

Reserve plan close

Squash closure

The Warrandyte Squash and Racquetball Centre has been suddenly closed by the Community Church, the building's owner. The church says it could no longer afford to subsidise the failing business.

The church's board of management decided at a meeting on February 1 to close the centre on February 5.

"If we're going to close, we may as well do it sooner rather than later," a board member, Mr Craig Smith said.

But squash club members are furious at the decision, made 10 days before the start of a new season. A club member and former employee, Craig Hamilton, said that most other clubs are by now full, and Warrandyte's 26 teams will probably have to disband.

He said the centre's employees are also angry at the short notice.

Craig Smith said the squash courts have been losing money for several years, "particularly in the last twelve months".

"We're very sorry but the well is dry, we just can't keep going."

He said the church bought the building five years ago, so that "we could be more effective in the community".

The centre has been leased to a local elder for renovation, and will reopen as a "supergym" with fewer courts. "Squash is a dying industry," said Craig Smith.

Craig Hamilton disagrees: "When the season starts, squash is very much the most important thing around here."

Residents' fears debated

By GEORGI STICKELS

Expanded sports facilities will be balanced with open space and other community needs, in a management plan for Warrandyte Recreation Reserve due for release by Doncaster council this month.

The draft, which was begun in September and attracted heated debate among residents and user groups, is expected to recommend a new kindergarten and two new tennis courts, as well as resurfacing the netball courts and addressing safety and parking issues.

The tennis courts are planned for the old Whitehouse site, with the existing kinder and infant welfare centre to be demolished and rebuilt on their present site.

An indoor multi-purpose stadium, which received strong support at a public meeting held last September, will not be located on the reserve in this plan, but other sites for the complex will be explored.

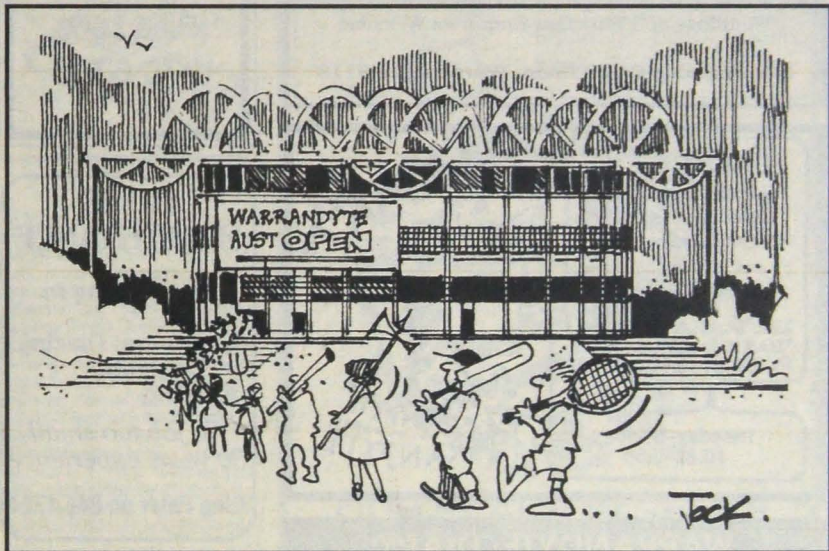
"I think it's a very constrained site. The difficulty we have with Warrandyte is that there is a premium on flat land," Cr Val Polley said.

A major innovation at the reserve will be the establishment of an advisory board, made up of residents and user groups' representatives. Warrandyte ward councillors Val Polley and Louise Joy have undertaken the project, which will recommend changes to the five year management plan as they become necessary.

The draft has taken shape through a thorough consultation process, involving the council's Recreation Planning Department, local councillors, kindergarten and sporting group representatives and residents.

Two meetings were held in September last year, one for the reserve's user groups and a public meeting for other interested parties. Support for more facilities was very strong at these early meetings. Both basketball and tennis are growing sports, their clubs existing on facilities already stretched to their limits.

These needs, as well as security lighting and parking, were addressed in a draft plan released in December. The draft proposed building a new infant welfare and kindergarten centre on the Whitehouse site, and two floodlit tennis courts on the present kinder site. A multi-purpose stadium was recommended



A local call saves house

"Call direct and save your house," is the message from Captain Bob Bird of Warrandyte fire brigade, following a call to a house fire in Lynette Avenue late last year.

At about 7am, just after Mr and Mrs Gavin Borwick had left for work, fire broke out in the central heating system of their home. It had already spread throughout the underfloor area before smoke was noticed by the Borwick's sons, Joel and Adam.

They immediately rang 000 and reported the fire, before noticing the Warrandyte fire brigade sticker on their phone. They then rang this direct number and the brigade was on the scene within four minutes.

The call placed to the 000 number was not relayed to the brigade watchroom until nearly five minutes after the direct call.

"Time was critical," Captain Bird told the *Diary*. "When we arrived the fire was just starting to take hold on the structure. Plastic plumbing and heating ducting was already fully involved," he said. "A few minutes delay could have seen the whole house go up."

Captain Bird believes this home was saved by the responsible actions of two youngsters

and a small adhesive sticker with the Warrandyte fire reporting number: 844 3798.

Warrandyte's fire brigade has one of the most advanced emergency reporting telephone systems in Australia. A direct fire call activates phones in up to 11 brigade members' homes simultaneously. The person taking the call can phone other members, activate a paging system or set off the siren, all with the touch of a button.

Each brigade in the area is able to take fire calls, which should be directed to the number for your local brigade for the quickest response.

"We strongly recommend that householders in the Warrandyte, North Warrandyte and South Warrandyte areas install their direct emergency reporting number into the abbreviated number system on their phones," Captain Bird said.

"For good measure, affix the adhesive sticker supplied with our information leaflets in the mail during the summer," he added.

Leaflets titled Will You Survive? cover how to prepare for the fire season and what to expect during a fire. Copies are available from the Warrandyte Citizens Advice Bureau at the community centre.



Cr Louise Joy

to replace the existing netball courts and kindergarten car park.

Some residents in Tarroona Avenue had not received council's flyers advertising the early meetings and were opposed to the tennis courts and the stadium in the draft. They predicted increased crowds, light, noise and traffic in Tarroona Avenue, spoiling their quiet neighbourhood.

"It's a constant struggle to make sure residents who have an interest are notified. I'm sorry when we fail," said Cr Polley.

The kindergarten committee also had some reservations about relocating next to the cricket and football licensed clubhouse and so far from the carpark.

"But as long as we can get a building that will meet all our needs, we don't mind which site it is built on," said Maree Burns, for the kinder.



Cr Val Polley

Residents called a meeting in January, attended by Recreational Planning Officer Kristen Allen, to record their concerns in the draft.

Residents were not opposed to catering for the local boom in sport but were wary of overdevelopment of this reserve.

"An indoor facility is not the optimum use of the site because there are restrictions of size," said Cr Val Polley. "This will be a last ditch option."

"As the father of a basketballer I would love to see a basketball stadium on the reserve. As a Warrandyte resident, I wouldn't," said local resident, Glenn Martin.

Other residents felt that the stadium would be an eyesore. "I think it is an overdevelopment," said Cr Polley.

Residents were also very concerned about parking. They said the road is choked with cars on weekends, and would become

worse if sports facilities expanded.

"The existing carparking is inadequate," one resident said.

"When the teams are doing well I have to tell you it is murder here on a Saturday," said Cr Polley.

However they did not want another curb and channel carpark like the one at the football club. "It was a bit of an outcry when that was done," said Glenn Pinder, of Tarroona Avenue. "And I think it does affect the natural beauty of the area."

Council is still looking for solutions to this problem, but has ruled out parallel parking along Tarroona Avenue.

Residents and sports groups agreed the noise and lighting problems were largely internal and undertook to resolve them through the proposed advisory board, which will set curfews for floodlights and clubhouse functions.

The council's recreation planning department initially hoped to have the management plan ratified by council before Christmas. The ongoing discussion means the draft must wait until April to go before council.

Copies of the revised draft will be distributed to all households and groups represented at the draft meetings, with further copies available from council. Ms Allen will invite comment on the draft before it goes for ratification. Residents can contact Kristen Allen on 840 9269.

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Our RSL Club sees the light at last!



