has had a long involvement in campaigns to improve the White House, says she is pushing strongly for the money to be allocated.

She says the renovations would mean the hall could be used for a further 50 years. "They are not cosmetic or patchwork, they are major renovations," she says. "I am hoping to increase the use of the building. It is unrealistic with the present poor conditions of the building to expect hirers to pay for the use of it."

The architects identify various problems with the building.

They say that the laundry, bathroom and toilet facilities provided for the caretaker are inadequate and archaic. Some of the stumps and parts of the flooring, particularly on the verandah facing the football ground, are in poor condition. Also, the verandah rafters are too small and too widely spaced.

"As to the building as a whole, we are greatly concerned for the safety of the public if the upper floor is used for any purpose of storage or public use without strengthening of the structure and compliance with regulations relating to fire protection and means of egress. In practical terms we see the solution to this problem being the complete closure or removal of the upper floor," they say.

"We consider the building to be of historical value, with the original cottage section worthy of restoration externally. In particular it is recommended that consideration be given to removing the corrugated iron fly roof and restoring the roof to a form that would have been apparent to the passer-by at the time of construction."

"Should it be decided to remove the external southern stairs, the opportunity would exist to present the whole south elevation, by means of forecourt design, in a manner appropriate not only for the cottage but also the main entrance of the hall."

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Warrandyte fire brigade played South Warrandyte in the final of the tug-of-war with Sergeant Jim Archibald standing by with his pistol to put down any badly injured contestant. In the end he merely presented the trophy to Ivan Edwards of the Warrandyte team.



The Tarroona Avenue Kindergarten kids swanned it down Yarra Street on Ron Cuthbert's truck.



One of the newest recruits to the Wyena Pony Club.

Sport for a village

Letter

Hang your heads, you adult competitors in the festival canoe race. The Diary can vouch for the veracity of the serious allegations contained in the following letter. We can also vouch for the fact that the two youngsters in question did it the hard way. They also did it well. Our photographers report that they were one of the few combinations to get up the various rapids by such paddle-power and skill that other entrants should have been more than a touch jealous.

Dear Diary,
My brother and I went in the Warrandyte Festival canoe race against other kids and adults. We came fifth behind four boats that grown-ups took out of the water and ran along a track beside the river for a long way. My dad, who ran along beside us, told the man in charge but he only laughed and said it was only a fun race.

It wasn't much fun to me and my brother.

Jarad Pinder,
Age 10

Everard Drive

PS: We had good fun at the concert though.



Half the kids of Warrandyte found tootling around on the free buses the best part of the festival.

by the strangest of horses. And what's that it's dropping?

The back of Getson's has never looked so lively. Buy a book from the Lamplighter and he autographs it. Up to the fire station for a peek at the paintings. "Cuppa, love? And a biscuit? The money goes to the association."

Off to Stiggants by shank's pony (it would be a pity to bounce a couple of kids from the bus; they're having such fun).

An overcast Sunday but the rain has conveniently fallen overnight. Nevertheless, the tug-of-war teams slip and slide in the mud. The announcer mentions that Sergeant Jim Archibald has his pistol ready to put down any seriously injured contestant. Instead he gives the prize.

Uphill the bands are limbering up and the youngsters drift over from having their bike registration numbers etched by the Lions Club. The bands pump out a distinctive Australian sound these days. The inhabitants of this place 130 years ago probably played the same sort of music, sans amplification.

The light dims, the traders pack up their goods and the musicians their chords. It's over for another year.

But a pleasant feeling remains.



The Warrandyte market split in two for the festival. Here, customers and traders mingle at the back of Getson's.

Kids have their day

Children from Warrandyte Primary School and local kindergartens held their own festival parade on the Friday at the school.

Watched by a large crowd, the pupils and staff paraded around the quadrangle, dressed in outfits representing a variety of careers. There was even a punk teacher.



Oliver Kas, 4, of Webb Street, was riding the last bike in the parade and welcomed a helping hand.



Heading for the finishing line are John Boyle (bow) and ex-Olympian Bryan Harper.



