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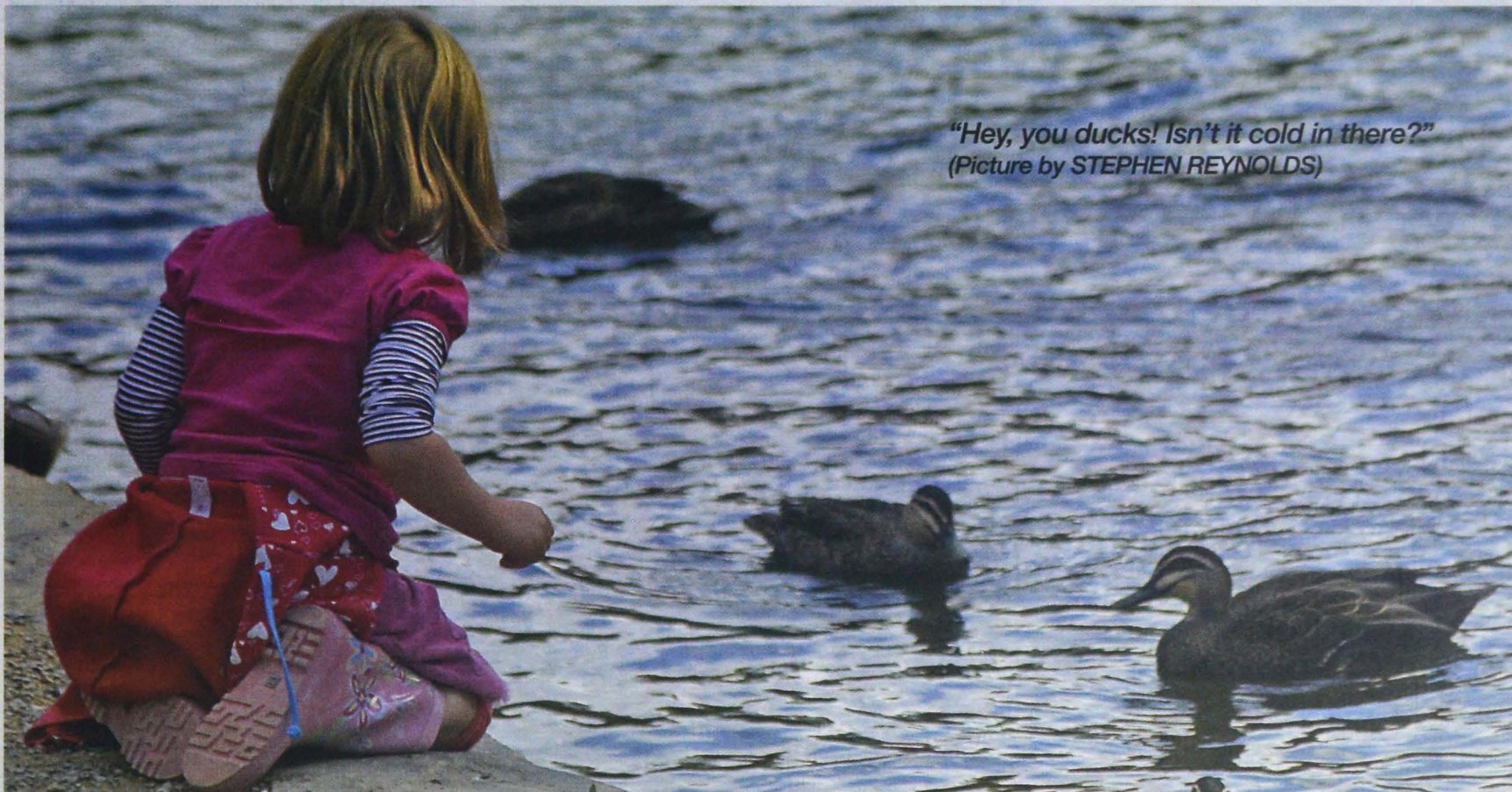
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"Hey, you ducks! Isn't it cold in there?"  
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# Church reprieve

By KARLY HICKMAN

St Stephen's Anglican Church in Warrandyte has been granted a three months "rebuilding" period to become viable or risk being closed.

In the last issue of the *Diary*, church warden Irving Reid appealed to the Warrandyte community to attend a public meeting to address this crisis situation. He wrote: "Our future as a parish hangs on what recommendations and petitions may come out of this meeting."

At the meeting, Mr Reid described the church as being "at a crossroads". He said the parish has debts of \$23,000, while repairs to the vicarage have been quoted at around \$18,000.

The church has struggled with congregation numbers and fund-raising efforts. The Warrandyte parish is at present without a treasurer, so most financial decisions have been made by the overarching Melbourne Diocese.

## Bishop grants locals three months grace

Late last year, Father Garry Gason, who had been vicar at St Stephens for 17 years, retired. Since then, Father Ed Smith has been conducting Sunday services at the church.

At the public meeting, church wardens expressed their fears that the bishop responsible for the Eastern Region, Stephen Hale, was planning to immediately close the church or amalgamate St Stephens with a larger parish.

Despite this, church wardens remained positive, stating that "income and congregations have trebled in the

last five weeks alone".

"If we can rent out the vicarage and hall we will be able to pay off our debt across a two-year period," church warden Bill Valentine told the *Diary*.

People attending the crisis meeting signed a petition, addressed to the Archbishop of Melbourne, the Very Rev Stephen Philip Freier, requesting that the church remain open. Following the public meeting, church wardens met with Bishop Hale to discuss the future of St Stephens at Warrandyte. Resulting from this, a three-month "rebuilding" period has been initiated to assess the

viability of St Stephens.

While this is a far cry from the two years church wardens quoted as an appropriate period needed to re-establish the parish, they stress the importance of grasping this opportunity and substantially boosting congregation attendances during this time.

During this period of rebuilding, Archdeacon Stephen May will undertake the administrative supervision of the parish and the Rev Neville Mellor will conduct the 10am Sunday morning worship at St Stephens.

The *Diary* contacted Bishop Hale who said that the Warrandyte parish is in significant debt and in a state of disrepair.

"We believe Warrandyte is a unique community," he said. "There is a strategic importance in the Anglican Church maintaining Anglican ministry in the area. However, a series of interim measures are required to assess how

this can happen."

Bishop Hale stressed that Anglican parishes are not funded by a central authority, but rely on volunteers and funding from the community. "A church must have the funds to finance—preferably—a full-time priest. At present, St Stephens is far from being able to do this."

The Diocese of Melbourne has "a 20/20 vision" for large parishes with multiple congregations. When quizzed on this vision, Bishop Hale agreed these "healthy churches" are the future of the Anglican Church. But members of the parish fear that St Stephens in its current state does not fit this model.

Church wardens are hopeful that during this period of re-building, church numbers will swell and soon the parish will be back to the robust and viable church it once was. "Already we feel we are gathering strength," Irving Reid said.

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always agree with them."

— George W. Bush

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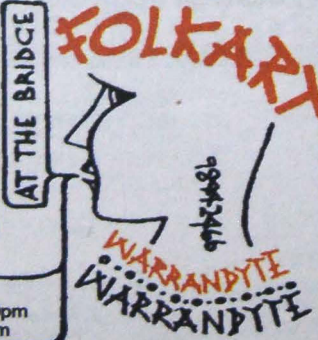
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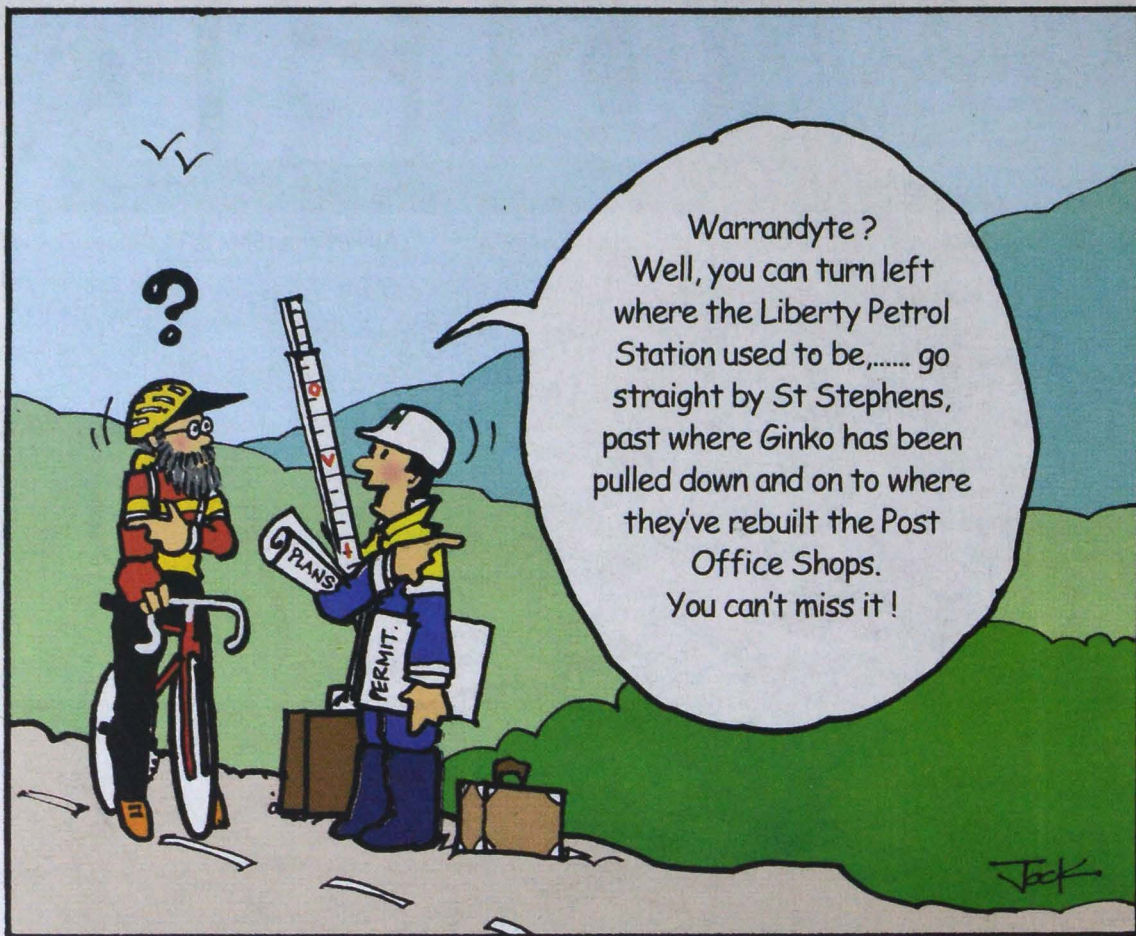
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## OVER THE HILLS

By JOCK MACNEISH



# Busting arse for the Bloods!

**B**UST your arse!" yelled the coach. It was a simple game plan, applied with admirable consistency, and Warrandyte's position on the Under 16 ladder was testament to its vision—at the arse end of the table—stone motherless last.

But this was another Sunday. The sun shone, the grass was green, in patches, and the Trot family was in position to cheer young Jasper to glorious heights. Narelle hovered in the bowels of the canteen dispensing refreshments in all their nutritional deficiency. Neville was at his goalpost, a picture of officialdom complete with whitish coat and flags. Cinnamon was loitering on the grassy knoll angling for a view of the spunky Assistant Coach. And Gran was planted front and centre in her red director's chair on the concrete steps overlooking the corrugated coaches shelter.

"Go Bloods!" they screamed in a rare show of family solidarity as their red-jumpered boys trotted bravely down the race with fire in their bellies and hope in their hearts. Till they saw their opponents, when the fire sputtered and the hope evaporated. Built like toilet blocks with more facial hair than the werewolves of London, the Upper Gully Gorillas pawed the ground, flexed their tattoos and proceeded to smash the living suitcase out of Warrandyte's favourite sons. By three-quarter time the fat lady had not only sung but rendered the entire libretto of *Aida*, and the scoreboard attendants had given the game away long since.

### living with The Trotts

The goalless young Bloods huddled miserably around the Coach, gnawing oranges and dodging spittle as he encouraged them in the time-honoured manner.

"Pissweak!" he boomed. "What did I tell you before the game?"

"Bust your arses," mumbled the team. "Bust your arse!" confirmed the coach, his faith in the three Ms unshaken—motivation, motivation, motivation!

"Where's Trotty?" Trotty was on the fringe of the huddle, trying to surreptitiously rub a little dirt on his embarrassingly clean stripe. Why was his Mum the only one who ironed their shorts? With creases. "Go to full-forward and give us something Trotty. You know what I want!"

"Bust my arse?" squeaked Jasper. But like the oranges, the last was just another bitter quarter, as the goliaths from the Gully swarmed up and down the field like migrating bison. So it was a surprise to everyone when one of their directionally-challenged number suddenly bombed the cherry 50 metres in the wrong direction with a ball-bursting torpedo that locked onto Jasper like a heat-seeking missile. The boy's eyes lit

Warrandyte?  
 Well, you can turn left where the Liberty Petrol Station used to be,..... go straight by St Stephens, past where Ginko has been pulled down and on to where they've rebuilt the Post Office Shops. You can't miss it!

up. With fear! Jack the blind miner could see it descending at precisely the same rate as the stampeding herd now heading his way. He did what any experienced footballer does in the circumstances. He fell over.

Players from all directions slammed into the void in a bone-crunching collision that scattered bodies like pick-up-sticks. In a haze of dust, Jasper lifted his hands from his head and noticed two things. One, he was unhurt. Two, the ball lay quietly beside him. Valour got the better of discretion. He clambered to his feet like a wobbly-legged Bambi, scooped up the pill and turned for goal. Only to be stopped in his tracks by a long hairy arm that snaked from the base of the pack like a Freddy Krueger nightmare. There was a loud ripping sound. They were tearing him limb from limb!

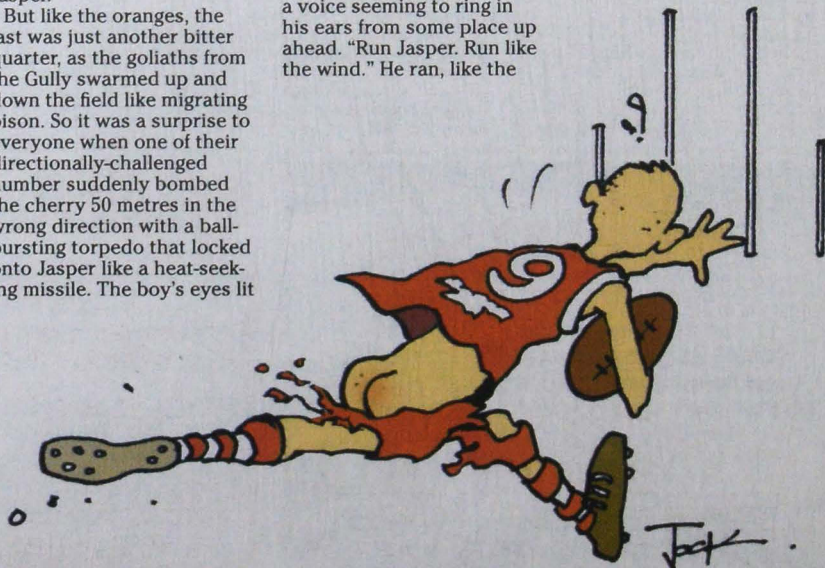
Then suddenly he was free, a voice seeming to ring in his ears from some place up ahead. "Run Jasper. Run like the wind." He ran, like the

wind howling at his backside as torn trunks slipped slowly down skinny hips. The herd had regained its cloven feet now and he could hear their collective slavering closing fast behind him. It wasn't the mob, though, that undid our hero, but a pair of red shorts that hobbled his knees and brought him crashing face first into the parched turf. The ball spilled free, was swallowed by the mob and swept away, leaving a dacked and dejected number 9 face down in the goal square.

Neville stood between the posts, his prostrate son mooning him like a hot cross bun, carefully phrasing the words of comfort only a parent can offer.

"Ah well," he said, "at least everyone can see you've busted your arse!"

ALAN CORNELL



# Glimpse of the future



## Retirement housing reaches a new stage

Locals are being given their first glimpse of what a proposed cluster of five retirement villa units in Harris Gully Road could look like.

A planning application for the complex has been lodged with Manningham council.

This follows the purchase, last July, of a house on a large block of land at 26 Harris Gully Road, Warrandyte and the formation of the Warrandyte Community Retirement Housing Co-operative.

"As reported previously in the *Diary*, the co-op has been looking to meet the retirement accommodation needs of older members of the local community with a design, built form and density to suit Warrandyte's special character," co-op coordinator Val Polley said.

The cooperative has evolved from a sub-committee of the Warrandyte Community Association.

"The cooperative is delighted with the result of the work of local architect Adie Courtney, local landscape designer Bev Hanson and a number of other consultants in the development of plans for retirement accommodation on the Harris Gully Road site," Ms Polley said.

"The aim of the cooperative has always been to produce an outcome that will be an asset, not only for its



Approaching the site from Harris Gully Road.

Architect's impression of the proposed villa units at 26 Harris Gully Road.

given to landscaping, setbacks, alignments and privacy screening."

Co-op board member, Doug Seymour, has indicated he is pleased with the materials and the sympathetic colour scheme chosen to achieve a "Warrandyte" look, "with local stone visually anchoring the buildings, as well as timber and rendered surfaces providing a warm, 'honest' appearance."

"A lot of attention has been paid to the solar aspect, access and privacy, and the style, materials and tones are sympathetic with the locality," Mr Seymour said. "In addition, particular thought it being given to energy and water saving principles, technologies and products."

"While not able to predict council's

response, the board is naturally seeking a favourable decision," Ms Polley said.

The Warrandyte community has been searching for a solution to the problem of retirement housing for decades. Older residents, forced by maintenance problems to give up their large homes and gardens, although desperate to stay in Warrandyte, have had no alternative but to leave the area and relocate elsewhere.

Thus these people had to move away from their friendship and support networks and the community lost—one by one—the bulk of its valuable pioneer generations.

The first attempt to build a retirement village in the area goes back to

1978. Since then, numerous efforts have failed. The introduction of a ban on dual occupancy—preventing more than one dwelling per block in the township area—further complicated the situation.

Although council exempted retirement housing from this ruling, providing certain planning conditions are met, a shortage of suitable land close enough to facilities has always been a major problem.

Then the Warrandyte Community Association hit upon the idea of developing a number of clusters of fewer cottages on smaller blocks of land, dotted around the township.

This seemed to coincide with a community feeling that a large retirement village—described by some as a seniors' "ghetto"—was not preferred here. The public housing units at the corner of Yarra and Stiggart streets are considered a good example of the cluster model.

Many people in the community will be hoping that the Harris Gully Road villa units are the first of several such clusters in Warrandyte.

