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Warrandyte's Anzac Day, 2006
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\$20,000 'payback'

By CLIFF GREEN
 The community is beginning to receive some rewards for their mammoth effort in bringing banking facilities back to Warrandyte.

The Warrandyte Community Bank has paid out \$20,000 to local organisations as part of its sponsorship scheme.

Also, the bank is hoping to reward shareholders with a dividend later this year.

"We called for applications for sponsorship groups and a number of community groups in Warrandyte and surrounding areas put submissions forward," manager Mark Challen told the *Diary*.

"We looked at these and tried to come to their assistance in varying degrees. We tried to

cover a wide variety of groups, not just sporting clubs, but schools and kindergartens, senior citizens, the RSL, community organisations and various other projects.

"We tried to spread our help as widely as possible."

The bank was able to buy a new refrigerator for the Warrandyte Senior Citizens Club, a new kiln for the Andersons Creek Primary School, help with Super-smashers beginners coaching program at Warrandyte Tennis Club, fund ground maintenance at the RSL Memorial Grounds along with other local projects.

"Hopefully this is only the beginning," Mr Challen said. "This is a community bank and part of its role is to go back into the community and invest in local projects.

Bank hopes to declare dividend

"We hope to take this to a higher level. Our ongoing aim is to get into joint ventures, working on a longer term on larger projects that this community will need. That's an important part of our agenda which we are hoping to get into this year."

A campaign to establish a community bank in Warrandyte was launched following the closing of the local Commonwealth Bank branch in 2002. The Warrandyte Business Association called a public meeting,

a steering committee was formed and in a few short weeks the community had pledged in excess of \$650,000 to underwrite the proposed bank.

As a first move, in an effort to bring banking services back to Warrandyte, an agency of the Bendigo Bank was opened under the auspices of the Hurstbridge Community Bank.

The Warrandyte Community Bank Branch of the Bendigo Bank was officially opened on June 6, 2003. Currently, com-

binated deposits and lending are in excess of \$56million.

"We're currently running at about 2800 accounts," Mr Challen said. "This has increased by about 100 accounts over the past month or so. We always get a good flow-on from our exposure at the Warrandyte Festival."

The bank is planning on establishing an ATM at Goldfields Plaza some time soon. "We are still in negotiation at the moment and we're hopeful that's something that will be finalised within the next few weeks. A customer survey convinced us that people were looking for some sort of cash facility at Goldfields."

The bank is anticipating being able to pay a dividend to shareholders later this year. "We're certainly trading in profit and

surplus at the moment," Mr Challen said.

"It's up to the board to make those decisions, but the indications are they may be in a position to declare a dividend at the annual general meeting in November. They want to give some recognition to those shareholders who put up their money to establish the bank."

"As we continue to increase our banking volumes of deposits and lending towards \$80million, we will be able to significantly increase our support for community projects and organisations," Mr Challen said.

● The bank is calling for applications for community sponsorships this year. Interested organisations should call Mark Challen on 9844 2233.

(Cliff Green owns shares in the Warrandyte Community Bank.)



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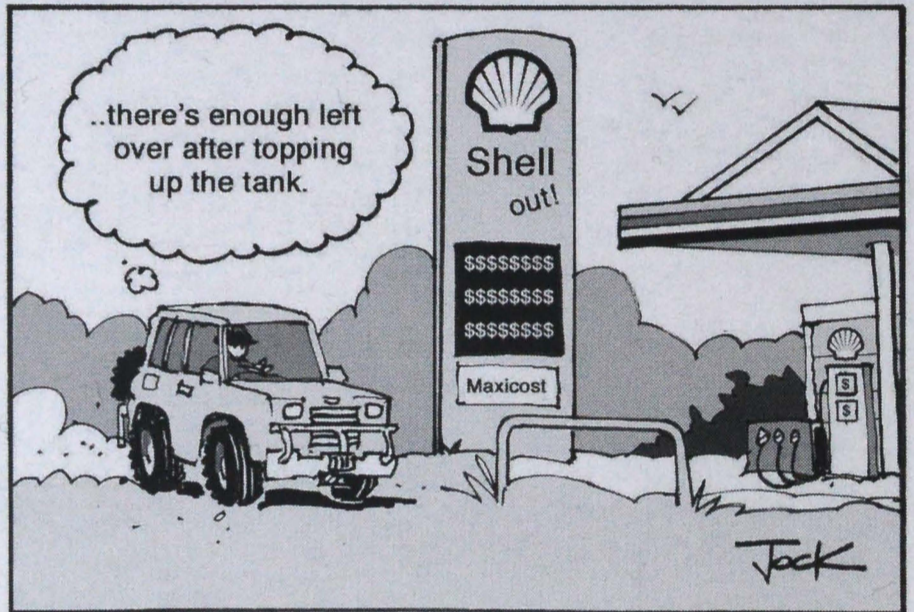
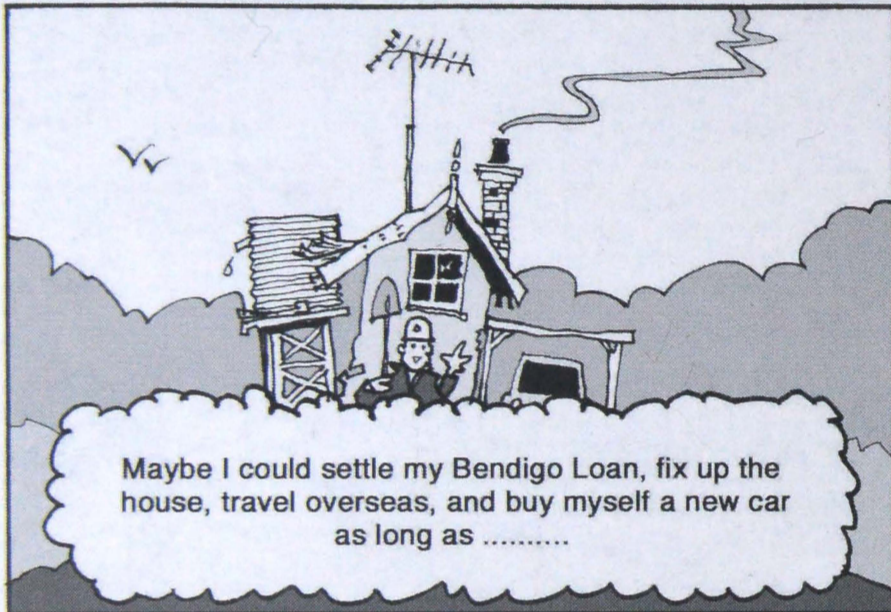
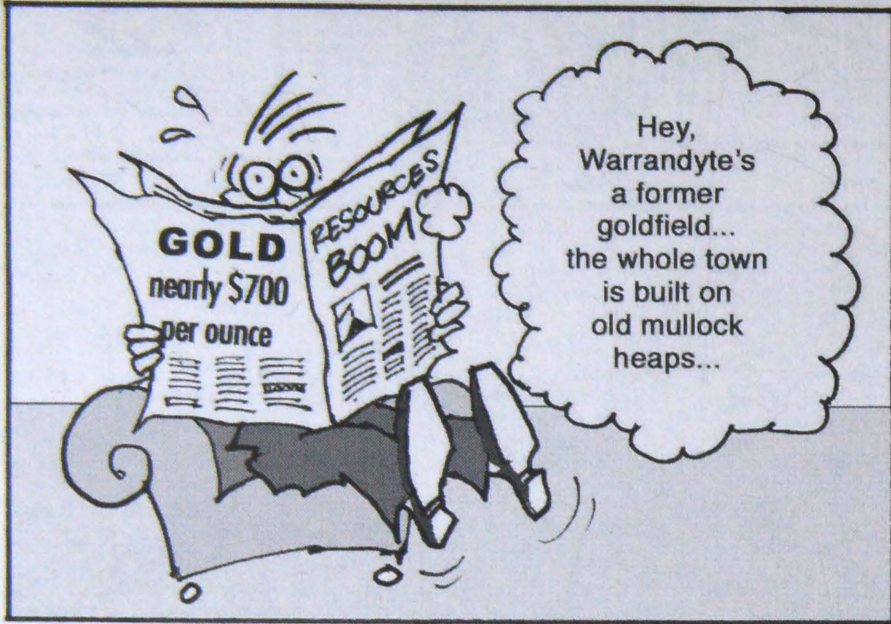
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Warrandyte (approximate population 8000) is situated on the Yarra River, some 24km from Melbourne. For countless ages a well-stocked hunting ground of the Wurundjeri people, in 1851 Warrandyte became the site of the first official gold discovery in Victoria. It soon established its character as a small, self-sustaining community set in a beautiful river valley. Around 1900 the miners, orchardists and tradespeople were joined by a number of young painters who were founding the Australian nationalist arts tradition. Now a commuter suburb of Melbourne, the natural beauty, community spirit and sense of independence of Warrandyte has been largely retained. This newspaper is the voice and true expression of that spirit.



Graphic by Melanie Coupar

THE NIGHT THE STAR WAS THROWN

It has long been thought that "Warrandyte" could be translated as "that which is thrown". The Wurundjeri dreamtime story told how Bunjil, the great eagle, the all-powerful, ever-watchful creator of the world, had once gazed down upon his people from the star Altair and seen their wrongdoing. Awaiting their return, with a mighty crash of thunder, he hurled down a star to destroy them. Where the star struck created the gorge we see today. Bunjil's people always remembered the spot. They called it Warrandyte, the place where Bunjil had hurled down the star to punish his people.

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Why did these trees die?

Cool burn that overheated

Words and picture by EMMA CLARK

Bushland along Harris Gully Road has been damaged following a fuel-reduction burn, resulting in an outcry from residents.

The land, which borders Anderson's Creek Primary School, Goldfields Plaza shopping centre and the Warrandyte fire station, is managed by the Department of Sustainability and Environment, who are responsible for the burn and subsequent work.

Alan Noy, a local environmental expert, told the *Diary* that "the area was calling out for rehabilitation work and a burn had the potential to assist in the revegetation of the habitat, and with some hindsight it was not carried out as it could have been.

"There is lots of planning involved in doing a burn in terms of minimising the risk to public assets, but in this case the actual land itself was not considered.

"The weedy undergrowth was cleared beforehand, but was left there and as such created wood fuel and a hotter fire than

expected.

"The site includes a number of Manna Gums, which do not respond well to fire," Mr Noy said. "Manna Gums grow very quickly and most of the trees that were lost were quite young. This has put the site back a few years.

"The burn itself was not the culprit here as burns are important in controlling fuel reduction and revegetation in habitats.

"However, the planning did not take excessive fuel loads into account and the dead trees had to be felled to prevent branches falling. A lesson has been learned."

Department of Sustainability and Environment regional fire manager Bernard Barbetti admits that a mistake was made.

"The area had not been burned for a long time, and there was a significant wildfire risk due to a proliferation of weeds, leaf litter and dry twigs. The fire burned much hotter than expected and unfortunately, most of the trees that had been suffering drought stress and insect attack were lost to the fire. This was not an acceptable outcome and prac-



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"Small reserves in semi-rural areas such as Warrandyte play a vital role either as corridors or stopovers for wildlife. This site serves as a habitat linkage along Anderson's Creek, allowing animals to move between the segments of Warrandyte State Park. However, managing areas where the trees are unhealthy can be challenging due to the need to minimise fire risk for the protection of the community."

It was reported to DSE earlier this year that dead trees on the

site were posing a risk to pedestrians and nearby traffic. DSE contracted a local tree feller to cut down the identified trees, but further tree felling had to take place after the fire.

The area is surrounded by warning tape and notices advising against the removal of felled branches and logs from the site and locals wanting to remove firewood are to be reminded that the area is still a habitat and the logs are important for revegetation. Replanting has already taken place in some areas of the site to revegetate the lost trees.

Mr Barbetti said that logs are needed to assist with developing the lost habitat. "It is normal practice for DSE to leave fallen trees as habitat. Logs do not increase fire risk, as they are heavy fuels that do not ignite readily. They do provide habitat for a wide range of animals as well as reptiles. Frogs and bats, for example, use the logs for shelter and to eat the array of insects that are attracted to the logs."

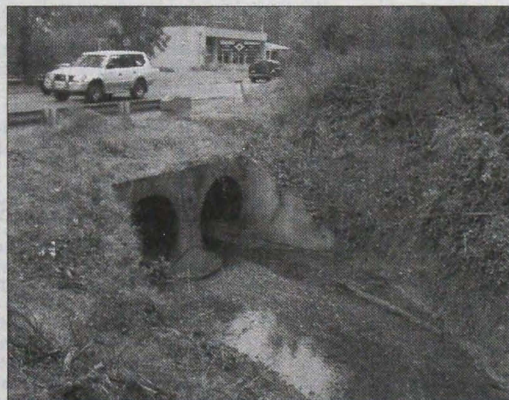
Des McKenzie, principal of Anderson's Creek Primary School, is concerned about the remaining branches. "There is

a threat. When the area has dried out all those branches will become fuel for fire. They have trimmed, cut and pruned the area but have just left it there. There is a huge amount of fuel just thrown into piles.

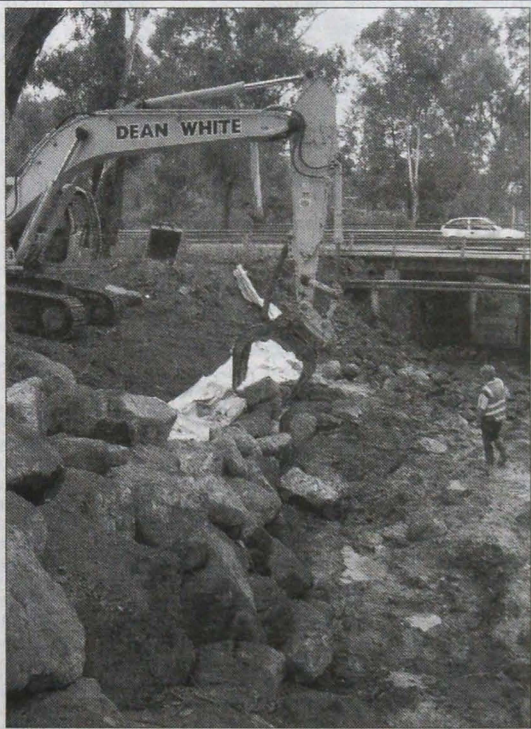
"If a fire comes through, that will be a hot spot and mean disaster. We are very cross with whoever decided to proceed in that way. Habitat is important, but on behalf of the school and 400 kids, I am terrified about the stupidity of their decision to leave the undergrowth there."

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Creek works to save trees



Melbourne Water has undertaken a series of bank stabilisation projects along Andersons Creek, designed to minimise erosion along the creek, thus saving the many fine old trees from being undermined and falling into the creek. Stephen Reynolds' pictures illustrate the condition of the banks at the small Yarra Street bridge near the roundabout, before (above) and during the work.



Hopes for State Park cash boost

As the time for the release of the state government's budget approaches, the Warrandyte Community Association has been lobbying in an attempt to have funding for the Warrandyte State Park restored to its pre-Alpine bushfire level.

Following the 2002-3 fires, the park's operational budget was cut by 90 per cent to help pay for the rehabilitation of the High Country.

WCA has written to Danielle Green, MP for Yan Yean, appealing for her assistance.

"We very much appreciate your efforts to increase funding in the current 2005-6 budget to about \$60,000," president Dick Davies wrote. "However, this amount was still well short of the historical budget level of \$100,000."

"Shortfalls in the operational budget of the Warrandyte State Park are being seen in dramatic increases in weeds and feral animals in the park. The past three years of underfunding has enabled weeds and pests to multiply.

"Budgetary concerns are clearly behind the recent decision to discontinue locking the park gates at night, which has raised a lot of community concern," Mr Davies wrote.

"Maintaining the beauty and integrity of Warrandyte State Park and its flora and fauna is of fundamental importance to Warrandyte and the wider community. We hope there will be some good news in the next WSP operational budget."

Danielle Green responded, telling the *Diary* that "the devastating 2002-3 fires were one of the worst natural disasters the state had experienced. The Bracks government recognised this by directing as many resources and as much energy as possible to the recovery effort."

"Since then, I am pleased to say, my lobbying for increases to the Warrandyte State Park budget have been fruitful. I will continue to lobby for Warrandyte to build on current state government projects, such as the new police station—which will soon begin construction—and the new State Park depot," Ms Green said.

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'Appalled at the absolute mess.' (Picture by Emma Clark)

'Cool burn' shocks resident

As a Warrandyte resident and a parent of children attending Andersons Creek Primary School, I am appalled at the absolute mess that has been left as "habitat" around the fire station and abutting the school. The cut-down limbs from the native trees that were killed by the fierce heat of the burn-off last year have all been left on the ground. What a fire hazard waiting to happen and a fabulous habitat for snakes!

The history of this fiasco must be examined so this heap of dry tinder can be removed. Weeds and scrub were allowed to grow out of control under the gum trees and then a burn-off was

DEAR DIARY

carried out to get rid of the undergrowth. Unfortunately, because the undergrowth was so profuse from years of neglect, the heat of the fire also killed healthy native eucalypts. As a result, limbs had to be cut off and trees lopped. Apparently the contractors offered to chip the branches they had cut, but were told to leave it as "habitat".

This had now become an absurd situation because there is

not only undergrowth but now, heaped on top, dry limbs and branches. Apparently this is to create a habitat for native animals. Any environmentalist worth their salt can tell you that a heap of dead branches does not create any such thing. Dead trees standing with their natural hollows are what birds and possums use to make their nests to protect their young. On the other hand, it is common knowledge that snakes love to live under piles of wood!

