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Green Wedge loss

Minister, councillors support expansion

By CLIFF GREEN

Manningham council has voted—by the narrowest of margins—to support the building of a three-fold expansion to the On Luck nursing home in Tindals Road in the Green Wedge.

In the absence of deputy mayor Cr Chuah, the council divided on the issue. It was decided when the mayor, Cr Charles Pick, used his casting vote on three separate motions, in each case in support of the development.

As previously reported, the existing nursing home was the subject of ministerial intervention in 2004 when planning minister Mary Delahunty overrode the council planning scheme and Green Wedge rules to allow the venture to be built without a council planning permit.

The ministerial directive at the time specified that the development was to be limited to 60 beds.

Council's approval of this massive extension was actually a mere formality as history repeated itself. Prior to council's vote on the matter, present planning minister Justin Maddern had authorised the current expansion.

"Justin Maddern's decision was made hastily and without

thought to the issues surrounding this development," Liberal MP for Warrandyte, Ryan Smith, told the *Diary*.

"The Warrandyte community, understandably, should be concerned about the commitment of the state government to the Green Wedge.

"Despite the platitudes of local MPs in supporting the sanctity of the Green Wedge, the actions of the government speak louder than words," Mr Smith said.

Alarmed by the process involved in this decision, Mullum Mullum Ward councillor David Ellis said: "Major planning matters, especially involving amendments to the planning scheme, should not be decided in secret.

"I am appalled at the lack of process surrounding this expansion. On Luck has now been granted special dispensation, away from public scrutiny, to expand in the Green Wedge.

"Others will no doubt be seeking similar favourable treatment by the minister and this council.

"It has been rightly said, that if the Green Wedge is lost, it will be lost incrementally. One subdivision at a time, one 'special case' after another," Cr Ellis said.



Picture by STEPHEN REYNOLDS



Wedged in: On Luck nursing home in Tindals Road. (Picture by Sandy Burgoyne)

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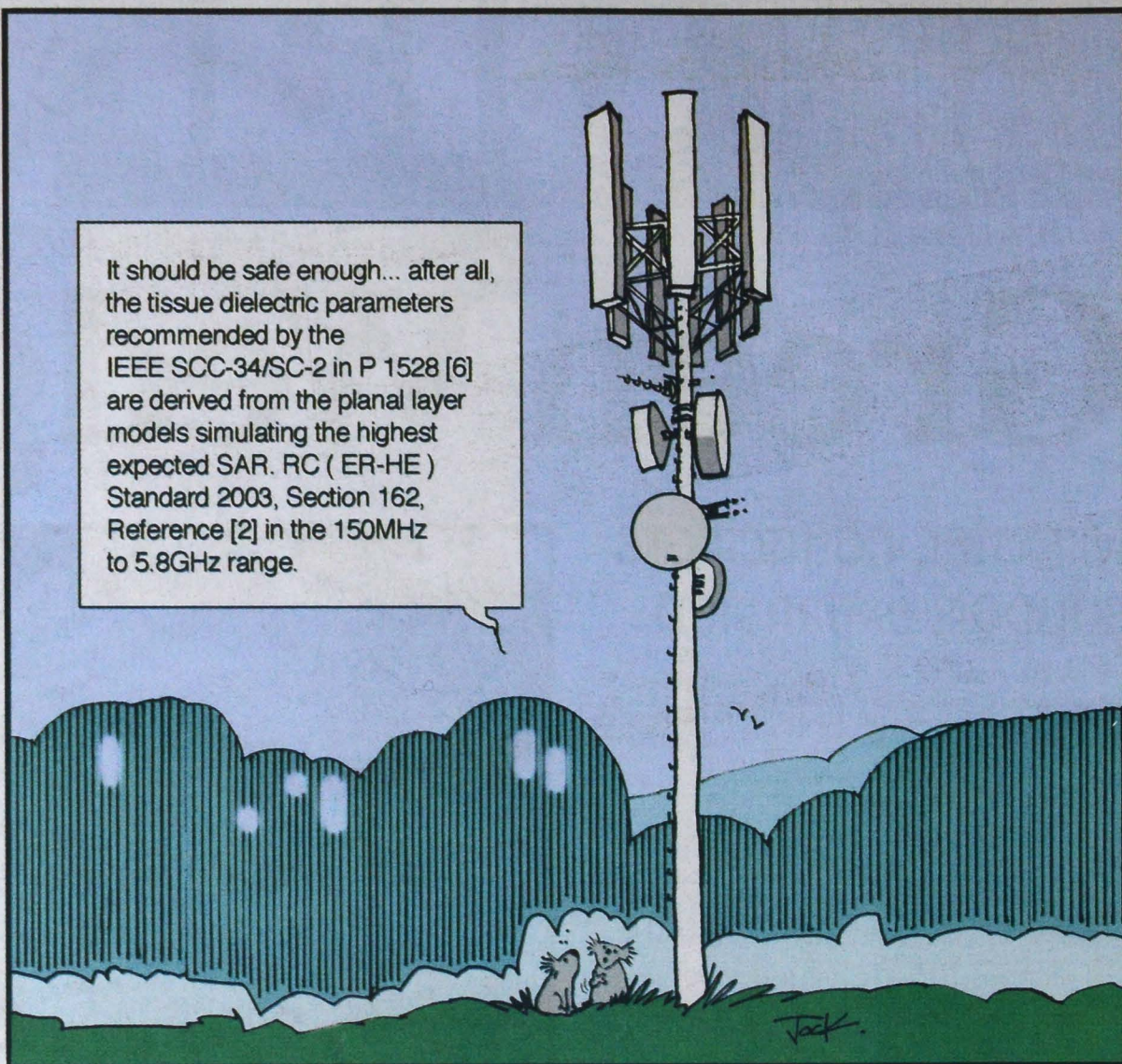
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A SPECIAL PLACE

Warrandyte (approximate population 8000) is situated on the Yarra River, some 27km from Melbourne. For countless ages a well-stocked hunting ground of the Wurundjeri people, in 1851 Warrandyte became the site of the first official gold discovery in Victoria. It soon established its character as a small, self-sustaining community set in a beautiful river valley. Around 1900 the miners, orchardists and tradespeople were joined by a number of young painters who were founding the Australian nationalist arts tradition. Now a commuter suburb of Melbourne, the natural beauty, community spirit and sense of independence of Warrandyte has been largely retained. This newspaper is the voice and true expression of that spirit.

OVER THE HILLS

By JOCK MACNEISH



It should be safe enough... after all, the tissue dielectric parameters recommended by the IEEE SCC-34/SC-2 in P 1528 [6] are derived from the planal layer models simulating the highest expected SAR. RC (ER-HE) Standard 2003, Section 162, Reference [2] in the 150MHz to 5.8GHz range.

The prints and the princess

If there was a bushfire, the first thing I'd save would be the photos I keep in a shoebox under the bed. Or the pair of signed John Farnham underpants I bought on eBay. Or the TV.

living with The Trotts

Me in Grade 3, trying to swap my tuna and beetroot sandwich on rye for anything edible. Beetroot stains whatever it touches. Even my Kermit schoolbag was purple by second term. That's where I developed my love of pies.

Neville told his mother he'd met the most beautiful girl in the world. She said, "Well why didn't you bring her home instead of this plumper?" I never met Mr Trotts. Apparently he went out one night for bread and milk, spent the money on cigarettes, and was too afraid to come home.

ing above the bed, used language Gordon Ramsey never heard of, when Neville told me how painful it was when he dislocated his finger. The bedpan missed him and brought down the intravenous drip stand but at least it shut him up.

My hairdressing apprenticeship. After giving an elderly gentleman third degree burns in the sink, turning the minister's wife's hair pea green and snipping the top of the bosses' ear off, we decided I should be kept away from scissors. Though I still do Nicola Roxon's hair on the side.

Our wedding day. That's mud round the bottom of my wedding dress after I had to walk across Stig-giants to St Stephens when the wedding car snapped a fan-belt just before Forbes Street. My flower girl was allergic and sneezed all the tops off the chrysanthemums. The best man left the ring in the taxi but he came good with a curtain ring from the vestry drapes. It was nicer anyway.

Neville and I meditating at a Fitzroy ashram. Well, me meditating and Neville sleeping. After 40 minutes of omming I had a rapturous vision of a blue light with my third eye. Turned out to be a cop car outside the window just before they busted the place and confiscated 15 plants.

With my first boyfriend, Trent. Trent looked a bit like Meatloaf. Pink and mincey. I spent our first date at Luna Park stuck at the top of the Ferris Wheel emptying Trent's vomit from a brand new pair of moccasins. He tried to kiss me in the Tunnel of Love, when the headless man popped out and he vomited again.

After six months of wedded bliss, Cinnamon was the icing on the cake. 15 hours into the delivery I'd chewed through the metal handle hang-

The Primary School Easter egg hunt. I was the bunny who had to fill in when the teacher was arrested for selling marijuana to a Fitzroy ashram. I hid the eggs on top of the sulo bins but most of the kids couldn't reach them so I had to take half of them home.

My first digital picture.



ALAN CORNELL

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When is 'safer' not safe?

Nillumbik council is concerned that the name "Neighbourhood Safer Places" (NSP) is misleading and they have requested the state government change it to "Places of Last Resort".

"We feel strongly that the name Neighbourhood Safer Place creates a community expectation that this place of last resort will guarantee safety during a bushfire and this is not the case," mayor Cr Ken King told the *Diary*. "Many other councils have had similar

concerns with these words.

"An NSP is an existing location and is not a purpose-built, fire-proof structure. These locations may provide some protection from direct flame and radiant heat, but they do not guarantee safety."

Nillumbik council is writing to the state government requesting the name change.

There are no Nillumbik NSPs within the North Warrandyte area.

Manningham council has designated three NSPs in the district: Warrandyte Reserve Pavilion, Warrandyte Senior Citizens Centre and Dorney Reserve Pavilion in Park Orchards.

Still our community's front line of defence: North Warrandyte CFA at the Warrandyte Festival last month. (Picture by Stephen Reynolds)

Phone tower concerns town

By **KARLY HICKMAN**

An estimated 200 Warrandyte residents attended a heated public meeting at Manningham council last month to discuss the proposed Vodafone mobile phone tower.

Vodafone representative Sarah Whittington admitted "Vodafone is aware that this is a contentious issue in Warrandyte". This was confirmed by a barrage of questions from the audience.

"Our consideration is to find the best potential outcome to provide services to the local community," Ms Whittington said.

It soon became clear that Warrandyte residents had strong objections to the proposal based on unanswered health questions, the belief that the tower would be unnecessary if Vodafone upgraded its technology and only marginally improved coverage as a result of the tower.

The Warrandyte Reserve site was deemed most appropriate by Vodafone in December 2007 and location and design were then discussed with council.

The tower would be located at the eastern side of the main oval, incorporating a 34 metre tall tower and small building at its base. The proposal includes an electronic scoreboard for football matches. The scoreboard was later described as a "dangling carrot buying community support".

Ms Whittington said they were "finding the best available option, taking into account the technical requirements of the area". However, maps displayed showed only marginally improved coverage from the tower.

