

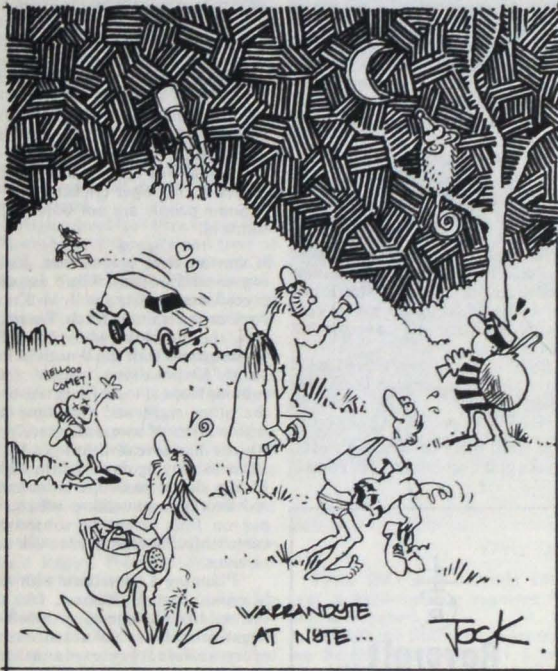
Warrandyte Diary

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If this is 1986, then that must be Halley's



So how the hell are you?
Been better; been worse.
Did you see the comet?

I'm not really interested in airplanes. Besides, I seem to remember those Comets kept crashing, splat-tering Poms all over the Mediterranean.

Not the plane, you fool. I mean yer actual astro-nomical manifestation. Mr Halley's thingamijig.

Oh that. Well, yes and no. We were down at a mate's place in Ivanhoe and he insisted that we go out and have a butcher's at it. If I remember rightly it was between the curry and the mousse.

I've never heard of those constellations.
I refer to courses, old mate. Anyway we went out-side. Geoff had the binoculars his grandfather brought back from the First World War...

Which side did he fight on?
I'll ignore that. All I can say is I think I saw it... a fuzzy little bugger up near the Southern Cross. Not like the last time it came. They say it filled a third of the sky.

Disappointing, wasn't it.
You're not wrong. And dangerous.
How so?

You remember how those thousands of people went tooting off to Mount Dandenong and Jells Park every night to catch a glimpse of it? Newspaper mates of mine had to go out and photograph the crowd.

So?
Well, imagine a couple of thousand people strain-ing their eyes in pitch black to see this fiery messenger.

Then, all of a sudden; a newspaper photographer belts off a couple of dozen flashes in their general vicinity. Night sight evaporates, and dazzled and angry stargazers advance on the press in the style of a lynching party.

What did they do?
What every newspaperman since time immemorial has done; they ran and then sought solace in strong drink. But I must say that we did get a good glimpse eventually. You remember how they were advertising the comet tour of Jumping Creek Reserve?

Certainly.
We took it in, old chum, along with half of Warran-dyte and about a tenth of the rest of Melbourne. It was like going to the drive-in in the old days. Jumping Creek Road was packed with the beggars. Had to park half-way back to Potters Cottage. Trouble was they advertised the shebang on LO and AW and all points between. We stumbled a couple of kilometres down the track, spotted the possums and staggered out into the middle of the damper and billy tea, coun-try and western crap and a couple of thousand voyeurs.

Terrible was it?
Terrible? It was wonderful! We spotted it just left of The Pointers. Like a ball at the end of a bright tun-nel. Nice to know that you've seen it.

You enjoyed it then?
Sure did. And we'll enjoy it again next year.
Next year! Halley's Comet isn't due to return until 2062.
You're joking. Why don't people ever tell you these things?

Upgrade for our roads

At last something is to be done about the worst of North Warrandyte's shock-ing roads.

Eltham Council this month ap-proved its capital works program for 1986/87 and allocated around \$600,000 for Warrandyte projects.

Subject to finance, the coming financial year should see:

- **Research Road:** reconstruction from Banning Road to Bradleys Lane and a maintenance reseal from there to Kangaroo Ground Road.

- **Glynns Road:** Lightweight pave-ment seal from Research Road to Overbank Road.

- **Professor's Hill Reserve:** Con-struction of perimeter fence and gates.

- **North Warrandyte Community**

Centre: Construction of car park to improve access for emergency vehicles.

- **Old Post Office:** Provision of an office for the Citizens' Advice Bureau.

- **Warrandyte Community Child Care Centre:** Building extension.

- **Warrandyte High School:** Conti-nuing contribution to building the gymnasium/theatre.

Eltham councillor John Fisher said the projects are still subject to success in the council's loan bor-rowing program and grants from the Road Construction Authority, but, he says, "I have been informed by council officers that it is unlikely that there will be any problems in obtaining the required financial support."

Councillor Fisher believes that the project most likely to generate

interest and concern is the reconstruction of Research Road, between Banning Road and Bradleys Lane.

This stretch is notorious for ac-cidents, averaging one every three weeks or so.

Councillor Fisher says: "I know that for many years residents have been urging council to upgrade this very dangerous section of road, but council has a priority list of road projects for the shire and this one had to wait its turn. Fortunately that turn has now arrived."

