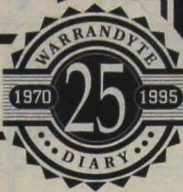


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Seniors' land crisis

By DAVID WYMAN and CLIFF GREEN

Manningham city commissioners appear to have withdrawn an earlier decision made by the previous councillors to provide \$350,000 for the purchase of land for Warrandyte's retirement housing village.

Instead, council may loan the money to a local consortium or co-operative to be formed to construct the village and sell the housing units.

The Secretary of the Warrandyte Community Retirement Housing Project Committee, Margory Lapworth, told the *Diary* that the chief commissioner, Adam Kempton, told her that the council "was not in the business of owning property and therefore would not provide funds for purchase of the land". "This was told to me by telephone. We have asked for official written notification of this but so far have received nothing," she said.

"Mr Kempton said the council would offer any expert assistance required for our project."

The decision to grant \$370,000 for the purchase of land for the retirement complex was made by the elected Doncaster councillors before they were dismissed by the state government and replaced by appointed commissioners. The sum of \$20,000 has already been spent on a business plan prepared by a consultant.

Doncaster council's granting of finance for the project was the culmination of more than three years work—research, negotiation and lobbying—by the local committee. It also follows many

Council may not provide finance

years of campaigning on the issue and several earlier false starts.

An extensive survey, conducted by the committee late in 1993, indicated strong support from locals prepared to purchase units in the proposed complex.

A member of the committee, Bruce Williamson, said the project "was not dead". "Basically, we have lost a lot of time with the change of council. Having lobbied council for years and gaining their support, we now have a new council with a different attitude," he said.

Mr Williamson said that the previous Doncaster council had indicated that they would provide the money for the land on the basis that they would ultimately get it back. "More recently, the Manningham commissioners have indicated that they may be prepared to make a loan, but the terms and conditions are very unclear," he said.

"We are working at the moment to get the right legal structure for the project, and trying to put together a consortium of local people who would be prepared to provide money for the housing."

"We are still trying to retain the Warrandyte community roots of this project. We are very disinclined to turn it over to an external property developer."

Local MP Phil Honeywood said he was continuing discussions with council in an attempt to ensure that land was purchased by council for the retirement housing village. "One difficulty

being faced is the question of personal financial liability of committee members," he said.

The need for suitable accommodation for elderly Warrandyte residents has existed for many years. It was exacerbated in 1987 when the then state government, following a strong local campaign, exempted Warrandyte from dual occupancy zoning.

This meant that elderly people, unable to maintain their often large homes and gardens, were prohibited from selling their properties for closer density development with the possibility of buying back one of the units for their own use.

So although the overwhelming majority of these folk supported the campaign against dual occupancy—which the community felt would destroy the character of the township—they lost out badly when the move was averted.

The *Diary* attempted to contact Mr Kempton and Manningham's director of community services, Geoph Read, before going to press, but was unsuccessful.

Meanwhile, the business plan for the project prepared for council by Impact Consulting was also unavailable at the time of going to press. The plan was due to be received by the commissioners at their July 25 meeting but it was not available.

● 'Give me a home among the gum trees': Page 13.



Wattle Day, once a traditional date on the Warrandyte calendar, is being revived on the weekend of September 2 and 3. Shirley Mandemaker, the Wattle Fairy, shows Keith Dimech (left) and Ethan Le Duc some fine specimens of our national flower.

● Full details in this issue.

Ring road doubts as anger grows

By DAVID WYMAN

"The Kennett government now has doubts about the need to extend the ring road from Greensborough to Ringwood," local MP, Phil Honeywood, told a meeting of about 170 residents on August 1.

Several speakers addressed the lively meeting in the Mechanics Institute Hall, called by the local Anti Ring Road Organisation (ARRO) to inform residents on possible proposals to route the ring road extension near Warrandyte, and its impact on the environment.

Mr Honeywood said that while it appeared unlikely now that any ring road would be built near Warrandyte he "could not in all conscience vote in par-

liament for any project that threatened Warrandyte's unique environment".

But keynote speaker, Nick Low, local resident and senior lecturer in urban planning at the University of Melbourne, said that if the government decided to build the ring road no amount of planning restrictions would stop massive development around it.

"A ring road will lead to more traffic, demand for road widening and more intensive building development," Mr Low said. "I think it would really mean the end of the Green Wedge."

Mr Low earlier told the meeting that VicRoads had plans for the ring road going through Eltham and down the Mullum Mullum Creek to Ringwood as early as 1979. He said he believed that

VicRoads was totally committed to building the road.

After the meeting, Mr Low said he was aware that Phil Honeywood was very opposed to the ring road extension, "but unfortunately he is one voice among many in government. And if the government decides to do it I don't believe he will be able to stop them."

(The ALP in Victoria has declared in writing that it would not support construction of the eastern section of the ring road.)

Mr Low said that residents opposed to the ring road should not put their faith in existing political parties. "Find your own candidate," he told them. There should be a community candidate, whether it's a 'green' or democrat

or whatever.

"There should be a candidate at the next (state) election who is able to raise the issue and ensure that suitable commitments are given to both political parties that they will not build this thing. I don't see any other way."

Later, Phil Honeywood argued that, as a senior government MP and chairman of the government's environment committee, he was best placed to represent Warrandyte's interests. "An independent MP would be a voice in the wilderness that any majority government would choose to ignore," he said.

Mr Honeywood told the meeting that the Labor government had constructed two-thirds of the ring road from Footscray to Greensborough already.

He said the Kennett government now had doubts about extending the road because of new projects, such as the \$1.7 billion City Link development.

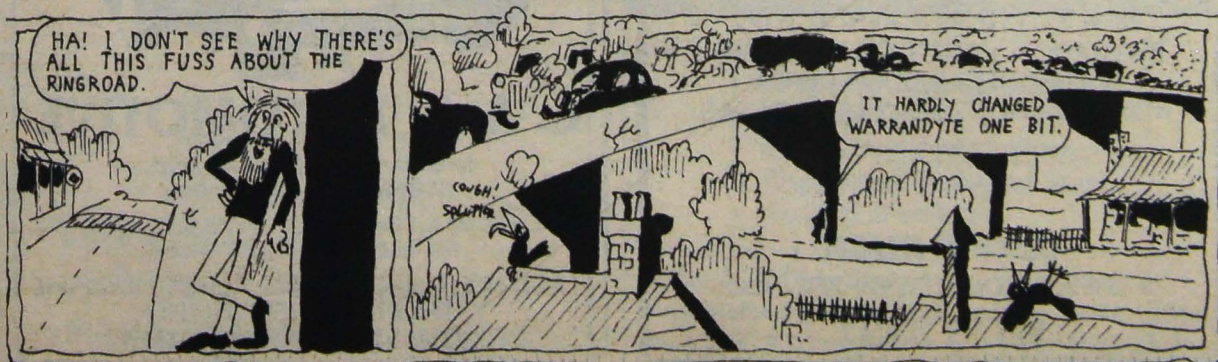
Mr Low called on England's experience with ring road freeways. "Traffic now blocks the ring road around London," he said.

"Despite many environment impact studies and protests, this motorway went ahead, and the effect has been extremely damaging to the landscape."

Paul Mees, president of the Public Transport Users' Association, pointed out to the meeting that there was a complete absence of traffic demand in this area. There was no demand for the "journey to work" along the proposed route of the freeway.

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By PAUL WILLIAMS




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Great demo but poor Maria feels the pinch




Maria McGhee, Warrandyte Citizens Advice Bureau president, cricket club stalwart and all-round nice lady, was one of the 100-odd people who rallied in Yarra Street last month to protest against the proposed sale of the police chief's traditional residence adjoining the cop shop. She was most impressed by the turnout and as she drove home thought it would be nice to call her former women's eleven chum Jenny Chapman—whose mum Jean had organised the demo—and report on its success. It was just at the point where she was singing the praises of the police force in general and our own Sergeant Keith Walker in general that a policewoman pulled her over and fined her \$130 on the spot for using her car phone while driving. Maria is fully aware that Sgt Walker had now to do with the "bust" and still reckons he's a beaut bloke who should live where our police sergeants have always lived—right next door to the police station.



If you share Maria's view on the future of the police residence, you'll find any number of petitions around town awaiting your signature. Deadline is August 22.



Chris Sheriff wasn't home when his good mate Mick Sporton dropped in at South Warrandyte to say hello, but his housemate Brian (Scrubby) Neilsen was, sitting there watching the worst TV picture you've ever seen. You've heard of snow? Well, this was a blizzard. Definitely a case—and the ultimate challenge—for Tom the TV Repairman. "Not much of a picture," Mick observed. "No," said Brian, "bloody awful, isn't it? There's an antenna on the roof, but it's not connected, Chris even spent 30 bucks on one of those rabbit-ear indoor things but it hasn't made a bit of difference." Being a practical sort of bloke, Mick took a look behind the TV set, found a connection, plugged it in—and presto! The best, clearest picture imaginable. "Unbelievable!" said Brian "For nine months I've thought I was watching The Simpsons and it turns out to be Neighbours!"




We don't know Deborah Saunders personally, but we'd like to marry her if that's all right by her. She is, you see, a wonderful cook, and her culinary talents have at last been officially recognised. Deborah, a freelance chef and caterer of Everard Drive, won two sections in last month's Salon Culinare and Championships In Culinary Arts at the 10th Foodservice Exhibition at the Melbourne Exhibition Buildings. She beat a top field of kitchen whizzes in commercial demonstration technique and individual sweet or dessert for four covers, for which she won two silver medals and \$400 prizemoney. Deborah, who holds regular cooking demonstrations and classes for local organisations,

IN RED & WHITE




Maria McGhee: pinched.

is mighty proud of her achievement and when she phoned to ask if the *Diary* would be interested in recording them we said sure, jot down the details and drop them into our office. We could tell Deborah is a lady of flair because her immaculately-typed letter was signed, "Delectably yours and deliciously different, Deborah Saunders".



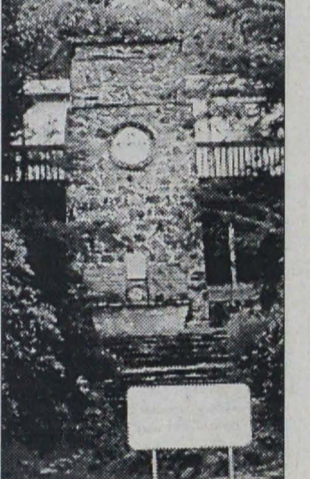
The friends of Anne Lynch really started something back in early May when they announced her 40th birthday on posters nailed to various trees and power poles around town. Now it seems a particular tree on the Folk Art side of the bridge has become the community birthday card. A sort of bush telegraph. "Happy 50th Rupert" is the latest entry. Rupert who? we wondered. Murdoch? No, he's 64, and we couldn't see him being in Warrandyte for any other reason than to make a takeover bid for the *Diary* (heaven forbid). So it's happy 50th from us, too, Rupert—but we warn future public well-wishers that they're in danger of putting the greetings card manufacturers out of business.