I am deeply concerned that by next summer, a tinderbox will be created and the children at Andersons Creek Primary School will be in danger, not

only from snakes, but also from fire. There is no possible justification for such a ludicrous situation.

In addition, the tape and signs which have been attached to the trees are ugly and also give everyone a clear message that those responsible have no idea about fire prevention. "Do not collect firewood" is admitting the heaps of wood discarded under the trees are fuel for fires.

How ironic that this mess is right next door to the Warrandyte CFA. I wonder how they feel about this hazardous situation?

Bronwyn Doran
(by email)

Billicart Derby: a tribute

The festival is over for another year, and as usual all the volunteers did a fantastic job organising the whole weekend.

With the exception of the parade and the Sunday night concert and fireworks, there is one event which has continually grown in the last few years to be a "must watch" competition.

I refer to the Billicart Derby. This has been run for the past eight years by Rob Cousens and his band of volunteers and has gone from strength to strength.

Rob and his team have continually added to and improved the glitz and pizzazz associated to give it a real "Grand Prix" flavour.

From the starting lights, sound system, speed camera, podium, banner and prizes, it is starting to look like a real

professional event. And then seeing the billicarts themselves and the efforts the dads and kids have put into them beggars belief. There have been carts with sound systems, brake lights, wings and even a parachute brake.

All this would not be possible without Rob performing all the organising and making it happen on the day. Rob normally even donates the main prize of a Playstation, Xbox or the like. Rob has done an outstanding job and this year announced he and his team will be standing down for other parents to take over the reins and build on his legacy.

Congratulations, Rob, your efforts have been appreciated by the community.

Anon
(by email)

Gates shut: vandals stop

As a resident of Pound Road Warrandyte for 35 years, I would like to bring to your attention the past history of the open gate policy at Pound Bend Reserve.

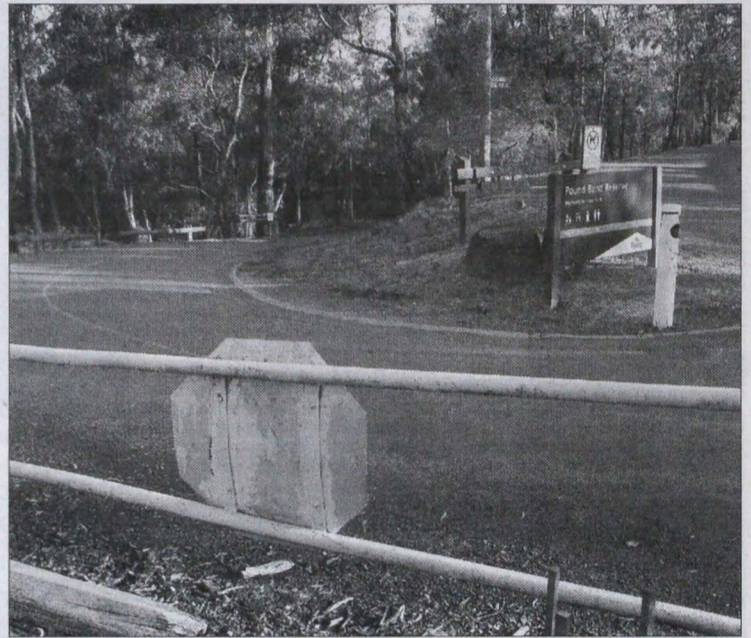
When the park was open 24 hours, on many occasions we would have strangers knocking on our door day and night for assistance. The reasons varied from lost keys, cars vandalised, fights, swimmers at night caught in trees, drunken behaviour.

Also, the park became a dumping ground for stolen cars, often burnt out.

All of the above events ceased when the gate was locked. If the gate was left open I am sure the wrong element will start to appear again once word of mouth gets around. This will increase the traffic, parties, noisy behaviour in the local area—Pound Road and Everard Drive. With this, police will have to patrol more often and I am sure they prefer to be doing better things.

As the closed gate policy worked so well, why change it?

Brian Williams
Pound Road



Warrandyte State Park gates: should they remain open?



Billicart Derby: efforts appreciated

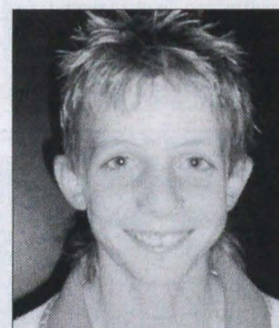
Helping Ayrton make the grade

In February, Ayrton Dehmel, a young local junior cricket player, was selected by the Victorian Secondary School Sports Association to represent Victoria at the Under-15 Schoolboys Cricket Championships.

The competition was played in Perth between April 2 and 8, with eight states competing. Victoria went into the competition under pressure, as they had won the last four years and were out to win five! Unfortunately, they did not achieve this, but came fifth out of eight teams competing.

We would like to thank many people in the community who made this trip possible for Ayrton.

In particular, the Warrandyte Cricket Club and



Ayrton Dehmel: represented Victoria.

its members, who have supported Ayrton throughout his short cricket career and were large contributors towards this trip.

To Rob White, Ken Miller, John Barry, Chris Sherriff and Graham Rees; your contribution and support have been gratefully received.

Dean Heller, thank you for your enthusiastic and original style of selling raffle tickets—you got the ball rolling!

Ringwood Cricket Club, thank you for your generous contribution and support.

Last but not least, thank you to the community and Bendigo Bank, who willingly purchased raffle tickets.

Thank you all.

Christine and Lee Dehmel
Wattleblossom Road

What is indigenous?

I have just finished reading *The Future Eaters* by T. Flannery. An interesting book, if a little depressing, about the ecological history of Australia.

This prompted me to think carefully about the demands from some that we should plant only local indigenous species. How can we know what is indigenous really?

This area has been thoroughly cleared four times since white settlement. First the sheep and cattle stations, then the gold rush (a total trashing), then the orchards and finally the spread of housing.

I'll be frankly astonished if there is any but the sketchiest record of what used to grow here before all that. Then there is the question of how far back are we looking?

There is considerable evidence that the whole of southern Australia used to be covered in forest, and not eucalyptus, until 30,000 years ago. The jury still seems to be out on cause and effect. Did climate change cause loss of these forests? Or was it vice versa?

What has all this to do with Warrandyte?

A suggestion. The patch of land between Goldfields and the fire station was burned a couple of years ago. I don't know what anyone else sees there now, but I see a mess of mostly dead trees and weeds.

This is a sheltered, low-lying damp patch. Judging by the luxuriance of the weeds the ground is relatively fertile. Why not turn the clock right back? Have our own little Paleolithic park? Southern Beech, Ginko, Camphor trees, whatever else was likely. I don't suppose Australian Cedar came this far south.

Instead of a mess we could have a source of botanical interest, a glimpse into the deep past. Any opinions?

(Mrs) C. Masiulianis
Naughton Avenue

Rotary thanks

We sincerely wish to thank the Warrandyte Diary for its coverage of artists and judging with reference to the Rotary Art Show, 2006. Thank you so much for your support and your contribution to the successful outcome of this year's art show. The change of venue and your assistance has allowed us to provide a higher profile to the wider community.

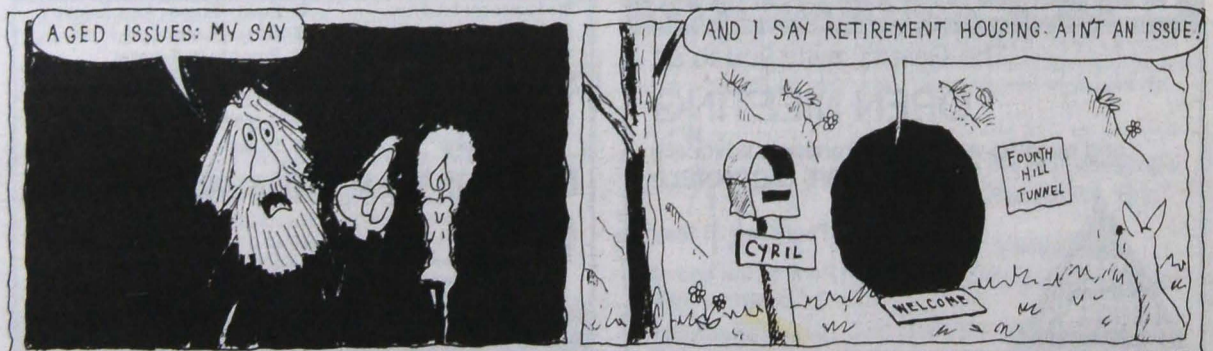
We look forward to our continuing association and wish you all the best for the future.

Alan Quantrell
Chairman
Warrandyte Rotary Art Show

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CYRIL



By PAUL WILLIAMS

Aged issues: your say

Locals are hoping Manningham's renewed interest in facilities for the aged can be focused on the desperate need for retirement housing in Warrandyte...

By VAL POLLEY

Manningham council is currently developing an ageing strategy. Council is keen to ensure Manningham is an "age-friendly" community with opportunities for citizens to lead active and fulfilling lives. It wants to change people's perception of ageing and establish what is needed to make Manningham an age-friendly society.

The strategy will identify types of services required by older people and highlight areas where changes would be beneficial. This could include planning for appropriate forms of housing, recreation and leisure programs for older people and better transport options. It will also make recommendations to organisations such as government departments, hospital, health professionals, retirement villages, aged care homes, transport providers and educational facilities.

I am representing the Warrandyte Community Association in a community forum. The forum comprises a number of residents who represent community groups. The forum is meeting on just two occasions to provide input into the strategy on behalf of their community groups.

It became apparent at the first such meeting that the bulk of the planning thus far had been centred on the more urban parts of the city. For example, "intercept" interviews had been held but all in major shopping centres elsewhere. David Mayor from Park Orchards and myself became increasingly concerned that what we perceive as the special needs of Warrandyte and Park Orchards were not being identified. Similar fears were expressed on behalf of Wonga Park residents.

From that meeting I have circulated an email to WCA members and a number of other residents and talked to many others seeking their views on ageing in Warrandyte specifically.

It is obvious that many older residents leave the township reluctantly due to a number of factors ranging from difficult blocks and inability to manage houses to living near family for



Paradise on Stiggant Street: a dozen more clusters like this, dotted around the village, and Warrandyte's senior housing problems would be solved. (Picture by Jan Tindale)

support. Difficulties with transport and lack of health support were cited as reasons for leaving. We have lost many of the generation that made Warrandyte the place we live in today and yet respondents place value on retaining the older generation in Warrandyte!

Respondents said that what is needed to make Warrandyte a better place for older people is suitable housing, perhaps in clusters rather than a large development with some income supported housing and access to shops and facilities.

The rental market in Warrandyte is scarce and outside the reach of many elderly and planning restrictions have made it difficult for some. Problems arise when the elderly are no longer able to drive or when one partner is

"One great frustration is not being able to put together a deal for genuine alternative aged housing in the Warrandyte area. I wouldn't mind continuing to be involved in the future, and working with the community to achieve such a facility."

— Retiring MP
Phil Honeywood

left on their own and can no longer cope with the house and garden.

Respondents think council needs to be proactive and provide specialised services that go beyond meals-on-wheels to help in these instances. There is a need to step up health services and look at how transport can be improved to meet the requirements of those who do not live right in the township and who require assistance to remain in their home, if they so wish.

At the next forum I will be stressing that Warrandyte is a special township with special qualities. As such it needs specific recommendations if it is to retain its older generations rather than seeing them forced to move when they can no longer manage their residence here.

● Val Polley would welcome further comments on this issue. She can be emailed on: warrandyteca@hotmail.com

Mixture of housing needed

Margory Lapworth, of Warrandyte Housing and Support Services, who has long campaigned for retirement housing in Warrandyte, believes that a mixture of affordability is needed. "We are looking for places very similar to Stiggants and the idea originally was that we had some that were private that people bought into, but you do have to have some allocated out there for people who do not have the luxury of having the finance to buy themselves in. So it would be a mixture of the two. It would be some low income people and some who have got the money to buy themselves into it."

"We've always said that people in Warrandyte need to stay in Warrandyte. They have been here for maybe 40 or 50 years and they shouldn't have to leave the environment and where they live to go somewhere that's not conducive to their way of life," Ms Lapworth said.

No home among the gum trees

In October 2004 Sandy Burgoyne tracked the frustrating path of Warrandyte's quest for senior housing. Since then, nothing has changed.

1978 Plans to build a retirement village to accommodate 800 residents on the corner of Alexander and Warrandyte Roads are scrapped, as a proposed freeway will run through the middle of the property.

1979 The housing plans for Alexander Road are dusted off when the freeway idea is dumped. A month later the plans are back on the shelf, as a major new thoroughfare is announced for the site—this time an arterial road instead of a freeway.

1983 The building of 16 home units on the corner of Stiggant and Yarra Streets is approved.

1984 Council grants a permit for the Stiggant Street site, but for 10 units. The then Doncaster and Templestowe council also approves guidelines to determine the eligibility of intending residents.

1986 Louise Joy and Jean Chapman draw attention to the plight of local elderly people who are forced to leave the district to find a small housing unit when they sell their Warrandyte home.

1987 The 10 units, administered by the Ministry of Housing, open on Stiggant Street. Council notes that these units have an "indefinite" waiting list. The local inter-church council sets up a committee to study Warrandyte's retirement housing needs—suggesting that 30 single storey units are needed.

1992 A *Diary* editorial muses on why the latest plan for a retirement village in Warrandyte appeared to have faded away. It also ponders the irony that by joining the community in resisting dual occupancy development local senior citizens may have no choice but to move out of Warrandyte in later life.

1993 Local organisations continue to look for suitable land for housing for the elderly. The Warrandyte Community Retirement Housing Project committee launches a survey of seniors' housing needs.

1994 Results from the survey find 15 Warrandyte people prepared to buy and occupy local retirement housing immediately. Searching continues for appropriate sites for both unit and hostel accommodation. Hopes increase when the then Doncaster and Templestowe council offers \$350,000 towards purchase of appropriate land.

1995 In councils across the state, government appointed commissioners replace elected councillors. Manningham's commissioners spend more than \$20,000 on a management consultant's report into retirement housing for the entire local government district. The *Diary* runs a feature "Give me a home among the gumtrees" in which local seniors state their desire to stay in Warrandyte. Cartoon

character Clyde tells Ocker that he will be "retiring six foot under before they get this show underway". **1996** Council commissioners make the original offer of \$350,000 conditional—that the funds "are not put at risk" and that the Warrandyte Community Retirement Housing Project committee "provides an acceptable proposition". The commissioners approve the building of a hostel for the elderly on Manningham Road. **1998** The council's offer of \$350,000 is withdrawn. Six units, intended for retired person occupancy, are built on the corner of Everard Drive and Yarra Street. Clyde observed to Ocker that, "Old Warrandytians never die, they simply move away!"

2003 Cr Patricia Young notes that, "Manningham has quite a number of retirement villages, hostels and nursing homes now—in Donvale, Templestowe and Bulleen—but due to the unavailability of land it has not been possible to find a suitable location (in Warrandyte)". **2004** September: Former councillor Louise Joy raises the possibility of retirement housing on land near St Gerard's Catholic Church. This land was ultimately approved for use as an extension to the Andersons Creek cemetery.

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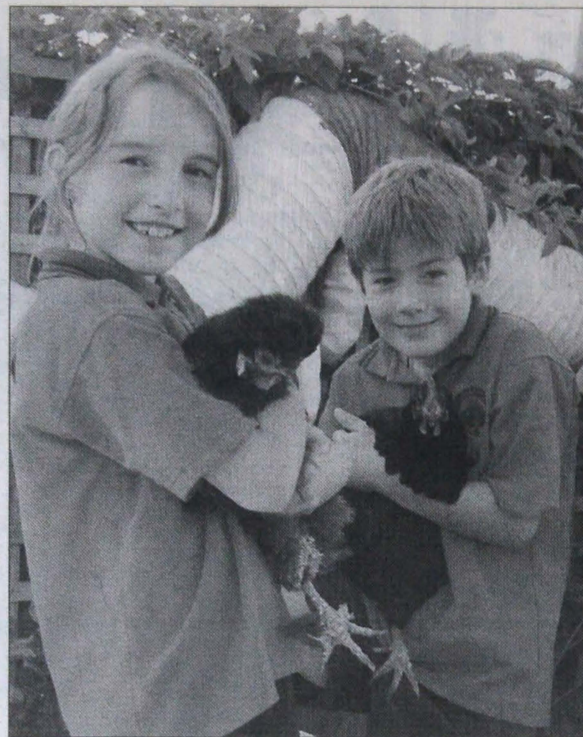
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A year ago, Warrandyte Primary School established a sustainable garden on the site of their old swimming pool. Included was a henhouse. "The chooks are just part of the school family now," principal Gillian Binger told the *Diary*. Pictured above are Ashley and Jack, taking their turn at caring for the hens.

Perfect score

Shaun Johnstone, year 12 student at Warrandyte High, achieved a perfect study score of 50 whilst studying VET Multimedia as a Year 11 student in 2005.

"This outstanding achievement placed Shaun at the top of the state in this subject," Claire Bloom, the school's ICT coordinator told the *Diary* "As a result he was presented with the Premiers Award."

In his studies of multimedia, Shaun was required to complete a number of work-orientated projects including an animated storybook, a digital portfolio of design work, client website and sit a two hour on-line exam.

Also in 2005, Shaun was selected to attend the 2006 ACS National Computer Science School at the University of Sydney. The week-long school brought together talented young people for an intensive week of computer programming and website development.