The councillor did not say which stretches of other roads in the shire were more dangerous.

Work should commence late this year or early next year depending on negotiations.

Councillor Fisher said final plans will be subject to community con-

sultation. Residents and others in-terested should get in touch with John Fisher or ring Peter Brown of the shire engineer's department on 430 1269.

Councillor Fisher said the pro-jects had been strongly supported by the other North Riding coun-cillors. Mary Grant and Robert Marshall.

The councillor urged Warran-dyte citizens to become more in-volved in decision making and to use the pressure of numbers to put their point to local councils.

"Residents are probably aware that we are operating in a climate of budgetary restraint and spending cuts. At the same time the State Government is devolving more responsibility to local government.

"These pressures, together with a greater community awareness of

local government, mean that there is a strong and growing competition for council's limited resources. Therefore those seeking financial support from council must be prepared to work hard to sell their causes."

Councillor Fisher continued: "We have to face the fact that there will always be more projects than money to fund them. Therefore I believe the local community should determine its priorities rather than leaving it up to council.

"In this case we have the War-randyte Advisory Committee, established to provide advice to Doncaster and Templestowe Council and to Eltham Council on the needs of the community.

"I would prefer to see all funding applications channelled through or referred to this committee for com-ment before council makes a deci-sion."

Heigh ho, they all came to the fair

By LYNNE CAPELLANI
of the festival committee

Once again the community spirit that is Warrandyte provided the success of this year's festival.

How wonderful to see all the schools involved in so many ac-tivities, and community groups and individuals joining in to help, partici-pate and enjoy.

The weather was on our side, and bathed in sunshine the parade started off the festivities. From there the choices were many and varied.

Dress-ups on stage, compered by Greg Lawrence and Peter Stubbs, canoe racing and raft frivolities on the Yarra, market stalls by the river-bank, goodies to eat from the many

food bars... and if you had the stamina, dancing that night.

With the Yarra Yobboes, pets parade, gumboot tossing and the tug 'o' war, there was something for everyone.

And to end it all, the festival con-tinued its tradition of the free con-cert, topped by everyone's favorite, Paraddiddle.

Didn't the kids get a kick out of seeing their favorite teacher, "Snowy", up there on stage?

This unique community of ours will remember that last weekend in March and plan enthusiastically for 1987.

Pictures: middle pages.

Stuff that Diary box

The Diary repeats its standing in-vitation for contributors.

This month has been enlivened by a touch of poetry. More would be appreciated.

Also gratefully received will be news reports, sports stories, short stories, memories, gossip for Smokey Joe, vignettes, photo-graphs, cartoons and drawings.

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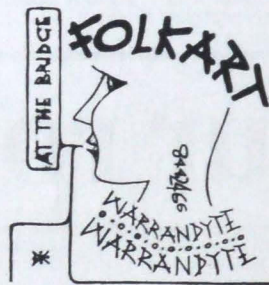
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Smokey Joe

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Now, if only the stores down by the new supermarket turn out to contain a bookshop, TAB . . .

★ ★

Congratulations to local scouts on the first edition of their new "Yoogali Yarn" newsletter. Smokey intends to comb further editions for snippets.

★ ★

It was at a Lebanese restaurant in Heidelberg and the belly dancer sashayed in around 9 pm, hips awiggling.

The little bloke taken out because he hadn't been feeling well, immediately put down his Masters of the Universe, took up his 99 cent plastic telescope and concentrated on the lady's navel.

Belly dancers, when convulsed with laughter, shake in funny places.

★ ★

Pint-sized mate of Smokey's eats, drinks and lives cricket. He plays it

at school then comes home and uses his four-year-old brother as the stumps.

So when his school — the Village School in North Croydon — turned on a proper cricket match against a neighboring bunch, a game complete with creams, umpires and dreams of glory, mother was surprised to find that Brendan had not taken part.

When questioned, Brendan explained: "Well we always play with tennis balls. But this time I knew it was going to be dangerous . . . they played with proper cricket balls."

Some people are not born to be samurai.

★ ★

It was an eerie coincidence: Collingwood Football Club in unprecedented crisis, and John Knox back on the training track. There he was, the big bloke who played 58 senior games with the Woods in the early '60s, walking (rather than running) laps at local footy training the other night and following up with a series of awesome exercises. Knoxie has spread a little (a lot?) since his playing days and the sight of him doing push-ups in his cute red shorts is something which, is put on film, might be subject to censorship. Smokey had to ask the obvious:

"Planning a comeback with the Magpies, mate?" Knoxie, face as red as his bloomers, growled a negative reply. In the absence of a more satisfactory explanation, then, we assume he is rehearsing for a "save the whale" commercial or a role in "Wrestlemania".

★ ★

The newly formed Warrandyte High School parents association — "Whispa" for short — has published a herbal recipe book. The book, costing \$5, is available at the school.



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Olive takes up life in the fast treadle

Olive Davis is entering another career. From hunching over a typewriter she'll be bending over a sewing machine.

Olive, of Lewis Road, is making children's clothes, from baby size to pre-school.