"It is clear that Warrandyte

would only get a significantly small increase to their coverage. It is therefore only a band-aid solution for Vodafone," Warrandyte resident Lyn Colenso told the *Diary*.

Ms Whittington stressed that Vodafone would not be investing in the venture if there was no need in the community for improved telecommunications coverage. "We are responding to both current and future demands."

The 2004 code of practice for telecommunications facilities in Victoria states that proposed facilities must be assessed against four criteria: facilities must be sited to minimise visual impact, facilities should be co-located wherever possible, health standards for exposure to radio emissions must be met, and disturbance and risk relating to siting and construction must be minimised.

Technical expert Brendon Woods spoke about the standards for radio frequency electromagnetic Energy (EME) that is generated from transmission from antennas.

The proposed tower would meet standards set by the International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection, as well as the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency; 25 watts would be transmitted by the antenna for approximately one kilometre, as governed by the terrain.

"No" to tower: a protest meeting at Andersons Creek Primary School, held prior to the council gathering, saw a visual presentation (inset) against phone towers. (Pictures by Stephen Reynolds)

Warrandyte Community Association president Dick Davies pointed out that the signal peaks approximately 200 metres from the proposed tower, which is located 300 metres from a school and kindergarten.

When asked what role council would have in the management of the facility, the meeting was told that Vodafone would have to go through a planning process, including community consultation, if the proposal is approved. A resident pointed out that once constructed, any amendments to the tower would have to be proposed to the Australian Communications and Media Authority, with no community consultation process.

Council requires carriers to pay a commercial lease fee and has already permitted

16 telecommunications towers on municipal land. Manningham councillor Graeme Macmillan said "council pays enormous regard to environmental amenity and appropriateness of all applications".

It was pointed out that Telstra has three towers around the outskirts of Warrandyte, which deliver optimal coverage without the need of a tower in the middle of town. Ms Whittington pointed out that the tower proposed for Warrandyte Reserve uses a lower spectrum, designed to cover the metropolitan area and therefore doesn't have such a broad coverage.

Maedy Colenso said, "Telecommunications representatives will tell you this proposal is safe because its emissions are under the predictive standards. But the scientific com-

munity says standards are thousands of times too high and protect only against burning and cooking. There is no known safe limit, and there are still effects at 1 micro-watt. But we are being told that the safe range is under 10 micro-watts."

Ms Colenso visited the Donvale tower with a high frequency field meter and measured the frequency being transmitted.

"We took readings at different times of the day and night and not one was recorded under 10 micro-watts. There are still gaps in scientific knowledge, further research is urgently needed and Australian standards have to be dramatically lowered."

"Our vision is for a liveable Manningham that is

healthy and safe," Ms Colenso said.

Cr Graeme Macmillan told the meeting: "Let me assure you we make every decision very carefully every time. We don't impose our views on everyone and we try to get everyone's input into our decision making process."

Community members are welcome to make submissions to Manningham council. Those who have made submissions will be invited to a submitters' meeting on Thursday, April 22.



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Council misses out

Recent works on the Research-Warrandyte Road, approaching Stony Creek Road from the north, would have given VicRoads or Nillumbik council a golden opportunity to create a wider road shoulder on this dangerous section of a very busy road.

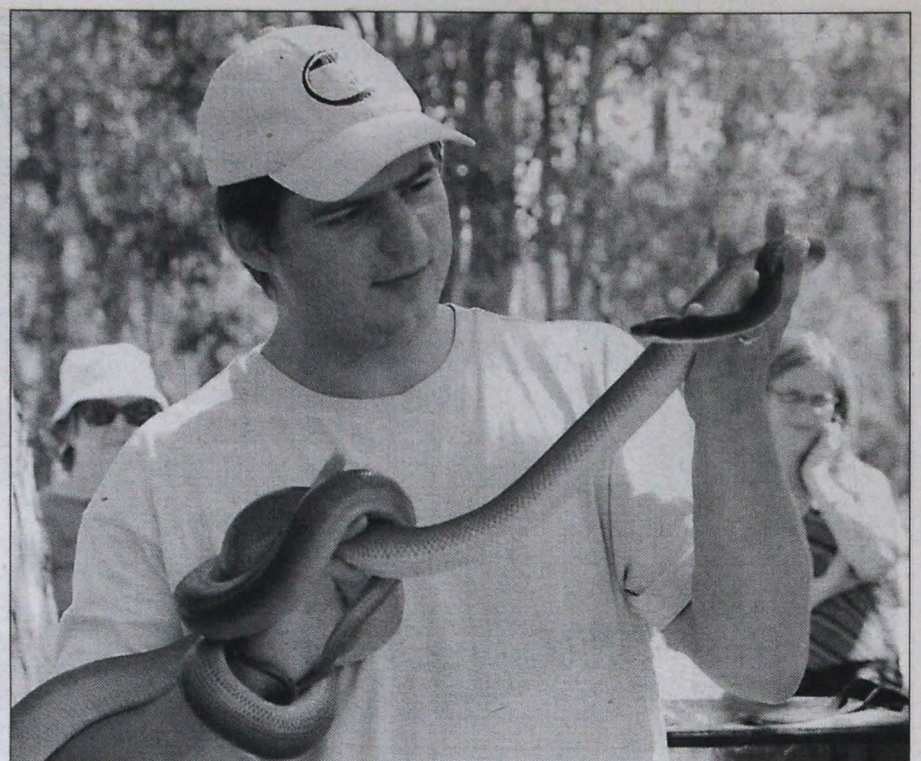
Instead we only have a half-metre wide shoulder, for which cyclists must try and squeeze over for cars to pass. There was plenty of land along this side of the road to accommodate a proper width cycle lane.

Unfortunately, another missed opportunity for forward planning has passed.

**Denis Robertshaw
North Warrandyte**

CLYDE & OCKER

"Snakes alive, Ock! All I wanted was a Boston bun!"



Tied in knots: Bakery could use a snake-handler? (Picture by Stephen Reynolds)

No baked snake today, thanks!

Everyone enjoys a funny story at someone else's expense, so Peter the Paper Man was being told of the day when the resident joker at the Warrandyte Bakery told the pastry chef there was a bug on his shoulder. Smack! Pity his hands were covered in cake mix.

"That's nothing," says the pastry chef.

"One day I walked out the back door and there was this tiger snake sunning itself on the doorstep. Come and see where it was."

Out they step, and there is the tiger snake sunning itself. The pastry chef turns whiter than flour.

Snakes being the shy creatures that they are, the snake crawls away under the back door of the bookshop next door.

Phone the council, who said phone the DSE: list of options from 1 to 10...music... "Oh, no, we don't handle snakes"...More music... "You could try these numbers..."

Staff member Tom sits calmly eating his lunch and watch-

ing for the snake to reappear until Jason of East Doncaster arrives; headlamp, bag and stick at the ready.

The snake, which once slept with a totally unaware resident baker out the back—the snake awoke before the baker—has now been relocated to an area with fewer children and dogs and less consumer traffic. The pastry chef has recovered his normal healthy hue. Tom finished his lunch.

**Kass Mulvany
Castle Road**

This is a 'no-map' township

On a recent Sunday trip to the historic village of Warrandyte I was dismayed to find that no maps of the area were available. The Information Centre was closed, as was the Rangers' Office at Pound Bend, and the only map information at the Jumping Creek Reserve was one plasticised map in a box-enclosure at the start of the Jumping Creek walk. Presumably walkers are supposed to peruse this one-only copy of the area, commit its details to memory and replace it for the use of others. The Warrandyte area is one of complexity with tracks emanating in all directions. A good map of the area is needed by walkers. Where are you, Parks Victoria?

**Des Carroll
Armadae**

CYRIL

By PAUL WILLIAMS

What's he mean, this is a no-map township?

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Festival on parade!

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Pictures by **STEPHEN REYNOLDS**



Kids slid their way to wet wonderment



Wheeee! The Scouts' wonderful waterslide has been sending kids slithering and tumbling down the hill at Stiggants since the early days of the Warrandyte Festival. Francine O'Connor took this great shot at the 2010 festival.

They backed up the show

By **STEPHANIE CRAWFORD**

With the construction of a new main stage by Manningham council at Stiggants Reserve, the need arose for a new backdrop. Enter Calandra Kidd, a VCE art student at East Doncaster Secondary College.

With the support of five friends, she conceived, designed and painted the five large canvas banners displayed at the rear of the stage

throughout festival weekend.

Her deadline was very tight. With just four weeks to complete the work, along with regular schoolwork and homework projects, she enlisted the help of fellow students Morgan Thomas-Connor, James Liley, Julia Lewis, Daniel Wall and Lana Thymianidis.

Together they developed a design for the banners, inspired by music and musicians, the Yarra River and the

Australian bush.

They chose the theme colours of yellow and orange, which they splashed across all five canvasses. Calandra then sketched with pencil, and painted and spray-painted the finished artwork.

"I am very happy with how they came up," Calandra told the *Diary*. "They look fresh and modern. The project was a great lesson for me in painting on a large scale."



Collaborators: The young team, led by Calandra Kidd, that created the new backdrop at Stiggants main stage. Below: The finished backdrop in action.



2010 FESTIVAL RESULTS

GRAND PARADE

Best Parade Entry: Andersons Creek PS
 Most Colourful: Warrandyte Childcare and Preschool
 Most Imaginative: Juniors Farm
 Best Costumes/Makeup: Warrandyte PS
 Most Warrandytish: Warranglen Garden Centre and Cafe



BATTLE OF THE BANDS

1st Triact
 2nd The Moonrunners
 3rd Welcome Wednesday

DUCK RACE

1st Alla Goodison, Andersons Creek PS
 2nd Kristian Bain, Andersons Creek PS
 3rd Claire Youl, Andersons Creek PS
 4th Tasia Clark, Wonga Park PS
 5th Lydia Phelan, Andersons Creek PS



HOME BREWING

Champion Beer: Claude Turner (Stout)
 Best Public Choice: Daniel O'Grady and Nick Barret
 Best Bitter: Michael Stanzel
 Best Lager: Bret Ellis
 Best Ale: David O'Keefe
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1st Brian Armstrong (Warrandyte) with 'Sunlit Spur'
 2nd Bill Filpovski (Nunawading) with 'On the White Tablecloth'
 3rd Mary Hennekam (Langwarrin) with 'High Tide, Cannons Creek'
 Small Screen: Fay Alexander Jenkins (Eltham) with 'Against the Odds'
 Students 1st: Shannon Clancy with 'And Then There Was Hope'
 Students 2nd: Thomas Hugthes with 'Moonlight on the Divide'
 Students 3rd: Bec Maggs with 'Bleeding Mascara'



KIDS' MARKET

Most Environmentally Aware: Erin Theodore, Warrandyte PS, enviro bags and Chloe Edmonds, Andersons Creek PS, growing kits
 Most Creative: Sinead Doherty, Warrandyte PS, bracelets, pencil cases, etc and Lachlan and Hayley Wolters, Warrandyte PS, gingerbread men
 Most Colourful: Christiana Kategiannis, Warrandyte PS, smart cookies and the Aston-Boyle family, Warrandyte PS, cards and hair ties, etc.



