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Stay that axe! The town wants a say in its trees

By JUDY MACDONALD

Last month the Diary carried a report expressing concern that a proposed bicentennial project for Warrandyte could remove established roadside trees...

Initial concern was raised some months ago when a leaflet was received from the Warrandyte Environment League...

The president of WEL, Mr Alan Noy, was asked for details. He said that the change would be gradual, taking place over three years...

in the way that the Everard Drive project did. He said that the roadside prunus would be replaced by native trees.

After this, comment from the community made it clear that a plan was underway for the tennis court area...

In response, the Lions secretary, Tom Blackburn, wrote a letter to "allay fears". However, it actually increased concern...

Mr Blackburn states: "To enhance the tennis court area, the club, in consultation with Doncaster and Templestowe Council, WEL and local landscape architect Mrs Bev Hanson, developed a plan to further

improve the area within our responsibility. All current work is in accordance with that plan, which has been approved by council...

A spokesperson for council said that these earlier plans had not included the bridge-side area of the courts as far as trees were concerned...

Some community members feel it is hard to believe that the dozen or so stumps of trees already removed, which are visible from the bridge...

Mr Blackburn continues: "Following on from the above plan, the concept of a

bicentennial project for Warrandyte evolved. This is the subject of discussions with council and a submission by the club has recently been given approval in principle."

The council spokesperson said that the project was not necessarily being approved by council as such, but that the Department of Leisure and Recreation had provided funding for some aspects of it.

As Mr Blackburn finishes: "It has always been the intention of the Lions Club to advise our community ... subsequent to final official approval by council. It is anticipated that this will occur in the near future."

The questions remain. What is planned

for roadside trees? If this is a bicentennial project which alters our environment why was the community not consulted before council?

It would seem appropriate that these questions are answered before any more tree felling occurs.

The community has an opportunity to state their feelings on the Warrandyte river frontage area by responding to the draft plan of management proposals for the Warrandyte State Parks.

This plan indicates that council is the committee of management for the river-side area within the township and that there is a "need to eradicate weed growth" in this area as well as the parks.

Prunus may well be weeds, but it may also be preferable to aim for control, rather than eradication in our streetscape.

Young dills turn to vandalism

By KEN VIRTUE

"Careful, we'll get sprung!" These were the words spoken by one of a small group of teenage vandals only moments before the plate glass doors of the Warrandyte Hall were smashed for the third time in recent months.

The main young offender was disturbed by the shouts of a patrolling Arts Association member. As the rest scattered, this youth bolted down towards the river and escaped into the bushes.

A quiet Saturday night in Warrandyte? They used to be until this new spate of vandalism.

The volunteer patrolman, who wishes to remain anonymous, told the Diary that he has been shocked by the continuing anti-social behavior of a small minority of local youths.

"After chasing the young fellow I called the police," he said. "To my amazement the police helicopter arrived nine minutes later and lit up the area like a football ground."

"A police van arrived sometime later and police questioned a number of people, but they are as frustrated as we are by this sort of thing," he added.

To add further deliberate insult, more damage was done later the same night when some of the front windows of Peter McDougall's Real Estate offices were smashed — for the second time.

Many people have been distressed by other such happenings which take place in Yarra Street after 11 pm on Friday or Saturday evenings.

This reporter has seen youths on the roof of the Community Centre, and some extremely dangerous activities where young people force vehicles to brake suddenly by jumping out on the road in front of them.

Even buses have been forced to stop by circles of teenagers playing potentially fatal games of "chicken" and squatting in circles in the middle of Yarra Street. Both boys and girls are involved, and the language is often alarming.

Many locals fear that an accident will soon happen if teenagers and their parents do not realise the extent of these nights on the town.

A recent report of a motorcyclist being hit in the face by a large rock has one Warrandyte mother very worried about the situation following this injury to her son.

The patrolman believes many parents are unaware of the lurking dangers when they allow their children to stay out, sometimes until 2 am, in the township.

"The hall has now installed security lights and McDougalls has put in an alarm," he said, "and the police are intent on patrolling the area more regularly. We are urging all responsible residents to report any acts of vandalism and dangerous behavior."

This reporter hopes that all parents will speak to their teenagers about these unwelcome events in our community, and discuss other ways of expressing young energy and exuberance.

Do you know what your teenagers will be doing this weekend?

It's Phil for Hill as seat changes

It was early, very early, on election night that the television pundits took the seat of Warrandyte out of the marginal column and plonked it into the "won by the Liberals" category.

There it stayed. Other seats see-sawed throughout the night; other seats teetered for days afterwards. In the end, despite claim and counter-claim and silliness on both sides, Warrandyte was the only lower house seat to change hands.

The Liberal Party's Phil Honeywood had defeated Labor's Lou Hill. The second-most vulnerable Assembly seat held by the Government had needed only an 0.17 per cent swing to fall. In the event, Phil Honeywood managed a swing of 1.3 per cent.