The idea came when Olive's friend Idau Hancock of East Doncaster went into cake-making.

"I thought I'd do the same — and maybe I still will — but then I changed my mind," said Olive this month. "So dressmaking it is. I used to make all my own clothes in high school."

High school for Olive was in Port Moresby and then Rabaul (one of only two senior high schools in Papua New Guinea at that time).

Olive then won a cadetship in journalism at the Post Courier in Port Moresby.

At the same time Warrandyte's Mark Davis was wending his way north from the Herald to Port Moresby via Darwin.

They worked on the same paper, met, quarrelled when Mark substituted Olive's copy, realised they had more in common than a working relationship, married and came south.

Olive worked for Radio Australia's Papua New Guinea service here in Melbourne.

She produced programs on science, women's interests and current affairs. The one she remembers most fondly recalled Louis Armstrong and his music.



Olive Davis at work.

From 1983 until recently Olive was a hard-working reporter for this newspaper.

She left the Diary to concentrate on the Davis children, Seri, 5, and 18 month-old Lakani, who is shap-

ing up as a future centre half back for Warrandyte.

Anyone wanting details of Olive's range of children's clothes should ring 844 1186.

It's black and white to Father Fred

The recently appointed pastor of the Catholic parish of St Gerard's and St Anne's, Father Fred Van Gestel, is no stranger to our area.

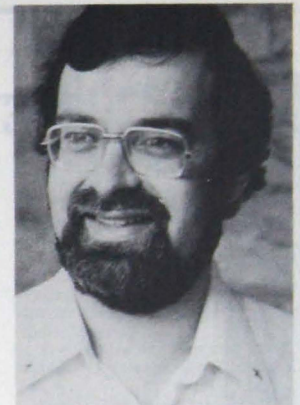
As a student at the Sacred Heart Monastery in the early seventies, he would frequent the portals of several local identities' and assist the then parish priest, Father Vyn Bailly.

This association grew considerably, when six years ago he was requested to take care of the parish for three months upon the death of Fr. Frank Mullane. It was during his stay that the school of St Anne's at Park Orchards was opened. Since then he has spent two more months with us to give the pastor a break.

Father Fred, as he prefers to be known as, was born into a family of nine kids in Holland, where he spent (misspent, he believes) seven years as a youngster trying to keep up with the pranks of his five elder brothers.

Another seven years in Belgium gave him a great love of the lifestyle and cultures of Europe. These still have a marked influence on him. Parishioners have described his liturgies as creative, enjoyable, yet filled with the mystery of the Divine.

In 1959, the whole Van Gestel family migrated to Sydney, where they soon left a mark on the local church. John Van Gestel, the father, was a brilliant musician, who had his own music groups and choirs. So within months the reputation of the Naremburn Youth Choir had spread far and wide.



Father Fred Gestel: from a musical family.

Several television appearances followed. This musical influence has always stood Father Fred in good stead, and he still enjoys liturgical music.

Training for the priesthood began in 1964 with a year's spiritual formation. This was followed by nine years theological studies, during which he also attended the Australian National University, and postgraduate work at Melbourne University.

Ordination came on December 8, 1973.

The 12 years of priestly ministry have brought varied and fulfilling tasks. They have ranged from teaching in several secondary schools in Bowral, NSW, and Darwin to parish work in Adelaide and Sydney, and chaplaincy at the University of NSW for five years.

He assures us that life as pastor in Warrandyte-Park Orchards is most enjoyable and rewarding, and he is looking forward to a good number of years here.

Being an ardent Collingwood supporter, he is deeply convinced of the possibility of miracles.

Convention coming

Warrandyte is to host a Lions convention early next year, and the event will centre on our high school.

The Lions Club of Warrandyte will sponsor the event on behalf of the Lions' 201VI district (that's Lionese for a big chunk of Victoria) on the weekend beginning February 13.

Zone chairman Eddy Hendriks, who belongs to the Warrandyte Club, described the high school's facilities as magnificent.

"It has a theatre to seat 300 for plenary sessions, a big gymnasium for receptions and ample space for open-air events and parking," he said.

"We hope to attract up to 400 delegates."

Eddy said the flag ceremony and official opening of the convention

would be held outside, in a typical bushland setting in the school grounds.

The convention program will be built around "Enjoying Working Together", the theme of district governor-elect Alan Moore.

Warrandyte Lions hope to attract delegates from as far north as Nagambie and Broadford.

Other delegates are expected from Doncaster-Templestowe, Park Orchards, Donvale, Kew, Camberwell, Malvern, the central Melbourne clubs and South and Port Melbourne.

Said Eddy Hendriks: "Warrandyte has much to attract people, and during that weekend the Lions club is determined to put on as much a show as possible, making this convention a most memorable one for visitors and Warrandyte citizens alike."

Baby capsules are available in Eltham

Eltham Council is taking part in the State Government's baby safety capsule program, widely regarded as the best car safety measures yet for infants.

Councillor John Fisher says the council has available for loan 154 baby safety capsules. They can be borrowed on a \$20 deposit. \$10 of which is retained to cover costs.

John Fisher says the scheme has been well received and all capsules

have been allocated until September this year.