Co-op board member David Ellis told the *Diary*: "A lot of community goodwill has gone into this project—from the sale of land onwards. Having had consistent support from Warrandyte it would be good now to be able to deliver a result that is of real benefit to Warrandyte's retirees."

● The *Diary* welcomes readers' comments on this issue.

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# Keep North Warrandyte simple and unspoiled

There appears to be an attempt by Nillumbik council to "gentrify" North Warrandyte at the expense of property owners.

There are at least two proposals to seal the gravel roads, one in Hawkes Road/Boyd Street and the other Dingley Dell Road/Dingley Close that are currently having to be heavily maintained by council out of rate revenue.

Meetings have been held with property owners to get agreement to upgrade and seal the surface to a standard that the owners are seeking, similar to Blooms Road and Osborne Road.

It now appears that council has made a decision that all roads now have to have kerb and channel and underground drainage as in new suburban

subdivisions in lieu of the simple table drains employed to date in what has been accepted as rural roads in a rural setting.

I don't think they get it. Warrandyte has a unique sense of place going back to the gold mining days. I for one will fight to keep the rural character.

Manningham council may want to get rid of the plum trees in the village, but at least they have been very sensitive with the small amount of kerb and channel in Yarra Street that is local stone and the rest just the table drains that have served us well over 100+ years.

Sealing the roads will save the council a lot of money now spent on maintenance, but it is at the property owners' expense.

I am in favour of the road

seal, but not having to pay for unnecessary kerb, channel and underground pipes in the rockiest part of Warrandyte.

As Sandy Burgoyne pointed out in your April issue, it is the prohibitive cost of putting pipes underground that has delayed the installation of reticulated sewerage to North Warrandyte, yet Nillumbik council expects their ratepayers to foot the bill for unnecessary and inappropriate underground stormwater reticulation.

Our ward councillor—the mayor—Warwick Leason, is aware of the issue but so far has not recognised the concerns of the ratepayers who elected him.

Adam Richardson  
Dingley Dell Road

## dear diary

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## Children as slaves

Did you know that 8.4million children are denied an education because they are forced to work as slaves? Children are stolen from their families and forced to work as child soldiers or prostitutes, others to pay off their family's debts in factories or on farms, and some are promised an education in another country, only to find they have been tricked into slave labour. They can be forced to do dangerous work up to 18 hours a day with no access to education. Most receive little or no pay and inadequate food.

We all love our chocolate, but did you know that as Australians indulge in \$100million worth of chocolate this week, some 100,000 child slaves are working in cocoa fields in West Africa, producing up to 70% of the world's cocoa. In September 2001, all the major chocolate corporations signed a protocol agreeing to certify all their

cocoa, sourced from the Ivory Coast and Ghana, as "child slave free" by July 2005. This deadline was extended to July 2008—only two months to go!

Consumers can make a difference. We need to show businesses, such as these chocolate companies, that we believe their use of child slaves is unethical. To buy "slave free" products, look for the Fair Trade sign.

Being part of the End Child Slavery campaign has opened our eyes to the inhumane situations that children all over the world experience. It has changed our perspective on our responsibilities as educated and privileged Australian students. We are making a call to the youth of Australia to help us make a difference.

Caroline Evans and  
Laura Deveson  
Year 11 students  
Warrandyte

## Lighting the way

During the severe storm event of April 2, the Doncaster unit of the State Emergency Service received a large number of calls, 128 of these required unit attendance, many of them in the Warrandyte area. Over the following five days unit operational personnel carried out the tasks working well into the night on some of the larger jobs. Unit members did recover from the arduous level of activity but the lack of electrical power to almost all the jobs attended after dark necessitated the continual use of a generator on our storm damage trailer and that ageing but vital piece of equipment eventually succumbed to the workload.

I mentioned this fact to Mrs Margory Lapworth of Warrandyte Housing and Support

Services who immediately undertook to organise the raising of funds to replace the generator. Within 24 hours she notified me that arrangements were in place to provide the necessary funding.

I would like to publicly acknowledge the generosity of the Warrandyte Community Market Committee, the Rotary Club of Warrandyte and the Warrandyte Lions Club who together enabled the unit to purchase a replacement generator and ensure that our volunteer members can safely and effectively carry out well-lit, after hours tasks.

Alan Alder, controller  
Doncaster unit  
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The war cemetery at Anzac Cove.

## Anzac revisited

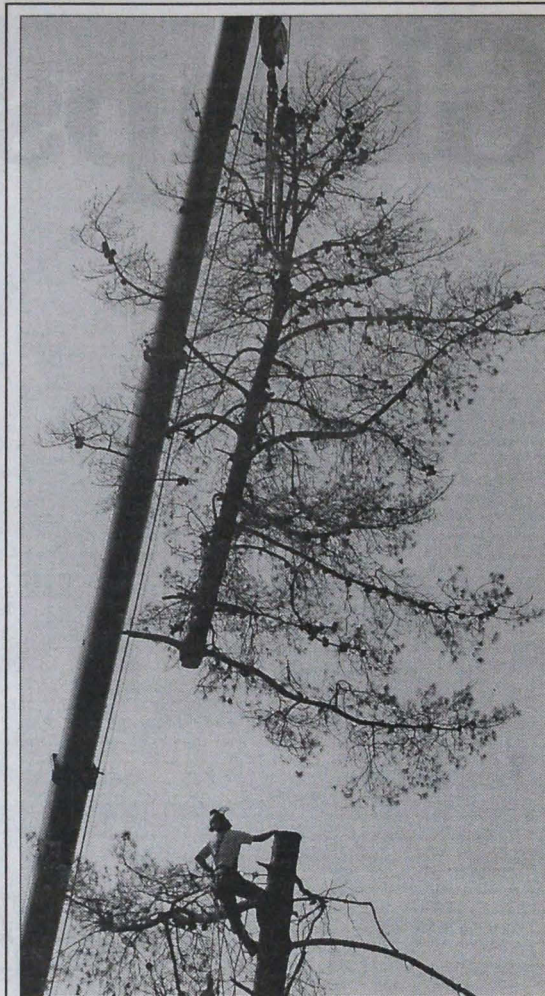
Our thanks to Karen Throssell for her poignant poem, her moving account of her visit to Turkey and her different view of what we commemorate on Anzac Day. While many historians now recognise the reality that Australian troops were sent in to Anzac Cove as "cannon fodder", Karen's broader vision includes the equally enormous sacrifice required of the Turkish soldiers in the defence of their country. This overall view is not so widely acknowledged.

Many young Australians now travel to Gallipoli to attend the dawn service there, seeing it as a patriotic celebration. Perhaps

it is, but that is a one-sided view. The myth of the Anzac legend as the "baptism of fire" for a young country, along with the bravery of Australian soldiers set on such a hopeless course, is only half the story. The inclusive view of the commitment of all troops involved and the needless losses experienced by them and their families should be emphasised. It certainly illustrates the complete futility of war.

With this in mind may we all, with Karen, now remember Anzac Day as Peace Day.

Jan and Frank O'Neill  
Mopoke Hill Road



Don't let her go! A timber giant swings out across Brackenbury and Yarra streets. (Pictures by Kristen Bartram)

## Timber-r-r-r!

Residents of Warrandyte were treated to an awesome display of industrial power last month when seven gigantic trees were craned out of my backyard with a 200 tonne crane with lifts of up to 2.5 tonnes to a height of 54 metres.

Ben McLean of Ben McLean Tree Services co-ordinated this event. The trees, ranging from 20 to 35 metres were at the end of their lives and were removed to make way for a native revegetation plan.

People crowded to watch the spectacle from Brackenbury Street and by the river. Some even brought deck chairs. The true meaning of the word awesome was realised when trees were craned out a third at a time, to hang poised over Yarra Street awaiting space for mulching on the roadside.

Apparently the crane could be seen from Kangaroo Ground!

Kristen Bartram  
By email

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By PAUL WILLIAMS

# A changing streetscape

## Village in transition: new developments along Yarra Street

Three important redevelopments are due to take place in shopping precincts along Yarra Street: at the bridge end, in the village and at the West End.

The Warrandyte Community Association is keeping a close watch on all three planning proposals.

The first of these is for the garage site at the West End, source of much speculation amongst local residents since its sale several months ago.

"It will not continue as a garage," WCA vice-president Dick Davies told the *Diary*. "The proposal lodged with Manningham council is for a car-wash facility with three car-wash bays and 10 queuing bays."

The building is a two storey design with a curved roof and with an upper level housing offices and plant room, set back to reduce the building's bulk. The 10 queuing bays are allowed for in the front of the building. It is proposed to be open 24 hours, seven days a week but staffed only for daytime hours to 4pm.

"This proposal has led to an unimpressed response from locals because of possible vandalism and damage," Mr Davies said.

WCA has had some discussion with council officers who advised that water harvesting and recycling facilities are a requirement for this type of facility. Council will be holding discussions with the applicant on the possible removal of the old tanks and rehabilitation of the site and are also considering if a well-lit, easily seen building would constitute a vandalism problem.

"WCA has requested all these issues be addressed and resolved before a permit is issued."

The second site to face imminent change is the old Ginkgo shop in the heart of the township, which for many decades housed Warrandyte's principal general store. This shop site on the south side of Yarra Street is in a group of civic and commercial buildings marked at one end by the Grand Hotel and at the other by the Mechanics Institute Hall.

"These buildings, together with the row of earlier shops between, form the historic core of the township and demonstrate its beginnings during the late 19th and early 20th century," Mr Davies said. "This particular shop dates from the early 20th century and although altered over the years retains some of its earlier elements including some parapet and gable detailing."

Earlier this year a planning permit was issued allowing for a 48-seat restaurant and shop on the ground floor and three offices on a second floor while retaining the original frontage with parapet and gable.

"However many residents became concerned when all but the front of the building was demolished in early April," Mr Davies said. "One was concerned enough to seek advice from council who then stopped the work as there had been no permit for such wholesale demolition."

It appeared the owner was not aware that under the heritage overlay permission was required to remove so much of the building and so work on the site ceased while a permit was sought. The demolition permit has now been issued but WCA has been advised that there are still further engineering and building issues to be resolved before the building permit is finalised.

"This development provided a test for the Warrandyte township heritage guidelines which were reviewed in 2007. It appears the heritage adviser has been involved with the process throughout," Mr Davies said.

The guidelines have provided guidance for the new shops on the site in that the façade is being retained, upper storey additions are being stepped back and the additions will be sympathetic to the adjacent buildings and not overwhelm the streetscape. Although the interior will be very different to previously, it is anticipated the impact on the streetscape appearance will be minimal.

"No doubt interest in the development on the site will con-



Above: Shell of the old Ginkgo building. Right: Once this was Warrandyte's principal general store. (Picture courtesy Warrandyte Historical Society)



tinue over the next few months and many observant eyes will watch developments as they occur," Mr Davies said.

The final area subject to redevelopment is the post office corner at the eastern end of the township. An application to realign the boundaries of three lots—the post office, tea retailer and homewares shop—has been received by council.

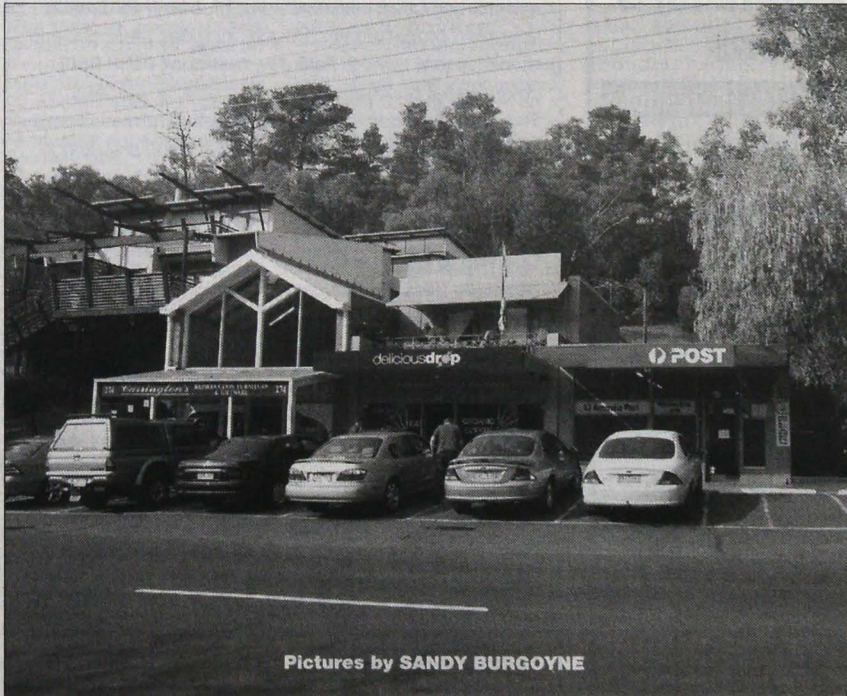
"If approved this would amalgamate the areas at the rear of the three shops and incorporate the resulting space into the post office site," Mr Davies said. There is also a proposal for an upper storey area, but council officers are seeking further information from the applicant on this aspect of the proposal.

"While all details are not yet available on the proposal it can be said that this site is very important to this part of the township. Residents will recall the intense criticism and considerable controversy over the two units built on the site adjacent to the three lots cur-

rently under consideration. "The post office shops are extremely important to the appearance of this commercial precinct. They can be seen from the river, the bridge and roundabout approaches. Any new development on this highly vis-

ible site will have a significant impact on the streetscape. "WCA and many residents would welcome a well designed, well-built outcome on this important corner site, particularly one that would enhance and enliven this part of the com-

mmercial precinct and contribute towards the built heritage of the township. "Like many other residents, WCA is waiting to see the details of what is proposed for the site before deciding on its merits or otherwise," Mr Davies said.



Pictures by SANDY BURGOYNE

Post Office block at bridge end is marked for redevelopment.



A three-bay car wash is planned for the old Liberty service station site.

# State Park depot: Going, going... gone!

The old rangers' depot at Warrandyte State Park has been demolished. Originally a fruit cool store when the Pound Bend site was an orchard, it was condemned as far back as 2004.

Yan Yean MP Danielle Green declared at the time: "Not only is the old cool store building inappropriate for staff, of more concern is the fact that the building is riddled with asbestos."

At the time, the Warrandyte community had reason to believe that the depot would close and the rangers would be relocated to Westerfolds in Templestowe. However, Ms Green assured locals that "plans will need to be made for permanent accommodation in the future".

The new building was finally open for business early in 2006.

STEPHEN REYNOLDS was there when the old building came down and took these pictures.



## Lighting our streets with fewer emissions

Nillumbik council is installing sustainable street lighting in a project designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and save more than \$60,000 a year.

In a first for Victoria, every street light globe in the shire will be replaced with a more energy efficient fluorescent lamp, resulting in greenhouse gas savings of 1900 tonnes a year, or 19% of council's emissions.

Mayor, Cr Warwick Leeson, told the *Diary*: "Street lights are real energy sappers and there are more than 3000 of them in

the shire, making it council's major source of greenhouse gas emissions. Street lighting accounted for 28% of council's greenhouse emissions in 2005-6."

The sustainable street lighting project has been jointly funded by council, the Victorian government and power company SP Ausnet.

As well as reducing greenhouse gas emissions, the project is estimated to reduce council's electricity bill by up to \$60,000 a year.

## Community cash for the asking

Nillumbik council is inviting community organisations, youth groups and artists to apply for funding under their 2008-2009 community grants program.

Grants are offered in the areas of cultural development, community development and youth support. A maximum of \$3000 is available in each category.

Information sessions will provide an overview of each category and provide advice on selection criteria.

The hour-long sessions will be held at the Civic Centre, Civic Drive, Greensborough on Wednesday, June 4 at 10am.

Interested applicants are encouraged to attend an information session, or contact council before submitting their application. Applications close on June 30 at 5pm.

For further information, application forms and/or guidelines, go to [www.nillumbik.vic.gov.au](http://www.nillumbik.vic.gov.au)

## Welcoming Tassie feathered friends

Interested in hosting some welcome little visitors from Tasmania?

"Right now, Tasmanian Silvereyes are migrating across Bass Strait to spend winter with their cousins in Warrandyte and in suburban backyards from Victoria to Queensland," a Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife spokesperson said.

"The Silvereyes are useful little birds in backyards. While they occasionally claim more than their fair share of your fruit, they also eat your garden

pests. "Australia's new Backyard Buddies program is all about getting more enjoyment from native animals in your backyard," the spokesperson said.

The foundation's website at [www.fnpw.org.au](http://www.fnpw.org.au) carries information about the Backyard Buddies program, plus advice on how to make your backyard safe and welcoming to Silvereyes—and other native creatures—by planting appropriate plants and dealing with marauding cats, for example.



### Preschool enrolments year 2009

Enrolments for preschools within the Shire of Nillumbik are now being finalised.

Children who turn four years of age prior to the end of April 2009 are eligible to attend a preschool in Nillumbik.

Parents who have not enrolled their child are encouraged to complete a Preschool Registration Form at the earliest opportunity. Registration forms are available at the Civic Centre, at preschools and maternal and child health centres or via Council's website.

For those who have already enrolled, first round offers will be posted 22 July 2008.

For further assistance go to [www.nillumbik.vic.gov.au](http://www.nillumbik.vic.gov.au), email [kinderergarten@nillumbik.vic.gov.au](mailto:kinderergarten@nillumbik.vic.gov.au) or contact Daniella Tarle, Community Services Administration Officer, on 9433 3161.

### Celebrating Environmental Actions – Saturday 7 June

Nillumbik Shire Council and Nillumbik CAN (Climate Action Now) invite you to celebrate World Environment Day with us.

Find out what people in Nillumbik have been doing for the environment. This event will showcase local environmental initiatives in Nillumbik through environmental displays, a sustainability marketplace and various speakers.

The event will feature the following activities:

- calculate your carbon footprint with the help of Nillumbik CAN
- view displays from local environment groups and check out the latest environmental books
- What are students making of our environmental challenges? See art exhibition in the Eltham Library
- World Environment Day marketplace: 'green' products and local service providers, including solar installations, designing/retrofitting houses
- the community talks about their environmental initiatives in Nillumbik featuring local community groups, businesses, Nillumbik Shire Council and inspirational individuals
- meet members of groups and Councillors over afternoon tea.

**Time:** 11am-4pm (speakers from 2pm-3.30pm)

**Venue:** Eltham Library, Panther Place, Eltham (Melway 21 J5)

**Enquiries:** Sarah Houseman, Nillumbik CAN, on 0407 356 239 or email [sarah.houseman@optusnet.com.au](mailto:sarah.houseman@optusnet.com.au) or Alison Hickey, Environmental Planner, on 9433 3328 or email [Alison.Hickey@nillumbik.vic.gov.au](mailto:Alison.Hickey@nillumbik.vic.gov.au)

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### Times:

Thursday 22 May, 7pm - 9.30pm  
Saturday 24 May, 9am - 4pm  
Monday 26 May, 7pm - 9.30pm

### Bookings essential:

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Places strictly limited.