The electorate is probably misnamed. The bulk of voters live in the newer areas of Mooroolbark, Park Orchards and parts of Croydon and Kilsyth. More than 4000 new electors had registered since the previous poll.

Lou Hill said the ALP had conducted the best campaign he had been involved in but the nature of the electorate beat him. "It was a very difficult electorate to campaign because it is so diverse, and such a change in demography since the last election made a big difference."

As well, in its eastern areas the electorate has no ALP branches. Heide Joy ran Lou Hill's campaign skillfully and with gusto but had to spread meagre resources — mainly the feet of Warrandyte ALP branch members — thinly.

There was drama on the day. The Democrat candidate, David Ball, reported that about 4000 of his 20,000 how-to-vote cards had gone missing. Mr Ball said the disappearance of the cards could have contributed to 2 per cent drop in the Democrat vote to 4.4 per cent.

The Democrats were supporting Labor be-

Warrandyte goes to the Opposition

cause of the refusal of the parliamentary Liberal Party to back reform of the upper house which might have given the Democrats a presence in state parliament for the first time.

There was sadness in the town at Lou Hill's departure. In a letter to the Diary, Jackie Law described Lou as a "quiet unassertive person who worked solidly over six years to meet the needs of varying pockets of the electorate."

Others pointed out that for the first time Warrandyte will be represented by someone from the Opposition and not a member of the Government.

Lou, who is 44, has said he intends returning to the law. He was a solicitor and barrister before entering politics.

The new MLA, Phil Honeywood, 28, is an employee relations officer and lives in North Ringwood. He said he believed his victory was due to a lot of doorknocking and the tireless work of an enthusiastic campaign team.

Mr Honeywood said that as the local MP he would consult constituents. "The ALP has ... promised so many projects out here recently, and I'm going to hold them to each and every one of them," he said.

Across the river in the Whittlesea electorate, of which North Warrandyte is part, Max McDonald held off his Liberal Party challenger and retained the seat by 3000 or so votes.



Phil Honeywood ... in



Lou Hill ... out

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This news is a bit old, but, it seems there was a break-in at the Warrandyte Fire Station some months ago. The intruders chewed the window frame until the glass fell out and entered. When it was discovered that the offenders were a mob of white cockatoos, the only motive available was the captain's name-sake, Bob Bird.

Bobbie and Keith Wilson departed Warrandyte a couple of months ago, leaving noticeable gaps in the ranks of the many local organisations they worked so hard for over the years. But they have lost no time in settling into their new community of Nambucca Heads, up on the New South Wales north coast. They have already joined the tennis, golf, painting and pottery groups.

No one is going to pull the rug out from under Rodney Edwards of Yarra Street. Rodney won first prize for his hooked rug at the Royal Melbourne Show last month. He was competing in the restricted section, and this year's prize will join the third prize Rodney won two years ago.

Peter (Bottles) Norman may have set some sort of record by being picked up for speeding the second time before the first offence. Confused? So were we. It is a matter of geographics. It cost Peter, of Watleblossom Road, \$135 on the spot when he was sprung just this side of the border en route to an Adelaide holiday. Twenty-nine minutes after accepting his ticket he was lumbered again — on the Adelaide side of the State line. Taking the half-

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hour time lag into account, he was pinched in South Australia a minute before he'd offended almost half an hour earlier in good old Vic. It's \$40 cheaper to speed in SA and Bots might have come out in front — in a bizarre sort of way — had annoyance not prompted him to question the parentage of some law-enforcement officers he'd met. For that they docked him a further \$50.



Jenny Hollinger (formerly Tindale, now of Mt. Evelyn) is doing everything by the pre-natal book as she counts the days to the arrival of her first child. She was somewhat concerned, though, by the result of a recent scan. While it showed everything normal, it also suggested that junior might have been sucking his or her thumb at the time. "Gee," said Jenny, "that could cause buck teeth!" Jan, her mum, pointed out that 12-week-old foetuses rarely have chompers.

The writing was on the wall for Lou Hill, recently-departed Member for Warrandyte. More specifically, it was on the fancy fences throughout the plush, high-priced housing estates from Doncaster-Templestowe to the outskirts of this town. The posters were all blue and white. You didn't have to be psychic or an astute political analyst to figure out that a new and obviously well-heeled population was not going to be an ALP stronghold. We overheard one long-time local admit he voted informally. Turned up at the polling booth in T-shirt, jeans and thongs.

Smokey has two theories about jogging: It causes cancer and is performed largely by exhibitionists. We'll leave 'em be though if they stick to the footpaths and leave the bitumen to things with wheels. The glistening young fellow who made a third line of traffic in Yarra Street the other night must have a death wish.