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Increased river flow — doubts

By EMMA CLARK

The Yarra River will receive an extra 20 billion litres of water flow as part of draft environmental proposals announced last month.

The extra water includes 17,000 megalitres per year that can be stored and released as needed.

However, this may not be quite as good news as local residents had hoped. Ian Penrose of the Yarra Riverkeepers Association says that the announced plan may actually increase the amount of water that is taken out of the river.

"This has all been a step in the right direction, but it is not enough. We need to be returning water to the rivers rather than taking it out," he said.

The Riverkeepers told the *Diary* last month that the association was "deeply concerned the needs of the Yarra will be overlooked and water authorities permitted to take even more water out of the river". It seems that this is the case.

"On average, 320 billion litres is taken out of the river per year. The plan has changed the 'cap' to 400 billion litres. So in effect, they are taking more water out than they ever have. Contrary to media hype, they are actually not putting more water in but are taking water out," Mr Penrose said. The extra 17 megalitres which will be pumped out and stored will reduce the amount of water overall.

The government's strategy was developed in response to a study by Melbourne Water, with which the Riverkeepers were involved. The study showed that while the upper and middle reaches of the river remain in good condition, the flow in some areas is insufficient to support important environmental values.

"The timing of flows will be more natural, which will improve the river life, but the total flow could decline," Mr Penrose said.

"If the river was in its natural condition and we had never taken any water out, the summer flow would be at 755



River fun: will there be enough water, and will it be clean? (Picture by Stephen Reynolds)

'...the announced plan may actually increase the amount of water that is taken out of the river.'

— Ian Penrose

megalitres in Warrandyte, but now it's at 249 megalitres. Scientists say we need about 200 megalitres to maintain healthy river life."

The government's strategy highlights the importance of a healthy Yarra, not just for environmental reasons but for healthy drinking water. "Not many people realise that the bulk of reticulated drinking water comes out of the Yarra catchments. It is extracted at the Upper Yarra Dam and also from just north of Warrandyte

where it is pumped to Sugarloaf Dam," Mr Penrose said.

Danielle Green, MP for Yan Yean, welcomed a boost to the river. "This proposal is great news for the Yarra which of course means it is great news for Warrandyte. The Yarra is a crucial asset for Warrandyte. It is valued for its conservation and environmental values, its tourism and economic benefits as well as its recreational, social and cultural significance to the community.

"Many aspects of the river's ecosystems rely upon the river's natural variability. Some of this additional water can be stored and then released to boost high flow events which provide spawning cues for fish and freshen water quality in river pools."

Warrandyte MP Phil Honeywood believes that the proposal is not enough.

"For Warrandyte, this so-called policy is merely window dressing. We are still no closer

to the 20-year perpetual waiting list for sewerage connection. Until the state government gets serious about stopping e.coli from septic tanks in Warrandyte and Park Orchards running off into our creeks and into the Yarra, then this is all froth and bubble."

The health of the Yarra is compromised by high e.coli levels from human effluent leaking into the river from leaking sewer pipes, sewer overflows due to illegal stormwater connections, illegal toilet connections to stormwater drains and septic tanks.

The government's strategy also includes a total of 66 billion litres of extra flow for the rivers in Victoria's central region.

These rivers include the Yarra, Gippsland's Latrobe, Thomson and McAlister rivers, Geelong's Barwon and Moorabool rivers, the Werribee River, the Maribyrnong River and the Bunyip/Tarago rivers.

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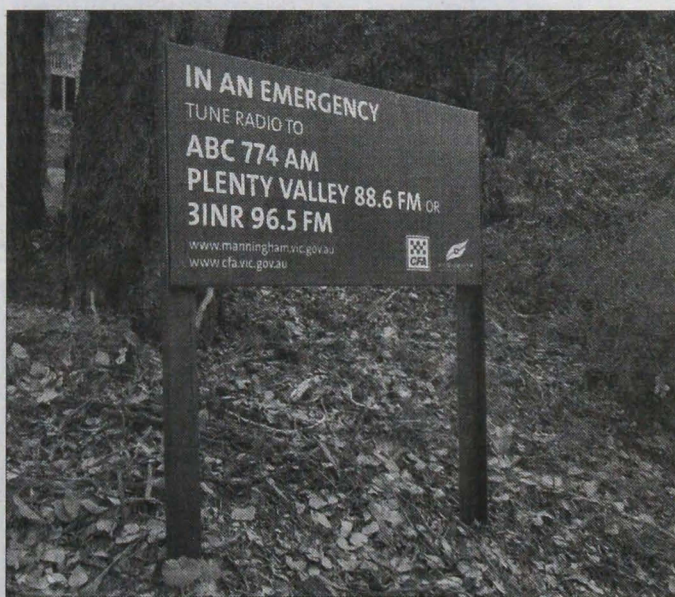
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Saving our branch office

That old veteran botanical specimen, the "Diary Tree" in Yarra Street, is in the news once more.

It has been named as being of "historical value" in the Manningham heritage garden and significant tree study.

Believed to be more than 120 years old, the tree—a Monterey Cypress—once stood in the garden of a house. It now overhangs the street and car park.

Before the community centre was built, a box fastened to the tree served as a repository for letters, photos, news items and so on addressed to the *Diary*. It was the newspaper's main conduit to the local community.

But the Diary Tree is not well. The council survey identifies canopy dieback in the upper branches and deadwood and minor rot present in branch wounds at the base of the tree.

A large leader has been removed on the north side and the tree is under stress as a re-

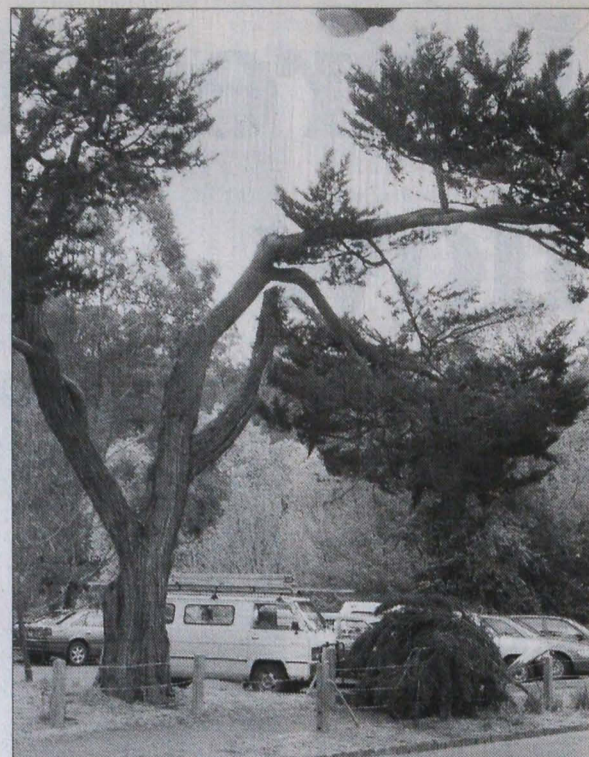
sult of works carried out immediately surrounding it.

The survey recommends an assessment to test the stability of the upper branches and the installation of a cable to the main leaders in the upper canopy. However, "the tree is in a state of decline".

But even if the Diary Tree (we called it our "branch office") is to go, it is recommended that "cuttings should be taken and propagated as part of an eventual replacement strategy policy".

So, just like the Lone Pine at the Shrine of Remembrance, the Diary Tree could live again!

Other trees of historical significance along Yarra Street include two English Oaks at the rear of 77, where Sunday services were held following the destruction of local churches in the 1939 bushfires, and a Pepper Tree behind the Warrandyte Historical Museum, formerly the post office.



What was left of the Diary Tree following the big blow of February 2005. (Picture by Sandy Burgoyne)

Warrandyte heritage plan

Manningham council has endorsed the revision of the Warrandyte township heritage guidelines and will now request the minister for planning to authorise their inclusion in the Manningham planning scheme.

Guidelines are intended to provide residents with concise, user friendly information in relation to development in the commercial and residential areas of the Warrandyte township.

Mayor Cr Patricia Young said the guidelines provide for the ongoing protection of the municipality's cultural heritage and are consistent with the objectives of the Manningham planning scheme in that they:

- Recognise the cultural heritage of the

municipality

- Increase community awareness of and knowledge about the municipalities heritage

- Protect and enhance the cultural heritage of the community by the retention of culturally significant buildings, places, precincts, trees and landscapes

- Recognise the value of identified heritage precincts

- Minimise impacts on heritage assets as a result of changes to adjoining land uses.

"The revised guidelines provide greater clarity in relation to heritage issues and also provide clear direction for decision-making by council officers and are designed

to ensure the cultural and natural values of the Warrandyte township precinct are protected in the long term."

"They offer heritage controls to protect the fabric of the Warrandyte township, while giving greater clarification to property owners considering undertaking building and other works," Cr Young said.

As part of the amendment process, council will undertake a community consultation process. The amendment will be on public exhibition for a period of six weeks and during the exhibition process council will hold information sessions about the guidelines, the amendment process and heritage advisory services offered by council.

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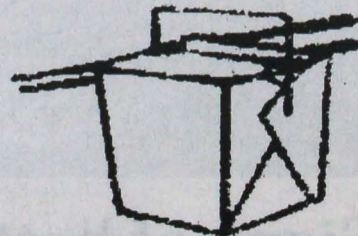
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With the impending resignation of MP Phil Honeywood in November the state seat of Warrandyte could be up for grabs. Two candidates have shown their hand.

Greens target transport issues



David Ellis

David Ellis of Tills Drive, Warrandyte, has been nominated as Greens candidate in the state election.

"Between now and the November election, I will be outlining Greens policies and getting input from the people of Warrandyte," Mr Ellis told the *Diary*.

According to Mr Ellis, Greens policies that address issues of immediate concern to Warrandyte include water quality and the Yarra; the need for an affordable, co-ordinated and world-class public transport system and defending the Green Wedge.

"We're often told that Melbourne people are wedded to their cars," Mr Ellis said. "But in Warrandyte, what alternative do people have?"

"Wouldn't it be terrific if Warrandyte people could access work and leisure conveniently through a properly co-ordinated public transport system? If young people could enjoy a night out and come back safely at 10, 11 or 12 o'clock at night?"

"With proper planning, time-tabling and infrastructure we could have this, but the present government and their predecessors are stuck in a freeway-tollway mentality. They've dumped the whole public transport issue onto the private sector, paid them a heap of money, then forgotten about it," Mr Ellis said.

Public transport advocate Genevieve O'Connell will address a Greens gathering on public transport at Lyndon Park, Tills Drive, Warrandyte, on Thursday, May 25 at 7.30pm.

ALP swing could be a winner



Jarrod Panther

Jarrod Panther, 24, of North Ringwood, has been nominated ALP candidate for Warrandyte in the state elections in November.

As the Labor candidate at the 2002 state election, Mr Panther secured a swing of 7.5 percent to the ALP, reducing Liberal MP Phil Honeywood's margin to 6.4 percent.

Mr Panther said he had a good feeling going into this campaign but was fully aware of the large task in front of him.

"The fact that there will be no incumbent MP at this election will be an advantage, but I acknowledge that winning Warrandyte will be no small task.

"However, four years ago the ALP secured a swing larger than the current margin and if you compare the current state of both the Labor Party and the Liberal Party, very little has changed since 2002.

"On one hand we have the Steve Bracks and Labor—a united team, delivering in health, education, community safety, the environment as well as strong economic management, contrasted with the Liberal opposition, which remains divided and still with no vision for Victoria.

"It is on these grounds that I am confident of a strong result," Mr Panther said.

Jarrod Panther is currently employed as an electorate officer to Kilsyth MP, Dymnna Beard and Evelyn MP, Heather McTaggart.

Jarrod Panther can be contacted on 0425 790 707.

We used 15000 bags!

Prior to the commencement of a campaign to reduce the number of plastic bags distributed by local retail outlets, it is estimated that 15,000 bags were used in Warrandyte township.

Shopping centres at Macedon Square and Bulleen Plaza accounted for 20,000 and 50,000 respectively.

Sustainability Victoria has awarded Manningham council three grants of \$3000, plus \$3000 "in kind" to fund efforts to drastically reduce plastic bag use at these three centres.

Mayor Cr Pat Young said the initiative works at a local level to take proactive action against the 80 million plastic shopping bags that end up as litter on our beaches, streets and in parks every year, and take as much as a thousand years to break down.

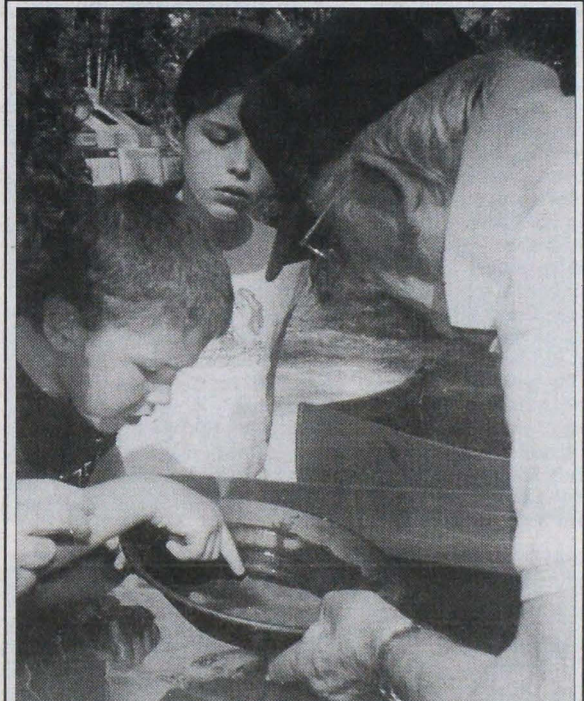
"Through the Plastic Bag Free Challenge the Warrandyte Township, Macedon Square and Bulleen Plaza are committing themselves to minimising the distribution of single-use plastic bags, with the long-term goal of phasing out their use altogether," Cr Young said.

All three centres are actively supporting the Plastic Bag Free Challenge.

"Of the 74 occupied shop-fronts in the Warrandyte township, 88 percent have signed up

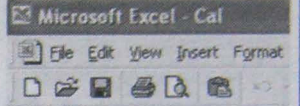
in support of the project, and funding of Manningham's efforts has been boosted by contributions of \$1000 each from Macedon Square and Bulleen Plaza."

Council will submit its first progress report to Sustainability Victoria in July, by which time 80 percent of retailers are hoped to be plastic bag free. The final report will be submitted to Sustainability Victoria in February 2007.



A group calling themselves the Mini Miners, based in Croydon, claim to have more than 40 years experience looking for gold in Warrandyte. During the past five years, they have mounted a display at the Warrandyte Festival. Pictured is one of these latter-day fossickers demonstrating his skills to several festival-goers. Anyone seeking information can call Ian Hayward on 9727 1594.

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Warrandyte's

The children marched too

By JOANNE GREEN

A HOST of memories—good and bad—came flooding back for those attending Warrandyte's annual Anzac Day march and memorial service last month.

The day dawned overcast with an icy wind, reflecting the sombre mood of those gathered at the Yarra Street-Whipstick Gully corner, but by the time the march was under way at 10.30am, the sun had broken through.

Led by veterans from World War 2, Korea and Vietnam, the parade included Warrandyte Girl Guides, Scouts and many families with young children.

Leader Jill told the *Diary* the Guides were marching "to show their respect for the soldiers from all the wars, from all the countries. We come along every year and we're happy to do it."

"Today's a special day," WW2 veteran Ben Jones said as he prepared to march off behind lone piper Lachlan McSwain. "Nineteen of my relations are here, including three great-grandchildren."

Warrandyte RSL president Dave Parker said he had mixed emotions as he marched along Yarra Street. "You think of the chaps who were lucky enough to come back. You think of some who didn't make it. It's very sad. Some of them were only 18 or 19. There's nothing nice about war."

Father of three Gerald Backer of Doncaster said his children "thought it would be good to go to an Anzac Day parade".

"I really believe the kids should be in the march," Dave Parker said. "It makes our march."

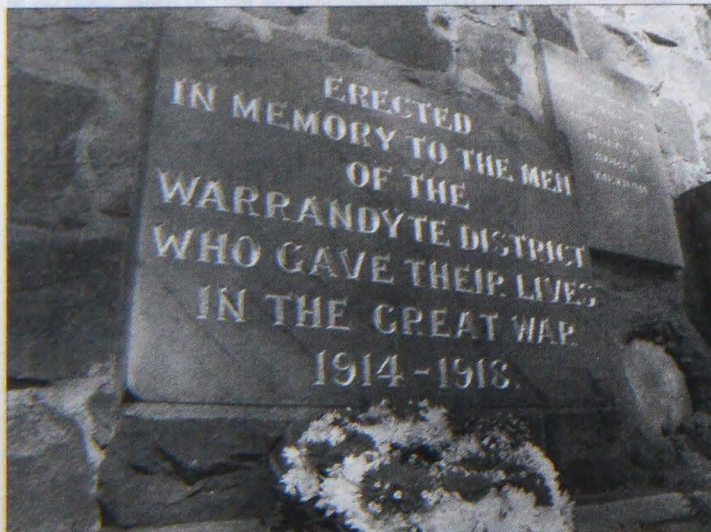
Approximately 50 people marched, but the crowd had grown to about 350 by the time

the parade reached the Memorial Grounds opposite the bridge and everyone gathered for the memorial service.