Early registrations appreciated.



# Centre seeks input

What is your impression of our community centre? The management group is keen to find out.

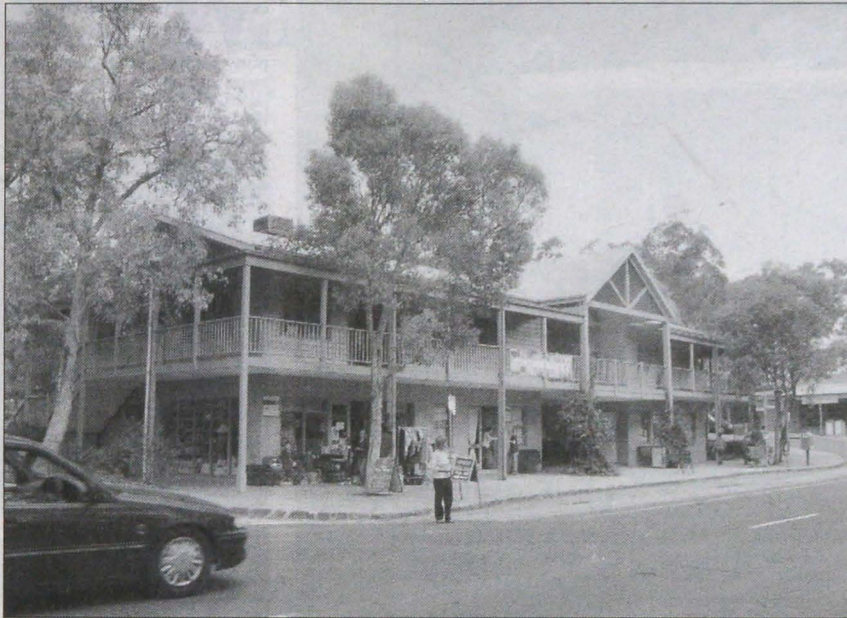
The future of the Warrandyte Community Centre is the subject of research being conducted by the centre's Supporters Group throughout May and June. Community groups and individuals are being invited to participate in the research which will be analysed and later presented at a community event in July.

"There are some interesting questions to be discussed," chairperson David Dyason told the *Diary*. "For example, we want to know what the community centre means to Warrandyte people—is it meeting their ideals? What challenges and opportunities face the community centre? What services and programs do members think our centre could offer? We are interested in opinions."

The Supporters Group committee intends to contact most local community organisations to ensure good representation from a variety of groups.

"The Supporters Group believes the centre is a special place for people to come to, particularly Warrandyte people," Mr Dyason said. "We want to ensure that the centre is used and valued by people who live in and around our village. We want it to have energy and we want it to be relevant."

"As far as I can tell, Warrandyte has more than 40 active, local groups that meet regularly to somehow support the community," Mr Dyason said. "Some are philanthropic, some have a conservation objective,



Warrandyte Community Centre: looking for ideas. (Picture by Jan Tindale)

some are social or educational. All have a volunteer base. Our research suggests that Warrandyte probably has more active, community minded people per head of population than any other Melbourne suburb.

"In the past our community centre was the centre for this activity," Mr Dyason said. "In the 1970s and 1980s a key feature of the political and social landscape was the Warrandyte Co-op.

"The Co-op was amazing. It seeded many programs, some of which have become Warrandyte institutions and still operate today. These include the Childcare Centre, After-School Care, Youth Services, The Youth Coffee Shop, Warrandyte Job Exchange and Information Warrandyte.

"Today's landscape is quite different but nonetheless, just as active," Mr Dyason said. The Supporters Group wants

to know how the Warrandyte Community Centre can help and support these groups. Perhaps by co-operating we can achieve more, duplicate less, and share resources."

Warrandyte community members will have the opportunity for further dialogue about the future of the community centre at the July event. Individuals and organisations who would like to contribute can contact David Dyason on 0418 322 548.

## Mapping for the future

Warrandyte Neighbourhood House has embarked on an exciting new project, a website entitled the Manningham-Nillumbik Green Map.

The website "will give a detailed picture of activities available in our own backyard," WNH president Gail Plowman told the *Diary*, "as well as such cultural information as the Indigenous connection to country and the history of places like Petty's Orchard.

"It will talk about what small groups are trying to do, what they have achieved, how people can help and who to contact."

There are 400 Green Map projects around the world. "They draw together grassroots people and government agencies in more than just a website or a paper map. Green Map projects are about balancing 'people, planet and profit' in sustainable community development," Ms Plowman said.

A wide range of categories will be covered in the local Green Map, including art, culture, history and lifestyle, green business, food, events, nature and wildlife, pollution, transport and recycling.

The project "will be free of politics but will attempt to influence political leaders on sustainable development," Ms Plowman said. "Bendigo Bank's new website, at [www.warrandyte3113.com.au](http://www.warrandyte3113.com.au) meshes beautifully with the Green Map sustainable development philosophy."

The first Green Map "community-wide conversation" is planned for Wednesday, May 28 at the Warrandyte Community Centre. "It is hoped this will draw together representatives of community, business and government. Both Manningham and Nillumbik councils have expressed their support for the project," Ms Plowman said.

Further information from WNH, phone 9844 1839, or from Gail Plowman, 0408 514 380.

## No Water Wallies here

Warrandyte residents used considerably less water in 2007-08 than in 2006-07.

Last year the average daily consumption per household in Warrandyte was 482 litres, the year before we used, on average, 576 litres in a day, a whopping 16.27% drop.

This compares with the average reduction across Melbourne's suburbs of 14%.

Brian Tee, Labor MP for the Eastern Metropolitan Region, congratulated Warrandyte residents "for leading the way in reducing their water usage and taking on initiatives to reduce

their water consumption". He said that with Victoria's continued low rainfall it was important that these water savings continue.

"Households use approximately 60% of Melbourne's water, so the savings that we can make in our homes and gardens make an enormous difference," Mr Tee said.

"Melburnians are using 34% less water per capita compared to the mid-1990s, which is thanks to the combined efforts of the entire community—households, industry and local government."

## Fun behind the wheel

In March each year, Warrandyte Lions conduct a unique and inspiring program, in which visually impaired people (they call them their VIPs) get the opportunity to drive a car.

"Seated beside independent driving instructors, our VIPs speed their way around Sandown Racing Circuit on a day which many tell us is the highlight of the year," a Lions spokesperson told the *Diary*.

Over the years, participants in the program have come from as far as Adelaide, Darwin, Kangaroo Island and Coolangatta, "just for this day."

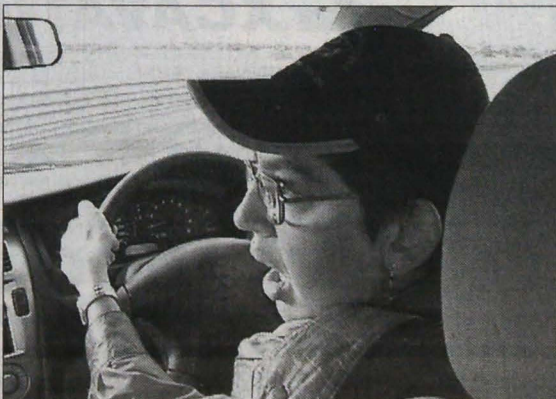
"It is extremely satisfying to see familiar faces turning up each year, to get—as one VIP

described it—"their adrenalin rush for the year", the spokesperson said.

Sandown Racing Circuit is hired and paid for by the Victorian Automobile Chamber of Commerce, all the driving instructors volunteer their time and the project enjoys the support of the Customline Car Club, the Vintage Car Club and the Ulysses Motor Cycle Club.

"For some, to roar around the track on the back of a Harley is the highlight of their day," the spokesperson said.

"In the driver's seat", as the program is called, is the brainchild of Warrandyte Lion Peter Watts, himself blind. He is ably assisted by his wife Catherine.



VIP Sara sets off on her drive around Sandown.

## Building for the future

Warrandyte CAN (Climate Action Now) is continuing its series of information nights on global warming issues with a seminar featuring two experts on building, renovating and home making compatible with the best environmental standards.

Kris Sandvoss is a world recognised expert in sustainable window design. His firm Miglass designed and supplied windows for the CH2 Council House 2 in Melbourne. This building won an award in a London-based, international environmental competition.

Mr Sandvoss will discuss double-glazing as a means of reducing carbon emissions and supporting the ecosystem's ability to self-recover.

Marie Wallin, local resident and founder of Planet Architecture, has a residential consultancy and design practice specialising in sustainable architecture for new homes and renovations.

"With over a decade of experience in sustainable building, Marie has a wide and deep understanding of green design services and what makes a good home," Warrandyte CAN president Wayne Rankin told the *Diary*.

The seminar will be held at the Andersons Creek Primary School hall, Drysdale Road, Warrandyte at 7.30pm on Thursday, June 5.

"Everyone's invited, for just a gold coin entry, to hear the passion and learn about ideas you can implement in your own home to help reduce carbon emissions and let our planet recover," Mr Rankin said.



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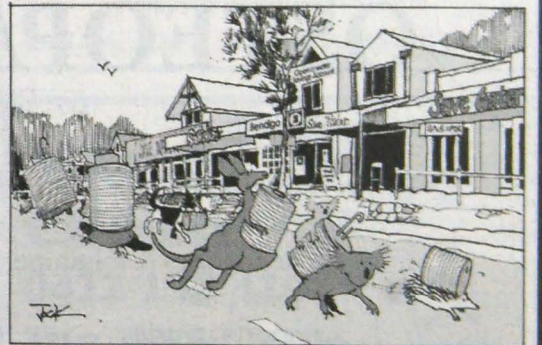
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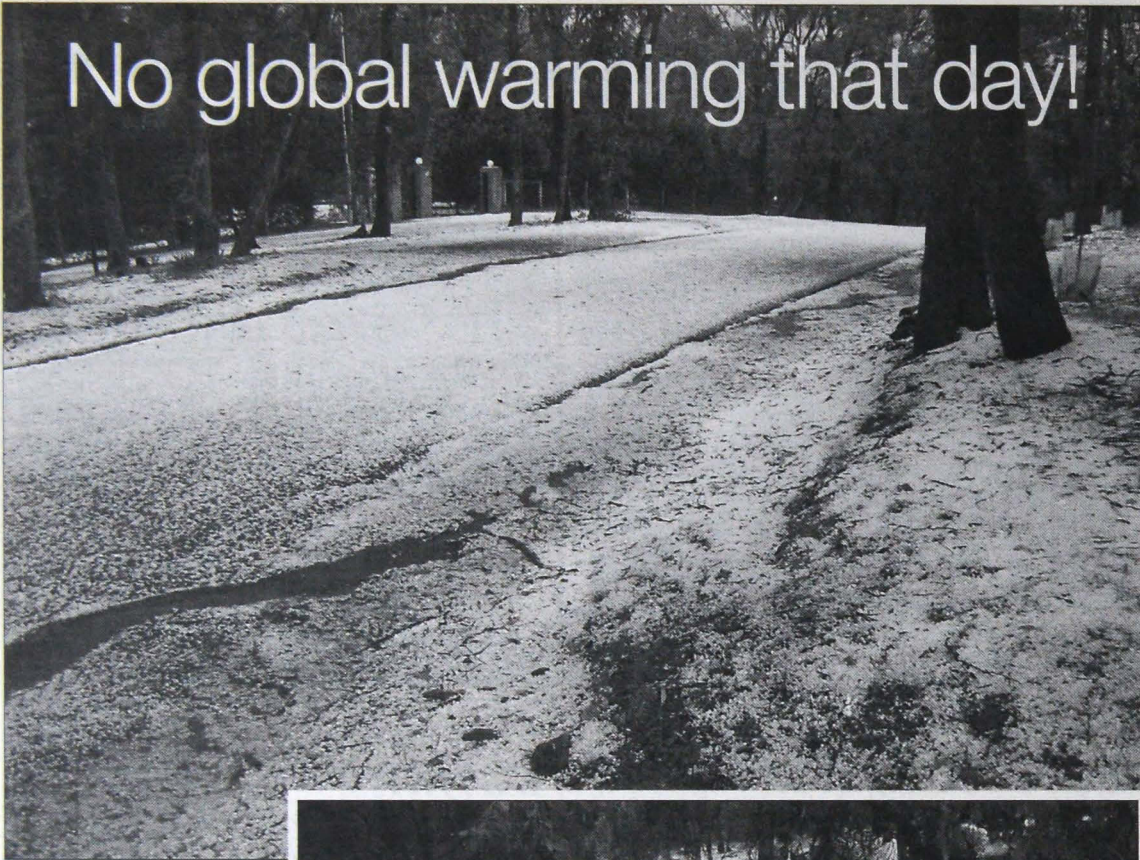


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# No global warming that day!



No, this is not a shot of a road in the High Country, it's Blooms Road in North Warrandyte following the hail storm that swept the district earlier this month. "The hailstones fell so thickly that it looked like snow," Shirley Bendle told us. "Large patches of it sat on the ground for hours."



Pictures by SHIRLEY BENDLE

# Winners at Wyena

Wyena Horse and Pony Club staged successful horse trials at their grounds in South Warrandyte late last month.

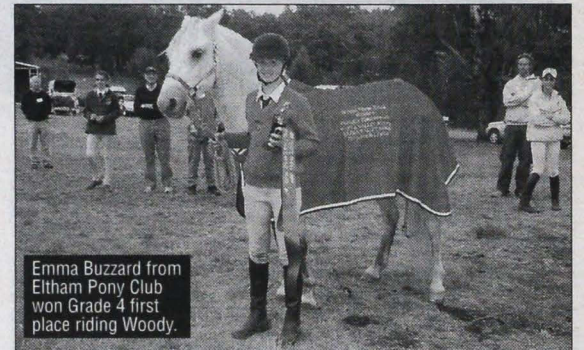
The event was attended by riders from many Victorian pony clubs, completing dressage and show jumping competitions on the Saturday and the cross country sessions on the Sunday.

"Wyena held such an annual event until 2001, when part of the cross country course was sold," a club spokesperson told the *Diary*. The club has since constructed a new course of jumps and hopes to expand further.

"We plan on being able to host a state qualifying competition in 2009," the spokesperson said.



Grade 3 first place winner, Shannon Metzger from Kangaroo Ground Pony Club, riding Feral.



Emma Buzzard from Eltham Pony Club won Grade 4 first place riding Woody.



Wyena riders Minnipa Griggs, Jessica Stevens and Eleri Dear were placed 4th, 6th and 5th in the Grade 4 horse trials.

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## Govt grants 'tech' cash for high school



Brian Tee

Warrandyte High School is receiving \$54,200 from the state government to assist with the upgrading of technical equipment.

This grant, announced by Eastern Metropolitan MP Brian Tee, is part of a \$50million technical wings investment in the 2007-08 budget.

"These grants will enable schools to provide state-of-the-art technical and vocational education and training," Mr Tee said. "They are part of the government's commitment to providing Victorian students with the facilities they need for a 21st century curriculum."

Mr Tee said schools can also pool their funding with nearby schools to provide or expand technical training in particular industry areas.

## Naming locals for Order of Australia

Local residents are being urged to consider nominating outstanding community contributors they believe deserving of an award within the four levels of the Order of Australia.

Manningham mayor, Cr Geoff Gough, told the *Diary* that "these awards are about recognising these people whose service and contributions have made a significant difference to community life or, more broadly, to humanity at large."

"Within our community we have many people who undertake a great deal of work for the local community, or at a national or international level, and go above and beyond what could be reasonably expected."

"There are many very hard-working, deserving people within our community who often go unrecognised and the Order of Australia awards are the perfect vehicle for acknowledging their contributions," Cr Gough said.

Recipients must be an Australian citizen and can be from all spheres of the community and either a volunteer or paid worker in any organisation

• Nomination forms can be obtained by downloading them from [www.itsanhonour.gov.au](http://www.itsanhonour.gov.au), by phone on (02) 6283 3604, or by mail from: The Secretary, Order of Australia, Government House, Canberra, ACT 2600.

# 'Nothing' in budget for Warrandyte

According to local Liberal MP Ryan Smith, the state budget "delivered virtually nothing for the electorate of Warrandyte".

"In the vital areas of education, police numbers and transport the government has continued its miserly view of Warrandyte by ignoring the urgent needs of the community."

"The important matter of the school maintenance backlog is one I have raised many times in parliament," said Mr Smith. "Unfortunately not one cent of the \$37 billion budget is allocated to addressing our local schools maintenance issues."

According to Mr Smith, community safety has also been ignored by the government. "No money has been allocated to boost resources for our local police in 2007/08."

"Sergeant Walker and his team

do a fantastic job in our community, but like all police, some extra help would be gratefully accepted."

Despite the release of the Eddington report, "which was hyped as the answer to the Eastern suburbs transport woes, the government has not allocated any of this budget to any of the projects recommended."

"Warrandyte's transport problems have been well documented, yet there is still no indication that the government is taking any measures to address commuters' concerns," Mr Smith said.

"Also, no funds were allocated to fast-track the government's septic tank replacement program in a disappointing outcome for those who are concerned about the continued pollution of the Yarra River."



Ryan Smith



## New rooms at primary school

Students, staff, parents and friends of Warrandyte Primary School are celebrating the official opening of the newly extended Middle Years classrooms.

"The official ceremony recognised the contribution of the Warrandyte school community and the federal government's Investing in Our Schools program," principal Gill Binger told the *Diary*.

Thanks to the government grant, the school has been able to up-date the staffroom, carpet classrooms and the music rooms, paint classrooms, purchase interactive whiteboards and new computers, update play equipment and install shade structures.

*Pictured: student leaders Kieran and Ellen cut the ribbon to officially open the new extension.*

## Michael is tops



Warrandyte student Michael Rogers completed this "Oasis Football Table" as a VCE project last year. It has been included in the Top Designs exhibition at the Melbourne Museum.

"Top Designs is part of the VCE season of excellence and features exemplary student design across a wide range of areas, including design, food and technology, systems engineering, media, multimedia and visual communication," a museum spokesperson told the *Diary*.

## Check on balconies, sundecks

Most Warrandyte houses, built on steeply sloping ground, have decks or balconies. Many were built years ago.

Inspection statistics from across Victoria reveal that many balconies and decks are unsafe or rotting and could cause injury or death in the event of a collapse.

A Manningham council spokesperson has told the *Diary* that "as houses age and are continually exposed to the elements, it is important that owners properly maintain their decks and balconies".

- Look for any compression or deformation of the supporting posts, beams or joists. Decayed timber will feel soft and spongy.

- Check beneath decks or balconies and look for deterioration, particularly where members join.