Warrandyte Lions gave their time to engrave bicycles registrations. Here, Jarra Bullen, of Somers Road, takes his turn.



The Columbine under the dark glasses is Molly Docking, president of the Warrandyte Elderly Citizens Club.



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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.

BASKETBALL CLUB

Meets on the second Thursday of the month at the community centre, 7.30pm.

CANOE CLUB

Inquiries: John Morey, 844 3832. Easter trip down the Snowy River.

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):

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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.

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COMMUNITY EDUCATION OFFICE

Inquiries — Rosemary Tovey, 844 2985.

COMMUNITY MARKET

First Saturday of the month. Casual bookings required on the Tuesday before the market between 10am and noon. Inquiries — Sue Boyle, 844 2683.

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: Training every Sunday morning and every Thursday at 8 pm. Monthly meeting every second Thursday at 8 pm. Fire calls 844 3798. Business calls 844 3375. Inquiries: R. Bellinger (captain) 844 1020 or D. Gelme (secretary) 844 2592.

NORTH WARRANDYTE FIREWORKERS' ASSOCIATION

Brigade social club, meets fourth Wednesday of the month at 8 pm at the station. Inquiries: 844 2418 or 844 3528.

GIRL GUIDES

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

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Thursday April 10, guest speaker from the National Trust. At the community centre at 8 pm. Inquiries: 844 2438.

LITTLE BUGGAS

Sunday May 6, Mystery Day at Community Centre with park rangers.

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.

OCCASIONAL CARE CENTRE

Uniting Church, Tuesday to Friday 9am to 11.30am. Inquiries — Ann Hardy, 844 1039.

SCOUTS

Cubs and scouts meet weekly. Inquiries — Jenny Green, 712 0328.

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.

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A village of egg-heads, and well off to boot

Warrandyte people are better-educated and better off than the average Australian, according to the last census.

The figures show that on the night of June 30, 1981, 37.1 per cent of villagers who had left school had gone on to gain some other educational qualification, from trade certificate up. Nationally, the percentage was 24.2.

Nearly one in 10 (9.1 per cent) had a bachelor's degree or better. The Australia-wide figure is 4.1 per cent. And fully 1.7 per cent were in the egghead class with a master's degree or a doctorate. This compares with 0.5 per cent for the nation.

We stayed at school longer. The median age at which we left was 16 years, a year longer than most of the population.

And the Commonwealth Statistician, Mr R.J. Cameron, found us a wealthy little enclave. Three years ago 25.5 per cent of Warrandyte households had an income of

The Diary continues its irregular series based on the last census.

\$15,000 or above. The national figure was 13.4 per cent.

Two hundred and six men and 15 women, or 5.5 per cent, put their income at more than \$26,000. Only 2.2 per cent of all Australian households had that much.

To pull in that extra cash Warrandyte women went out to work. One thousand and eighty-six of the village labour force of 2776 were women. That 39 per cent compares with the Australian average of 37 per cent.

We toiled for our money, but not as hard as some. The percentage of Warrandyte workers putting in more than 35 hours a week on the job in 1981 was 70.4. The national figure was 74.9 per cent.

Slightly more of us than average (4.4 versus 3.9 per cent) described ourselves as self-employed yet fewer (6.7 to 7 per cent) worked at

home. And there were more bosses among us. Some 3.7 per cent said they were employers, compared to the Australia-wide figure of 2.3.

And for whom did we work in 1981? Almost exactly the same proportion (69.3 per cent) as the national figure were out in private industry. Of the public servants in our midst, fewer than average (4.8 to 7.3 per cent) worked for the Commonwealth Government, more than average (17.3 to 15.3) got a State Government cheque and exactly the same proportion as the national figure (1.7 per cent) were employed by local councils.

The vast majority of us took a car to work, either as a passenger or a driver. The comparison is 74.7 to 62.2 per cent. Strangely, for an "environment-conscious" town, only five men (0.2 per cent of the labor force) bicycled to their job. The Australian figure was 1 per cent.

And there were 28 lucky people who went by shank's pony.