Don't talk hams to Warrandyte Tennis Club fun-lovers Terry Booth, Greg Lawrence, Geoff Pulford and Neil Dusting. They've had a gutful, so to speak. For years now, these chaps have been bulk-buying legs of ham at the Victoria Market and curing them themselves, with an elaborate smoking process they'd set up at Geoff's place. The results had been sensational—until the last batch went horribly wrong. Horribly rotten, we mean. Enough ham to feed a small army for the duration of a medium-length war turned green and the smell was just awful. But Greg Lawrence, who is very fond of his tucker, couldn't see what all the fuss was about and insisted they give it a try. Unconfirmed reports have it that he had to be disarmed of his knife, fork and mustard and forcibly restrained.



We mentioned last time that the Warrandyte RSL Sub-Branch was researching, as a matter of record, the origins of its memorial, names and dates having been swallowed up by the passing years. Audrey Edwards has come to the rescue with an extract from Doncaster and Templestowe Shire's Heritage Book 1991, which authoritatively records that the memorial was built in 1922 by stonemason Kevin Sloan (a descendant of one of Warrandyte's pioneering families). Thanks for that, Audrey, and if anyone can add to it, the branch would like to hear from you on 9844 3567 (5-7pm Monday to Saturday).



The RSL Memorial: origins retraced.



Psst! Wanna buy a car boot? You do? Wonderful! The footy club's selling one on Sunday, August 13. What's that you say, John Ryan? You're not selling a car boot but having a car boot sale. What's a car boot sale, then? Oh, a sort of market on wheels. Let's simplify this. The club is renting out sites, at \$10 a go, at the footy ground that day to people who want to come along with car boots, trailers or whatever full of stuff to sell. There are more than 100 sites and John, who's organising the event, points out that it's a great opportunity to get rid of what you consider junk or to perhaps find a priceless treasure. Shoppers are admitted free and soft drinks and snacks will be available. Inquiries: 9844 3565.



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Commissioners cancel courts

By DAVID WYMAN

Warrandyte Tennis Club will continue to function with inadequate courts following the decision of Manningham city commissioners to defer consideration of funding of two new courts until 1997-98.

The previous Doncaster council had allocated \$120,000 for the courts in its 1994-95 budget.

"It's very disappointing," club president Frank Waites told the *Diary*. "There was a strong, justifiable commitment by the previous Doncaster-Templestowe council to build the courts but it's now fallen apart, I think on the basis of funds being unavailable.

"There is very strong pressure on the club to accommodate juniors in competition and we already have to use outside courts. We are limited to the number of teams we can field in the junior ranks because of the lack of courts."

Coaching efforts by club coach Fabio Forlano were limited because of the need to use existing courts for competition, Mr Waites said. "We did have a meeting with

one of the commissioners who told us that any undertaking by the previous council would not necessarily flow on to the new structure," he said.

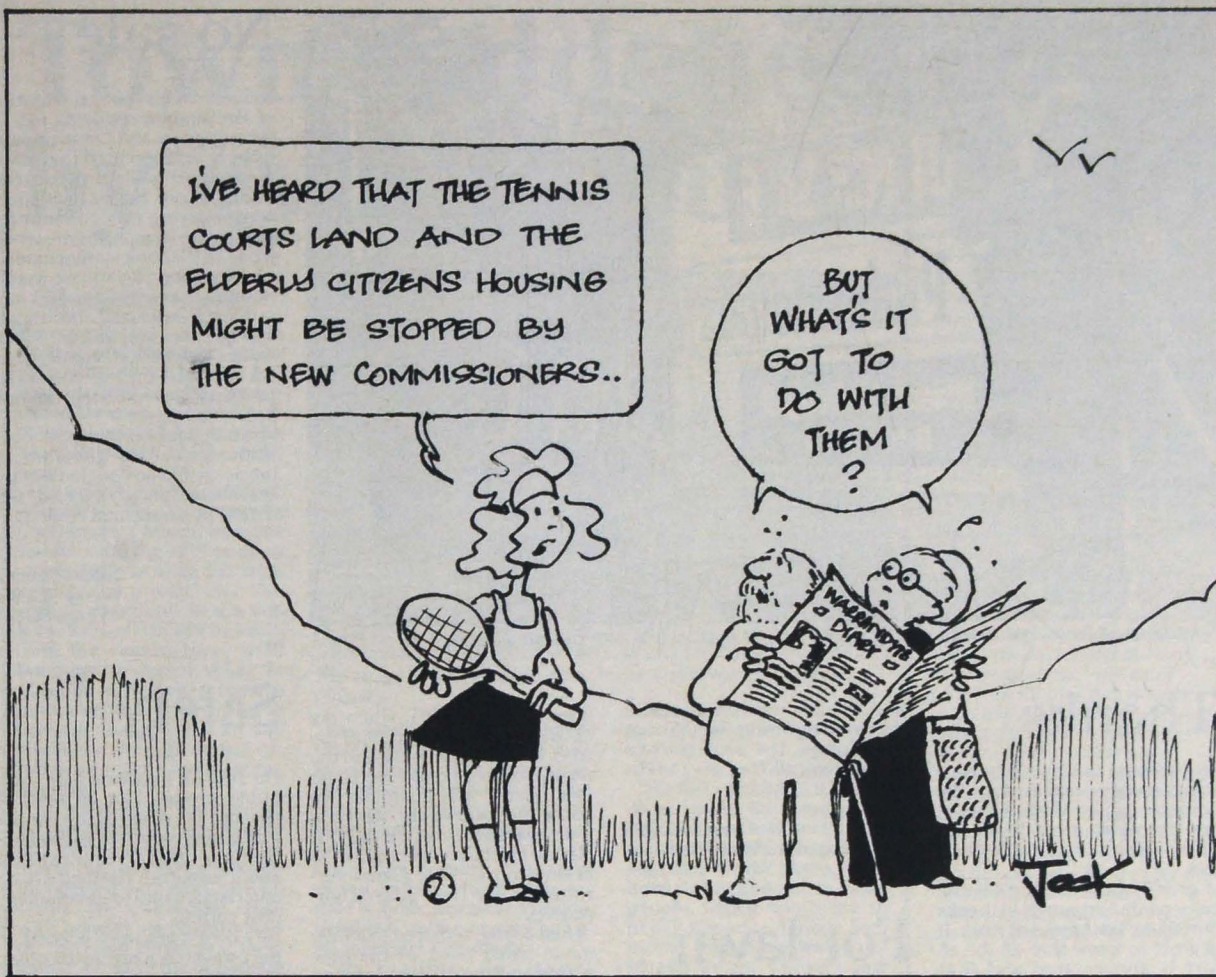
"We have written to the Manningham commissioners pointing out our situation and disappointment.

"The courts are listed as a provisional item in council's 1997-98 budget. Projects that far away are simply slotted in for consideration; there is no certainty that the project will proceed in 1997-98."

Plans to build the new courts were stalled earlier this year when it became obvious that the Manningham commissioners were reviewing all new expenditure projects. There was also a difficulty with the land selected for the new courts as part was owned by council and part by the state government.

LATE NEWS

● As we went to press the *Diary* was informed that the Manningham commissioners have agreed to re-consider building the new courts in the current financial year.



Pre-school upgrading underway again

Renovation works at the Warrandyte Child Care and Pre-school Centre will be completed in November this year after being delayed for some time. Adam Kempton, chairman of commissioners at the City of Manningham, said the work will start in September and be completed quickly.

Activities and works to be undertaken by council include a new activity room, internal store, covered verandah area, covered sand pit with paved surrounds, tan bark activity areas, improved fencing and upgraded garden areas.

Adam Kempton said the council had been working with the centre's committee of management to provide the upgraded facilities for children attending the centre.

"The centre is an important asset to the local community," he said. "The renovation works are important for the centre's future. We are aware that there have been some difficulties associated with them and we are keen to finish work on the centre as soon as possible.

"The new works program reflects our commitment to finishing the project as soon as possible and to the highest industry standard."

Funding for completion of the improvements will be provided by council from the 1995-96 budget.

Police house hope

By CLINTON GRYBAS

State government plans to sell off the sergeant's house next to the Warrandyte police station may come unstuck because of residential zoning rules in Warrandyte township.

Jean Chapman, one of a concerned group of local residents opposed to the sell-off, told the *Diary* that under the regulations the land can't be subdivided.

"I have spoken to the council and their regulations under the Manningham Council Planning Scheme are that 1,000 square metres is the smallest legal-sized subdivision permitted," she said.

"The block size for the police house and station is 400 square metres, which is less than half the size of the legal requirement. Someone would have to step in and over-ride the council's planning scheme for the sale to take place."

The police house, located just metres from the station, is the live-in residence of Sergeant Keith Walker and his family. It provides a 24-hour police presence in Warrandyte with all unattended calls to the station being diverted to the Walker residence.

Under an agreement between Keith Walker and Victoria Police, Sergeant Walker agreed to live in the house with the department providing subsidised rent. Now the department has said it will provide rental assistance only to



Locals rallied last month to save Warrandyte's police house. (Picture by Jan Tindale)

December 23, while the house is being targeted by the government in a sell-off as it attempts to rid itself of responsibility for employees' housing.

"Fortunately someone from Park Orchards questioned Jeff Kennett on talkback radio recently and asked him about the possible closure of the police

station itself," Jean Chapman said. "The caller asked if each case would be looked at individually and the Premier said yes, it would. This gives us more cause for hope."

A rally outside the house last month attracted more than 100 local residents who braved cold weather to hear several commu-

nity representatives and the Labor candidate for the seat of Warrandyte at the next state election, Jenny Stray.

Organiser Louise Joy said the community response to the rally and petition had been good, with the petition to be presented to parliament in September.

"There is a definite groundswell

of support," she said. "So far we have had hundreds of signatures to our petition to keep the house while many others have written letters directly to the police minister and Phil Honeywood.

"A delegation is now being planned to Phil Honeywood. The issue is that the government supports community policing as a policy. Keith Walker is a successful community policeman, as his efforts with the PCCC, local youth and elderly and family issues have shown. They all see him as a figure who will support them."

Joy and Chapman have been two of the main organisers in the campaign against the sell-off since the *Diary* revealed the government's plans last month.

"I saw it in the *Diary* and rang Louise and said 'What is this?'" Jean Chapman, a well-known veteran local activist said. "People should be marching in the streets protesting, not complaining and asking why when it's pulled down and it's too late. I came out of retirement for this."

Sergeant Walker has been heartened by the support given to him and his family. "It was very heartening to see so many people from the local community not only supporting the issue, but also the police, and I hope it will make the people making the decision sit up and take notice," he said.

● As the *Diary* went to press we learned that Phil Honeywood had arranged an urgent meeting on this issue with the minister for police, Pat McNamara.