He swore he would never have a video recorder in the house. Madam went along with him. Until the well-deserved success of 'The Sallow Wattle'. Hhmm! Two video recordings? Both casts? Well... Jan bought the machine. Lee Tindale sits and watches his triumphant lyrics being performed, turning every now and then to have his wife fill up his glass. He's a convert, and Jan got five spare tapes with her purchase. Smokey hesitates to warn her, but it's Warrandyte to a brick that daughter Lisa will find 10 good reasons to fill those five blank tapes over and over again.

OOPS! We feel for her. School holidays mean not only a bunch of ankle-biters around the footies but also a selection of mammals and reptiles farmed out to families. Feed that gecko, take care of that mouse. And they, the little folk, never do it. So we empathise with Olive Davis and her heart-felt cry: "Seri, bring that guinea pig home again and it'll go in the oven!"



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Sanctuary tour

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He describes it as "a refreshing look at our beautiful bushland" and the chance to meet new species and learn about the reserve.

The group will meet at the corner of Research-Warrandyte and Wyuna Roads. All ages welcome. Bring a thermos for a hilltop stop. Phone 437 1918 for queries.

Fashion show

The Warrandyte Tennis Club in Taroona Avenue, is holding a fashion parade on Friday, October 21, at 7.30 pm. The cost for adults is \$8, for teenage students \$5.

The show will include spring and summer fashions by Matisse from The Pines Shopping Centre and children's T-shirts and accessories by "Hot Drops", designed by Leonie Thomas and Judy Busby.

The fashions will be modelled by Warrandyte tennis club members. Supper and drinks are provided.

For tickets or enquiries contact Jennifer Bennett on 844 2289.

Corrie Davies

Corrie Davies, a life member of the Warrandyte auxiliary of the Royal Women's Hospital, died on August 26 after a long and active life during which she took a leading part in a number of local organisations.

Mrs Davies was a member of the small group who started the Baby Health Centre at Warrandyte in 1944 and was a life member of the Warrandyte Elderly Citizens. She is still remembered for her work in providing free entertainment and afternoon tea at the Recreation Reserve Cafe (now the Whitehouse) for wounded servicemen during the Second World War.

Exhibition

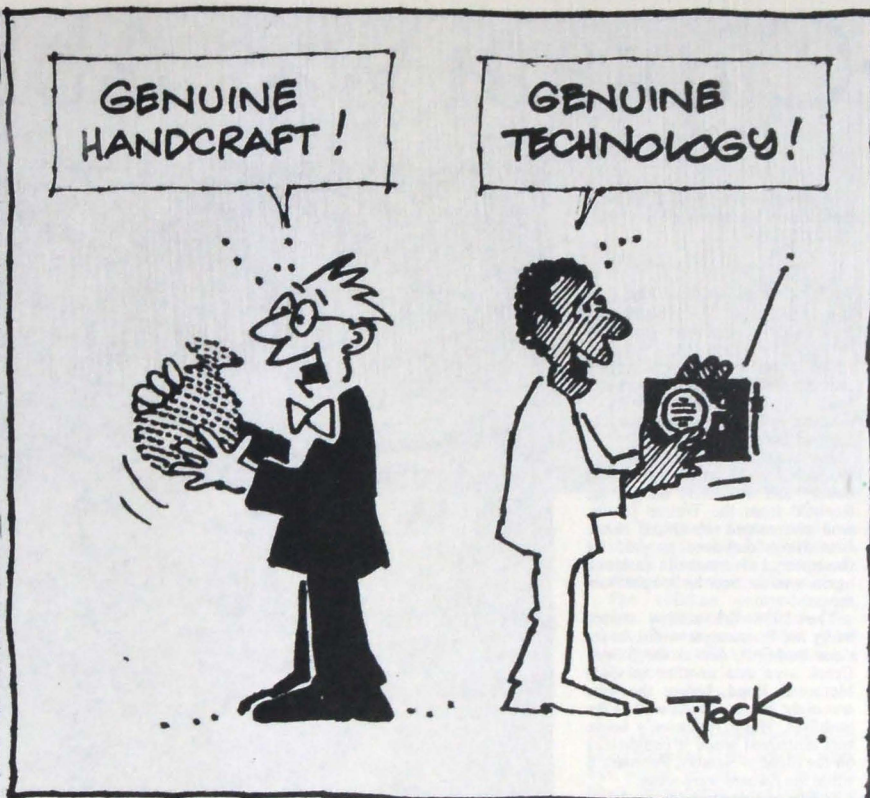
The Diamond Valley Arts Society has launched a new exhibition to coincide with the Greensborough Festival.

The theme of the exhibition is 'Our Diamond Valley'. It will be held at the Old Greensborough Primary School, Grimshaw Street, Greensborough.

During the festival — throughout October — the gallery will extend its opening hours to Saturday and Sunday between 1 pm and 5 pm. Members of the public are most welcome.

Whitehouse

The annual general meeting of the Whitehouse committee of management will be held at 8 pm on Thursday, November 3 at the Whitehouse.



Gouldies love orchids, too

An education officer with the Gould League of Victoria, Bob Winters of Brackenbury Street, has always had a strong interest in natural history.

