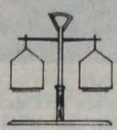


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Bushland desecration must end now: plea

State Member for Warrandyte, Phil Honeywood, has called on the Government and Doncaster and Templestowe Council to pursue the possibility of prosecuting the person responsible for clearing a Landscape Interest Zone at Wonga Park.

The move follows the total clearing of about four hectares of land at Lot 3B Nelson Road, Wonga Park, and the intrusion of the clearing into the Warrandyte State Park.

Mr Honeywood said the act showed little regard for the virgin bushland character of the property or its protected zoning.

He joined the Friends of Warrandyte State Park and the Warrandyte Environment League in calling for strong action against the property owner and for restoration of the cleared area.

"The alternative of just doing nothing is just not on" Mr Honeywood told the *Diary*.

"Otherwise potential property developers will see the Nelson Road clearing as an example of Doncaster and Templestowe Council being lax in enforcing proper controls over landholders," he said.

"This attitude would only encourage others to further desecrate Warrandyte's most significant feature — namely our unique bushland setting."

He said that in response to the clearing the council had demanded the landowner provide an indigenous plant revegetation proposal to council within 21 days.

It has also moved to review its tree clearing policy and regulations.

Mr Honeywood maintained the owner could be potentially prosecuted for two allegedly separate offences related to the clearing.

"In the first instance, the owner's alleged actions would appear to have gone well beyond the intent of the limited treeclearing permit that Doncaster and Templestowe council provided him," he said.

"Under the council's local planning scheme the permit only allowed the owner to clear an area of bushland for the site of a residence and shed."

Mr Honeywood said the alleged breach of the permit could be acted upon under the council's delegated powers provided in sections four and five of the Planning and Environment Act, 1987.

A second offence was likely to



have occurred under the National Parks Act, 1975. Mr Honeywood said this related to approximately half a hectare of the Warrandyte State Park allegedly cleared by the same landowner between Black Flat and Jumping Creek reserves.

"Local residents and bushwalkers have been appalled at the destruction of some of the State Park's rare flora types, including Pomaderris and Rock Correa," he said.

Mr Honeywood said he had raised the State Park clearing as a matter of urgency in Parliament with the Minister for Environment and Conservation, Mr Crabb.

He said a further cause for concern was the disappearance of what had been a wildlife corridor area particularly for koalas and wallabies.

"Now that this area has been almost totally cleared down to the river path, native fauna will be

discouraged from traversing the area," he said.

Warrandyte Environment League president, Mr Gary McKelvie, said the league had urged the council and the Ministry of Conservation and Environment to take the strongest possible action to rectify the bush clearing and also to establish a public awareness that such clearings would not be tolerated.

"Very little action seems to be forthcoming to date and this is of great concern," Mr McKelvie said.

"It is simply not good enough for either body to ignore the situation and hope it goes away."

"We have suggested that the stockpiles of bulldozed vegetation be spread over the bare earth to help prevent soil erosion and provide a source of seed for regrowth."

Mr McKelvie added that the league was concerned about the apparent lack of environmental understanding by Doncaster and Templestowe council officers, expressed in recent comments on bush clearing.

The acting regional manager of the Conservation and Environment Department, Mr M. Win-

field, has written to the chief executive of the City of Doncaster and Templestowe stressing the value and importance of the area of the State Park affected in terms of conservation significance.

Mr Winfield requested immediate action be taken to revegetate the area, with the piles of dead vegetation to be spread out as an interim measure to prevent soil erosion. He said the area should be fenced and all conservation and restoration works were to be ratified by his department.

Mr Honeywood said that since the clearing a great deal of concern had been raised about the local council's commitment to preserving Warrandyte's sensitive environmental balance.

"Council should adopt a higher profile in advertising to landowners and developers their requirement to adhere to local planning restrictions and to support the unique environment in the area," he said.

"The local council does not have a good track record of following through and taking legal action against developers who openly flaunt the proper permits and restrictions."



Poltergeist pug runs foul of the ranger

By GAVIN JAMES

About a year ago, my best mate Charlie died. Seventeen years he'd been with me. I buried him down the bottom of the garden.

"That's that," I thought. How wrong I was.

It all started with the chooks disappearing. At first, I blamed the foxes. But now I know it was him. Charlie was hungry.

At night, when the wind blew, I could hear his faint howl and his tapping on the front door. I looked out but I never saw him.

One day, on arriving home, I found that someone had entered my house. This could never have happened when Charlie was alive. On closer inspection, I found it was the local ranger. Papers were left to register the deceased. I rang the local council the next day and explained the position.

"I know," said the smiling voice. "Register your dog".

Well, I started to wonder. I don't believe in ghosts. But the chooks were still disappearing so I left out a bowl of Meaty Bites. Sure enough, next morning they were gone and this time the chooks were left alone.

Then, the sighting took place. A letter came from the Eltham Council: "Dog seen crossing Doleen Road — after dark" it said. Ghosts are never seen in the daylight, so it was all becoming more believable. Well, I wasn't paying \$200 for a ghost, so back to the phone I went.

"Why didn't you just catch him?" I asked.

"He just sort of vanished," was the reply.

The police, who haven't been sighted in Doleen Road for 20 years, have been up here two or three times a week of late. As they don't communicate with the public any more, maybe they're trying to sight him too, or perhaps they're trying to protect us all from him.

"\$245" the letter said, but nothing about this amazing discovery. I thought this would make headlines!

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The loonies who are systematically peeling the sides from the bus shelter in KG Road, near the bridge, would be well-advised to look over their shoulders before their next bout of thrillseeking. They might find that they are being watched. There are a few able-bodied blokes in this town who take a dim view of this particular example of pubescent puerility (look it up, hoons, and see if it fits) and are prepared to bring the vandals to heel. Vigilantes? No. Keeping an eye on things, that's all.



Our friendly Warrandyte Hardware man looked at the dark, ominous skies and lamented: "Why does it have to rain every time I have to deliver sheets of chipboard?" "Under the same law" we replied, "that says the only time the goat gets off his chain is the same day your missus has just planted a whole row of juicy new saplings." Ah yes, that was the day "Billy" was as popular as a pollywaffle in a swimming pool.

David Greenwood may be a great volunteer fireman for North Warrandyte, but he's pretty careless when it comes to great danes. Now known as the only man every to misplace something as big as a dane, he may have to shout drinks all round for his firefighting mates who helped him scour the district looking for the giant escapee. We should also mention a recent Sunday afternoon when a tired but smug group stood on the roof they had just fitted over North's new extension. They were feeling pretty pleased with themselves until a voice from below said: "Hey, what are you blokes going to do with all this insulation down here?" Yeah, they'd forgotten.

IN RED & WHITE



There was a real sense of urgency about it when Ken Garrick summoned supersparky Mick Sporton to Dingley Dell Road to effect some household electrical repairs. "I don't mind if the power's off and the tinnies get a bit warm," said a very nervous Ken. "But the juice had better be back on at 5 pm for Hogan's Heroes!" Mick, who's a bit of a Hogan fan himself, met the deadline with minutes to spare. Pity about the tinnies though.

Several years ago when you walked down Research Road to the bridge, the sounds of nature were all around you. Now the "chink" of the bellbird is replaced by the "clank" of cars bouncing off the Dill Barrier. Well what else can we call a hundred yards of foot deep guard rail erected to stop the Dills falling off the side of Research Road? If it is easier to erect barriers than to slow Dills down, we may well see a guard rail on every inch of winding road from the bridge to the shire offices. We can only hope that if the Dills manage to mount the barrier and spill over the other side, the powers that be don't decide to add another level. A multi-storey Dill Barrier is about all this village needs!



At the same game, we crossed the demarcation line to chat with Coldstream fans who seemed like a good bunch of blokes — much like us — and turned out that way. Yes, they'd give me the name of their full-forward. Paul Walsh. Yes, any idiot could see he wore No 21. And no, they wouldn't give me his phone number. For one thing, they didn't know it; for another, there's no way he'll be crossing from Coldstream. But Coldstream? Doesn't the name itself mean an internal or external draft or draught? They told me to go away. But I've outpassed the name.



There is a mean side to the lovely Ann Drew, you know. And if a big-boobed lady from Coldstream had fronted (oops!) for the home game (home here, we mean) on June 2, she'd have found out all about it. In the course of 100 minutes' rivalry at



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Town study kicks off

Stage two of the Warrandyte Townscape Improvement study has begun.

Led by landscape architect Jane Marriott, an advisory committee, largely comprising of Warrandyte residents representing local groups, has started to consider the recommendations of the Townscape Report.