The service commenced with the National Anthem, followed by "My Country", sung by the local Bellbird Singers. Celebrant John Byrne conducted the service, then led the gathering in prayer. Wreaths were laid by the Guides, the Scouts and an RSL representative. Everyone observed a minute's silence as the flag was raised and the Last Post, played by a single bugler, rang out across the hills.

Then followed a time of fellowship, refreshment and the exchange of memories in the RSL clubrooms.

Ben Jones said he had some good memories of the time he spent on Bouganville, and some sad ones. "But I got back all right," he said.



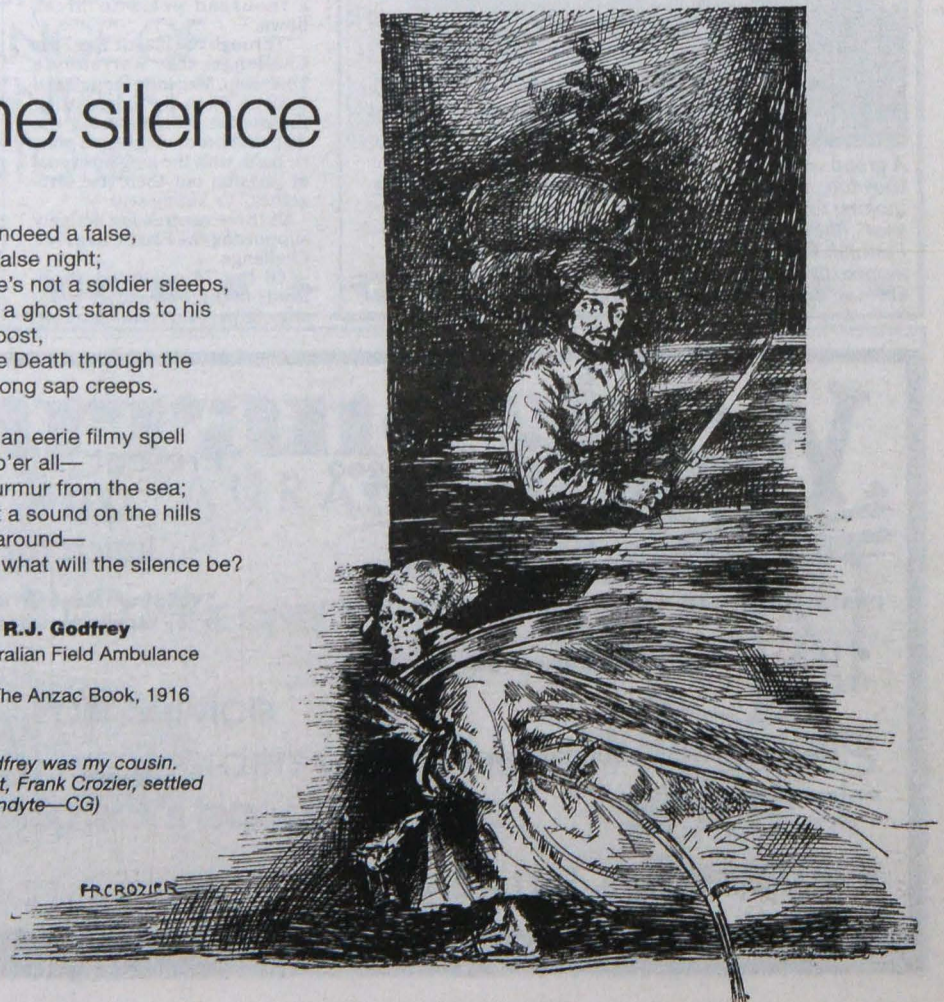
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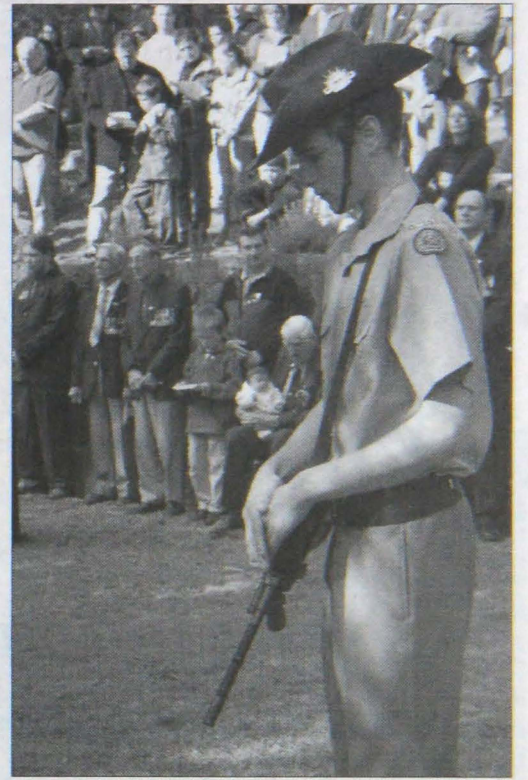
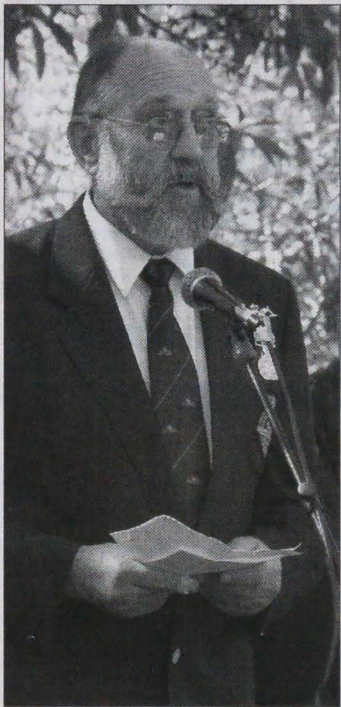
This is indeed a false,
false night;
There's not a soldier sleeps,
But like a ghost stands to his
post,
While Death through the
long sap creeps.

There's an eerie filmy spell
o'er all—
A murmur from the sea;
And not a sound on the hills
around—
Say, what will the silence be?

Private R.J. Godfrey
7th Australian Field Ambulance
—from *The Anzac Book*, 1916

(Jim Godfrey was my cousin.
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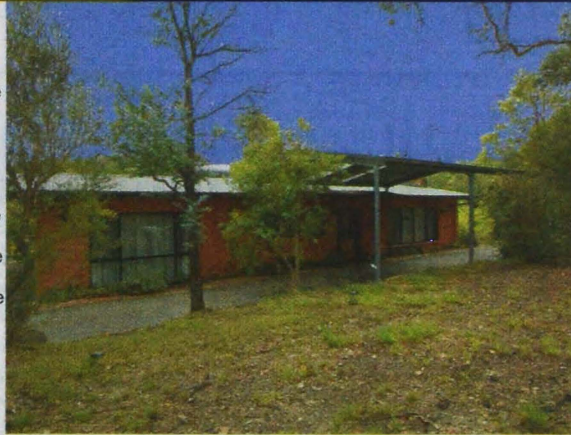


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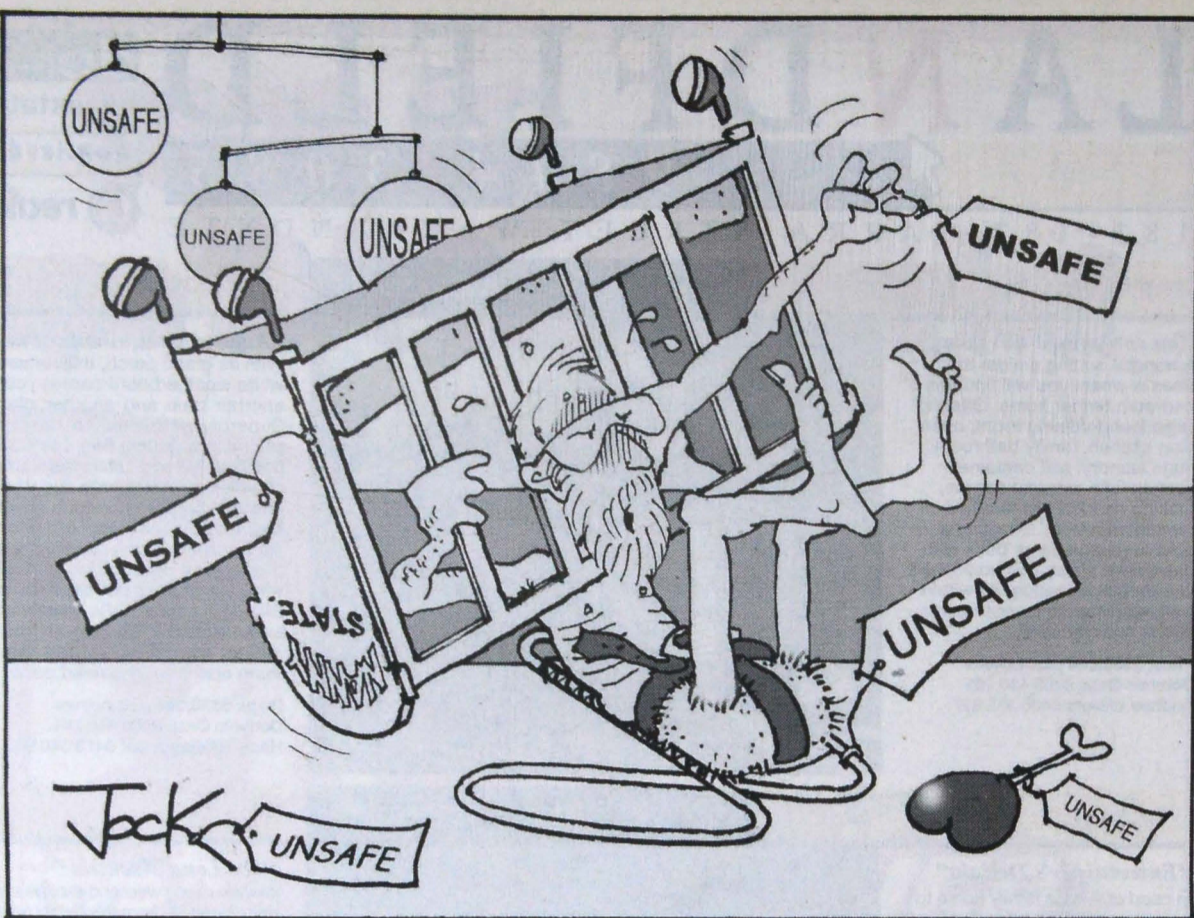
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Next they'll require the stork to wear a parachute!

WHATEVER happened to the Baby Bouncer? I remember, fondly, the interminable hours during which our colicky baby was rocked to some form of peaceful stupor during the small hours of the morning.

It was an ingenious piece of baby equipment; basically, a folded loop of sprung steel supporting a webbed trampoline on the top side. This had a strap that passed across the baby's waist and between its legs. All the flustered parent had to do was sit slumped in a chair with the baby in the Bouncer positioned just within fingertip reach. A quick push with the index finger sent baby rocking, hopefully to sleep, thus preventing infanticide. Evidently, these have been banned.

Far be it from me to question the safety of infants, but for the life of me, I can't see what was wrong with them. True, it may have been possible for an aspiring NASA parent to try out the baby and Bouncer as an alternative launch pad for an attempted lunar landing, but other than that, I can't see what was wrong with them. No doubt somewhere, someone's baby suffered horribly in one of the Bouncers and, as seems to happen nowadays, the Bouncer was thrown out with the litigious barrister's invoice.

I bet, however, hidden away in the spare rooms and attics of baby boomers' houses are caches of all sorts of things that are now considered abhorrent by modern parents.

We've just become grandparents again which means we've

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"These requirements were to stop babies wriggling under the bottom rail or climbing the horizontal struts to hurl themselves to an unpleasant end."

just had to reassess our inadequate parenting skills—again. In truth, it's a miracle our children lived beyond infancy. It all started with "the cot".

Our two grew up in our wonderful old Victorian cast-iron cot. We bought it, secondhand, in a bric-a-brac shop. I had to

get rid of the lead paint and repaint it. Now, it's a sombre brown-maroon colour but, at the time, it was probably either bright red or lime. The bottom springing was all right so we had a rubber mattress cut to size. We kept it in the fond hope that it would be great for our grandchildren.

How big is the average mothers' fist? As soon as both mothers-to-be saw the cot, they menaced it with outspread fists.

"Too big! The baby's head could fit through and it could strangle to death."

Herself and I looked at each other and winced. Here we were, serial child killers, despicably attempting to entrap more innocent victims. So, it was off to the baby mega store that was brimming with safe baby equipment.

And then there's the car baby seat.

"We can't leave the baby with you because you don't have the correct fittings for the baby seat."

Now I don't have a lot of problems with this one because the way we did it was less than perfect.

If I remember correctly, the earliest travelling baby months were in the "carry bassinets" that was plonked on the back seat of the car. It was certainly easier to get the baby in and out of the car than it is today. We simply opened the door, lifted out the bassinets and carried it into the supermarket where it was positioned across the trolley. Simpler sure, but certainly not safer. Today, babies travel backwards, are strapped and are safe but require an addi-

tional quarter of an hour and an additional four arms for the mother to pop in and get a bottle of milk.

I'm sure it's all for the best and I certainly don't want babies to suffer and even I have discovered areas that need improving.

When we built our house, only 10 years ago, we were told, in no uncertain terms, that our balcony balustrade had to be made of vertical lengths of wood and the bottom support could be no further from the decking planks than a mother's closed fist. These requirements were to stop babies wriggling under the bottom rail or climbing horizontal struts to hurl themselves to an unpleasant end.

The same year, it seems, babies acquired superior discernment because the laws about balustrades changed and in came the cheese-slicer railings. I mean the minimalist five horizontal stainless steel lengths of wire that don't block the view, nor would I argue, do they block the baby or the toppling toddler. Why is it acceptable for a fifth storey trendy balustrade to be safety-iffy at best, but a Baby Bouncer, which has some practical use, is somehow akin to one of the Devil's devices?

And don't get me started on council play equipment. I'd rather my grandchild run the risk of breaking a collarbone whilst building strength, coordination and confidence whilst playing on a monkey bar than sit in front of a Gameboy.

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Wandering with the wonders around Blue-tongue Bend

MARCH, April and May are officially classed as autumn, but the weather during these months can be any season. This year, in late March just after the Games were over, it changed from summer to winter overnight. Easter too was chilly, but sandwiched between the cold spells were some more typical autumn days with cool misty mornings and calm sunny afternoons.

On one of those more mellow days, with a couple of hours to spare, I decided to go for a walk in the State Park. Jumping Creek Reserve was my destination of choice and the four kilometre Blue-tongue Bend circuit walk suited my time frame perfectly.

Beginning at the northern end of the Sandy Bay car park, as the sign directed, I took the narrow dirt track that followed the river upstream, winding through an understorey of Burgan and Christmas Bush. The vegetation changed noticeably as the track ascended, with thickets of Plum-leaf Pomaderis and Rock Correa on the high side and, on the low side, arching swathes of Sword-sedge like a shiny green waterfall frozen in time. In general the plants had fared well over summer, although recent rain had probably aided their recovery to some degree—only the grasses and Maidenhair ferns were still brown and shrivelled from their long summer scorching.

I paused at the highest point. The river looked magnificent, especially now the willows have gone, replaced by feathery grey Silver Wattles through which emerged creamy-trunked, ever green Manna Gums.

Approaching the Bend, I began to scour the ground for some orchids I remembered seeing on my last visit. Sure enough, there they were, in deep shade amongst the leaf lit-



ter. Whilst most orchids flower in spring, this one flowers in the opposite season and for that reason—and for the resemblance of its flower to the gaping beak of a baby bird—it is called the Autumn Bird-orchid. But flowering is rare unless stimulated by fire or slashing and despite searching the tightly packed colony of ground-hugging leaves, I couldn't find a single bloom.

Warrandyte is home to a couple of other autumn flowering orchids—namely the Sharp Midge Orchid and Parson's Bands. Both are diminutive epiphytes preferring the drier stony soils of slopes and ridges. Neither form tight colonies like the Autumn Bird-orchid. Instead, somehow, they manage to push up a single flower-bearing stem through the baked

earth at almost the driest time of year.

At the Bend the track headed away from the river joining a wide management track that climbed steadily through Burgan-dominated bush. After several steep heart-pounding pinches the track flattened out. I took a breather at the well-placed picnic table. Just visible through the shrubs was a fence. Unremarkable to look at, but there is quite a story contained within its boundaries.

The Dainty Bird-orchid is a rare relative of the Autumn Bird-orchid, known from only two sites in the Melbourne area. Six years ago a number of tubers of this threatened orchid were trans-located from the Yarra Valley Parklands (where the colony was being invaded by weeds) to a more secure site

NATURE

By **PAT COUPAR**
 Drawn by **MELANIE COUPAR**

in the Warrandyte State Park. The area was chosen by an astute botanist because it fitted all the right criteria regarding soil, aspect and vegetation community. Then the unbelievable happened. A colony of over 100 plants of the precious Dainty Bird-orchid was found growing naturally less than 100 metres away from the trans-located plants. Coincidence, not really, just proof that knowing the biology of a plant and ecology of its habitat is all-important.

Both natural and transplanted populations of the Dainty Bird-orchid have thrived and increased in number over the intervening years. But being a spring-flowerer, I doubted that even the leaves would be up at this early stage of the year. I pressed on to complete the circuit, promising myself that I would not leave it so long before returning again.

