

By DAVID WYMAN

Warrandyte is still divided by the Yarra River within our two new municipalites-the City of Bulleen and the Shire of Montsalvat—announced re-cently by the Local Government Board.

North Warrandyte remains with the proposed Montsalvat shire, which the board defines as most of the existing Shire of Eltham plus the northern part of Diamond Valley shire and the eastern part of Whittlesea shire. The proposed City of Bulleen incorrec

The proposed City of Bulleen incorpo-rates the existing City of Doncaster and Templestowe, plus Wonga Park as far east as Brushy Creek and Lower Home-stead Read. stead Road. Warrandyte Environment League's

Boug Seymour described the Local Gov-ernment Board's proposed new munici-pal boundaries as "very positive for War-randyte as a whole. Warrandyte will con-

tinue to work as one community regard-less of municipal boundaries," he said. "North Warrandyte's continued management within a conservation oriented mani-agement within a conservation oriented municipality will be in the best interests of that community," he told the *Diary*. "And we are looking forward to a con-tinuing working partnership with the City of Bulleen (previously Doncaster-Templestowe)

Templestowe). "We think the proposals in Bulleen provide a better balance of rural to urban areas," he said. "That could well be a very positive factor for the future of Warrandyte."

With the inclusion of Wonga Park in the proposed City of Bulleen, about half the western end of the municipality is urban western end of the municipanty is urban with the eastern half being non-urban. But this proposed creation of an even larger united Green Wedge has not been greeted warmly by Wonga Park residents who see the City of Bulleen as the same development-driven municipality as Doncaster Templestowe (see page 3) Doncaster-Templestowe (see page 3). In its preliminary report on outer sub-

urban municipal boundaries, the Local Government Board says: "Wonga Park's future lies with the suburban areas to its west." It proposes that the whole of War-randyte South and the Wonga Park postcode district become part of the City of Bulleen.

Bulleen. The board argues that Wonga Park will be readily serviced from the existing Doncaster council depot and commu-nity facilities in Warrandyte. The addition of Wonga Park into a united Green Wedge brings another po-litical voice into the local scene. State MP Lorraine Elliot's electorate includes Wonga Park and she is known to be strong on environmental issues. Phil Honeywood, MP for Warrandyte, welcomed the draft municipal boundary

Phil Honeywood, MP for Warrandyte, welcomed the draft municipal boundary proposals. "Population size was never going to be a key determining factor for the new City of Bulleen," he said. "With about 110,000 residents within the cur-rent boundary, there was little scope for the board to add extra built-up suburban areas and thereby create an unwieldy areas and thereby create an unwieldy

population. "The board assessed that Wonga Park has historically shared a great deal of park Orchards, and while the new area will add only about 3,000 residents to the new municipality's population, the area to be added is quite substantial," Mr Honeywood said. "Virtually all of this area has similar, if not stronger, planning restrictions to bark Orchards." Mr Honeywood doesn't like the new

Park Orchards." Mr Honeywood doesn't like the new name of the municipality—Bulleen. "Just as our local area did not relate to the name Doncaster and Templestowe, it is probably even more difficult for us to relate to Bulleen," he said. He intends to make a formal submission to that effect to the board before its final recommen to the board before its final recommen-dations are determined.

"Any resident who shares my view on the name Bulleen can add weight to my submission by contacting my electorate office on 870 7396."



Super resort planned



planned to span this peaceful stretch of river near Wonga Park. To be built on environmentally

CYRIL

18-hole golf courses, 185 condominiums and 120 villa houses. Story: Page 3.

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By PAUL WILLIAMS

New business association to promote town

By CLINTON GRYBAS

The local business community has banded together to present a united voice through the formation of the Warrandyte Business Association.

An overwhelming response to the new group's first meeting surprised inaugural president Tony Summers. "More than 60 people turned up which was quite amazing. Word went around town quickly and eve-ryone got caught up in it," he said

said. "What the number reflects is a major need for traders in the area. Everyone is sick of being stuck on their own all the time with problems and issues. This

is an exciting thing and we're really looking forward to get-ting the place going again." The association aims to pro-mote Warrandyte through its unique strengths: the environunique strengths: the environ-ment, history, commerce, art and culture, ambience and ge-ography. An advertising cam-paign which will "have the right emphasis for the whole of War-randyte" will also be launched. The association is not limited

to local shopkeepers. It is seek-ing professional people and eve-ryone engaged in business from all parts of Warrandyte.

Local traffic flow and car park-

ing will be the focus of one of the group's sub-committees. It will look at ways around exist-ing problems and liaise with council to develop long-term stratories

strategies. "The feeling for an associa-tion started with a few people around town who met and dis-cussed what could be done. In the past if you had a problem you couldn't get anything done yourself or get anything changed. Now there is a voice there," Tony Summers said. The association says it is not

in competition with other groups in town and actively seeks support from them and hopes to work with them. "We're promoting the area and the uniqueness of it. We're

part of the community and want to be involved in it. This has

to be involved in it. This has really taken off and is quite exciting. It's fulfilling a long outstanding need in this com-munity," he said. The association has already attracted a wide cross-section of local businesses and wel-comes new members. Meetings are held on the first Wednes-day of each month from from at day of each month from 6pm at the upstairs function room at the Grand Hotel. For further information contact Tony Sum mers on 844 1049.



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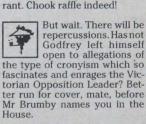
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trifle bent when he walked into the shop, selected a shirt from the rack and asked could he try it on. Glenyse thought it a little unusual that he should call her into the curtained cubicle to help into the curtained cubicle to help him with the buttons. And she thought it quite irregular when he FLASHED as she parted the curtains. Did Glenyse fall in a faint on the floor or run, scream-ing hysterically, for the cops? Not at all. She waited for the customer to reappear (fully clothed) at the counter, sold him a \$7 lacket and sent him on his a \$7 jacket and sent him on his way. We like her style. There are those which say that as an organ-iser of events, Geoff (Godfrey) Pulford There are those who 1 (Godfrey) Pulford would have trouble running a chook raffle. So when he volun-teered to book a table for six at the swank Flower Drum restau-rant at the Crown Casino, expecrant at the Crown Casino, expec-tations were fraught with trepi-dation. And sure enough, the booking was stuffed up. "Sorry, sir, but you're booked in for *next* Saturday night," said the girl at reception when Godfrey fronted for the big nech with wife Marg for the big nosh with wife Marg, Kevin and Faye Close and Terry and Pam Booth. Oh. But hang about: this was not of Godfrey's doing. No, by golly. They went back through the book, Godfrey was exonerated, managemen took full responsibility and promised a table as soon as one became available and free drinks all round in the meantime. But

We take off our hat to

before a complimentary cock-tail had been sipped, a table was found. Not just a table, but a room!The Lloyd Williams Room, the private Flower Drum annex of the millionaire businessman of the minionare businessman who is chairman of the casino. So there they sat, the Warran-dyte six, dining like royalty and wondering what the poor peo-ple were doing, while the likes of former Lord Mayor Ron Walker and Australian Olympics su-preme Kunan Compruss au and Australian Olympics su-premo Kevan Gosper were sup-ping with the other commoners in the main body of the restau-rant. Chook raffle indeed!