Bob, who joined the Gould League after a period as education officer at the Sir Colin MacKenzie Sanctuary at Healesville, has just played a big role in compiling a colorful and informative poster featuring native ground orchids found in eastern Australia.

Available to the general public at \$5 per copy or to Gould League affiliates at \$2.50, the poster features most of the bush orchids found in the Warrandyte State Park and along roadside verges.

The Gould League, with its publications and other educational support material, fills a large gap, left some 15 years ago, when nature study was removed from school curriculums.

While still happy to be associated with the Gould League of Bird Lovers image of the past, Bob is quick to emphasise the much broader focus adopted by the league in recent years.

For further information contact the league on 511 493.

ALAN KING

At right: Bob Winters, Melissa King and local naturalist and photographer Bill King show off the orchid poster.



Pressure beat the dual lobby

By CLIFF GREEN

This community won its fight against dual occupancy because the overwhelming majority of the people put their concern for Warrandyte before their own financial gain.

The dual occupancy provisions, which would have allowed residents to develop their properties in the township area, could have brought them considerable personal profit, perhaps even secured their futures financially. Instead they chose to oppose these measures in order to save the environment of their village for coming generations.

All those who participated in this campaign — and they were many — are to be congratulated. The fight was hard fought, the victory well won. One official at the Ministry of Planning commented that the local submission against dual occupancy was supported by the second largest number of signatures on record.

The issue first came to a head in January 1987 when a sign appeared on a site at the corner of Yarra and Anderson Streets, advising of the new owner's intention to apply for a permit for 'dual occupancy' on the site.

This galvanised local opposition, a group of concerned residents banded together and the Warrandyte Environment League and Cr Ken McKenzie pledged their support.

A second house was subsequently built on this block, and two residences were later erected on a single site further along Yarra Street. These are the only completed dual occupancy residences in Warrandyte, though it is believed many others were planned.

Doncaster and Templestowe Council then conducted a survey of the township area, resulting in 86.1 per cent of residents expressing their opposition to dual occupancy. Several months later, State Government placed a 'freeze' on closer density in Warrandyte while special new environmental controls were being considered. Any further building under this provision was temporarily halted.

And finally, after months of confusion and indecision, Doncaster Council came out in firm opposition to closer density and flat development in Warrandyte.

Not one voice was raised in Warrandyte in support of dual occupancy through the duration of the campaign. This newspaper did not receive one letter or statement in favor of dual occupancy. If there was any local support for this provision, we could not find it.

However, as this issue of the *Diary* went to press, it was discovered that a local builder had apparently obtained a permit to construct two houses on a single site at 125 Brackenbury Street, under the dual occupancy provisions.

It is believed Doncaster and Templestowe Council inadvertently issued this permit after the interim planning provisions were in place. The site has been cleared and excavated, even though a planning permit will be required before the houses can be built.

Local groups and residents are incensed, and are opposing the granting of a planning permit to build two houses on the site.

The people of Warrandyte know how to fight for their town. They know that the battle must be waged on all fronts. They know they must be well-informed on the issues and their arguments must be to the point. They also know that the so-called 'consultation' process can only proceed so far, and that they must be ready to take their fight into the political arena when the occasion presents itself.

The recent state elections presented just such an occasion. The then local Labor Member, Mr Lou Hill, forcefully represented our position at ministerial level, but he was arguing against both government and ALP policy.

However, when Liberal candidate Mr Phil Honeywood supported Warrandyte's stand and convinced Opposition Leader Mr Jeff Kennett he should do likewise, the Government had to think again, and dual occupancy and flat development in Warrandyte were pronounced 'dead' by the Minister for Planning and Environment, Mr Tom Roper, almost on the eve of the state elections.

This would never have happened without persistent local concern and pressure.

The hearing by the independent panel on the Special Residential Zone for Warrandyte will still take place.

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Co-op to receive special funding

The Warrandyte Community Workshop Co-operative will receive neighborhood house funding, the Community Services Minister, Race Mathews, announced.

The \$8185 will cover the cost of a co-ordinator's salary for 10 hours a week.

Mr Mathews said he had been very impressed by the way in which the co-operative had developed over eight years.

"In many ways the co-operative has evolved into a neighborhood house and provides many of the attributes of a neighborhood house," he said. "It certainly deserves to be part of the neighborhood house funding network."

Mr Mathews said that he had visited dozens of neighborhood houses during the nine months since becoming Minister for Community Services.

"Each neighborhood house is different and each provides a variety of programs and services," he said. "What they do have in common is that each one reflects the needs of the community it serves."

"Neighborhood houses are places where people, usually women, can go to make new friends, exchange information, develop confidence and self esteem, hone up on their skills and participate in educational programs."

"In areas such as Warrandyte, where for women in the home life can get pretty isolated, neighborhood houses can lessen that sense of isolation," he said.