PUMPKIN CHALLENGE

Guessing the Weight of the Pumpkin:
 1st Ali Fithall (10.4kg)
 2nd (Equal) Robyn Anderson (10.3kg) and Jane Broadhead (10.5kg)



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 U/18 Girls: S. Folley (107km/h)
 U/15 Boys: M. Gillling (156 km/h)
 U/15 Girls: C. Robson (117 km/h)
 U/12 Boys: N. Anderson (128 km/h)
 U/12 Girls: M. Batchelor (107 km/h)



PET PARADE

Biggest Dog: 1st Charley, 2nd Maggie, 3rd Mickey
 Smallest Dog: 1st Bella, 2nd Scoobie, 3rd Panda
 Dog with the Waggiest Tail: 1st Charlie, 2nd Zoe, 3rd Jack
 Best Groomed Dog: 1st Benny, 2nd Darcy, 3rd Rhonda
 Shaggiest Dog: 1st Ruby, 2nd Romeo, 3rd Bingle
 Cutest Dog: 1st Trumpet, 2nd Zac, 3rd Jasper
 Dog with the Most Appealing Eyes: 1st Choco, 2nd Brochie, 3rd Hunter
 Best Trained Dog: 1st Astro, 2nd Holly, 3rd Jemima
 Dog Most Like its Owner: 1st Maggie May, 2nd Asha, 3rd Bomber
 Dog with the Most Appropriate Name: 1st Sullivan (as in Sully from Monster's Inc.), 2nd Hunter, 3rd Nova Rover
 Loudest Dog: 1st Toby, 2nd Hooch, 3rd Holly
 Judges' Choice—Best in Show: 1st Jack, 2nd Bella, 3rd Daisy



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NEWS FROM 2010 WARRANDYTE FESTIVAL

New event promoted cancer appeal

By **TRISTAN MADDOCKS**

The Warrandyte Relay for Life event, which will run in September and will follow on from great successes in 2008 and 2009, was supported by a series of fun races at the festival.

For two hours on the Sunday, kids (and kids at heart) ran up and down the grass between the Stiggants Reserve carpark and the footbridge.

A host of different race events were available to cater for different talents; jelly bean races, jumping jack sack races and trainee waiter races—in which entrants had to balance drinks trays—all proved very popular.

The highlight, though, was the Undie 500, which saw those game enough to compete don oversized underpants in an unusual variation of the classic three-legged race.

Gold coin donations gave the Warrandyte Relay for Life committee a head start on its

fundraising efforts for this year and the support of hospitality and events students from Swinburne TAFE meant the event was run professionally.

Warrandyte Relay for Life committee member, Terry Pieper, said the races were about raising awareness of the group's main annual event and of the impact of cancer in general.

"It's just our way of giving back to the community, because the community has really helped us," he said. "This is our official launch for this year. We are trying to get more people involved in the relay."

Mr Pieper said a strong focus of Relay for Life was reminding people about the importance of family and enjoying life.

"The whole thing is about living and life and getting back to family."

"That's what these family races are all about."

The Warrandyte Relay for Life event is one of about 40 across Victoria and raised more than \$53,000 for the Cancer Council last year, up from about \$12,000 in the event's first year, 2008.

Mr Pieper said it was important to keep raising public awareness about the impact of cancer.

"About 30 per cent of all deaths in Australia are cancer related. It really does touch everyone."

He said almost 600 people participated in the 2009 Warrandyte Relay for Life event, which was a great effort from Warrandyte residents.

"When you have got a small community like Warrandyte, that's nearly 10 per cent of the population. This year we just want to make it bigger and better."

These kids ran for their lives. (Picture by Stephen Reynolds)



Joan made a right royal impression

The Festival Committee bestowed the honour of 2010 Queen of the Festival upon former resident Joan Rogers, well-known in Warrandyte as booking agent for the Follies over many years. Joan in turn appointed three "Ladies in Waiting" to assist her in carrying out her official duties. Tripping the right royal quadrille are (from left) Denise Farran, Queen Joan, Jan Tindale and Karen Throssell. (Picture by Mirella Bottarelli)

Rotary show came around again

By **KARLY HICKMAN**

The Rotary Art Show ushered in yet another Warrandyte Festival weekend with a diverse array of artworks and lots of friendly faces.

Although this was the 20th Warrandyte Art Show, it was the first organized by the newly merged Rotary Club of Warrandyte Donvale.

"Amalgamating the Warrandyte Rotary Club with the Donvale Rotary Club means we can do bigger and better projects," club official Bob McKenzie told the large opening night crowd.

The show was held at the Warrandyte Community Church.

Margory Lapworth welcomed the crowd. She thanked the art show committee and friends of Rotary for their support.

First prize was awarded to Brian Armstrong for his soft pastel landscape, Sunlit Spur. Second prize went to Bill Filipovski for his On the White Tablecloth, a traditional still life with emphasis on light.

Third prize was won by Mary Hennekam with High Tide Cannons Creek. The award

for small artwork went to Faye Alexander-Jenkins for Against the Odds.

The young artist award first prize went to Year 11 Warrandyte High School student Shannon Clancy for And Then There Was Hope.

Ms Clancy told the *Diary* she had been "brainstorming" the piece since the start of the year. "A lot of times in my life I have had to look for hope," she said.

The second young artist award went to Thomas Hughes, and Bec Maggs came third.

Billycarters clap on the pace in a Warrandyte Festival classic clash

By **TRISTAN MADDOCKS**

High-speed contraptions of all shapes and sizes rolled up for the 2010 Warrandyte Festival Billy Cart Derby, a must-see festival fixture that always pulls a large crowd.

There were rusty old units against slick new machines, unwieldy prototypes against proven favourites and an even spread of three and four-wheeled carts.

All were primed and ready to shoot to the bottom of the Police Street hill as quickly as possible.

Each of the 11 competitors raced in three heats each, with a finals series at the end determining which carts placed first, second and third.

A brand new mountain bike was on offer for the winner, with cans of soft drink and toolkits providing solace to the runners-

up.

14-year-old Alex Eiser-mann, a North Croydon resident who attends Luther College, was competing in his first festival derby.

His cart was created as part of a school project last year, but had to be modified to meet the safety criteria of the Warrandyte race.

"The steering is a little bit different," he said. "We originally had rope but weren't allowed to use that, so we put metal bars in there for stability."

Alex had trained for the derby with a couple of practice runs down a hill near his house.

12-year-old Geoff Bromilow, a Warrandyte Primary School student, was also competing for the first time and raced extremely well, placing second.

He had built a cart for the race but at the last minute

it was deemed not good enough, so he borrowed a friend's vehicle in order to compete.

Geoff was keen to return for next year's event because he enjoyed this race so much.

"Flipping the carts is a lot of fun," he said.

Every race has to have a winner and this year the local billy cart community celebrated a back-to-back champion.

14-year-old Leith Thomas returned in the cart he built with his grandfather and which won him the 2009 event, and again came out on top.

The Diamond Valley Secondary College student was unstoppable in his three-wheeled machine and had a simple philosophy underpinning his success:

"I just go straight down the hill," he said.



Stand by: Ready and rarin' to go! (Picture by Stephen Reynolds)

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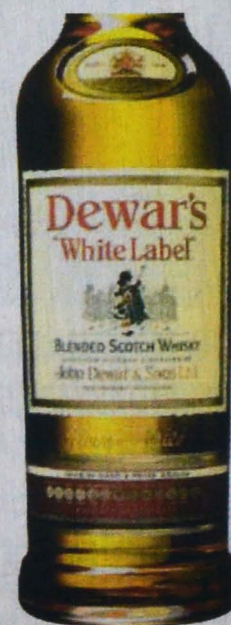
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Please don't feed the ducks!

Our food is deadly

Words and pictures by SANDY BURGOYNE

A recent letter to the *Diary* from Kass Mulvany sparked discussion on the problems that feeding ducks on the river bank creates.

The main site where well-meaning tourists give bread and cake to the ducks is the landscaped terrace on the bank of the river next to the Federation playground behind The Bakery.

The ducks, both native and feral, anticipate the possibility of a free feed and mob anyone who arrives on the bank. Responding with bread or cake may seem a friendly reaction to the ducks' enthusiasm, but such food may damage the birds.

"The main issue ... is that the birds haven't evolved to be able to digest them properly," Dean Ingwersen, woodlands birds project officer with Birds Australia told the *Diary*.

"Some of the ingredients in the bread, they can't digest it properly and so it will sit in the crop or in the gut and ferment."

This can lead to naturally occurring poisons, such as botulism, building up in the bird's system and killing it. If the ducks aren't poisoned they are likely to die of malnutrition.

"Whilst they might be getting a full belly they won't be getting all of the nutrients and minerals and such that they require. So whilst they can be well fed they can still be malnourished," Mr Ingwersen said.

The management of The Bakery has long been aware

that tourists are a soft touch for the duck mob and have adopted a responsible policy. A sign inside the shop warns shoppers that human food is not good for the birds. The Bakery also sells small amounts of poultry pellets as duck food.

However, the best outcome for the bird's future would be to look but not feed.

"It is much better for the health of the birds (for us) to just sit and observe them and let them forage on whatever they forage on naturally," Mr Ingwersen said.

Indigenous ducks need a varied diet. The Pacific Black feeds on the leaves and seeds of river plants, plus aquatic insects and small crustaceans.

Manningham council is aware of the popularity of feeding the ducks in Warrandyte and the damage that may result.

"Council staff are currently arranging for a sign to be manufactured and then installed at the viewing terrace advising people not to feed the ducks," Lydia Wilson, Manningham's chief executive officer said.

"The sign will be within council guidelines for the Warrandyte area and will have a brief explanation of the environmental reasons for discouraging the feeding of the ducks."

The new sign should be installed by early May.

Kass Mulvany in her February letter pointed out that pet ducks should not be dumped at the river when no longer wanted. She told several anecdotes of domestic ducks she had rescued and re-homed.

The European Mallard, an imported duck with colourful plumage, is a popular pet that threatens the viability of our local Pacific Black duck — by stealth. Escaped and

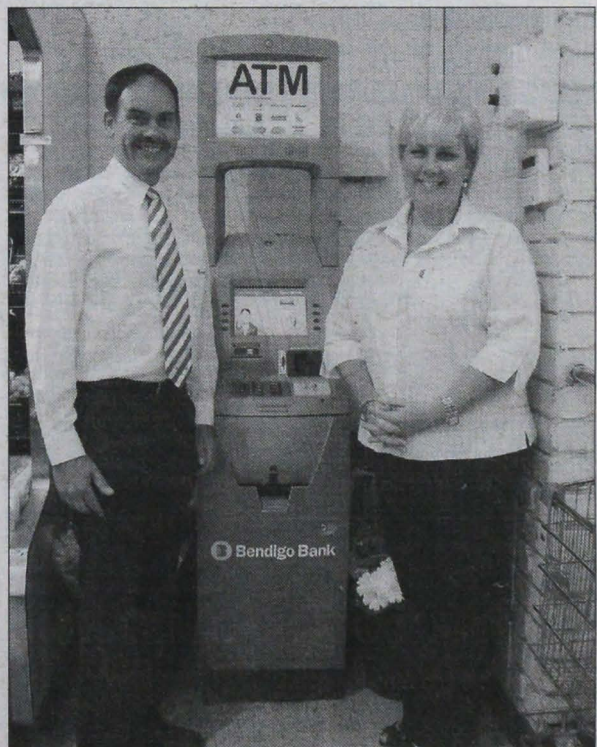


released Mallards compete with indigenous ducks for food and habitat and can interbreed with the Pacific Black. The young of such cross breeding may still look like the indigenous species except that they have yellow legs and feet. Pure-bred black ducks have green legs.