Some people get flow-ers, some chocolates. But for her birthday, Diary nature writer Pat Coupar got poo. True. Her Friends of Warrandyte State Park pals presented Pat with two fine

Glenyse Riches, effer-vescent custodian of IN RED & WHITE our Op Shop. Which is nothing to what a bloke did to her the other day. He took his pants off! There was nothing about him to suggest that the fellow, probably in his 40s, was a

> Glenyse Riches returns to the scene of the crime

emu turds collected during their emuturus conected during their recent field trip to The Grampi-ans. The stool (see, Smokey knows the polite word for it) was full of seeds, which Pat will study as part of her research into the flora and fauna of that area. Pat was rapt. The poo was wrapped wrapped.

Because it was nearing its 'use by' date, Laurie Warr drove all the way to Lilydale to pay his 合 electricity bill rather than take his chances with the vagaries of Australia Post. But when he got there the cashier wouldn't take his money. "You won't accept it? Whaddayamean you won't acceptit?Lauriedemanded. "Because this is a Gas and Fuel Corporation account," she said

"Look, Daddy's got some funny comics," the North Warrandyte five-year-old told her playmate. And Daddy might still have them if Mummy had not overheard. The 'comics' were Daddy's private collection of World, a weekly magazine launched early this year by the Truth folk. Daddy is very fond of World—which is full of immod-World-which is full of immodest ladies and irreverent humour and describes itself as "The news without underpants" — and had the full set. We say "had" be-cause Mummy immediately confiscated and bonfired 'em. Wicked waste of reading matter, we say. Or a waste of wicked reading matter.

Plants, move along the riverbank in the dead of night, pushing in dozens of willow cuttings at the water's edge. Next morning, urban guerrillas from the People's Front for the Liberation of Indig-enous Species follow, pulling them all out again.

Bush telegraph depart-ment: There it was, a professional-looking professional-looking poster in the Village Milk Bar window, desperately seeking news of Percy the lost peacock. The roughly-scrawled missive at Harry Heath's an-nounced to the world that one male peacock (is there any other sort?) had been found. We do hope they got it together.

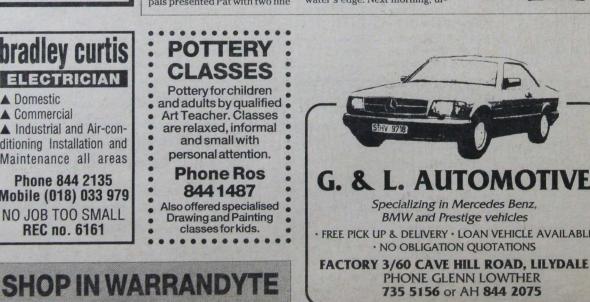
The kids we are trying to reach here are too 1 young to appreciate such things, so let us explain to them that RSL grounds are hallowed. That is, sacred. Ideally, you do not congregate at these places to yahoo, race your bloody bushbikes through garden beds, pelt monuments with rocks and generally behave like half-pint hoons. The local RSL Sub-Branch has had a gutful

We reserved judge-ment on the National Bus Company's priva-tisation of the Met's Warrandyte service and we're doing likewise with the new routes and timetables which became effective last month. Tell you what, though: where the Met ran two buses into town and out of a Sunday, the National runs TEN. Now all we have to do is persuade the tourists to leave their cars at home and take ad-vantage of this splendid new vantage of this splendid new service and we'll all be safe in Yarra Street on the Sabbath.

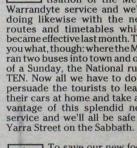
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A large golf and country club proposed for both sides of the Yarra—at Chirnside Park (bordering Wonga Park) and Kanga-roo Ground—is drawing flak from regional authorities and environmentalists.

Ists. The proposal, known as "The Heritage Golf and Country Club Resort", includes two 18-hole championship golf courses, to be built mostly on the Yarra's flood plains, 305 condominium and housing units to be sold in subdivisions, 300 car parking spaces, and dining, gaming, con-ference, administration and other sporting and fitness facilities. Locals are already calling the project "Sanctuary Cove-on-the-Yarra". The resort proposes to utilise

Yarra". The resort proposes to utilise all of the existing St John of God property of 137 hectares south of the river, near Mt Lofty on Homestead Road, and a large area of 213 hectares known as Henley Farm, north of the river in Kangaroo Ground South. Environmentaliets beliave that

Environmentalists believe that

the developers are exploiting old land titles, which allow owners use of the land to the banks of the river, and possibly to the centre of the river.

So far, no environmental im-pact study has been prepared or even proposed. Flora Anderson of Wonga Park,

who is a member of several envi-ronment groups, told the *Diary* that 18 golf fairways and greens of the course planned for the north side of the river were on flood plain, and all but five of the fairways on the course south of

the river were also planned for land liable to flooding. The Upper Yarra and Dandenong Ranges Authority has told the Minister for Plan-ning, Rob Maclellan, that con-struction of golf courses on flood plains could lead to "pressure to modify the river and flood plain—to divert water with levee banks". A key feature of the resort's

A key feature of the resort's submission to the authorities is its attempt to bypass existing planning schemes and strategy plans. It seeks the Minister for plans. It seeks the Minister for Planning as the sole planning authority, who would amend the Shire of Lillydale and Shire of Healesville planning schemes, and the Upper Yarra and Dandenong Ranges Regional Strategy Plan, to expedite the development. The developmere' submission

The developers' submission says: "In order to overcome the complications associated with coordinating both planning scheme amendments, the Min-ister for Planning has adopted the role as planning authority for stage one of the process. This will allow the changes required to be regulated by one govern-ment body, ensuring greater cooordination in the approvals process" process

The company, Heritage Golf and Country Club, holds options to purchase the properties and the submission lists Dr John Tickel and David Inglis as the major shareholders.