Just when the Warrandyte RSL Sub-branch was about to declare World War III, it looked down and found it had shot itself in the foot.

A mobilisation which was going to make Desert Storm look like a zephyr began when a notice of intent to erect a neon sign reared its horrifying head on the Yarra Street boundary of the RSL memorial grounds, near the bridge bus stop. Over our limp corpses! roared those who had served. A neon sign on or near these hallowed grounds? A bloody big skipping girl or some like abomination flashing day and night? No expetive deleted way! Those who had not actually served but who regarded Warrandyte as a whole as hallowed soil anyway, chorused their support for whatever action was deemed necessary. The RSL met that very night and, in accordance with the notice's invitation, drafted an objection, a very strong objection, which was fired off next morning along with president Neil Pearson's personal protest. Neil spent the next few days rounding up local support, which included the Warrandyte Historical Society and anyone else who cared a damn for this town, its heritage, character and ongoing neon-sign-free environment. It was the society, actually, which dropped the bomb. President Bruce Bence phoned from the council offices, where he had been doing a spot of investigating and lobbying of his own. "Neil," he said, "the RSL applied for that neon sign." Oh dear.



Call it an internal communications breakdown. The RSL had indeed voted months earlier to authorise Carlton and United to go for a very modest, static sign above the door of the Brackenbury Street clubrooms. It was to say "Warrandyte RSL Club" and would be accompanied by a favoured CUB brand name. The whole idea was to identify the club for the brewery truck drivers, a couple of whom had a devil of a time finding it last winter when they delivered in the gathering early-evening darkness. But someone who wasn't at that particular meeting hadn't been told, etcetera, and the whole thing had become lost in a sort of premature antiquity. Having objected most vehemently to its own application, the RSL immediately unobjected most humbly. We think it's called a tactical retreat.



The post-golf talk at Healesville Bowling Club was strawberries and Jim Harris, of Pound Bend Road, was full of praise for the runners his Chum Creek mate Lennie Stewart had given him. "Best, biggest and sweetest strawberries I've ever grown," said Jim. "Funny," said Lennie, "the plants those runners came from have produced

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very little for me. What are you putting on them, fowl manure?" "No," said Jim, "cream."



Peter Holinger, of Pigeon Bank Lane, is one of the most respected names in the Australian motor industry. Peter designs and builds gearboxes, not your run-of-the-mill gearboxes, but the sort they build into supercharged touring cars for Bathurst. And what mechanical masterpiece fascinated him most when he went Christmas shopping with wife Bev? The Super Soaker, that machinegun version of the water pistol that has been confiscated by thousands of had-it-up-to-here parents since Santa was diabolical enough to deliver it to junior. And guess who got one for Christmas, but who's only allowed to play with it if he promises to be good? Yep.



Gerry Pearce might have done a great job converting the old Catholic church in Brackenbury Street into a charming home (so he should've—he's a builder, you know), but he has a deal to learn about homes on wheels. The fridge in Gerry's caravan ceased to function on Christmas Eve, the day before the family were to leave on holidays, and he spent the day dismantling the van's interior to accommodate his bar fridge. Being taller than the inbuilt model, it meant doing away with the sink. Job done, Gerry wandered across to the RSL Club and asked very casually if anyone knew anything about caravan fridges because his had just carked it. "Well," said Peter Norman, "they won't work unless the van is level, and I noticed yours was on about a 30-degree angle in your driveway." Gerry went home, tried the abandoned unit in his garage—and spent next day reinstalling it and the sink. They left for Narooma on Boxing Day.



All the friends of Wilma Bence (meaning a large part of Warrandyte's population) know she has not been enjoying the best of health lately. Husband Bruce tells us that one day recently, as the temperature hit 40 sweltering big ones, Lil Whitehead knocked on the door of their Brackenbury Street home. She had walked down from Forbes Street with a baked rice custard for the Bence's tea. When they suggested it was far too hot for her to be out and about on Warrandyte's hills, she explained that her way of coping with the heat was keeping busy "so she doesn't have time to think about it". Bruce assures Smokey the

custard was delicious. As well as meals-on-foot, Lil is also a regular delivery person for the official Meals On Wheels program. She is 82.



We'd not seen Pat Freestone since she left Warrandyte several years ago, but we bumped into her in the village late last month and she is as lively and cheeky as ever. Neither have her political affiliations changed one iota. Pat and late husband Bob always were dedicated Labor folk and she told us that was a bit of her problem when she moved to her new address, a retirement village in Box Hill. "I found myself surrounded by rabid Liberals," Pat said. "Every time Jeff Kennett's name was mentioned they'd genuflect!" As Pat got to know the place better, she found a bunch of people whose sympathies were kindred to her own, and she is very content with her lot. We don't know exactly how to get to Pat's place, but we assume you have to turn left somewhere.



Just two to go for Mae Holland's half-century. Not years or runs, but great-grandchildren. Mae, who lived in this town for many years, scored a three recently when one of her granddaughters had triplets. That made 48 great-offspring for the lady who now lives at Sandy Beach, Coffs Harbour. The information comes from her old friend Maisie Temple, who sends Mae a copy of the *Diary* each month. "I think it would give her a great thrill to see this in print," writes Maisie. Delighted to oblige.



"I suppose you're looking for a petrol thief," said big John Cox when local police chief Sergeant Keith Walker pulled him up in Webb Street the other day. Yes, he was. So were the Doncaster police. Coxie had been in one huge hurry when he'd pulled in at BP Doncaster an hour or so earlier for a jerrycan of petrol—and drove off without paying. The Doncaster cops were quickly on the phone and he was on the way over to atone for his sin when our sergeant intercepted him. John was let off with two lectures—one from each station.



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Houses get go-ahead

By DAVID WYMAN

Construction of four public houses on the quarry disaster cottages site in Webb Street is now expected to begin in June-July this year.

The Quarry Disaster Trustees have signed a joint partnership agreement with the Department of Planning and Housing to construct and administer four three-bedroom houses on the one-acre site. But it has taken over three years to obtain the agreement and architects' plans for the houses.

Sewerage and stormwater drainage services are now being connected to the site, which is bounded by Webb and Brackenbury Streets and Sloans Road.

Originally, the site was used to construct two cottages for the families of two men killed in a quarry accident in Husseys Lane in 1934. The men were working for sustenance in a quarry on private property when a large quantity of gravel slipped, overwhelming them. They were each survived by a wife and five children.

A public meeting in Warrandyte resulted in an appeal for money and materials to build two houses in Webb Street. The families moved on as the children grew up and the Warrandyte Quarry Disaster Trust has rented out the houses.

One house remains now and is used by a local community welfare group, Assisi House, for emergency housing. The other house, in derelict condition, was used by the local fire brigade for training exercises. Ultimately, the brigades burned down the house and removed the debris.

The architects' plans show four individual houses with different elevations. Each has metal roofing and brick veneer walls. Each has family and living rooms, garden shed and a small area of decking.



Our artist's impression of the new public housing in Webb Street.

Plans show the fencing to be "selected colourbond finish" in Sloans Road and Brackenbury Street, and a "capped paling fence" dividing the houses and presumably running along Webb Street. However, the *Diary* has been assured by a trustee, Peter Harkin, that all fencing will be 900mm high colourbonded wire mesh.

Peter Harkin said that the trustees "had some input at the design stage to ensure we didn't get something out of character with Warrandyte".

The project will be managed by the Department of Planning

and Housing zone office at Box Hill. The land has been leased to the department by the trustees for 55 years at a rental of \$1 a year.

The Quarry Disaster Trustees will appoint a local committee to nominate tenants for 50 per cent of the housing. The department will nominate the other 50 per cent of tenants. All prospective tenants, however, will have to meet the department's eligibility criteria in assets and income.

The trustees are considering giving the cluster of four houses a name—such as "Quarry Disaster

Memorial Houses"—to preserve the history of the site. The quarry disaster was tragic and made front page news in Melbourne newspapers.

Meanwhile, the Warrandyte Disaster Trust Fund, comprising the balance of monies from the original appeal and subsequent income, is invested and yields an annual income which is distributed to a local charity, chosen by the trustees.