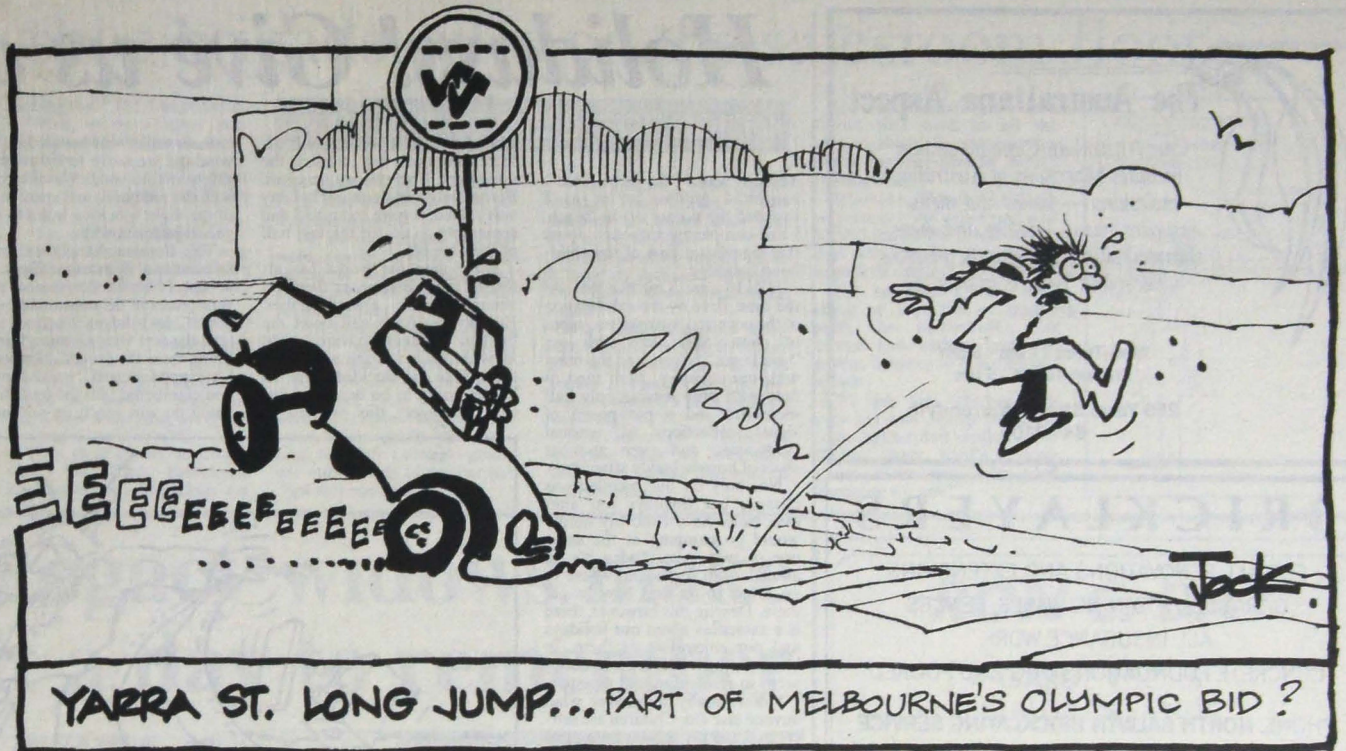
Over the next six months, a strategy plan will be developed which incorporates the guidelines set down in the stage one report.

Community pressure to alter certain concepts in the original Whitford and Peck plan led to a change in the original proposals which called for: removal of trees to improve the view of the river from the road; the downgrading of the bridge tennis courts; and the total removal of prunus from the river bank reserve.

Cr Val Polley is chairperson for the committee which is beginning to look at carparking, pedestrian crossings and footpaths.

A heritage study of the area, recommended as a starting point for the improvement study in the report, is also underway with the Warrandyte Historical Society closely involved.

JUDY MACDONALD



Brigade trio fire up for overseas honors

By BRUCE BENICE

Local firefighters Peter Murphy, Andrew Rotherham and Justin Rhoderick have just returned from an arduous stint in New Zealand, competing in the inaugural World Firefighters Games.

The games were held over five days in May at Auckland's Mt Smart Stadium, the venue for the recent Commonwealth Games.

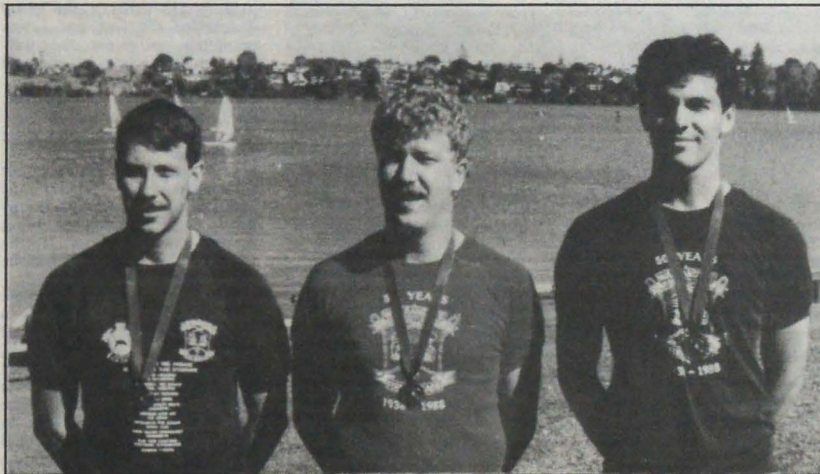
The Warrandyte trio were part of Victoria's 10-member Country Fire Authority contingent competing against firefighters from 30 countries.

While the Warrandyte team could not match the performance of Allan Andrews from the Benalla Brigade who won two gold, three silver and one bronze, they competed in six events and brought home bronze in the coxed four rowing event.

They were aided in the event by two interstate competitors, with Justin as cox. The years of practice in the Warrandyte Festival raft races must have stood the boys in good stead!

Each of the team members competed in two events. Apart from the rowing, Peter and Justin ran 12km cross country on a muddy track which, just hours previously, had been churned up by galloping horses. By the time they were finished they were absolutely exhausted.

Andrew braved the event for the Toughest Fireman Alive, and just reading the program is



Trail blazers: Peter Murphy, Andrew Rotherham and Justin Rhoderick show off their bronze medal.

enough to tire out the average person.

First it called for 50 successive hits with a sledge hammer in a set time, followed by a 200m run in full breathing apparatus carrying 50kg of sand in a length of hose hung around the neck.

Next, Andrew had to raise a 30kg weight to 10m four times by pulling on a rope. Then he had to climb onto the roof of a building

and down the other side while carrying two ladders over the top of the building before having to crawl through a smoke tunnel wearing breathing apparatus and carrying a reel of hose. The next bit was easy — a 25 minute run wearing a 25kg forestry pack!

The event started at 8 am and finished a gruelling eight hours later.

After the games ended the Warrandyte trio decided to go

Bungy jumping off a 45m tower for a bit of excitement.

Safely back at home, they said they wanted to thank all those people and firms who had sponsored them, making it possible for them to take part in the games, including: the City of Doncaster and Templestowe; Penguin Dry Cleaners; Dr and AJ Zerbe; Hamill's Quality Meats; Ringwood Litho Art and Design; and Harry Heaths Supermarket.

Get in for arts award

Applications for the second Warrandyte Youth Arts Award close at the end of this month. Young artists who intend applying should obtain their forms immediately and lodge them as soon as possible.

The award, a joint project of Warrandyte Lions Club and the Diary, is valued at \$5000. Applications are invited from all young artists — painters, potters, sculptors, weavers, singers, actors, musicians, filmmakers, designers or whatever — aged between 18 and 26, who usually live in Warrandyte.

Jeweller Bridget Liddell writes elsewhere in this issue describing the progress she has made in her chosen career, since winning the 1988-89 award.

The organisers intend that the prize should be used in ways that specifically serve the needs of the winner. It may help towards fees, overseas travel, a living allowance, equipment or the cost of a specific project or exhibition.

If more than one applicant is considered outstanding the award could be shared. Candidates unsuccessful in the first award are invited to try again.

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Daryl 'pedals' message of hope

Young Warrandyte cyclist Daryl Keeley is about to pedal 6000km across the US to raise money to help needy kids.

Riding for UNICEF, he hopes to raise enough to help end the cycle of poverty experienced by underprivileged children.

Daryl plans to arrive in Los Angeles on July 21 with letters from the Lord Mayor of Melbourne. He'll then pedal on to Boston, Melbourne's sister city, and Toronto, Melbourne's rival for the Olympic bid, and deliver those messages for our Lord Mayor to theirs.

"I want to cycle 90 to 100km a day with a couple of rest days a week" Daryl said. In readiness for

the three-month trek he has been jogging 70 to 100km a week.