Plant of the Month

The words melano meaning black and xylon meaning wood have given rise to the common name of the Blackwood Wattle (*Acacia melanoxylon*). Most wattles are rather short-lived, but not this one. While it can get to be quite a sizeable tree in places like the Dangenong Ranges, in Warrandyte it is much smaller and makes an ideal shade or screen tree for gardens. Forestry tubes of Blackwood Wattle can be obtained this month from the Friends of Warrandyte State Park nursery which is located at the rangers depot at Pound Bend. For more information contact the nursery manager on 0408 313 7327

How public is public transport?

LIVING a bit out of town as we do, we Warrandytians are great car enthusiasts. Indeed, some families are fast running out of room for their motor vehicle collection. And it's getting worse: the higher the price of petrol, the more ridiculous the cost of propelling a heavy-duty cross-country safari vehicle down to the shop for a spot of milk. So people are gradually acquiring little runabouts as well.

The net result, apart from boasting one of the highest per capita fuel bills in the country, is that we are getting too insular, too cut off from the rest of the human race as it crawls locust-like to work each day.

Leaving the car at home will help fix all this.

People will just start talking to you. This comes as a complete surprise to some. One particular friend, after about 10 minutes out of her car, told me she'd never had so many conversations with complete strangers in her whole life. Well, there's someone who definitely needs to get out more.

OUR PLACE

By **MARILYN MOORE**

Even our daughter, a regular commuter, sms'd from the train one day: "Am I wearing a sign or what?"

What people want to talk about might not be what you want to hear, but that's the luck of the draw. By the time you reach your destination, you'll probably hear more than you could possibly ever want to know about somebody's astonishingly bright kiddy, or why it's so hard to find a job when you've been unemployed for seven months, or why Jennifer is getting off at Box Hill when she usually goes to Frankston, or the latest instalment of Cousin Madge's medical history.

"Do you think Yamaha or Suzuki for development of tonal perception?"

"Me mum sez I got too much piercings an' stuff ..."

"Can I walk from Box Hill sta-

tion to Dunmore Street? How much would a taxi cost?"

"But there, Madge always did 'ave somethink the matter wif'er. Not like Mabel—Mabel 'ad a lovely liver, God rest'er soul ..."

Sometimes you just want to run and hide, but on the whole it makes for diverting travel. Being made to consider the things that are uppermost in other people's lives keeps your own feet on the ground, too. We can all use a bit of perspective.

And of course one meets all sorts of characters that (fortunately) are rarely seen around Warrandyte. Yesterday, for example, seemed to be Pushy Git day, but I did spot a couple of interesting young mums.

The first, expensively dressed, was taking toddler and baby out to lunch with the grandparents. For over an hour, the adults discussed the bored toddler in excruciating detail as if he weren't there. So tempting to lean over and point out that the average two-year-old is neither deaf nor unintelligent! In fact you might even regard him as an actual person. (Or am I just becoming a grumpy old

woman?)

The second, down-at-heel and unwashed, was out for a bucket of chips with her tattoo-covered partner and something malodorous and squealing stuffed into a pusher. The girl, who until that moment had been caressing the ear of her beloved with her multi-studded tongue, suddenly leapt at a hapless youth behind the counter.

"Give him the f-ing right change, you f-ing moron!" she screamed, creating a fair bit of interest amongst onlookers. "C'mon, f-ing give him his f-ing money!"

Rather clichéd, don't you think? Much more interesting had the well-dressed young mother behaved like the teenager, or vice versa. Better still, the beautifully groomed grandmother could have leapt about screaming obscenities, or the meek little lad serving chips could have muscled in on the smelly bundle and changed its nappy.

Nup. That sort of thing happens only in video clips. Real life isn't on the telly. It's what you get out and see for yourself.

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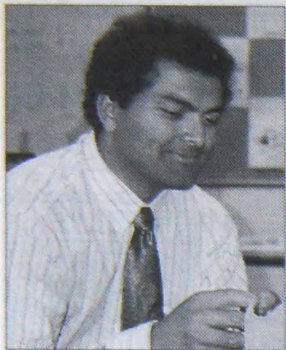
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Remembering Jean-Pierre Lajoie

STAFF, parents and students, both past and present attended a memorial service for respected teacher, Jean Pierre Lajoie, at Warrandyte High School on Friday, May 5. Chris Danes conducted the service, which was held in the school garden.

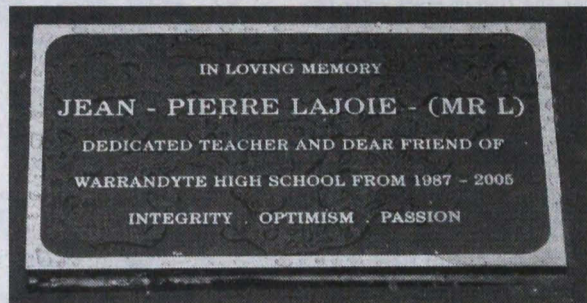
"Jean Pierre taught maths and science at Warrandyte High School for 18 years," a school spokesperson told the *Diary*.

"In that time he quietly worked his way into the hearts and minds of many hundreds of

students and gained the respect, affection and friendship of the entire school community.

"He was a highly dedicated teacher, a year level coordinator for many years, science faculty co-ordinator, served on school council and was a member of many committees. He helped establish the Kakadu trip and acted as stage manager for the school productions," the spokesperson said.

A plaque was installed and a rose bush planted to commemorate his role as teacher, mentor and leader.



A long life lived well

CARRIE TREZISE, well-known in Warrandyte during her years managing the Grand Hotel with husband Arthur, died on April 5, aged 92.

Caroline Margaret Hemsworth was born in Footscray on December 31, 1913. Her parents were Anne and Charles Hemsworth. They later moved to a beautiful property in Warrandyte, where her family was involved in the tennis club and various community activities. Her father was elected to the local council. Those years growing up in Warrandyte provided Carrie with many happy memories.

She was educated to Year 9, then left school to take a position at the Myer Emporium in Melbourne. She was appointed to the picture-framing department, a role that especially suited her artistic capabilities.

Carrie met Arthur Trezise in Warrandyte, they married at the Gospel Chapel and lived in a house overlooking the river, known as "The Castle".

In 1939 Carrie borrowed a black suit to attend a funeral. She returned home to find their house burned to the ground. When Arthur went off to the

Second World War, Carrie found life hard, working in the family hotel and caring for her two children, Robert and Janice.

After the war, Carrie and Arthur became nominees of the Doncaster Inn. In 1954 the family, which now included Richard and Valry, moved to Portarlington where they purchased the old hotel, turning it into a guest house. This was often the venue for social events, including weddings, card nights, football club and Sunday school socials. Carrie's novel ideas, considered well ahead of her time, livened up these happy occasions.

They moved back to Warrandyte in 1959 where they managed the Grand Hotel for some years. In 1973 it was back to Portarlington and retirement for Carrie and Arthur. Arthur died in 1986 and Carrie's life changed dramatically. They had spent 50 years together.

"Carrie was a silent partner in a very good marriage," daughter Val told the *Diary*. "She supported Arthur in all the moves that had to be made. Carrie was the quiet strength of the family."

Carrie was "Mamma" to her grandchildren. "She was our strength," Val

said. "Her love for all of us was unconditional. She would never judge anyone, always accepting people as they were. She never spoke a negative word about any of her children."

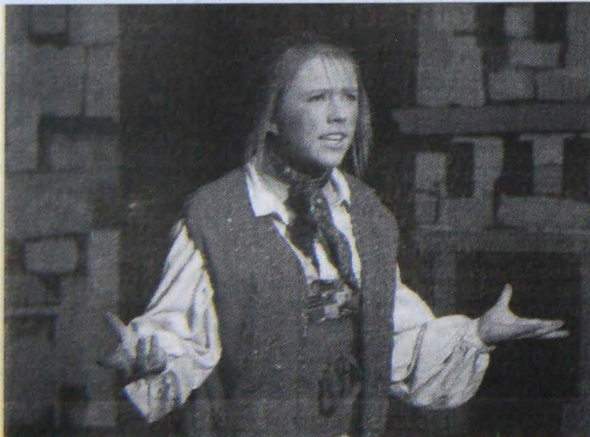
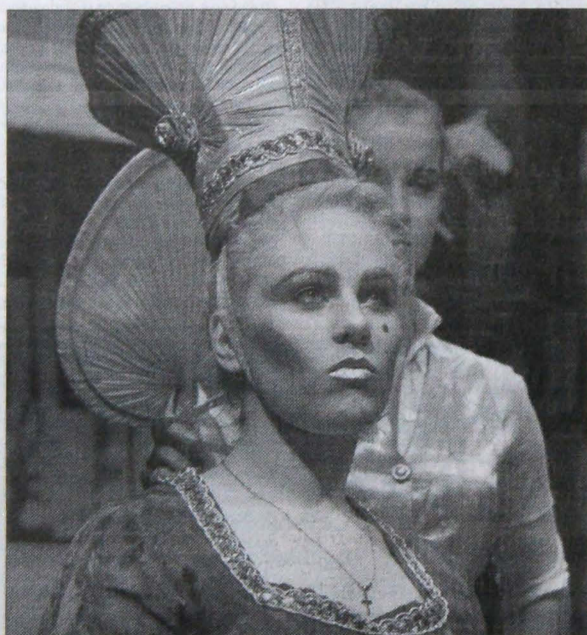
"Carrie had a kind heart towards the unloved; always caring for those nobody else would take time to help. Whether it was feeding them, or giving them a lift somewhere, or even supplying a roof over their heads. She had compassion for all and only saw the good in people."

When Carrie finally had to go into a nursing home, Val said she reaped what she had sown. "She received wonderful loving care and was looked after very well. She was never any trouble and was never a burden to anyone."

Carrie Trezise lived through a Depression, through the Second World War with loved ones away at the front. She lost every material thing she owned in the 1939 bushfires. She worked alongside Arthur all their working lives, when it was not common for women of her generation to do so. "She has been a remarkable woman, a tower of strength and a wonderful role model," Val said.



Brecht drama challenged



VCE Year 12 drama students at Warrandyte High School presented Bertold Brecht's "The Caucasian Chalk Circle" in the school's theatre last month.

According to director Niki Pidd, the play presented the young performers with many challenges.

"They tried to create a fantasy world that had the feel of a fairy story," she told the *Diary*. "Epic theatre is a story-telling performance style that is non-naturalistic."

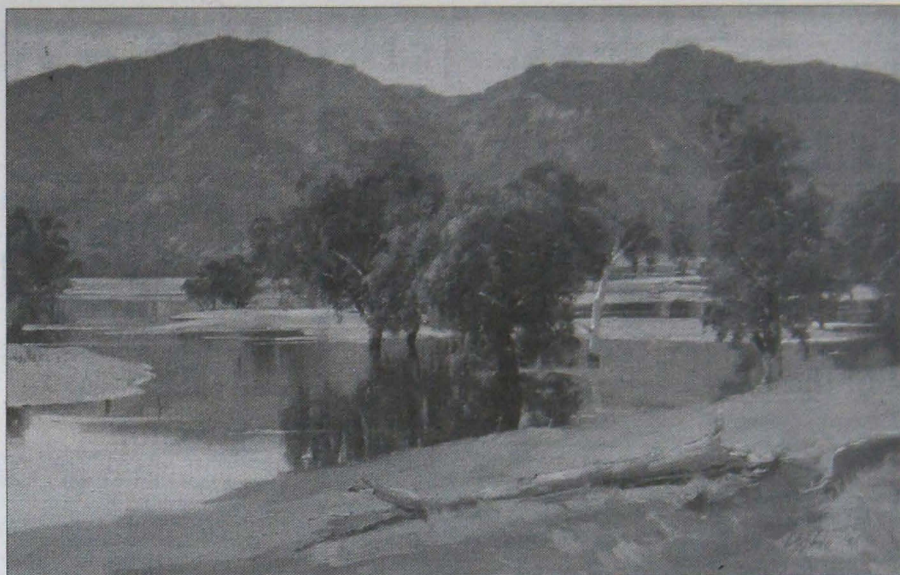
"As the play is set in the Caucasus Mountains, where Europe, Asia and the Middle East meet, they made specific references in their design to the landscape, architecture, art, symbols, costume and rituals of the peoples of that region, of the 18th Century."

"Costumes also show strong contrasts between the peasants and the people who rule them, to reinforce Brecht's strong beliefs about class, arising from his beliefs as a Communist."

"As actors and designers they had to resolve the issues of quick scene and costume changes and of actors playing multiple characters," Niki Pidd said.

Pictures by STEPHEN REYNOLDS

Capturing the magic



By JEREMY LOFTUS-HILLS

WHEN Cherry Manders received her invitation to exhibit at the 22nd Warrandyte Rotary Art Show, she had already decided what paintings she would show.

"The main thing for me is getting the forms returned and the paintings in by the due dates," she said. "There are a lot of these kinds of shows and it's easy to miss an entry deadline. The organisers are usually pretty strict. If you're late you don't get hung."

Cherry was one of about 50 local artists who exhibited this year. While most of their works were representational, two of Cherry's four pieces had a different feel. "I'm sort of on the edge between representational and modern. Sometimes I think that there could be a contemporary section within the show, or an award for best contemporary work," she said.

Interestingly, this year's winner—Fiona Bilborough's "Roses"—was a subtle mix of realistic and modern styles. This was Fiona's only entry, and she paints to win. "My partner, John Bredl, gets frustrated with me, because I keep working on a piece long after he thinks it's finished. What I'm trying to do is build that extra bit of magic into it, something that shines forth and says, 'Take a closer look—I hold a secret deep within'. It's great when a judge—especially one of the stature of Malcolm Webster—sees that quality

too."

Fiona and John from Rosebud are just two of the 70 artists who come from "out of town". There is a well-trodden circuit of Rotary shows and many artists rely on it for a livelihood. "I'd be showing in 10 or 12 shows in any one season, all around the country," said prize winner (miniatures) John Bredl.

"I would have earned about 10 percent of last year's income from 'Rotaries'. Anyone who wants to live off their art has to take them seriously." Unlike Fiona, John paints to sell. "It's been a bit quiet lately. The Rotary shows do not seem to be selling as many pieces as they used to."

John's sentiments are borne out by recent global statistics that show art buyers returning to the work of long dead masters. Of the 10 Australian artists whose prices increased most in 2005, all were born before 1900. These changes have a ripple effect on the Rotary art shows, which have evolved through 50 years of rebels, precursors and speculators.

Invented in the United States in the 1960s, the Rotary art shows became established in Australia during the 1970s. "The Warrandyte Rotary Art Show started in 1985," local artist Pauline Cross told the *Diary*. "That was about the same time that the federal government introduced a tax incentive for buyers of Australian art. A lot of corporations built up their tax-effective collections, investing heavily through the Rotary art shows."

According to Pauline, sales at the

Rotary art show were especially important for women. "For the first time we could cover the cost of our lessons and materials ourselves. It gave us a focus as well as a sense of independence, integrity and purpose. It was easier then to sell. It's harder now. People are still buying and selling art, but it's happening in other ways. For example I recently exhibited a number of my pieces in Toronto. Now there could be an opportunity to show my work in Japan."

The annual Rotary Art Show is Warrandyte's biggest, and some artists would like to see it regain its grass roots appeal. "A local show should speak directly to the local community," Cherry said. "Why not have a prize for the best painting about Warrandyte, or for the best emerging local artist?" Changes in the market, and new ideas from the artists themselves, are having an impact on Rotary shows across the nation.

"In the 1970s, Rosebud Rotary Art Show was the biggest in the Southern hemisphere," John Bredl said. "Since then it's sort of faded. I had lunch with the organisers a few months back and they're going to make some changes. They'll hang all the work of individual artists together. This will encourage artists to work to themes. And they'll separate amateurs from professionals."

Things are changing in Warrandyte as well. A new award—best work by a student (won by Tom Reynolds of Warrandyte High School for his lino

cut "Emu"), and afternoon presentations by guest artists created new interest.

The most telling change was the venue itself. The community church is cheaper, more visible and weather-proof than was the marquee. It also has lock-up facilities, a kitchen and a 300-seat hall.

At 258 paintings, the hanging space was stretched past the limit. Opening night filled the hall to capacity. Sure it was squashed and artists had to take pot-luck. Maybe, in the second room, their piece might be hung at "pygmy" height and in mediocre light (as was Fiona's work). Or maybe, it sat proudly (like Chris White's "Burrowye"), at eye height in the entrance foyer.

Artists have come to accept crowded displays as the price for wide representation. "We were able to hang all the work that was entered," newly appointed coordinator Alan Quantrell said. "We have thought of having a size limit so we can display each work with more space around it, but it's important to us that we feature as many artists as we reasonably can. Of course we like them to sell, that's of benefit to us as well, but as Rotarians we take a wider view. If we can showcase new talent, or bring success to dedicated artists, then in many ways we have fulfilled our purpose."

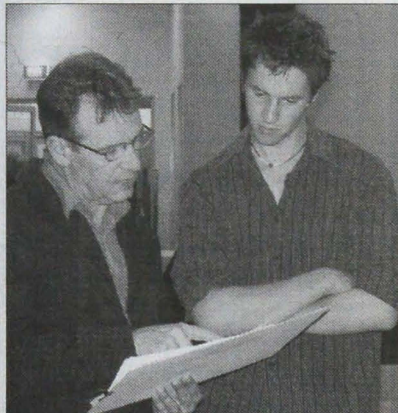
The big winners were the potential buyers. For the first time they were able to sit in comfort and hear a full and detailed explanation of the judging process.

"The first thing I did was cut the best 30 from the rest. I had them taken off the wall and placed around the hall," said judge and guest artist Malcolm Webster. "I have fixed criteria that I use when doing this: composition, choice of subject, draughtsmanship, use of colour and tone, integrity and personal response, framing, mounting and presentation."