It can be seen that interbreeding has already occurred in Warrandyte's Pacific Black duck population, as those queuing up for food on the river bank have yellow feet. Further interbreeding causes changes in the distinctive head markings of the indigenous species.

These may seem to be small differences, but Mallard/Black duck crosses may not be able to deal with the Australian climate as well as pure Pacific Blacks. Indigenous ducks are nomadic during drought and are prepared to migrate in search of better conditions. Whereas those crossed with Mallards inherit the tendency to remain in the same locality, putting them at risk of dying in times of drought.

Mongrel duck: The result of a native Pacific Black duck cross-breeding with a released domestic Mallard.



Money online: Community Bank manager Mark Challen and Julie Quinton of IGA are proud of the new ATM.

Cash at your fingertips

Local residents are now able to access cash from their community bank at the IGA supermarket in Warrandyte.

Warrandyte Bendigo Bank manager Mark Challen said the branch was excited about the installation of the new ATM.

"Our customers will now be able to avoid fees imposed by other banks for use of their machines," Mr Challen told the *Diary*. "This is a great incentive for residents to open a transaction account and to shop locally." The Warrandyte Community Bank intends to install another ATM at Richie's IGA supermarket in North Ringwood later in the year.

Last call for Townside villas

This may be the last opportunity for Warrandyte retirees to secure one of the remaining villas at CreekSide in Harris Gully Road.

This community owned project will contain five brand new, independent living villas for retirees aged over 65 years with preference being given to Warrandyte residents.

To date, three of the villas are under offer. These offers were received from people listed on the waiting list for many months. However many others have indicated that they are not ready yet for retirement housing.

"As it is imperative that bids are received for all five villas before construc-

tion can proceed, offers are now being sought more widely for the remaining villas," a spokesperson for the Warrandyte Community Housing Cooperative told the *Diary*.

"Designed for single or couple retirees, these architect-designed villas are free of stamp duty as the project is operating under a leasehold arrangement, meaning that money contributed towards the villa is treated as an interest free loan to the retirement village."

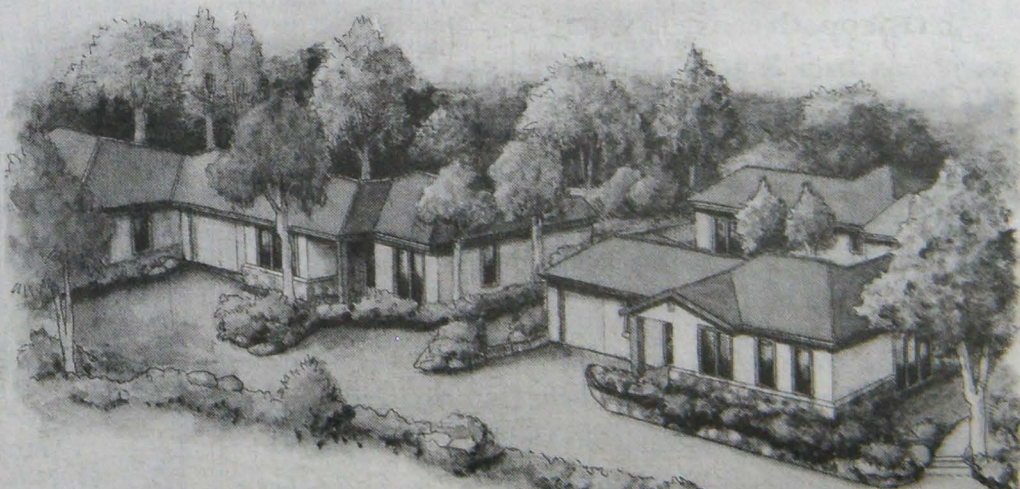
The villas feature two bedrooms with master bedroom including ensuite, separate powder room, spacious family room, meals area and all kitchens are fully fitted and tiled with Caesar stone

bench tops and European appliances. There are low maintenance gardens and courtyards.

"Located close to public transport, the Recreation Reserve and Senior Citizens' Club, as well as Warrandyte's West End, Goldfields Plaza, shops, galleries, cafes and doctors' surgeries, the villas are in an ideal location for older residents," the spokesperson said.

Villas are available for purchase "off the plan" and any bids received for the remaining villas will be considered immediately.

● Further information from Landfield Real Estate, phone 9844 3085



Architect's impression of the new villas.

Local Lions help cancer kids

Last month—yet again—Warrandyte Lions targeted young people living with cancer by raising in excess of \$54,000 at an auction conducted to raise funds for the organisation CanTeen.

That weekend, Local Lions, along with Lions from Eildon, joined with members of the Eildon Boat Club in providing a wonderful camping weekend for young CanTeen members.

The kids enjoyed such activities as horse-riding, canoeing, boomerang painting and throwing.

At night the young members participated in a scavenger hunt and "who dares wins" trivia contest.

CanTeen staff member Michael King told the *Diary*: "Sunday morning had a certain buzz about it as CanTeen was off to the Eildon Boat Club for the annual day on the lake which followed an 'all-you-can-eat' breakfast.

"We spent the day on houseboats, jet skiing, tube riding, water skiing wake boarding—and even fishing!"

The camp included 72 young members of CanTeen, six staff and 10 Lions volunteers.

"The touchstone of CanTeen is the belief that young people, through meeting and talking with one another, are better able to cope with the uncertainties of a cancer diagnosis," Mr King said.



Anzac quest offers \$2000 for schools

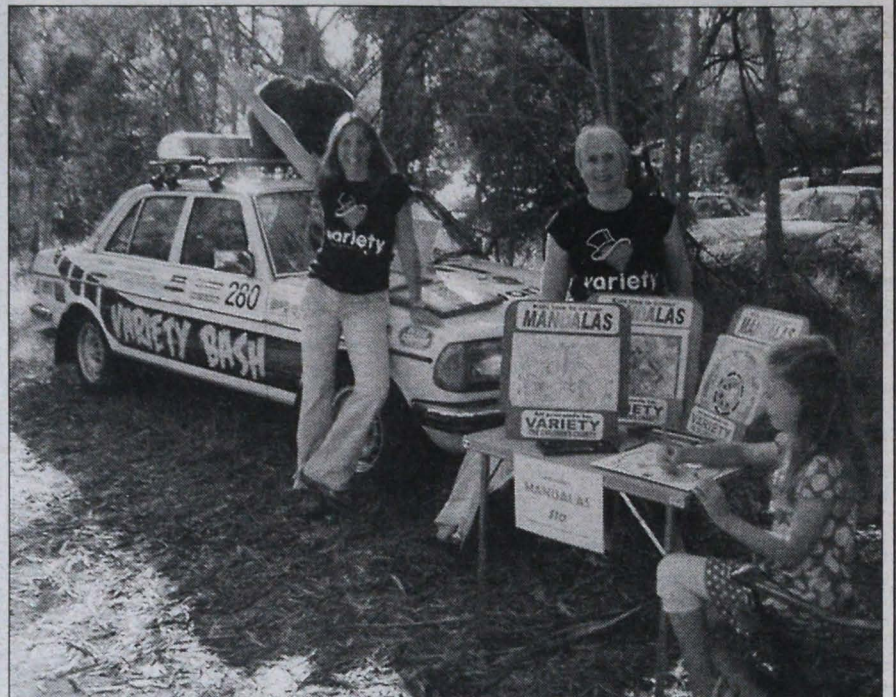
Local schools are being encouraged to enter this year's National Anzac Day Schools Awards. A \$2000 prize is being offered nationally and \$1000 is available for schools within Victoria.

"The awards aim to encourage a deeper understanding of the sacrifice of war," Mr Andrews said. "Schools entering the competition are encouraged to think 'outside the square', whilst at the same time being mindful of the significance of Anzac Day.

"A national prize of \$2000 will be awarded to the primary and secondary school whose entry displays a high level of accuracy, originality and involvement with local veterans. A \$1000 prize is available for the best entry in each state from a primary and secondary school," Mr Andrews said.

● Entries close on Friday, May 21. Details are available from Mr Andrews' office: 9848 9900, can be viewed on the Australian War Memorial website: www.awm.gov.au or by contacting local ex-service organisations.

Crossing the Nullabor



Cash for Bash: Maedy Colenso (on left) with mum Lyn and daughter Mollyrose, selling children's mandalas at the Warrandyte Market, raising funds for Variety. That's the heroic old Merc in the background.

Locals Neville Colenso and daughter Maedy are preparing for the 2010 Variety Bash car rally to be held in August this year.

They will be driving a 1980 Mercedes Benz 280E, "modified to meet all the required safety standards".

This year the rally will cross the Nullabor, leaving from Ballarat and proceeding to Margaret River in Western Australia.

"The two plan to travel as Popeye and Olive Oyl, with a large can of 'spinach' on top of the car," Lyn Colenso told the *Diary*.

"All money raised will go directly to Variety—the wonderful children's charity, caring for disadvantaged children, kids with disabilities, cancer, autism and learning problems." A special cause this year includes children affected by the Black Saturday fires.

"Last year Neville's team raised \$15,000," Ms Colenso said.

The Colensos are meeting all their own personal costs, including food, accommodation and car expenses.

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Lions' Largesse: CanTeen kids on the good ship Love Boat on Lake Eildon.

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Bridgehead: Emergency services attend an accident on Kangaroo Ground Road last month. (Picture by photographski)

Crash! Bang! Wallop!

By SANDY BURGOYNE

Local CFA firefighters were called out to a two-car crash just across the Yarra bridge on Kangaroo Ground Road last month. "Four fire appliances ended up there: one each from South Warrandyte and Warrandyte and two from North Warrandyte... were on the scene and we had Eltham SES rescue as well," Rohan Thornton, North CFA captain told the *Diary*. The CFA is usually associated with

fighting bushfires, but turn-outs to road incidents make up a large proportion of the brigades' service to the community. In the case of a serious vehicle incident the firefighters' primary responsibility is fire suppression, but brigade members are well equipped for other important tasks. "We often beat ambulance, police and all other services on scene. We also provide initial medical and site safety work.

Our people are trained in level 2 first aid," Rohan Thornton said. At the Kangaroo Ground Road incident brigade members provided first aid to the cars' occupants and controlled traffic around the incident site until ambulance service and police arrived. "It was basic safety, making sure that everyone was okay and that the accident wasn't going to become worse with other cars coming in," he said.