Daryl, who is studying Aerospace Engineering at RMIT has deferred his third year to make the journey. And he is working as a barman at the Hyatt on Collins and as a part-time model to help raise cash for the trip.

"I'm doing this because I came from a broken home and see a lot of underprivileged kids as I travel," he said. "And I have become so fed up seeing them grow up still deprived. I want to do something to slow down or even stop the cycle of poverty.

"Even if it only helps one person, that is one person who can stop the cycle for the next generation of their children.

"It was only by luck that most of us were born into a family not dogged by these problems and it is up to us to do something about it because we are the ones who have the ability to do it."

However Daryl has had a hard time convincing potential sponsors to support his fundraising mission.

He said the trip would cost about \$6000 and so far he had not even found enough sponsors to cover the costs.

"It seems that although potential sponsors say they think it sounds great they've got no money," he said.

"All the Olympic bid would give was stickers — and only because I worked for the Hyatt".



Riding home the message: Twenty-year-old Daryl Keeley is still looking for sponsors to back his 6000km trek across the US to raise money for UNICEF



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Holidays! Give us a break

By ROGER KIBELL

There it was — the jetty. Until I caught a glimpse of it as I rounded the corner of the beach, I had completely forgotten about that significant part of my childhood holidays.

Holidays are a bit like that. At the time, fired by the exhilaration of the occasion, we take two types of photographs; one with our "you beaut" Nikon, and the other with our memory. Both tend to fade with time leaving only half memories and a pot pourri of visual collections of unusual landscapes, and even stranger shots of bosom-buddy strangers.

Not only do our recollections change, but holidays too alter over time. As a child my family would go camping at the same one or two spots. Today it's an annual angst fest about where to go, what to do and how to get there. Despite this however, there is a sameness about our holidays and our enjoyment of them. In hindsight my holiday memories seem to resolve around disasters.

I don't really remember what anyone else did. Children are self-centred and my holiday memories rarely feature how much fun we had as a family, but what I did and suffered.

Sunburn! Don't talk to me about sunburn. Oh yes. That was the occasion I spent the second week of my holiday out of the sun suffering from at least a third degree burn on the spot the size of my outstretched hand. The burn was on the top of my leg, just below the hem of my knitted woollen bathers.

Remember those awful woollen togs? They were to feeling comfortable and sensuous as Maggie Thatcher is to social work. When wet and mixed with sand the wool acted like emery paper. To avoid permanent damage to a young lad, you had to walk with legs spread. I can still see us, a beach full of spider crabs awkwardly moving from the water to the safety of our holes. Our 'holes' were the beach towels behind which everyone changed. Who, today, could hold a towel around the body whilst extricating oneself from woollen Elastoplast, dry the private parts and emerge fully clothed? Lost arts!

A family change of holiday location a year or so later meant more suffering for me. No doubt the rest of my family were present but obviously and typically they didn't suffer as I did. I mean, did they have to spend another second week of their holiday in the caravan bed with suspected paralysis?

Those holidays, the jetty became the epicentre of my world. When I looked at it recently it was short, dilapidated and unprepossessing. But life was halcyon in my youth and the jetty gave the holidays meaning. We would spend all day diving from the end of it, into the fathomless depths.

I awoke one morning with aching limbs and found moving them difficult. My mother and father enjoyed the rest of their holiday waiting for the doctor's diagnosis. When it came, the diagnosis re-

vealed excessive diving had affected my inner ear, causing the complaint. The remedy was rest. Fortunately, although my holiday was ruined, it gave mum and dad something to do for the last half of their break.

Since then the world has altered. Days were longer then and summers were always hotter. Holiday problems still beset me but they also seem to have caught up with others touring with me. I think Fate has decided I am no longer going to be her sole concern. Strangely this seemed to

camper trailer was buckled by the wind did we move to the relative safety of the shed. We shared it with the red backs and spent most of the night blocking holes in the galvanised iron walls.

This time, uncharacteristically, I found our disasters difficult to accept. I became despondent and went outside to commune with nature. As I did so, I noticed our tent, the sort with an inner frame, lifting from the ground. Hurriedly I rezippered myself, walked over and clambered into the tent. All I could do was reach up and hold

It was on that night I decided Fate had finally decided to leave me alone and attach herself to someone else.

Burnt legs, paralysis, croupy babies, floods, gales and droughts all pale into insignificance when confronted by the agonised performance of a man "caught short" in a locked caravan in the middle of the night. With a wife in bed at one end of the van, the children at the other, and the door spirited away by some alien, malevolent being, what other choice was there for a desperate man



coincide with my escape from childhood.

For many years our group of friendly families would go away together each Easter. This tradition began in an innocuously deceptive way. Wouldn't it be lovely, we thought, for the children to have the fond memories of camping with friends? We opted for camping because it was cheap, we liked campfires and "it would be fun anyway". Had I not been with the group all, probably, would have gone well.

Our first Easter away coincided with our son's seventh birthday. It also coincided with flash floods, inadequate tents, domestic fights, and Boy Wonder throwing up on the blankets in the top sleeping section of the VW Campervan.

Each of us had our own way of coping. The women, typically, were optimistic. But we men, sensibly, reacted practically. Pater X locked himself in the car with the daily newspapers and read until noon. Pater Y avoided the scene by going birdwatching. Pater Z flustered about trying to do a King Canute with the elements. I remained supremely calm. What were a few calamities to a seasoned disaster like me. I just put my mind into "vague" and "I'm not here" mode and got bitter and twisted.

On another occasion we went south, to camp on a relative's farm that borders the Antarctic, otherwise known as Bass Strait. There was a shearing shed we could use but we were made of sterner stuff and pitched our tents nearby, determined to do things correctly. Only when the force nine gale hit and one family's

onto the frame to prevent the whole thing launching into orbit.

An hour later, when my wife began to miss my positive contributions to discussions, she discovered me in a symbolically Easter position. Having decided I had paid enough penance, the group dismantled the tent and I was permitted to rejoin the jolly group, half of whom left the next morning.

"Everything is always fine north of the Divide" we bravely rationalised at our traditional Easter planning dinner the following year. Fine, that is, apart from spending the night in the public shower with a croupy baby, pitching our tents on a drought-stricken farm with little water and being awakened in the middle of the night by Pater Z.

Several families had become wealthy enough over the years to afford to hire camper trailers and in Pater Z's case, even a caravan. Pater Z, a Warrandyte gentleman farmer, had been imbibing with the rest of us late into the night. We all tumbled into bed late. At a time in the morning that could only be described as obscene, the earth began to move. Not for us, but for the caravan.

All those months of work, added to a very good night's drinking around the campfire had taken their toll. Pater Z's forward planning had not extended to establishing the location of the caravan door and its locking mechanism. His muffled but impassioned pleas for assistance from his wife as to the locating of the adjective-deleted door and its similarly described latch roused us all.

other than the largest aluminium saucepan?

Fate has now become an international traveller. Flying Boeing 747, she meets you wherever you choose to holiday.

Having reached the end of our character-developing camping days, the Easter group decided to try Bali for our summer holiday. Those who know Bali will realise that if medical problems are to arise, the best place for this to happen is in the more remote mountain districts, well away from accessible transport and English-speaking doctors.

Mater A has problems with travelling in the tropics. Just passing through India she contracted a rare disease carried only by parrots. In Bali she decided to simulate imminent death. We began calmly by asking the reception staff if we could phone for a local doctor. "The phone's sick" we were told. It had been unwell for the past two days and was to suffer for another three.

"We have two hotel vehicles. One is away and the other one is sick." It was obviously an epidemic-ridden location. Eventually we were able to convince a beleaguered attendant to "borrow" the car of one of the hotel's permanent guests. Mater A's ying and yan were soon harmonised with the help of a hypodermic.

For various reasons the Easter holiday tradition had ended, but has Fate? My wife and I are planning a holiday in Thailand on the understanding that a change is as good as a holiday. All our past holidays have been fraught with traumas; this time we would appreciate a change.

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Grey-shoe brigade rules on the salesroom floor

By KEN VIRTUE

Like a lot of people, Libby and I have a priority plan for the things we can afford, and we try to save for major household items.

So, it was with the excitement of teenagers looking for their favorite CD's, we recently set forth in search of carpet and bedroom furniture.

The first thing we rediscover is that there's a factory that makes them. Not the carpet and beds, but the people who sell them.

They are mostly men, slightly tattered around the edges, often wearing grey shoes and awful ties, and beaming nicotine smiles.

"What sort of carpet are you

looking for?" the first one asks.

"Well, we were rather hoping you could help with that," we reply.