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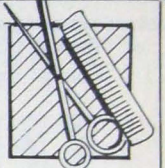
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\$166,000 grant to Co-op

Warrandyte Co-Op has been given a Federal Community Employment Program grant of \$166,866, the Federal member for Casey, Mr Pete Steedman, has announced.

He says the money will create 15 jobs and enable the Co-op to "continue its valuable work".

The child care centre will get about \$45,000. The Co-op will

employ a full-time mothercraft nurse, two part-time mothercraft nurses, and two full-time child care assistants.

To keep some sort of continuity of care, the present senior child care worker, Anne Taylor, and her assistant, Linda Oldfield, will stay at the centre.

Ms Taylor and Ms Oldfield have been employed on a one-year basis under the State Employment Initiatives Program. Because they cannot be paid from the CEP

grant, their pay will be provided from money generated by the centre.

The mud-brick and wood fuel operations will get about \$50,000. This will enable the Co-op to employ three people full-time and two part-time.

About \$8000 of the grant will be used to hire a part-time secretary for the Co-op. The rest of the money will go towards running costs such as equipment, power and rent.

Going to work

*Wake up and answer the early morning call
Before it rings four times.*

O.K. . . . bathtime.

I can feel the cold against my legs thru the cast iron of the tub.

This is the bit I hate.

*Quickly leaping out, frantically scrubbing sort of dry
and trying to stumble into my damp clothes*

Before turning in an iceperson.

The car is a good starter in the cold.

(unlike me).

*I change back to third past the footy ground,
then flatten her for the climb up the hill.*

*I come out at the top of the hill doing 100
and hit a wall of winter sun.*

It is so clean and yellow.

The sun hits the little plastic toy cows

and makes long weird shadows across the frosty ground.

Actually they are real cows.

Is this life imitating art?

God, this is a feeling of power.

Awake now, and drinking in the beauty of the landscape.

Feeling the car roaring along, and obeying the signals

I give it with my hands and feet.

The city appears now,

Just a little cluster of blocks

in the far distance.

I'm glad I have my job.

I'm glad I work in the city.

I like the daily contrast.

I like to go to the city.

I like to return to the river every nite.

Thru Bulleen the traffic slows me down.

All the power and elation are gone.

I am boxed in now.

*I turn my little mental knob down a few notches and
switch off.*

Go with the flow.

Zen in a traffic jam.

Might play some games.

What does that bumper sticker say?

F.O.T.Z.

What does F.O.T.Z. mean?

Must be a new FM station.

Frank Opens The Zippyvan.

No, that doesn't work.

*I give up and sneak my car up closer so I read the little
words on the sticker.*

Friends Of The Zoo, it says.

Gawd, they even have a community support group for the zoo.

I look at other cars in the jam.

Everyone is smoking fags and looking straight ahead.

I arrive at the office car park and note my fellow workers

pouring into the building.

I have corny thoughts.

I imagine they are all lemmings.

I imagine they all have oedipus complexes,

and that David Syme and Co. is a huge warm secure motherwoman.

I get off at the 3rd floor (creative people)

and wink at my reflection in the lift mirror.

It's showtime folks.

Last month we published a story about a local poet, Mal Morgan. A sample of his work is printed below

A piece by a long-time local resident, Bill McAuley, is printed at left.

To Muriel Telfer, artist

*your colours
are like the chosen people
we talked about each has a
face profiled
by the hand that gave it
light . . .
your houses
fly out of sunlight
they smile
red roofs
slip and slide
or hide
purplish
tucked in green foliage
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figures and faces
seascapes
landscapes
burgeon
to their promised seasons
nuances
dot
dart
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Early pointer to Bloods' chances

Warrandyte football supporters will get an early guide this season to their newly-promoted team's prospects in EDFL second division.

The Bloods run into Upper Ferntree Gully — second-division finalists last season — at Warrandyte in the second round, on April 14.

Their performance will give a strong pointer to chances in the stronger competition this year after last season's third-division premiership.

"The game against Ferntree Gully will be a valuable test," Warrandyte Football Club vice-president Ken McKenzie told the Diary.