Accommodation proposed for the site consists of 120 two-bedroom condominiums adjacent to a clubhouse, 65 deluxe condo-miniums near the start of the southern golf course and 120 units clustered in nodes within the golf course. No buildings are proposed for the northern sec-

tion. The Upper Yarra Valley and Dandenong Ranges Authority has stated that the creation of subdivisions in the area is consubdivisions in the area is con-trary to the authority's plan. "The proposed subdivision of residential units could become a defacto small town subdivi-sion," the authority noted. The authority is most con-cerned that there is no detailed development plan in the subdi

development plan in the subdi-vision: "There is insufficient detail to enable a proper evalua-tion of the effects of the develop-

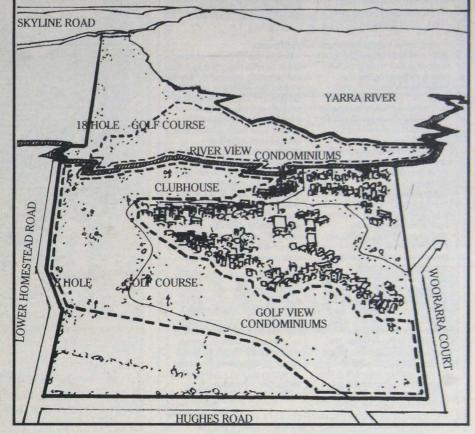
ment". For access across the river, "a cantilever or pontoon style bridge" is planned. Sewage bridge is planned. Sewage would be reticulated into the Melbourne Water system or treated on site, and stormwater run-off would be collected and discharged into the Yarra via vegetated pollutant traps. Flora Anderson said that the

Flora Anderson said that the Yarra River, from Warrandyte to Warburton, is protected under the Heritage Waters Act 1992. "While this applies to public land along the river, the Land Con-servation Council has made it clear that the privately-owned land should be included," she said

The proposed amendment to the planning schemes of Lillydale and Healesville shires removes flood prone land from the current restrictions on use and development. This would leave the proponents free to modify the banks of the Yarra, and the flood plain and billabongs, as they see

A flood would be a disastrous occurrence on a championship golf course, and their submission does refer to 'fill importa-tion decreasing the flood plain area and capacity

the-Yarra'



They're not keen on Bulleen



Kelly Brook vineyard: Part of Wonga Park's precious environmental heritage. (Picture by David Wyman)

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The Local Government Board's proposal to include Wonga Park in its new City of Bulleen has disappointed and upset a number of

Wonga Park residents. Formerly part of the Shire of Lillydale, Wonga Park residents are concerned that the proposed City of Bulleen will be more devel-opment-driven than their old municipality.

'I'm very upset at the prospect of joining Doncaster-Templestowe," Sue Couper told the Diary. "We have a wave of bushland here along the Yarra which is a precious haven for wildlife. Bring in development and this will be surely destroyed.

"Lilydale has looked after us very well-now it looks as though we'll be a bulge on the end of Bulleen.

Margaret Fankhauser of Wonga Park's licensed post office and newsagency said many residents had told her that that they had left the City of Doncaster and Templestowe to come to Wonga Park for environmental reasons, and because the rates were lower and

the roads and services better. "They are very disappointed to see that they are back in Doncaster and Templestowe. I would say that six out of 10 people who come into the shop are saying that," she said.

Cr Ann Atkinson, whose Lilydale riding takes in Wonga Park, said environmental concerns within the proposed City of Bulleen "really worry me

She said that Wonga Park had a strong

environmental attitude—"people there have a special feeling for Wonga Park and want to protect it from urban development".

Philip Glenister, secretary of the Wonga Park and District Residents Association, said that most of the people who had moved into Wonga Park over the last 10 years were strong in their views on keeping the area the way it is

now "We are most concerned about the planning controls if we become part of the City of Bulleen. At the moment, Wonga Park is covered by the regional strategy plan which is administered by the Upper Yarra and Dandenong Ranges Authority. They have very

"If we come under the proposed City of Bulleen, we will join the metropolitan plan-ning scheme with all its inherent problems-and we don't want that."

Mr Glenister said that Wonga Park may have to join forces with Warrandyte to ensure retention of the existing character of the areas. Carolyn Giovannetti of the Wonga Park General Store told the *Diary* that there had been an "absolute uproar" from residents

when they learned that Doncaster-Templestowe wanted Wonga Park in its new municipality.

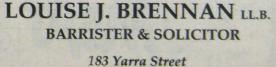
"But it doesn't really matter where you are so long as the planning scheme remains the way it is now, and that there is a genuine consciousness among the authorities about our special part of the Yarra Valley."

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Slow down for our town

The Diary has been forwarded a copy of this lettersent to the Minister for Roads and Ports, the Hon. W. R. Baxter.

A couple of weeks back my wife and self spent the best part of a day (using public transport) enjoying the many beauties of Warran-dyte. We were astonished to find its pristine tranquil-lity being destroyed, with its main street converted into a freeway by a constant stream of speeding cars in both directions, very few stopping for any purpose.

Warrandyte centre is a lovely small township with a (or should have) country atmosphere, close to Melbourne city centre, an attraction worthy of attention and enjoyment from interstate and overseas visitors.

It has some most rewarding shops facing across the road from the freely flowing Yarra River, with banks landscaped for passive recreation, including numerous fixed tables and seats. Its small bakery beside and overlooking the Yarra is a delight and so are the tables and chairs outside on a green lawn surveying a beautiful river



But to get to these charms from across the road is a life threatening hazard trying to evade the hurtling traffic backwards and forwards, a social condition which dismays the locals and would call forth curses from all visitors, whether Australian or overseas. It is a social condition which should be condemned and stopped immediately.

We were told that local residents have appealed to the authorities on a number of occasions for the erection of traffic signs restricting speed limits in the area, but these appeals have been ignored.

My wife and I would like to add our names to thos appeals and respectfully recommend you extend consideration to reducing the speed limit in the area to a speed which extends respect and courtesy to all those people endeavouring to enjoy all the surrounding available pleasures

John White Middle Brighton



of Bradleys Lane make theirselection.

Greening the land for fire truck fund...

North Warrandyte Fire Brigade ran a plant stall outside the community centre one weekend last month, raising funds for their new fire tanker. Diary photographer Jan Tindale recorded the occasion.



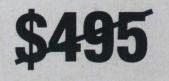
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Welcome to our nightmare



E thought we just might get it all together this time. One Warrandyte. Hands across the water. But it was not to be. Like the police, the CFA

and all the other government bodies, the Local Government Board couldn't pluck up courage and cross the river. We won't get another chance.

But it wouldn't have pleased everyone. Those of us who dwell on the north bank live in dread of becoming part of what.

becoming part of whatever developmentdriven monstrosity Doncaster-Templestowe metamorphosed into, and we southerners weren't too keen on

having to convert to 4wheel drives as our roads fell to bits, had we been shoved north. We'll just have to keep on playing one council off against the other, as we've been doing for the past century or more—usually quite successfully. But—north and south—we all still live in Greater Warrandyte, so that's a blessing.

But they're not too happy over in Wonga Park, and who can blame them? Anything that looks even vaguely like the old D&T frightens the life out of them. But their pain could be our gain.

The broadacre landowners around Wonga Park haven't been wingeing about rabbits and weeds. They've been working with their former council to try and solve the problem. From that distance, the line that the Green Wedge can only be saved through residential subdivision must look like the nonsense it is.

To impose Doncaster council's compromise decision, allowing pre-1978 landowners to subdivide down to five acres upon our reluctant, newly-dragooned neighbours, would be unacceptable. This is a heaven-sent opportunity for Mr Rob Maclellan, the Minister for Planning, to throw

STIRRING THE POSSUM the whole lot out and leave the Green Wedge exactly as it is. So welcome aboard, Wonga Park. Welcome to our nightmare. But it could be worse.