The first distribution of \$1500 was made to the Warrandyte Food Bank prior to Christmas. The bank provides food for local needy individuals and families.

Raid on bird breeder

By GEORGI STICKELS

Warrandyte has unwittingly played host to an alleged illegal bird breeding operation. Police, Australian Customs and Quarantine raided a house in Hussey's Lane last month and found a collection of native and exotic birds worth more than \$300,000.

A police spokesperson told the *Diary* the house was also equipped with several hundred thousand dollars of incubators and breeding equipment. A man, who may be charged under the Victorian Wildlife Act, did not have a permit to house the birds and was arrested.

"It was on a large scale and he shouldn't have had them," the spokesperson said.

The native birds, including eclectus parrots worth \$1500 each on the black market, were seized and are being held at the Melbourne Zoo. The birds' source is still under investigation.

All Australian wildlife are protected, and taking and possessing them carries a maximum penalty of \$5000.

There was no evidence that the man had been trapping the birds or treating them cruelly, a Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNS) spokesman, Mark Winfield, told the *Diary*.

However some residents fear trapping may also be going on. "Whether it's someone who's trying to trap them or some sort of malicious damage I don't know, but it would appear that something deliberate is going on," said a resident, who has found several injured birds near Warrandyte primary school in recent weeks.

The birds were disoriented and had mutilated or missing legs.

Local vet, Dr Derek Fairley told the *Diary* these injuries could possibly have been caused by snares.

"But they can lose them in other ways, rabbit traps or foxes," he said. Dr Fairley said he thought too few birds had been found to suggest a large-scale trapping operation. "It would have to be consistently more," he said.

Head Ranger at Warrandyte State Park, Ian Roche, told the *Diary* Warrandyte did not have a history of bird trapping or smuggling. "But I wouldn't say it was impossible," he said.

Mark Winfield at DCNS said there had been no incidents of trapping reported, "but we would be very interested to hear from anyone who believes this act is going on".

The Australian Institute of Criminology is currently conducting a study on wildlife crime and can be contacted on (06) 274 0200. Injured birds can be reported to the Wildlife Care Network on 016 373 931.

Nature's neighbors support ParkCare

By DAVID WYMAN

Warrandyte State Park staff are getting a strong response from the local community by conducting a series of discovery walks in various sections of the park.

The discovery walks are for neighboring residents, who are notified by letter of the time, date and place of each walk.

They are being led by ParkCare officer Fay Valcanis, and have been run for the neighbors of the Fourth Hill, Normans Reserve, Koornong, Timber Reserve, Jumping Creek and Stony Creek sections of the park.

"The walks bring the local community and the rangers together. Our neighbors learn more about the natural heritage around them, the threats facing the park and how they can help care for the bushland," Fay said.

"We conduct a few environmental activities along the walk

Ranger Fay Valcanis discusses the ParkCare program with another ranger and a park visitor.

and discuss ways in which the whole environment can be made wildlife friendly."

For example, the groups are given lists and shown samples of garden plants which are environmental weeds in the Warrandyte area, such as the Cootamundra wattle, ivy, agapanthus and English broom.

Pets can be a problem too, as reported in the December *Diary*, and residents are told to keep pets under control and report any stray domestic pets in the park to the park office on 844 2659.

And locals can phone that same number to become more involved with the park: assisting with bush regeneration, rubbish removal, surveying fauna, making backyards bush-friendly, or even assisting in the office.

Responsibility for election comment in this issue is accepted by Cliff Green, 23 Webb Street, Warrandyte.

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festival '93*

Warrandyte is already gearing up for another festival, which this year will run from Thursday March 18 to Sunday March 21. The theme for 1993 is "Warrandyte—Beyond Imagination", and the *Diary* has taken a sneak preview at some of the new attractions and old favorites which will pack the festival weekend with activities and entertainment for all ages.

This year's major attraction will be a free sound and light show on the riverbank paddock between the old dairy and Anderson Street. Our Place in Space will feature a cast of several hundreds, and is written by Cliff Green, directed by Brian



Laurence and designed by Jock Macneish. After the show, a free bus will take teenagers to the disco at the cricket club.

A second lightshow, titled Son et Lumiere (Sound and Light) will be run on the Friday night, organised by Hugh McSpedden.

Other new events for this year include a basketball shootout, tree abseiling, model boats on the billabong and demonstrations of step reebok aerobics and fly fishing.

Several events will make a much longed for comeback this year. Both the duck race and the lilo race will be back on the river, by popular demand.

Several other old favorites

have undergone a few changes since last year. The Follies will not be performed on the Saturday night, because of a conflict with the sound and light show. The haycart rides will be run along the more scenic riverbank, not the main road.

The kids have to face the most changes, with the fancy dress and decorated bikes deleted, the kids' market moved to Sunday and the kids' festival parade, on the Friday, to be held at South Warrandyte Primary instead of Anderson's Creek.

As always, live music will be a big part of this year's entertainment. The big news for teenagers is an appearance by No More Chilli Jam on the main stage at Stiggants. The Rage Without Alcohol concert on Saturday afternoon will feature a whole new lineup, with Rude Mood, Harbour, Dogma and Altered State gracing the Rage Stage. The Grand Hotel will also be featuring live music and jazz on Saturday and Sunday.

Of course, the music program, and the festival, will wind up with the traditional Sunday night concert, featuring Warrandyte's own Paradiddle, and the traditional fireworks display (weather permitting).

Full details of all activities will be published in the Festival Program in next month's *Diary*.



A thing of the past: the raft race is not on this year's program.

Omissions

Regarding your recent article concerning three ex-Warrandyte blokes meeting up in Darwin.

The article concerned contains some omissions which I will endeavor to correct.

Firstly, Peter Lovett and wife Pat were touring around Australia with two other ex-Warrandyte people, Wal and Margaret Cornhill, and the venue of the meeting was at Nick Day's home 60 kilometres from Darwin.

With regard to David Mitchell, the Arnhem football match was the grand final of a small aboriginal league which David was invited to umpire, an experience he says he wouldn't have missed for anything. He umpires for the Northern Territory football league each season.

Nick Day is still playing and coaching for Southern Districts team and doing a good job. He is not plumbing, he is rural sales manager of Darwin Irrigation Supplies and is now part of the business.

The photo was taken in the beautiful grounds of Nick and Gill's home. Part of the house can be seen in the background.

Lyn Mitchell
Albert Road

LETTERS

Not so grand now

I do not agree that the new facade on the pub is an improvement for the Warrandyte township.

The style of architecture is reminiscent of many modern office blocks and factories. It dominates the streetscape which I and others were trying hard to preserve with its historical character.

It is a pity when so much care was taken to fit our lovely new community centre into the feeling of the town, and now this insensitive building has, for me, destroyed the whole historic feeling of the village.

It is no longer a "grand" hotel.

Shirley Rotherham
Tills Drive

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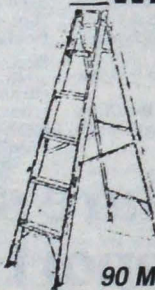
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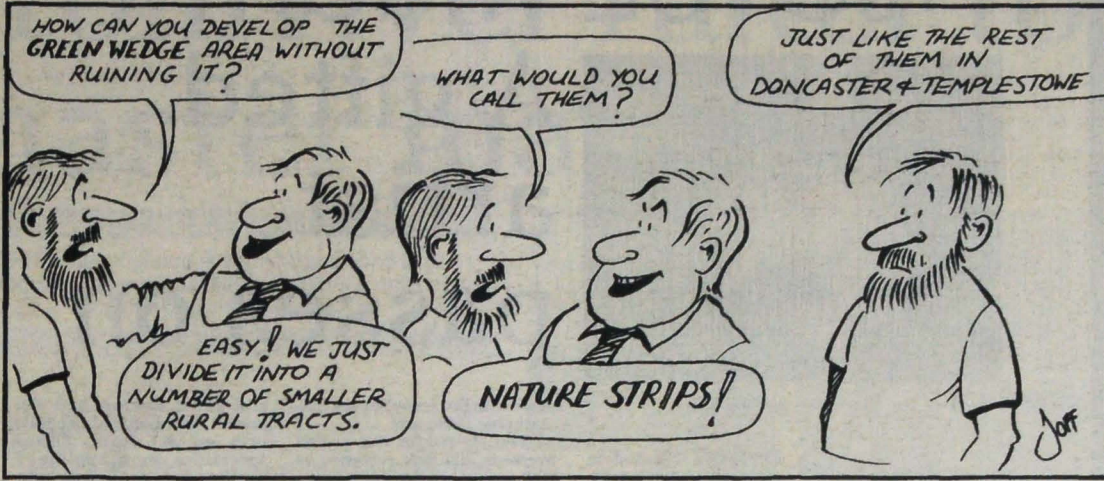
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By JOFF



Green Wedge balanced on critically thin edge

Subdivision and development—those two nasty words—are definitely on the agenda for the future of the Warrandyte-Park Orchards Green Wedge. And people interested in retaining the Green Wedge in its current state must sit up and take notice.