He added that programs conducted by the co-operative which were in line with neighborhood house activities included: a support group for people in second relationships; a neighborhood watch planning group; Warrandyte Community Transport Committee; public issues meetings; parenting groups, an asthma self-help group and a literacy group.

It's happy birthday, potters

In 1958, five Warrandyte potters — Phyl Dunn, Art Halpern, Gus McLaren, Reg Preston and Charles Wilton, with John Hipwell as president — joined together to promote an interest in Australian handmade pottery. They called their venture Potters Cottage.

To celebrate the 30th anniversary of the founding of Potters Cottage, an exhibition of new work by Phyl Dunn, Gus McLaren, Reg Preston and Charles Wilton together, with Elsa Arber and Sylvia Halpern who joined the group in 1961, will open on October 25.

This is the first time the members have exhibited as a group since 1983. Of special interest will be a retrospective exhibition of the work of the late Art Halpern, who died in 1976.

Appropriately, the exhibition will be opened by John Hipwell, the original president of the group, at 7.30 pm.



By ALICE O'LEARY

Ces Peake, long time resident of Harris Gully Road, turned 80 recently.

Ces was born in North Carlton in 1908 and was one of seven boys. Like most children then Ces left school at 13 and went to work. Ces was the middle child and always reckoned if his parents had stopped the family with his arrival he would have had more to eat.

A large part of the family diet was bread and dripping with plum jam. The kids used to go to the jam factory and buy the unlabeled tins, as they were cheaper. It was always a surprise when the tins were opened.

Ces started working for his brother in the building trade and got all the odd jobs to do. They were building war service homes following World War I. It was about this time that the Spanish flu epidemic swept the world, a disease that was to kill more people than the war.

Schools were closed and many public buildings were turned into hospitals. Ces remembers people walking the streets with masks on in an effort to avoid catching the flu.

Ces next got a job as an apprentice plasterer. In those days houses were usually lath and plaster construction for the inside walls, and the plasterers worked with solid plaster which was trowelled over the laths (thin strips of wood placed close together). Later he went out on his own.

During the Depression Ces travelled around looking for any work he could get. He always carried his tools with him so he could start work straight away. He says that if you had to go and get your tools the job would be gone by the time you got back. One job was cutting pit

Ces and Bonnie Peake celebrating Ces's 80th birthday with their three-week old great grandchild, Jarryd Bruce Barber.

Big day for the Peake family

props at the State Coal Mine at Wonthaggi.

Bonnie and Ces were married just towards the end of the Depression and set up house at South Kensington. Bonnie had started work as a dressmaker, working from 8 am to 5.30 pm and 8 am to noon on Saturday. Her salary was 7 shillings and 6 pence (75 cents) a week, most of which went in fares. She didn't stay long and went to another place where she got a start as a dressmaker at one pound a week (\$2).

Bonnie and Ces moved to Warrandyte just after the Second World War started and rented a house in Harris Gully Road from Bill Moore. There was no water, no electricity and the road was just a dirt track, but they loved the area.

Ces joined the army. His four brothers also served in the forces.

When Ces was discharged in 1944 he and Bonnie scraped together enough money with Ces's deferred army pay to buy the house they were renting, after persuading Bill Moore to part with it.

When Ces wanted to service his car he ran it out on to the road. That

was the only flat spot available. In the unlikely event that anyone wanted to use the road they had to go around him. At that time Harris Gully Road didn't go beyond Beauty Gully Road. It wasn't until the late 1960s that it was formed through to Tindals Road as a fire access road, then finally upgraded for general use.

Ces worked on the locally-quarried stone baby health centre with George Stringer (this stood next to the chemist shop in Yarra Street). Another job was helping Jim Heitsch carting boxes of ex-army rifles from the Ringwood Station to Merv Naughton's place. The boxes were very heavy. As they could not get the truck down to the gunsmith's house they slid them down on planks. Fortunately none got away. Ces reckoned that if they had they would have gone clean through the house.

Ces and Bonnie celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in January 1985. Ces is the last member of his family. Bonnie reckons his survival is due to the good job she's done of looking after him. Ces is the first one to agree that Bonnie spoils him.

Despite some health problems Ces continues to enjoy life in Warrandyte and the company of his family and friends. Bonnie and Ces have three children — Fred, Sylvia and Stephen — as well as seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren. The youngest great grandchild was only three weeks old when he attended Ces's 80th birthday party at Potters Cottage.

Ces wishes to thank all those who remembered his birthday and joined with Bonnie and himself in making such an important milestone in his life a very memorable day.

Gallery will stock native crafts

A new gallery will soon be opening in Warrandyte. Located at 266 Yarra Street, Gallery Gundulmirri (the name means "Place of the Spirit"), will offer a wide range of Aboriginal art and craft.

The owner is film and television actress Brenda Addie. "I had always been interested in Aboriginal art; but it was not until last year when I was on location in Central Australia for the filming of 'Evil Angels' that my interest became an absolute passion," she said.