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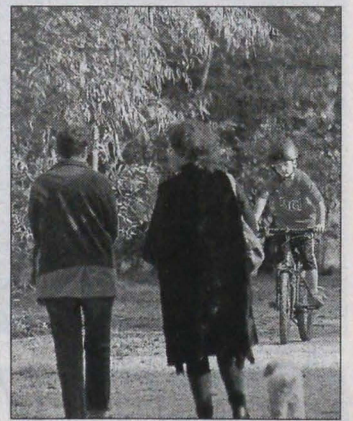
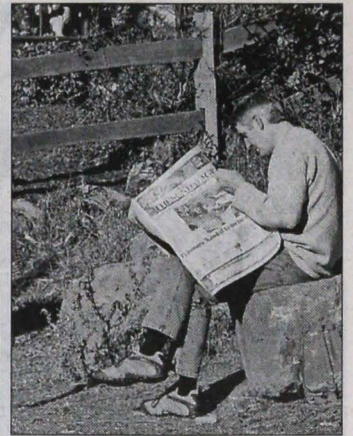


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# Autumn in Warrandyte



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## WARRANDYTE YOUTH Arts AWARD 2008-09

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Andersons Creek Catchment Area Landcare Group is organising a planting day on Sunday, May 18 at 10.30am with a free barbecue lunch to follow. An area of DSE land which follows Andersons Creek for about 50 metres from Harris Gully Road is to be replanted. Helpers are asked to meet at the corner of Harris Gully and Gold Memorial roads. Anyone able to assist with this project will be most welcome. It is suggested you wear gumboots as you will have to cross the creek. If you can come please ring Sue on 0409 205 155 or Robyn on 0417 377 649. Further planting days are planned for June 22 and July 19.

## out of the box

By JUDY GREEN

Drop your news in the letterbox in the front door of our office at the Community Centre, email it to [warrandytediary@aapt.net.au](mailto:warrandytediary@aapt.net.au), fax it to 9844 4168, or post it to PO Box 209, Warrandyte 3113 by the last Friday in the month.

at the South Warrandyte Hall, Hall Road and commence at 7.30pm.

## Business

Nillumbik Shire Council and the Connecting Nillumbik steering group have organised an evening of inspiration and information—Good Business is Green Business. It will be held on May 22, 2008 at the Eltham Community and Reception centre from 6.30pm. Key speaker will be Arron Wood, the 2007 winner of the Prime Minister's Environmentalist of the Year Award and winner of the 2006 United Nations Individual Award for Outstanding Service to the Environment. Cost is \$30. Call Julie on 9433 3315 to register.

## Tutors

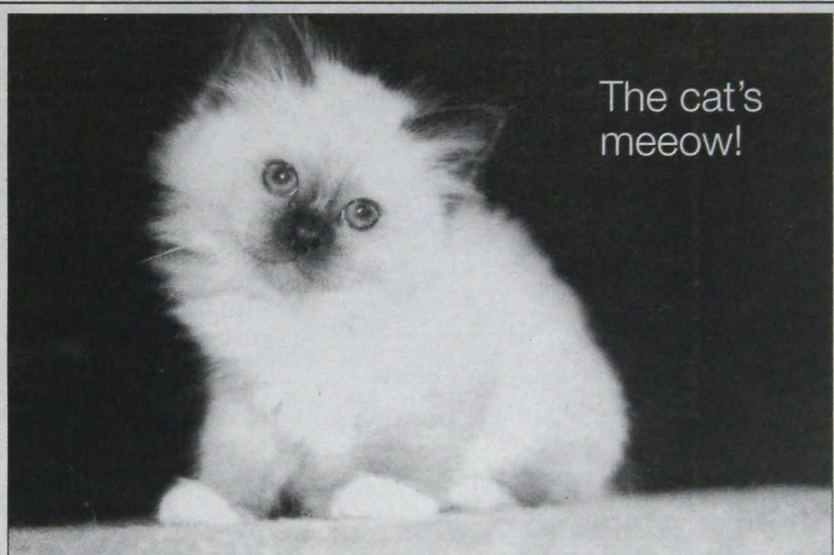
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## River

The Yarra Riverkeepers Association is organising a free community forum on the Future of the Yarra River to be held in Function Room 3 at the Manningham Municipal Offices, 699 Doncaster Road, Doncaster. Guest speaker will be Professor Barry Hart. Professor Hart is Chair of the Yarra Coordinating Committee and a director of Waterkeepers Australia. The forum will take place on Monday, May 26 from 7pm to 8.30pm. Light refreshments will be provided. Please call 0448 927 720 by May 22 if you wish to attend.

## Seminars

The next Manningham council environment seminar, on Wednesday, June 4 will feature Adriana Simmonds discussing wildlife shelter. The following month—Wednesday, July 2—Bill Pemberton will talk about Carbon Rationing Action Groups. The seminars are held



The cat's meow!

The Birman Society of cat lovers is holding their first anniversary show at the Warrandyte Community Centre on Sunday, May 25, open to the public from 10am. Birman cats are also known as the Sacred Cat of Burma. Also on show will be Persians, Exotics, Maine Coons, Norwegian Forest Cats, Ragdolls and many other interesting cat breeds. International judges from Europe and the United States will be presiding over the show. Experienced breeders will be available to answer questions and give advice. The society always endorses the confinement of cats, indoors or in a purpose-built enclosure. Information on enclosures will be available at the show. Further information from Cheryl Papez 0412 648 633.

## Workshop

As part of Manningham council's recognition of Reconciliation Week, a planting and cultural workshop with Wurundjeri traditional owners will take place at Stiggants Reserve on Thursday, May 29 from 9.30am.

## Building

Warrandyte CAN is hosting an information night on sustain-

able building, renovation and homemaking, to be held at the Andersons Creek Primary School on Thursday, June 5 commencing at 7.30pm. Kris Sandvoss will discuss double glazing as a means of reducing carbon emissions and Marie Wallin, a local architect specialising in sustainable design will speak on building and renovating using environmental principles.

images and descriptions of indigenous significance.

## Jazz

Victorian Jazz Workshops' over 25s jazz improvisation workshops commence on Saturday, July 5, from 1 to 4pm and continue for 12 weeks until September 20. They will be held at the Victorian Jazz Archive, "Koomba Park", 15 Mountain Highway, Wantirna. The cost is \$144 plus membership of the Victorian Jazz Archive. Further information from Marina Pollard on 9781 4972. Email: [info@vicjazzarchive.org.au](mailto:info@vicjazzarchive.org.au).

## Volunteers

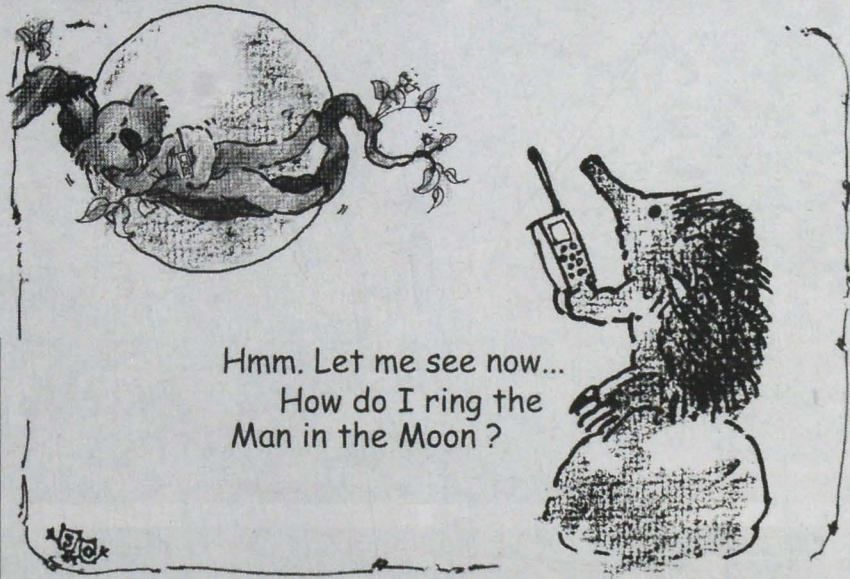
Do Care is seeking volunteers to help with older or disabled people in the local community. Call 9762 5211 for more information.

## Platform

The Moor-rul Platform at Kangaroo Ground is now open to the public. This platform is one way Nillumbik council is demonstrating its commitment to reconciliation with the Wurundjeri. It includes eight double-sided historic interpretative panels describing the development of local surrounds, including

## COREY'S COMMUNITY

By SYD & ONA



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### Textiles

An exhibition of textiles will be held at Stonehouse Gallery during May. Colour, texture and pattern will be the essential ingredients of this exhibition, showing wearable, decorative and pictorial felt, weaving, and embroidered creations. Works are being presented by the Stonehouse artists along with other well-known craftspeople. The gallery is at 103 Yarra Street, Warrandyte.

### Pearls

Manningham Arts Centre is offering a one-off workshop in Pearl Knotting on Saturday, May 17 from 2 to 5pm. Pearl knotting is the art of presenting a string of pearls on fine silk thread. The workshop will be run by Julianne Richards of Pearls Melba. At this workshop she will teach the Japanese style of pearl knotting, a simpler technique than some others and suitable for beginners. A kit is provided with all that is necessary including the pearls. The workshop will take place at the Manningham Arts Centre, 177 Foote Street, Templestowe. Cost is \$70 plus \$70 for the kit. For bookings—which are essential—call 9840 9381

### Prize

Pauline Cross, convenor of the Warrandyte Arts Association painting group was recently awarded the Victorian Artists Society Undine Prize for landscape. Pauline's landscape in oils was awarded the prize by the judge, A.W. Harding.

### Koorie

As part of Manningham council's public event program for Reconciliation Week, Victoria's brightest and emerging Koorie artists will be exhibiting their work at the Manningham Gallery later this month. Moving Pictures—Images of Reconciliation will open on the evening of Wednesday, May 21 and continue until Saturday, June 7 at 699 Doncaster Road, Doncaster.

### Magic

"Magic Sounds" is the title of a recently released meditation album by locally based Dean Frenkel and Linda Laasi. Dean and Linda will be performing at the Earth Harmony Centre, 246-250 Yarra Street, Warrandyte, on Friday, May 16 at 8pm. The concert features vocal soundscapes of shamanic and healing sounds. It includes harmonic singing, didgeridoo, Tibetan bowls, whistles (harmonic pipes) and thumb piano. Cost is \$20 or \$15 concession.

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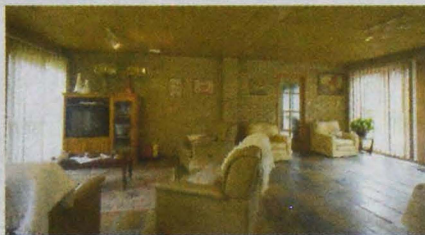
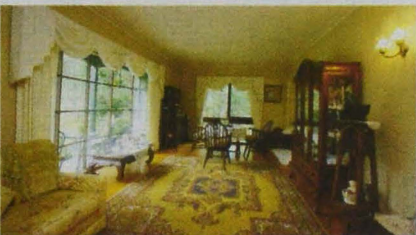


# Hanson's open garden

In what has become an annual event, *Diary* columnist Bev Hanson—and husband John—last month welcomed visitors to their beautiful garden in Webb Street as part of the Open Garden Scheme. STEPHEN REYNOLDS took time out to take these pictures.



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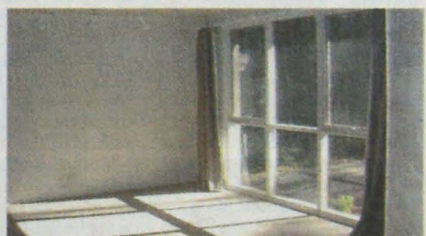
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# ANZAC DAY IN WARRANDYTE: 2008

## ...and in the morning, we will remember them...

By JOANNE GREEN

**S**MOKE drifted down the Warrandyte valley as marchers gathered to commemorate 93 years since Australian and New Zealand troops stormed the shores of Gallipoli. Only a handful of veterans stood tall at the front in their suits and war medals. They led more than 100 others, including many sons, daughters and grandchildren.

At 10.30 the march set off at a slow pace behind a police escort and bagpiper Lachlan McSwain. This was a modest affair as Anzac Day parades go. Traffic still rolled steadily through on the other side of the road.

Joh of Ringwood, her husband and three daughters marched in memory of a great uncle who was at Hiroshima and a grandfather who drove an ammunition truck in World War 2.

Shopkeepers came out to join others on the street to pay their respects. Some clapped to show appreciation. Others joined the procession. The scent of rosemary drifted on the breeze as the now longer march reached the war memorial where many others waited for the ceremony to begin.

The service was conducted by celebrant John Byrne who gave an address and led those assembled in prayer. Barry Carrozi played a poignant rendition of Eric Bogle's *The Green Fields of France* and the Bellbird Singers sang hymns and *My Country*. John Byrne paid homage to the Australian troops who had served in both world wars, Korea and Vietnam along with those currently serving in Iraq, Israel, Sinai, Lebanon, Afghanistan, Timor, Solomon Islands, Northern Australia, and working in border security.

RSL president Dave Parker presented member John Verrall with a certificate acknowledging his 50 years of RSL membership. "I didn't want to make a big deal about it. I wanted them to

send it to me in the post, but it was a first for Warrandyte," Mr Verrall told the *Diary*.

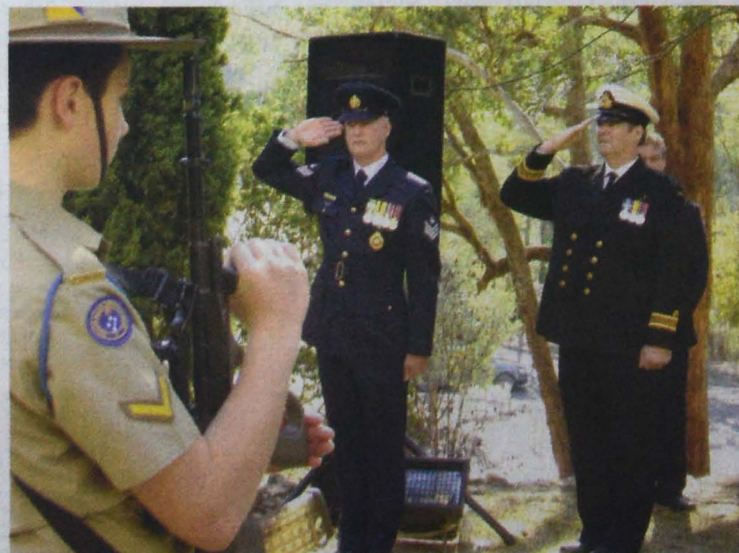
John Verrall served in the Royal Navy during World War 2. He was on the ship *Victorious*, which chased the German battleship *Bismarck*. He also served in Malta. During the war, John Verrall was posted to Brisbane where he met his wife, then serving in the Australian army. They later married and moved to Warrandyte in 1951. John became active in the Warrandyte community and joined the RSL in 1958.

"It's such a great community in Warrandyte" he said. "It was a very worthwhile period of my life." Unfortunately, because his wife's health deteriorated, John had to move away from Warrandyte, but his son drove him up this year so he could receive his certificate; and "so I could have a few beers," he said.

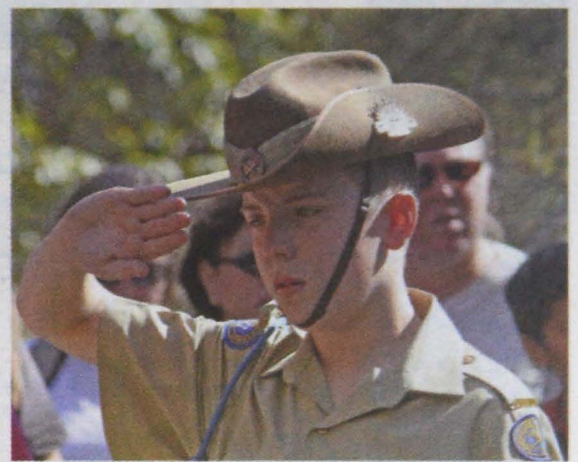
Following the Lord's Prayer, wreaths were laid by the RSL, Guides and Scouts and the families of soldiers. Children, with grandparents' and great grandparents' medals glinting on their chests, laid sprigs of rosemary and wattle at the base of the memorial. Bugler John Byrne played the Last Post as the Australian flag was raised to the top of the mast.

More than 500 people attended Warrandyte's Anzac Day commemoration. Many travelled long distances to attend with family members. Jessica Jones, 19, had come from Williamstown to join many of her relatives in marching with World War 2 veteran, grandfather Ben Jones, who has sold poppies and badges in Warrandyte for many years.

"The whole family sees it as a big thing," Jess told the *Diary*. "It's more important than anything on that day, even work. We like to support our Pop." Other members of the Jones family travelled from Moe and Ballarat to march in our parade. They are typical of many others who return each year to mark this special day in Warrandyte.