Two reports of studies commissioned by Doncaster council of resources in the area east of Mullum-Mullum Creek mention development and subdivision in no small way. They suggest council creates a new zone for the area, and sets up strict guidelines and controls for subdivision.

Council's 'Study of Visual Significance' of the area has subdivision right up front in its summary, and seeks to recommend "appropriate mechanisms for controlling residential development". What "residential develop-



COMMENT

By DAVID WYMAN

ment", may we ask?

The study report, prepared by council staff, suggests the new zone replace the three existing ones, with new objectives to allow development only if it can be demonstrated that such development will enhance the environment in the long term. It also suggests the development of guidelines to form part of the zone conditions.

This report echoes an attitude among some council staff that further residential development in the Green Wedge is inevitable.

Another report which Green Wedge advocates should peruse is titled 'Sites of Botanical and Zoological

Significance', prepared by consultants Ecological Horticulture and Gerner and Sanderson.

This report covers the area's flora and fauna and its management. It hops across into planning and policy, recommending one non-urban zone for the area east of Mullum Mullum Creek, suggesting guidelines for subdivision controls for the zone.

Both reports are recommendations to council. Council staff are studying them and are attempting to come up with a new plan for the area, including subdivision and development—with guidelines and controls.

But the trouble with guidelines and controls is that they are subject to a variety of interpretations. They are also subject to change down the track—just as the people most involved—council staff and councillors—are subject

to change.

Once subdivision and development in the Green Wedge has been made legal, albeit with strict guidelines and controls, the die has been inevitably cast.

But if you continue to make it illegal and say "no subdivision under 20 acres", then there's more than a good chance of achieving that target. The overriding power of a fine objective, under proper control, cannot be disputed.

Green Wedge advocates must watch carefully as council makes plans for our area: the thin edge of a development wedge—or the continued maintenance of a wedge of green.

The reports of the two studies are available at most local libraries and at council offices. And you know who our local councillors are, don't you?

Julie seeks seat for Labor

The Australian Labor Party will be kickstarting its unofficial federal election campaign next month—in Warrandyte. The ALP candidate for the seat of Casey, Julie Warren, will be attending a barbecue on the riverbank at Stiggants Reserve on Sunday, February 21, at noon.

Julie is looking forward to meet-

ing many Warrandyte residents at the barbecue, a local ALP branch official, Judith Pleasance, told the *Diary*.

The seat of Casey covers the shires of Lillydale, Healesville, Eltham, Upper Yarra and the cities of Doncaster-Templestowe and Croydon.

Julie has lived in this area for

the last 28 years, and attended local primary and secondary schools. Divorced, with a five year old daughter, Julie has experienced first hand the problems faced by single parents and by women who both work and bring up a family.

She has been heavily involved in the community, with active

and executive positions in local sporting clubs and child-care groups.

"Her membership of the ALP has also given her greater experience in working in leadership positions in the local branch," Judith Pleasance said.

A federal election has been called for March 13.

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JOYCE WRIGHT

A gifted artist passes on



By LEE TINDALE

LONG-TIME Warrandyte resident Joyce Wright, who died last month, was one of the foremost fashion artists of her time. She was 73 years of age.

Mrs Wright, of Kangaroo Ground Road, was born with an extraordinary talent for drawing and began her career in fashion with Foy and Gibson in Melbourne. It was there she met husband Jim and they were together for more than 50 years.

Even World War II had trouble keeping Jim and Joyce Wright apart. During the war, Mrs Wright worked as a tracer for the PMG and a transfer to Brisbane allowed her to be with her husband, who was serving

there with the Army Survey Cartographic Company.

When Mr Wright was posted overseas, his wife returned to Melbourne—and fashion drawing.

War over, the wrights formed a studio partnership, freelancing for the Myer Emporium and advertising agencies. Mrs Wright's talents as a fashion artist were such that Myer retained her exclusively for 15 years.

She was a perfectionist and her own harshest critic. Even after her long association with Myer ended, drawing remained her great passion and many friends treasure souvenirs of her ability to produce amusing, witty—and sometimes mildly naughty—drawings.

Mrs Wright also applied her love of quality to dress, shirt

and jacket making, and she turned the making of rag dolls into an art form. Other specialties were appliqued wall hangings and bedspreads.

The Wrights had bought five acres of land in Kangaroo Ground Road in 1948 and built a Robin Boyd-designed home. They were burnt out in the 1962 bushfires but rebuilt—another Boyd design, done especially for them.

Mrs Wright enjoyed tennis in her younger days and played golf until she became ill 16 months before her death. She was a keen gardener, an avid reader and a lover of good music and art.

She worked for several years as a volunteer for the Meals on Wheels program.

"Joyce was not a gregarious person," Mr Wright said. "She was selective in her choice of friends, guided by a very powerful female instinct and rarely wrong."

"To her friends she was helpful, generous and stoutly loyal. She loved Warrandyte, loved her home, loved the view of the mountains from our windows, loved her friends."

"She believed strongly in the preservation of our world and made a practical contribution to it."



These charming, lively fashion illustrations are typical of Joyce Wright's work for the Myer Emporium in the 1960s.



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From river rafter to master mariner

Peter Evans' boyhood is semi-fictionalised in our Wooden Bridge serial. BRUCE BENCE tells of Peter's latest adventures.

PETER and Carol Evans have just completed construction in their 57 foot (17 metre), state-of-the-art sloop. The sailing vessel, SV Evanna, is named after Carol's grandmother, Anna, and Peter's mother, Eve Evans, who wrote the Diary's Wooden Bridge series.

Evanna has been two years in the making. The Evans' had the plans drawn up by marine architect John Pugh, then designed the interior themselves.

"It's a wonderful experience to watch a ship grow from the keel up," Peter told the *Diary*.

As with all sea-going vessels, space saving is vital, but Evanna's interior is a miracle in space utilisation. She boasts three double cabins, each with private bathroom facilities, a main saloon or dining room and an upper wheelhouse saloon.

In keeping with their love of antiques, Peter and Carol have fitted the ship with wood and brass, but the old world charm disguises an ultra-modern sailing vessel.

Evanna has a central hydraulic system, that operates the sails, bow thrust and anchor at the touch of a button. She also has a back-up electrical system and standby bat-

teries, as well as the latest technology, including three interfaced computers, an auto pilot, radar, and a global positioning system.

"Yes, we are push button sailors," admitted Peter, but the technology will allow Peter and Carol to sail the boat between them, without any additional crew.

It is theoretically possible to program Evanna to sail down the river, across Port Phillip Bay, through the heads and across Bass Strait, then up the Tamar River to Launceston, while the owners catch a plane to meet the boat in Tasmania.

For plainer sailing, the Evanna can carry up to 14 day passengers, or two couples on overnight cruises.

Peter's association with boats and travel had its humble beginnings in his childhood at Warrandyte, where he used to cross the Yarra on a raft with his mother to get to the village.

He and his brother, Tony, would ride to school at Warrandyte Primary on horseback, in a special saddle designed for two. When it rained they huddled under an army groundsheet, trusting the horse to make its own way home.

As a youth Peter travelled



Nearing completion: SV Evanna berthed at Port Melbourne.

through the bush with a pack-horse, living off the land. He later studied veterinary science, going on to complete a Diploma of Education at teachers' college.

He taught at Eltham High School for several years, and at this time bought a small yacht, using—much to his brother's disgust—one of Tony's spare Rover engines for a mooring anchor.