"If we beat them, it will confirm a strong conviction within the club that we have a team capable of making the finals despite the step up into second division.

"Indeed, we would only have to maintain last season's form — and bear in mind that we lost only one game — to take part in the finals.

Warrandyte rounded off their preparation for the new season with a win over Coburg Amateurs at Coburg.

It was the last of three practice

matches for the Bloods and they remained unbeaten in the warm-ups by holding out a fast-finishing Coburg after leading by six goals at the last change.

Warrandyte have lost only one player — centreman Denis O'Brien, who has retired — from last year's premiership team.

Training has been impressive and the club hold high expectations for recruits Don Arnold and Don Coutts, both half-forwards.

They also expect big things from under-18 players Chris Snaidero, Wayne Clarke, John O'Brien and Brian Scicluna.

"All these boys will be pressing for senior selection," Mr McKenzie said.

"It is a most healthy sign for the club that a crop of juniors like this will be competing with the established senior players for places in the top side.

"Certainly, it will eliminate any suggestion of complacency among the seniors."

Despite the talent in the under-18s, the team are still seeking players. Prospective players should contact coach Dennis O'Brien on 844 2236.

Prospects for the new season are excellent elsewhere at junior

level. Attendances at under-16 and under-14 training have been high — as has enthusiasm.

Membership tickets are now on sale and officials urge local supporters to get right behind the club in their campaign for back-to-back premierships.

Tickets are available from Shane Revell (844 3887).

The club also remind residents that they are running weekly bingo nights in conjunction with the Warrandyte RSL Social Club.

It's eyes down at 7.30 pm each Wednesday in the RSL Hall in Brackenbury Street.

DYTES' DOUBLE

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East Ringwood set about the run chase resolutely and had reached 1/102 at the end of the second day.

They continued to bat sensibly when play resumed on the final day but White and Lloyd eventually broke through.

Warrandyte's cause was advanced by tight bowling and two brilliant catches by captain-coach John Salter, who had already played a big part with a century in the semi-final and 72 in the grand final.

The pennant victory was a real team effort, but club officials were quick to highlight the performance of Robert White, who followed up his big grand final score by taking 5/60 off 30 overs in East Ringwood's total of 243.

Lloyd finished with 3/83 off 40 overs.

Club officials attributed Warrandyte's improvement this season to a dependable opening batting combination of Graham Jacobs and Wayne Amiguet and greater depth down the order.

They also paid high tribute to the leadership and personal contributions of Salter, whose last three innings produced two centuries and 72.

The Under-16s had a couple of anxious moments on their way to the pennant, but the result was convincing enough.

They dismissed Mooroolbark for 137 in reply to 194 after collapsing from an overnight 3/140.

Several of the under-16s have already played senior cricket with distinction and approaches have been made to them by District clubs.

It was the Warrandyte senior XI's third premiership in the past five seasons and their second in four years in the tough Chandler Shield competition.

And it was the first time a local under-16 side had won a pennant in the top section of their age group.

Top awards to Jacobs, Lloyd

Graham Jacobs and Graeme Lloyd have won Warrandyte Cricket Club's senior XI batting and bowling awards for the 1983-84 premiership season.

Trophies for the senior season were awarded at a victory function at East Ringwood Entertainment Centre a few hours after the grand final.

Jacobs, a former Melbourne and South Melbourne league footballer, won the batting trophy with consistent performances as an opener.

His partner, Wayne Amiguet, won the captain's trophy.

Lloyd, who has spearheaded Warrandyte's attack for the past few seasons, is one of the most feared bowlers in RDCA ranks and his award was a foregone conclusion long before the finals.

Bruce Kline and Robert White shared the first XI fielding award.

Jenny Chapman and Sharon Smith dominated proceedings in the women's team.

Jenny took both the batting and bowling trophies and Sharon the fielding and captain's awards.

Fittingly, Jenny also won the Alan Chapman Memorial Trophy, awarded to the best woman player in memory of her late father, one of the most illustrious names in Warrandyte's cricket history.

David Sloan won the Les Adams Shield for the best junior.