In special circumstances a capsule will be allocated on the basis of need. Otherwise it's first come, first served.

Because of the demand council officers recommend that mothers-to-be apply for a capsule no later than 10 weeks into the pregnancy.

The person to contact about the scheme is Tricia Hlasko of welfare services on 430 1265.

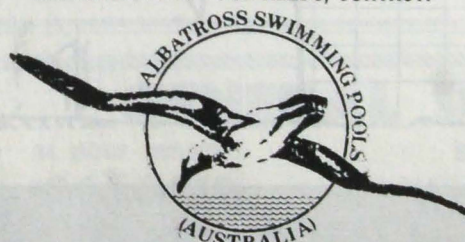


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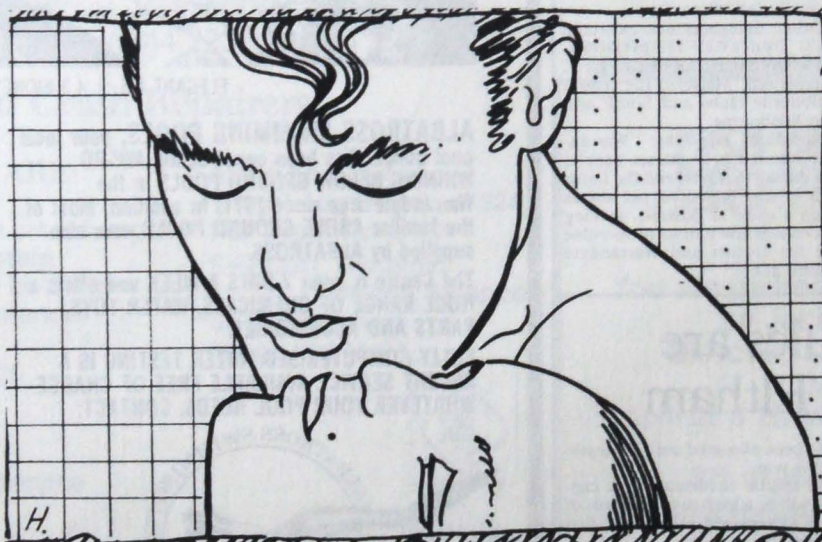
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Senior citizens take top spot

Warrandyte has won the VCOTA award for the best senior citizens centre in the metropolitan area.

Social secretary Helen Ward and her husband Bill, a committee member, attended a dinner at the Southern Cross Hotel and received the award there.

President Nora Warr and committee member Mars Hailey represented the Warrandyte Senior Citizens Centre at the March 6 garden party at Government House. The Queen spoke to both of them.

Six days later the centre's concert party entertained customers at Greensborough shopping centre.

Then it was the turn of the senior

citizens to be entertained. Warrandyte Primary School's bush band and choir went to the centre on March 20.

Secretary Maisie Temple says members enjoy the childrens music and songs. "Every week we have three or four students from the school come along to talk to us, help serve teas and wash up. Their help is very much appreciated."

The last event for the month was a trip to Torquay to see the steam museum.

Maisie Temple extends an invitation. "There are lots of good things going on at the Senior Citizens Centre in Taroona Avenue. Come along and see for yourself."

Brigade gets new truck

North Warrandyte Rural Fire Brigade is now the proud possessor of a third fire truck, paid for by the Country Fire Authority.

At a ceremony recently David Owen, CFA deputy regional officer, handed over the keys of the \$60,000 unit to brigade captain John Swindley.

Of North Warrandyte's other trucks, one comes from the CFA and a smaller unit was bought by the brigade itself.

Brigade member Mike Allen says North Warrandyte is still on the lookout for new members, especially men and women who are in Warrandyte during the day.

Brownies, guides, on the go

Warrandyte guides have been on the move.

In March, 60 brownies, guides and ranger guides, together with 17 leaders and assistants, held a district camp at Britannia Park, Yarra Junction.

The theme for the camp was 1986, the international year of peace.

During the three-day camp the girls swam, completed an obstacle course, learned to weave using natural materials and constructed a "tree of peace". At night there were singsongs and skits around the campfire.

Guides and ranger guides stayed in tents while the brownies used cottages on the site.

The guides were very pleased to receive a donation of \$250 from the Warrandyte Lions Club in March.

The money will go towards buying compasses and ropes and balls and other indoor sporting equipment.

Jennifer Curwood, who is district commissioner, says leaders are always required for local units. In particular, the 1st Guide Unit needs a leader.

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Apathy and harassment

I agree with Ms Youlten's letter in the March Diary. There is too much apathy towards sexual harassment and rape. I for one would like to do something about these crimes that seem to be ignored or protected by the law.

The next attack might be on you or your loved ones; let's do something now before it's too late!

Our children are the women of the future. Let's give them a better chance than what we had.

Mrs K. Hynes
(can be contacted through a letter to the Diary)

Bouquets for bread project

Congratulations to the Warrandyte Community Workshop Co-operative and to Audrey (Walsh) Drechsler for her stimulus, in setting up the project, as reported in the March issue of the diary, to re-establish Walsh's Old Bakery and produce REAL bread.