The travelling bug eventually bit again, and he headed for England in 1968. He owned several boats while overseas, including the 52 foot (17 metre) Barracuda Two, which the BBC chartered for numerous photographic trips and documentaries around the British Isles and to the Arctic Circle.

Peter was later among the first people to organise tours around the canals of Europe, aiming to provide first class accommodation for those on board.

He operated two boats for this: the Wirreanda, which was built for just this purpose, and the Etoile de Champagne (Star of Champagne) which carried 18 people, and boasted two chauffeur-driven Vanden Plas Daimlers and its own chef.

The chef's position was filled by Carol, an American who was studying cooking in Paris. Wondering what sort of canal boat could possibly require a chef, she applied for the position and fell in love with the boss. Peter reckoned if he married her, he wouldn't have to pay the chef.

The couple seem to be followed

by adventure. One day Peter was aboard the Etoile, resplendent in his Sunday best to welcome guests. A stranger appeared and announced he was Napoleon, waiting for his guard.

Ever polite, Peter offered him a seat on the boat, but while crossing the gangplank, Napoleon fell into the polluted waters of the Seine. Peter dived in, Sunday best and all, to rescue Napoleon, who promptly tried to drown him and dragged him right under the boat.

While struggling with the "national hero", Peter was asked for directions from a woman standing on the quayside. He finally got it across to her that he wasn't swimming in the Seine with a lunatic for fun, and persuaded her to call the police.

A whole squad, armed to the teeth, dragged the sodden pair from the water. Humoring the raving Napoleon, they formed a guard of honour for him as they marched him to a waiting ambulance.

Peter was awarded a medal by the French government—for rescuing "Napoleon".

The adventurous Evanses plan to sail their newest craft, Evanna, to areas where they can take friends to more remote and beautiful places around the Australian coast, starting with Wilson's Promontory and the Bass Strait islands. During the winter they intend heading north towards the Barrier Reef off the Queensland coast.



Medal for a hero: Peter Evans is decorated for saving "Napoleon".

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JUST imagine what life would be like if you had a three second memory span. My daughter informs me this is the height of MENSA greatness for a goldfish.

Three seconds! Every three seconds you would forget most of what you knew. Every three seconds life would appear fresh and exciting, with new things to do and strangers to meet. I no longer feel so distressed at seeing goldfish swimming around in goldfish bowls.

It makes me feel much happier to think that they're not suffering from boredom and that, given a better chance in life they would split the atom, write the great novel or devise a legal system based on the scales on justice.

Now I'm prepared to concede that any text they write will be biologically brief, but since my three second revelation, I'm not too upset seeing them tour their tank. Every minute they experience 20 rebirths, 1200 per hour and a staggering 28,800 per day. The nouveau factor in my life pales into insignificance.

There must be advantages in not being able to consider an existence longer than the past one and a half seconds.

"Now, about that money you owe me..." "I'm sorry, have we met?" A stroll down Yarra Street

would always be a new experience. Come to think of it, where's Yarra Street?

Wonderful. No hassles, no tension. No concerns about cholesterol or whether it's the right time to eat. Each meal was so long ago you can't remember when it was. Better have another nibble now, just in case.

No more, "What did She ask me to get on the way home?" Come to think of it, no Her to remember anyway. Each time you would go home to a new woman and she would find you eternally attentive and innovative.

The ubiquitous throwaway dinner party line, "My last one was so long ago I can't remember when it was," would always be true. But then, no-one would laugh, because no-one would be able to call to mind the discussion that led to it.

The current truism is that you are what you eat. This has always seemed reasonable and I hadn't given it a second thought until I began to consider goldfish and fish generally.

Let's assume that memory span increases with the size of the brain of the fish. The bigger the fish, the longer the memory.

Therefore, if a goldfish has a three second memory, the best we could hope for from a groper would be about ten minutes, a shark about six minutes and an orange roughly about a minute and a half—tops.

Fish—especially orange roughly—have become very popular with the trendy set, who have made eating deep sea perch into an accounting statement. Could it be that they have eaten so much fish that they have ingested its memory span as well?

Perhaps this explains their mindless following of trends and their inability to remember how to get out of and back into the inner suburbs. It could account for the rise and fall in popularity of the many inner suburban eateries. The yuppies—or is it guppies—must imprint the route from home to their eating spot. This works until another restaurant opens close enough to confuse the gullible patron.

After several years of memory shortening they reach the final, terminal stage when they begin to make promises and then forget about them a short time afterwards. That's when they metamorphose into politicians.

And that's why politicians wear collars and ties or silk blouses with bows. To hide their gills.

After a while, you can detect the fish they've been eating by their behaviour patterns.

Backbenchers are timid and tend to move in shoals. Obviously, they've been stuffing themselves with sardines. Treasurer: calamari. Cabinet members: crayfish and barracouta. Prime minister: flake. Leader of the opposition: piranha.

Fortunately, the effects do wear off once they stop eating the offending food. Notice how improved the memories of former politicians become, especially when they write their memoirs or appear on talk shows.

I'm feeling a bit peckish. Lately, I just love to curl up in bed, pull the covers over my head and let my mind go blanker. There is something terribly comforting about clam chowder. But where is that refrigerator?

ROGER KIBELL

Skimming summer away on dragon's wings

THROUGH half-closed eyes I followed the flight of a dragonfly as it darted to and fro across the river. Suddenly, like a tiny helicopter, it hovered before swooping to seize an insect just millimetres above the surface of the water.

For an instant I glimpsed the brilliant turquoise patterning on its slender, extraordinarily elongated abdomen. The next moment it was gone. With speeds up to 50 kilometres per hour, it was easy to see why the dragonfly is among the fastest insects in the world.

It was approaching midday and the heat was intense. Not a whisper of breeze disturbed the spindly reeds that fringe this stretch of river. I lay back, closing my eyes against the fierce glare of the sun, blazing down from a cloud-free sky.

Lulled by the rhythmical flow of water and the soporific sound of insects, I thought how uncomplicated must be the life of a dragonfly, with the freedom of the sky at your wingtips. But it wasn't always that way.

Dragonflies lay their eggs in slits in the leaves and stems of plants growing at the edge of the river. On hatching, if lucky, the tiny dragonfly nymph drops down into the water. The nymph spends its entire life underwater breathing by means of gills. With its stout body and short legs, its bears little resemblance

NATURE

By PAT COUPAR
Drawn by MELANIE COUPAR

to its parents.

The young nymph is an aggressive hunter, preying on aquatic insects and even small fish, but at the same time it must avoid being attacked by larger fish, birds and reptiles. Fishermen also take their toll of the nymphs—which they call mud-eyes—using them as bait.

The nymph grows quickly over summer, moulting its skin a number of times. But as the water temperature cools during winter, development slows. Early the following summer the nymph is ready to leave its watery nursery.

This is an extremely vulnerable time and usually takes place during the hours before dawn. Grasping on to vegetation with its sharp, spine-like claws, the nymph struggles clear of the water. As air is drawn in through the spiracles, the outer skin splits down the centre, releasing the newly-resplendent adult.

Like a butterfly emerging from



a chrysalis, the dragonfly must wait several hours for its wings to harden. Only then is it able to take to the air and perform those incredible manoeuvres we are familiar with.

Roused from my languid state by the sound of voices, I opened

my eyes and sat up. A group of canoeists were enjoying an afternoon paddle. In these halcyon summer days, the tempo of life slows as the holiday mood takes over; an ideal time to forget for a while the complexities of our lives and return to the simplicities of nature.

I noticed that the dragonfly was back. Its gossamer wings shimmered in the sunlight as it skimmed the water pursuing more insects. The chorus of chirping crickets continued.

For a long time I sat, absorbing the soothing sounds and images of summer, storing them away for those bleak mid-winter days when the heat of the sun is just a memory.

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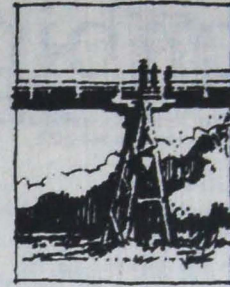
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By Eve Evans

I THINK I now must tell of a very unusual garden: a garden through a peephole. The Father Superior of a monastery phoned me. He said he liked, very much, a garden I had made across the way for two of his friends, a doctor and his wife. He asked me if I would help him to make a garden also.