Warrandyte and Park Orchards have proved a pretty good combination over the years, working together to protect our environment and our lifestyle. With Wonga Park on the team, we'll be invincible. Of course our North Warrandyte shock troops

will cross the bridge and lend a hand, as always. And when we've stopped them ruining our

Green Wedge, and the commissioners decide to hand back our democratic rights, then we'll combine to make sure we finish up with council representatives who will help us to keep it that way.

CLIFF GREEN





CITY OF DONCASTER AND TEMPLESTOWE

Community Tree Planting Program

Are you interested in beautifying your local park? Then form a group with Are you interested in beautifying your local park? Then form a group with your neighbours and plant some trees in a reserve near you. The City of Doncaster and Templestowe encourages residents to become involved in the landscaping and development of our parks as part of the Community Tree Planting Program. The aim of the program is to assist residents in developing and maintaining their local reserve. If you are keen to become involved or wish to continue an established planting project uncertaintight apply for functional parts as part of the continue and the program.

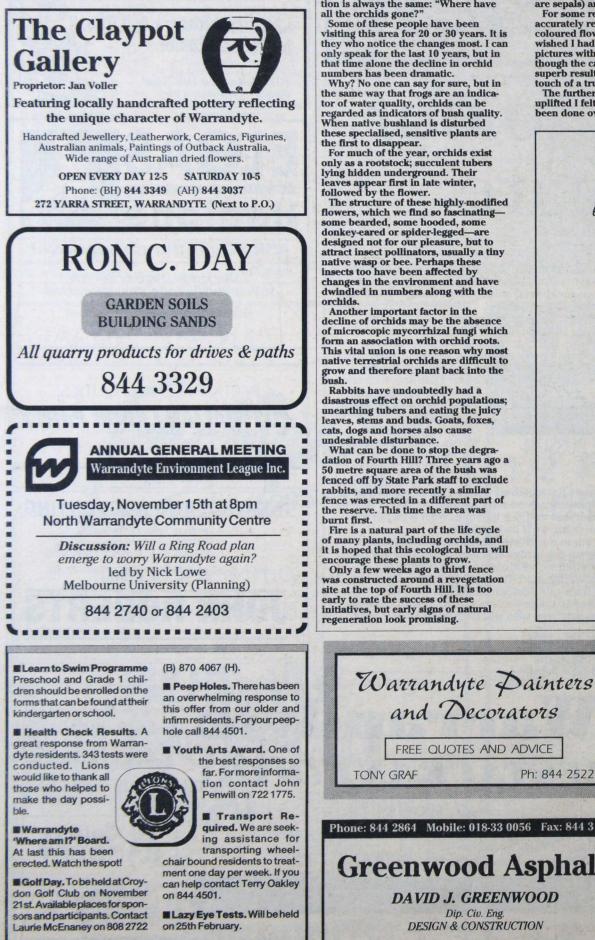
planting project, you are invited to apply for funding. Applications for funding should be made by a group of people from around Applications for funding should be made by a group of people from around the vicinity of the reserve to be planted. Applications should be forwarded to the following address by Monday, 21 November 1994. Community Tree Planting Program City of Doncaster and Templestowe Nursery

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Where have all our wildflowers gone?

ITH notebook and pencil in hand and camera slung over my shoulder, I set off up the broad stony track. I had come to Fourth Hill to feast my

had come to Fourth Hill to feast my eyes and point my camera lens at the banquet of flowers that carpet this bushland every spring. I had also come to write, to create images with words. Many times I have visited this place over the years. Sometimes I have met others walking with heads bent, scouring the ground in front of them. After exchanging greetings the ques-tion is always the same: "Where have all the orchids gone?" Some of these people have been

Some of these people have been visiting this area for 20 or 30 years. It is they who notice the changes most. I can only speak for the last 10 years, but in that time alone the decline in orchid numbers has been dramatic.

numbers has been dramatic. Why? No one can say for sure, but in the same way that frogs are an indica-tor of water quality, orchids can be regarded as indicators of bush quality. When native bushland is disturbed these specialised, sensitive plants are the first to disappear. For much of the year, orchids exist only as a rootstock; succulent tubers lying hidden underground. Their leaves appear first in late winter, followed by the flower. The structure of these highly-modified flowers, which we find so fascinating— some bearded, some hooded, some donkey-cared or spider-legged—are

some bearded, some nooded, some donkey-eared or spider-legged—are designed not for our pleasure, but to attract insect pollinators, usually a tiny native wasp or bee. Perhaps these insects too have been affected by changes in the environment and have dwindled in numbers along with the dwindled in numbers along with the orchids.

Another important factor in the decline of orchids may be the absence of microscopic mycorrhizal fungi which form an association with orchid roots. This vital union is one reason why most native terrestrial orchids are difficult to grow and therefore plant back into the bush.

Rabbits have undoubtedly had a disastrous effect on orchid populations; unearthing tubers and eating the juicy leaves, stems and buds. Goats, foxes, cats, dogs and horses also cause undesirable disturbance. What can be done to stop the degra-dation of Fourth Hill? Three years ago a 50 metre square area of the bush was fenced off by State Park staff to exclude rabbits, and more recently a similar fence was erected in a different part of the reserve. This time the area was burnt first.

Fire is a natural part of the life cycle of many plants, including orchids, and it is hoped that this ecological burn will It is noped that this ecological burn will encourage these plants to grow. Only a few weeks ago a third fence was constructed around a revegetation site at the top of Fourth Hill. It is too early to rate the success of these initiatives, but early signs of natural regeneration look promising.



By PAT COUPAR Drawn by MELANIE COUPAR

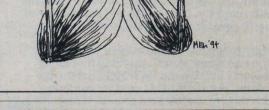
One of the orchids most resistant to disturbance, and therefore still relatively common, is the waxlip. Unlike most orchids this one has a rather conventional flower structure with five purple petals (actually three are sepals) around a white centre. For some reason no film emulsion can

coloured flowers. Not for the first time I wished I had the talent to create pictures with paint and brush. Al-though the camera can give some superb results, it lacks the personal touch of a true actiet

touch of a true artist. The further I walked the more uplifted I felt as I saw the work that has been done over the last few years—

pines and cootamundra wattles fingbarked, ivy removed from the gulles and recent plantings heavily mulched to prevent weed growth. Some of these achievements have been done on a voluntary basis, for this fragment of Warrandyte State Park has its own 'friends' group; they meet once a month and after the revegetation work there is usually a ranger-led walk to learn about the plants and animals of the Hill they care so much for. Eventually I sauntered back along the pictures in my camera would serve as permanent reminders that the bush-and of Fourth Hill is at last on the mend. Perhaps in time the scars will disappear completely and this area will once again be famous for its wonderful when the serve as variety of those exquisite ephemerals the orchids.