# ANZAC DAY IN WARRANDYTE: 2008



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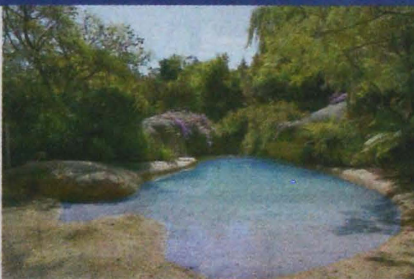
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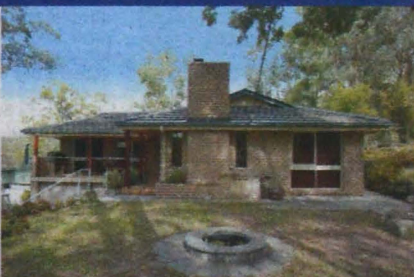
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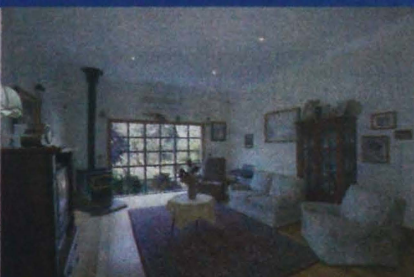
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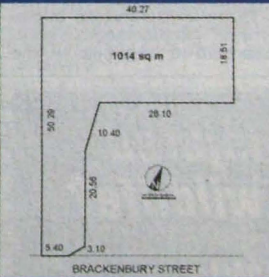
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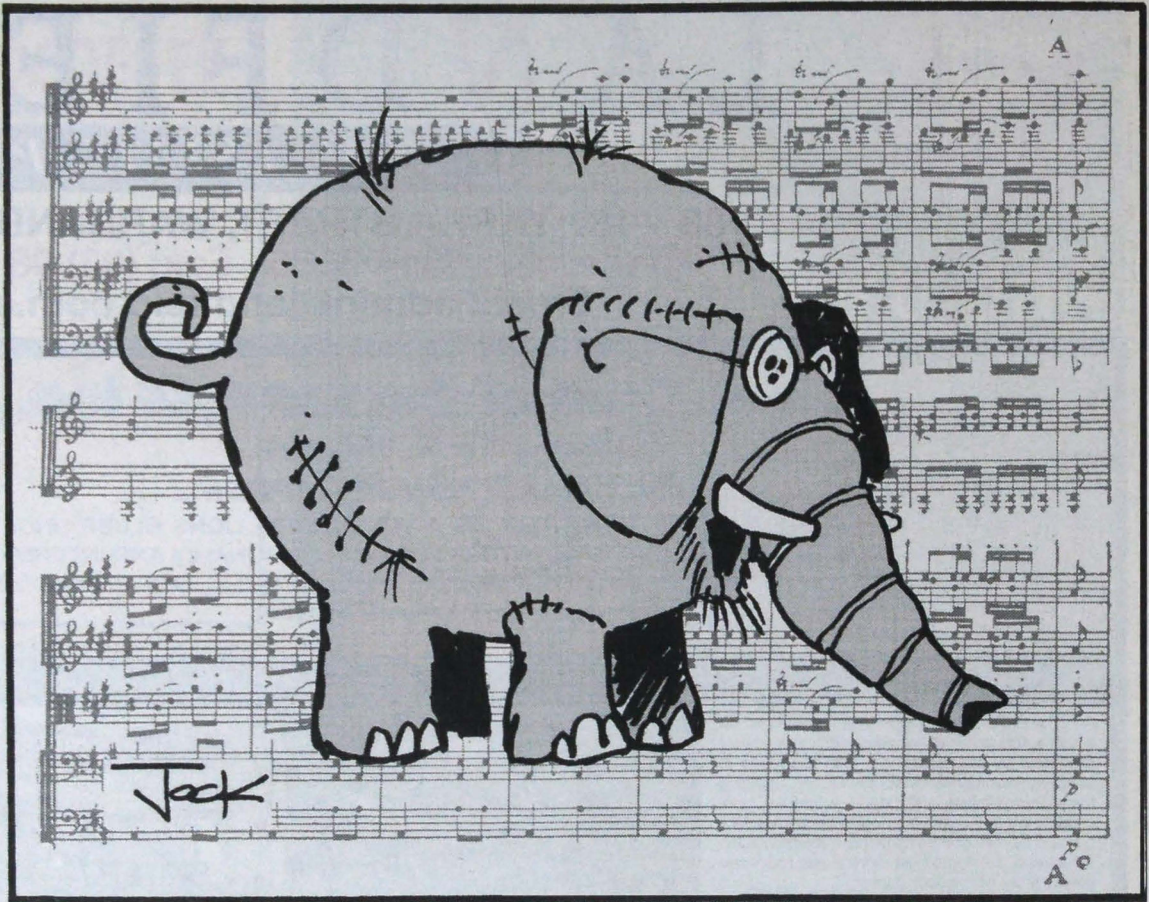
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## Stuffed elephant day, far from sand and sawdust

**S**INCE last time, the extension is well under way and Herself and I are feeling the pressure. It's not that this is the first time we've built but somehow, this time, it's been more fraught. Those cynics amongst you are probably thinking, "Age!" but I don't think it's that simple.

In the past we have built from scratch whilst living off-site, but this time it's an extension and we are living amongst it. There are some out there who can cope with chaos, dust and lots of tunnel-visioned men living with you but it appears we can't.

I am in awe of those adventurers you see on TV's Grand Designs who live in a caravan with eight children, a Rottweiler, a grandmother and still conduct accounting and neurosurgery practices whilst their crumbling mediaeval castle is transformed into a crisp, hard-edge granite and hand-etched glass block "statement". They choose to start just before the snows of an English winter and "because it will be exciting", want to build it for the equivalent of the *Warrandyte Diary's* annual budget. Now starting in the red is not my idea of exciting, but evidently there are people out there who have no nerves and an unshakeable belief in a benevolent deity who has a PhD in project management.

There are countless books written and innumerable seminars held on the subject of "the



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**"I am in awe of those you see on TV's Grand Designs who live in a caravan with eight children, a Rottweiler, a grandmother..."**

importance of effective communication". The only problem is that the communication between these sources of information and those who need it is faulty and, consequently, the failure to communicate about communication leads to a breakdown in communication. Now this wouldn't matter if the communication was only about unimportant things like world peace or the meaning of life but it does matter when you have to deal with builders' practices during the day and, at night, share a bed with a wife whose views differ. All of which

is a good reason why I had to find something else to do to take my mind off the disaster zone, even if only for a fleeting moment of sanity

Our current minister for education suggests, or has successfully won the battle by the time this goes to press, that teachers should trade their pupil-free days for a salary increase. I'm not going to enter into that argument but only mention that I need my extension-free breaks.

A friend's preppie came home from school to announce that they were going to have a Stuffed Elephant Day the next day. The dutiful mum agonised over how she was going to make an elephant's costume in time. She was too late to hire anything and didn't have enough hesian to make a full elephant's costume. Eventually she hit on the idea of converting a large cardboard box into the body. She could then attach a stuffed stocking at the front and an unstuffed stocking behind. Her daughter, for ears, could then hold a pair of large leaf collecting plastic paddles through holes cut in the side of the box and voila, a stuffed elephant and a happy preppie who wouldn't feel left out.

When the proud mum showed her daughter what she had made, she was faced with incredulity.

"Here's your costume for school tomorrow."

"But I'm not going to school. We have a Stuffed Elephant Day. None of the teachers will

be there."

The penny finally dropped. There would be no school as the teachers were having a Staff Development Day.

I prefer to think of my singing classes as a Stuffed Elephant Daze as they enable me to tune out for a short time. I meet about 70 other men for no other purpose than to sing in harmony. Sadly, the course is only for six weeks but that should get us over the worst of the building angst.

At singing, my biggest problem was determining what I am. I certainly am not a bass singer and my pants are not tight enough for singing tenor. I was trapped between lead and bari. Those in the know will realize that "bari" is short for baritone and is difficult to sing as it requires you to skirt the melody in an apparently capricious fashion. I tried it for a week then decided I'd better try the "lead" which is "sticking to the melody" which suits me just fine. During the test to see where we should sing I remembered my dad's assessment of his singing range. He wasn't any of the aforementioned styles. Instead, he was an "allta". When I asked what that meant he said, "I sing allta buggery!"

By next month the extension will be complete, my singing course will be finished and both Herself and I will be ready for a cup of tea, a Bex and a good lie down.

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# Bring water to your garden— but keep it in proportion



**W**HETHER it is a small ornamental pond tucked away in the corner, or a large swimming pool, water always adds interest to a garden.

However, the size of the pool should be in proportion to the area. A large pool, taking up most of a garden, can spoil the look of the whole area and leave no scope for the garden that is to be designed around it.

There are many considerations when siting an informal ornamental pond.

It should be constructed at a low level, as it would be in nature. The edge should be at ground level and disguised as much as possible with overhanging flat rocks or small creeping plants. The rocks should look natural, never laid

in a row or a ring around the edge and should be sited mainly on the side where there is a fall in the land toward the pond.

Fish can be protected from birds by placing a flat rock in the pond under which they can shelter, and also by adding water plants.

To keep a pond clean and alive it is essential to add water plants. The incidence of algae, that occurs with sunlight in the warmer weather, is controlled by the right choice of water plants. Plant cover reduces sunlight penetration, oxygenates the water and keeps algae at bay.

When the pond is planted out and plants established, introduction of fish is beneficial to keep the mosquito population down—tadpoles also feed on wrigglers.

Frogs and tadpoles will come when the right conditions have developed—enough shade and shelter.

With the correct ecological balance of plant and animal life, your pond should rarely need cleaning.

There are numerous plants that look right growing beside a pool, such as ferns. Always keep planting in proportion to the size of the pond. Recently I saw an attractive small pond spoiled by a large shrub that had all but engulfed it.

Private swimming pools have long been part of the Australian scene. Many are the formal rectangular shape that does not blend easily into an informal garden. Free form or kidney-shaped pools seem to look better in such settings.

Rather than edging your pool

## garden life

By BEV HANSON

with a uniform concrete strip, break it up with an area of lawn and spill the paved area out to form a wide expanse incorporating seats and a barbecue. When planting shrubs and trees avoid those that drop leaves all through the year.

In the drought conditions we are experiencing now and predicted to continue, it is important to be self-sufficient with water to fill up your ponds and pool. Rainwater can be easily collected from your roof areas for this purpose and either fed directly in or pumped from water tanks.

# They're coming home to roost

**T**ODAY'S homecoming will be a special moment. Number one son is returning after several months abroad, and this time he's going to be a new man, I feel. Not in the profound sense of Gallipoli or Kokoda, of course, but his life experiences have diverged dramatically from the norm over the past few months nevertheless.

Every family is made up of individual lives, like channels in a braided stream that repeatedly diverge and reunite, explore and return happily to the mainstream. Thus even eight months of living in Sydney town a year or so ago left our boy pretty much unchanged. His Dad's little blue car had gone north with him; like its driver, when it came home it still seemed to belong to us despite having clearly had adventures of its own while we weren't looking.

This year, however, the pattern has been less regular and the individual paths more dif-

## our place

By MARILYN MOORE

ferently life-shaping. Comparing even two of many threads illustrates how different our journeys have been. While we crossed the Tasman and quietly admired the New Zealanders' passion for manicuring huge tracts of lawn, our son and his girlfriend ventured into Tanzania, dodging the post-election tribal violence that was erupting along the Kenyan Rift Valleys, and pitted themselves against the bitter-cold oxygen-starved scree slopes of Kilimanjaro.

While we happily watched rare NZ dotterels pottering about on Coromandel beaches, and fragile-looking eastern barred godwits preparing to depart on their incredible annual migration to Siberia, the young adventurers frolicked with dolphins in the lazy green waters off the coast of Zanzibar.

We spent cosy nights enjoying the best of NZ hospitality; they spent an uncomfortable night sleeping on the floor of Dubai airport. We merely had to come to grips with the eccentricities of New Zealand plumbing; they had to come to grips with Polish signage while navigating a network of pot-holed cart tracks in search of their resident cousin.

At Hawkes Bay we had leisure to ponder deep and meaningful matters, such as the reason shower water kept pooling on our rented bathroom floor (a mechanism amusingly confused with condensation by the main perpetrator); our son meanwhile was left with little time to wonder how a Polish barman could possibly have confused his invitation to an arm wrestle with an invitation to drink him under the table.

We trekked well-mapped routes between the volcanic craters of Tongariro National Park, while our non-Russian-speaking son became completely bushed in

a maze of Muscovian alleyways. Yet he remained amazingly intact (black eye notwithstanding) given the thicket of thieves, pimps, crooks and other corrupt villains that seemed to surround him at every turn.

Perhaps our biggest excitement during April was installing an 11250-litre water tank and watching it fill almost immediately. Our son, meanwhile, travelled alone across the Siberian tundra with a trainload of vociferous vodka-drinking Mongolians, piled into carriages stuffed with leather goods that they tried to flog at every stop. And while we shivered our timbers during a big dump of hail here earlier this month, our young man sweltered in Beijing's rank smog as he enjoyed a kaleidoscopic performance by Chinese acrobats.

Ah well, I guess I'd better get down to the shops and see what they've got in the way of fatted calves. I reckon his appetite will be one thing that won't have changed!

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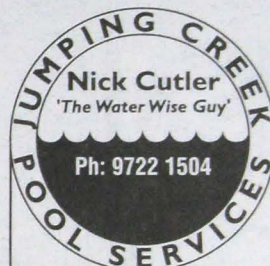
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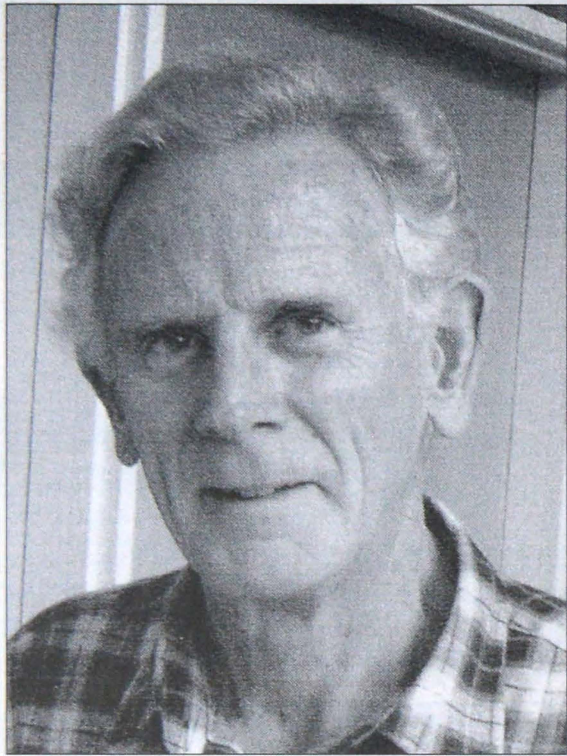
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# Our most extraordinary citizen



**W**ARRANDYTE lost one of its most dedicated community stalwarts—and a well-loved friend—when John Pepper died suddenly last month, aged 68.

There was a sad irony in his funeral service being conducted at St Stephen's, Warrandyte, a church to which John contributed so much, and which is now under threat of closure.

John Malcolm Pepper was born at Eltham in 1939, the first of two sons for Mavis and Ernest Pepper. He spent his whole life in the Eltham and Warrandyte area, attending school at Eltham primary and high schools before going on to RMIT to study communication engineering.

John's commitment to community began at an early age. He was a scout—later a leader—and an RAAF ACT cadet. He delivered mail in Eltham to earn pocket money.

At Eltham High, John was attracted to fellow student Margaret White. The attraction was mutual and in 1966 they were married at Diamond Creek. Meanwhile John had begun his career at Siemens in Richmond. Leaving there was his only career change. He spent the next 24 years in the airline industry

at TAA, through its various name changes as Australian Airlines, then Qantas. He retired around 1995.

Following their marriage, John and Margaret settled in Warrandyte, remaining in the same house right up to the present. Such consistency and sense of permanency was a measure of John's life.

Their son Tim was born in Warrandyte and John's dedication to local causes and community groups began. He was elected to the school committee at Warrandyte Primary and joined Warrandyte Apex, where he was a leading figure for some years.

Following retirement, Probus became an important aspect of John's life. He filled the roles of president, secretary and newsletter editor over a number of years. He was an active member of Fireguard and of Neighbourhood Watch and each Thursday saw him on duty at Information Warrandyte. He also assisted in the Warrandyte Lions Club opportunity shop.

In all these organisations, and many others of which he was not formally a member, as well as for many individual people, he was a regular computer guide and teacher. He acted as stand-by distributor for the *Warrandyte Diary* on a number

of occasions.

John was a keen sportsman. He played cricket, taking wickets as a fast bowler with Eltham, Ivanhoe and Warrandyte clubs until 1972. As in all other things, John's football support and membership—of Essendon—was lifelong. It was a mixed marriage, as Margaret maintained her loyalty to Collingwood. John and son Tim were also longtime members of the AFL.

He was a foundation and life member of Donvale Bowls Club, where he and Margaret enjoyed a mutual interest. Always a player, John was at various times vice-chairman, coach and umpire. He was a volunteer at the Australian Open bowls tournament in 2007.

As an airline employee able to access discount seats, travel was an important element in John and Margaret's lives. They enjoyed two trips to the United States, and in retirement travelled extensively in Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia, the Northern Territory and Norfolk Island. They were due to leave for New Zealand last month, but this was cancelled when John fell ill.

John was a committed Christian. He worshipped at St Stephen's in Warrandyte from 1972 to 1997, when he transferred his allegiance to Emmanuel, Park

Orchards. At St Stephen's he was vestry member, treasurer, maintenance committee member, church warden and lay reader. At Emmanuel he was server, chalice administrator, reader and vestry member.

However his heart remained at St Stephens. He was a driving force behind the extensions and renovations to the church building. With local architect Jock Macneish, he commenced planning in the time of Rev Geoff Berger. The works were completed in the time of Rev Russell Joyce. This lovely, understated building stands as John's memorial.

Following John's death, a friend wrote to Margaret and Tim: "Few people have contributed so much to the whole community. Warrandyte loses its most generous and extraordinary citizen... His life seemed to have stretched over a great range of clubs and associations, and his goodwill has spilled into all of them... Yet all of this was done with great patience, gentleness and good humour..."

John Pepper died on Monday, March 31, 2008. He is survived by wife Margaret, son Tim and brother Graeme.

Based on information supplied by Rev Brian Audsley and by Margaret and Tim Pepper.



## Local man's breathtaking assault

**A** WARRANDYTE mountaineer, Mick Parker, left for Nepal last month, about to add two more mountain peaks to his tally—Manaslu, 8163 metres high and Dhaulagiri, 8167 metres.

In July last year, the 34 year-old local signwriter became the first Australian to reach the summit of one of the world's most technically difficult, 8000 metre peaks—without the use of oxygen—in a method known as "alpine ascent".

Mick Parker unfurled the Australian flag on the summit of 8068 metre Gasherbrum 1, also known as Hidden Peak, on July 29, 2007 after an amazing solo climb.

Gasherbrum 1 is the world's 11th tallest mountain and is located in the Karakoram Range on the North Eastern frontier of the Pakistan/Chinese border.

Mick had been part of the Australian Army Alpine Association group of experienced high altitude climbers led by Zac Zahaarias, for an attempt on Gasherbrum 1.

This team of nine climbers was one of the strongest to tackle the 8000 metre peak with, collectively, 27 8000 metre expeditions and 13 summits between them.

On reaching the final camp before the summit and with bad weather closing in, the group decided not to continue with an assault on the summit. Determined to continue, and believing there was a window of opportunity, Mick started off at 10pm for a solo assault on the summit.

Stopping for a rest at 3am, he cut himself a step in the vertical ice, only to drop his ice axe in the process, which slid away down the sheer slopes, never

to be seen again. With less than 300 metres to go to reach the summit, he was forced to abort the attempt and retreat back down the mountain.

The expedition subsequently descended, leaving a tent at each of the three base camps.

Frustrated and annoyed with himself, Mick was determined to have another attempt, and with a replacement axe in hand, he set out once more, this time on his own, spending one night in each camp on his way back up the mountain.

A Czech/Hungarian expedition, which had been in the region, followed Mick up the mountain, and although fully acclimatised, they were pleased to have someone breaking trail for them—braving the demanding task of pushing through ice and snow sometimes knee-deep.

In a last-ditch assault on the peak, Mick left the final camp around 2am and reached the summit 12 hours later, to claim success for the Army Alpine Expedition in conditions later described as hideously dangerous.

The lead climber of the Czech/Hungarian group followed Mick to the summit. However, not all the climbers from this group reached the peak. One from this expedition fell to his death during the ascent.

In addition to Gasherbrum, Mick has reached the summit of Cho Yu (8201 metres), Broad Peak (8047 metres), Amadablan plus Aconcagua—the highest peak in the Andes—and has reached in excess of 8000 metres in attempts on Everest from the north, Kanchenjunga, Makalu, K2, Dhaulagiri and has attempted Kongur in China, all without the aid of oxygen.