First woman bishop to visit Warrandyte church

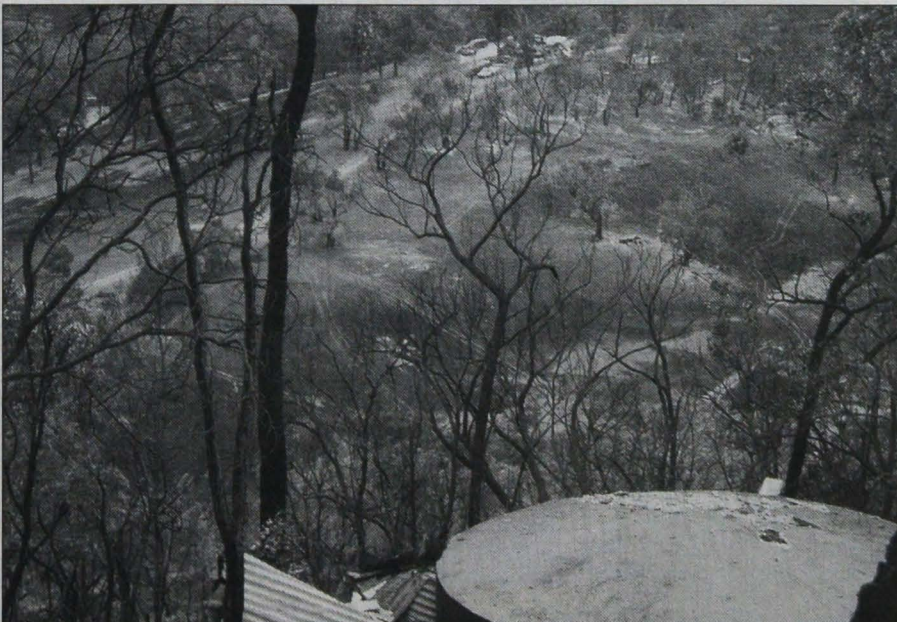
Victoria's first woman bishop, Barbara Darling, will visit Warrandyte next month to preach at an interchurch service at St Stephen's Anglican Church in Stiggant Street. Bishop Darling will be conducting the service to celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The service is held annually, rotating among the churches of Warrandyte and Park Orchards. It is the Anglican turn this year. The service will be held on Sunday, May 23 at 7pm. Bishop Barbara Darling is eastern region bishop in the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne, with responsibility for pastoral supervision of 66 parishes stretch-

ing from Kinglake to Kew to Warburton. She was among the first women to be ordained priest, in a service in 1992. Consecrated in St Paul's Cathedral in Melbourne in May 2008, she was only the second female bishop in Australia. Originally a trained teacher and librarian, she has been vicar of parishes from Ascot Vale to Sandringham to Dandenong, and taught history at Ridley Theological College, Melbourne. St Stephen's minister, Canon Alan Nichols, told the *Diary*: "This will be Bishop Barbara's first time to preach at Warrandyte, and she will be welcomed by clergy and people of all the churches of the local area."



Coming: Bishop Barbara Darling

Bushfire echoes in council bid



Remembered: This was Christmas Hills following Nillumbik's worst day—Saturday, February 7, 2009. (Picture by Kerry Cross)

Nillumbik council has emerged as one of only three finalists in the Victorian Premier's Sustainability Awards. The awards recognise "innovation and outstanding achievement in the sustainable use of natural resources". Nillumbik was selected after submitting a report outlining the work that has been undertaken in the area since the Black Saturday bushfires. "The impact of the bushfires on the local community and environment—both agricultural and environmental—was devastating," mayor Cr Ken King told the *Diary*. "The recovery project has been supporting people in the community in rehabilitating their land and their homes." The award will be announced at a ceremony at the Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre on Thursday, April 22. Further information from 9433 3216 or visit Donna.Stoddart@nillumbik.vic.gov.au.

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Just reward: Jet displays his garden show trophies. (Picture by Jan Tindale)

Wow! women walk through wilderness

Thirteen Warrandyte women walked the Overland Track from Cradle Mountain to Lake St Clair in Tasmania in February. They carried all their food and gear, walking 65km in five days, including climbing the summit of Cradle Mountain itself.

They are now hoping to undertake extended bushwalks in the Victorian High Country, or perhaps in New Zealand. Ali Beanland of Webb Street calls them "Wow! Women".

"Good preparation was the key to our happy bushwalk," Ali said. "We all got on so

well with each other. A few of the girls feel so empowered that they want to do an overnight mother and daughter or mother and son hike."

Wow! women pictured are Nikki, Wendy, Freya, Debi, Edda, Sylvia, Fi, Sam, Fiona, Sloane, Dee, Andrea and Ali.



WARRANDYTE diary

The Warrandyte Diary is urgently seeking help from experienced journalists living in the area.

Our present team is stretched to the limit and we urgently need volunteers able to help us sub-edit and re-write sports and general news copy for the paper. We would especially welcome retired journalists willing to donate some time each month.

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Jet rockets to floral win

Warrandyte florist, Jet Chusak Paungphaka, won a gold medal at the recent Melbourne International Flower and Garden Show in the advanced student floral design competition, corporate design section. This is Jet's second gold medal following his success last year in the student section with a wedding centrepiece. He also won the people's choice award in 2009. Jet arrived from Thailand 15 years ago. He studied floristry and horticulture at the Northern Melbourne Institute of Technology.

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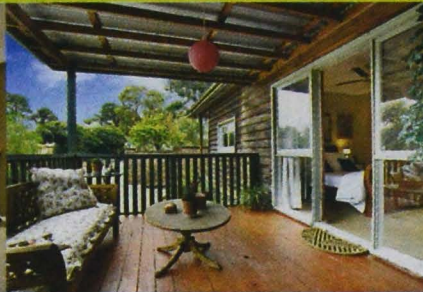
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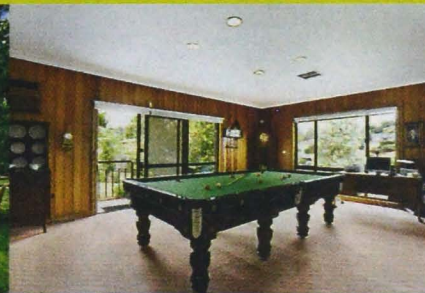


warrandyte north (sms: REN684)

Unique and beautiful, this stunning home boasts reclaimed timber and mud brick construction in a serene bush-like setting. Spread across 2 levels featuring 3 bedrooms, study, 2 bathrooms and 2 living areas enhanced by natural timber and modernised Blackwood kitchen, the home includes a terraced backyard with separate studio, paved entertaining and BBQ area. Features ducted heating, air conditioner, reticulated grey water and close to all of Warrandyte's amenities.

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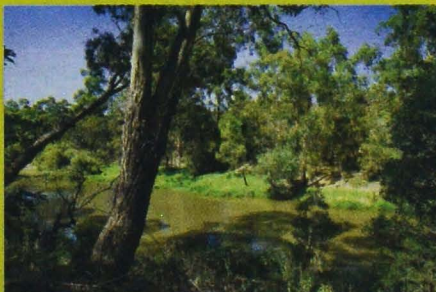


doncaster east (sms: REN681)

Meticulously maintained, this builder's own home is located close to all essential services. Warm and inviting, the home comprises 3 huge bedrooms — main with ensuite, family spa bathroom, formal lounge and dining, open-plan meals and family room, separate rumpus room, timber kitchen with Corian benchtops. Complemented by a patio area and a large garage with workshops (toilet and sink), the home boasts ducted heating, evaporative cooling, decorative cornices, ceiling roses, and electric sunblinds.

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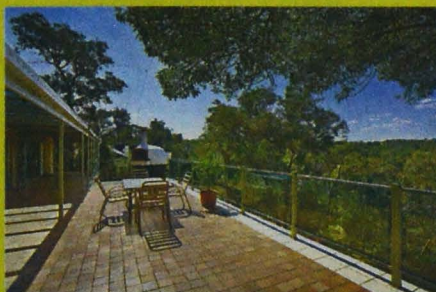


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The Anderson garden in Bradleys Lane was opened to the public on the weekend preceding the Warrandyte Festival last month, as part of the ABC Open Garden Scheme. The event, the second staged by Pat and John Anderson, raised \$16,659 for the North Warrandyte CFA brigade, through plant sales manned by members of various garden clubs and refreshments supplied by neighbours from the Bradleys Lane Fireguard Group. The Anderson garden features one of the best collection of salvias in the state, a corner of "found" goldfields memorabilia and an extensive vegetable garden on the river flats behind the house. Local musicians Barry McKimm, Jack Stringer, Peter Smith and Caitlin McKimm entertained visitors on both days.

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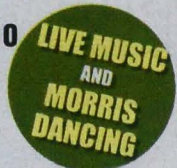
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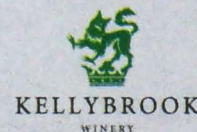


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Dimboola hits town

out of the inbox

By JUDY GREEN

Park Players are presenting two performances of the classic Australian play *Dimboola* at the Warrandyte Mechanics Institute Hall, Yarra Street, Warrandyte on Saturday, May 1 at 7.30pm and Sunday, May 2 at 2pm. Cost is \$25. Ring Dawn for tickets on 0408 055 297 or 979 0886. There will be cabaret style tables, so bring your own nibbles, drinks and glasses. *Dimboola*, written by Jack Hibberd, is a very funny comedy set in a country town at the reception following the marriage between a local Catholic lass and a local Protestant boy. Mechanics Institute Hall is an ideal setting.

Hearing

Free hearing tests for children aged three and a half to six years of age will be conducted by the University School of Audiology at Warrandyte Primary School in Forbes Street, Warrandyte on Saturday, May 1 commencing at 9am. These tests, sponsored by Warrandyte Lions Club, are available to all children living within 5kms of Warrandyte Post Office. For bookings ring Denis Robertshaw on 9437 1155.

Acts

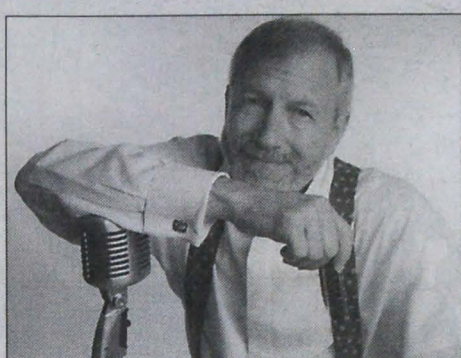
Earth Harmony Centre will be conducting their Dragonfly Club with "a spot acts and jam night" on Friday, April 9 commencing at 8pm. Entry is \$10 or \$5 for people presenting a spot act. Cost includes tea, coffee and biscuits. Ring the Earth Harmony Centre on 9844 5155.

Life

"What's the Point of Life?" This Alpha course explores this and other questions, seeking to discover the relevancy of belief in our modern context. The evening course begins on Thursday, May 13 at 7pm and the day course on Friday, May 14 at 9.30am. The course will be conducted by the parish of St Gerard and St Anne and will be held at St Anne's, 54 Knees Road, Park Orchards. All are welcome. Phone 9876 1509 to book.