SENIORS

FIRSTS: Batting, Graham Jacobs; bowling, Graeme Lloyd; fielding, Robert White, Bruce Kline; captain's trophy, Wayne Amiguet.

SECONDS: Brian Scicluna, David Stockley, Reece Kline, Colin Dorning.

THIRDS: Mark Davis, Alan Vittritti, Ayn Utt, Michael Day.

FOURTHS: Don Turner, Bernie Blair, Andrew Snaidero, John O'Brien.

FIFTHS: Lindsay Walker, Bob Leguier, Eugene Bowles, Kevin Jones.

SIXTHS: Graham Roberts, Colin Blackburn (bowling and fielding), Jim Gathercole.

WOMEN: Jenny Chapman (batting and bowling), Sharon Smith (fielding and captain's trophy).

Alan Chapman Memorial Trophy: Jenny Chapman.

Darryl Valentine Shield: Bernie Blair.

Jack McAuley Shield: Graeme Lloyd.

Special batting trophies (for centuries): John Salter (2), Graham Jacobs, Brian Scicluna, Mark Davis, Don Turner (2), Joe Peters, Harvey Harris.

JUNIORS

UNDER-16 (1): Batting: D. Peters; bowling: A. Snaidero; fielding: C. Dorning; team manager's trophy: R. Kline.

UNDER-14 (1): J. Kline, D. Vittritti, M. Hurley, D. Comrie.

UNDER-14 (4): A. Rodwell, R. Webb, P. Hughes, A. Whitchurch.

UNDER-12 KANGAS: C. Wilks, D. Keamy, S. Avaro, R. Kinnane.

Derek Hilton Trophy: G. Guskick.

Les Adams Shield (for junior club champion): D. Sloan.

Special bowling trophies: D. Vittritti, under-14 (1), 6/14 including hat-trick, versus East Ringwood; A. Snaidero, under-16, 7/31 including hat-trick, versus North Ringwood; D. Sloan, Under-16, 7/41, versus Vermont.

Sewerage is coming

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"Sewerage is coming, like it or not, but while we should accept the benefits of it we need to consider what effort the community is prepared to devote to influencing the manner of its arrival," a delegation spokesman said.

"Perhaps the most contentious area is the route along Andersons Creek. The alignment along the Yarra is mainly just outside the property boundaries, missing most trees.

"On reaching Anderson's Creek, the alignment turns to pass

under Everard Drive to the east of the creek, runs parallel to the creek to cross it near the north oval.

"Open-cut trenching will be necessary and will change the 'wild' character of that pocket. An alternative route would be very costly.

"Much agitation by groups such as WEL would lead to the inevitable accusations of 'obsessive greenie' behaviour by many, and yet the clearing, like that across from the fire station, is an irretrievable loss to the character of the area. Feedback is needed now — before it is too late," the

spokesman said.

The president of the Warrandyte Advisory Committee, Mr Bob Karl, says the system "has certainly been a long time coming, but, with the way things are developing, this time it will eventually reach us".

WAC has formed a sub-committee to examine the plans. "It is just a matter of getting information now," Mr Karl says. "There are some worries but they appear to be minor. The environmental concerns can be worked out fairly easily."

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Warrandyte has completed a rare — perhaps unique — sporting double by winning the Ringwood District Cricket Association's senior pennant.

Veteran local sports followers cannot recall a precedent for Warrandyte teams winning senior football and cricket premierships in just a matter of months.

The footballers set up the double last September by winning the EDFL third division flag.

And Warrandyte Cricket Club's Chandler Shield team wrapped it up on March 31 by bowling out East Ringwood to comfortably win the RDCA grand final.

The Under-16s made it a fine cricketing double, too, by beating Mooroolbark in their grand final and maintaining their unbeaten record for the season.

To complete a great season, four Warrandyte players won the association trophies in their sections.