Mick Parker is expected back in Warrandyte in November.



Right: Mick Parker on the summit of Gasherbrum 1. Above: View from the top.

# Rae charms the punters

PRUDENCE TRUBY KING continues her profile series tracking the stories of the people behind this newspaper.

**P**ERHAPS the best-known face at the *Diary* is that of Rae Danks, advertising manager. "I always get cheery waves when I'm sitting outside the *Diary* office having the cigarette I shouldn't have," Rae said. "My sister Sue doesn't believe the number of people I say hello to."

Born in East Malvern in 1940, Rae has two younger sisters, Leonie and Sue, both now academics. "My parents were Len and Connie Brown so Rae Brown I was, a very common name, like the lead singer from The Whispers and the jazz great. I would much rather have been Rachel." Her grandfather came from Tooting in London to Australia in 1910. "He sold his overcoat in Sydney to get to Melbourne. A builder, later he bought all the land on the corner of Coppin Grove, Hawthorn, right down to the Yarra—now one of the most expensive addresses in Melbourne—for £10 per foot. He bought the now heritage listed gatekeeper's cottage to Invergowrie that had been the home of Sir George Coppin, where I lived for a while. My grandfather was a very stately gentleman, a little cruel to my grandmother. He once told her she was only a lackey."

Rae's father, also a builder, bought five acres in Blackburn and subdivided it, building a new house for the family at the top of a hill. "It was a really happy time, dad was working close to home and my mother was always there, cooking and cleaning. We had the best birthday parties. It was like the country, it had been a flower farm. To get to school I walked to Middleborough Road, took a bus to Box Hill station, a train to East Camberwell and walked another kilometre to high school. East Camberwell Girls' School. Everybody did it, you set off early, my mother would ensure my plaits were in order and she'd have to redo them to fit my beret on. I loved it, Mangarra Road."

"But Leonie had terrible asthma—one year she had six months off school—and it was decided it was caused by the grasses and pollens. So my parents decided to look at the beach. I remember going to Warrnambool once on the steam train to look around—and we eventually moved to Rosebud when I was 13. It was pretty daunting at Rosebud High School, with boys and men teachers, treading through clay and only two buildings, pretty desolate: coming down to two

## behind the byline

sheds after Mangarra Road." Later the Browns bought a guesthouse in Rosebud and Len built a motel and restaurant there.

"I was never an academic and I got a holiday job in the general store, weighing dates and sugar, and I didn't want to go back to school. I'd had enough of Rosebud, it was either working in a bank or being a hairdresser and I left school just on 17 and went to camp at my grandparents." Her grandfather rented out rooms in a two-storey house in Coppin Grove, with bedrooms and shared communal rooms. "The other girls were air hostesses and I fitted in, a bit young but they looked after me; I was terribly glad to have my grandmother around if I was in a bit of strife. I got a clerical job at Australian Paper Manufacturers at Southgate, close to the city, and I'd wander over to upmarket and tasteful Ball and Welch, Mantons, big stores."

Bored with the clerical position, Rae applied to Nicholls Cumming advertising agency in St Kilda Rd and there she found her niche. "I was enamoured with advertising and media—television was only two years old then. The agency had the Glo Weave account and it would take products to Channel 9 and Graham Kennedy would do devastating stuff to it. It was an exciting time."

"Then another agency, Fortune. Then my boyfriend saw a 3AW ad for a job with the Miss Teenage Quest so I went for it. I hadn't done any bookkeeping so I bought a book on how to keep books, flicked through it and got the job. I had more jumpsuits than you could poke a stick at, for the number of dances and fundraisers I went to. Then I worked for 3AW itself. Talkback was starting and it was a lot of fun, with people like Arthur Lyster, a great race caller, Geoff Manion, Peter James and Norman Banks, it was a beaut time."

"I had a few stints on air—another girl and I would ad lib commercials for Spotless Drycleaning, live on air. I was 29."

"My 3AW boss Austin Wakeling moved to Masius, an ad agency and six months later he offered me a job there, with twice the money. I stayed there until I was married, then my son Cam-



Rae Danks (Picture by Jan Tindale)

eron was born in 1975 and they rang and asked me back. The agency went through a period of name changes and became a huge multinational, it was like a home away from home, and I was devastated when they cut staff." Rae was retrenched four months before the company folded.

"I had a long-time boyfriend, a Jewish guy, and I was 'that woman' for his mother all that time. He died at 31. Six months later I met my husband and I was married at 32. Living in Glen Iris, we came to Warrandyte for a picnic by the river and loved it. I had also come as a teenager to the hill climbs in Templestowe. We looked around but thought we could never afford it. We bought here in 1979."

"I was sure the marriage was the right thing and that it was going to last. Although difficult, my divorce was the best thing, but I was more concerned for Cameron, I virtually brought him up by myself. Now a truck driver, he was always a petrol-head. I remember when he was three, I'd bought him a toy tow truck, and he was sitting on the front steps smashing a matchbox car for something to put behind the tow truck."

"Once I was on a shoot in Sydney, making a Chum dog food commercial, and we had all these black Scotties and their owners in the basement. The ad read 'so chumpy you could carve it'. We opened countless cans and there were lumps, holes, it was unbelievably horrible. We had rubbish bags of Chum dog food thrown out. Ron Windon was the director. His wife was organising the catering, and said she was preparing beef stroganoff. What with the smell and the bagfuls of this stuff, Ron's face went white: 'get sandwiches' he said. I could never look at Chum dog food again."

"At another shoot for Good-o we had to get this lovely golden retriever to push the button in a lift and Ron, who was well into middle age, lay and dangled a bit of chicken down. Then we had a choice between the Awesome Foursome and Simon Fairweather, the archer, for an ad for Mars Confectionery. We went with Simon. Well, he bombed out at the Olympics and the Awesome Foursome did brilliantly. But Simon got a gold medal later on."

Rae has spent a lot of time at supermarket shoots, putting dulling spray on drink bottles and lining up products. "I had good ideas, say taking an old track from the Four Tops

for an ad, I've got a good knowledge of popular music. I could see ways of doing things. From the Follies scripts that I've written, you know the feel of it," she said. "We had lots of kids in commercials for Venture Stores. The parents are far worse and in the end we said, one parent per child. It was getting out of hand, 30 kids with mum, dad, grandmother and grandfather. But I enjoyed every minute of it."

"I left for work at seven in the morning and wasn't home until eight at night and a good friend looked after Cameron until I got home. A daughter of some Warrandyte friends said I should join the theatre company. I'd worked with Brian Laurence, the sound engineer, producing commercials. He asked me to produce 'Noises Off' and it was the most amazing experience. I'd been to Warrandyte productions but I had to meet the committee and that was hard."

"Jock Macneish designed a two-storey set and we had to have two intervals to turn the whole thing around—take panels off, move furniture upstairs and down. We took 45 minutes to do this turnaround at first and got it down to seven minutes. I was laughing with Denise Farran and I was really hooked, it was an amazing production. I did a number of Follies and plays and took stuff to Waverley and it's how I got to know people in Warrandyte. Joining the theatre company got me involved. I absolutely love this community. Friends from this production are still my best friends."

"During the Kennett era Brian said he and Mike Browning were making a submission to produce a film for the Victorian government and would I be production manager? They were still waiting for funding but I spent six months in Brian's office in South Melbourne, coordinating locations and lining up people—an awful lot of Warrandyte people appear in this film and it's still shown in the Rialto for tourism."

But what next? "I could talk on the phone and be nice to people so I started in telemarketing for the Guide Dogs Association, five to nine in the evening, pretty horrendous work. I roped people in from Warrandyte there too. Then Jock rang and said, would I like to work for the *Diary*? I said I'd love it, so in 1996 I met Di Oriander who I was replacing, in the car park, and transferred the stuff from her car boot to mine. And with a lot of help

from Cliff Green I learned to look after the advertising. I do all the accounts and every month I place the ads on the pages. Cliff works out the stories and features, makes up a dummy and I put the ads in." She works every afternoon and two weekends a month.

"Cliff proofreads the paper then I go through it again—I can pick a spelling mistake at 10 paces but sometimes you can look at something 100 times and not see the error. Cliff and Jock are invaluable, Jan Tindale and so was Lee, and Gus McLaren is a great mate and wonderful friend."

"I'm fairly patient and modest, I think I am. I hate intolerance and wish people would do as they would be done by. Cliff says I'm too soft with people. I'm not a confronting person and it works. Nothing keeps me awake at night, unless it's the possums."

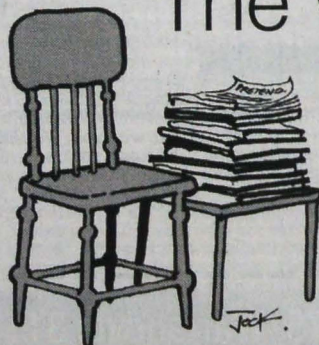
Rae's health isn't good and she doesn't like to drive at night. "But I wouldn't miss the Follies and other productions. I'm a hoarder of books and I do the nine-letter word in *The Age*, the quick crossword and I'm teaching myself how to do the cryptic—my mother died of Alzheimer's. It's a pity there's not a public gallery in Warrandyte." She keeps her photos in a filing cabinet at the *Diary* in case of bushfires.

"I have a wonderful relationship with my sisters. As a girl I fought with Leonie and Sue were our spoilt little sister, but now we wouldn't be without each other. Leonie is an inspiration—she had a radical mastectomy in her 30s, since then she's done a law degree, raised a son on her own and she's now an attorney in the States, for workers' compensation claims. When I first got sick she said, 'who can we sue?' The three of us speak all the time."

"In another life I would have been a writer—not of fiction. In the first job at the ad agency a junior copy writing position came up but another girl got it because she could type better. I got so angry—if that was what it took to be a writer then stuff it, you can keep it. Karen Throssell's poems, I admire anyone who can do that. Maybe in five years I'll do something."

"I'm happier organising or offstage. I'll never tread the boards and I've never intended to. I always look forwards. I don't believe how old I'm getting, not in my head anyway. You never stop learning, knowledge is the best thing. I like information—never stop enquiring."

## The waiting room



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who don't talk, or touch  
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Some knit,  
and others pretend  
far too much interest  
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There are two—an old Greek woman with  
fierce brows,  
and a groovy young Thai  
with a sideways pony tail,

who both speculatively,  
unselfconsciously  
feel their breast.

There is no conversation  
no eye contact  
except when my phone rings  
and I jump in fright.

There are a few smiles then.

# Reliving the Salem witch hunts

## theatre

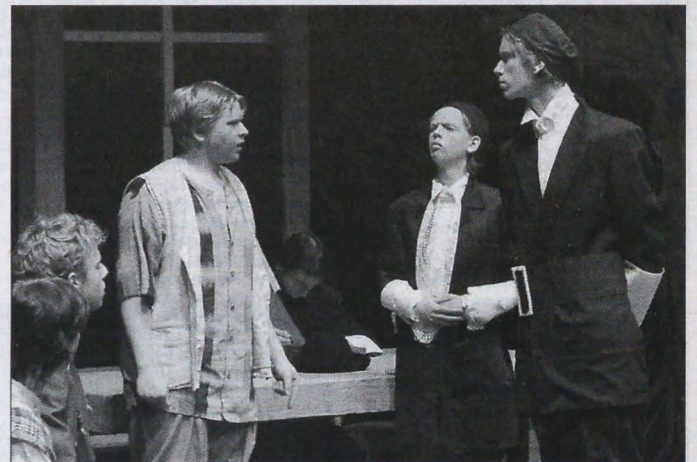
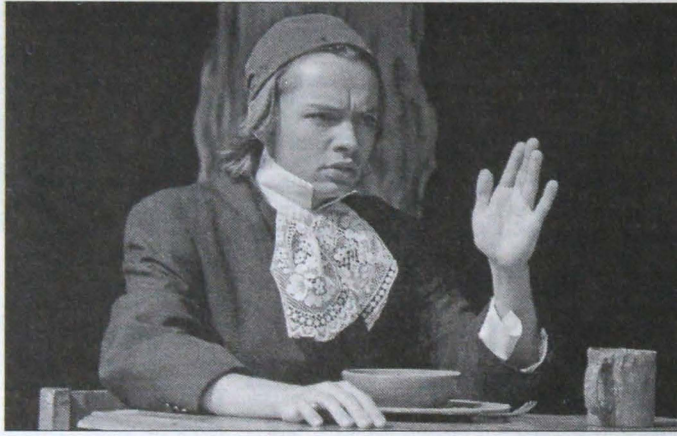
Year 12 Theatre Studies students at Warrandyte High School recently tackled the challenging, well-known realistic drama *The Crucible* by Arthur Miller.

"Audiences were moved by the passionate performances of the capable cast," a school spokesperson told the *Diary*.

"The students designed all elements of the play, choosing to stage it simply, with a minimal but evocative set, combined with costumes based on the clothes worn in Salem, Massachusetts where the play is set.

"They injected contemporary music tracks and their own creative soundscapes, heightening the mood and making the play more relevant to a modern audience," the spokesperson said.

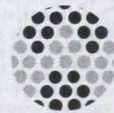
The play generated discussion of modern day parallels with the Salem witch trials and the death of innocent people resulting from them.



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Warrandyte basketball round-up with Tony Oliver

# Venom juniors back in action

Junior representation (Friday Night) basketball returned to the court after the minibreak for Anzac Day with some close matches involving Warrandyte Venom sides.

Damian Arsenis's Under 12 Championship boys were looking for their second win of the year but could not finish over the top of Diamond Valley in a close game at Warrandyte Community Sports Centre.

The Venom were five points down at the start of the fourth quarter. They outscored the visiting Eagles in the final period but were pipped by 26-24.

Max Stevenson with seven points and Nick Parker with six points were the Venom's main contributors.

In the following match, Nicole Howard's Under 16 Championship girls went into the final quarter with the narrowest lead but could not hold on, losing 55-50 against Dandenong.

Meg Dargan top scored for the Venom with 11 points with good help from Ashley Brobbell with 10 points.

The results were better for the Venom at the High School court with Jenni James's girls recording a

strong 33-18 win. Warrandyte easily won the second half after just a one point lead at the break.

The girls are showing much enthusiasm and coming together well as a team. For such a relatively youthful side, the skill level both in offence and defence is encouraging.

Cassidy O'Donnell with 12 points and Zoe MacDonald and Morgan Cocks with eight points each were the Venom's key scorers.

Strength in the Venom Under 14 boys competition was underlined with two close wins at the Park Orchards Stadium.

Steve Killey's Metro 4 boys were able to pull away in the dying minutes to record a good 32-29 win over Diamond Valley.

A successful three point shot from the Eagles side meant the game went to the wire. Final points to the Venom's Lachie Moore and two excellent defensive rebounds to centre Josh James at critical times enabled the Venom win in a good team performance.

Michael Delacy with nine points was well supported by Jack Cousins, Lachie Moore, Adam Banitsiotis and Josh James with four each.

At the half time break, Jenette Ure's Under 14 Eastern boys looked completely in control with a 10 point lead against Camberwell.

The second half was a struggle with the Venom boys having difficulty in getting into their stride and Camberwell were finding the basket.

The Venom needed to defend a one point lead in the dying seconds and recorded a good tight 28-27 win.

Mitchell Taylor with 11 points and Nick Harman with seven points were the key contributors.

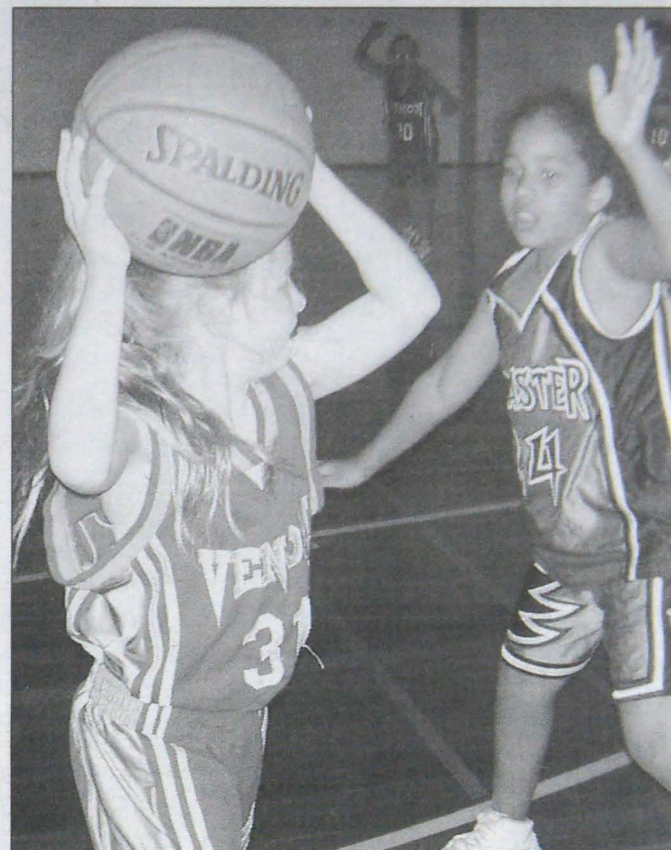
The final game at Park Orchards saw Julie Davis's Metro girls record a strong 25-16 win over Sunbury in the Under 16 age group.

The defensive skill level of both sides was high with a 8-6 score line to the Venom at the half time break.

Warrandyte were able to establish a winning lead after the break and held on for the win.

This is now three wins in a row for this talented group of girls who should have an enjoyable season.

Laura Kemm with seven points and Amber Saunders with six points were Warrandyte's main contributors.



Venom's Emma James under defensive pressure from Doncaster in the Under 12's win by 33-18.



The future looks bright for Warrandyte Venom Big V sides. Three of the junior squad after their court time in the Venom's recent win against premiers Warrnambool. From left Caitlin Hallett, Nicolette Prior and Mollie Burke.

## Big V Venom retain their winning run

Warrandyte Venom BigV Division 1 women recorded a solid but unconvincing win over Latrobe City Energy by 67-57.

The Venom looked set for a comfortable win at the half time break, with a solid nine point lead, with the possibility of giving some of the younger development players some more court time.

Latrobe City had other ideas and with good pressure in the third quarter narrowed the gap to three points going into the final stanza and took a one point lead early in the final quarter.

The Venom, as with the other games, were able to perform under pressure to claim the win.

Jo Metcalfe had an outstanding game at centre with the game high 22 points and 12 rebounds. She was well supported by Sally Phillips with 14 points, Kate Cohen (12) and Billie Adlem (11).

Billie continues to do with the hard stuff with 15 often hotly contested rebounds.

Chelsea Ransom made a welcome return to the court after missing a game with concussion suffered in the Venom's only loss of the season to Werribee two weeks earlier.

Shooting percentage is the big worry for head coach Justin Nelson, with the overall game percentage of 33 per cent from the field.