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These residences have been occupied by ranger staff since their purchase from private owners when the park was established. The management plan for Warrandyte State Park (June 1990) clearly indicates that these houses were retained as ranger accommodation. The Minister for Conservation and Environment has informed the Friends of Warrandyte State Park that the intention of such purchases was to expand public space by their demolition. If this is true, why is it that only the habitable housing is being demolished and the dilapidated, uninhabitable structures retained? How can the demolition of a residence standing between two privately-owned properties on a public road possibly create new parkland? Why were Friends groups offered the use of park houses (specifically without rangers as tenants) if it is essential these buildings be removed?

These contradictions do nothing to allay community concerns over loss of security when police officers and park rangers no longer live locally. They undermine any faith we might have that the government knows what it is doing when making such decisions. We are aware of how expensive housing is in Warrandyte for such employees on basic wages. We are the ones who live here and experience

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the results of car accidents and bushfires, who hear the gunshots of intruders in the park and see the results of dogs hunting native animals. We know that the response times and after hours service will be affected by these changes.

Community feeling is very strong on these issues and will not be abated by anything less than intervention to retain at least two ranger residences in Warrandyte State Park and the police residence next to Warrandyte police station.

Margaret Dimech
Friends of Warrandyte
State Park

Sacrifice

The proposed sale of the Warrandyte police house, adjoining the station, is a cause of great concern to local residents.

If Sergeant Walker is forced to vacate the house and move elsewhere, this community will no longer have a 24 hour police presence.

By adding the meagre proceeds of the sale of this modest house to its revenue, the state government is sacrificing the safety and well being of this community.

Warrandyte, Park Orchards and Sergeant Walker deserve better.

Dorothy Bale
Anderson Street



Speakers address last month's rally at the police house. (Picture by Jan Tindale)

Thanks

As I prepare to leave Victoria, I want to pass on my thanks to the community for their support and encouragement during my time at Warrandyte Youth Services.

I greatly appreciated all the calls, cards and words of thanks during my last weeks at work. It is great to know that all the effort is appreciated and that there is such strong community support for the service.

This local backing will help to ensure that what has been built up over the past years will continue in the future and provide the young people and families of Warrandyte with a relevant service.

I leave with many memories

and friends and having learnt much in my time here in our community.

Thank you all.

Craig Milburn
Warrandyte Youth Services

For-lawn

I refer to Smokey Joe's "In Red and White" in the July issue of the *Warrandyte Diary*, and the item concerning Ian Benson and his comment about "bulldozing all the trees and running lawn all the way down to the Yarra" if he had a river frontage block in Warrandyte.

Don't joke! It happened next

door to me in 1991, when my neighbour cut down most of the trees between his house and the river one day when we were out. Our horror was absolute, we could not believe the desecration. An order to restore the vegetation must have been made, as in due course little plants surrounded by tree guards appeared.

Then a goat, tethered to a line, made short work of the new plants and the hillside remains bare, no doubt with a nice uninterrupted view to the river. People of that mentality do exist, whether they be from Benteleigh, Australia or somewhere in England.

Beth Gallagher
The Boulevard

No sale

In accord with the vast majority of Warrandyte residents we, at John Spencer and Company, are bitterly disappointed that state government policy proposes the selling of our police residence, thus denying our community the benefit of a police presence when the station is unmanned.

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We fully support the current petition against the government proposal and advise that a copy is available, at our office, for signature by concerned citizens.

John Spencer
Glenn Martin
Yarra Street

Safety

On July 21 I attended my first public protest. I am 39 years of age and like many of the people in Warrandyte with a young family have grave reservations about losing our resident police and rangers due to government cost cutting.

My own fears were echoed at the protest by many of the other residents.

We all have a right to feel safe in our own homes, but it definitely won't and can't be safe if our resident police and rangers are forced to find housing outside of Warrandyte.

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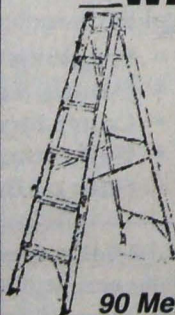
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Town saddened by gym closure

By CLINTON GRYPBAS

Warrandyte's Riverside Health and Fitness Centre closed its doors for the last time on July 28 after owner David Dawson was unable to continue sustaining large financial losses on the business.

The building in Yarra Street, owned by the Warrandyte Community Church, now lies vacant, with the church open to suggestions from the community for a new use. The squash court and beach volleyball court will still be available for casual hire, with bookings through the church.

Despite suffering extensive losses on the centre, David Dawson ensured that all 400 members were given full refunds on their existing membership.

"It's a shame for Warrandyte and simply heartbreaking for us," he told the *Diary*. "We're one of the very rare gyms that has closed but paid out refunds. We wanted to close with honesty and dignity and do the right thing as a local family. We gave the maximum notice which was 10 days and we've offered to refund everybody every cent of their unused membership. It's unheard of that this would happen. Most times people just put a padlock on the door and that's it."

So rare is it that he has been invited to speak at a business breakfast to explain how to run a business and close it with dignity.

While local members were disappointed by the closure, they inundated the Dawson family with letters of support and thanks, with more than 100 letters already received.

"We've been quite surprised. So many people have made a special trip in and brought a letter or flowers," he said. "We've been so relieved the community has understood the reasons why we've had to close. It's been quite humbling."



Warrandyte's Riverside gym: town saddened by forced closure.

The Dawson family opened the centre in April 1993 and membership soon peaked at 600, well above the three per cent industry membership average from a community. Hard times of late, however, have seen membership renewals slump, and they have been unable to offer discounted memberships, unlike nearby council-subsidised centres.

"Warrandyte is going through a tough time. We went through a few very tough months, when the renewal rate of existing members was right down. We thought we could tough it out through winter but we just couldn't survive and so my accountant said to me you had better let your head rule this thing and not your heart, because the bottom line was that it was going backwards."

"We've never taken one cent out of this business since we took over. Basically we've done it for the community, knowing that it wasn't a profitable type of business."

David Dawson paid tribute to a "fabulous" group of members and his staff of 20 full or part-timers, who prided themselves on the centre's image of professionalism and friendliness. All have been placed elsewhere in the industry.

A local builder by trade, he

said he doubted whether anyone else will open another gym in Warrandyte.

"We fully intended it to run on and serve the community. If the dollars had been there we would have, we still had big plans for the place. It has been a second home to some people, which upsets me to hear, because I now feel guilty that they have nowhere to go. There's few meeting places in Warrandyte, only the hotel and community centre."

Pastor Peter Keep of the Community Church, which purchased the property in 1987, said it was disappointing the centre had to close.

"The whole community is going to miss the great effort the Dawson family put into the business and the family atmosphere that resulted. We have no immediate plans for the building. Like the patrons we weren't expecting this to happen."

He said the church would be open to ideas from people about the centre's future use. The church has purchased the squash, racquetball and beach volleyball equipment from the Dawsons, and are inviting people to hire these facilities through the church office, on 9844 4148.

Wattle Day tribute to our bush village

A local tradition buried for 40 years will be revived next month as Warrandyte celebrates Wattle Day on September 2 and 3.

Warrandyte Business Association has resurrected what was an annual town celebration many years ago. They look forward to the event again becoming a regular feature of the local calendar.

The association's Jenny Grinlington, on the committee organising the festivities, says the day was once a time for community celebration.

"The celebrations are to honour our environment and the fact that golden wattle grows abundantly in our state park, along roadsides and in many private gardens," she said.

"We are hoping that people who can remember celebrating Wattle Day 40 years ago, especially those who have memorabilia items such as photos or badges, will come forward before the day so their memories can be displayed."

A highlight of the weekend events will be a Wattle Day Ball at the Mechanics Hall on Saturday, September 2. This is in addition to several other

events coinciding with the Grand Hotel's 100 year celebrations.

There will be a street parade down Yarra Street from 11am on the Saturday morning. Featured will be a Cobb and Co coach, jazz band and horse-drawn vehicles, with a sausage sizzle to follow.

Displays at the community centre will feature masses of wattle blossom, while the Warrandyte market stallholders will continue the wattle theme.

"Bunches of yellow balloons will be the key decoration over the weekend, giving a united sense of community," Jenny Grinlington said.

"Any money raised will be used to fund future celebrations in Warrandyte, and donations will be made to both the Friends of Warrandyte State Park and the Warrandyte Historical Society, in support of their tireless voluntary work to nurture our precious environment and to keep records of our heritage."

The committee would like all local people to buy a Wattle Day badge for \$1. "This aspect of our celebrations is directly in

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"My nose celebrates Wattle Day every year, Ock. Atchoo!"

line with the way Wattle Day has been celebrated in years gone by. The badges will be collectors' items because they will be replicas of some of the old badges produced many decades ago," she said.

The golden wattle has been Australia's official floral emblem since 1988.

Olivia takes off to make new friends in Korea



Olivia Harkin

While South Korea might not be everyone's first choice as a holiday destination, for local university student Olivia Harkin it is the ideal location as she attends the Asian Pacific Leadership Development Seminar.

The 19 year-old Bradleys Lane resident left in mid-August with 14 other young Australians as representatives of AIESEC Australia, an international student organisation in 85 countries with a total membership of 70,000. The students are part of local committees on university campuses with a global aim to promote peace and the fulfilment of humankind's potential. While in South Korea, Olivia

will join 140 delegates from the Asian Pacific region meeting for two weeks to discuss world trends, social development issues and to forge bonds of acceptance and understanding between Australia and its closest neighbours.

A first year Arts-Economics student at Monash University, Olivia's trip was in part paid for by several sponsors, including the Lions Club of Warrandyte and Alex and Chris Farmakis, local chemists.

Olivia was a Rotary exchange student in 1992 to Denmark, enjoys acting and has participated in many local WAA Drama Group productions.

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AUGUST 25 Friday 9pm. Band "Pulling Face" in our function room.

SEPTEMBER 1 Friday 9pm. Bush band "Paradiddle" in our function room also as a fundraising event for our Warrandyte CFA Fire Brigade.