One has only to see the rush to buy homemade bread at weekend markets and street stalls to realise how great the demand is for something better than the breads now sold, which are tasteless and resemble damp wettext in texture, and for those so labelled to attract "health food" addicts. The latter breads in many instances still resemble wettext into which has been incorporated a handful of "chook food", while others seem to be a by-product of the woodchip industry.

I well remember walking along the then quiet road through the Warrandyte township and being tantalised by the aroma coming from Walsh's Bakery, and better still, eating their bread with its real nutty crust and the delicious flavor and texture of the loaf.

letters

If the project gets under way we may again have these delights. Hopefully, the aroma from the bakery will be able to compete with the car exhaust fumes of our now commuter suburb.

Good luck and good wishes to the promoters of the project.

Audrey Cahn

Edwardian flashback

Both my mother, now 82, and my mother-in-law, 91, were taken by their fathers in 1910 to see Halley's comet. I have also come across another elderly woman who was taken by her father to see the comet.

It occurred to me that in 1910 the Edwardian family was at its height. Many elderly people have memories of happy family gatherings and practical jokes.

In 1910 the belief in scientific progress was still unmarred by the later doubts following nuclear warfare.

I imagined then in many families in 1910 strong warm fathers with a strong belief in science taking their daughters, and sons too no doubt,

to see the historic event.

I wonder if I'm right and I wonder if the fathers are doing the same in 1984.

Louise Joy

Thanks for the memory

Peaceful Good Friday. The sun was shining. Birds were singing. Jumping Creek Road had ceased to be a freeway. Oh what bliss it was not to hear the rumbling of trucks and tractors.

I guess I have to keep the memory of 23 years ago and with a sigh remember that there is a word called "progress".

F.E. Sweeney,
Jumping Creek Road.

Thanks

On behalf of all our family I would like to thank the many people who came to my assistance at the accident that took the life of my husband, in particular the lady who sat with me and comforted me; the doctor who helped me, the ladies who looked after Simone and all the other people whose faces I cannot remember. Thank you all very much.

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Lions club girds up to help youngsters

Warrandyte Lions are continuing to help local youth.

Over the Christmas holidays Lions took groups to Luna Park and provided a holiday for a dozen youngsters at the Lions' own camp at Licola.

In addition, 120 kids were put through the Learn to Swim course at Warrandyte Primary School.

President Colin Davis says he is proud that the club was able to host

three Malaysian girls in local homes and to sponsor another three to stay in Adelaide.

"We are particularly proud to be sponsoring Miss Bernice Cornish as a contestant in the Miss Personality contest," said Colin.

"The money raised will go to support the Eye Bank, a cause of personal interest to Bernice," said Colin.

So far she has raised \$4600.

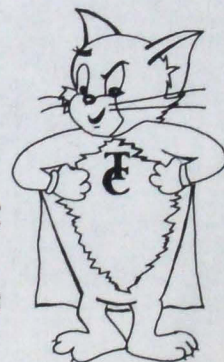
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As the Warrandyte co-ordinating body, Warrandyte Advisory Committee is happy to report that funds granted from the Warrandyte Community Market Committee for the development of the Community Centre and the purchase of a Warrandyte community bus have been placed in separate high-interest accounts.

WAC has had discussions with representatives from the Toy Library regarding more appropriate premises. We are hoping to be able to let you know in the next Diary what has been organised.

WAC is also having discussions with the Citizens' Advice Bureau regarding temporary premises until the Post Office is available.

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Encouragement has been given to the CAB and the Community Child Care Centre to apply for funding from Eltham Council. The result of these applications should soon be known.

★ ★

The suggestion has been made that a local dance be held in Warrandyte for young people who now have to go out of the village for social events. The success of the progressive dance held during the Festival indicates the popularity of such functions.

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Two independent representatives on WAC, Jan Liddicut and Greg

WAC NOTES

...prepared by
Warrandyte
Advisory
Committee.

Thorpe, have indicated that they will not be seeking re-election when their two-year term expires in August. Greg has served WAC well as chairman and convener of the physical resources sub-committee. Jan has pulled together the needs of the Community Centre and has been thinking about future planning. She has also been chairwoman of WAC and has been convener of the community Centre sub-committee.

We are, therefore, seeking Warrandyte residents who are interested in giving two years of their time in the service of the community. WAC meetings are held on the last Wednesday of every month.

The next meeting will be on April 30 at 8 pm in the Community Centre meeting room.

Anyone interested in being part of this vital committee is welcome to attend one of the meetings before the annual meeting to acquire knowledge of its functioning.

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The physical resources sub-committee has responded to the report on Horseriding Trail Networks from the City of Doncaster and Templestowe. Whereas the needs of horseriders are recognised, there is concern that virgin bush and pedestrian tracks should not be disregarded.

Everyone will be happy to hear that the pole has been moved and the roundabout can now be finished.

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A questionnaire is being prepared to establish the need for a community bus in Warrandyte. The human resources sub-committee has considered a number of immediate needs but it is necessary to have general community views tabled before submissions can be made for funding.