"There wouldn't be many sides who are putting up 88 field goal shots. We know we are doing all the right things and it will come together".

Liz Benbow has decided to step away from basketball this season which has given the opportunity of bringing a junior into the permanent senior squad.

The coaching panel has chosen Nicolette Prior to fill this role. Nicolette continues to show openly the three key criteria being promoted - work ethic, intensity and attitude.

The road ahead will be challenging for the Venom. In coming weeks they face Sunbury and Coburg, who are likely to be fighting for the fourth spot in the finals, followed by a double header weekend on 24/25 May with a home game against the improving Hawthorn on the Saturday (7:30 pm WSC) followed by an away game against second place Diamond Valley at their home court.



Among those to attend the basketball referees training course were from left, Jack Power, Demi Joy and Jarrod Buzzini with leaders Tim Bendle and Dale Watson.

## Referee's course a success

Warrandyte has had a positive response to the latest referee's training with 19 undertaking the course.

They hit the court last week for their first taste. At Warrandyte Venom's first home game of the BigV season, the recognition of one of Warrandyte's favourite sons was formally acknowledged with naming of the Clinton Grybas Stand at Warrandyte Community Sports Centre.

### Basketball shorts

His brother Ashley spoke of Clinton as a brother and as a person. Association president Doug Hilton presented Ashley with a special basketball singlet.

## Grading series almost complete

The grading phase of the Saturday basketball competition is reaching the final stages as teams perform for the grading committees.

Warrandyte's Under 19 boys had a close and hard fought win against Eltham by 33-30 in the late game at WSC.

The lead was never great with Warrandyte in front for most of the game, despite an 18 all score line at the break.

Eltham applied significant pressure in the final minutes with the

Redbacks defending a one point lead at one stage.

Shane Holloway top scored with 10 with good support from Bryce Petalas and Matthew Belgiovane each with five points.

Earlier the Under 17 A girls recorded a comfortable 39-12 win also against Eltham.

Courtney Petalas again was able to show her devastating speed, hitting a game high 14 points.

Simone Reid, Ashlee Collins and Phillipa Birch with six points each

were the Redbacks other leading contributors.

An under 15 side to watch will be Jordan Hutchins's girls who easily defeated a visiting Balwyn side by 26-8.

All girls contributed to the score line and there was talk from some in the side line that the girls needed to go up a grade for a better challenge.

Jasmine Dawson with eight points and Shelby Greenlaw with six points were the top contributors.

# All round honours for 'Dytle's skipper

Warrandyte captain, Adam White, has won the Ringwood District Cricket Association's Wilkins Cup All-Rounder of the Year award.

It highlighted an outstanding season for White who also won the Wilkins Cup batting average.

He also won Warrandyte's Club Championship Award and batting average as well as the Gerald Walshe Best and Fairest Medal decided on votes given by First XI team members.

White scored 699 runs for the season, the second highest by a First XI player.

He said he was proud of his performances this season but it did not make up for the disappointment in not winning the premiership.

Warrandyte finished two games clear on top of the ladder but was unable to win its way into the Grand Final.

"We played great cricket all year but we couldn't perform when we needed to," White said.

"I am sure the disappointment will be a key motivation for the players next season to ensure we don't let another opportunity slip."

Two other Warrandyte players, who were members of the club's premiership-winning Fourth XI, won RDCA awards.

Craig Lincoln took out the bowling average while Brendan Zach had the best batting average in the grade.

Two of Warrandyte's stalwarts and Life Members also received recognition.

John Chapman was presented with the President's Award for his ongoing efforts as treasurer.

Steve Pascoe received the McCartin Family Clubperson of the Year Award for his efforts as practice captain, chairman of selectors and co-ordinator of the club's Milo Have-a-Go cricket program.

The club awards were made at last month's presentation night.

First XI:

Batting: Adam White, 699 runs @ 46.60; bowling, Matthew Sazenis, 35 Wickets @ 15.77; fielding award, Ben Taylor, captain's award, Brad Valentine.

Gerald Walshe Medal: First XI Best & Fairest, Adam White.

Second XI:

Batting, Cameron Day, 244 runs @ 30.50; bowling, Alex McIntosh, 20 wickets @ 17.15; fielding, Steve Goddard; captain's award, Daniel Barry.

Brett Kline Medal for Second XI Best & Fairest, Adam Beardall.

Third XI: batting, Tulloch Greve, 380 Runs @ 47.50; bowling, Jack Ellis, 21 wickets @ 14.14; fielding, Stuart Smead; captain's award, Greg Creber. Nathan Croft Medal for Third XI Best & Fairest, Tulloch Greve.

Fourth XI:

Batting, Ryan Pascoe, 378 runs @ 94.50; bowling, Mitchell Gaffney, 14 wickets @ 14.80; fielding, Geoff Zach; captain's award, Tom Standing.

Jim Gathercole Medal for Fourth XI Best & Fairest, Geoff Zach, Mitchell Gaffney, Brendan Zach (tied).

Jack McAuley Memorial Shield, First XI Club Champion, Adam White.

824 points.

Steve Pascoe Medal for Club Best & Fairest, Adam White.

Darryl Valentine Memorial Award for Club Champion (other than First XI), Tulloch Greve, 704 points.

Maria McGhee Memorial Award for Best Performed Junior in Senior Cricket, Ryan Pascoe.

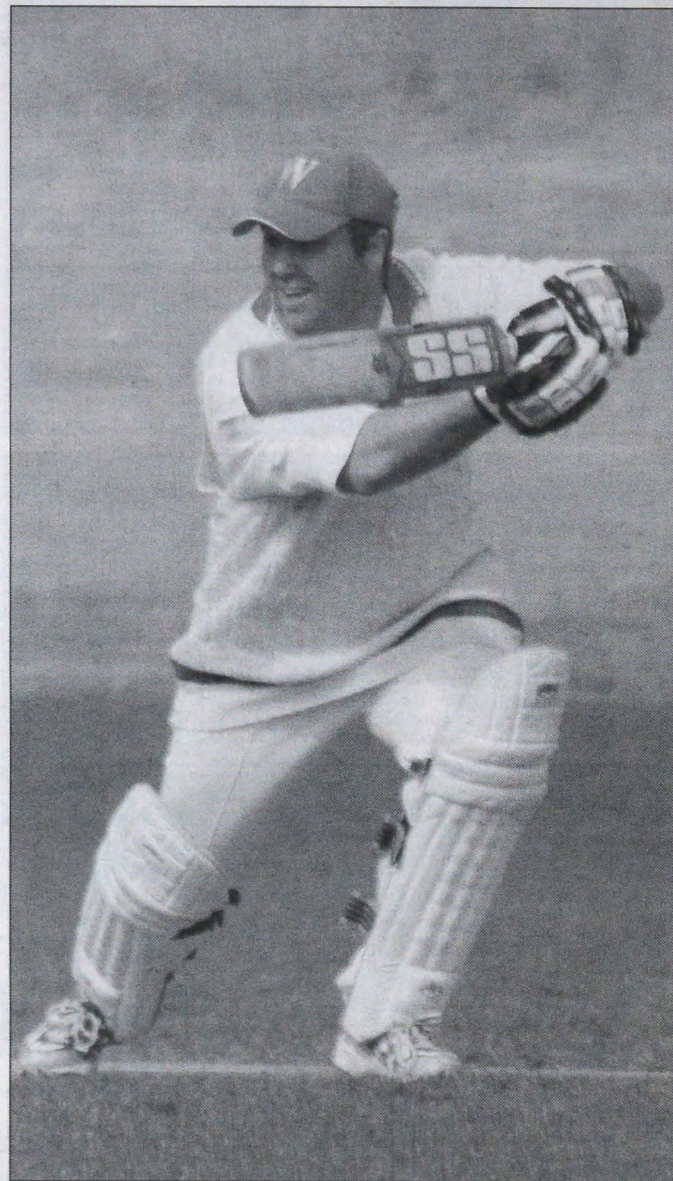
Warrandyte Cricket Club/Warrandyte Football Club John McCartin Jnr Award for best footballer (2007) & cricketer (2006/07), Josh Eyre.

President's Award: John Chapman McCartin Family Clubperson of the Year: Steve Pascoe

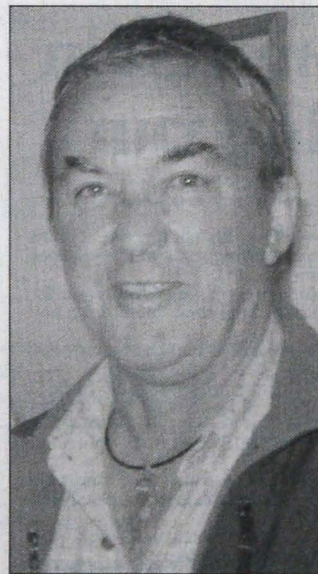
## Justin wins volunteer award

Justin Hansen is the pride of the South Warrandyte Cricket Club.

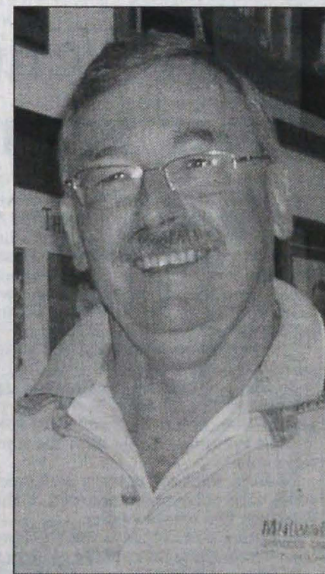
At the recent Ringwood District Cricket Association presentation night, he was named the 2007-08 RDCA Junior Cricket Association



Warrandyte captain, Adam White ... winner of the RDCA Wilkins Cup All Rounder of the Year Award and Warrandyte Club Champion. Picture by Daniel Wellesley.



John Chapman ... winner of the President's Award.



Steve Pascoe ... Clubperson of the Year.



Coach Marty Rostron sets up a marking drill for the Warrandyte Auskickers.

## Auskick champs reach for the stars

By EDWARD MUNKS

The Warrandyte Auskick season got under way with 110 young aspiring footballers joining the program.

With another 30 siblings helping out or joining in it makes it an action packed Saturday morning.

This year there have been a number of girls register and some such as Jasmine Swedosh, Chloe Stark, Megan Wiltshire and Kailynn Menzies are regularly pitting their skills against the boys in the grid games that are held at the end of each session.

Although scores are not kept they all seemed to know who won the games.

A number of the players are also doubling up in the Tackers competition on a Sunday morning, with Kiama Harris-Allan and Samuel Munks showing the benefit of Auskick skills sessions in their junior football club games.

Last Saturday, local Warrandyte identity Kylie Frowd ably supported by former gymnast Alicia Wiltshire held a mini gym clinic at Auskick that proved really good fun for all the children on how to roll properly, essential in future playing years when being tackled or bumped.

A half time grid game washeld at last Saturday's Warrandyte senior club game. All children joined in and enjoyed the hospitality of the senior club's facilities.

A number of the seven year olds are already itching to play Tackers next season with the junior club, with Spencer Hamilton, Oscar Lang, Leo Garrick, Nathan Stewart, Ben Munks, Connor Martin, Callum Bowers, Ben Jackson, Max Coutts, Harrison Nitschinsk and Luke McAndrew already talking to the older boys about their proposed debuts with the Bloods then the AFL!

Richmond will also be sending a couple of their players to Warrandyte Auskick on 31 May to help in the sessions and participate in the team photos.

An Auskick game is also scheduled to be played by Warrandyte at



Harrison Nitschinsk is all concentration during a handball drill.

Telstra Dome in June.

The age range of Auskick is from 4 to 10 with both boys and girls participating.

Parents are welcomed and encouraged to participate in the helping of coaching.

Leader coaches this year are Chris Jackson, Brad McAndrew, Andrew Sisson, Martin Rostron, Michael Stark and Paul Dal Sasso.

Warrandyte Auskick is affiliated through the AFL via the Eastern Ranges located at Kilsyth reserve.

Contact Edward Munks on 0434 020 191 or edwardmunks@dodo.com.au for more details about Warrandyte Auskick.



# Milestones are set by junior footballers

Warrandyte junior footballers have started the new season by setting milestones in many grades.

In Round 3, Colts 1 player, Robbie Bowen, celebrated playing his 150th game for the club, one of only a handful of players to reach this milestone.

Other players to have reached milestones are Josh Edwards (Under 14s), 100 games; Adrian Mifsud (Under 15s), 100 games; Lachlan Buckley (Under 15s), 50 games and Joshua Rowarth (Under 11s), 50 games.

There are at least seven players expected to reach their 100 game milestones in the coming weeks, including Jacob Ballard, Jake McKee, Tristan Valentino, Thomas Appleby, Sam Allardice, Nathan Campbell and Andrew Reddie.

Robbie Bowen, 17, is playing his 11th season with Warrandyte. He received a medal from WJFC in recognition of his achievement and will attend a Yarra Junior Football League presentation dinner at the end of the season.

While being cheered on by his team mates as he ran through the banner will remain a favourite memory, Robbie says a stand out of his career was booting six goals in a night match at Warrandyte playing in the Under 10s.

Keeping things in the family, mum Kaylene is the Colts 1 team manager while older brother James is the coach.

The on-field success of teams this season has been mixed, with low player numbers a key factor.

While Colts 1 started the season with an impressive 86 point win against St Mary's, they have since been unable to back it with another win - not helped by the sidelining of three injured players.

The Under 11 team is facing an uphill battle each week to fill a side with only 17 registered players.

Coach, James Yoffa, even holds training on two nights to ensure all players can attend a session. However the enthusiasm and determination of all the teams and their families is resolute.

The Under 15s enjoyed their first win in a year in Round 3 when they played St Marys.

Team manger, Roger Buckley said: "It was a great day for the team, with their first win in a year due to hard work. The team has collectively lifted its skill levels and enthusiasm as demonstrated by the 13 individual goal kickers."

"Not a bad effort with just 17 players on the field!"

The Under 10 team won its first game this season in a nail-biter against Kew Rovers to ward off bottom-of-the-ladder position.

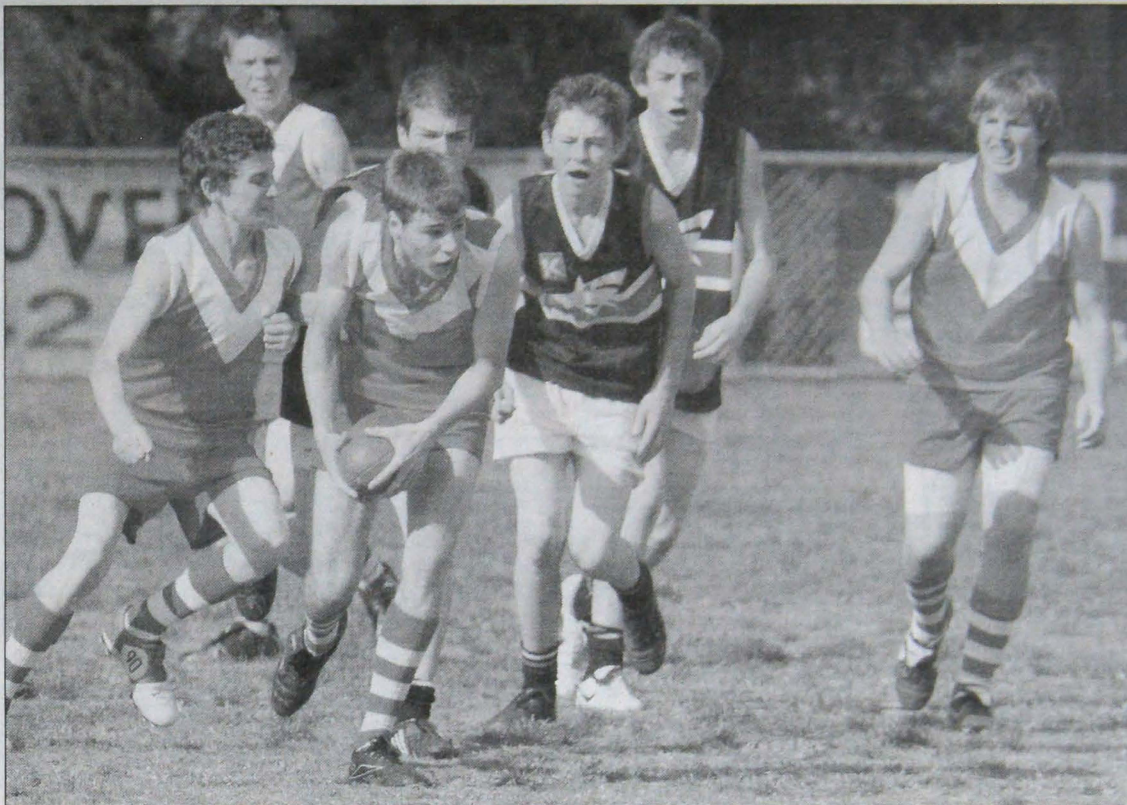
"The cheers from players and parents was like music to our ears," said team manager Tanya Reardon.

"It was a tight contest and every one of our players contributed fully and can be very proud of their achievement". Needless to say, the theme

song was sung loud and proud."

Off the field, the club remains in a healthy state with \$12,000 invested in new equipment and uniforms, including helmets, guernseys, training jumpers, footballs, drink bottles/carriers and first aid kits.

For more information on the Warrandyte Junior Football Club or to register, please contact David Ure, Club Secretary, at secretary@warrandytejfc.org or 0412 380 034, or visit the web-site warrandytejfc.org



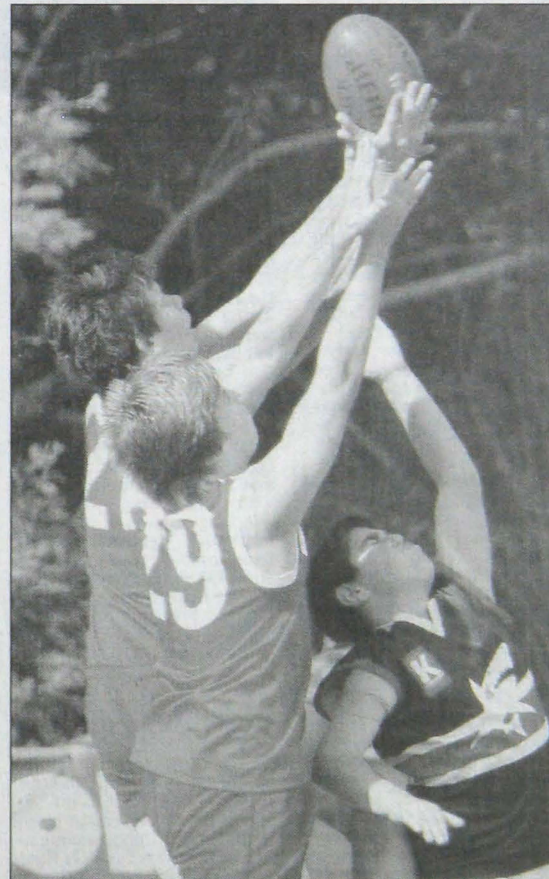
Warrandyte's Taylor Hayton has control of the ball while team mates from left, Nick Tookey, James Kalinchev and Sam Beasley offer support during a recent Under 15 match.