"Ah, yes, so it's been a while since you bought any?" he spies.

"Er, yes," we apologise.

"Well, this one is the very latest technology which we have on special until midday at only \$140 a metre," he enthuses.

"Does that include laying and underlay?" I interrogate masterfully.

"Well, no, sir. Of course that would be another \$40, but you'd have something to rely on for years," he counters.

Then (wait for it), he lunges with his final confidence boosting-big benefits-close the

A guide to safe shopping

sale-winner: "As a matter of fact," he confides, "I've got that one myself."

We decide carpets, whether wool, nylon, twisted, plush berber or loop are 'too hard' right now so we push on to the furniture shop.

"We're interested in a queen size bed" we announce, "please show us what you have."

After various homilies about miraculous back cures, lascivious winks about improving our relationship (wink wink, nod nod) this Dale Carnegie graduate also reveals to us that he's "got this one myself."

Who cares! Who cares whether every carpet or bed salesman has owned every item he's trying to flog.

What possible impact could it have on complete strangers who don't know them from Adam?

Who runs these store salesman factories anyway? Where is it written that they have to behave as though all their potential customers have gullible, single-digit IQ's?

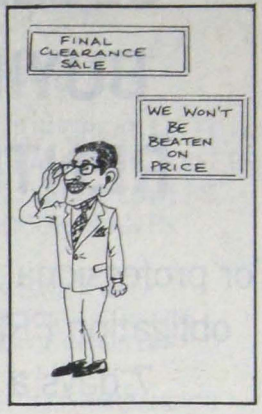
Two miserable weeks of shopping later we eventually find a real human character of a carpet man.

He was recommended by a friend who went to all the carpet shops in the greater north eastern suburbs before finding Phil.

Mind you, Phil could talk his way out of a wet paper bag, and he still insists his profit on the deal will only buy him "a few rounds of drinks".

But he doesn't wear grey shoes or bad ties or brown suits, he understands our budget and, without being too pushy, helps us to make up our minds.

We ask him whether he'll ever get into selling beds. He looks aghast and replies: "Not flamin' likely. That's a mugs game. Have you ever tried shopping for one?"



Winter play tipped to be hot stuff

Feel like some real belly laughs to warm a chilly night in June?

Warrandyte Drama Group has the answer with its winter production of 'My son the lawyer is drowning'.

The outrageous and slightly irreverent comedy concerns Alan and Miriam Isaacs and two major intrusions on their suburban lifestyle.

The first is an unexpected visitation from The Almighty. The second involves their son, Danny, and his love life.

What follows with increasing hilarity is an exploration of the themes of faith, love, logic and why there are three times as many curses as blessings in The Book of Leviticus!

Written by Doug Macleod, a Melbourne writer who has worked for stage, television and radio, the play had a successful season at the Playbox Theatre in 1987.

Local director, Ken Virtue, said he was looking forward to seeing the WMI hall full of happy audiences.

"This play will have broad age group appeal" Ken told the Diary, "and I am delighted to have found such a well-matched cast."

Ken said Warrandyte's production of 'My son the lawyer is drowning' would feature Roger Kibell, Sue Dyring, Doug McManus, Helen Bennett, Donald Baigent and Vicki Shaw.

Seating was theatre style at \$10 a ticket, and yes the hall will be comfortably heated. Bookings are expected to fill quickly for the performances scheduled for June 21, 22, 23, 28, 29, 30 so reserve your seats now by calling Helen Cahill on 844 1198

Drama group proceeds will be used for restoration of the hall, which clearly needs ongoing care.

Helen will also be happy to discuss any special club or group bookings, where a great local night out is assured to help your own fund-raising program.

Legacy widows make it a day to remember

By KEN VIRTUE

In 1915 Charles Day, a private in the 14th Battalion, AIF, landed at Gallipoli and helped to forge part of Australia's history.

Seventy five years later his wife, Beryl Day, watched the break of dawn at Anzac Cove and joined many thousands of other Australians in the special 75th memorial Anzac Day Service.

"I don't think there was a dry eye anywhere," Beryl told the Diary.

"The feeling was especially emotional being right there at Anzac Cove. As we walked along the shore I thought how 75 years ago the dead and wounded would have been lying everywhere."

Beryl, a very healthy looking 88 years 'young', belongs to the First World War Legacy Club and Doncaster Legacy as well as the Ringwood War Widows. She decided to go on a privately arranged Gallipoli tour with her two legacy friends, Ivy Hamilton, 94, of Ringwood and Dorothy Gamlin, 88, of Malvern.

They arrived in Istanbul on the eve of Anzac Day, attended the dawn service with special Veterans Affairs passes, as well as visiting the Lone Pine Cemetery, and married Beryl in 1920 when he took up one of four soldiers' settlements at Pound Bend.

"I moved up here from Melbourne in 1922" Beryl recalled. "Charles didn't talk about the war much but he looked forward to seeing his mates every Anzac Day."

Charles and Beryl had two children, Ronald, who still lives at the Pound Bend property with his family, and Lorraine, who is Mrs Lorraine Harris. Charles, a government surveyor, died in 1948.

Beryl said she cherished her memories and was glad she made the Gallipoli trip.

"We thought it was the chance



Charles Day in uniform. His widow Beryl, was one of thousands of Australians who journeyed to Gallipoli for the 75th anniversary of the Anzac landing.

of a lifetime and something we probably wouldn't see again.

"I wouldn't have missed it for anything."

"We then toured around Turkey for eight days," Beryl said "and we were very impressed with the friendliness of the Turkish people. My husband, Charles, always said that the Turks were 'clean fighters', and that both sides developed a high re-

gard for each others' abilities."

Charles Day's uncle, Bert Day, had been in the Boer War and had lived in Warrandyte before enlisting in the Lighthorse Regiment for World War One. He was killed and buried at Anzac Cove and was one of the nearly 8000 Australians who died during the Gallipoli campaign.

Charles Day returned to Australia on Christmas Day, 1918,

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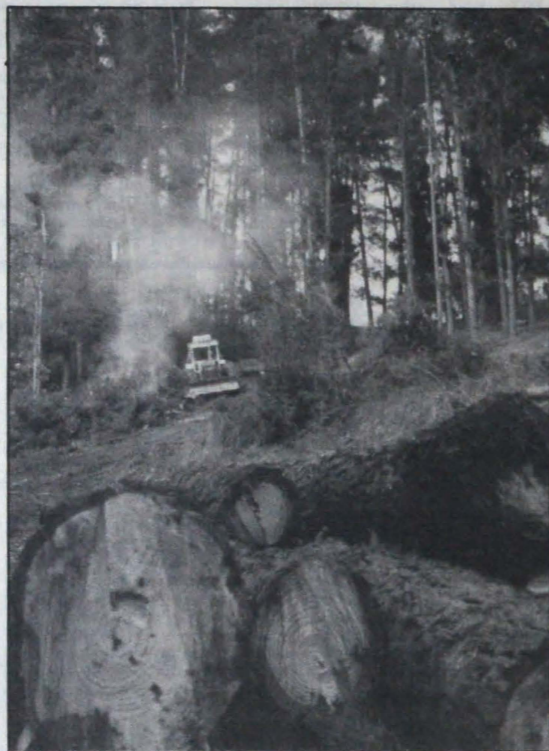
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Enchanted woods come tumbling down



By BRUCE BENICE
Warrandyte Primary School's landmark pine plantation came tumbling down last month. For more than 50 years the pines played a major part in the folklore of the generations of children who planted and played in them.

However in recent years, experts warned that the trees had become dangerous and despite strong feelings and divided opinions the pines are now fulfilling the role for which they were planted — providing income for the school.

The school committee members who worked so hard to raise the 13 shillings and seven pence (\$1.37) for the cost of supplies would have been delighted with the profit from the tree planting scheme.

In May 1940 the school committee wrote to the Education Department requesting that an area of six hectares be set aside in the school ground to plant pine trees as a school endowment plantation.

On August 14 the following year the then head teacher, Mr Isaac, advised that 50 pines had been received from the forest commission and that the pupils had already planted them. The planting continued for a number of years and many of the older residents in Warrandyte can remember taking part.

Warrandyte school committee, as did many other schools in the state at that time, saw the pines as a means of generating income for the school as well as allowing the children to look after the trees they had planted.

One former student was sent out to plant pine trees as a punishment for replacing the teacher's strap with a neatly coiled dead snake that he had found on the way to school. Unrepentant, he planted the trees upside down.

Other stories abound of young male pranksters making a detour through the plantation to rub resin on their hands in case they found themselves on the wrong end of the teacher's strap.

The pines narrowly escaped destruction in the 1962 fires. The bush to the east of the plantation being one of the few areas in what is now the State Park to escape being burnt after a five-hour battle to save it.