When I went for a first interview, he took me into the visitors' parlour. He was a huge man, his loose habit hardly disguising his enormous belly. I liked his laughing, twinkling blue eyes instantly. I had heard of him, and knew he had written some brilliant books on theology, but found it difficult to reconcile this great bulk of a man with an astute brain. I suppose, though, that genius is clothed in many forms.

Now sitting opposite me, he appeared very nervous. He stood up, walked to the window, sat down again and twiddled his thumbs. Presently, he said in his accustomed forthright manner, "May I call you Evelyn?"

"Yes, please do."
"Well then, Evelyn, I... that is, we have a bit of a problem here. You see, this is a monastery and the grounds surrounding the building are a part of what we call 'the enclosure'. This is where the monks walk to say their prayers and no woman may enter there. But that is where I want a garden."

I stared at him in silence for a few moments, wondering if I had heard him aright or if this was some kind of joke.

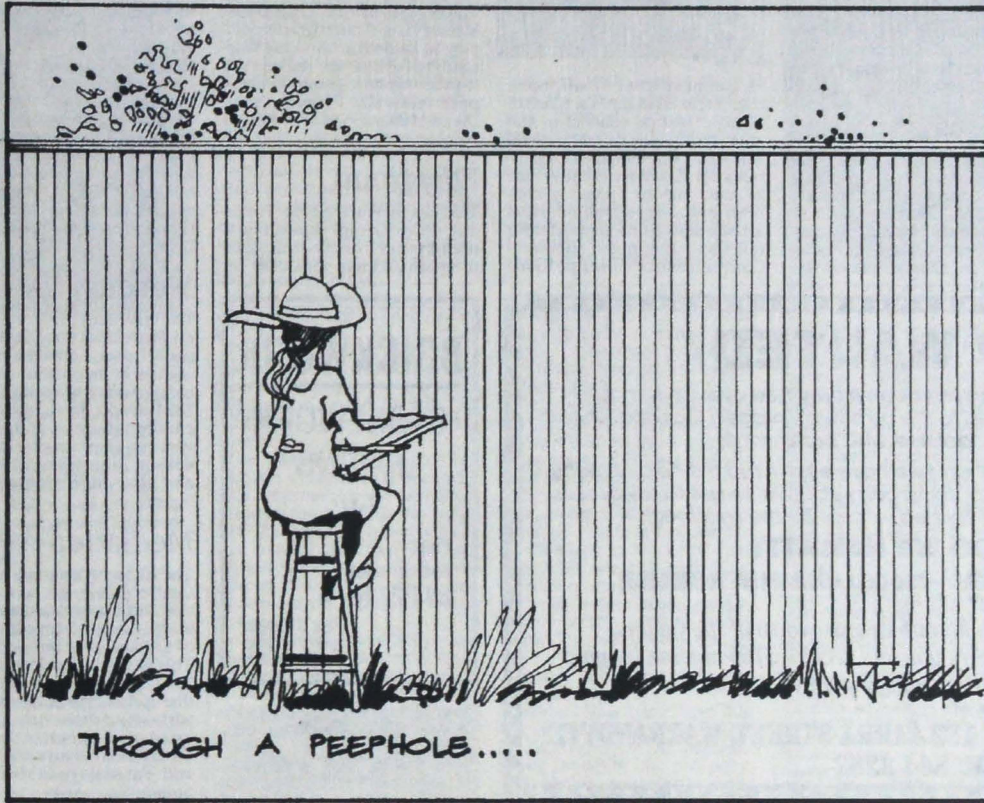
"How," I said, "will it be possible for me to make a garden? I must be able to walk over it, test soil to know its composition and take measurements to draw up some kind of plan."

"I have an idea," he replied. "A high wooden fence surrounds the part that is to be the garden. You are a tiny person, you won't be able to look over it. So instead I will cut a hole in the fence at your eye level, give you a stool and you can work from there. Also, I have twelve young students, they will do exactly your bidding. They need exercise anyway."



I began to feel a low chuckle, beginning deep down in the pit of my stomach and rising up into bubbling laughter.

"Father, you can't really be serious. Either you have a warped sense of humor or you are going to make me do penance for all the sins of my past life."
"Neither," he said. "I am perfectly se-



rious. When I have it all ready you can see how you feel about it. If you don't like it, or feel you can't manage it that way, tell me."

"Very well Father. I accept the challenge when you put it that way. There is one condition though. This is a newly subdivided area. The houses are new and I hope to find more clients among them. Now don't you tell anyone I made your garden through a peephole. If people think I am that foolish, someone might ask me to sit high on a rooftop and plan a garden from there."

"I promise, Evelyn. I might even be able to get clients for you."

I went to the doctor's garden across the way to see how it was doing. I always did revisit the gardens I had made in each of the four seasons, to see if plants needed replacing due to my poor selection. Of course I sometimes found plants that had died through neglect, but these were not to be replaced at my cost.

The doctor's garden was doing fine and, after walking over it, he and his wife asked me in for a cup of tea. The

wife asked me "Are you going to make a garden for Father —?"

"Yes, I think I am, but it is going to be difficult." Then, trusting their discretion, I told them about the peephole. They laughed, just as I knew everybody would.

The doctor told me, "He is a fine man, that priest. We are not of his religion, but he has been very good to us and especially understanding with our teenage children. We would like to do something for him. You will need much for his garden. Buy what you need and let us have the accounts."

Leaving them, I returned home to an empty, lonely house: the children now at boarding school. I intended to go to bed early. I knew I must be up at day-break to pack plants and drive down through the city and out along a highway, crowded with heavy transport vehicles and cars, to reach the two gardens by the sea that I was in the process of making.

I took a bowl of soup and went to bed, but sleep did not come for a long time. I kept picturing myself sitting on a high

stool, short legs dangling in mid-air, eyes peering through a peephole, my drawing board and measure balanced on my knees, trying to tell my 12 good men and true how to take soil samples and make measurements. There were more details, but that was enough to start with.

The next time I went, Father proudly showed me the hole he had cut in the fence, and I took a first look at this strange garden I was to make.

"Father," I asked, "do you have any idea of the kind of garden you want? Is it to be a utility garden with fruit and vegetables, or trees and shrubs and flowers?"

"Yes Evelyn, I know what I want. My mother had a very beautiful garden which she loved. I grew up in it."

"Mind you," he explained, "I did not always appreciate it, especially when she sent me to weed and my hands were torn with rose thorns. I am not very good at heights and I hated to be made to climb trees while she showed me how to prune and cut."

"That is a very promising beginning,

Father, if you have some idea of pruning. I see a group of fruit trees, down there at the far end, that badly need attention. If you know how to prune, you can show your students how to do it. Now, what was growing in your mother's garden, that you can remember?"

"Well, I remember flowering trees in spring with masses of bulbs, and others that filled the garden with autumn colour. I don't remember the names of the plants she had, if indeed I ever knew them. There were lots of flowers, tall ones and roses and small plants that crept along the ground."

"It seems to me that it was a typically English garden. I'll give you a couple of books. Go through them, make a list of those you remember and I can fill in the rest."

"In the meantime I have work for your young students to do. They must clear up this mess of noxious weeds and grass and then dig the whole area over. The area is large. Part of it should be under a good grass lawn with walkways through it."

"Evelyn, the trouble is that we in a monastery have not much money. I am not sure how we can pay for plants and your working time."

"You don't need to worry, Father, a friend has offered to help with the purchase of plants and I am pretty good at scrounging plants from nurseries and clients when it is for a good cause. My time will be free. I'll work here on the weekends. It does not hurt anybody to do some work for charity."

He asked me to come inside as he had something more to tell me. He had heard, and he believed it true, that the government was considering granting permission for institutions, monasteries and convents to have their own small private cemeteries. The general cemetery at Fawkner was becoming overcrowded. He asked if I could give the idea some consideration in any plan I drew up.

I told him I knew nothing at all about constructing a cemetery. I thought there must be a lot to learn about it, but I would try to find out.