Josh Rowarth celebrates his 50th game.



Robbie Bowen chalked up 150 games with Warrandyte juniors in the Round 3 Colts match.



Blake Thompson, left, and Sam Beasley contest for a mark in a recent Under 15 match.

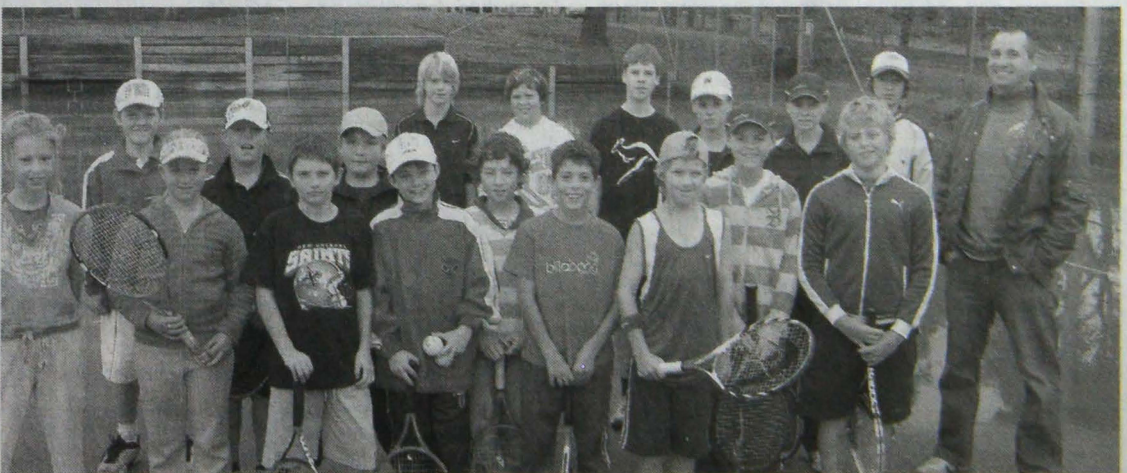
## A flood of tennis matches

New Warrandyte Tennis Club coach, Craig Haslam is starting to think he is jinxed when it comes to running a tournament for juniors at the club.

On March 27 a blocked storm water drain at the courts meant no play was possible on courts one and two.

A week later, there was no power available.

"I am wondering what will go wrong when I run another tournament during the coming school holidays," said Craig.



Warrandyte Tennis Club coach, Craig Haslam with junior tennis players and the flooded courts in the background.

# Warrandyte regains title from Templestowe Yarra Cup is back with the Bloods

**CHRIS CHAPMAN** reviews Warrandyte's roller-coaster start to 2008.

Warrandyte celebrated veteran James Logan's 200th senior match with a 15 point win over local rivals Templestowe on Saturday afternoon in front of an enthusiastic crowd at Warrandyte Reserve.

Off the field, the football club recognised "Community Football Weekend" on Saturday with a sponsors and supporters luncheon, where Richmond coach Terry Wallace entertained 90 guests with stories from his involvement in AFL football.

On the field, the Bloods have experienced both the lowest of lows and highest of highs, being on the receiving end of an embarrassing 174 point thrashing from Waverley Blues in Round 2, closely followed by an 87 point win over the previously undefeated Nunawading in Round 4.

Warrandyte had not won a first quarter in the first four rounds of the year and it was no different on Saturday, going into the quarter time huddle trailing by eight points. Templestowe were winless from four games but the two sides always seem to step things up a notch when battling for the Yarra Cup.

At quarter time Warrandyte coach Graeme Hocking asked his players to stick to the game plan and put into practice the strategies the new coaching panel had implemented over the pre-season - moving the ball quickly and concentrating on playing "team-first" football.

The second quarter saw a dominant Warrandyte outfit pile on six goals to one, the enigmatic Piers Brown accumulating possessions in the centre of the ground and Adam Gamble and Grant McAdam both controlling the play on their respective wings.

Quick ball movement and sharp delivery into the forward line followed, allowing mercurial full forward Michael Morello to go into half time with five goals to his name. Morello, who finished with six majors, has been in fine form in recent weeks, kicking 18 goals in the past three games.

Warrandyte took a handy 22 point margin into half time, however this was quickly reduced when Templestowe came out firing in the third quarter, registering a couple of early goals.

Warrandyte regrouped and slowly gained the ascendancy, Dion Mullet-Treloar keeping the dangerous Liam Riley relatively quiet, midfielder Cal Haskings and veteran big man Ash Grybas also clearly winning their positions.

First year player John



Warrandyte vice captain Luke Dunn leads in the race for the ball from team mate, Lee Evans and a Templestowe opponent.

Eldridge chipped in with two goals to give Warrandyte a 23 point lead going into the final quarter.

The Bloods could have put the result beyond doubt early in the fourth term, but wayward kicking in front of goal left the door slightly ajar for a late Templestowe revival.

An unlikely comeback almost looked on the cards when big forward Maghamez and cheeky midfielder Andy Loke goaled in quick succession, bringing Templestowe to within two goals.

A long range goal to senior football debutant Rob Illingworth gave Warrandyte some breathing space and the Bloods held on to record a 15 point victory.

Following the victory, 200 gamer and club stalwart James Logan was chaired from the ground by his teammates, a fitting tribute for a highly respected member of the football club.

Logan's first senior game was in 1996. Since then he has played 130 reserves and 70 senior games, his career highlight being an important member of the 2006 Division Four Premiership team.

Saturday also marked Jarrod Boyce's 50th senior game. Boyce, vice-captain of the Reserves for 2008, earned his spot in the senior line-up after several impressive performances in recent weeks in the second team, and contributed to Saturday's win with several key possessions.

First year player Ben Torney was adjudged best on ground, and recognised with a special "150 Years of Football Commemorative Medal", awarded by the two field umpires. Torney dominated the ruck contests all day,

while also taking several strong contested marks around the ground.

The highly talented Torney has proven a valuable addition to a team that has perennially struggled for height.

The Bloods go into this week's clash with Upper Ferntree Gully with three wins and two losses, sitting fifth on the EFL Division 3 ladder.

They will also benefit from the likely return of key midfielder Luke Naughtin, his brother and captain Tom Naughtin, who is returning from a knee injury, and tough midfielder Ben Reid, who has had hamstringing soreness.

Scores: Warrandyte 15.16 - 106 d. Templestowe 14.7 - 91

Best: B. Torney, C. Haskings, P. Brown, G. McAdam, D. Mullett Treloar, J. Logan  
Goals: M. Morello 6, J. Eldridge 3, B. Torney 2, R. Illingworth, C. Haskings, L. Dunn, T. Fitzgerald

**ROUND 4**  
Round Four saw Warrandyte make the short trip to Koonung Reserve to take on the previously undefeated Nunawading Lions at a ground that had traditionally been a bit of a hoodoo for the Bloods.

Despite trailing by nine points at quarter time, Warrandyte dominated from there on in and piled on 23 goals to seven in the next three quarters.

Cam Pederson was best on ground in his first game for Warrandyte, his VFL side Box Hill having a bye, and Mick Morello continued his good form kicking seven goals in an impressive display of aerial strength.

Luke Naughtin and Ben Torney also dominated their

positions, Naughtin having the ball on a string particularly in a second quarter that saw him kick four goals. Ben Reid also kicked four, all in the first half, before leaving the field with a strained hamstring.

Young vice-captain Luke Dunn also played a standout game, recognised by coach Graeme Hocking as having taken a major step toward becoming a consistently outstanding senior player.

Scores: Warrandyte 26.17 - 173 d. Nunawading 12.15 - 87  
Best: C. Pedersen, L. Naughtin, B. Torney, L. Dunn, G. McAdam, D. Mullett Treloar  
Goals: M. Morello 7, L. Naughtin 4, B. Reid 4, M. Wood 3, T. Fitzgerald 2, A. Gamble 2, C. Pedersen, M. Treeby, L. Evans, B. Torney

**ROUND 3**  
It was always going to be tough for Warrandyte after conceding a huge head start to Coldstream, who had six on the board before the Bloods had fired a shot.

A shell-shocked Warrandyte recovered well after quarter time to match their opposition from there on in but were never able to regain the ground lost in that first quarter, eventually going down by the same six goal margin.

Vince Jones, in his first year at the club, battled hard against tough opponent Liam Doughty and Grant McAdam also worked hard all day.

Morello kicked five goals and Torney three and Ash Grybas also chipped in with a couple of majors much to the delight of the Warrandyte faithful, more used to seeing the big man defending at the other end of the ground.

Scores: Warrandyte 14.14 - 98 lost to Coldstream 21.8 - 134  
Best: G. McAdam, M. Morello, J. Khouri, B. Torney, D.



James Logan is chaired off the ground by team mates after playing his 200th senior game against Templestowe on Saturday.

Mullett Treloar, V. Jones  
Goals: M. Morello 5, B. Torney 3, A. Grybas 2, T. Fitzgerald 2, J. Khouri 2

**ROUND 2**  
They say a week is a long time in football and that was certainly the case for the Bloods in Round 2, going from a 52 point win against Mitcham to an embarrassing 174 point loss to the Blues.

The Fleet Street ground continues to be a graveyard for Warrandyte, winning there on only one occasion back in 2003. Winners across the ground were hard to find, although Matt Wood battled hard and Rick Bourke ran all day despite suffering a hard blow to the ribs early in the game.

Scores: Warrandyte 5.9 - 39 lost to Waverley 31.27 - 213  
Best: M. Wood, R. Bourke, L. Dunn, B. Reid, L. Evans, B. Torney  
Goals: M. Wood 2, M. Morello, B. Torney, A. Gamble

**ROUND 1**  
The Bloods started 2008 with a bang, registering three strong wins over Mitcham at home in Round One.

The Colts demolished an undermanned opposition by almost 30 goals, while the Reserves were in front from start to finish and recorded a five goal victory.

The Seniors got off to a shaky start before storming home in the second half to win by 50 points, with Michael Morello booting seven goals and first-gamer Adam Gamble kicking five from the wing.

Warrandyte 23.14 - 152 d. Mitcham 15.12 - 102  
Best: B. Reid, C. Haskings, A. Gamble, L. Dunn, B. Taylor, R. Bourke  
Goals: M. Morello 7, A. Gamble 5, J. Eldridge 2, M. Wood 2, T. Naughtin 2, B. Torney 2, B. Reid, B. Taylor, L. Dunn

## Holland kicks 8 as reserves step up

Warrandyte reserves coach Dale Vitiritti has had the unenviable task of selecting a Reserves team from up to 40 available players each week.

While this means some players invariably miss out on a game from week to week, it has also translated into early season success on the field and upward pressure on players in the senior side to perform in order to ensure they hold their spot in the side.

Vitiritti, himself a 300 game veteran, went into Saturday's match against Templestowe wary of underestimating the previously winless opposition.

Despite a slow start and a brief lapse in concentration at the start of the final quarter, the Bloods led from start to finish to record a 57 point victory, with big full-forward Campbell Holland once again kicking a bag, finishing with eight goals.

Grant Godwin was a rock in the backline, marking or spoiling everything that came his way and James Bowen regained some of his 2007 form with several strong contested marks.

Daniel Large has also impressed in recent weeks, making the step up after consistently starring in the Under 18s last season.

The Reserves now sit fourth on the EFL ladder, with four wins and one loss.

Warrandyte 17.12 - 114 d. Templestowe 7.15 - 57  
Best: C. Holland, G. Goodwin, James Bowen, P. Burgoyne, D. Large, R. Curtis

Goals: C. Holland 8, M. Cowen 2, James Bowen, B. Zach, C. Chapman, B. Opteynde, S. Lockie, P. Burgoyne, D. Large

**ROUND 4**  
Warrandyte 12.10 - 82 d. Nunawading 10.12 - 72  
Best: D. Large, B. Opteynde, G. Goodwin, R. Illingworth, M. Hallam

Goals: C. Holland 4, R. Illingworth 3, E. Jones, J. Bowen, B. Zach, J. Boyce, B. Opteynde

**ROUND 3**  
Warrandyte 14.12 - 96 d. Coldstream 6.10 - 46  
Best: T. Beasley, J. Boyce, B. Opteynde, L. Brewis, D. Heller, C. Holland

Goals: C. Holland 6, E. Jones, J. Loughman, M. Rushgrove, J. Bowen, J. Boyce, J. O'Mara, R. Curtis, T. Beasley

**ROUND 2**  
Warrandyte 10.7 - 67 lost to Waverley 11.12 - 78  
Best: J. Logan, J. Boyce, R. Parker, P. Hernandez, G. Goodwin, P. Burgoyne

Goals: B. Elliott 2, T. Fitzgerald 2, E. Jones, P. O'Mara, T. Beasley, L. Brewis, J. Khouri, G. Goodwin

**ROUND 1**  
Warrandyte 11.16 - 82 d. Mitcham 7.8 - 50  
Best: D. Large, B. Opteynde, D. Rowe, D. Heller, M. Rushgrove, T. Beasley

Goals: J. Logan 3, G. Carle 2, P. Bellofiore 2, M. Rushgrove, T. Beasley, L. Brewis, D. Heller

## Have a ball with the Bloods

Warrandyte Football Club invites any supporters, family and friends to the 54th Annual Ball, to be held at Manningham Function Centre on Saturday May 31.

Tickets are \$85 and include hot and cold savouries and canapés on arrival, main meal, dessert and a selection of beer, wines and soft drink.

Bookings or enquiries can be made through James Logan on 0414 337 418.

## Under 18s have mixed start to season

Warrandyte's Under 18s have had mixed results at the start of the 2008 season.

Starting the year off with a resounding victory over an undermanned Mitcham side, the young Bloods were then brought back to earth with a defeat at the hands of the strong Waverley colts side.

Warrandyte then beat

Coldstream convincingly, before coming up against Waverley for the second time in three weeks in an anomaly of the draw that is due to Templestowe and Nunawading not fielding teams.

Again Waverly proved too strong for the Warrandyte boys, running out victors by

just under 10 goals.

The Bloods now sit fourth on the EFL ladder, and coach Jason Bowen is confident of the teams chances of playing finals in 2008.

"Our boys are still getting to know each other and coming together as a team" said Bowen. "We would certainly expect to match it with the

top two or three teams this year."

Colts co-captains Jake Bentley and Zac Boyce have been standout performers so far, leading from the front and winning a lot of the ball. Josh Hale and Rowan Mullett-Treloar have also impressed.

**ROUND 5**  
Warrandyte 6.7 - 43 lost to

Waverley 14.17 - 101  
**ROUND 4 (Bye)**

**ROUND 3**  
Warrandyte 17.17 - 119 d. Coldstream 5.7 - 37

**ROUND 2**  
Warrandyte 8.15 - 63 d. Waverley 14.9 - 93

**ROUND 1**  
Warrandyte 27.28 - 190 d. Mitcham 2.4 - 16

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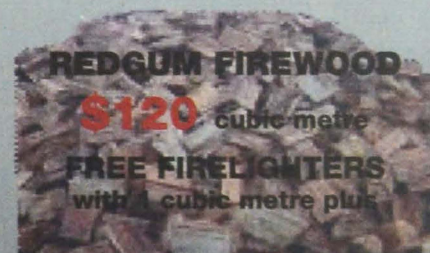


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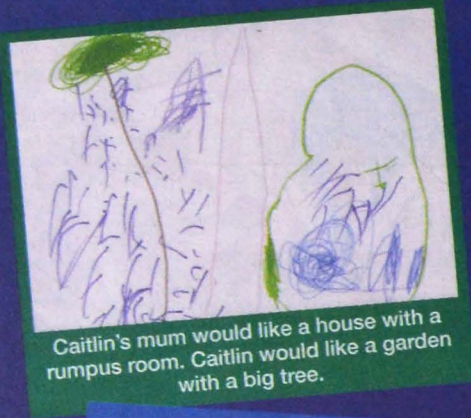
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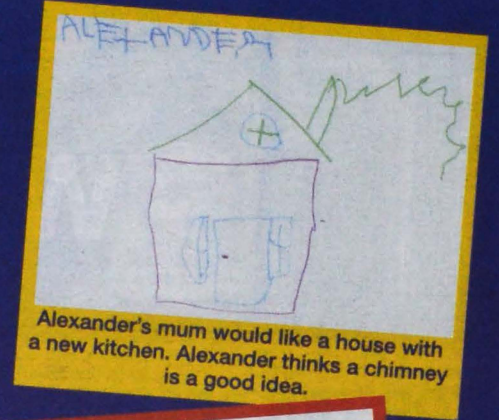
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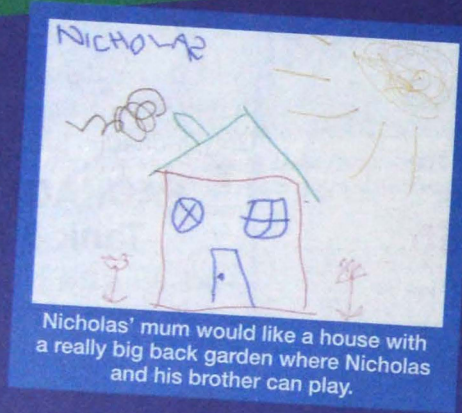
Caitlin's mum would like a house with a rumpus room. Caitlin would like a garden with a big tree.



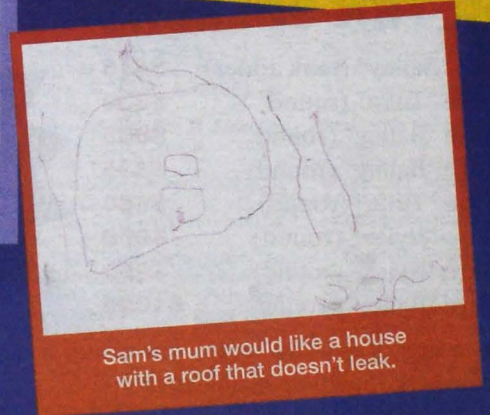
Tom's mum would like a house with a spa. Tom would like a house with a round window.



Alexander's mum would like a house with a new kitchen. Alexander thinks a chimney is a good idea.

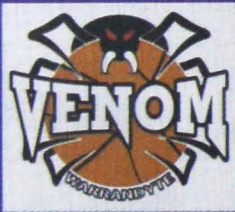


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auction 11am saturday 17 may – unless sold prior  
estimated selling range \$400k-\$460k  
3BR mudbrick home on 1/4 acre in fantastic central warrandyte location. Open plan kitchen/meals with freshly polished boards. Downstairs lounge. Balcony & deck for entertaining. Single carport. Walk to yarra river and warrandyte village.



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