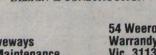
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Memory chips on life's colour card 66

EMORIES like the ... something of your ... something". If my memory

serves me correctly, these were the words sung by Babs Streisand as I was driving along Yarra Street in ARK. There I was, trying to remember what I had to buy from Harry's and there was Babs singing a song about memo-ries. She made them sound like precious jewels, like treasured artifacts kept in a velvet-lined box. And to some extent she's right. Some memories last extent she's right. Some memories last forever. Like your first kiss, your first pair of long pants or the first time you did the Scotch drawback without needing a decompression chamber and all of Farmakis's stock of Ventolin. But for much about my life the memories have faded. Like Levis.

ARK jerked into Harry's carpark just as Barb reached the end of her song: "... like the way we were," or words to that effect. Anyway, here she was, at it again pretending that we can all remember the way we were, with 20:20 hindsight.

hindsight. Unfortunately, I seem to have been born with Kraft disease. I rationalise by arguing that my brain is like a very sophisticated computer that has so much to store that it selectively deletes all information it doesn't believe is essential. Details like names, birthdays, anniversaries, social engagements, what Herself has just said and when I've promised to fix things around the house. around the house.

There is an automatic erase function that acts as a safety valve. A brain is a finite organ and it can only store so much

Evidently, Herself must have been operated on at birth because her brain is not normal. She has a brain capable of remembering the most amazing amount of questionable material. She



remembers the names of friends children, their interests, their wives' or husbands' jobs, family members, what I said two days ago and what we have to do in the following two decades. Obviously her brain is going to explode at some stage. It's not natural to be able to remember so much.

Not only is it quite reasonable to trash unnecessary information but it is also quite normal for memories to play

tricks, distorting reality. Or, rather, our perceptions of it. Let me give you an example.

example. We have a weekender and have been decorating it. We had some paint left over from another job and decided to use it on the new place. In our memo-ries the colour was a pale sand. It had warmth but wasn't too dominating. Nor was it insipid. It would be just right for the bedrooms, living room and kitchen. My first shock came when I opened the can. "Oh well, it always looks different until it has been properly stirred and has dried on the wall," I reassured myself.

reassured myself. Herself looked marginally concerned

and asked whether paint can change colour in the can if it's left too long. I couldn't remember, so we went ahead. As the day and painting wore on, my fears mounted. What started out as a warmer shade of sand became darker and less subtle.

"It's the light, and the reflection from the floor," I offered as Herself asked whether it was the way I had remembered it.

As we drove home, in my memory, the colour became more and more alarming and by the time we reached alarming and by the time we reached Warrandyte, we had painted our walls a very sixties shade of orange. All we would need to complete the time warp was a Spanish bullfighting poster, a psychedelic bean bag and a rose bottle fitted with dripping candles. As I walked from the carport I had a sudden thought. The tiles! Herself had discussed samples with me. A decision had been made but I couldn't quite visualise the shade. With each step through the garden.

With each step through the garden, the tiles became pinker and pinker. I could just imagine the disaster. Orange walls, pink tiles and a rapidly reddening carpet. I turned to Herself, looked deep into

her eyes and hoped some of her memory banks could be transferred to my more sensitive and finely tuned

"Are you worried about the colour scheme?" I asked. "Not really. Why?" "You're not worried that the colour will be bit bette?"

will be a bit hectic?"

"No. The wall colour is a little bit darker than I had imagined but it's nothing to get worried about. I think it'll look great." By this stage light bulbs were flashing above her head. "So, you're finally beginning to take some interest in the colour scheme for the new place. If you'd paid some attention when we were planning it, this wouldn't have happened. If it's wrong, don't blame me. You've only yourself to blame. Anyway, don't you remember we talked about it and you assured me that it was what you wanted?" I walked into the house wondering

I walked into the house wondering whether Babs had recorded a song about house decorating.

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for awards. Doug McManus was nominated for best director, 'Jigsaws' was nominated as best play and there were three nominations from the group for best supporting ac-Elizabeth Greenwood and

Doug McManus

tress: Elizabeth Greenwood, Paddy Childs Green and Madeleine Swain. Elizabeth Greenwood won the best supporting actress award. Everyone associated with the

Everyone associated with the production was delighted for Elizabeth and very proud of the Warrandyte Drama Group in gen-eral. There were nine plays com-peting and for Warrandyte to do so well in so many categories made the effort well worthwhile. The awards for best play, best director and best actor all went director and best actor all went to Heidelberg Theatre Company with 'Passion Play'. The award for best actress went to The Ba-sin Theatre Company.



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By CLINTON GRYBAS

A north-of-the-river emergency body, which grew out of the 1991 bushfire, believes it must expand to encompass the whole of Warrandyte if it is to survive

The North Warrandyte Community Emergency

The North Warrandyte Community Emergency Planning Group is appealing for strong commu-nity-wide support at its annual general meeting to be held later this month. The group has been hit by declining interest and a perceived disinterest in south-of-the-river problems. Barry Walters, chairman of the group, told the *Diary* that the future of the organisation depended on people attending the meeting. The North Warrandyte name was attached to the group at the first meeting. There was some resistance from people south of the river, so we're looking to expand our program to cover all Warrandyte", he said. The present group is an incorporated body, but a new constitution could be drawn up or an

The present group is an incorporated body, but a new constitution could be drawn up or an entirely new body created. The group was formed in November 1992 following a public meeting called by the North Warrandyte CFA. More than 200 people attended with 17 residents—includ-ing two from south of the river—being elected to form a committee.

form a committee. The group was charged with resolving ques-tions from the community after the February '91 fire, and addressing issues flowing from the coronial inquiry that followed. Barry Walters said that while the initial response from volun-teers was high, there were only four or five active workers left on the committee—and "they have gone as far as they can go". "We're exhausted and are really looking for some new blood and fresh faces. The group has been successful in implementing a number of

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community. He described as "excellent" the relationship the group has had with authorities. "They have been open to ideas and have implemented some of what we proposed," he said. The most important of these refers to local road blocks in times of fire. Road blocks will be established at the perimeters of the town, with only local residents allowed to pass through. There will be directed to Warrandyte Reserve. There they will register and obtain current po-lice information before being allowed into the areas considered safe, as authorised from group

headquarters. Other innovations include lists of incapaci-tated residents, and establishing emergency as-sembly areas, fireguard units and landcare pro-grams. Barry Walters describes these as "grass-

grams. barry watters describes mese as 'grass-roots responses to the problems". Further recommendations being considered include residents' car stickers to help police at road blocks, notifying local schools to hold chil-dren until danger has passed and the return of school buses and children if they are already on their way home.

The coroner recommended to the Ministry of Education that "curriculum days" should not be held on fire prone days, as many children were alone at home during the February '91 fire. Barry Walters said there is every prospect that the coming fire season will be a bad one. It is

therefore essential the group continue opera-tions. This will not happen, however, unless new people express interest by attending the group's annual general meeting. It will be held next Wednesday, November 16 at 7.30pm at the North Warrandyte Community Centre.

Need another view

or angle?