A number of pines were felled during the 1960s when they became infested with Sirex Wasp and in the 1970s a thinning operation was carried out.

Those responsible for administering the State Park will see the removal of the pines as a blessing because for years they have been infesting the surrounding bush with self-sown seedlings. In one small area more than 1500 pines were pulled out over a five-year period.

Bulldozers made short work of the 50-year-old pine plantation at Warrandyte Primary School. But as those trees came crashing down, the town's youngsters helped to bring life back to our native parklands during Arbor Week.



Green dream takes root

Warrandyte State Park and Friends of the Park have certainly not been slouches when it comes to greening Victoria.

Their efforts have brought us 1300 trees closer to the Government's goal of planting one million trees in 1990.

In addition they planted a further 500-600 trees over the World Environment Day weekend.

Guides from Ringwood, Croydon and Heathmont all eagerly enlisted to help with this worthwhile project.

And all the local primary schools participated in helping to revegetate the Pound Bend or-

chard and Stane Brae sections of Warrandyte State Park during Arbor Week.

Senior Ranger Ian Roche said it was hoped the activities had helped encourage and develop an attitude of care and concern for the environment among the 1000 children that have so far participated in the program.

He said the State Park has several large cleared areas of land they were eager to revegetate in order to recreate the natural bushland habitat which once nurtured the native wildlife in the area.

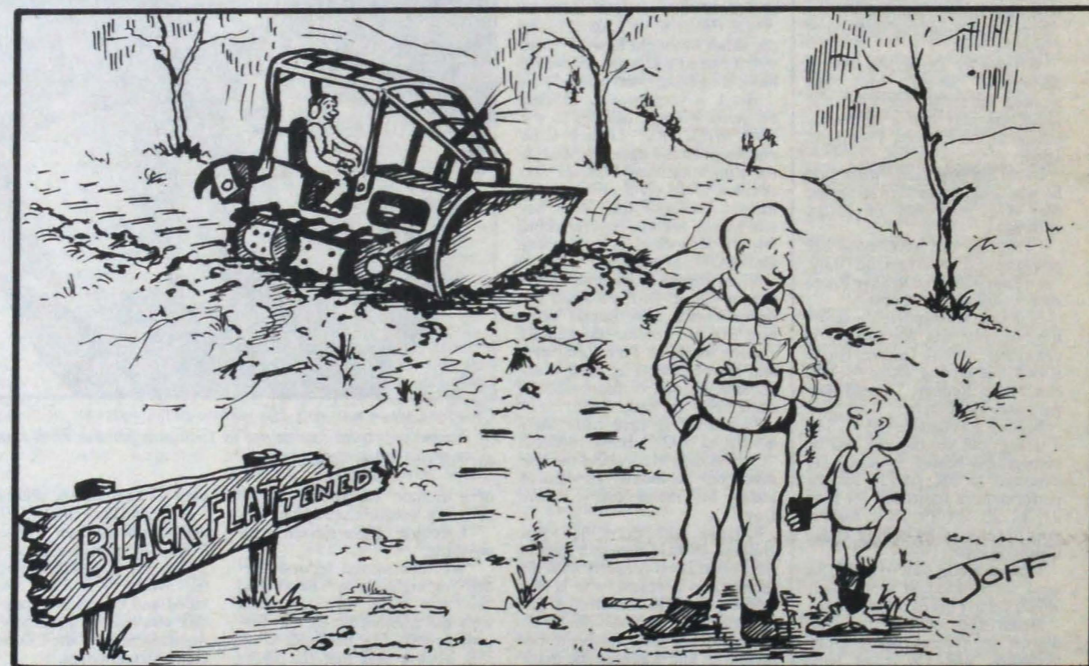
The Friends of Warrandyte State Park have collected seed

from trees growing within the area where they are to be replanted. The seed has been propagated and nurtured successfully to provide truly indigenous native plants for use in the park.

It is now the friends great de-

light to see the rest of the community becoming involved in the fruits of their 12 months labor.

Mr Roche said trees grown from local seed have the greatest success rate as they are perfectly adapted to their location.



"Relax kid, we're just clearing a space so you and your friends can plant some trees for Arbor Week."



Robyn Blackman and Paula Warwick look confident that their Arbor Day tree will grow on to bigger and better things.



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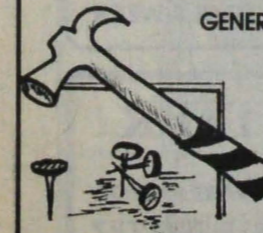
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MAY HUGHES

Grand mum's spirit shone in hard times

Warrandyte lost another link with its past on Friday May 18 when May Hughes died at the age of 88.

May had spent two years in hospital and at the time of her death was at Amaroo in Ringwood where she died peacefully surrounded by her family. She is survived by her 4 children, 13 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

May was born at Rutherglen in northern Victoria in 1902, the daughter of John and Harriet Baker. May and two of her sisters were the only three of their seven children to survive childhood.

The family moved to Warrandyte in 1907 where John Baker worked in the Caledonian mine. They built a house on land that was held on a Miners Right until May bought the freehold in the 1940s.

John Baker went to Broken Hill to work in the mines while the family stayed in Warrandyte. He died in 1912 of consumption contracted while working in the mines.

May was 10 when her father died and she and her sisters helped her mother, earning what money they could. May worked in the Kia Ora cafe which was burnt down in the 1939 fires.

May married Roy Hughes, a carpenter who built the bridge cafe, a noted landmark until it was demolished during the construction of the present bridge which was opened in 1955.

The couple lived with Mrs Baker and Roy played football and cricket for Warrandyte until his death in August 1931 from blood poisoning, leaving May a widow



May Hughes: devoted her life to raising her family.

shortly before the birth of their youngest child David. Not only was May expecting but 1931 was at the height of the worst depression that Australia has known.

May and Roy had four children, Edna (now Mrs Thorpe), John, Alec and David. May managed to keep them all fed through those dreadful days, often going without herself so the children could eat. May devoted all her efforts to her children as she struggled to raise them. Apart from growing her own vegetables May worked at whatever jobs she could get. At one time she was employed part time for Miss Anna Moore at the Post Office as well as working in the cafe and picking cherries at "Digger"

Smiths and Len Hobb's during the summer.

May was a great cook and could always turn out a meal from the basic ingredients such as flour and sugar which she bought in calico bags. May preserved eggs from the hens and made all her own soap as well as knitting warm clothes for the children for the winter, relying as much as possible on her own resources.

When, in due course, the grandchildren and great-grandchildren arrived they all received hand knitted clothes.

May lived through an extremely eventful period of history. She was born in the horse and buggy days, lived to see man walk on the moon and beyond, and endured two World Wars.

May saved every penny she could and in the late 1940s had scraped together enough to build the home at 320 Yarra Street where she lived until shortly before she died. Alec and David saved the house when the 1962 fires jumped the river and raced up over the Fourth Hill to cross the Maroondah Highway before it was finally stopped.

May finally stopped working in the 70s but continued to provide countless batches of scones and cups of tea for Alec and David as they worked on their car collection and for any visitors that happened to be around at the time. May's worn-down rolling pin bears testimony to the amount of work it was put to over the years.

May devoted her life to her family and liked nothing better than to have them around her or going on holidays with them. She will be sadly missed.

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LETTERS

Arts award a great start

Hello, its me, Bridget Liddell. Just thought I'd send you a little note to say what a successful year I've had and how valuable the Warrandyte Youth Arts Award has been to me.

Being able to afford materials, I managed to exhibit in all the art shows I had hoped to and one or two extra. I was able to buy a tumbler, flexidrive and many other important tools. I also designed my own card and packaging from which I have had great response.

Having materials and tools allowed me time to expand my skills and to develop more of my own style.

So, with still a long way for me to go in the future, I am just letting you know what a great start I have been given. I'll keep you informed.

Bridget Liddell,
Jeweller
Research Road.

Not all young drivers 'idiots'

Reading the article "Youth's ticket to freedom...", in Diary No 210, I can only say how disgusted I was at the attitude of 'one young local driver'. I was dismayed also at the general consensus that young drivers are being blamed for speed ignorance and failure to adjust to changing road conditions.

Being a 'young' driver (by this I assume probationary licence holders are 'young' drivers) myself, I was annoyed by the article as it insinuated all young drivers are tarred with the one brush.

I refuse to be categorised with the likes of that 'young local' idiot, whose participation in illegal drag racing is not only intentional, but also irresponsible.