Harmony

The Melbournaires Harmony Chorus will be running a free course in harmony singing for men during April, commencing on Monday, April 12. It will



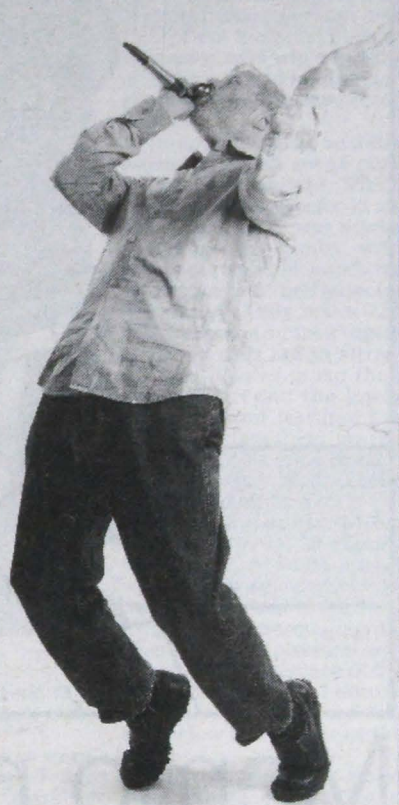
Corky comes to Warrandyte!

Warrandyte is welcoming internationally acclaimed Chicago blues performer Corky Siegel (pictured) this month. He will team with Australian guitar virtuoso Nick Charles at Earth Harmony on Saturday, April 17 commencing at 8pm.

Winner of the 2009 Chicago Music Awards (lifetime achievement) and coming direct from a tour of India, Corky's "steamy harmonica and fiery piano", his "crazy humour and lyric eccentricities" will delight a lucky local audience for one night only.

The Age has praised Nick Charles's "blues, bluegrass, ragtime, jazz finesse and delightfully sardonic originals".

Local wines and beers will be available on the night.



Corky Siegel throws everything into his performance.

● Earth Harmony is at 246-250 Yarra Street (top car park). Bookings essential on 9844 5155: \$20 (pre-pay) \$25 (pay at the door).

involve six two-hour weekly sessions on Monday evenings commencing at 7.30pm. Course notes, music and part-predominant CDs for learning songs will be provided. The course is suitable for any man who can hold a note. For further information and to register call Peter on 0402 475 139 or Paul on 0408 357 054.

Fungi

The next Manningham council environmental seminar will be held on Wednesday, May 5 at Currawong Bush Park (Mel 34H6). Paul George of the Field Naturalists Club Victoria will discuss Fungi—the Hidden Kingdom. Check for further details: 9840 4405.

Arts

The Warrandyte Mechanics Institute and Arts Association operate a number of different interest groups. For the pottery group call Marj Beecham on 9844 3206; for painting, Pauline Cross on 9439 1775; craft, Rosemary Climas on 9844 2154 and for the drama

group (Warrandyte Theatre Company) call David Tynan on 9844 5727.

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Workshop

An art workshop will be held at the Currawong Bush Park Environment Centre, 277 Reynolds Road, Doncaster East on Thursday, April 22.

It will run from 10am to 3pm. Cost is \$120 with all materials included. Morning and afternoon teas and lunch will be provided. Classes will be conducted by West Australian artist, Denise Walker, now resident in Warrandyte. Call 040 998 1210 for further information.

Stonehouse

The current exhibition at the Stonehouse Gallery, 103 Yarra Street, Warrandyte has been inspired by a recent visit to Japan by many of the Stonehouse members and friends. It is entitled "Falling Leaves" and explores the diversity of Japanese design in its many forms. The gallery is open daily from 10am to 5pm.

Residence

The Nillumbik Laughing Waters Artist-in-Residence program offers artists a unique opportunity to live and work each year in one of two houses, Birrarung and River Bend in Eltham. They are on protected bushland managed by Parks Victoria. The first artists in Birrarung this year are past Warrandyte resident, Anna Glynn and Anne-Louise Rentell. In April, Anderson Hunt will take up residence in River Bend. Anderson will present a talk on his work on Wednesday, May 5. For more information call 9433 3359 or email artsifo@nillumbik.vic.gov.au.

Manningham

Thou Art Mum is a community art group for women. They will present an exhibition "Dilemmas of Modern Motherhood" at the Manningham Gallery from April 21 to May 8. This exhibition focuses on the struggles and conflicts that women face in raising children in the 21st century. Floor talks by exhibiting artists will be held on Saturday, April 24 at 2pm in the gallery at 699 Doncaster Road, Doncaster. Gallery hours are Tuesday to Friday 11am to 5pm and Saturday 2pm to 5pm.

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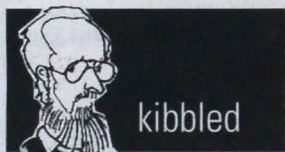
Memo muscles: 'Just a friendly hit or two...'

IT was a case of the old phrase: "It seemed like a good idea at the time." We were all sitting around having a chat and a leisurely drink. The banter had been going on for some time but the drinking had been very moderate so I don't even have "reduced impairment" to offer as an excuse. No, it was just that I had forgotten that whereas memory has the ability to span ages with ease, the body doesn't.

"Why don't we start a tennis group?" Not a silly suggestion you might think. Well, not silly if you happen to be younger than me and have been physically active. My problem is that I haven't played tennis for the last 15 years and in those years, I have begun to be prey to all the normal indignities that happen to a gentleman of a particular age. But inside every man, no matter how old he is, lurks the young buck and "Boy Invincible". In fact, our group enthusiasm was so great that before I had a chance for sober reflection, the week day was chosen, the court site selected and the trap set.

As I drove home, I felt both buoyed and terrified. I was chuffed that I had been asked to join the group because that meant I obviously didn't look like I was about to fall off the twig but also uneasy because I had fallen for the oldest "guy trap". That's the type of subconscious trap that guys lay for each other.

"We're just having a friend-



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ly/social/fun game of footy. Wanna have a run?"

"Nah! Haven't pulled on the boots for yonks."

Doesn't matter. No big deal. Just a bit of a kick for a while. No pressure. You'll be OK. It's just like riding a bike. A few minutes and you'll be fine! You'll enjoy it."

Now, translated this means, "I have been practising footy, albeit secretly for years and

although Muggins here has a BMW, a river frontage, a trophy wife and used to give me a hard time on the field, he hasn't kicked leather for years, so here's my opportunity to show the bastard that I'm not finished with yet!"

So it was with this realisation that nothing is ever as it seems and that the pecking order may become more of a nibble than a peck but it still exists, that I prepared for my first tennis session.

I collected my racquet from the shed, dusted the handle and checked that there were some balls in the racquet cover. I wore light, long pants because I didn't want to look too "serious", a cap and sports shoes that looked sufficiently used. When I arrived, late, there they were in their club competition tennis clobber.

"Hi. Glad you could come. We were wondering if you'd had second thoughts."

"No way. Just got held up as I was getting ready to leave. Looking forward to a bit of a hit."

"You're on as soon as we finish this set."

Set! I gulped. I thought we were just going to have a bit of a hit, some chat, a drink and that would be it. But no, it looks like I've been dropped right in it.

"Ready Roger?"

I smiled, waved acceptance and collected my racquet. As I unzipped the cover, my heart sank. Not only was I the only one still with a wooden racquet, but over the intervening period of non-use, the

head had warped. There they were, fit, attired in the latest gear, barely sweating after a set in the sun and there was I, perspiring already from fear, dressed like a nerd and holding a corkscrew headed racquet.

I swaggered onto the court and picked up the ball for a hit-up. The racquet felt heavy in my hand and the arthritis in my thumb tried to tell me that this was not a good idea. Nonchalantly, I bounced the ball and took a swipe.

"Never mind. Try again." When I did connect with the ball and hit it, the twist on the racquet face sent the ball off on some self-willed trajectory. After a few of my abortive strokes, my partner sensed victory and offered to lend me his wife's spare old racquet that he just happened to have in his car.

Admittedly my game improved somewhat with a proper racquet but a few games into the set something twigged. I suddenly realised that although my brain kept saying, "There's the ball landing over there, run for it," my legs chose not to listen. Which is why I'm sitting here with what feels like a tennis ball embedded into my left buttock.

"Run, damn you!" I urged my legs.

"No way Jose!" they replied.

As I lay in an undignified heap, I heard the victory call, "Oh dear, Roger's had a fall!"

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The frog orchestra tunes up

nature

By MIKE COUPAR



Ewing's Tree Frog (Picture by Mike Coupar)

EARLY March turned out to be the best breeding opportunity for some of our Warrandyte frogs for a very long time. The weather was warm and became increasingly humid as an intense low pressure system travelled towards Victoria from tropical Australia. Frogs started to call at sundown well before the rains started.

Some would have been resident in our Warrandyte garden and some would have moved at night from neighboring gardens to take up their places in and around our pond. The pond is a frog-friendly one for several reasons. It does not have any goldfish which would eat tadpoles, it has gently sloping sides making entry and exit easy and it contains water plants as well as grasses and sedges around the rim for shelter.

When the rain started it continued for three days dispensing a welcome 70mm. Each night until dawn the sounds from our pond intensified as more species began to call and more individuals from each species joined the crowd. The "orchestra" contained four, possibly five groups of players. One group were percussionists sounding as if they were hitting a pair of stones together. There was a group that sounded as if each was plucking a banjo string. The remaining two groups were from the "electronic"

section of the orchestra: one sounding "creeeee creeeee creeeee" for up to 10 times and the other making a chirping "crick crick crick" for a long time before pausing.

So, what were these frogs? A near certain answer comes from being able to recognise their calls—this is what the experts rely on when a specimen cannot be sighted or caught. The "stone percussionists" in our pond were Spotted Marsh Frogs. Their scientific name is *Limnodynastes tasmaniensis*, which means "Tasmanian lord of the marsh". The early taxonomists may not have

been aware at the time that it is also Victoria's most common frog.

The banjo pluckers were of course the Banjo Frog, which is another "marsh", "burrowing" or "bullfrog". Members of the electronic "creeeee creeeee creeeee" group were Ewing's Tree Frog and the chirping "crick crick crick" group were the Common Froglet.

After reading this far, it is obvious that letters and the written word are close to useless in attempting to portray the sounds of frogs. Thankfully, there is an excellent website

(<http://frogs.org.au/frogs/of/Victoria>) where you can play the calls of Victorian frogs to tune your ears while looking at the photo and information about the frog you suspected hearing.

The species calling on those warm wet nights are all common in Warrandyte, which hosts about 10 species in all. They knew that it was a great breeding opportunity, with plenty of rain to fill ponds for long enough for their tadpoles to develop. Only males call and the reason for their urgent and loud calls are to attract females. Males grasp their partners around the lower abdomen and fertilise her eggs as she lays them into the water. The collection of eggs, called spawn, is also a useful means of identification.

After the three nights of frog bliss we counted 20 floating foamy mats of white spawn which confirmed that the marsh frogs had indeed enjoyed their amorous nights. There is little physical evidence for the presence of the other two species, because their spawn is clear and hidden below the surface of the water.

As for the identity of a possible fifth species calling, it is harder to say. Tuning your ears to four species calling at the same time is hard enough. Another sound might well be another species or it might just be a different call in a frog's repertoire of territory, alarm and breeding calls. Next time the only positive way to identify the newcomer will be an attempt to catch it. Explaining how that is achieved would be another story.