Brenda is married to the writer

and director Victor Kazan, whose family has for generations been connected with the art world. He is the great-great grandson of the Scottish sculptor Sir John Steell.

"We are delighted that Aboriginal art has found a rightful place in the international market," said Brenda. "Major works now hang in museums, in the offices of banks and corporations, as well as in private houses throughout the United States, Europe and Japan."

"But we are particularly thrilled that in the bicentennial year many

Australians are noticing the profound significance of these works, not merely for their investment value, but for their intrinsic beauty.

"Recalling Warrandyte's history prior to European settlement, we feel that this town is a most fitting location to display the exquisite and evocative art of the Aboriginal peoples. And we look forward to sharing these treasures — items which range from simple strands of beads to large elaborate carvings — with the local community as well as with the visiting tourists."

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Goldtown on the go again

Tennis club ready for the ultimate challenge

Warrandyte Tennis Club is gearing up for its most important tournament to date, the Warrandyte Peters Ice Cream Masters, to be played between November 16 and 20.

The final leg on the Victorian satellite circuit, the Warrandyte Masters is designed to lead to the Australian Open, to be played at the National Tennis Centre, Melbourne, in January next year.

Club president Greg Lawrence told the *Diary* that the Victorian Tennis Association, in choosing our club to host this important tournament, has once more demonstrated its confidence in the Warrandyte club.

"The decision to give us this tournament is a real feather in our cap," Greg said. "We have made a good job of running the Warrandyte Classic, one of the preliminary legs on the satellite circuit, so they have decided to trust us with the Masters — the finals.

"Locals will now have the chance to see the 24 top players on the satellite circuit — Australians and internationals — performing on our own home courts."

It is anticipated that among top players competing will be such rising Australian stars as Jason Stoltenberg, Todd Woodbridge, Richard Fromberg, Johan Anderson and Shane Barr.

"This level of tennis will be available free of charge at the War-

randyde courts," Greg Lawrence said. "The club's comfortable facilities are licensed, and a kiosk will be open throughout the tournament."

The other important event on the local tennis calendar, the Goldtown Open, concluded early this month with a win for local player Ian Peter-Budge of Reynolds Road in the men's open singles.

The women's event was won by Bernadette Randall.

This year's Goldtown, the fifth in succession, brought together some of Victoria's best players for four days of sparkling tennis. Other local successes included a win by Robert White and Andrew Hiscock in the men's B-grade doubles. Annette Ruegg featured in the women's B-grade doubles.

GOLDTOWN DETAILS

Men's Open Singles: I. Peter-Budge d B. Sharp 2-6, 6-4, 6-2. Men's Open Doubles: K. Carroll-R. Cahill d N. Phillips-T. Payton 6-2, 6-0. Women's Open Singles: B. Randall d V. Frlan 6-2, 2-6, 7-5. Women's Open Doubles: W. Howes-C. Glennon d D. Larmer-J. Downs 6-7, 6-4, 6-2. Men's A Singles: M. Arnold d M. Murthy 6-4, 7-6. Men's B Singles: M. Arthurs d R. Carswell 6-2, 6-3. Men's B Doubles: R. White-A. Hiscock d K. Holzer-R. Carswell 6-4, 6-4. Women's B Doubles: A. Ruegg-N. Ryder d V. Mackintosh-L. Ryan 6-4, 6-1. Men's C Singles: J. Manton d C. Ruegg 6-4, 6-4.



Tony Sturesteps



Eugene Hansen

Tony turns it on

Key defender Tony Sturesteps' dedication to on-field economy was rewarded at Warrandyte Football Club's senior presentation night last month.

Sturesteps won the first 18's consistency award — fitting recognition of his best season with the Dyters. He had already run fourth in the Bloods' best and fairest award, behind Steve Carroll, Robert Webb and Gerald Walsh.

The Daryl Valentine Perpetual Trophy, for most determined, went to Cam Day and Joe Hassall was judged most improved.

Outstanding prospect Eugene Hansen was best first-year player and Lachlan McLean

took goalkicking honours with a season's tally of 54.

Other trophy winners:

RESERVES:

Best and fairest: Lou Amos 1, Julian Hansen 2, Mick Sporton 3, Geoff Darby Perpetual Trophy (most determined): Adrian Trigt. Most consistent: Craig Townsend.

UNDER-18s

Best and fairest: Matt Hurley 1, Dale Vitiritti 2, Rod Valentine 3.

Most consistent: Dale Comrie, E. Houghton Memorial Trophy: Mark Papez, Adam Garone.

Most improved: Jamie Ferguson.

Chris Smirnis was runner-up for the EDFL best and fairest.

Olympic star Brad shows our young athletes how

Olympian Brad Camp is one of several senior athletes lending their time and experience to coach kids in this area.

They are part of the Doncaster Little Athletics Centre, Victorian pacesetters in both track and field for the juniors last season.

The new season started this month and the

centre welcomes any aspiring young performer.