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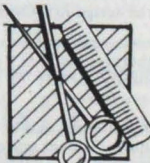
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CAB seeking a lodging spot

Warrandyte's Citizens Advice Bureau has approached the Community Centre for temporary lodgings until the restoration of the post office is completed.

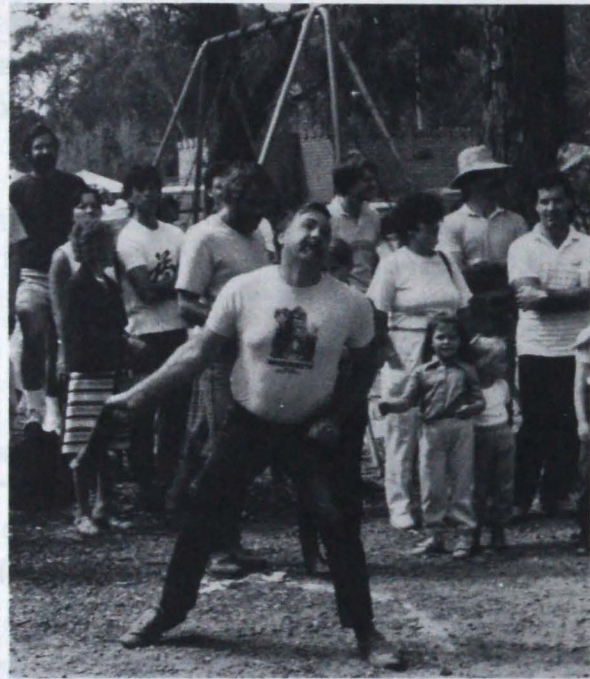
In the meantime, CAB members are discussing the financing of their permanent home by the Yarra with Eltham and Doncaster and Templestowe Councils.

Louise Joy reports: "The phone

number we have given as a temporary contact is 844 1060.

"We wonder whether prospective volunteers or people with inquiries may have been put off by Hilary Hunt's son, Malcolm, introducing himself over this number as 'police sergeant'.

"Full marks for practical joking. But anyone interested in the CAB should keep trying or else ring 844 2341 or 844 3600."



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We stand, fidgeting, excited.
Into the ring they step, chins
Uptilted. Their eyes seek the eyes of their backers.
How does a fight start?
Easy. You've seen it in hotel car parks.
Wog! Bastard!
Words steel the nerves, taughten the gut,
Destroy logic.
Kids imbibe bigotry with the milk.
The bigger boy hits first. Blood appears.
His opponent, now in the red corner, stumbles.
Then thumps back.
What a thump! The big boy's confidence
evaporates
Along with his wind.
"Ah, fair go, Mr Thompson, don't stop it."
"I've no intention boys."
And the teacher, having run up,
Strolls away.
But not before declaring his allegiance.
"Give it to him Joe!" he yells.
"Give it to him Joe!" shouts the Calabrian
chorus.
Hesitantly, first one, then the rest of the mob
Forget the sayings of home,
Forget the jibes, forget the jokes.
"Give it to him Joe!" roar we Angles and Celts.
Joe gave it to him, and as the bully wept in the
dust
A fragile friendship flowered.

FRANK CHIVELL

High school takes shape

The new Warrandyte High School is taking shape.

Around third term the \$3 million buildings will open. They consist of science laboratories, a computer centre, art and craft rooms, a music centre, a stenographic studio and administration offices.

A special feature is the joint community/school gymnasium and theatre.

Art historian will speak

Art historian Richard Haese, author of 'Rebels and Precursors', will be guest speaker at the June 10 meeting of the Warrandyte Historical Society.

On August 12, the society's guest will be Bill Garner, film writer and author of the script for 'One Summer Again'.

Both gatherings begin at 8 pm at the Community Centre in Yarra Street and are free.

Just bring friends and a small plate for supper. The tea and coffee are on the society.

Co-op has a new idea

The annual general meeting of the Warrandyte Community Workshop Co-operative Ltd will be held at the office, 176 Yarra Street, at 8pm on Monday, May 26.

Jean Chapman says the directors hope to see a large number of shareholders and any other interested members of the community who feel that they would like to become involved in the running of the co-operative.

Just Kidding has donated a glass shop counter. This means the co-op can go ahead with an idea which it had to put off because of lack of equipment and space.

Now the co-op will be able to display and sell the produce of craft workers who are trying to get a start.

Anyone interested should ring 844 2548 or 844 3326.

Share appeal is coming

The Uniting Church's Share Community Appeal will be operating in Warrandyte soon. Household heads will find envelopes in their letterboxes.

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School role for women

'A Woman's Place ... Is on the School Council', a 20-minute video produced by the Victorian Women's Advisory Council to the Premier and the Education Ministry's curriculum branch, will be available to parent groups and seminars in an effort to raise women's awareness of the role of school councils.

The video focuses on three women school councillors; a migrant woman from the inner city, a country woman and a suburban woman who is president of her school council.

The MLA for Whittlesea, Max McDonald, said: "Women and girls are the largest minorities in our modern school community — just

under half the students, half the parents and more than half the teachers — yet as decision makers they are strikingly under-represented.