To suggest drag racing is a 'sport' is ridiculous — who takes responsibility for this person's irresponsible actions? Petrol heads who scream up and down public streets claim it's a 'thrill'. These people are blatantly refusing to co-exist with the norms and laws set down in our society and this amounts to criminal activity. These types of people are also

violating the public's right to safer roads and better driving conditions both of which are factors to be looked at when assessing the road toll.

Some other points raised in the article included the 'freedoms' one has when 18. These are not freedoms, they are responsibilities which are unfortunately dumped on young adults at one time.

To suggest that young drivers take responsibilities 'with a grain of salt' is unfair. The biggest downfall for young drivers is inexperience. The desire to 'break loose' is only natural, yes, but why not alter these 'freedoms' so that the legal driving age and the legal drinking age do not coincide. Teaching young drivers to tackle one new responsibility at a time could be beneficial in the long run.

Insinuating that young drivers are the main offenders of traffic violations is failing to look at other factors involved. I know of a middle aged person who has had umpteen drink-driving and speeding fines. This person has also had their licence cancelled twice. Now, back on the road with no change in attitude or behaviour, the disturbing part is that this person has children who are following in the same footsteps — and they are probationary licence holders.

It leaves me wondering whether indeed young drivers are at fault, or whether they are a product of adult role models, because in a lot of cases, the 'examples' being set are very poor.

C. Watts
Warrandyte

Karolina's Aussie odyssey proves the myths wrong

A year in Warrandyte has proven a real eye-opener for 17-year-old Karolina Kollenmark.

"At home in Umea, Sweden I thought that every day all Australian kids went to the beach for a swim after school, all Australians had a funny English accent, most of the men were going to be like Paul Hogan, Christmas day was always a huge beach party and snakes and sharks were to be found everywhere".

Karolina arrived in Australia last August to spend a year living with families of the Rotary Club of Warrandyte.

She is one of about 3000 young people around the world who each year take part in the Rotary Youth Exchange Program.

The aim of the program, in which Rotary Clubs host students who have been sponsored by Rotary Clubs in other countries, is to enable the students to advance their education by studying for a year in a different environment, to broaden their outlook by learning to live with and meet people of different cultures and to act as ambassadors for their countries in furthering goodwill and understanding.

Now with her year in Warrandyte nearly over and, dare we say it, with a perceptible Aussie twang in her accent, Karolina reflects on some of the differences she has experienced.



Karolina Kollenmark will bid a sad farewell to her Aussie mates soon... but there will be few regrets about leaving behind weekend homework.

"The pace of living here is so much more relaxed with a less formal lifestyle. I did experience some problems in adjusting when I first arrived but have settled into the pace very well, so much so that I'll have a new problem adjusting when I go home".

Karolina has continued her schooling in Australia at the Dunlavin Campus of Mullauna College and has some interesting observations on our education system compared with that in Sweden.

"The teachers here are more

open about their thoughts and views of students in public than back home" she says. "Swedish teachers would express their views about a student only in private".

Surprisingly (and we suspect much to the nods of approval from her Aussie peers) she feels that Australian students are expected to do much more homework than Swedish students. As a school policy Swedish students are not expected to do homework over weekends or during holidays. And there are no tests on a Monday and no

more than one test on any other day.

"I think the amount of homework required here is unreasonable as it does not allow students to enjoy their youthfulness" she says.

"A real difference exists in the way students are treated: in Sweden if a student is having problems with his or her work the whole class is held up until the student has caught up. I am not saying that this is better or worse than what happens here, but it is a reflection of the way Swedish society works".

Karolina believes that, apart from some wonderful experiences, she has benefited from the Rotary Youth Exchange Program.

"I have become confident in class and in public and can communicate more effectively with others in English. As a result of being away from home for a year I have become more independent and have learnt to understand people better."

"I have developed lifelong Rotary Exchange friends as a direct result of our shared experiences and of course the families who have shared their lives with me will always be very special to me".

Karolina flies back to Sweden next month. Will she ever return to Australia? "Absolutely yes, yes, yes! Next time I want to go fruitpicking right round the country".

Bush uncovers a winter wonderland

NATURE

By PAT COUPAR

Winter — what a fantastic time of the year!

The nights may be cold, the early mornings dark and cheerless, but once the mist has lifted from the river and the tree-covered hills beyond, the true jewels of winter are revealed: the spiders webs strung from the bushes like crystal chandeliers, the delicate pink and white flowers of the Common Heath with its spikey leaves adorned with sparkling drops of dew and the glistening, golden caps of the emerging fungi.

The ground still retains some warmth from the balmy days of

the Indian summer and this, together with the welcome autumn rain creates the perfect growing conditions for the fungi.

Warrandyte, which is recognised as a dry area with shallow, stony soils, has an array of fungi to rival any wet mountain forest.

Most numerous are the gilled fungi (Agarics), commonly known as mushrooms (the edible

ones) and toadstools (the inedible ones). They vary in size from less than 1cm to over 20cm across the cap and in color from deep purple or red through all shades of brown and yellow to snowy white.

In addition there are those that look like the Agarics but instead of gills have a spongy appearance underneath the cap. Most are stout with noticeably thickened stems; these are the Boletes.

The Coral Fungi generally, are more subtle in color, often a pale yellow, pink or purple. These are sometimes referred to as Fairies Castles.

Bracket Fungi and Leather or

Shelf Fungi are plentiful on fallen logs and other decaying wood. Several species of Puff Balls can be discovered on the ground among the leaf litter and beside tracks.

The most attractive of them all to me is called the Earth Star (Geastrum spp.), a fawn-brown fungus which opens up like the petals of a flower to reveal the Puff Ball in the middle.

Probably the most fascinating of all fungi is the one known as the Vegetable Caterpillar (Cordyceps spp.). The spores of this remarkable fungus are inadvertently swallowed by a caterpillar

of the Swift Moth Family (Hepialidae), while feeding on the roots of trees, deep in the soil.

The fungus grows within the body of the caterpillar and gradually consumes all the body tissues, leaving only the shell. After rain, in autumn, the fungus pushes its fruiting body through the soil still attached to the mummified body of the caterpillar which remains buried at some depth.

This amazing variety of fungi can be seen in the Warrandyte State Park especially around the common and along the Blue Tongue Bend track.

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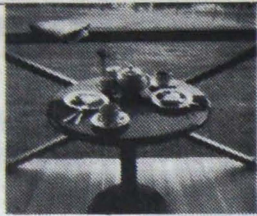
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Curly saga of wedded bliss

Jubilee

Family and friends of Tony and Maren Evans got together recently to help the couple celebrate their silver wedding anniversary at the Eltham Gateway motel. Their sons, Michael and Paul made sure the night was a success. While Tony (who has lived in Warrandyte almost long enough to be a local) is showing signs of the passing years, Maren has changed little since her wedding day except she now has curly hair. But as one guest was heard to remark "being married to Tony for 25 years would be enough to make anyone's hair curl".

Art works

The Diamond Valley Arts Society Autumn show has drawn to a close. The season's acquisitions by the society was a landscape by Doug Hall and a casserole dish by Ernie Travers. The society is still looking for students to start a new art class with Petra Reece. The gallery is open each Saturday from 1 to 5pm at the old Greensborough school on the corner of Grimshaw Road and The Circuit. Readers should note that the demonstration by E. Berry scheduled for June was brought forward to May. For more details about the society ring publicity officer Jean Simmons on 469 2505.

Nursing mums

Warrandyte's Nursing Mothers Association holds regular meetings and coffee mornings for mothers who are breast or bottle



Conducted by JUDY GREEN

feeding or expecting a baby. Its next morning coffee is on Wednesday, June 27, from 10am to noon. Also coming up is a night meeting which will discuss "The reward period — three months on". It will be held on Tuesday, July 10, at 8pm. For more details give Kristin a ring on 431 1443.

Meals service

A gremlin in the system saw last month's edition of the Diary publish the wrong contact numbers for the local Meals on Wheels service. If you would like to give this hard-working group a hand delivering meals to the elderly ring the roster secretary, Judith Woods, on 844 3848 or 850 1777.

Raffle winners

The Warrandyte Youth Services Mothers' Day raffle was drawn by Dale O'Donahoo of the Goldfields Fruit Market. The winners were: Connie B, Richmond, first prize \$20 fruit voucher; R. Seychell, Coburg, second prize \$18 seedlings; Connie Barone, Brunswick, third prize \$18 devonshire tea for four; Connie, Brunswick,

fourth prize \$15 clay pot; Brett Ellis, Nunawading, fifth prize \$7 bottle of wine. Warrandyte Youth Services co-ordinator Agnes French has extended her thanks to the Goldfields Fruit Market. The Pines Garden Centre and Nursery, Thyme on the Terrace, The Claypot and Warrandyte Cellars for their donations, along with the Warrandyte Lions Op Shop and the local CAB workers, for helping to sell the tickets.