It emphasises that little aths is not about winning but competing and improving the performance level. It becomes a family sport with the involvement of parents as officials.

Meetings are held every Saturday morning, culminating in April championships. There will

also be two twilight events. And Doncaster Open Day is expected to attract entries from all over Victoria.

Coaching clinics are conducted each Wednesday from 4.30 to 6 p.m. at the Doncaster track and are open to any interested youngsters.

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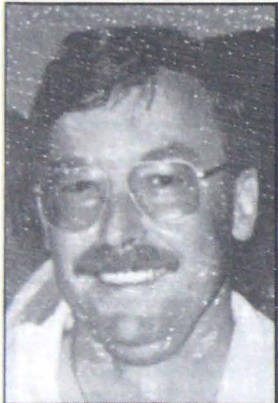
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A ton for Tregear — just for openers



Steve Pascoe

New Warrandyte captain-coach Greg Tregear has made an immediate and stunning impact on the Ringwood District Cricket Association's senior competition.

Tregear, at 24 a veteran of more than 50 District games with Hawthorn-East Melbourne, scored a magnificent, unbeaten 120 in the opening game of the new Chandler Shield season.

Thanks to his outstanding debut, Warrandyte reached 7/213 by compulsory closure at stumps on the first day against Mooroolbark.

Tregear had a valuable ally in Steve Pascoe, who contributed 30 to a partnership of 109.

Rain intervened on the second day and turned the match into a

draw, Mooroolbark compiling 163 for the loss of four wickets. Again, Tregear led by example, taking 2/36 with his medium-pacers.

It was a most encouraging start to 1988-89 by the Dytes, and a thorough vindication of Warrandyte Cricket Club's decision to appoint Tregear.

In the only senior result of the round, the Chandler Reserves convincingly defeated Mooroolbark.

John O'Brien set up the win with 5/39 as Mooroolbark crumbled for just 95. O'Brien was also in form with the bat, chipping in with 20 runs as Warrandyte cruised to 7/153.

Youngster Bruce Ryan topped scored with an unconquered 57 and Paul Hughes made 26.

The thirds, fourths and women's games were drawn without a ball being bowled on the second day.

Suzanne Martin gave notice of another great season with an innings-saving 75 in the women's A-grade match against Melbourne. She batted superbly as wickets tumbled about her and her contribution to Warrandyte's total of 127 speaks for itself.

The men's third eleven hit up a healthy 9/217. Greg Creber celebrating his comeback with 77. Back-up was provided by the marginally-older Alan King (47) and Alan Vitiritti (41 not out).

The fifths' game was reduced to a one-day fixture by the unavailability of a ground. They came out on the Sunday, beating the weather — and Lilydale (by 22 runs).

Junior fixtures were highlighted by Joram Read's 120 not out against Knox Gardens in the under-16 A division. The innings was unfortunately not enough to wrap up victory. Knox replied to Warrandyte's 5/192 with 8/206.

The under-14 Bs and under 12 A and C teams won well and their strong batting performances gave promises of a successful season. Anthony Lilburne was particularly impressive in the under-12 Cs with a polished 45 not out.

CHANDLER SHIELD
Warrandyte 7/213cc (Tregear 120no, Pascoe 30) drew Mooroolbark 4/163 (Tregear 2/36) Player of match: Greg Tregear.
CHANDLER RESERVE
Warrandyte 7/153 (Ryan 51no,

Hughes 27) d Mooroolbark 95 (O'Brien 5/39). Players of match: O'Brien, Ryan.

THIRDS
Warrandyte 9/217 (Creber 77, King 47) drew Mooroolbark 4/122 (Dick 2/16). Player of match: Greg Creber.

FOURTHS
Warrandyte drew Mooroolbark 5/336. Player of match: Jim Gathercole.

FIFTHS
Warrandyte 8/112 (Lawrence 33) d Lilydale 9/90 (Hughes 3/24, Jungwith 3/36).

WOMEN
Warrandyte 127 (Martin 75) drew Melbourne. Player of match: Suzanne Martin.

UNDER-16(A)
Warrandyte 5/192 (Read 120no, Meehan 26no) lost to Knox Gardens 8/206.

UNDER-16(B)
Warrandyte 6/46 lost to Ainslie Park.

UNDER-14(A)
Warrandyte 44 lost to Lilydale 3/114.

UNDER-14(B)
Warrandyte 9/81 (Wiles 16) d Ainslie park 6/70.

UNDER-12(A)
Warrandyte 7/205 (Luttick 34no, Howell 33 no, Bell 19, Utt 19, Chapman 17) d Mooroolbark 112 (Bell 3/7, Utt 2/6).

UNDER-12(B)
Warrandyte 5/32 lost to Olinda 5/50.

UNDER-12(C)
Warrandyte 3/115 (Lilburne 45ret) d Mt Evelyn 4/90.

Old cricketers never die. They merely reminisce on glorious deeds.