Only room at the inn—for ants!

"BEST deal in town!" raved a bloke from Washington. "Fave place in the whole of Greece!" enthused somebody else. "Absolutely appalling!" warned Chelsea (UK). The most experienced traveller in the group, Heineken, was also uncompromising: "Stay away!"

Yes folks, these people are all reviewing the same hotel, a little family-run pension on a rugged Mediterranean island. According to the guide book, it ticks all four Cs: comfortable, convenient, clean and cheap. What more could you want?

A good night's sleep, for starters. "Dirty, mean, smelly and very noisy!" complained Chelsea. "Situated at a popular motorbike junction, you'll be kept awake by the revving of two-stroke engines right next to your window and headlights sweeping through the room. And don't bother mentioning this to the surly belligerent management, they already know and they already don't care!"

Nobody else mentioned a noise problem. "Close to everything", "clean and comfortable", "homely", "friendly", "girls at reception very helpful and knowledgeable". Did Chelsea just happen along on a bad night?

I skimmed back through Heineken's blog, and laughed my head off. One's impression of this establishment clearly depends on who's manning the front desk.

"This is the worst of the worst hotel ever! I would rather sleep on the street. There are ants everywhere, even crawling on my face at night, and stains on the pillows ... we tried to check out after one night but they didn't let us. The man started asking us 'Ants?! Is this a problem?' What is the problem with ants? It's all over the place! Then he walk outside into the alley and point at the floor. 'See? Ants everywhere! Tell me the truth—is there no ants at your house? You have never seen ants before? Where are you going to stay without ants? You can never find a hotel without ants!' He repeated

our place

By MARILYN MOORE

this phrase about 20 times ... we tried again to check out, even pay for two nights, but he ignored us and went out to the alley again, point at the floor and reminding us there are ants everywhere. Then to my surprise he slam on the table and start yelling like a madman in Greek ... I try to calm him down and he start swearing at us. He forced us into the rooms, making us show him where the ants are. He then open the window and told us there are flowers outside and it is impossible to keep ants out of anywhere in the world, including my own house. I have never had hotel service like this before! He keep slamming on the table, and yelling at us. We just want our passports back and get out of there, but he won't let us ... finally after one hour of getting yelled and swore at we get out of there. Stay away from this hotel!"

Crikey. Are we game? It could be worth it just to stay here and wind this guy up. On the other hand, he might just have crossed the line between "local character" and "horribly rude". Half of me wanted to play it safe, the other half wanted to rise to the challenge: "Show me the Belligerent Man I can't handle!" However my Dad famously uttered almost those exact same words, once upon a time, about a recalcitrant ram, and look where that ended. I still have the scars.

Sigh! OK, we'll be boring and conservative (which, after all, is why we are making a booking in the first place). The Belligerent Greek can go dip his surly eye.

We'll stay somewhere a shade more comfortable, although, if these internet pictures are anything to go by, no less colourful. Talk about the Epitome of Bad Taste! Can't wait to get there. But wait I must—just as you, dear readers, will have to wait until much later in the year for an update on the Universal Theory of Ants.

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Of winding lanes and exploding letterboxes

a town and its newspaper

The *Diary* celebrates its 40th anniversary this year. Each month through 2010, SANDY BURGOYNE is relating the history of this unique community newspaper.

DISTRIBUTION is the final, essential step in publishing, because if the newsletter or newspaper does not reach its readers the whole exercise in communication with the intended audience fails. However, in the excitement of planning and producing a new community publication this step is often overlooked.

UK group the Minority Press, in their 1980 book *Here is the other news: challenges to the local commercial press*, summed up the oversight as follows: "Largely because once the production process has been dealt with there is little energy left, few papers plan or make strategies for distribution." The authors went on to state: "whatever the type of paper, those which have taken the question (of distribution) more seriously have also had the best results".

The vision of the Warrandyte Youth Club committee in 1970 was that the *Diary* would be delivered to each household in Warrandyte and North Warrandyte. This was to come about by mail-out and hand delivery. The first issue carried the cover price of four cents, although it was always intended that the paper would be free. The committee had been advised to print a cost under the masthead to qualify for a cheaper bulk mailing rate. However, the idea of a mail-out was abandoned before final production

as it was considered too labour intensive; the youth club pressed forward with Plan B — distribution by hand.

The committee instituted what was expected to be a cost saving method of distribution.

"To start off with we thought we were dead clever and we'd get the youth club kids to actually distribute it, to actually put it into every letterbox in the place. Well that turned into a nightmare," Cliff Green remembers.

We need to step back to the Warrandyte district of 40 years ago to see why this exercise rapidly descended into chaos.

Warrandyte was then considered an outer suburb of Melbourne, almost semi-rural with twisting unmade roads that had many vacant blocks. The district had long been the preferred residence of painters, potters, writers and other creative people and many chose to reflect this in the design of their letterboxes.

One such was a magnificently crafted pillar of stone with a large capacity and a letter slot at the precise height of the postie's poised hand. Unfortunately, a passing colony of European honey bees inspected its interior and found it the perfect place to set up a home. Once they had furnished their free lodging they took to peering out the letter slot and attacking all manner of man or beast that came within range.

Another household took a more rustic approach, chopped the end off an old-fashioned (rectangular) kerosene tin and perched it side-on between two red-box trees. All went well for a few years, but then it became apparent that the gap between the trees was diminishing as they grew and eventually squashed the kerosene tin letterbox.

Many residential streets were unmade dusty tracks where even an intrepid postie refused to venture. Therefore, at the entrance to these laneways a rookery of letterboxes sprang up to receive the mail sent



No, Peter Norman doesn't deliver the *Diary* by vintage tractor. He just ensures the newspaper's name is up there at the Warrandyte Festival. (Picture by Stephen Reynolds)

to the street's residents. This made it easier to deliver letters but also put up a convenient row of creations for vandals to attack.

A nasty confrontation developed in North Warrandyte on cracker nights. Back then fireworks were freely available — they could be bought cheaply at the local milk bar. One of these rookeries was regularly attacked with a large lit bungler thrown into each letterbox. The resulting explosion produced spectacular results of lifted lids and torn hinges with the occasional complete annihilation of the structure. Some residents tried the low key defence of placing a dish of water in their letterbox on the appropriate nights in the hope of extinguishing the explosive device. Others capitulated — removing the shattered remains and thoughtfully leaving a large stone in its place for the postie to weigh down their delivery of letters. Another resident took the vandalism of his letterbox as a personal affront. He put together an edifice of welded steel plates on a stout steel pole, which he then cemented into the ground.

The above gives an impression of the bizarre landscape into which the youth club children were thrust, a bundle of newsletters under one arm, with the instruction to deliver a copy to each Warrandyte letterbox. They duly trudged up and down dusty laneways poking copies of the *Diary* into letterboxes, hollow logs, petrol drums, under stones, through gates and anything else that might serve as a receptacle for letters and newspaper. But the river beckoned, there

were games to be played, sports to be practised, bicycles to be ridden and homework to be done and the child workforce rapidly faded away.

"When we found the first bundle of (the *Diary*) trapped in Anderson's Creek we decided that it wasn't working," Cliff Green remembers of that failed social experiment.

The first months of the newsletter's operation had been a modest financial success, but it was obvious to the youth club committee that the budget would not stretch to any kind of paid distribution. It was time for some lateral thinking. Cliff Green had generated considerable interest in the *Diary* from the earliest planning stages, when he had walked around the township the previous year showing the dummy newsletter to potential advertisers. It was time to look for a distribution solution within the community. "So we went around ... and every business we asked was prepared to take them on the counter and that's how they've been distributed ever since," he said.

This simple arrangement of having issues of the *Diary* prominently displayed in businesses and at other places where the community gathers was an immediate success. The new distribution arrangement was announced in the December 1971 issue and Stan Andrew was put in charge of distribution. The range covered under this arrangement was remarkable with pick-up points in the three Warrandytes, Warranwood, Kangaroo Ground, Donvale, Research and East Doncaster. This distribution method of pick-up centres remains successful today although the print run has doubled over the years to 4000 per issue.

Once the latest issue arrives at the office from the printery someone is needed to visit all the distribution points and deliver the individual allocations. With a print run of a few thousand and with some allocations being only 20 copies this is a time consuming task that once again falls to volunteers. In the early days of the *Diary*'s history people such as Cliff Green, Jan Tindale and Wally Cornhill found the time in already busy schedules to deliver copies to the regular businesses.

From the mid-1980s Bruce Bence looked after distribution. He was active in many community roles and was a staunch supporter of Warrandyte's CFA brigade. In early 1994 his health was failing and he retired from his *Diary* post. Lee and Jan Tindale (respectively co-editor and chief of staff at that time) invited Peter Norman to take on the

responsibility of distribution.

"Lee and Jan were very persuasive and said, 'look you've got to do something in retirement'," Peter Norman remembers. Once he and wife Joyce took over the distribution run he saw that some improvements could be made. Norman set about omitting the small allocations and adding busy traders, such as the bakery and plant nursery, who had asked to be included.

Peter and Joyce Norman now share the distribution chore with Penny and Edward Munks. Many other volunteers have helped out with distribution where needed over the years including Betty Oke, Neal Tessier and John Pepper.

On the second Wednesday in the month the freshly printed newspapers are delivered to the *Diary* office. From there they are loaded into the Norman and Munk vehicles and distributed to more than 40 businesses and community points around the district. Warrandyte's IGA supermarket takes up to 1500 copies from where they usually clear within days.

Throughout its history the *Diary* has been distributed free. Charging for each copy may appear to be a way of immediately defraying production and printing expenses, but it builds in another level of complexity. It was mentioned earlier in this article that the plan for mailed-out subscriptions was discarded in the planning stage because of the added work. The other alternative is to charge at point of sale. The *Diary* can be picked up from many types of businesses and community organisations, most of which do not usually deal in publication sales. This would inflict an unfair extra responsibility on the owners to keep track of newspaper sales and then pay the proceeds to the *Diary*.

Editor Cliff Green believes that the *Diary* offers close to saturation coverage of Warrandyte and immediate suburbs.

"If you go down to the post office and want to put something in every letterbox in Warrandyte, (post-code) 3113, they tell us to give them 2800 copies," he says.

"If we are putting 3000 copies every month into the place and there are 2800 families we have got to be saturation... So we deliver that to our advertisers."

The remaining 1000 copies go to outlying townships like Kangaroo Ground, Park Orchards and Wonga Park.

● Next month we will start to explore the *Diary*'s journey from newsletter to newspaper.



Drought haiku

Promising black sky.
Warm air squeezes out fat drops
making puffs of dust.

Apologetic
plops like it's forgotten how.
Don't need umbrella.

Now hard pounding rain.
The umbrella's rusted shut.
Skin, earth soaks it up.

Too much rain

Dark gleam shining leaves
cleansing rain—now puffs of mist
sun hisses on road.

Wild welcome rain hurls
itself waiting for applause.
Too much for my tank.

Soggy washing droops
the boggy drive churned with mud.
No-one dare complain!