There was indeed a great deal to learn. I had to study council bylaws for the position and distance from buildings. I was told there must be perfect drainage so that bodies would not float to the surface and that it should require very little maintenance to keep it in good order.

I decided it would be best to have a grassed area, a flat bronze plaque marking each grave. It was not something very often called for, and I think I made no more than six in all.

So the garden through the peephole grew and flourished. It was all that the Father wished for and he lived long enough to see it grow to maturity.

To be continued.

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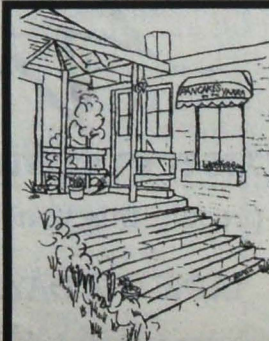
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The Warrandyte Senior Citizens group had a successful 1992 with many activities during the year. They have been swimming, doing many exercises, visiting places of interest, theatre, races, cinema—even pokie weekends. They visited other senior citizens centres and entertained a number of guests from other clubs. The year finished off with a Christmas luncheon organised by Mrs Helen Ward with entertainment provided by Mr Tony Temple. The group would like to thank the Warrandyte traders for their support through the year. The centre's indoor carpet bowls has been popular and the pennant bowls team under the leadership of Mr Bill Ward won the pennant flag. Activities continue this year with a variety night on Friday, February 26 at 7.30 at the centre in Tarooma Avenue—BYO food and drink. A donation of \$5 would be appreciated. To book a table ring Helen Ward on 844 2671. New members are welcome. If you

would like further information phone the centre on 844 2437.

Auxiliary

The Warrandyte Women's Hospital Auxiliary announces that the winner of their Christmas hamper was Mrs Karen Tippett of Brackenbury Street. They would like to thank Harry Heath's Festival supermarket for their generous donation towards this hamper. The auxiliary will meet in the Senior Citizens' library on the fourth Tuesday in February at 1.30pm and thereafter on the third Tuesday of each month at that time. New members are most welcome.

Nannies

Nurturing Nannies is a new community service now operating seven days a week, 24 hours a day in all Melbourne suburbs. It is designed to provide specialised care by qualified and experienced nannies in either the

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Expo '93

St Stephens church will open their Expo '93 at the Warrandyte Festival with a concert in the church on Thursday, March 18. The expo will include competitions for the most creative use of milk cartons (primary children in three age groups), most artistic graffiti on a school folder (all ages) and in the open section the least, or most ripe toma-

atoes equal to 500 grams, best cultivated Australian native flower, most unusual souvenir and the best poem or story on the theme "Beyond Imagination" (A4—one side only). St Stephens also extends a warm invitation to artists to exhibit their paintings or other works with a religious theme. Enquiries and entry forms are available from Anne Ley on 844 3543.

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The organisers of a "Look Down Memory Lane" photographic display to be held at the 1993 Warrandyte Festival are seeking the loan of old photographs taken at past festivals. Please phone Diane Haskings on 844 1182 if you can help.

Playgroup

The North Warrandyte Thursday Play Group operates a friendly and loosely structured program and has vacancies for

children of all ages. They meet on Thursdays from 9.30am to 11.30am at the North Warrandyte Community Centre in Research Road. Please ring Anne Boyce on 844 1423 for further information.

Seminar

The Warrandyte Historical Society will be holding a seminar on Sunday, February 21, at the Community Centre in Yarra Street, from 2pm to 4pm. Speakers will include Vern Denford talking about his collection of scales, one of the finest in Victoria, Don Charlwood, author of "Settlers Under Sail", Shirley Weincke, author of "When the Wattle Blooms Again"—the life and times of William Barack, the last chief of the Yarra Yarra tribe, and Bruce Bence will speak about "Dr Mary". Afternoon tea will be provided. Enquiries to Gina Jones on 844 3662 or Bruce Bence on 844 3122.

Museum

The Warrandyte Historical Society Museum is open again after a short break. Since the museum opened at its present site in the old post office in November 1991, 1824 people have visited it including interstate and overseas visitors. Hours are from 1pm to 4pm on Saturdays and Sundays, and also on Wednesday afternoons.

Mediation

The Eltham Community Health Centre now has a new separation and divorce mediation service for the residents of the Shires of Eltham and Diamond Valley. This locally based, low cost service aims to reduce the family disruption typically associated with separation. Anyone interested please contact the centre on 431 1333, Monday 9am to 9pm and Tuesday to Friday 9am to 5pm.

Book sale

The Warrandyte Book Exchange will be conducting a book sale in front of the Warrandyte Community Centre in Yarra Street on Sunday, March 14 at 2pm.

Club story

The story of the Warrandyte Tennis Club from its beginnings in March 1907 until the present day will be published shortly. The club began with a single court on the riverbank, adjacent to the old wooden bridge. It moved to its present site in the Warrandyte Recreation Reserve in 1975. The book includes many photographs and will be on sale in April.

Reunion

The historical society is planning a Back-to-Warrandyte gathering to be held later in 1993. Further details will be published in the March Diary.

North hall

The North Warrandyte Community Centre is available for hire on week nights and week-ends, with a special half price for Sundays. The hall, attractively sited on a timbered ridgetop overlooking the Yarra, seats 100 people. Tables and chairs are available. There is an updated kitchen, an outdoor barbecue area and a playground. Nola Day, 844 2423, is the bookings officer.

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Bloods can feel a 10 year itch!



Robin Golding—a favourite son returns.



John O'Brien—plagued by injury in 1992.

By LEE TINDALE

Warrandyte Football Club are back on the training track, with a 10-year itch.

Ten years have elapsed since the Bloods' last senior EDFL premiership, a situation they intend to put right this season in what they hope will be in the natural progression of things.

Fourth in 1991 and second last season, Warrandyte see this as their year.

"I believe you must gain a little each year," club president Lawrie Sloan told the *Diary*. "We have done that over the past couple of years and I will be very disappointed if we don't win the premiership."

"The players feel exactly the same."

The Bloods have every reason to approach the new season with great confidence. They were clearly the second-best team in third division last year, behind the all-conquering Donvale, who are now in division two.

And they will campaign this time with a team virtually intact from 1992 and bolstered by at least half a dozen proven recruits.

At the top of the list is new playing coach Darren Peters, a former young Warrandyte star who has made a name for himself in first division with East Ringwood and Mitcham.

Peters, 24, has brought with him experienced East Ringwood ruckman Brett Munro as assistant coach.

Also returning is one of the Bloods' favorite sons, former captain and dual best and fairest winner Robin Golding,

who has been playing what he describes as the best football of his career with Canterbury-North Balwyn.

Another acquisition is tall ruckman Adrian Thatcher, who played his junior football with Warrandyte and crossed to first-division club North Ringwood.

And the talented Matthew Grybas, who stood out of football last season after being refused a clearance by Norwood, qualifies as a Warrandyte player after round nine.

"An indication of the enthusiasm around the club is that a few senior players—including defender David Pike—have changed their mind about retiring and are very keen to get into it again," Sloan said.

The only "doubtful" from last year's side is key forward Stuart McLean, who may go overseas. His loss would be offset by the return of John O'Brien, who missed many games—including the finals—last season with ankle injuries.

Training started (in century heat) on January 27. For business reasons, "big guns" David Purcell, coach for the past two seasons, and Darren Murphy have not yet resumed but are certain starters for 1993.

Warrandyte will play three practice matches in the lead-up to the season's opening. They will be Sunday games at a local ground against East Doncaster (March 14), Ellinbank (March 21) and a yet-to-be-determined opponent (March 28).

New-look Dytes line up pennant

By DAVID KUTCHER

Warrandyte's cricket fortunes have risen dramatically since the Christmas break.

The first eleven seem guaranteed of a place in the Ringwood District Cricket Association finals and the seconds, thirds and fourths are still chances to feature in the play-offs.

With only two games to go the seniors were second on the ladder to arch rivals Mooroolbark and had excellent prospects of finishing on top. Their remaining qualifying matches were against lowly-ranked teams.

Victories in those games would ensure Warrandyte a finals game at home.

The second eleven had to win their last two games to make the finals and the fate of the thirds and fourths rested on the results of other games outside their control.