Individual / Small



All roads will lead to Kangaroo Ground on Sunday, November 20 for a great grand district re-union and book launching. Sir Rupert Hamer will be launching Mick Woiwod's new book, 'Kan-garoo Ground—The Highland Taken'. There will be Scottish pipers and dancing, the Andrew Ross Museum will be open, pho-tographs from the book will be displayed and Mick will be sign ing copies of his book. The fun starts at 12noon. Call Wendy Bradley (712 0396) or Bruce Nixon (730 1649).

Environment

The annual general meeting of the Warrandyte Environment League will be held at 8pm on Tuesday, November 15. Among subjects to be discussed will be the possibility of a new ring road.

Development has established a list of experienced apiarists who will collect bees in various ar-eas. You should ring Chris Allen on 846 3402, F. Olsson on 876 1756 or Bob Gay on 482 6955. Residents are advised to ascer-tan oract foce holes are drived to tain exact fees before engaging the services of an apiarist. Only accessible swarms will be re-moved. If you have bees in an enclosed space you should con-tact a pest control firm.

Clearing

Doncaster council is cutting trees under powerlines during November. This is necessary to meet the State Government's code of practice for tree clear-ing under powerlines in fire haz-ardous areas. The program ardous areas. The program should be completed by early December.



These three young performers have been appearing in Variations: Starlight Express' at Warrandyte High School, November 5, 6, 12 and 13. Bookings through 844 3896. (Picture by Jan Tindale)



Conducted by JUDY GREEN Drop your news in the letterbox in the front door of our office at the Community Centre, fax it to 844 4168, or post it to PO Box 209, Warrandyte, 3113, by the last Friday in the month.

Fireguard

The next meeting of the Osborne Peninsula Community Fireguard Group will be on Sunday, No-vember 20 at 4pm at the home of Ruth and Wayne Rankin, 39 Osborne Road. Jon Boura will be in attendance to offer advice and answer questions on preparing your property for the coming fire season.

Visits

'Do Care' is appealing for volun-teers to help with visits to eld-erly people. Training and ongo-ing support is provided. The aim of 'Do Care' is to establish friendships which become special re-lationships for both the older person and the volunteer. For details on programs in our area call 662 2044.

Calendar

The Anglican churches of St Stephens (Warrandyte) and Emmanuel (Park Orchards), in conjunction with the Brother-hood of St Lawrence, have again produced a delighful calendar for 1995. Local artists featured include Walter Magilton and Terry Liddell. Call Flo or Gary Gason on 844 3473.

Art show

The Warrandyte Mechanics In-stitute and Arts Association is opening their 39th annual exhi-bition of craft, painting and pot-tery in the Mechanics Institute Hall in Yarra Street on Friday, November 11 at 8.15pm. The show will remain open on Satur-day, November 12 from 10am to 5.30pm and on Sunday, Novem-5.30pm and on Sunday, November 13 from 11am to 5.30pm.

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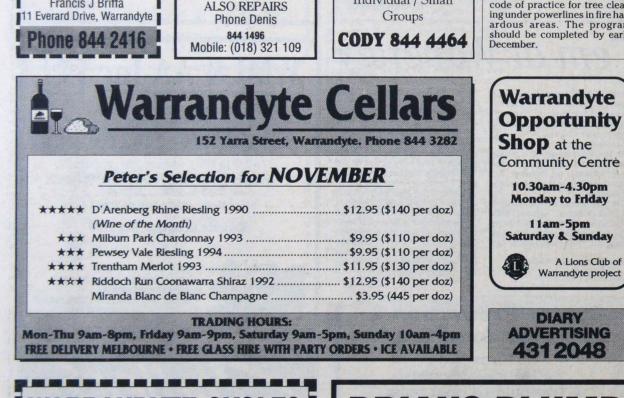
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School specialist By CLIFF GREEN

The number of specialist teachers at Warrandyte Primary School could be reduced in 1995, due to falling enrolments and the State Government's revised staffing schedule schedule.

For a number of years, WPS has had four trained special-ists, teaching art and craft, library, music and physical education. Loss of the specialist teacher in the artcraft area is the one most likely.

Andersons Creek Primary School has two specialist teachers at the moment. These are in the library and art and craft areas. The 1994 school year at

Warrandyte Primary School began with 409 children enrolled. Present indications suggest next year's numbers could be down to 382. As staff is allocated on a strict pupilteacher ratio, this could mean a loss of two teachers.

a loss of two teachers. Faced with this probability, principal Ken Wing Jan had two options. Thirteen grades and four specialists, or 14 grades and three specialists. The school is also keen to introduce a specialised

The school is also keen to introduce a specialised 'reading recovery' program. "With 13 grades, classes would commence the school year with 30 or 31 children (except preps)," Ken Wing Jan told the *Diary*. There would be six composite grades and there would not be one 'straight' grade two." This structure would allow the school to dedicate teachers to all the specialist areas. "The biggest disadvantage "The biggest disadvantage here is the size of classes. New enrolments could blow out

Warrandyte Primary School students excelled in the 1994 Victorian Science

Talent Search with six of the 17

students entered winning prizes. Most of the others earned merit

certificates.

classes, with numbers of 33 to 35 being a distinct possibility," Ken Wing Jan said. With fourteen classes, there would only be three composite grades, there would be 'straight' grades at each level and class sizes would range from 27 to 30 children, again with the exception of preps

with the exception of preps. "This structure, however, allows only three teachers to cover the areas of art and cover the aleas of art and craft, music, library, physical education and reading recovery," Ken Wing Jan said. "And three into five won't go.

"Eventually, it was decided by a majority of teachers that

the 14-grade arrangement was the most acceptable. "Music is a big part of this school. Art is an important area. The library has to be staffed five days a week. Physical education and sport Physical education and sport is not merely a state-wide priority, it's also a school priority."

According to Ken Wing Jan, there are three teachers at the school either qualified or with wide experience in art and craft. "These teachers, together with other staff, most of whom would have had art of whom would have had art method training in their tertiary courses, should be able to deliver a satisfactory art and craft program. "These teachers will certainly need further profes-cienced development and

sional development and support. This could quite easily be provided by qualified

CLYDE & **OCKER** "We had strappin' good teachers at the old school

people in the school, as well as by arranging for outside experts to provide assistance." Ken Wing Jan has therefore decided that the school's staffing structure for 1995 will comprise 14 grade teachers; a librarian; a music teacher, also norarian; a music teacher, also responsible for the reading recovery program; an assistant principal responsible for physical education, sport and

of hard knocks, Ock!"

computers; and a principal. Art and craft will still be taken in the art room, either by class teachers or, with some sort of "platooning" system, by the most qualified teachers in the school.

"This is only a proposal," Ken Wing Jan said. "There are a

number of factors which could alter the entire situation." These include the level of pupil enrolment, teachers coming under a federal award and changes to State Govern-

ment policy. The proposal to remove the specialist art and craft teacher at Warrandyte Primary School had not been discussed on school council as the Diary went to press.