But for some reason Malcolm found this particular show challenging to judge. "I spent the whole afternoon assessing each piece and narrowing down the cut until I was left with about seven. That's when I let my heart take over. I kept coming back to 'Roses' and then, when I finally chose it and saw that it was Fiona's, I was sort of reassured that I had made a good choice."

Then suddenly it's four o'clock Sunday and Cherry tears herself away from the festival sound stage to collect her four works. She does not measure her success by her sales, but by the opportunity she has had to tell stories, mythologise and be dramatic in a public setting.

"The wattle in Warrandyte is so beautiful, yet so ephemeral. You hardly get a week to see it in full bloom. Just as it reaches its richest, brightest colour, the rain comes and washes it away. I am happy I have captured that moment. To sell and be honoured is nice when it happens, but lasting satisfaction comes not from the cheque, but from those magic moments, when the rising mist adorns the river, and seeming elusive I capture it for others to see."



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When I was small

I reach out through the mist
and you come to me
like you used to
when I was small

Fragments of memory
float before my eyes
and for a moment
I become part of them

Listening, touching, talking
just being by your side,
feeling safe,
feeling loved

And so you sit beside me now,
just like you used to
just where you used to—
when I was small

I trace your footsteps
I hear your voice
I see your face
your smile

I reach out through the mist
and you come to me
like you used to
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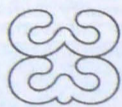


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Celebration

Warrandyte Arts Association's 50th birthday celebrations and reunion will take place in the Mechanics Institute Hall, Yarra Street, Warrandyte on Saturday, May 27 from 12 noon to 5pm. There will be an exhibition showcasing past and present activities, the unveiling of a sculpture and the performance of a one-act play. WAA is still tracking down former members and they are appealing to locals to immediately call 9844 3206 with information about anyone who should be invited to the reunion.

Prayer

Warrandyte churches are combining for a service for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. It will be held at St Stephens Anglican Church in Stiggants Street on Sunday, June 4 at 7pm.

Information

Information Warrandyte is now in its 19th year of service, providing information and guidance on tourist attractions, recreational activities, support services and community affairs. The office, which receives more than 3000 visitors and locals a year, is keen to recruit more volunteers willing to give their services for a three-hour morning or afternoon session each week. For further details call in at the office in the Warrandyte Community Centre in Yarra Street or phone 9844 3082.

Disability

Manningham YMCA Youth Services are presenting a Twilight Disability Disco on Saturday, June 3. It will be held at the Doncaster Senior Citizens Centre with DJ Daimo and the Victoria Police band Code One as special guests. Cost is \$10. Carers free. To book call 9848 9544.

Appeal

The Red Cross is looking for volunteers to help with their Red Shield Appeal, running from May 27 to June 4. By making a donation or offering your services to help as a collector for as little as two hours during the Red Shield appeal, you can make a difference. Call 13 72 58 if you can help.

Gig

Fusion presents the 12th Degree All Ages dance party on Saturday, May 27, 8pm to 12 midnight at the Templestowe Memorial Hall, corner Parker and Anderson streets, Templestowe. Featuring Cubist, Kombatt Bass and N-Cision. \$10 entry. Drug and alcohol free, no pass-outs.

Composting

A composting seminar will be held on Saturday, May 20 from 10am to 12noon at the Edendale Farm Community Centre, Gastons Road, Eltham. Bookings essential on 9430 1313

Seminar

The next Manningham council environment seminar will be held on Wednesday, June 7 at the South Warrandyte Hall, 66-68 Hall Road, South Warrandyte, commencing at 7.30pm. Geoff Williams will discuss "Rakali the water rat". The seminar is free, no bookings required.

Breakfast

A Nillumbik business breakfast will be held on Tuesday, May 23 at Ashton Manor, 49-55 Main



Dames In "Mame": gracing the Park Players' stage.

Mame's onstage outing

The Park Players are presenting the all-singing, all-dancing musical "Mame" later this month. The Park Orchards-based group is well known for their charming stage productions. Based on the book by Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee, "Mame" will be performed at the Karralyka Theatre, Mines Road, Ringwood, on Friday, May 26 at 8pm and Saturday, May 28 at 2pm. Tickets cost \$30 and \$27. Bookings can be made by phoning Diana on 9844 5827.



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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.

Road, Diamond Creek from 7am to 9am. The purpose of the gathering is to look at the effects of the 2006 federal budget on local businesses. Keynote speakers will be George Boubouras and Karen Byrne. Cost is \$30 per person. To book call Julie on 9437 2688.

Frogs

To learn about frogs and how to establish a "frog bog" in your backyard, Nillumbik council have organised a workshop to take place at Edendale Farm Community Environment Centre, Gastons Road, Eltham on Sunday, May 21 from 9am to 12noon. Bookings are essential. Call 9430 1313.



Emerging Koorie artist Jirra Lulla Harvey has created the Kalinya exhibition.

COREY'S COMMUNITY

By SYD & ONA



A CENTURY OF FOOTBALL IN WARRANDYTE

The Golden Boys

LIKE just about every fabric of Warrandyte's rich tapestry of history, football in this town was born of its goldmining days. According to highly-respected local historian Murray Houghton, Warrandyte formed its first football club in 1906, 55 years after Melbourne publican Louis John Michel discovered the first traces of what was to become Victoria's first registered goldfield.

The club's inaugural president was John Till, mining manager of the Caledonia Mine from 1905 to 1909, and its secretary/treasurer was John Meares, who at the time was also the first secretary of the newly-formed Warrandyte branch of the Amalgamated Miners' Association.

The birth of a football club at Warrandyte was reported very briefly in *The Evelyn Reporter* and *Bourke East Record*, a weekly newspaper based at Kangaroo Ground, on April 20, 1906.

"A Football Club has been formed at Warrandyte," it said. "President: Mr J. Till; Secretary, Mr J. Meares."

Three days later, in its *Country News* section, the Melbourne *Argus* wrote: WARRANDYTE — A Football Club has been formed here; with Mr J. Till President, and Mr J. Meares Secretary and Treasurer.

The question has to be asked: What had taken it so long? We'd had a cricket club, after all, since 1855, so why no football club?

The answer to that is lost in antiquity, but the imagination doesn't exactly have to run riot to suppose that the possibility of introducing organised football to this town had been bandied about for quite some time before it actually came to pass. It's not at all difficult to imagine bearded, hairy-chested gold miners discussing football over a beer at the local pub at shift's end.

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Warrandyte Football Club's first team — all gold miners — 1906.



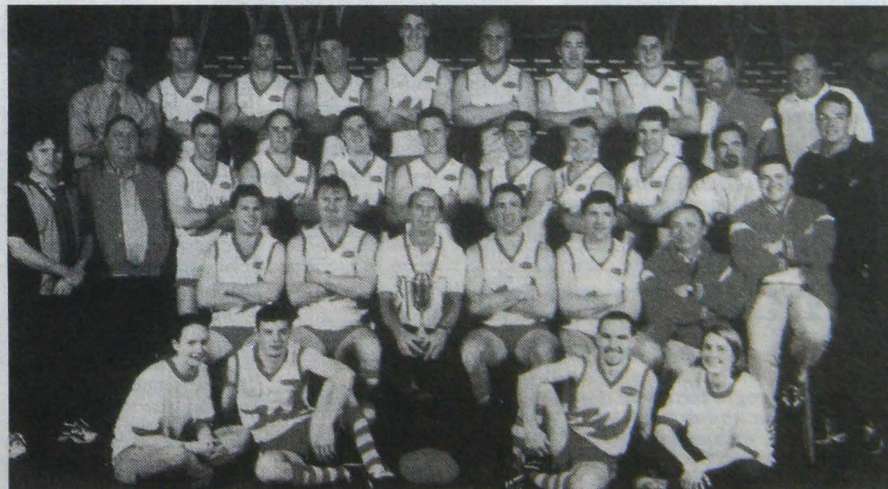
Warrandyte recreation ground around 1911.



1958 premiership team.



1980 premiership team.



1999 premiership team.



Auskick helper, Matt Edgcumbe holds the ball for Ben Dickson to show his marking style.

Auskick is off and running

The excitement meter hit "extreme" at Warrandyte football oval on April 22 with the first session of the Auskick football season.

A total of 65 children registered to participate in 15 clinics that will culminate in a presentation of trophies on August 12.

This is what some of the children had to say about their first session: Jarryd (5): "I liked playing football because it was fun".

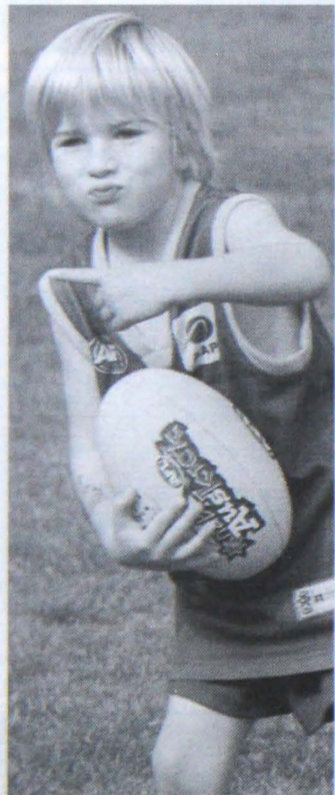
Ben (5): "I like kicking the balls and getting goals".
Luan (7): "Awesome! I took a specky over four people. Really fun."

Sam (7): "I liked it when I smothered the ball".

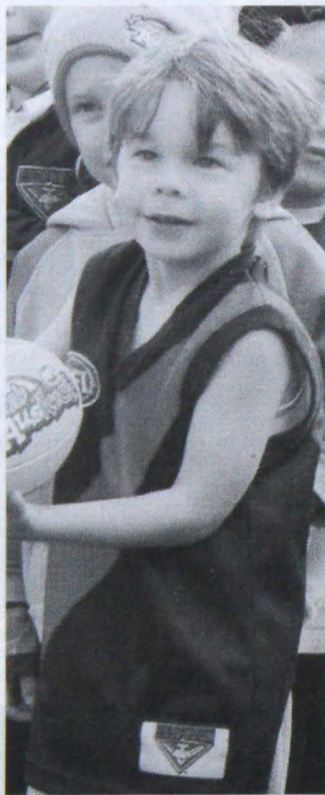
The Auskick committee is keen to sign up more parents in the key role of coaching. At present there are four coaches with the assistance of "general helpers" spread across 65 participants.

For anyone interested in taking on a coaching role there is access to various levels of the AFL Auskick coach's course which is run over two sessions.

For any inquiries regarding Auskick Warrandyte please contact Edward Munks, 9844 5128 or 0439 342 478



Luan Philip-Owen knows where this kick is going.



Ben Munks gets set to hand-ball.

Cricket club to hold annual meeting

Warrandyte Cricket Club will hold its annual meeting on May 24 at the clubrooms in Taroona Ave, starting at 7.30pm.

President, Greg Creber, said it was an important meeting as the club prepared for the new season ahead.

Last season, Warrandyte escaped relegation from the Ringwood District Cricket Association Second Division with a win in the last round.

The new season is likely to be just as tough with new sides Olinda and East Ringwood keen to make a bold showing.

All members and those keen to be involved in the club are invited to attend.

Basketball restructure in place for Redbacks and Venom

Warrandyte Basketball Association is the representative of basketball in the local area.

The club formally affiliated with Basketball Victoria a number of years ago and as such has full access to the opportunities of Basketball Victoria, including resources, competitions and training camps.

Recently the club has undergone a major change with the restructuring of the Junior Championship (Friday Night) competition.

This competition represents the highest level of junior basketball in Victoria with teams being graded according to ability.

An alignment between Warrandyte, Croydon Liberty and Park Orchards has greatly expanded the number of teams playing each Friday night under the Warrandyte name.

In recognition of this alignment, the Friday night teams have been renamed "Venom".

This recognises the heritage and essence of the Redback name and broadens out the reach of the

Friday night competition.

The increase in numbers of players and coaches has allowed the extension into the MMBL competition. This competition, played on Wednesday, is an open age competition for associated clubs.

Warrandyte has three teams in the current MMBL season - two in the women's section and one in the men's.

The standard is generally high, particularly in the higher divisions where many ABA and VBL players maintain their fitness with a game each week.

For more details on the MMBL, contact our Basketball Operations Manager, Justin Nelson, on 9725 5697.

The Redback name, linking back to the formation of the club in 1965, still remains for the Saturday competition.

The smart new Saturday uniform was introduced a number of years ago to harmonise the boys and girls appearance and to provide a lift in standard.

Adelaide gets a taste of Venom

In their first major trek interstate since forming late last year, Warrandyte Venom ventured to Adelaide during the Easter break to participate in one of Australia's most renowned junior basketball tournaments, the Norwood Easter Classic.

Four teams, all girls, enjoyed five days of basketball and relaxation at Adelaide Shores Caravan Park and all returned safely with a myriad of stories to tell.

While the on-court action was frenetic, it's the off-court action that will surely lead to some interesting conversations in the coming weeks.

Believe it or not, people from Warrandyte were involved in a cabin fire, a spate of robberies from cars and numerous bouts of vomiting due to illness.

Venom's Under 14 girls were again in awesome form at the tournament where, playing in the championship level, they surprised organisers with preliminary round wins against Canberra's State team, Southern Tigers, Sturt, Woodville and Forresterville.

After finishing on top of their group, the Under 14s faced Nunawading's VC team in the semi-finals and at no stage did the Venom back away from the physical contest against Victoria's number one ranked Under 14 girls team.

Despite the 43-63 loss, the Venom girls were inspirational and showed Nunawading that not only is Warrandyte's program on the way up, but the class of the players at Venom is rapidly improving.

Even more remarkable for the Under 14s was that they had played one more preliminary game than Nunawading and they went into the semi-final with just a two-hour break from their previous match as opposed to Nunawading's eight-hour break.

The Under 16s participated in A Grade and also made the semi-finals after winning all but one of their preliminary games. However, like the Under 14s, the Venom came up against Nunawading and lost by the narrowest of margins.

It was an outstanding effort by the Under 16s, who had been involved in a cabin fire earlier in the weekend and spent some time coming to grips with the unfortunate accident.

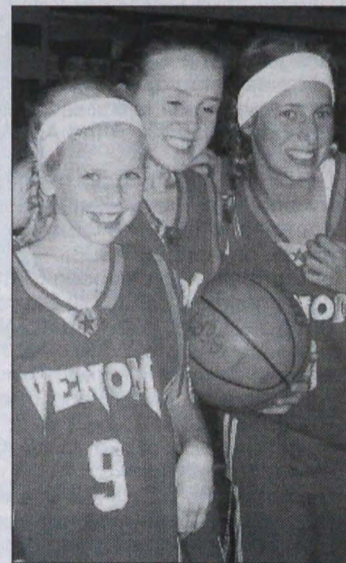
Both the Under 18 teams celebrated some wins and made it through to the consolation finals, but not before a debilitating virus left many of them vomiting, or in one case in hospital on a drip.

Venom's basketball operations manager, Justin Nelson, described the tournament as rewarding and believed the club was already receiving due recognition.

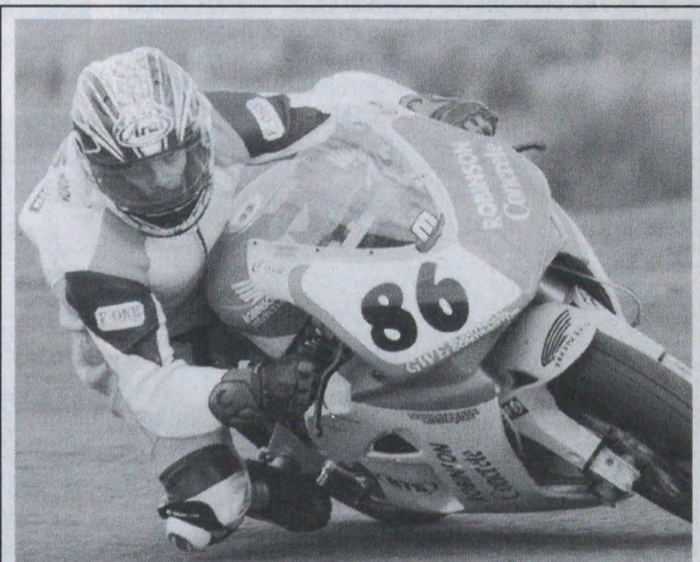
"We are on the right track and people within the basketball fraternity acknowledge that. The performance of all four teams in Adelaide underlines our growth and development," said Nelson.

"The third-placed finish by both the Under 14s and Under 16s was fantastic and, when you think the Under 14s were up against the best in Victoria, and arguably Australia, that emphasises just how far we have come in the last six months.

"I can only hope that everyone at Warrandyte, both the Redbacks and Venom, see this program as being the perfect pathway into senior basketball. I think our effort in Adelaide shows we are on the right track."



Amber Saunders, Meg Dargan and Aly Birch were among the Venom players to head to Adelaide.



Cameron Donald takes a tight corner.

Cycle ace is on the right track

April was a big month for Warrandyte's motor cycle ace, Cameron Donald.

He arrived in Ireland mid-month and in a week had competed in nine races, secured nine podium finishes and led the Irish Superbike Championship!

Cameron competed at 'Bishopscourt' for Round No. 1 of the Irish Superbike Championship, riding Honda machinery for Uel Duncan Racing.

"This was my first time at the track and although it was a very technical layout I came to terms with it quickly," he said.