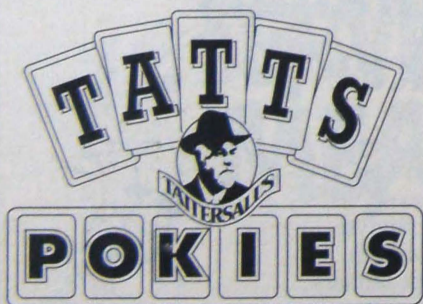
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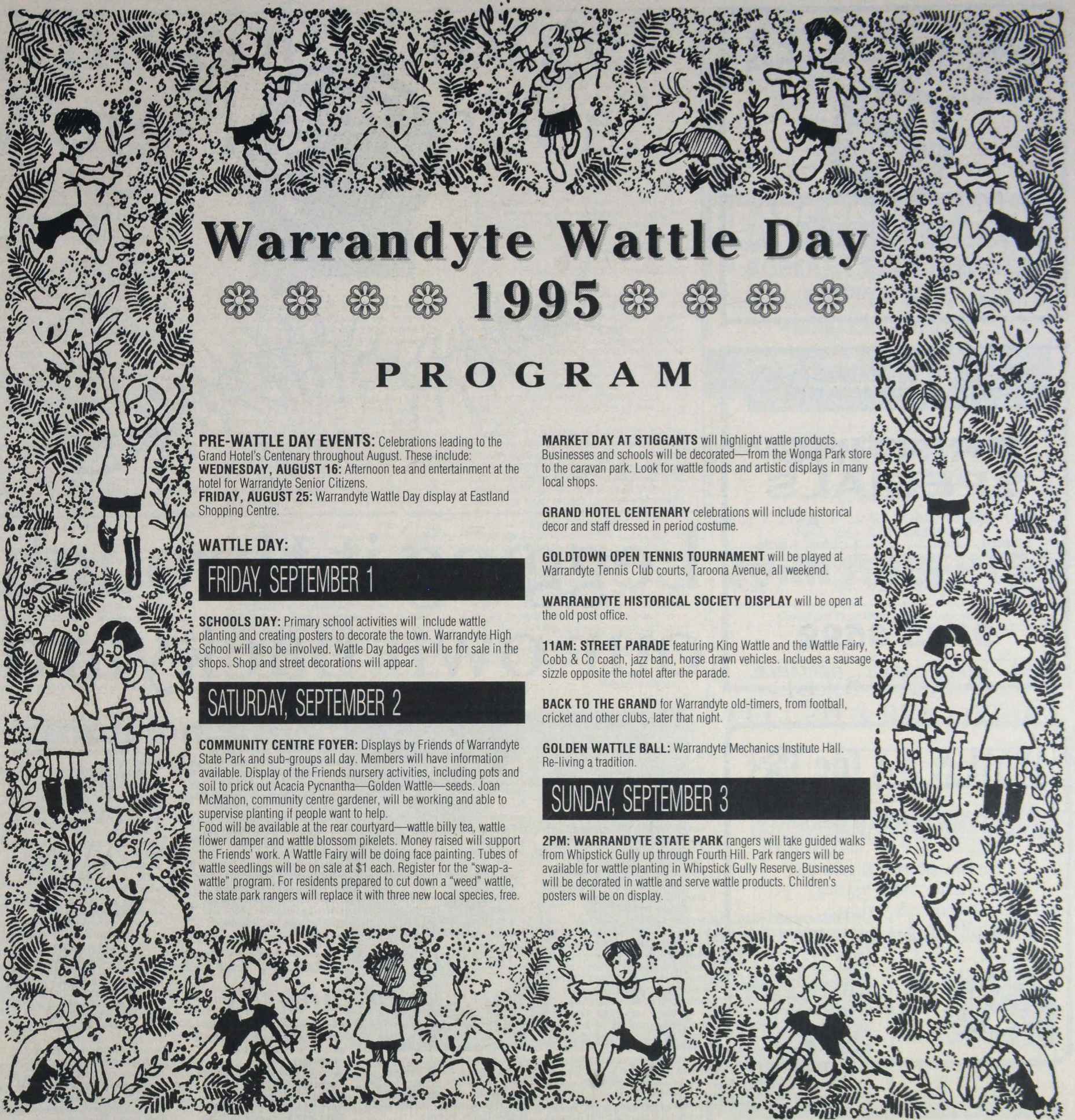
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PRE-WATTLE DAY EVENTS: Celebrations leading to the Grand Hotel's Centenary throughout August. These include:
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16: Afternoon tea and entertainment at the hotel for Warrandyte Senior Citizens.
FRIDAY, AUGUST 25: Warrandyte Wattle Day display at Eastland Shopping Centre.

WATTLE DAY:
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

SCHOOLS DAY: Primary school activities will include wattle planting and creating posters to decorate the town. Warrandyte High School will also be involved. Wattle Day badges will be for sale in the shops. Shop and street decorations will appear.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

COMMUNITY CENTRE FOYER: Displays by Friends of Warrandyte State Park and sub-groups all day. Members will have information available. Display of the Friends nursery activities, including pots and soil to prick out *Acacia Pycnantha*—Golden Wattle—seeds. Joan McMahon, community centre gardener, will be working and able to supervise planting if people want to help. Food will be available at the rear courtyard—wattle billy tea, wattle flower damper and wattle blossom pikelets. Money raised will support the Friends' work. A Wattle Fairy will be doing face painting. Tubes of wattle seedlings will be on sale at \$1 each. Register for the "swap-a-wattle" program. For residents prepared to cut down a "weed" wattle, the state park rangers will replace it with three new local species, free.

MARKET DAY AT STIGGANTS will highlight wattle products. Businesses and schools will be decorated—from the Wonga Park store to the caravan park. Look for wattle foods and artistic displays in many local shops.

GRAND HOTEL CENTENARY celebrations will include historical decor and staff dressed in period costume.

GOLDTOWN OPEN TENNIS TOURNAMENT will be played at Warrandyte Tennis Club courts, Taroona Avenue, all weekend.

WARRANDYTE HISTORICAL SOCIETY DISPLAY will be open at the old post office.

11AM: STREET PARADE featuring King Wattle and the Wattle Fairy, Cobb & Co coach, jazz band, horse drawn vehicles. Includes a sausage sizzle opposite the hotel after the parade.

BACK TO THE GRAND for Warrandyte old-timers, from football, cricket and other clubs, later that night.

GOLDEN WATTLE BALL: Warrandyte Mechanics Institute Hall. Re-living a tradition.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

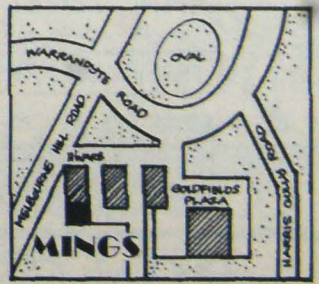
2PM: WARRANDYTE STATE PARK rangers will take guided walks from Whipstick Gully up through Fourth Hill. Park rangers will be available for wattle planting in Whipstick Gully Reserve. Businesses will be decorated in wattle and serve wattle products. Children's posters will be on display.

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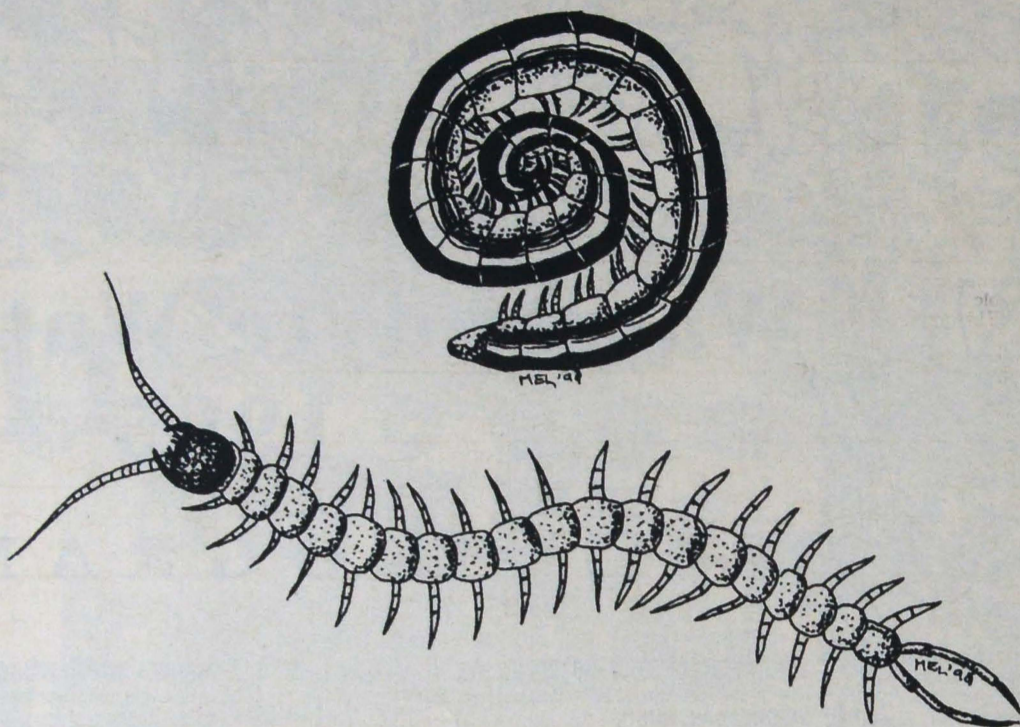
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Legging it through our own backyard

CENTIPEDES and millipedes are not among the most attractive animals on this earth, but then an appearance that appeals to humans is not a basic requirement for animals whose main roles in the environment are controlling insect numbers and recycling dead plant material.

While it may seem that I have a preoccupation with creatures small and wriggly, the fact is invertebrates such as insects, slugs, snails, worms and other creepy-crawlies make up about three-quarters of all living organisms. By virtue of their sheer numbers and diversity, this large chunk of animal life is essential for maintaining a balanced ecosystem. However, these small but significant creatures are poorly studied, misunderstood and low on popularity.

Centipedes and millipedes are amongst the better known invertebrates, although many people find it hard to tell the difference between them. The common name of both groups is somewhat misleading. While a few centipedes do

NATURE
By PAT COUPAR
Drawn by MELANIE COUPAR

have 100 legs as their name suggests, most have less than 30 pairs. And the name millipede—a thousand legs—is even more of an overstatement; 350 seems to be their limit and some have as few as eight.

Despite this, it is the legs, among other features, which distinguish the two groups;

'Misunderstood and low on popularity...'

not so much in number but in arrangement. Centipedes have only one pair of legs per body segment; millipedes have two pairs, giving rise to the names of class chilopoda and diplopoda to which each respectively belong.

Other differences can be seen at the head end. The

antennae of centipedes are long and straight, while those of millipedes are short and often bent at an angle. In addition the first pair of legs in centipedes are modified to form poison claws which are used like fangs to immobilise and kill their prey. Being plant-eaters, millipedes have no need for such weapons. What they do have are stink glands which go by the wonderfully descriptive, self-explanatory scientific name of 'repugnatorial glands'. These structures are positioned along the body and produce an unpleasant-

smelling fluid which is used as a deterrent against predators.

Centipedes and millipedes are found in damp, dark places, sheltering under stones, bark, amongst leaf litter and in compost. Both are well adapted to their way of life: flexible, flat-bodied

centipedes as the hunters of insects and spiders; cylindrical, slow-moving millipedes as the browsers of decaying plant matter.

Unfortunately but not surprisingly, it is the introduced species with which we are most familiar. These are the ones that inhabit altered environments such as gardens. Some even enter our homes. One of the biggest pests is a little black millipede of Portuguese origin which is responsible for damage to fresh new shoots, seedlings and garden vegetables and has the habit of coiling up when disturbed.

Little is known about the native species. In fact, while researching this article I was amazed to find these particular invertebrates incorrectly referred to as insects, such is our lack of knowledge.

Invertebrate investigations are rarely carried out, even in national parks, and as far as I am aware, no survey of centipedes or millipedes has ever been done in the local area. So until that happens these multi-legged mini-beasts that roam Warrandyte's bushland will remain one of nature's well-kept secrets.

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Who could forget Wots-'is-number?

I'M a closet Luddite really. Each time I hear of a new scheme to introduce a computer to replace human contact I have an insatiable desire to rush out and throw myself in front of a modem or a mouse.