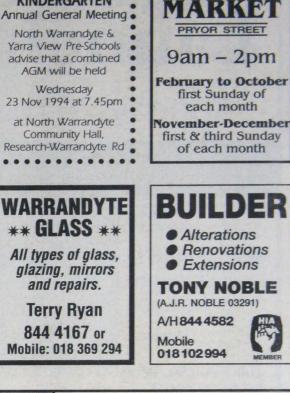
"This proposal was supposed to remain confidential until it was put to school council and some of the impacts of the above variables were known," Ken Wing Jan said. "There was no point making the proposal public at this time, as it could be changed." There are currently only two

specialist teachers—art/craft and library—at Andersons Creek Primary School. "I'll make the grades smaller every time," principal Des McKenzie told the *Diary*. "We keen our pren numbers as

keep our prep numbers as small as possible. This usually means fewer specialists. "The situation for next year

is completely fluid. But I can't see us having more than two specialists." Des McKenzie expects the enrolment at Andersons Creek for next year to be around 360. "But if we get 350, we'll staff the school very differently.

• The *Diary* invites further discussion of this situation, as well as other issues that may be affecting local schools.



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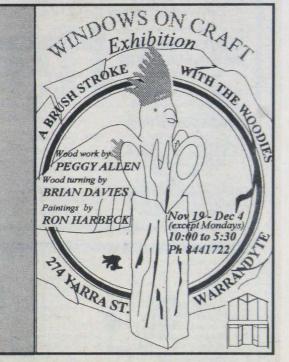
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conditions and cloud types, then used her data to produce detailed charts of

weather cycles. Richard Moore experimentally determined the longevities and "half-

lives" of various brands of batteries, then compared the results with cost.

During the presentation ceremony it was observed that even if none of the children end up as scientists, their perception, thoroughness and determination will stand them in good stead.

staff at risk

The students from grades two through to six entered the competition earlier in the year and had their presentation day at LaTrobe University last month. The prize-winners came from a variety of fields. rain.

Success for young scientists Nicole Winters and Sarah Conlan won a major bursary with their photographs of caterpillars on redbox leaves. The school's other winners all received

> minor bursaries. Celia Fairley won with an imaginative essay entitled 'A Park Ranger in the Year 2020'. Peter McNamara found that toadstools and other fungi are best discovered in damp shady areas after

Rosalyn Moore recorded weather

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By JUDY GREEN

The Commonwealth Bank Mas-ters, final tournament in the 1994 ACT-Victorian Men's Satellite Circuit, will be played at War-randyte Tennis Club's Taroona Avenue courts between Novem-bar 22 and 27

Avenue courts between Novem-ber 23 and 27. Designed as a lead-up to the Ford Australian Open, the satel-lite carries total prize money of \$US50,000. An internationally recognised circuit, it allows gifted young players from Aus-tralia and overseas to accumu-late valuable ATP computer points on which their world rank-ing, seeding, entry into tournaing, seeding, entry into tourna-ments and ultimately their liveli-

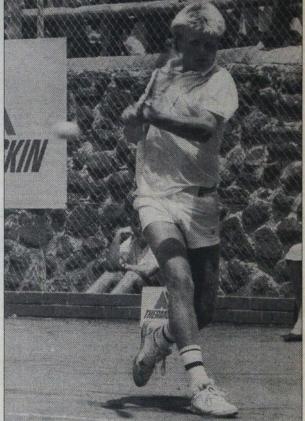
hood depends. Players from more than 20 countries around the world have entered the circuit. It is played over three weeks, commencing in Canberra and progressing to Dingley and Dendy Park tennis clubs in Victoria. The top 24 players from these three weeks will come to War-randyte to contest the prestig-

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randyte to contest the prestig-ious Masters. The player who accumulates the most points across the four weeks is usually awarded a wild card entry into the Australian Open. The Warrandyte club has hosted the Masters since 1988. For the preceding three years, the club staged the Warrandyte Men's Classic round of the Vic-torian Satellite Circuit. torian Satellite Circuit. Most of Australia's current

crop of top players have com-peted in the Masters at Warrandyte. These include Jason Stoltenberg, Pat Rafter, Todd Woodbridge and Richard Fromberg.

As always, there will be a number of top young interna-



Flashback: Swedish-Australian player Johan Anderson, pictured here winning the 1987 Masters, will be back at Warrandyte this year.

tionals playing the Masters later

Among them will be Victorian Andrew Ilie, last year's winner at Warrandyte, who went on to take out the Canadian junior champi-onship. Runner-up James Greenhalgh was New Zealand's second singles player in the re-cent Davis Cup tie against Australia

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month.

left to win 57-55.

open with a basket.

Hooters

warning

By CLINTON GRYBAS

The North Ringwood Hooters

The Hooters kept their hold on top of the ladder with a victory over Warrandyte's only genuine threat, the Hitmen, scoring with just one second

The Hitmen, who will finish fourth as a result of the loss, got possession with scores level with 45 seconds to play.

With John Moore (19 points) and David Thwaites (17) both in touch they had the chance to blow the competition wide

Playing for the last shot, they

fired—and missed—too soon and it went to the Hooters'

Scott Snowball, who had five seconds to make something happen. He dashed the length

of the court and was fouled on a lay-up attempt just a tick before the siren. The season's MVP favourite

calmly potted both shots to grab victory and secure his side the double chance in the play-offs. The pressure applied by two other challengers will ensure that the Hooters will not rest easy. TRHC, the 1993 champs, and Hurstbridge High Fivers are locked at 6-3 in the race for

second spot-and both have

TRHC won 47-42 while the Fivers managed a 59-58 victory with a basket inside the last 10

seconds. The Hooters had come from 20-38 down to tie

the scores when Brad Dean

slammed home a monster two-

The 'smokey' in the pack could be TRHC. They have not lost since starting the season

Recruits Graeme Pollock and

side are good enough to repeat.

horribly at 0-3 and their

Ashley Grybas have fired,

confirming captain Stewart Henderson's belief that his

In the over-30 section the

beating basket by Paul Sleeth to force a 37-37 tie with

competition by three games but struggled to shake the

Creek, suggesting the finals

will be no pushover. Defending premiers the

Wobblers have also done

In the women's Grand Hotel Cup, the PP Champs went down for the first time in a

season and a half, to expan-sion side the Phantoms, who

favourites for the finals.

won so well that they are now

But it would be reckless to

write off the Champs just yet

Plastics needed a buzzer-

The Plastics lead the

confidence is high.

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Andersons Creek

beaten the number one side

this season.

hand dunk.

threaten to take basketball's Greyburn Cup out of Warrandyte as four sides gear up for an exciting finals series next



By LEE TINDALE

Former Carlton premiership player David Dickson will coach Warrandyte Football Club next season. He beat five other applicants for the job vacated by David Purcell. Dickson, 42 and a Warrandyte resident for the past 15 years, was a member of the Blues' 1972 premiership team and comes highly credentialled as a coach. His appointment was announced at a meet-ing with the Bloods committee on November 2.