By the end of the day Cameron finished with two thirds in the Superbike class and two thirds in the Supersport class.

Additionally he finished second in the feature event the 'Enkalon' trophy race.

"We had only entered the short circuit events to gain track time before the road racing season so to finish so strongly was very encouraging."

On Easter Monday, Cameron and the Uel Duncan team were back at Kirkistown for Round No. 2 of the Irish Superbike Championship.

Cameron was straight on the pace securing second place on the grid with the 600cc and his first pole position of the year on the Superbike.

"It was a top day's racing and I ended up with a second and a win in each class which has positioned me as the current leader of the Irish Superbike Title," he said.

Cameron has caused quite a stir on the Irish scene, not only with his fantastic finishes but breaking the lap record at Bishopscourt on the 600cc Supersport bike.

Redbacks bring home 12 flags

By TONY OLIVER

Warrandyte Redbacks have overwhelmed the Eastern Districts Junior Basketball Association, winning 12 premierships at the recently completed grand finals.

The boys won seven premierships and had five runners-up while the girls won five premierships and were runners-up in two.

Warrandyte had three of their boys' teams in A Grade finals and came away with two premiership flags and one runners-up.

The Under 18 A grade boys match was expected to be one way traffic for the Eltham side but Greg Pearson's Warrandyte boys made it an excellent game.

Eltham jumped early to set up a 9-0 score line. However Mitchell Hawley stepped up and Warrandyte came back with two quick three pointers and two points from Josh Collins.

Scoring was fairly even from then and Warrandyte were able to get a one point lead with eight minutes to go. Eltham kicked up another gear with three minutes left in the first half outscoring the Redbacks by eight points and going into the second half leading 34-26.

Outstanding defence kept Warrandyte in the game in the second half with both teams going neck and neck on the scoreboard and at time Warrandyte seemed like they could get their noses back in front. Eltham were too strong and kept them at bay. Final score 72-64.

Top scorers for the Redbacks were Mitchell Hawley with 19 and Josh Collins with 16.

Warrandyte's Under 10 boys team coached by Damian Arsenis played in the highest grade of competition in the recent EDJBA summer season.

Finishing the season on top of the ladder was a great achievement for this young and talented group of Redbacks, with their only loss being that to arch rival Eltham 1 late in the season following the Redback's come from behind one-point win in round three.

Having lost their last two encounters to Eltham, includ-

ing the semi final, Warrandyte were determined not to leave anything behind on the court in their grand final showdown held at Doncaster.

Notorious slow starters, and despite some on-court nerves, the Redbacks came out firing making two from two at the line to get the scoring under way.

In a first half dominated by defence, the Redbacks managed to hold a one-point lead (11-10) at the half time break.

Fired up and angry for not taking advantage of a number of scoring opportunities in the first half, the young Redbacks were able to calm down and refocus at the main break.

Playing inspired basketball, Warrandyte played outstanding team basketball to open up what seemed to be a match winning seven-point lead. Sensing defeat was close at hand, the Wildcats lifted their defensive intensity in the dying minutes to force a few turnovers as they fought back to within three points.

The premiership was just reward for the team that comprised of Campbell Prior, James Appleby, Matt Killey, Reece McKenzie, Ryan Tester, Tim Apostolides, Zach Ballard and Zac Ratcliffe.

David Holson's Under 12 AR2 boys were premiers, defeating Koonung 42-38.

Two A grade flags came Warrandyte's way in the girls competition in the Under 14 and Under 18 finals.

First up were Maree Vincent's Under 14 girls taking on Bulleen Templestowe in the A3 grand final.

It was a tight first half with neither side being able to settle down well. First Bulleen appeared to get on top but Warrandyte came back strongly late in the half.

The Redbacks took their scoring opportunities while restricting Bulleen. Myka Johnson chalked up her fifth foul with over seven minutes to go but with a five point margin.

Warrandyte extended the lead when Harriett Rappell executed a perfect pass to allow Lisa Rennie to score. Bulleen narrowed the lead to two points with one minute to go. Rennie then pushed the margin to four points but

Bulleen came again to within two points until Rennie scored the last points of the game for a 31-27 win.

Myka Johnston led the scoring with 14 (and MDP), followed by Lisa Rennie with 10, Nicolette Prior with three, and Sophie Richardson and Cassandra Wilson with two.

A 28-24 score line to Warrandyte over the Reservoir Rebels gives some indication of the closeness of the A2 grand final.

It was a close first half with Warrandyte doing the better but Reservoir had their noses in front at the break by 13-11.

Warrandyte were well served by Andrea Peters with one three pointer and strong work from Julie Rennie.

The hard work and focus paid off for Warrandyte with a 25-22 lead coming into the final minutes.

Reservoir scored but Kara Hibbert dragged one back from the free throw line. She then added two points picking up a rebound off the ring to score when Andrea Peters was fouled late in the game.

Kara Hibbert led the scoring with nine points, assisted by Andrea Peters with five, Lindel Thomas and Chelsea Crisp with four, Jess Bensch, Jess Solty and Amy Caudry with two each.

After the game Nick Peters paid special mention to Kristin Schmidt, who had returned to Germany after staying with Peter and Gabi Byrne and helping the girls in the home and away season.

The Under 16-1 girls B Grade grand final between Warrandyte and Eltham, was always going to be a close fought battle if their previous encounters were anything to go by, predicted coaches Dean Lucas and Grant Godwin.

At half time the scores were 13-16 with Warrandyte down. The girls came back scoring eight points in the first three minutes. However it was soon tied again and was point for point for the remainder of the game.

With one minute to go Warrandyte was up by two points. The girls passed the ball around, causing Eltham to continually foul in trying to gain possession. The siren went with final scores Warrandyte winning 34-32.

All of the girls played well. They included Nalalie Medcalf, Kara Lucas, Fiona Rennie, Maddy Prior, Megan Walker, Jamie Hayton, Ashleigh Bingham, April Richardson and an exceptional game by Steph Smith saw her awarded the MVP.

A thrilling game in the Under 14 B grand final saw Warrandyte just edge out Eltham by 51-48. The game seesawed with first Warrandyte and then Eltham each appearing to have the physiological advantage.

In the end, outstanding speed and skill by MDP Courtney Petalas, and an all round team performance, allowed Ann Mulcay's girls to take the premiership flag.

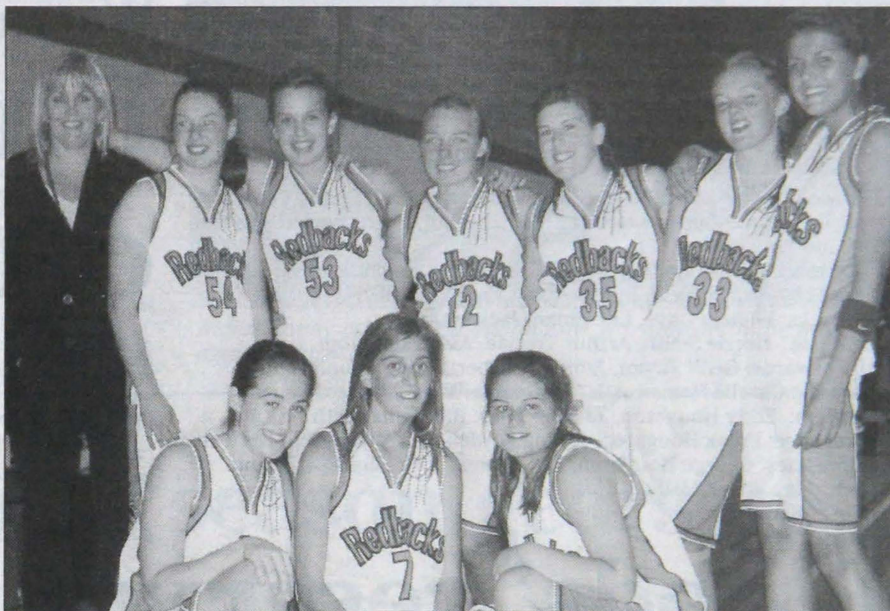
Malcolm Anderson guided his Under 16 DA boys to a premiership flag.

Warrandyte started slowly but were able to develop momentum as the game wore on and they slowly closed the half time deficit. Once in front, the Redbacks went on to win 51-40.

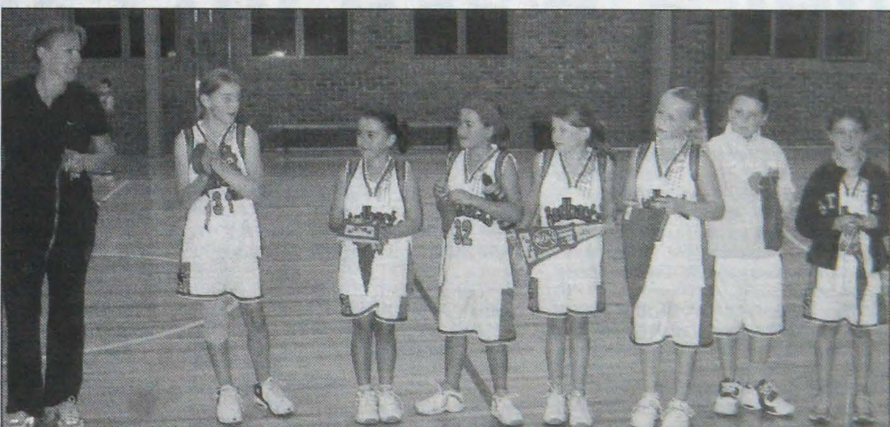
Matt Lane top scored and Chris Cox was named MDP.



Redbacks' Under 18 A2 premiers. Back row from left: Cassandra Wilson, Myka Johnston (MDP), Lisa Rennie, Harriett Rappell, Nicolette Prior. Front: Maree Vincent, Zoe Simmons, Sophie Richardson



Redback's Under 14 premiers. Back row from left: Ann Mulcay - coach, Tayla Flynn, Chloe Simpson, Rebecca Falcone, Kirsten Palensky, Elli Linney, Ruby Watson. Front: Jessey Telford, Courtney Petalas and Caitlyn May.

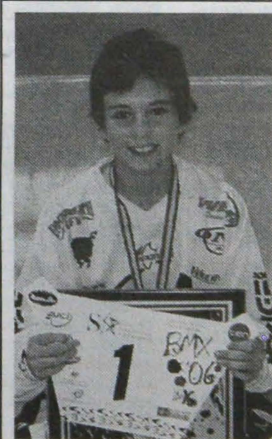


Under 10 Girls C Grade runners-up. From left, coach Kellie Taylor, Rachal Watson (MDP), Zerah Gordon, Maddison Taylor, Lauren Robertson, Mystique Taylor, Madison Tucker.



Redbacks' Under 10 A Grade premiers back row from left: Tim Apostolides, Reece McKenzie, Damian Arsenis (coach) Matthew Killey, Ryan Tester. Front row: Campbell Prior, Zac Ratcliffe, James Appleby, Zacary Ballard.

BMX champ ready to take on the world



New National BMX champion, Madison Denholm.

Local BMX champion, Madison Denholm, has his sights set on a World Championship following his win in the recent National BMX titles.

Madison beat a star-studded line-up to win the 12 Boys Class (20" wheel) at the Wayville Pavilion in Adelaide.

He was also runner-up in the 12 and Under Cruise Class (24" wheel).

The Adelaide titles brought together World and National Champions and Madison's first finals appearance was in the Cruise Class.

More than 2000 spectators watched Madison, who is a member of the Park Orchards BMX Club, hold his position in second place at the first turn of the second final before breaking clear at the third turn to win the title.

Madison said he now hoped to take the next step and win a World Championship.

He said he had dedicated his win to his late grandfather who had been a strong supporter.

Warrandyte Football Club Centenary Season



A total of 27 of Warrandyte Football Club's living Life Members attended the club's Centenary Dinner last month. Pictured from left are: David Mitchell, Ian World, Eric Houghton, Bev Day, John Ryan, Anthony Giles-Peters, Keith Rockow, Julie Ryan, Dawn Bellinger, Nora Warr, Roger Drew, Anne Drew, Joyce Templeton, Jeff Evans, Ben Jones, John McCartin, Dale McCartin, Brian Tomlinson, Roger Dalli, Ken Donald, Tom Kerkhof, Robert Ireland, Bill Luttick, Terry Sloan, Brian Day, Lawrie Sloan and Kevin Luttick. Those unable to attend were Ian Hook, Monica Luttick, Alan Vitiritti, Wally Cornhill and Joe Read.

Club names pioneer All Star team

Following the research for the Warrandyte Football Club's Centenary book, it was possible to select an All Star team for the period between 1906 and 1949.

The team was announced at the Centenary Dinner. It reads:

Backs: Les 'Bunny' Reid, Bill McAuley, Fred Russell
 Half Backs: William Daye, Eric Sloan, Jack McAuley
 Centreline: Horrie Smith, Arthur Trezise, Alan Houghton
 Half Forwards: Geoff Taylor, James Schubert, Craig Robertson
 Forwards: Charlie Hemsworth (C), George White, Richard Leheny
 Followers: Eddy Houghton, Tasman Warr, Bill Hemsworth
 Interchange: Frank Houghton, Archie Forden, Les McCulloch, Les Till
 Emergencies: George Houghton, Les Adams, Jock Logan, A. Bennie
 Coach: Alex 'Joker' Hall
 Trainer: Jim Walsh
 Manager: Les Sterks

Bloods' reserves get a wake up call

After the good form of the past few weeks, Round 5 against Forest Hill was a reality check for Warrandyte reserves. They were outplayed early, and were never able to get back to a competitive position as a result.

"Forest Hill showed us exactly where we need to be if we want to be a good team and contest finals," said a disappointed coach David Young after the game.

"The difference of 40-odd points wasn't necessarily disappointing, but the manner in which we played the game was. Dropped marks, over-running the ball, failing to pick the ball up off the ground, and a general lack of work rate were key elements in our under-performance."

Bernie Optenye was good again, Lee Simon tried hard, Flynn Jarvis and Paul O'Mara showed some glimpses of good form, and John 'Prangers' Prangley kicked four goals up forward. Rick Bourke got best for

having a dip and beating his man for most of the day.

Forest Hill 16.20-116 d. Warrandyte 11.6-72

Goals: J. Prangley 4, K. Krios 2, R. Bourke 2, A. Jenkins, G. Zach, C. Haskings
 Best: C. Haskings, R. Bourke, B. Optenye, J. Prangley, J. Riddell, J. Boyce

● The Round 2 reserves match against Whitehorse Pioneers was a great game to watch with the scoreboard regularly ticking over in a see-sawing affair.

Late inclusions Cambell Holland and Kon Krios certainly proved their worth, kicking nine goals between them. The Bloods let Whitehorse take the lead in the third quarter, kicking six goals to four.

The Warrandyte midfield, led by Tom 'Rowdy' Holman and Sean Donovan, got back on top clawing the margin back to within a point. It was

Warrandyte's faithful get together Dinner celebrates century of football

More than 400 of the Warrandyte Football Club faithful gathered to celebrate the club's Centenary at a Gala Dinner held last month.

Fox Footy and 3AW presenter, Clinton Grybas, hosted the extravaganza at Manningham Function Centre.

President Phil Treeby welcomed guests, including Mayor Patricia

Young and Cr Ron Kitchingham, with a insightful speech on the club's progress and the invaluable volunteers that had served so admirably over 100 years.

Organiser and club secretary, James Logan said he was thrilled to have so many past players and supporters from interstate attend the event.

"Even more pleasing was that 27 of the club's 32 living Life Members were present and gathered at centre stage for a rare photograph and to blow out the 100 candles atop an oval birthday cake," he said.

Warrandyte Football Club was founded in 1906 and played a number of social games against sides such as Yarra Glen and Diamond Creek before joining the Reporter District Football Association competition in 1907 which included Camberwell, Nunawading, Blackburn, Mitcham and Ringwood.

Warrandyte's first competition game was on May 11, 1907, at the Till's Drive home ground against Nunawading.

Three years of research has produced a remarkable book covering Warrandyte Football Club's rise from the mining team of 1906 to the semi-professional club that exists today.

Keen readers have already given

the publication rave reviews and are astonished at the lengths our ancestors went to play the game we have taken for granted in modern times.

Through this research it was possible to select an All-Star Team for the 1906 to 1949 period.

Many of the selected players, with recognisable names, were represented on the night by family members.

Keith Rochow, who penned the club song back in 1963, led a rousing rendition which was shortly followed by the 'whisper' that became famous throughout the 1980s.

As the night wore on players reminisced about their playing days as memories were refreshed with photos and videos.

The legend of Ron Wilson had not been lost on the current players and current spearhead Mick Morello was one of the many who sought out big Ron to hear how he kicked each of those 635 goals in five seasons.

It was a function fitting for such a special occasion and for a proud club that has survived so many turbulent times.

James Logan said he was overwhelmed with the response the club received.

"I have been running club functions for 10 years and never received such positive feedback," he said.

Under 18s hold down top spot

By BRAD CURTIS

After a bye the first round, Warrandyte U18s played their first game for the year for premiership points against Whitehorse Pioneers in Round 2.

The group consists of 14 from the successful WJFC 2005 Colts and 15 newcomers. The recipe was unknown, but the boys combined beautifully to win by 63 points.

Best were Paul Burgoyne, Dion Treloar, Luke Ebzery and Daniel Large.

In Round 3 the Bloods came up against Chirnside Park, whom they had beaten by 25 points in a practice game, but this time were totally dominant, not giving the opposition a chance, winning by 117 points.