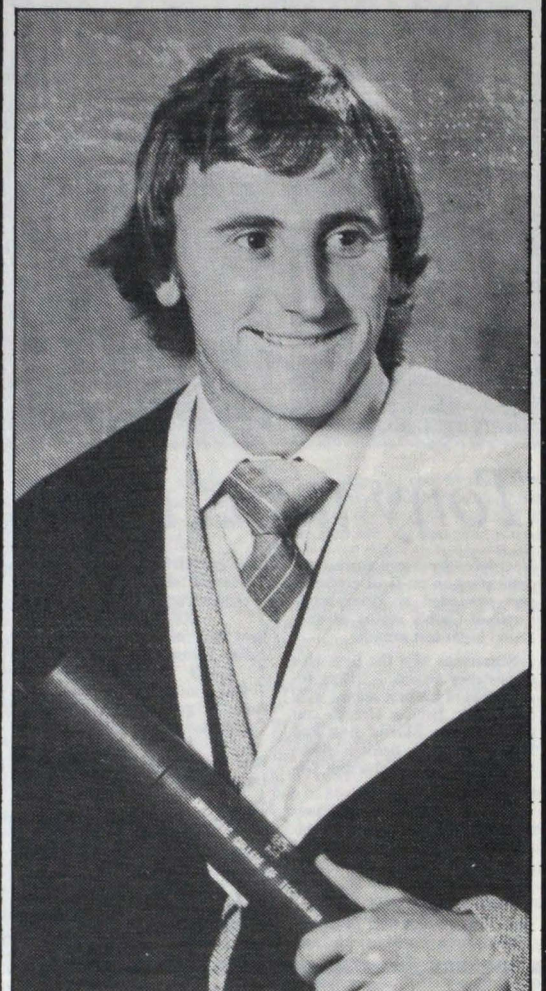
This season, they are offered the opportunity to get out of the armchair and back into action.

A veterans competition is on the go and Warrandyte is rounding up a team to play seven limited-over Sunday games (starting at the very respectable hour of 12.30 p.m.).

If you're 40 or over and still believe you can wield a willow or send down a spheroid, the recruiting officer is Steve Pascoe. He'd love to hear from you, and his number is 844 1213.

Melbourne Cup fever beats the starter's signal in Warrandyte this year.

The local cricket club will hold a special Cup night at the pavilion on Saturday, October 29, starting at 8 p.m.



John McCartin's other face... the insatiable scholar.

Fine degrees of sportsmanship

The word "multi-talented" doesn't do full justice to the sporting prowess of John (Tich) McCartin.

His trophies have to queue for display space. As an outstanding local cricketer, basketballer and footballer, he has collected them wholesale.

Last month, a particularly satisfying trophy came his way — Warrandyte Football Club's "best clubman" award for 1988. The announcement, at the Bloods' presentation night, drew probably the loudest cheers of all.

But only those close to him know the "other" John McCartin — the academic. At 31, he holds two degrees and is working on his third.

He graduated as a bachelor of science in 1978 and in early childhood development and special education in 1986. A specialist kindergarten teacher, he is currently studying part-time for a masters degree at Monash University.

"As soon as he gets one degree he starts working on the next," said proud mother Shirley.

John was educated at Warrandyte Primary School, Mitcham Tech and the Swinburne Institute. He has worked at Taralye (an organisation devoted to children with impaired hearing); he has been a physicist in the cardiac unit at Austin Hospital.

Football fans will tell you his finest moment in sport was his match-winning performance in the 1983 grand final. But there has been a multitude of highlights — including life membership of the local basketball and cricket clubs.

His clubman award at the football wind-up was in recognition of outstanding service on and off the field in a very busy season. John, who retired two seasons ago, had stints in the reserves and seniors and sometimes doubled as official runner.

A former juniors and reserves coach, he was also a key social organiser. His last official act of the season was to put together the players' trip to Adelaide.

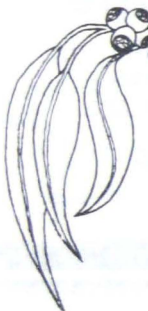
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Any frustrated bowlers out there?

The Donvale Bowls Club is being developed on land at the corner of Reynolds and Springvale Roads, Donvale. Already two men's teams and one women's team have been entered for the 1988/89 pennant season.

The club plans to open a second green next year and provision has been made for two more greens. This would allow matches of international standard to be hosted.

The Donvale Bowls Club is the third sporting club to be developed at the site and will operate as an independent club under the umbrella of

the Doncaster Sporting Club.

Discussions are under way with architects for the design and construction of a club house.

Planning is also advanced for the very popular form of twilight mixed casual triples on Wednesday evenings. This competition will have excellent prizes and will be open to all bowlers.

The Donvale Bowls Club would welcome both experienced and inexperienced bowlers wishing to join. Experienced coaches are available.

The membership director, Ross McDonald, can be contacted at home on 848 5039.

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