"This must be changed. Women's particular experience, knowledge and skills, their close grassroots understanding of and constructive interest in children's educational development, as parents and teachers, makes their full contribution imperative. Otherwise we are wasting a valuable education resource."

of devolving greater responsibility for school management, administration and policy to school councils had made the question of women's participation all the more

urgent. "The composition of school councils should reflect the school communities they serve, but at the moment this is just not the case," Mr McDonald said.

"This year a revitalised ministerial advisory committee on women and girls is working to develop a ministry policy, which will acknowledge and take action on the serious lack of women in positions of responsibility within the Education Ministry.

"I wholeheartedly endorse the affirmative action policy of the public services in actively encouraging women to apply for positions of responsibility and in ensuring that selection panels include women members."

Coffee shop seeks helper

Warrandyte Community Workshop Co-operative's Coffee Shop is in need of a worker for four hours on Saturday night. This job could be shared.

Jean Chapman says the co-op realises that people do not want to work every Saturday night, "but there must be mature age people in the community who would like to work with young people for four hours on a Saturday night for \$6 per hour."

Jean says that Jack Law and Leigh Podporin are doing a great job co-managing the coffee shop, with Pam Egglestone working four

IN BRIEF

hours on Friday nights.

The Labor Exchange run by the Warrandyte Co-op has a job available as a "live-in" or "come-in-each-day" nanny to two children aged five and two and a half.

Anyone interested in this job is asked to ring Jean Chapman on 844 2548 or 844 3326.

Locals take out prizes

Prize winners in the Rotary Art Show, held as part of the Warrandyte Festival, were:

Category A: Maxwell Wilks; B: David Taylor; C: Stanley Farrell; D: Reg Cox.

Both Max Wilks and David Taylor, Warrandyte residents, won prizes at last year's festival, and Reg Cox now also lives here.

Other Warrandyte artists given honorable mentions were David Moore, Walter Magilton, Ron Muller and Muriel Tolfor.

'Dimboola' is on the way

Warrandyte Drama Group is presenting Jack Hibberd's comedy, 'Dimboola', over several nights in late April and May.

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Premiers! Our cricket kids time it nicely

Warrandyte's under-16s completed a rags to riches season by bringing home the Ringwood District Cricket Association premiership.

Third-last on the ladder when the competition recessed for Christmas, the Dytes slipped into the four in the last qualifying round, comfortably won their semi-final and outplayed hot favourites Croydon North in the grand final.

It was a triumph for the timing of coach Tony Graf, who had the boys in peak form at precisely the right time.

Warrandyte Cricket Club's other premiership hopes — the women's team and the under-12 (1) side — were beaten in their grand finals. It was the under-12s first defeat of the season.

In the under-16s match, Warrandyte won the toss, batted and made 166. David Bradley topscored with 51 and he received solid support from Cameron Day (28), Rohan Walker (21) and Jason Graf (18).

The Dytes struck immediately when Croydon North batted, the first three wickets falling at one, two and four.

Croydon steadied a little, but were never able to recover from that initial disaster. Neither could they come to terms with the bowling of Darren Humphries, who took 5/26 off 22 overs.

Graf chipped in with 3/34 and captain-wicketkeeper Jason Kline took three catches and made two stumpings as Croydon North were dismissed for 102.

It was a mature performance from Warrandyte in all departments of the game. Full credit must go to coach Graf for the responsible attitude he has instilled, and to the boys themselves for their positive response to his tuition.

The under-12s started well in their pursuit of Lilydale 8/145 and put on 85 for the first wicket. However, they fell behind in the run rate and wickets tumbled as they tried to force the pace. The last four wickets fell without addition to the score and Warrandyte were all out for 131.

The women's team were always struggling for runs as they chased East Ringwood's formidable 338. Jenny McLaws top-scored with 81 in Warrandyte's total of 190.

The club thank Peter McDougall and Associates, Lou's Fish Shop and West End Meats for their sponsorship throughout the season.

GRAND FINAL DETAILS

WOMEN: Warrandyte 190 (McLaws 81, Chapman 18, Martin 18) lost to East Ringwood 338 (Chapman 4/45, Martin 2/64).

UNDER-16: Warrandyte 166 (Bradley 51, Day 28, Walter 21, Graf 18) d. Croydon North 102 (Humphries 5/26, Graf 3/34).

UNDER-12 (1): Warrandyte 131 (Comrie 32, Valentine 31 n.o., Wickes 20, Jacobs 16) lost to Lilydale 8/145 (Wickes 2/16).

Club stalwarts mourned

Warrandyte Football Club paid respect to three recently-deceased life members in a pre-match ceremony at the recreation reserve this month.

Players and life members were assembled before Warrandyte's

Bloods on early boil

Warrandyte Football Club have opened their premiership 1986 campaign with an historic victory.

The away win over Montrose was their first at that ground. The Bloods won by 25 points — 19.24 to 17.11 — and it should have been considerably more.

Fine work all over the field and dominance in most positions was wasted early by woeful goalfront inaccuracy. Warrandyte eventually got their act together in a powerhouse third term in which they booted nine goals to take a stranglehold on the game.