Best were Brendan Zach, Chris Watson, Chris MacDougal and Daniel Large.

Round 4 was against Ferntree Gully which was another good win. Despite the fade out in the last quarter,

Warrandyte won by 55 points.

Best were Dion Treloar, Joe O'Mara, and Steve Lockie.

Round 5 saw Warrandyte play against second placed Forest Hill. Both sides were undefeated but the Bloods proved that they were up to the challenge.

After an arm wrestle in the first half, the Bloods kicked into gear in the second half and played some great team football to win by 42 points.

Best were Rick Curtis, Joe O'Mara, Dion Treloar, Luke Dunn, Scott Allwood and Tom Dlabik.

The combination of new players, Brendan Zach, Luke and Matt Dunn, Tom Dlabik, Cal Fulton, Jake Ratcliffe and Ben Breslin and a welcome return to footy of Steve Lockie, Kelly Beaumont (whose first kick produced a goal), Jarrod Dillion, Oliver Mock, Tulloch Grieve, Jesse Monterio and Daniel Wilson has made Warrandyte a true premiership contender.

Morello on century target

Warrandyte's goal kicking sensation Michael Morello has started the season in a goal kicking frenzy, kicking 30 goals in the first five games, putting him well on the way to making it to the magic 100 for the season.

A prolific scorer since his earliest days in the junior sides, he is a strong overhead mark, a fierce competitor at ground level and has a perfectly relaxed and accurate kicking style that allows him to line up confidently from the 50 metre line.

Warrandyte has made a great start to the 2006 season and a great part of the success of the club's three teams has been the large number of young, talented and locally grown footballers that have either come through the ranks of the junior club, or have been closely associated with the district for many years.

Club president, Phil Treeby said: "The club has made a conscious decision to develop local talent and this has paid dividends in the season so far.

"Many players have returned to the club this season and rejoined their mates on the football field. The spirit around the club is optimistic and enthusiastic, with players taking a vital leadership roles"

Phil urged all Warrandyte locals to get behind "this exciting group of kids, as they are all local lads and are very competitive."

The club is running a special Centenary membership drive, with five bonus \$1000 draws to be conducted throughout the season.

however, the Pioneers day winning by seven points.

Whitehorse Pioneers 12-7-79 d. Warrandyte 11-6-72

Goal Kickers: C. Holland 5, K. Krios 4, B. Optenye, R. Parker
 Best: D. Vitiritti, T. Holman, G. Zach, K. Krios, C. Haskings, C. Holland

● It was evident in the first quarter the Bloods were going to have a day out in their Round 3 game against Chirnside when they kicked eight goals to no score.

This could have been more if the forwards had converted more opportunities.

Lee Evans stamped his authority on the game early, kicking four and taking several strong marks inside the 50 metre arc. It was an impressive debut after playing Under 18s with Warrandyte in 2004.

Chirnside found their feet in the second and third quarters to be more competitive, however the Bloods hit their straps in the last to record a 97 point victory.

Warrandyte 20.21.141 d. Chirnside Park 6.8.44

Goals: L. Evans 6, K. Krios 3, D. Young 3, S. Donovan 2, J. Riddell 2, R. Gordon, J. Boyce, B. Optenye, J. Ellis
 Best: L. Evans, G. Zach, C. Haskings, P. Burgoyne, J. Ellis, D. Hudson-Norris

● The Reserves continued their good form in Round 4, slowly wearing Ferntree Gully down over four quarters.

Kon Krios continued his form in front of goal booting six and Jimmy Riddell dominated in the ruck and around the ground. For the second week in a row conversion was poor, especially in the last quarter, kicking 3-9.

Warrandyte 12.18-90 d. Ferntree Gully Eagles 5.8-38

Goals: K. Krios 6, J. Riddell 3, D. Young 2, D. Hudson-Norris
 Best: K. Krios, J. Riddell, J. Boyce, C. Haskings

Warrandyte Football Club Centenary Season

Bloods home in a thriller

By JOSH BEVIS & JAMES LOGAN

Warrandyte capped off a promising start to the season with an exciting win last Saturday against Forest Hill.

The senior side is now in fourth position on the Fourth Division ladder, with four wins and one loss.

Warrandyte started the fifth game of the season with two goals before the replying goal came from the Zebras.

Both teams had come to play and both looked even in their efforts around the ball. A great snap in the Zebra's forward line put them in the lead but not for long, with Warrandyte kicking the last goal of the quarter to even up the scoreboard.

The Blood's came out firing in the second quarter and led by three goals at the half time break. Matt Treeby was solid in defence and new-comer Lee Evans was effective around the forward line in his second game in the senior team.

The third quarter was littered with errors, with both teams being pressured into making silly mistakes and kicking straight to opposition players.

Forest Hill kicked the last three goals of the quarter and scores were all tied up again at the last break.

The stage was set for a great fourth quarter and the team that worked harder was bound to take home the four points.

It was Warrandyte who came out hard. Ben Reid led by example out on the ground and inspired the rest of his team.

Michael 'Magic' Morello was in fine goal-kicking form and the Bloods kicked three goals straight due to their work rate around the ground, and looked like kicking away for an easy victory.

But then it was Forest Hill who clicked and became more competitive, scoring two goals before the sealer was kicked by Andrew 'Flash' Gordon and the Bloods came away with a five point win in a physically tough, well contested match.

Warrandyte 12.10.82 d. Forest Hill 11.11.77

Goals: M. Morello 5, L. Evans 2, B. Elliott, A. Gordon, B. Reid, J. Ellis
Best: M. Treeby, M. Morello, B. Reid, A. Grybas, A. Gordon

● The only loss for the season so far came in the second round, an away game against Whitehorse Pioneers.

The last time Warrandyte played Whitehorse back in 1998 we won by 176 points but it was harder this time around with Whitehorse going in favourites.

Warrandyte had 70 per cent of the ball in the first quarter but it didn't reflect on the scoreboard and it was the Pioneers that led after kicking very accurately and making the most of their opportunities.

This trend unfortunately continued throughout the day. The Bloods didn't bring their 'A game' and were punished accordingly.

Whitehorse ran the ball out of the middle well and capitalised on Warrandyte's mistakes that were all too frequent.

Michael Morello continued to provide a good marking target up forward and even when double-teamed came up with a strong mark or brought the ball to ground.

The third quarter saw Warrandyte with the run of play early, however when Tommy Naughtin went off with a broken jaw the Bloods were left without a bench and Whitehorse lifted and used their possessions very well, continuing to mount scoreboard pressure, despite the fine efforts of Mick 'Tinman' Stewart at full back.

The 50 point margin was not a true indication of a competitive match. Aiden Davey was dangerous around the packs, Matt Wood was a high possession getter and Andrew Gordon was most effective for Warrandyte, making every kick count.

Whitehorse Pioneers 20.3.123 d. Warrandyte 10.13.73

Goals: M. Morello 4, B. Elliott 2, A. Gordon, P. Green, T. Naughtin, A. Davey

Best: A. Davey, M. Stewart, M. Wood, A. Gordon, T. Naughtin, M. Morello

● A great start to the third game of the season against Chirnside Park

came from on-ballers Matt Wood, Josh 'Killer' Eyre and Grant 'Sugars' McAdam, who provided the forward line with pinpoint delivery and took the Bloods to an early lead that would be held for the remainder of the day.

In contrast to the previous week's ordinary conversion the Bloods made the most of their chances in front of goal to lead by six goals at the main break.

A regular performer in the Under 18s, Dion Treloar, made an impressive debut in the forward line early, until the opposition woke up to him and paid him more respect.

In a disappointing third quarter Chirnside Park clawed their way back into the game due to some poor Warrandyte decisions and lack of run. The chances in front of goal that did arise were squandered.

A three quarter time spray from Peter Green got the Bloods back into gear and Michael Morello had the chance to kick his 10th on the siren but hit the post.

Warrandyte - 19.10.124 d. Chirnside Park - 15.10.100

Goals: M. Morello 9, A. Gordon 3, M. Wood 2, G. McAdam 2, D. Treloar 2, T. Holman

Best: M. Morello, M. Stewart, J. Eyre, C. Dick, G. McAdam, L. Ebzery

● The Bloods made the long trip to Ferntree Gully on an important day for the club, celebrating Warrandyte's 100th year at the Centenary Dinner later that evening.

The seniors have not been great starters and with five forced changes, Round 4 was to be no different.

With number one ruckman Craig 'Moose' Dick out with a fractured wrist, Gully had early dominance out of the middle and the backline was under constant pressure.

The opposition kicked the first four goals before Warrandyte was able to peg one back. Matt Treeby and James Logan settled the half back line down and Grant McAdam was presenting well across the half forward line. Another goal before quarter time kept Warrandyte in touch however it was far from acceptable.

An expected Green spray had the desired affect and the tempo lifted. Holman began to dominate and Reid was at the bottom of every pack. Ferntree Gully's onballers probably took the honours for the half and were better suited to the conditions.

A strong third term with good run from the backline and a number of targets up forward including Lee Evans took the Bloods to the last change with a 23 point lead.

However they finished poorly and only a late steady goal from Morello allowed them to sneak in by 10 points.

Warrandyte 11.8.74 d. Ferntree Gully Eagles 10.4.64

Goals: M. Morello 6, J. Eyre 2, M. Treeby, L. Ebzery, T. Holman
Best: T. Holman, B. Reid, J. Logan, A. Davey, M. Treeby, J. Eyre



Aiden Davey pounces on the ball for Warrandyte in the match against Chirnside Park.

Warrandyte Junior Football

Mixed results as season gears up

By PAUL VAN DER ZANT

Junior football is well under way at Warrandyte with most teams having their sights firmly set on a finals berth.

TACKERS
The tackers continue to develop as a team and every week are improving, according to coach David McMennemin.

"The majority of our team now has the confidence to run with the ball and have a bounce and get their kick in," David added.

"Star performances by Daniel Whittle, Lachlan Wintle, Connor Lucas in round three, Dylan Krajnc, Liam Cashion and Joshua Kleeberg in round four and Cameron Caffin, Kyle McMennemin and Joshua Costin in round five are really inspiring and a taste of things to come."

UNDER 10
The Under 10s sit firmly at the top of the ladder, unbeaten after five rounds.

Round 3 saw Warrandyte defeat Bundoora 8.8.57 to nil in a great team effort that nearly didn't happen as the opposition had gone to a different ground!

"There were great performances by Jason Castagna, Sidney Phillip-Owen and Alexander Coutts," said coach Peter Stafford.

In Round 4, James Appleby was the player of the game and Brendan Stafford was also in top form in the 63 point win over Kew Rovers.

Round 5 saw the Under 10s elevated from Brown Division to Gold Division and defeated Kew 7.12.54 to 4.4.28.

Peter Stafford said: "Sid Phillip-Owen ran himself into the ground creating openings and stopping Kew from doing the same, consequently he won the best player of the day."

"Alex Cootes and Kieran Robertson performed well all day helping to fill the gaps, taking possession of the ball when it went to ground and feeding our key scorers."

UNDER 11
The Under 11s have recorded one win and four losses.

"A Round 3 loss at home to the Under 11s Super Team, Kew, had our boys a bit shell shocked at how good an opposition team could be," said coach Shane Newman.

"At half time we agreed to disregard the scoreboard and to judge ourselves by the contests we involved ourselves in. Kew won the game but Warrandyte gave everything they had."

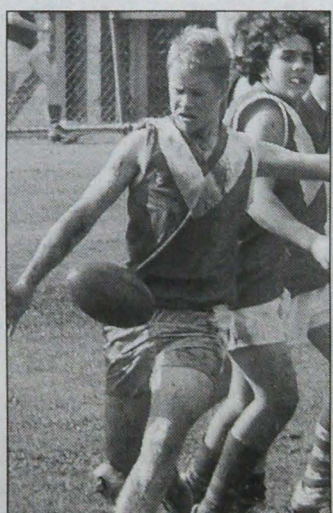
Michael Holloway, Jack Cousen's and Brayden Mifsud were among Warrandyte's best.

In Round 4 Warrandyte had a narrow loss to Glen Iris with Matt Collins and Kyle Newman in top form.

Following the 7.9.51 to 2.3.15 loss to Bulleen Templestowe, Newman said the effort and attack on the ball by the Warrandyte players was still fantastic.

"Unfortunately our opponents sustained the pressure for four quarters and we were unable to go with them. The boys should be proud of their efforts as they are playing in the top division and being competitive with the best," he said.

UNDER 12
In Round 3 Warrandyte defeated Hawthorn Citizens 7.11.53 to 5.4.35 in a game that coach Lance Nilsson described as "fast and furious with fine defensive efforts by Jack Power



Under 14s captain, Lachlan Chapman gets his kick away.

and Billy Lavery.

"With Tim Baker's ruck work and Ryan Exon on the ball, we continually pushed forward to strong marks by James Munks," said Nilsson.

He said a two goal win against Ivanhoe in Round 4 was due to superb defensive efforts, courageous smothering and strong marking.

"Special mention goes to James Fisher and Jacob Ballard, both worthy award winners on the day."

A replay of last year's preliminary final saw a determined and polished St Mary's inflicting the first loss of the year for the Bloods in Round 5. It was an uncharacteristic performance from a Bloods team that takes pride in its approach to the football," the coach commented.

"Although Jacob Harris and Jack Power played fantastic footy, it just wasn't our day and St Mary's performed superbly in difficult conditions and outplayed us 5.5.35 to 0.3.3," Nilsson added

UNDER 13
Round 3 saw yet another strong win for the Under 13s as they kept Heidelberg scoreless for the entire match.

"Our boys showed great commitment and courage and above all teamwork to deliver an outstanding final result" said coach Steve Blakey.

"Dillon Burns, Tom Hughes and Sam Beasley were outstanding in an outstanding team," he added.

"In a great team effort, Warrandyte comprehensively beat Emmaus Wattle Park in Round 4 in a game that was played with great sportsmanship," Steve said.

After being promoted to Green Division, Steve Blakey said: "This was well deserved following their pre-season work and the continued on-field development of all players."

In their first game in a new division, the Warrandyte defeated Kew 8.2.50 to 6.7.43.

The Under 13s are in first place on the Green ladder after being promoted from Blue Division

UNDER 14
A Round 3 win against Bulleen Templestowe 16.11.107 to 7.1.43 prompted Warrandyte coach Chris Appleby to say: "It was a great win and all players should be proud of a

fantastic team effort.

"We faced Glen Iris in Round 4 and won with a scoreline 10.3.63 to 5.6.36. We had a number of injuries, but with players like Jordan Beltramin, Zac Brodrick and Alexi Sabo all performing well, we were confident of a positive result."

In Round 5 Warrandyte defeated Balwyn 7.10.52 to 2.7.19 in another four quarter effort by all players. Anthony Haikal, Lachlan Chapman, Charles Johnstone, Lachlan Moyes and Ethan Hale-Vaughan were all instrumental in the win.

UNDER 15
Warrandyte had a third round win against Bulleen Templestowe 21.14.140 to 5.5.35.

In Round 4, Warrandyte played the undefeated ladder leaders and close rivals St Damians. Last year both teams won their home games and this season the trend continued with St Damian's winning 13.12.90 to 5.6.36.

Round 5 saw a home win against Hawthorn, 9.13.67 to 3.6.24

COLTS
Warrandyte are in fifth position. They had a solid victory against Ashburton in Round 3, 11.13.79 to 9.5.59.

Coach Clem Mifsud said that Tom Fitzgerald, Braydan Pettigrove and Nick Crosbie kept the pressure on Ashburton all day and Tom Maddocks dominated the forward line to finish with six goals.

In Round 4 the Colts defeated Camberwell 9.8.62 to 6.10.46.

"Camberwell had not won in the first three weeks and on paper Warrandyte looked hot favourites, but this match was eagerly contested, and in the balance, for most of the afternoon," Mifsud said.

"Camberwell opened up a handy 24 point lead at the main break but the team lifted for a well earned win."

Round 5 saw a nine point loss to Doncaster Heights.

"Doncaster were winless and had been relegated from Division 2," said Mifsud. "Wade King, Pat Nicol, Nathan Gordon, Tyson Fitzgerald and Ben Power played well. We had heaps of chances to win the game but just couldn't capitalise," Clem said.

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 expressions of interest invited
 buyer enquiry range \$580k-\$660k

Custom designed and Macquire built 3BR plus study (suit 4th bedroom) home, combines New York warehouse chic with charm of Warrandyte mudbrick. Environmentally sensitive design, incl natural timber oils and paints. Open plan kitchen/dining/family. Deck and 1/3 acre level gardens. Walk to river, shops, schools and transport.



warrandyte private sale \$270k+

Rare opportunity to secure a prestigious Warrandyte address. Accessed by private driveway. Gently sloping 1.5 acre allotment adjoining nature reserve.

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT



congratulations to each of the talented entrants in the 2006 'young artist award' at the rotary club of warrandyte's 22nd annual art show!

Tom Reynolds (winner), Kellie McLagan (highly commended), Ashleigh Hanna (highly commended), Samantha Kodila, Miles Reynolds, Jessica Keown, Hayley Medley, Ken Takada, Megan Seymour, Jessica Scherini, Liam Smith, Peter Whittingham, Amy Sutherland

Among the prizes awarded at this year's Warrandyte Rotary Art Show was the coveted 'Young Artist Award'. Thirteen students from Warrandyte High School were selected to submit works for public display and judging. The winning student, Tom Reynolds, received a \$200 cash prize and earned a \$200 grant for his school.

If you would like our community spotlight to shine on your community group's great work, please call Melanie on 9844 0052.

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