Just as the Luddites, in the early 1800s, feared and abhorred the introduction of machinery that would throw them out of agricultural work, I have the same concerns about how the introduction of computerisation will affect our social fabric.

Admittedly, there are great advantages in the development of machines and all the whizz jiggy that we have. Cars run better and more efficiently, we have better telecommunications, we can spend money that we don't have via Visa or Bankcard and we can all cheer joyfully at the speed with which traffic infringement and renewal notices reach us.

It's great to know that not only do I have a name given to me by my parents, but now, I also have been given a number, and not just by one organisation but by many.

Gone are the days when you front the counter or ring on the phone to be asked your name, after which there was a reassuring shuffling of papers whilst the clerk searched alphabetically for your patronym.

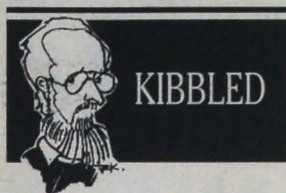
"How do you spell that sir? With a 'C' or a 'K'?" The pause was followed by "Sorry sir, we don't seem to have any record of a 'Kabell'. It was our company wasn't it, sir?"

The judicious use of 'sir' assuaged my anger as, once again, I had to face the problem of the Australian pronunciation of 'a' and 'i'.

"No. It's not 'Ka' but 'Ki'."

"Pardon sir. That's what I said ... 'Ka'."

Now this provided the opportunity to get to know the clerk, his supervisor, the supervisor's supervisor and ultimately the



general manager who, by the time I got to him, was suffering under the misapprehension that he was dealing with at best a corporate takeover rather than a problem with pronunciation and spelling.

But now, thanks to computers, when I ring, all I need to do is say "Hello, it's MV639043897-013G," to hear the reassuring reply, "Yes Mr Cable, what can I do for you?" Haven't we come a long way?

However, despite the unquestioned advantages of the new technological revolution, the issue that still sticks in my DOS is the gradual loss of social interaction that is occurring as a result of the "chipolution".

It has started with Demtel and their ilk. Not too long ago we had to go out to shop. We usually went out because we needed something. True, there were those shopaholics who had to go out and spend, but for most of us, we only shopped when we needed something.

The expedition required planning, logistics and a time and motion study. Once we arrived at the shop we indulged not just in buying but in social intercourse, in cultural bonding and in personality building.

Instead of just hitting the phone with a credit card number and then waiting to see what it is you have bought on the spur of the spruiker's moment, in the good old days you could survey the limited stock, discuss the problems of delivery failures,

of strikes and the fact that the item you wanted was sold to the previous customer.

Such interchanges provided the chance to alter one's mind, to do the mental arithmetic about purchasing the available but more expensive item or of travelling several kilometres of wear and tear and petrol in the off-chance that you may find one elsewhere.

It was pointless ringing because the shopkeeper at the other end had the now misguided notion that the customer in-the-flesh had priority over the telephone bell. It's fascinating that the techno-revolution has also changed the notion of politeness. Taking turns has now been replaced by "Excuse me ... the phone!"

You are left waiting whilst the Yellow Page finger walker is dealt with. It's your own fault really for not supporting Telstra or Optus.

Perhaps it's just me, but I do like to deal with a person rather than a machine.

If everything was done via the computer, how would I have learnt so much about Chris Farmakis' sexual, financial and ASIO affairs had I not had to wait the three quarters of an hour whilst my Yarra Street request for drugs was being met by a high speed courier from West End?

How would Graeme Ritchie find out about the latest wine stock, first hand, from Peter Maher, if he wasn't forced to go to the Saturday lunchtime tastings. How else would he learn from Peter that certain wines tasted "asparagusy and grassy with a hint of licorice and roast beef" if all he could do was order via his modem?

No, the time has come for revolution! I'm willing to lead the Luddite rebellion! If you're interested, fax me on 9844 0000 and leave your ID number.

ROGER KIBELL

Schools on stage

Since 1986, Warrandyte Primary School has been presenting the world premieres of children's musicals created by local writers Lynne Bartlett, Mark Leehy and Kevin O'Mara.

This year the school delves into the world of magic and imagination with its most ambitious project yet—A Kidsummer Night's Dream. The writing team behind the project includes Rob Fairbairn (of G'day, G'day and This is Australia Calling fame) and Dave Billings.

Along with their teachers and parents, the children at Warrandyte Primary will transform Karralika stage into the Royal Court of Ancient Athens and the magical forest world of Puck and the Fairy Spirits.

All students from prep to year six will be involved on the night, with items from the junior and middle school, the bush and community bands and the year five and six students presenting A Kidsummer Night's Dream.

The production will be directed by Fiona Wells with musical direction by Jill Whitchurch, choreography by Debbie Rainbow, Leonie Thomas and Leanne Burriss. A team of talented sewing mums will support costumiers Maureen Tilbury and Colleen Keating. Prudence Dewe is set construction co-ordinator.

Performance dates are September 11, 12, 13 and 15 at the Karralika Theatre. Tickets go on sale at the school on Monday, August 28.

Warrandyte High School believe they will hit a new high in musical entertainment with their brand new production of an old rock 'n' roll favourite, Joseph And His Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat.

Based on recent New York and London versions, local theatre-goers will be

treated to some dazzling costumes and exotic sets at the school's theatre.

Director Chris White expects nothing less than pure professionalism from his cast of more than 50 students.

Starring Jim Whelan as Joseph (pictured), Daniela Spiliotacopolous as the Narrator, Chris Hughes as the



rocking Pharaoh and a team of dancers choreographed by Lynette White, the show promises to carry on the school's high tradition of music theatre.

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A good joke shared: Dolly Clifton and former prime minister Bob Hawke.

DOLLY CLIFTON Goodbye Dolly

By JAN TINDALE

JUST about everyone in Warrandyte knew Dolly Clifton, certainly by sight if not by name. You couldn't miss the tiny lady, always beautifully dressed, always cheerful, always (it seemed) on foot.

Dolly Clifton was one of this town's great characters and her death, at 94, on April 28 saddened us all.

She had lived in Warrandyte for more than 50 years, but when her obituary had to be written we discovered that the woman who appeared to be so outgoing was, in fact, a very private person.

She had outlived most of her contemporaries and the Dolly Clifton story we tell here was gleaned from just a handful of people who knew her really well.

Alice Watson told us that Dolly was born in Birmingham, England, and worked as a dancer, soubrette and seamstress at London's Windmill Theatre.

That show business background was to emerge many, many years later as Dolly, a founding and life member of the Warrandyte Senior Citizens' Club, consistently stole the show at club and Warrandyte Festival concerts.

Little else is known about her early life, but she was in her early 20s when she came to Australia. She lived in WA before arriving in Warrandyte.

Dolly, husband David and sons Ronald and Graham lived in a cottage at the end of Everard Drive. David died many years ago.

Younger son Graham died of leukemia a few years ago.

Dolly Clifton was a born entertainer. She was still wearing a tu-tu and doing high kicks at 86!

The bus drivers certainly will always remember her as the "lovely English lady" who always sang them a song on the trip to town. When she worked in the city, Dolly walked the considerable distance to and from the bus stop every day. If she was running late for her bus, the drivers would wait for her and even go looking for her.

Even in her 80s, she would walk to Ringwood and back.

A talented seamstress, she made her own clothes or bought them from the Op Shop and altered them.

Only the headstone on her grave eventually gave away the secret of Dolly Clifton's age. Ken McKenzie recalls that in 1993 Dolly told him she was 89—and swore him to secrecy.

Ken knew her as "a woman who suffered fools badly".

"She was an immaculate lady who kept a spotless house," he said. "She loved a chat, a black coffee and a brandy."

Dolly Clifton was buried on the hilltop at Andersons Creek Cemetery. That, according to her friend Edna Fox, was what she had wanted. It was important to Dolly, she said, that she be laid to rest on the hilltop.

It is easy enough to write in an obituary that a community will never be quite the same for the passing of one of its best-loved members, but in Dolly Clifton's case it is very, very true.

LIL WHITEHEAD

Spirit of our town



By JO LAURENCE

ON July 13, St Stephens Church was filled to overflowing with mourners at the funeral of Lilian Whitehead, who died on July 9.

Lil is fondly remembered by many generations of Warrandyte folk for her unstinting care and assistance and sense of fun; be it the local football, cricket or netball clubs, Royal Women's Hospital Committee, meals on wheels, school mothers clubs, monkami and Warrandyte Historical Society to name a few.

They all benefited from Lil's prolific baking skills. There are also many past pupils of Warrandyte Primary School who have Lil to thank for her unofficial after school care.

If parents were late picking up their children, Lil would take them in and look after them—this was long before the introduction of the safety house system. Lil was also known to supply children with lunch if they had none. Many students also did well with their local history projects thanks to the information Lil readily gave them and she was well qualified because of her family's early links with Warrandyte.

Lil was born in 1910 in the baker's house (now Rivergum Gallery) in Yarra Street. She used to joke about being "the original bun in the oven". Her father, Samuel McAuley, had been Major Newman's stepson and had lived at the homestead, "Pontville", in Newman's Road as a child.

Her mother, Eva McAuley (nee Belzer), was one of the first pupils at Warrandyte Primary School in the 1870s. Not long after Lil's birth, the McAuleys moved to their new home in Brackenbury Street, opposite the original weatherboard Catholic Church. They later moved to Forbes Street opposite the primary school. That house burned down in the 1939 bushfires.

Lil had two older sisters, Gertrude and Evelyn, plus three brothers, Jack, Bill and Ralph. Ralph is now the only surviving member of that generation and still living here in Warrandyte. Naturally Lil attended Warrandyte Primary School all of her school life, leaving school at the age of 13 having gained the Merit Certificate.

She spent the next four years at home helping her mother and having fun, as always, at local footy and cricket matches, pictures in the local hall, dances at South Warrandyte (it cost 1/6d return fare in the taxi) and swimming in the river.

Lil always wanted to be a nurse, but in those days you had to pay a lot to do so. So at 17 Lil went to the city to work as a mother's help for the Drummond (the jewellers) family, to make money for her nursing training. But it was hard to save much.

At 19 she found other work as the parlour maid for a wealthy family at Willaura Station near Ararat, still trying to save money to be able to afford nursing. But there was a long waiting list of would-be nurses and although she did the entrance test, her ambition was never officially achieved.

Despite that, she seems to have spent her life caring for people in her own special way.

During the 1930s depression, with no work available, Lil returned home and helped her mother again. It was during this time she met and married Norman Whitehead and they went to live in East Hawthorn. Norman was away in the RAAF during the Second World War, so Lil came back to Warrandyte in 1943 with her first two daughters, Helen and Norma. After the war, in which her brother,

Bill, was killed in New Guinea, Lil and Norm built their house in Brackenbury Street opposite the school on land given to them by Lil's father. Their third daughter, Dianne, was born there.

Lil was a tireless worker for her family, her employers and the community. As a teenager, she used to wash the entire team's footy gear each week, because her brother, Jack, was their properties manager. (But he paid for her to go to the dances.) As a mother, she found herself making the uniforms for the whole netball team with only one week's notice. And we all know about her endless cake making.