The Chandler Shield picture changed drastically in Warrandyte's favour in the one-day round on the Australia Day holiday. The Dytes got home on the last ball of the day against Lilydale, while Ainslie Park and Croydon North, two other contenders for the top spots, were beaten.

Warrandyte Cricket Club president Mark Davis described the win over Lilydale as "the greatest I have seen by the club".

The difference between the performances of the first eleven this season and last comes down to one word: consistency. Aply led by John Sharman, every team member has pulled his weight in crunch situations.

The batting has been much stronger than in recent seasons, the bowling more penetrating and all players have lifted a notch in the field.

Captain-coach Sharman told the *Diary*: "This has been our

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most consistent season since I have been associated with the club. Obviously our aim is to make the finals and we must play well in our remaining matches to ensure our position on the ladder."

The Dytes have lost only one game in this rain-interrupted season and their victories have ranged from solid to spectacular.

Hard-hitting Campbell Horlock has been the pick of the batsmen with some match-winning scores, none more important than his innings against Lilydale on February 1.

With the Dytes chasing 153 in the limited-over game, Horlock swung it Warrandyte's way with some powerful hitting and pinpoint placements.

Warrandyte needed 13 in the last over for victory and Horlock thumped the first ball for six, struck a four and stole two singles. With one ball remaining, the scores were all tied up.

Lilydale's captain made a fatal mistake by pitching that last ball short. The square-leg umpire ruled it a no-ball under the one-day laws. A one-run victory to Warrandyte!

Horlock has been just one of many fine contributors for Warrandyte. All-rounder Harry Drysdale has not put a foot wrong, wily leg-spinner David Watts has been consistently among the wickets and Sharman has continued to lead from the front.

The women's eleven have yet to win a game this season, but the benefits of a youth-oriented rebuilding program are beginning to surface.



Mark Davis: 'The greatest win I have seen.'



John Sharman: 'Most consistent season.'

Firsts: Warrandyte 186 (Hood 42, Drysdale 35, Barker 33, Sharman 32) d Vermont 112 (Drysdale 4/18, Watts 3/28, Sharman 2/7). Warrandyte 9/252 (Drysdale 88, Hood 83) d Wantirna South 135 (Walshe 3/40, Watts 3/48). Warrandyte 9/161 (Sharman 60, Drysdale 44) drew Croydon United 9/200 (Watts 5/53). Warrandyte 301 (Horlock 89, Drysdale 57) d Parkwood 165 Drysdale 4/53. Warrandyte 154 (Horlock 56 n.o.) d Lilydale 153 (Drysdale 6/28). Warrandyte v East Ringwood 138 (Watts 4/53, Drysdale 3/36).

Seconds: Warrandyte 7/168 (Canty 76, Kline 30) lost to Wantirna South 7/195 (Howarth 3/26, Warr 2/32). Warrandyte 199 (King 54) d Croydon United 142 (C. Snaidero 7/64, Pascoe 2/26). Warrandyte 7/282 (Vitoritti 84, Kline 42, Day 42) lost to Parkwood 322 (Kline 3/33, Harvey 2/76). Warrandyte v Lilydale abandoned because of rain.

Thirds: Warrandyte 120 lost to Wantirna South 3/168. Warrandyte 190 (Baker 77 n.o., Creber 40) lost to Croydon United 212 (Jungwirth 4/41). Warrandyte 87 (A. Snaidero 26) d Parkwood 69 (Croft 6/34, O'Connor 3/34).

Fourths: Warrandyte 110 (Rodgers 43) d South Wantirna 108 (Stockley 4/24). Warrandyte 126 lost to Croydon United 198 (Stockley 5/30). Warrandyte 180 (Brisbane 47) d Parkwood 150 (Stockley 4/38, Rodgers 3/45).

Fifths: Warrandyte 152 (Wilks 39) lost to Wantirna South 7/244 (De'Angelo 3/46). Warrandyte 181 (O'Loughlin 42) lost to Croydon United 5/227. Warrandyte d Parkwood (Fernando 6/25).

Women: Warrandyte 134 (McLaws 79, Richings 25) lost to Essendon-Maribyrnong Park 288. Warrandyte 137 (McLaws 56, Chapman 29) and 33 lost to Frankston 8/179 cde. (McLaws 4/68, Tunbridge 3/52).

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Under-16: Warrandyte 8/132 (M. Chapman 50, A. Utt 29) lost to Knox Gardens 145 (S. Bell 2/26). Warrandyte 190 (S. Bell 81, A. Deleo 32) d Montrose 95 (Utt 5/39). Warrandyte 41 lost to Lilydale 4/98 (Utt 2/24). Warrandyte v Wantirna South 102, game abandoned. Warrandyte 199 (Bell 111, Deleo 26) d Croydon South 179 (J. Logan 3/59).

Under-14: Warrandyte 50 (Brisbane 18, J. Edwards 16) d Mooroolbark 40 (T. Chapman 2/6, Russell 2/9). Warrandyte 30 and 4/89 (Edwards 26, Habermehl 17) lost to Montrose 41 (Russell 3/7) and 82 (Edwards 2/34). Warrandyte 39 (Brisbane 18) d Lilydale 36 (Brisbane 4/10, Chapman 3/4). Warrandyte 151 (Brisbane 42, Russell 42) d Croydon South 113 (Edwards 4/36).

Under-12: 45 and 32 lost to Boronia 208 (Selleck 2/9). Warrandyte 47 lost to East Ringwood 88 (Gurner 3/110). Warrandyte 87 (Selleck 32) lost to Vermont 95. Warrandyte 68 (Selleck 31) v Croydon, game abandoned. Warrandyte 48 and 60 (Gurner 27) lost to Ainslie Park 126 (Troedel 3/12).

Under-12 (5): Warrandyte 70 lost to St Andrews 72 (Revell 3/5). Warrandyte 66 (Johnston 11) and 49 (Taylor 10) d Wonga Park 50 (Ailing 2/10, David 2/4). Warrandyte 76 (Taylor 12, Ailing 11) lost to Ringwood South (Marchi 3/12) and 97 (Trotter 2/6, Green 2/3).

Just not their (Australia) day

By CLINTON GRYBAS

Australia's biggest junior basketball tournament—a happy hunting ground for Warrandyte last year—turned sour for the local club last month.

Last year, six of the seven Warrandyte teams entered for Eltham's Australia Day weekend carnival made it through to the grand finals. This time only one of 14 Redbacks sides progressed to the ultimate round.

The sole grand finalists were Peter Messerle's 16C boys—and they did it in style. They cruised to top spot with a 4-1 record in the qualifying rounds and beat the Wesburn Rebels by two

points in a nail-biting finish to the big one.

Warrandyte's other highlight was the performance of Peter Henderson's 20A boys, who were regarded as out of their depth in the top grade.

But they surprised everyone except themselves and their coach by qualifying 4-1 for the semi-finals.

In the process they downed Bulleen's highly-rated No 1 team, a 35-34 scoreline which delighted Warrandyte's legion of supporters.

Unfortunately, the run ended there and they were beaten in their semi-final by Eltham after leading early in stifling conditions.

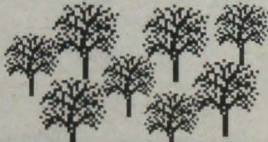
The 18B team of Chris McIntosh were favorites in their section and looked all set to vindicate that rating by qualifying with a 5-0 record. They were found out, however, in the semi-final, losing 24-29 to the Blazers.

Iain Hay's 14C boys also made a clean sweep of the preliminaries and their semi-final against Eltham was an epic which required three periods of overtime. Eltham eventually prevailed by a point.

Diana Godwin's 12B girls and the 12B boys of Ben Dawson made the semi-finals, but could not go on. The girls were beaten by nine points by Knox.

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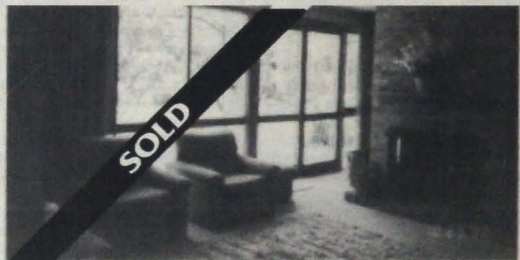
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