To market

Warrandyte's community market offers a variety of homemade and homegrown goods at the myriad of stalls that line Stiggant's Reserve each month. Now the organisers are hoping to add more entertainment such as buskers, street theatre, or even coral groups. If you're interested in running a stall or performing at the market write to PO Box 8, Warrandyte, 3113, enclosing a stamped and self addressed envelope.

Help abroad

Australia is continually referred to as the 'lucky country' but it is easy to ignore the significance behind the label. In Warrandyte especially we live with choice. We choose our food, our homes and who we associate with, but even more importantly Australians have the freedom to express their moral and political beliefs both publicly and privately. We are indeed lucky, unlike countries such as China and Latin America where people are tortured or killed for their beliefs. Amnesty International is a group which

lobbies peacefully to free political "prisoners of conscience". Warrandyte's Amnesty International group was founded several months ago and now has a handful of dedicated supporters. But as with most voluntary groups it struggles for funds and further support. If you would like to join contact Christo Ferguson on 844 3139.

Grateful thanks

The family of the late Greg Evans would like to thank their friends who organised the catering and flowers at the Warrandyte Football Club social rooms for the day of his funeral. Their kindness and help was much appreciated.

House moves

The co-ordinators of the Warrandyte Neighborhood House have issued a big 'thank you' to the Warrandyte community market committee for their generous donation to help cover running costs of the House. Thanks also go to the local Lions club for its contribution towards costs associated with the temporary relocation to the childcare centre's 'Little House' until the new community centre is completed. The co-ordinators invite all members of the community to join them for a cuppa and a chat in their cosy new premises. Opening hours are Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10am to 2pm and Thursdays from 9.15am to 1.15pm, as well as other times for a variety of courses and group meetings. Ring them on 844 1839 for more information about their activities.

Pollies lose track of railway

June 1890: The railway excitement has culminated. This evening, I suppose, the proposed new lines will be known. The Melbourne papers have made a guess and published a series of lines they expect will be included. We are carefully left out. Though both papers have the Kew to Doncaster line.

However, nobody knows at present, yet we have a feeling that the extension from Doncaster to Warrandyte (although it would not cost the Government on sale of Crown lands one penny, and has every prospect of it being a very payable matter) will be a back seat.

Everybody, of course, cannot be satisfied, yet we had been led to believe we had a very good show indeed. The Minister was not banquetted, nor did we bother him much, save and except we stated a clear good case. One that could not be equalled in the colony. Some places, I suppose, must wait and we are one of them. I hope I am wrong.

It's a pity this place with its natural advantages so near the metropolis should have to be laid aside for another decade. The worst of it is private enterprise

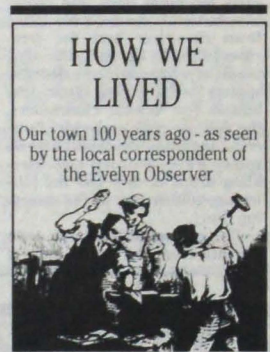
has no show. There would be no difficulty in raising the money. This has been clearly shown to Mr Gillies, but private lines in conjunction with the State railways are tabooed.

Now that the severance of the Doncaster Riding from the Bulleen Shire is an accomplished fact, steps should be taken at all events to have alternative meetings at Templestowe and Warrandyte, or some such arrangements made that would be a mutual convenience.

We have certainly plenty of local residents quite competent to represent us that hitherto have been suffering either from laziness or a dread of being grossly insulted at the Council chamber under the old regime. If the present Shire would go in for a good loan, matters would be simplified a good deal and would be popular through the Shire.

I am told a nice little nugget, two and a half ounces, was got at old Anderson's Creek last week in old ground. That is about the heaviest piece ever obtained in that locality.

Men are to be put on at the Evelyn Tunnel some time this month for a positive start. "Faith



HOW WE LIVED

Our town 100 years ago - as seen by the local correspondent of the Evelyn Observer

may remove mountains," yet it never cleaned out a tunnel. They have the money, however, so a surprise may take place. It is the best spec. in the country, but has taken an unearthly time to generate.

Our mail from the 1st July arrives here at 10.15 and leaves at 12. Only one mail, so we have no chance of daily communication as hitherto with Melbourne. I understand that for some slight increase the contractor is willing

to run the same two mails as at present, and steps are about to be taken to solicit the Postmaster-General to grant it.

Later

Yes. We are left out in the cold. Whether it has been a want of sufficient pegging or otherwise matters very little at the present time. We have made up our minds to leave no stone unturned to remedy this. That we had everything in our favor to show, and did in a mild way do so, goes for nothing.

Our eyes are opened, and endeavors will be made to so now represent to the Government our position that at all events a recognition of our merits must take place. A present railway means everything to us, and promises of future extension means nothing.

We have to fight single-handed, yet we don't as yet despair, and are determined not to give in until we are forced. It does seem a pity, and everyone at all cognisant of our district say the same thing.

Winter has come in earnest, and there is every likelihood of a continuance of it. (From the Newspaper Collection, State Library of Victoria.)

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Year 12 art student Katherine McLeod puts the final touches to her painting.

Brush with the arts

This year's Art and Craft Exhibition to be held at Warrandyte High School from June 22 to 24 is likely to appeal to regular gallery visitors and those seeking works of quality at considerably less than their market value.

Many of our leading artists will exhibit including Brian Armstrong, Reg Cox, Walter Magilton, Ron Muller, Bernard Rust, Kevin Speary and Maxwell Wilks.

Their paintings will form a backdrop to displays of jewellery, ceramics, textiles and a variety of crafts.

Among the exhibits will be the work of wild-life sculptor Chris Stubbs, spun and woven articles by Joan Golding and Ann Bidstrup's innovative textiles.

The exhibition also presents the opportunity to view a separate display of work by Warrandyte High School students in-

cluding woodcraft, textiles, ceramics, painting, graphics and photography.

Warrandyte High's arts coordinator, Chris White, said the exhibition reflects the value placed on the teaching of arts and crafts at the school up to and including years 11 and 12.

This is "in line with VCE and Ministry of Education philosophy that it is desirable for students of all disciplines to pursue the arts as both an intellectual exercise and a creative outlet for leisure hours".

The public is invited to attend the opening night on Friday, June 22 at 8 pm, when a champagne supper will be served. The exhibition will continue over the weekend between 10 am and 5 pm Saturday and 11 am to 4 pm Sunday at the High School, corner Warrandyte and Alexander Roads, Warrandyte.

Volunteers put safe train on course for success

At the recent public meeting of the Park Orchards Ratepayers Association attended by more than 60 interested residents, several issues of community interest were discussed.

Cr Vernon Denford was present, with apologies from Crs Val Polley and Rob Gell.

Alan Murnane of the Croydon Good Neighborhood, talked about the success of the Safe Train project and how the behavior and attitude of young people in the Croydon area has become more responsible and co-operative in recent months.

The consequent improvement in amenity makes life more pleasant for everyone.

Mathew Jones, our youth representative presented a point of view about the graffiti that persists in the area near the post office.

He showed photographs of local efforts, explaining these marks signify the identity of the perpetrator and are known as their 'tag'.

He suggests several ways of matching signs with the author, one being to check the decoration on school books.

Mathew also showed examples of graffiti art — truly works of art — that have been executed with approval. It was thought that,



Conducted by PAULINE BROOKE

with permission, these young people could take it in turns to do a "piece" on a designated space. Comments were sought and freely given and the association welcomes any constructive suggestions from residents.

Another matter of great concern at the meeting was the imminent closure of our Neighborhood Watch program which has functioned so well for these past four years under the guidance of coordinator Wally Rhodes.

The program is in dire need of zone leaders, about eight, a secretary, treasurer and co-ordinator.

The duties of a zone leader are minimal requiring about two hours in two months, because we have recently changed to bi-monthly meetings in an effort to lessen the load on the few loyal to the cause.

A zone leader delivers an aver-

age of 20 newsletters, ideally in their own street, and takes time to keep in touch with neighbors.

A meeting is set for Tuesday, July 3, at 7.30pm and we look forward to the backroom at Domeney overflowing with enthusiastic residents willing to help keep the watch going. Wally's phone number is 876 1716.

Charles Uber presented a comprehensive report on road and traffic matters with emphasis on the proposed Northern Route and speed bars in Park Road between the shops and Alva Avenue. These yellow bar markings slow vehicles and hopefully help avoid any more injuries to innocent victims of those who cannot control their driving.

Experience shows that where these have been installed excessive speed has been reduced by 40 per cent.

Council has said the camber on the road will not be altered until the road is reconstructed permanently.