Lil is remembered for her wonderful sense of humour and her entertaining anecdotes of local events. One of her favourite tales is of an Arbor Day at Warrandyte Primary. Mr Everard, MLA, would always visit the school and each year recite the same poem "Trees", before shaking hands with each of the pupils, saying as he went, "And how are you, my boy? And how's your father?" He did this to one boy who replied, "He's dead, sir." Mr Everard said he was sorry to hear that.

However, somehow he met with the same boy a bit later and asked again, "And how's your father?" To which the boy replied, "He's still dead, sir." Lil's mischievous smile and twinkling eyes would have her listeners in gales of laughter.

Warrandyte is fortunate that Lil's memories of her life here were tape recorded for posterity in 1976-77 by the Warrandyte Historical Society—of which Lil was one of the founding members. One of Lil's last remarks on the tape was, "Looking back, I've had a wow of a time." We will all miss her very much.

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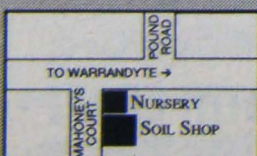
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The Grand Hotel definitely looked her best in her 20s and early 30s, framed in garden, with her lovely verandahs and wooden fretwork still intact.

By CLINTON GRYPAS

WARRANDYTE'S Grand Hotel turns 100 this month. Still dominating the streetscape in Yarra Street, it has watched the town change around it since the gold miners flocked there at the turn of the century.

The only local watering-hole since 1925, the Grand has big celebrations in store this month to commemorate the occasion, tying in with Warrandyte's Wattle Day celebrations.

When built in 1895, the Grand dominated the street and the tempo of village life. It was the best, biggest and most modern building around, having replaced Anderson's Hotel which occupied the site.

The new hotel was grand in every sense of the word. Although chronologically late Victorian, its tiled gables and simpler timber decoration presaged the Federation style that was soon to enliven Melbourne's middle-class suburbs. Yet despite this, the Grand always looked like what it was, a country town pub.

The hotel had plenty of competition in its early days. According to Warrandyte Historical Society's Ted Rotherham, in his booklet "All Over Bar The Shouting: A History of Warrandyte's Licensed Premises", the town had four hotels existing simultaneously as early as the 1880s. By the turn of the century the Grand was in competition with the Warrandyte Hotel and the wine hall.

The wine hall ceased operation in 1924 when the licence was surrendered and the ground floor converted into a sweet shop and tea rooms. It continued as a Warrandyte landmark and is now well-known as Folkart.

The Warrandyte Hotel, situated where the Mechanics' Institute now stands, lasted until April 26, 1925, when in the early hours of the morning it caught fire. By the time the Box Hill fire brigade arrived an hour later, only smouldering remains were left. It was never rebuilt.

The Grand Hotel was bought by Francis Trezise on April 1, 1908. His lengthy relationship with Warrandyte was purely by accident. Having left South Australia intending to purchase land in Oakleigh, he became lost on the trip overland and ended up in Warrandyte.

He stayed at the Union Hotel and was enticed into lending the publican some money. Much to his surprise, both the publican and money disappeared and he was left with the hotel. Thus began an era of almost 70 years during which the Trezise family were associated with the Warrandyte hotel scene.

Trezise sold the Union Hotel, renamed the Warrandyte Hotel, in 1908 and purchased the Grand.

He died in 1921, but the Trezise family's ownership continued until the late 1960s.

Various individuals held the license, but during the 1939-45 war years the Trezise sisters—Bella Trezise, Emily Todd and Nellie Robertson—managed the hotel. During the disastrous fires of 1939, the Trezise family lost their original Warrandyte homestead and 'The Castle' on Kangaroo Ground Road. The hotel itself was saved, but the laundry at the rear of the building was destroyed.

The many artists who visited and lived in Warrandyte sneaked the Grand into our national image. Take a stroll through the Australian collection in the gallery at the Arts Centre and look for its tall chimneys and distinctive roofline, intruding above the trees beyond the Yarra in several fine paintings of the post-Heidelberg era.

In the 1960s several modifications to the original building were undertaken. The first of these involved enclosing the verandah. In addition, a drive-in bottle shop was constructed. Dining room and entertainment areas were added to the east end of the building.

It reached its lowest ebb during the late 1970s with a hodge-podge of signs and insensitive additions. Replacing its lovely wooden tracery with fake wrought iron only made things worse. But recent facelifts have enabled this grand old lady to again set the style along Yarra Street.

The hotel's centenary celebrations in August and September will culminate with the Wattle Day celebrations on September 2 and 3. Staff will be dressed in period costume and the hotel will be dressed with photos and memories of how Warrandyte looked 100 years ago.

Lunches for the town's oldest residents and senior citizens and special bush tucker will highlight the lead-up events. A reunion of the bush band Paraddiddle on Friday night, September 1, in the function room will be a special feature, along with a parade down Yarra Street the following morning from 11am.

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Toy Library's temporary home

Manningham council and the community centre management have helped provide a temporary home for the Warrandyte Toy Library while the childcare centre extensions are being completed. Sessions for the remainder of 1995 are being held on Monday and Wednesday mornings between 10 and 11am, and on Friday evenings between 7 and 8pm, excluding holidays. The new location is the 'big room' (near the playground) at the Warrandyte Community Centre. Membership is \$10 for one child, \$15 for two and \$20 for a family. There is a wide range of toys available to suit children from six months to six years, as well as some catering for children with special needs. Items include construction toys, large ride-on vehicles, puzzles, games and indoor toys. Further information from Karen Rogers on 9844 2406.



Conducted by **JUDY GREEN**

Drop your news in the letterbox in the front door of our office at the Community Centre, fax it to 9844 4168, or post it to PO Box 209, Warrandyte, 3113, by the last Friday in the month.

ber 12 at 8pm at 74 Melbourne Hill Road, Warrandyte. The topic will be Old Wives' Tales. Please ring Andrea on 9844 1112, or Jenny on 9844 4730 for further information.

Exchange

German Rotary exchange student Tibor Gzabo recently left Warrandyte to return to his home town of Dorsten after a 12-month stay. Tibor attended Warrandyte High School and spent two weeks in New Zealand with the parent of a student currently in Dorsten. He played football with Warrandyte's under-18s and took an AFL Challenge Sheerin football home with him, along with his didgeridoo, bought on a Central Australian trip. Local student Kathryn Dunne is currently on exchange in Sweden.

Bones

National Healthy Bones Week runs from August 13 to 19. The



Retiring leader Elaine Provan and BP winner Emma Parsons are all smiles at a recent Warrandyte Guides' function.

purpose is to encourage everyone to consider their diet and lifestyle in order to reduce the chance of osteoporosis in later life. Seminars will be held from 9.30am to 12noon on Thursday, August 17 at the Donvale Living and Learning Centre, and from 1 to 3pm on Thursday, August 31 at the Bulleen-Templestowe Community House. Both seminars cost \$5 and include demonstrations and tastings of foods rich in calcium. For those wanting detailed information, an osteoporosis prevention and self management course com-

mences at Manningham council on Tuesday, August 29 from 1 to 3pm. This is a four weeks course designed by the Arthritis Foundation of Victoria. Cost is \$25. Further information from Lynley Dumble, 9840 9377.

Farewell

Warrandyte Girl Guides recently said farewell to Elaine Provan who has been a guide leader for the past 15 years. Elaine started the Second Warrandyte unit in 1980. A function was held on July 17 in Elaine's honour. On the

same night, Emma Parsons received her BP award. This is the highest award a girl guide can receive.

Art and craft

Warrandyte High School's annual art and craft show will open on Friday, October 20 at 8pm. The exhibition will continue on the Saturday from 10am to 8pm and on Sunday from 10am to 4pm. This is the school's major fund raiser each year, and the high standard of work always ensures a great deal of interest.

Dance

The South Warrandyte social dance will be on again in the South Warrandyte Hall, Hall Road, on Saturday, September 9 from 8pm to midnight. The superb band will play for old time, new vogue and modern dancing. Cost for adults is \$5. Enquiries to 9723 3892.

Musical

Joseph And His Technicolour Dreamcoat is Warrandyte High School's choice for their 1995 musical production. A cast of more than 50 is busily working under Chris White's direction. Performances begin on Wednesday, September 6 and continue on September 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, 15 and 16. Tickets will be available from the school office, phone 9844 2749.

Pre-school

Yarra Warra Pre-school, at 184 Research-Warrandyte Road, is an amalgamation of the old North Warrandyte and Yarra View pre-schools. They are holding an open and orientation day on Saturday, September 2. Everyone is welcome to come along, take a look and meet the staff. Enquiries to 9844 3808.

Ensemble

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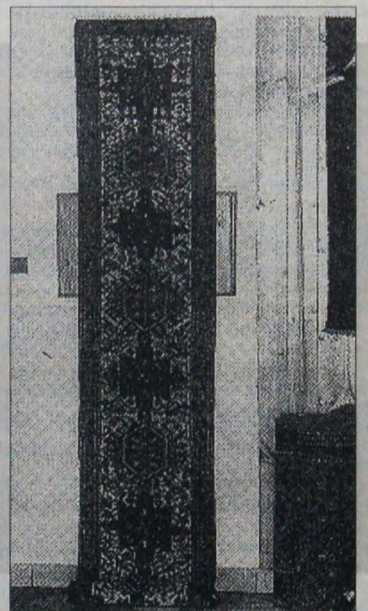
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'Give me a home among the gumtrees'



Maisie Temple and her senior citizens know how to enjoy life in Warrandyte. (Picture by Jan Tindale)

By CHRISTOPHER MUELLER

THE bush, the Yarra River, wildlife, fresh air, scenery and open space have all been described by local senior residents as the main reasons why they want to stay in Warrandyte.

With much debate surrounding the lack of housing for elderlies in Warrandyte, Linda Draeger and Di Kerr recently undertook a detailed study of eight local senior residents, focusing on their important reasons for wanting to remain here.

They found that while family, friends and their home were important factors, it was Warrandyte's natural physical environment and atmosphere that meant the most to them—and would be missed most if they were forced to move elsewhere.

The eight people chosen for interviews all displayed strong feelings for Warrandyte. They particularly noted the friendly nature of the Warrandyte community, a town full of "special" people.

BAS is 74 years old and has been a Warrandyte resident for seven years. He lives in his own home with his wife. Bas works as a volunteer in the community and as a support person for other senior residents.

"I want to stay in Warrandyte because of the environment. I like the bush and the Yarra River. All my friends live here as well and are part of my environment. I love the physical structure of Warrandyte and its surrounds."

When asked under what circumstances Bas would have to leave Warrandyte, he replied they would be mostly financial. "The pressure of rates, cost of living and illness. But I would be devastated if I was forced to move."

BETTY is a widowed 72 year-old and has lived in her own house in Warrandyte for eight years. Her two daughters and their families live in Warrandyte, one of them for the past 25 years.