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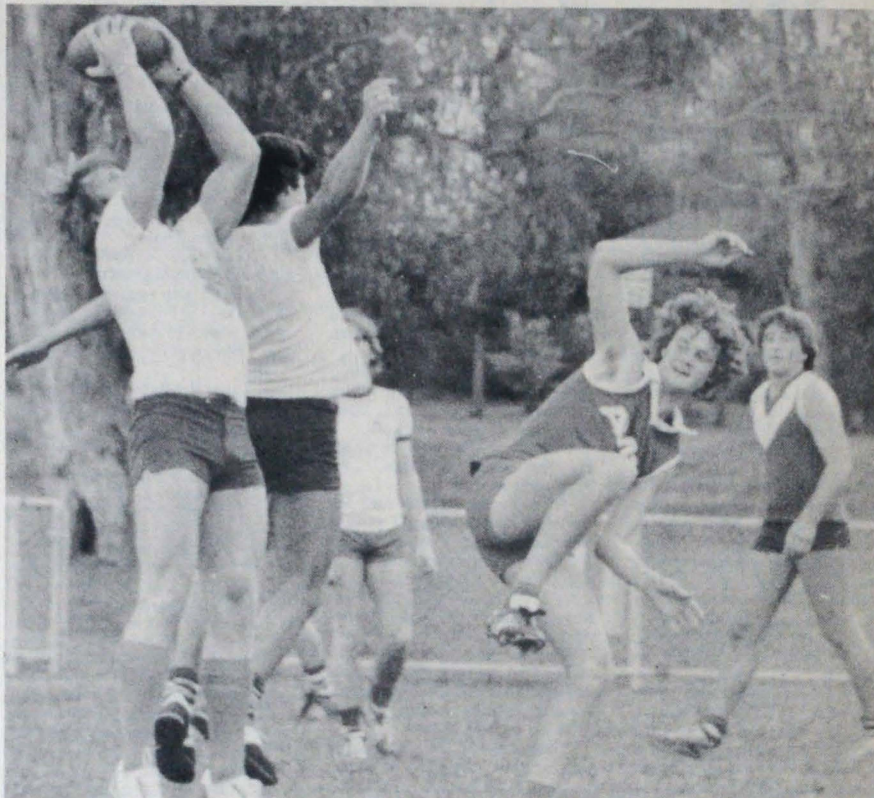
Ever-consistent seamer Graeme Lloyd won the bowling trophy for the second year in a row and was runner-up for the Bill Dean Medal, awarded to the best and fairest player in the association.

Don Turner took the RDCA batting award for the fourths (with an average better than 90) and under-16 stars Darren Peters and Andrew Snaidero won the batting and bowling trophies respectively.

The senior XI overcame stubborn resistance from East Ringwood on the last day of the three-day grand final to win by 61 runs.

Warrandyte were a solid 4/191 at stumps on the first day and a spirited partnership between Robert White, who top-scored with 84, and Bruce Kline (30) carried the score to 9/304 after a mid-innings slump.

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The shape of things to come . . . again? It's a sight long familiar to Warrandyte football fans: Ron Wilson outmarking the opposition. The goalkicking sensation shows his 1984 form with this fine grab at training. Caught in "mid-dance" is Chris Snaidero.

FINALS DETAILS

SENIORS

Semi-final: Warrandyte 5/217 (Salter 103, Jacobs 68, Amiguet 42) d. Norwood 193 (Lloyd 4/62, Jungwirth 3/48, White 2/14).

Grand Final: Warrandyte 9/304 (White 84, Salter 72, B. Kline 30, Jacobs 22, J. Chapman 20) d. East Ringwood 243 (White 5/60, Lloyd 3/83, Pascoe 2/47).

UNDER-16 (1)

Semi-final: Warrandyte 6/183 (C. Dorning 53 n.o., R. Kline 39, Sturesteps 30 n.o., Sloan 20 n.o.) d. South Wantirna 102 (Sloan 2/6, Dorning 2/19, O'Brien 2/32, Snaidero 2/34).

Grand Final: Warrandyte 194 (Dorning 43, Kline 35, Peters 28) d. Mooroolbark 137 (Peters 3/10, O'Brien 2/25, Sloan 2/55).

UNDER-14 (4)

Semi-final: Warrandyte 102 lost to South Croydon 151 (Webb 5/40).

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