A detailed questionnaire on the freeway extension and Northern Route has been prepared and will be letterboxed when the Mack report on submissions is received. As further submissions will be accepted all residents are urged to think carefully and take time to complete and return it.

Lacrosse star does it again for Victoria



Duncan Freemantle

Warrandyte's Duncan Freemantle will represent Victoria in the World Cup lacrosse championships in Perth next month.

Duncan, 16, of Research Road, will play for the under-17s against teams from as far afield as the United States, Canada, Japan and Britain.

It is his second State guernsey — last year he was in the Victorian team which won the national under-15 schoolboys title.

Duncan has been playing lacrosse for three years. He is a member of the Eltham club and invites any prospective players to contact him at The Canoe Shed (844 2502).

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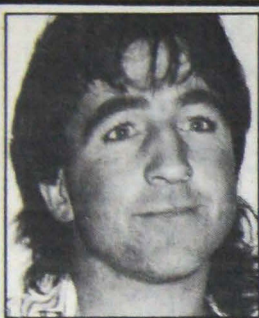
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Brad Day before the crunch.

Hooked again, it wasn't Brad's day

Brad Day's comeback to football was always going to be brief. But it didn't end nearly the way he had planned.

A young veteran of 17 seasons as a junior and senior with Warrandyte, Day, 28, stepped down before the start of the season to rest his arthritic back, which was causing him leg pains, and "see how it went".

He liked what he saw from the other side of the fence. He liked to sip a cold can of beer and give a bit of cheek to the blokes doing it hard out there on the field.

Inevitably, though, Brad Day came back. It was no spur-of-the-moment decision. No,

he would play in the reserves in Round 7 and if he came through that okay, maybe he would have something to offer the seniors against some very formidable opposition in the following two games.

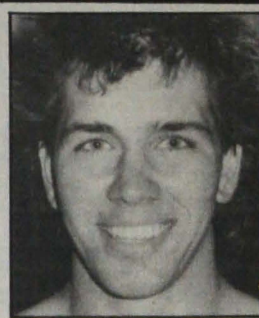
But that would be it — finito — because he'd already booked in for an operation to straighten the nose bent so often in close encounters in the Bloods backline. The home game against Coldstream on June 2 would certainly be his last.

There's no doubt about that now because Day's nose was broken in the first 10 minutes of that match — by a teammate! Gerald

Walsh, who'd played alongside Day for years, made a desperate attempt to punch the ball away, missed and collected Day instead.

A sheepish and very apologetic Walsh was nursing a bruised hand after the game and Day, who was wondering what wife Julie was going to say when he got home, looked like a loser from Madison Square Garden.

Regretfully, Brad Day has played his last game — and one of his best — for Warrandyte. He and Gerald Walsh are still very good mates.



Gerald Walsh — "Oops!"

Coldstream bring Bloods back to earth

Warrandyte's stop-start, injury-ridden football season took a downturn at the hands of nominal premier-ship favourites Coldstream.

The Bloods, who had won three in a row after four consecutive losses, had to beat the ladder leaders at home to start the second half of the season on the credit side of the ledger.

As it is, they begin the run home with 4-5 deficit — but coach Lindsay Hopkins is unfazed by the situation.

"Last year, we made the finals with 11 1/2 wins," he said. "The competition is so even this year that 10 wins might be enough. And with more players returning from injury, I think you'll see a better performance from Warrandyte in the second half of the season."

Coldstream beat Warrandyte by 71 points — 18.19 (127) to 8.8. (56) — but the scoreline perhaps flattered the visitors.

The Bloods' already-wretched run of injuries was compounded when key position player Mark O'Brien was a late withdrawal. It left Warrandyte short on height (as Jack Dyer might once have said) and limited Hopkins' options to cover Coldstream's dis-

Beating about the bush

Top bush band Paradiddle will be "in concert" at the Warrandyte Football club on Saturday, June 23.

Paradiddle have a big following in Warrandyte and top the bill at the annual festival concert.

Tickets will be available at the

door, supper is included and the show kicks off at 7.30 pm.

The outstanding success of local band Lost Property's performance at the club last month has turned it into a regular happening. Lost Property will be back to entertain the "youngies" on Saturday, June 30, and every third week thereafter.

tinct edge in centimetres in a lot of positions.

Coldstream started the game sensationally, with a goal in the first 30 seconds, and had 4.2 on the board before the goal umpire at the Harry Heath end was called upon to make a decision.

John O'Brien and Steve Carroll kept the Bloods in touch with goals in quick succession, but the trouble signs were already obvious. Kimberley O'Connor was up against a veritable man mountain at the centre bounces and Tony Sturesteps was conceding a lot of height and mobility at full-back.

Warrandyte trailed by 25 points at the first change and squandered opportunities to hit back in the second quarter. They

had more use of the ball but could not translate that on to the scoreboard.

Glen McCartin, Robin Golding, Mick Hassall, John McCartin and Danny Weatherly were among the better players, but chances went begging. When Coldstream went forward, there was no such nonsense.

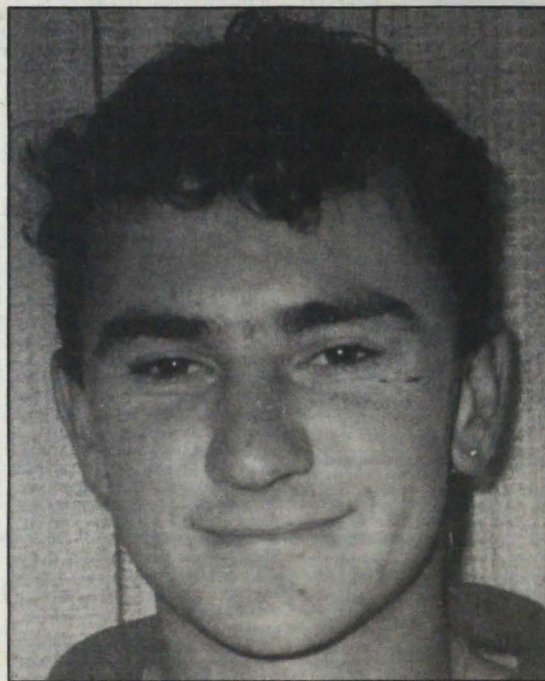
The Bloods trailed by 36 points at the interval and can thank some shoddy shooting for goal for breathing space when hostilities resumed. Still, the game had "Coldstream" written all over it.

Their full-forward, Paul Walsh, continued to beat all-comers and when he wasn't creating a loose man near goal, a team-mate was.

On a possessions basis, Coldstream didn't really deserve to be 59 points in front at three-quarter time or 71 points clear at the end.

Bloods president Colin Bawden said after the game that he was "disappointed, but not too disappointed". "If they're the best team in the competition and we can field our best team against them next time, we'll give them a shake," he said.

Warrandyte's best were Brad Day, Golding, O'Brien, O'Connor, Hassall and Glen and John McCartin.



Glen McCartin — one of Warrandyte's best against Coldstream

A naughty night out for Madge

The appeal for crippled Warrandyte footballer Gary (Madge) Allsop reopens next month with a theatre-restaurant night in Hawthorn.

Celebrated local actor/comedian Terry Gill has thrown open his Naughty 90s & Bull 'n' Bush at discounted prices on Thursday, July 26.

Tickets include a four-course meal and top entertainment and have been reduced from \$35 to \$28.

The Naughty 90s had its origins in Warrandyte and Gill and his cast have revamped the programme to make a rollicking good night even more entertaining.

Warrandyte Football Club will be seeking donations of goods from local traders to be auctioned during the evening.

The Naughty 90s is at 675 Glenferrie Road. Tickets are now available from Helen Revell (844 3887, 344 7105 BH), Jenny Walshe (876 3719) and Anthony Giles-Peters (844 2573).

300 Chasing the baskets

Warrandyte Basketball Club has more than 40 teams and 300 players in the new Saturday junior competition. It has the numbers and talent to improve on last season's six premierships and two narrow grand final defeats.

The boys have fielded 27 teams and the under-17s set a professional example by appearing for their first game in magnificent new uniforms. The outfits rival those worn in the NBL and have

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given the team a "winning look" borne out by early results.

Warrandyte is also well represented in the Friday night junior championship which includes teams from far-flung parts of Victoria.

It is a 23-week season and there is still plenty of basketball to come.

Warrandyte's intraclub competition is played on Wednesday

nights among seven men's teams. There are three games at the high school gymnasium, with one team having a bye.

It is a "friendly" competition — Hitmen, the name chosen by one of the teams might not give that impression — but the intense rivalry between clubmates produces some top basketball.

We have not yet had a North Melbourne Giants talent scout walk through our door, but we feel it is only a matter of time.

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