"I enjoy the atmosphere of Warrandyte," she said. "I loved it from the outset, with beautiful views and a vista of trees. I like the river and the environment. All my family are here, I like being close to my family. People have been so pleasant, everyone I meet is caring and nice. It is also convenient to services and shops."

She said that she would only consider leaving if both families left the area or through ill health. "But whilst I feel well I want to stay. I wouldn't feel happy at all about leaving, it would have to be under extreme circumstances."

DOLL is 79 years-old and married. She has lived in Warrandyte in her own home for seven years. Doll enjoys walking by the river. Two of her children live in nearby suburbs. She is not too fussed if she does have to leave, however.

"I would like to stay but at my age I don't really care, but I wouldn't want to go into a nursing home or anything. I've always loved Warrandyte. It's the trees I think, and the country town. It's easy to get to other places from here and is close to my daughter."

When asked under what circumstances she would leave Warrandyte, she said that her garden was getting hard to look after. "If I had more money I could get the garden done. I wouldn't leave Warrandyte unless it was for something better and flatter with not such a big yard."

EDA is over 75 and lives in a flat at the rear of her daughter's house. She has three grandchildren and is a member of the Senior Citizens Club and a volunteer at the Citizens Advice Bureau. She prefers to stay in Warrandyte if she can.

"I don't really mind but if I could stay I would. If my family left here I would stay if I could have a unit. I like the people in Warrandyte. Everybody is friendly, they're special. I have friends down the club. Doctor Dixon drops into my home after work to see if I'm alright. My family is gorgeous and close by. I love the quiet and the trees."

Eda says that if she had to leave Warrandyte it would be because her family left and no other suitable housing was available. She would accept the situation to go wherever the family went.

GILL was born in England 75 years ago. She came to Australia in the 1920s, returning to England in the 1950s after marrying. After 30 years there she returned to Australia in 1981, living in various Melbourne suburbs. For the last 12 years she has lived in Warrandyte. Gill lives alone after losing her husband some years ago. She does not want to leave Warrandyte.

"I very much want to stay here as long as possible. It's a very close knit

and supportive community. Nothing but friendliness and co-operation from everyone I have met. The beauty of the scenery, the river, surrounded by state parks gives a rural feel. I like unmade roads, spaciousness, and the heavily treed, native vegetation. I have the feeling that people who live in Warrandyte care deeply about it. It's a place to enjoy living in."

If Gill had to leave Warrandyte it would only be if she was unable to live independently. Gill would be "very sorry indeed" and would make a big effort to stay. She has already planned for a carer to look after her when things get too much.

MAVIS is in her 60s and has lived in Warrandyte for 25 years. Both Mavis and her husband were brought up in the bush. She has lived on her own since her husband died.

"I would love to stay in Warrandyte. I love the freshness about the place, the bush setting, the air smells sweet. It's a friendly place. Friends are easy to make. The people that live here are important to me."

Mavis may have to leave Warrandyte when she is no longer able to maintain her house and garden. She won't be sad to leave, but will be sorry to move away from all her friends.

MAY was born in Warrandyte nearly 60 years ago. Her great grandparents came to Warrandyte during the 1850s goldrush and her family have been associated with Warrandyte ever since. In 1902 her grandfather bought land in the area.

"It's home, always has been. I think you have roots wherever you are born. It's just a special place. I've

been to a lot of other places but none are the same. It's close to the city but still country. You look out your window and you see birds, rabbits and gumtrees. You're not living in one another's pockets and you're breathing fresh air."

May can't see any reason why she would have to leave Warrandyte. She has built her granny flat, her relatives are close by and the family's burial plots are here. Naturally, she wouldn't want to leave.

"You couldn't find another place that equals it if you tried."

DAISY has been forced to leave Warrandyte. Daisy (not her real name) is 58 years-old and single. She was born in Warrandyte and until recently lived with her mother. She now lives in Templestowe in Manningham council disability accommodation. Daisy has been on a waiting list for housing in Warrandyte for nine years. She wants to return to Warrandyte.

"I've lived here all my life in my parents' house. I had to move as there is no single accommodation in Warrandyte that I can afford. I like the people here, the village atmosphere. I never wanted to live anywhere else. It's not fair that I've been made to leave Warrandyte. My family and friends are here."

There is a definite shortage of low-cost single housing in Warrandyte, forcing people like Daisy to move. When asked how she felt about leaving Warrandyte, she replied: "I didn't like it at all. I didn't have a choice. I felt upset at the time. I felt like I couldn't do anything about it."

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Good heavens— it's Dad's Army!

By CLINTON GRYBAS

Warrandyte Basketball Club's Greyburn Cup men's competition has exploded in popularity, with 13 teams taking part in the new summer season.

Eight teams, three more than last season, are in the open section. Already the season has started with a bang with the north-of-the-river Haris scorching the net with two big wins.

Captain Tony Davis, criticised last season for guaranteeing that his side would be in the grand final (they lost in the elimination final), hit 34 points in their second win.

While he concedes that three new players make this a better team than last season's, he will not be making any rash predictions just yet.

Of the competition's new teams, the Over-30 All-Stars command most interest. Made

up of the best players from the over-30 section, they have split their opening two games against the younger legs of the open section teams.

While that may go against them in close games, their imposing front line of Paul Sleeth, Steve Doyle and Graeme Pollock has earned many rebounds and raised a lot of eyebrows in the opening weeks.

Defending champions the Hooters are again strong and have opened with two wins, while the team they beat in the final, the Hitmen, have been hit hard in an off-season recruiting raid.

The Hitmen lost John Moore and Wayne Peters to the new Dennis Dazzlers and only just talked David Thwaites out of following suit. They also lost Pollock to the All-Stars.

In their place, however, are viable replacements. Five-time

Cup MVP Chris McIntosh lines up after a couple of seasons in the VBA, and Ashley Grybas and David Dench return. The Hitmen are 2-0 in the early going.

Five teams will again take part in the over-30 men's section and in the women's Grand Hotel Cup.

The Phantoms will again be Cup favourites but will have to make history to beat the PP Champs, who have won in each of the first three seasons.

Meanwhile, Warrandyte Redback juniors are gearing up for the finals next month in both their Friday and Saturday competitions. A lot of local teams are in contention.

The club's committee will vote soon on a radical new plan to adopt a training program for all juniors.

It aims to give players an equal chance under a quality coaching program.

Tony takes over the Dytes

By CLINTON GRYBAS

Outstanding local all-round sportsman Tony Sturesteps has been appointed Warrandyte Cricket Club's coach for the 1994-95 season after high-profile recruit Dave Hampton turned his back on the job just seven days after accepting it.

Hampton has decided to continue in the District competition with hopes of returning to the Victorian squad.

The Warrandyte committee voted unanimously to appoint someone from within the club to replace Hampton. President Russell Dorning said Sturesteps was the logical choice.

"He was a bit reluctant to take on the job at first but with the committee's support he agreed to it. I'm sure he'll do a good job. It's a very big job but he is capable of doing it."

Sturesteps, who has played at the club since his junior days and captained the senior eleven last season, said he was looking forward to the challenge ahead.

"I'm very enthusiastic about the season. We're certainly a finals contender and with Jon Sharman back in early November and Andrew Hood and Harry Drysdale returning after a season off, we will have a very strong batting side."



IN: Tony Sturesteps.



OUT: Rodney Hogg.

On the debit side, former Test fast bowler Rodney Hogg will not be playing and the Dytes are looking for a new paceman to open the attack with Gerald Walshe.

"I'm disappointed that Rodney won't be playing for us after an excellent season," Sturesteps said. "It's a shame he won't be playing with a local

side for a reasonable price."

Brian Chapman has replaced Tony Graf as chairman of selectors and will assist the three lower grade teams at training.

Training began on July 24 and will be on every Monday night from August 14 to September 11 at Maddocks Sports, 11 Mary Street, Blackburn. Most of the sessions start at 8.30pm.

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Bloods breathe easy

By CLINTON GRYPAS

Warrandyte finally buried its fears of relegation to third division with a solid 26 point home win over Blackburn on Sunday, August 6, and in the process recaptured the Madge Allsop Shield.

The Bloods stung the finals hopeful with a Darren Peters-inspired five goal to one first quarter, which set up a 9.10 (64) to 4.14 (38) win in heavy conditions.

Going into the game equal bottom with Doncaster and Croydon, the match represented the club's best chance to edge clear of their rivals at the foot of the ladder.

"We had to win one of our last three and we looked at Blackburn as being the weakest of the three," much-maligned coach David Dickson said after the win, which improved the club's record to 5-11. "It just about puts it beyond doubt now that we'll stay clear of relegation."

The Bloods continued their im-

Babies blow 'em away

Warrandyte's "Rampaging Baby Bloods"—otherwise known as the under-10 football team—have set new standards by going through their season undefeated.

A 14.6 (90) to 0.5 demolition of North Ringwood on July 30 gave them the perfect record for 1995, bearing out what team manager Tony Mirabella had predicted all along.

"These are exceptional kids," Mirabella said. "In 17 games they scored a total of 147.177 to just 10.22. I think those statistics speak for themselves."

In five of their games, the Under-10s didn't concede a score at all; in four others they allowed the opposition just the solitary point.

There have been some outstanding individual performances—not the least the eight goals from Daniel Rush (five of them from centre half-forward in the last quarter) against North Ringwood.

Then there is Tommy Naughtin, described by Mirabella in a match report as "Tommy Terrific, the best little rover in the land, the hero of Warrandyte".

The enormous success of the Baby Bloods has attracted more players than one team can comfortably handle and Warrandyte Junior Football Club is looking at the creation of new sides next season to ease the pressure.

In the meantime, junior presentation day is at the clubrooms on Sunday, August 27, starting 9.30am.

Defiant home stand avoids relegation

SPORT

proved second half of the season showing with aggressive team football, which included a staggering 45 tackles as they kept their opponents under constant pressure. Dickson said this typified the team's work-rate in the season's latter stages.

"Our second half of the season has been relatively good. We've lost four games within a few goals and haven't been disgraced." He singled out recent stability in the backline with Dale Vitoritti and Russell Treverton as one of the cornerstones for the improved form.

While they earned plenty of possessions against Blackburn, it was the leadership of John O'Brien across midfield that kept the Bloods pushing forward. His statistic of 36 kicks, 10 marks and nine handballs read impressively in conditions not suiting taller players.

Chris Quinlan got the Bloods off to an ideal start with a long goal just one minute in. Peters then took over up forward, out-muscling opponents for three goals for the term as Warrandyte looked the better side.

The 21 point lead grew beyond five goals early in the second stanza, as first David Purcell, then 17 year-old sensation Ray Bellingher goaled.

Cam Day worked his way into the game while Brendan Smith and Kimberley O'Connor both attacked the ball and tackled strongly. The remainder of the term was a struggle, with the Bloods having the answers to the Burners' few trips forward.

Any hope the visitors had was lost a minute into the third when Greg Pierce steered through a running goal. The Bloods' backline, both persistent and

magnificent, soon found themselves under pressure as Blackburn rallied in the trend of the play.