WFC president Jeff Reddie described it as an excellent season's opener. "We couldn't have had a better start — a convincing win against a side we had never beaten before on their home ground," Mr Reddie said.



"The most encouraging part was the endeavour shown by all players to overcome poor kicking early in the game. They persevered and pulled out a great third quarter.

"We should not — and will not — become overconfident on the strength of one win, because the EDFL second division is a very even competition and there are a lot of tough games ahead. But this is certainly the way to start a season."

Warrandyte had much more use of the ball in the first half, but Montrose's pinpoint accuracy, as opposed to the Bloods' haphazard

kicking for goal — had the home side 15 points in front at the interval. Montrose had kicked 11 goals straight to the Bloods' 6.15.

Ruckman Len Halley had consistently given Warrandyte tremendous drive and centreman Peter Banks and ruck-rover Robin Golding had been in everything. Peter Sinclair, a 20-year-old recruit from the Sydney Swans, had also impressed up forward until he left the field with a leg injury.

The third quarter was all Warrandyte after coach Denis Clark made a couple of telling positional changes. He swung Gerald Walsh from centre half-back to full-forward and Chris Snaidero from the forward line to full-back.

Both moves "clicked" and set the Bloods alight. Peter Irving also generated a lot of drive from his

half-back flank, opening up the forward line with his direct play. Warrandyte finished the quarter four goals in front and comfortably held Montrose at bay in the final term.

The home side lifted their game after the third-quarter Warrandyte onslaught but were never going to peg the visitors back.

The Bloods' best were Halley, Irving, Banks and Golding. Halley, Golding and Walsh each kicked three goals.

The reserves were beaten by Montrose, falling away in the second half after a promising opening. Their best were John Majoor, Dale McCartin and Chris Sherriff.

Vic coach king of Goldtown

It was a case of the teacher showing the star pupil a thing or two in the final of Warrandyte Tennis Club's Goldtown Open last month.

State coach John McCurdy met top-ranking Victorian Peter Johnstone in the men's singles final and wore him down to win 7-6, 6-3.

Federation Cup player Anne Minter took the women's title, defeating Nicole Provis 6-4, 6-2.

The men's doubles final, between Richard Cahill—Ron Woodbridge and Mark Hartnett—Rocky Loccisano was declared a draw after the lights went out — literally. The night match was called off after fuse trouble plunged the court into darkness. The combatants happily shared the title.

The Goldtown Open, third of its kind, was another huge success. There were 360 entries, including 62 (30 more than the limit) in the main draw.

Club officials estimate that 1000 people watched various stages of the last day's play.

Results:
Men's open singles: J. McCurdy d. P. Johnstone 7-6, 6-3.
Men's singles A: S. Batoni d. M. Lenke 6-3, 6-2.
Men's singles B: P. Lang d. F. Imbesi 6-3, 6-4.
Men's singles C: P. Hancy d. P. Trotter 10-4.
Women's open singles: A. Minter d. N. Provis 6-4, 6-2.
Women's singles B: C. Glennon d. J. Anderson 6-2, 6-2.
Men's open doubles: R. Cahill—R. Woodbridge v. M. Hartnett—R. Loccisano (unfinished).
Men's doubles B: Dabitz—Read d. Grey—Trotter 6-7, 6-4, 7-6.
Women's open doubles: B. Calton—M. Rich d. K. Tyrrell—J. Welsh 6-2, 6-1.
Men's doubles B: J. Anderson—C. Glennon d. A. Ruegg—A. Johnstone 6-1, 7-6.
Men's veteran singles: D. Bennett d. A. Bennett 6-1, 6-1.
Men's veteran doubles: J. Ryan—B. Hawkins d. K. Wilson—T. Booth 6-1, 4-6, 6-3.

The champs



These Warrandyte High schoolmates had every reason to look pleased with themselves. Members of Warrandyte Basketball Club's Under-18C team, they were at Pancakes On The Yarra this month to celebrate their premiership in the Eastern Districts junior association summer competition. From left they are: Bronwyn Hookey, Joanne Lynne, Amanda Egglestone, Nikki Townsend and Fiona McPherson. The sixth member of the team, "Pompi" Lloyd, missed the grand final because she had moved to Queensland, but a premiership badge has been posted to her.

Bowls fee fixed

A "ground floor" joining fee of \$10 has been set by a new bowling club to operate on the corner of Reynolds and Springvale Roads, East Doncaster.

The fee will apply until the club's first annual general meeting in October, by which time it is hoped to have two greens finished (at a cost of about \$96,000, including greenkeeper's fees).

To be known as Donvale Bowling Club, it will be part of a complex, under the control of Doncaster Sports Club, which will also cater for tennis and hockey.

The full complex will carry a family joining fee of \$100 and an

individual fee of \$50.

The bowls section will be of particular interest to Warrandyte because it offers local enthusiasts their first opportunity to play the game close to home.

A meeting of the bowls section steering committee last month elected Barry Bowen, of Warrandyte, acting chairman and Jim Morrison, of East Doncaster, acting secretary. They will represent

the bowling club at meetings of the sports club.

Prospective bowls club members should contact Mr Bowen or Mr Morrison, on 844 2799 and 842 7292 respectively.

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