"We are delighted to have David aboard," new WFC president Lex Munro told the Diary. "His credentials are outstanding and we be-lieve we have found the ideal coach at a time when football in this town is at the cross-

Dickson, who played 70 senior games with Carlton between 1972-77 and was in their losing 1973 grand final side, has coached with a great deal of success in the EDFL and other competitions.

Competitions. He led Bayswater to four EDFL second divi-sion grand finals and two premierships in six seasons and has also coached Boronia, North Ringwood, Emerald, Balwyn (one premier-ship), Noble Park (three seasons for two flags and a second) and VFA club Preston. "I think Warrandyta Football Club has the

"I think Warrandyte Football Club has the

David Dickson our new coach

potential to be very successful," he said. "This is a very close-knit community but, without criticising previous policies, I believe the club must step out of its 'comfort zone' and recruit players from outside the area. "It must grow. We must build our strength for perhaps a couple of ware to enter EDEL for

perhaps a couple of years to enter EDFL first division and succeed there."

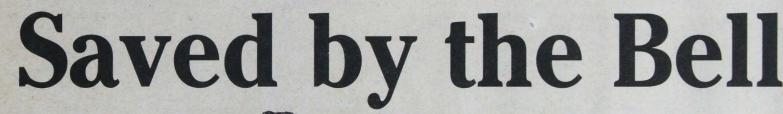
division and succeed there." Dickson, who has been appointed for a year, said training would start this month. "It will be fairly low-key training at first," he said, "but we might attract new players who are dissatisfied at their existing clubs and retain them when the real pre-seaon work starts after Christmer". Christmas.

The Bloods will hold a "meet the coach" barbecue at the recreation reserve on Sunday, November 27, starting at noon. Supporters and all current and prospective players are urged to be there

The first fundraiser for the new season will be a local band night in the Grand Hotel's function room late this month or in early December. Watch for posters around town for the date.



David Dickson: time to step out of the comfort zone.



By CLINTON GRYBAS

A broad bat and a great sense of occasion from young batsman Steve Bell has saved Warrandyte Cricket Club's Chandler Shield eleven from early-season disaster.

Chasing Croydon North's meagre total of 150, the Dytes were in diabolical trouble at 6/ 64 before Bell led a fightback which produced a thrilling

one-run win. After a 150-run thrashing from Ferntree Gully in the opener, the match was crucial to Warrandyte's early-season fortunes—and again the top-order bats crashed meekly.

Only one of the top five reached double figures as the Dytes tumbled to 4/23 in an immings played between

innings played between showers of rain. Tony Sturesteps decided attack was the best form of defence against some tight bowling. He struck three fours and a six before being caught behind for 23 attempting another big hit with the score on 61 on 61.

on 61. When Greg Tregear (10) had his middle stump uprooted three runs later, supporters were yearning for a John Sharman or Andrew Hood of last season for salvation. Inst season for salvation. Instead they got Steve Bell and Nick Brisbane, who have only recently left the junior ranks. Brisbane was playing his debut first-grade game and the pair added an enterprising 25

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in even time. Gerald Walshe joined Bell and made 11 before falling at 113 and when the bowler hung on to a sharp return catch from captain Rodney Hogg, it was 9/134. Seventeen runs were

Seventeen runs were required as tailender David Watts strode to the crease.

Smart running between wickets ticked the scoreboard

Wickets ticked the scoreboard over, and the drama ended quite quickly. With seven runs needed, Watts flayed at a delivery outside off and found a thickish edge through slips for three, which gave the strike to Bell Bell

The next ball was uppish down leg side and Bell played it with great maturity, dis-patching it to the fine-leg fence downite the wate suffield

despite the wet outfield. He was out moments later for 37. accumulated in a 128minute stay, and returned to a

minute stay, and returned to a standing ovation. WCC president Steve Pascoe was delighted. "It was Steve's most important innings for the club and hopefully the turning point for him," he said. "It was certainly a good feeling. The young kids pulled us through today and we're rapt about that."

rapt about that." Mr Pascoe defended the top-

order batsmen—almost a completely different unit from last year's side.



Steve Bell: saved the day against Croydon North.

We're in a rebuilding phase at the moment," he said. "You can't lose your best five batsmen and expect the others to stand up straight away. "We've got three returning from injuries in the next few

weeks.

weeks." The win partly atoned for the first-up hiding from Ferntree Gully. Warrandyte had the Gully 6/157 but couldn't finish them off and the Chandler rookies went on to make 282. Pascoe led the bowling with 4/ 40

The total was quickly put beyond the Dytes' reach as the top order capitulated to 4/21. Only Tregear (37) and Walshe (27) got past a dozen as Warrandyte were bundled out

for just 132. If Croydon North didn't feel cheated by a one-run loss in



the firsts, then the seconds certainly made sure they did as Warrandyte again pulled

through by the barest of margins. Chasing a competitive 8/170, they lost four early wickets to be looking down the barrel of consecutive defeats to start

Cricket details

FIRSTS: Warrandyte 132 (Tregear 37, Walshe 27) lost to Ferntree Gully 282 (Pascoe 4/40) and 7/144 (Hogg 3/43). Warrandyte 151 (Bell 37, Sturesteps 23) d Croydon North 150 (Sturesteps 3/18, Hogg 3/33). SECONDS: Warrandyte 147 (Rogers 42) and 2/15 lost to Ferntree Gully 249 (Snaidero 4/64). Warrandyte 141 (Croy-don North 8/170 (Snaidero 3/42). THIRDS: Warrandyte 141 and 6/57 lost to Ferntree Gully 149. Warrandyte lost to

their season.

Andrew Rodgers led a mid-innings recovery, but the Dytes did not hit the front until the death.

Even then there were anxious moments because the scorebooks didn't tally. Finally, one run was enough. The fourths made sure they

had more than enough in the bank. They smashed 5/435 with David Gee (167), Andy King (134) and Alan King (76)

King (134) and Alan King (70 plundering the attack. Warrandyte then skittled Croydon North for 90, Alan King taking 4/6 and the season's first hat-trick. Mr Pascoe said the club's combar Schurden night coefficients

regular Saturday night social get-togethers and meals at the pavilion had been a big success.

"It's been fantastic and we've had a great response from the community," he said. "Anyone else interested in coming down is most welcome

The club will hold a special Christmas dinner at the rooms on Saturday, December 17.

Croydon North 9/263 (Beatie 2/34, Warr 2/ 42)

FOURTHS: Warrandyte 354 (Alan King 154, Andrew King 46, Warr 41) and 2/13 d Ferntree Gully 268. Warrandyte 5/435 (Gee 167, Andy King 134, Alan King 76) d Croydon North 90 (Alan King 4/6 includ-ing hat-trick).

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enough to ensure they'll be around again in December.

FIFTHS: Warrandyte lost to Mooroolbark







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