They couldn't convert on the scoreboard, however, wasteful kicking for goal (including three posters) killing off their hopes of reaching the finals.

Steven Carroll snapped the Bloods' final goal at the 22 minute mark of the third quarter, but the then 41 point margin would prove too much to overcome.

The Bloods best were O'Brien, Smith, Treverton, Peters, O'Connor and Day.

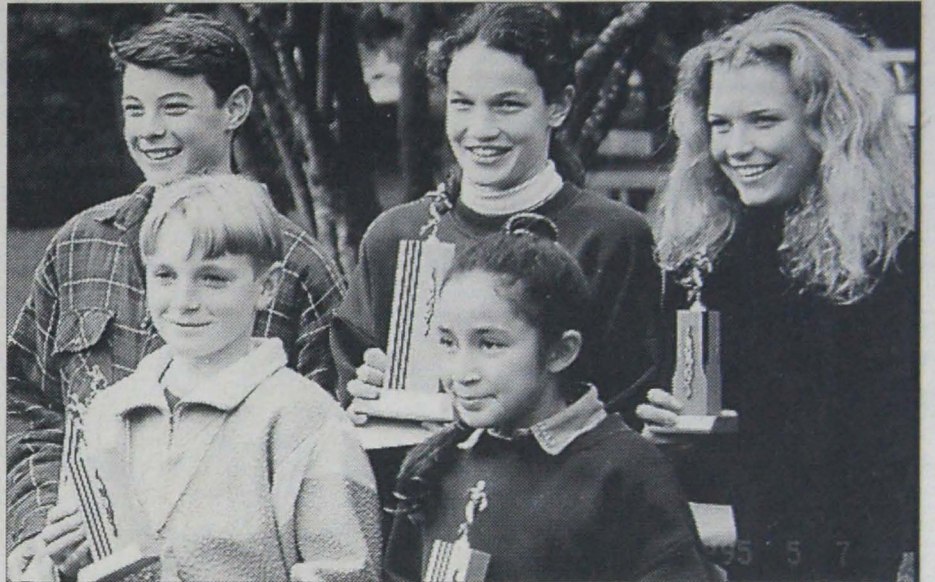
The win provided a glimmer of light in a season Dickson won't remember fondly. "This has been the most frustrating season I've had in 17 years of football," he said.

"I think it's been a culmination of David Dickson getting used to Warrandyte and Warrandyte getting used to David Dickson. It's probably taken nine games to get us together. I'll see how the final two go, but I think I owe it to the club to take on another year. If we keep the players we have and pick up two or three key players we'll be very competitive."

President Lex Munro is keen for Dickson to stay. "The next committee has got to approve it, but I think he will coach next year. He's very professional and we made the right decision. The win was an outstanding effort and I think we will win our last two games."

The reserves were comfortably beaten and remain third last at 3-13 while the under-18s kicked 20 goals in a big win.

The club is inviting all local supporters to a luncheon in the clubrooms before the season's final game against Bayswater on August 19, with the Player's Talent Night that evening. Presentation Night is Saturday, September 23 at Wellers Restaurant.



Award-winning Warrandyte Little Athletes: Back row (left to right): Glen Carle, Katrina Guerin, Emma Tice. Front row: Richard Moore, Brearna Dhaliwal.

Our littlies land the loot

Warrandyte almost scooped the pool at Maroondah Little Athletics Club's recent end-of-season presentation day.

Local stars Glen Carle and Katrina Guerin were named club champions (under-15), Glen having earlier received a long-service award from the Ringwood Little Athletics Centre in recognition of nine consecutive seasons of competition.

The John Reid Perpetual Trophy for Sportsmanship also went Warrandyte's way, to Emma Tice.

MLAC team managers' and encouragement awards were

made to Alastair Coleman and Thomas Crockett (under-14), of North Ringwood, Richard Moore (under-10), of Warrandyte, and Brearna Dhaliwal (under-9), of South Warrandyte.

Sadly, Glen, Katrina, Emma and Wendy Keating, also of Warrandyte, have crossed the finish line for the last time as Little Athletes.

"They've been hurtling down the track now for more years than most can remember, each accumulating a bower of medals and trophies along the way," said MLAC's Marilyn Moore.

"Their efforts and sportsmanship have been a great example for all the younger kids to follow."

And those "younger kids" are champing at the bit waiting for the start of the new track and field season at the Ringwood Centre on Saturday, October 7.

Maroondah Little Athletics Club welcomes all boys and girls from under-7 to under-15.

"It's BYO energy and you'll be fitter and faster in no time," said Ms Moore, who invites inquiries on 9844 1072.

Champs go on show in Goldtown

By JUDY GREEN

One of the biggest annual events in the local tennis calendar is to be staged early next month. Warrandyte Tennis Club's 12th annual open tournament, the Grand Hotel Goldtown Open, will run from Friday, September 1, through to Sunday, September 10.

Apart from giving local tennis enthusiasts a chance to watch superb match play on their own courts, the Goldtown is traditionally a great opportunity to talent-spot future Australian international tennis stars.

The first weekend of the tournament will be an official event in the revived Warrandyte Wattle Day program.

The Goldtown is a Tennis Victoria/Slazenger open points circuit fove-star event where top players, plus interstate competitors, play through for \$5000 in cash prizes and trophies.

This year's Goldtown Open commences with men's open

singles matches on Friday, September 1 at 5pm, followed by women's open and men's and women's doubles events on the Saturday. Matches in A, B and C grades will be conducted across the weekend.

Play continues on Friday, September 8 at 5pm and Saturday, September 9, with the finals for all events to be played on Sunday, September 10.

The 1994 open men's final was won by Victorian player Andrew McLean, with Annabel Ellwood from the Australian Institute of Sport in Canberra taking out the women's title. Past players in the Goldtown have included Jason Stoltenburg, Richard Fromberg, Todd Woodbridge, Nicole Provis and Ann Minter.

A feature of the Goldtown is the Grand Hotel Grab (see Mal

Brown's cartoon this page), to be held this year on Saturday, September 2, commencing at 5pm. This is a singles, winner-take-all tie-break competition carrying a \$400 prize. A pasta meal will be available for competitors and spectators on the night.

Main venue for all events will be the Warrandyte club's courts in Tarooma Avenue. Some of the earlier rounds will be played at other locations.

Tom Kerkhof, tournament director, has indicated that entries—as always—promise a high standard of tennis. He invites everyone to come and watch, particularly the September 10 finals.

Full club facilities, including a licensed bar and a kiosk, will operate throughout.

Jennie's onside!

Soccer is not a sport generally associated with 14-year-old schoolgirls—but it plays a major part in the life of Jennie Skinner (pictured), of KG Road, North Warrandyte.

Apart from her studies and simply being a teenager, a week in the life of Jennie goes like this: training two nights a week in Sunshine, one night in Doncaster, Saturday mornings in Brighton, and a game on Sunday.

Then there's the running program she has set herself—and that means a lot of kilometres around the streets of Warrandyte in the course of a week.

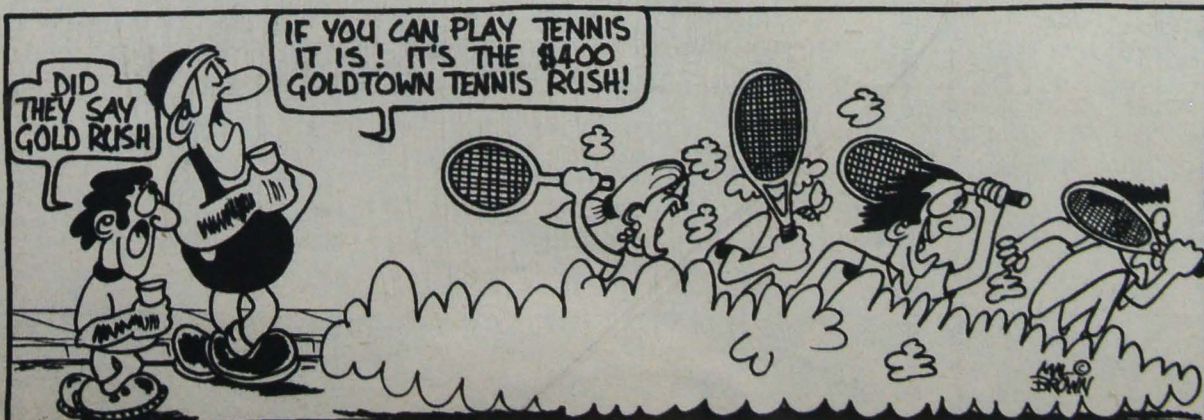
But all that hard work is pay-



ing off for Jennie, who is just back from the national women's soccer championships in Tasmania. It was the second time she had represented Victoria, who won all their games leading up to the grand final but were defeated by the ACT in the big one.

Even more significantly, perhaps, she has been selected in the Elele 2000 Development Squad for the Sydney Olympics.

A SPORTING CHANCE



By MAL BROWN

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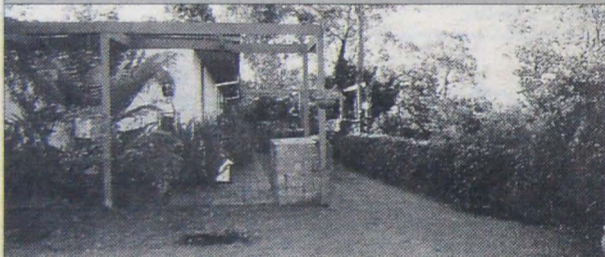
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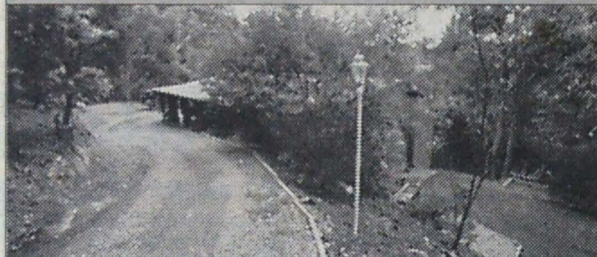
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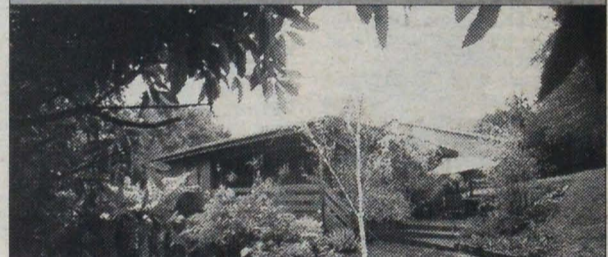
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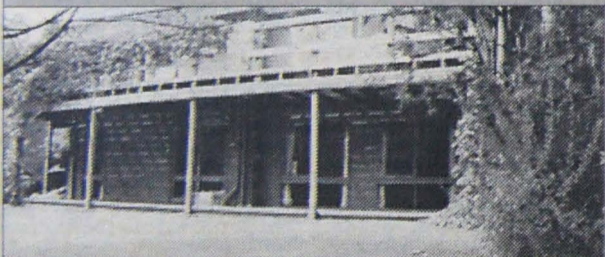
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