KAREN THROSSELL

The true, tragic story of young Johnnie Gordon

As Anzac Day approaches, local author DON CHARLWOOD pays tribute to the memory of a special comrade and his girl and the deep tragedy that war brought to their lives.

IN September 1941 I was one of three Victorian navigator trainees posted by the RAAF to Sydney to make up numbers for a course going to Canada. In Edmonton, Alberta, we did the bulk of our training, then continued training further east in Canada, with yet further training in Britain—a total in all of 15 months. Twenty of us were then posted to Bomber Command. Sixteen of the 20 were from New South Wales; only two of the 16 were to come home. This is the story of one of the 16 and of the bonding of our lives.

Johnnie Gordon was a man of contrasts: at home he had played the violin to his mother's accompaniment, he also played Country Week Cricket; he enjoyed his beer and was well able to defend himself, though I don't remember need of it ever arising. Lying on his bunk in Edmonton he often listened to opera, his ear close to his small portable radio. Above all he was a born teacher. He had taught Latin, Greek and history at North Sydney Boys High School. I know that being with him greatly extended the boundaries of my own reading.

I came to know Johnnie best when only a few of us remained alive, he still finishing his required "tour of operational sorties" over occupied Europe, our own crew having finished. I was instructing then; we kept in touch by letters. Most crews at that time averaged about 15 ops before they were lost. Johnnie's pilot on his first tour was Squadron Leader Keith Sinclair, a laidback older fellow. After the war he was to become editor of the Melbourne Age. He and

Johnnie had great rapport—which they needed, for they had had more hair-raising experiences than we had had.

On leave I generally kept out of London and either walked or cycled in the country. Few cars were on the roads and aircrew were welcome wherever they went. Johnnie on the other hand, went alone to London—to concerts, to row alone on the Serpentine, to go to the public gallery at the House of Commons. Always alone.

Around the time Johnnie finished his tour of 30, his younger brother George arrived in Britain. He was a wireless operator and, to Johnnie's relief, was posted to the Sunderland flying boats of Coastal Command. Johnnie wanted me to meet George. I booked us in at a favourite place of mine in North Wales. To my lasting regret I had to cancel my part of the booking, for I came down heavily with 'flu. Had I gone, he told me later, I might have talked him out of a move he then made. Having survived his "first tour", he volunteered for the Dam Buster squadron. He told me in one of his letters that they didn't carry out the "mass murdering" of the main force, but concentrated on military targets. Like many of us he had strong views about our bombing—in those days none of us knew the deepest evils of Nazi Germany: the extermination camps.

At about the same time as Johnnie switched squadrons he met Mary; they decided to marry. He invited me to the wedding: "You can meet the one upon whom I have cast a favourable eye." He gave me the date: January 31, 1944. George was

to be best man. This happened to be the beginning of my pre-embarkation leave from Britain, a time to say many farewells.

On the Christmas Eve of 1943, George's Sunderland was shadowing a German cruiser in the western Atlantic in conditions of low cloud. They broke cloud close to the ship and were shot down. Soon after, the whole crew was listed "killed in action". Johnnie was shattered. He wrote a letter to his mother and asked if I would deliver it to her when I reached Sydney.

Johnnie and Mary had much in common. Both were practising Catholics; both schoolteachers. The last of Mary's studies had been in France, at the Sorbonne. I have now forgotten the London suburb where Johnnie and Mary were married. In the street where she lived was a small Catholic church; a bit further up the road was a family hotel where Johnnie and I shared a room the night before the wedding. It was there that he passed me the letter to his mother. The news of George, he said, was like "a knife in the heart".

As we walked toward the church in the morning, Johnnie passed me the ring without a word, nor did I speak. I put it in the capacious left pocket of my "officer and gentleman's" uniform—we had both been commissioned near the end of our tours of ops and Johnnie wore a well-merited DFC. We waited now in the unheated little church, Johnnie exchanging a few words with the elderly priest. Then behind us we heard the arrival of the bride and perhaps a dozen friends, mostly women. They, too, had walked. I don't remember anyone giving the bride away, nor were she and her bridesmaid dressed in peacetime bridal array. But the service was clear and dignified and, as I passed Johnnie the ring and saw him slip it on Mary's finger, I felt it was an end to his loneliness and consolation in his grief.

We all walked down the street, Johnnie and his bride in front, I with the bridesmaid, then the dozen or so friends. We all filed into the bride's home where a long table had been set up and a feast—well, a wartime "feast"—awaited us. Whether there were speeches I can no longer recall. Since I was now on my embarkation leave, I had trains to catch, so as soon as I decently could, I gave my apologies. Mary said lightly, "The bride gives permission for the bridegroom to go with Don to the station." As I gave her a farewell hug, she said, "I'll see you in Sydney."

Johnnie walked with me to my departure platform. When we heard the hollow rush of the train from the tube, he said with sudden urgency, "If we get through we must never let the others down. I always remember the men from the Great War on Anzac Day, 'We will remember them'."

As I have told in a couple of books, I returned after 14 days to Brighton, joining numbers of other time-expired Australians there, and found a recently-delivered telegram for me, "Need your help urgently. Johnnie has been killed. Mary." I was only able to get leave enough to take her to RAAF Headquarters to get advice on her rights as a widow. In *No Moon Tonight* I wrote: "I spent the next day in London but my only clear recollection is of a fair-haired girl who sometimes called me Johnnie." I saw her to her train home.

From Mary I heard Johnnie's story. It followed a highly dangerous operation by 10 Lancasters, led by Group Captain Leonard Cheshire, on the Antheor Rail Viaduct. This was the link for armaments going to the Nazi armies in Italy. The planes returned to a coastal aerodrome near Chichester. From there nine of the planes took off in conditions of very low cloud. They climbed to clear skies and flew back to their base. The 10th, Johnnie's plane, was delayed five minutes to take an eighth man: the

squadron intelligence officer. They then attempted to return beneath the cloud—something I couldn't imagine Johnnie countenancing. In his last letter to me he had praised Keith Sinclair, his former pilot, for his understanding of the navigator's task. Then came the words: "This young pilot doesn't need a navigator". They had hit a hill only 150 feet high.

Last year, in August 2009, an email reached us from a lady at Upwaltham, a hamlet of just 25 people close to the hill of the tragedy. Her name was Dione Venables. She was a member of the small congregation of Upwaltham's church, St Mary the Virgin, built in Saxon times. For many years they had been collecting money till they now had enough to erect a wall plaque of Italian marble incised with the names of the Lancaster crew and those lost when a USAF Dakota crashed in the same area.

A niece of the Lancaster's rear gunner was to unveil the plaque. As their church only seated 60, Dione Venables asked did I know if any of the Gordon family might wish to attend?

In 1991 I had met Johnnie's youngest brother, Lindsay. If still living, he would be over 90. I had his address in Leeton, NSW, but knew he had moved. I wrote to the householders at the Leeton address explaining my need. They passed me Lindsay's address in Wagga and I obtained his telephone number. At once he said, "I have two daughters, Sue and Kim. I would very much like them to be there."

At Upwaltham Sue and Kim became "the Gordon Girls". In that ancient church they saw the wall plaque unveiled and, outside, joined a crowd of 300 to watch Britain's only flying Lancaster make low passes overhead. The weather was perfect—a contrast with that morning 66 years ago.

He who saw the need for remembrance was among those remembered.



Remembering: Second World War RAAF veteran and distinguished author, Don Charlwood (left), at last year's Anzac Day service. (Picture by Stephen Reynolds)

Local Anzac Day service

Warrandyte will be commemorating Anzac Day—as usual—with a street parade through the village and a service at the RSL grounds in Yarra Street, opposite the bridge. The march will be assembling in the car park opposite the Grand Hotel around 10.30am on Sunday, April 25, then proceeding to a service at the Memorial Grounds, followed by refreshments in the RSL clubrooms nearby. Everyone is invited.



Flyover: The last Lancaster bomber flies over Upwaltham church, marking the unveiling of the memorial. Inset: Johnnie Gordon.

Follies exit closet, er, wardrobe...

If variety is the spice of life then the 2010 Follies "Whatever's in the Wardrobe" is a feast indeed. On the menu a diversity of song and dance, monologue, running gag, sing-along, video, situation comedy, costumed karaoke and satire. And that's just the first half! But while variety is important, it's not always enough to sustain 100 minutes of comedy. A theme helps to unify the gags and conjure up a kind of story. This year the folly's theme is uniforms, dress-ups, costumes and ordinary work-a-day outfits.

The theme clearly meant different things to the 14 writers who created the show's 32 skits. To some it provided an opportunity to make the players look ridiculous, others made social commentary and a few delivered carefully crafted vignettes in which clothing was the motivating force.

The Warrandyte Theatre Company not only knows how to make the most of this kind of theatre, but also understands the importance of a smooth and efficient production. Thanks to a strong team of backstage operators the scene changes worked seamlessly, the lighting and audio cues were precise and the imaginative set allowed actors to occasionally dissolve on and off stage through dense racks of clothing. The racks occupied half the stage, pushing the action forward and making the show even more intimate than it usually is.

In terms of performance and production standards, variety and effective use of its theme, this year's show was outstanding. This is Alan Cornell's debut as co-director (with David Tynan) and together they brought a down-to-earth approach to the production of Follies nonsense. Notwithstanding the fact that comedy is a highly subjective experience, some of the skits made a stronger comic impression than others.

theatre

By JEREMY LOFTUS-HILLS

Two skits vie for best in the first half. The Lone Ranger in which Bill Connolly plays an incompetent sheriff, Deborah Silva plays a cocky horse wrangler, Adrian Rice plays an over sensitive Indian (of the oriental kind, thanks to mistakes in the wardrobe department), Noelene Cooper and Simone Kiefer play two wrangled cows (not horses, thanks again to the "bitch in the wardrobe"). In the end it's Adrian's insulted Indian who wins the day, by throwing his voice, allowing the Lone Ranger to capture the wrangler, even if he does lose his trousers in the process.

Real Estate is set in the offices of a Warrandyte estate agent where Vicky (Simone Kiefer) and Russell (David Creedon) are stuck for new ways to describe the delights of a Warrandyte home. They are saved by the natural talent of a young couple (Daryll Mitchell and Erin Rhodes). They assemble an extraordinary array of clichés, then break into the catchy song and dance routine "In the Village". This skit works because we know the characters so well, it has a local focus and it is satirical without being unkind.

Special mention should be made of the acting, comic timing and infectious sense of fun engendered by Noelene Cooper and Simone Kiefer in "Waiting". This is a skit about milking time on the farm and although limp on paper, these two literally milked the situation—funny costumes, absurd situation and soft humour—for more laughs than it would ordinarily deserve. Then there was the extraordinarily manic David Tynan, resplendent in Canadian Mountie uniform miming

the ridiculous "Trololololo" while racing to be caught by the animated spotlight.

"The Animal Book Club", in which animals discuss the merits of The Three Little Pigs struggled to realise its comic potential. A second half-skit "The Dancers" is similarly based on one or two line deliveries, but from a prima ballerina, a rock and roll diva and a Morris dancer. This time the writers are more successful, hitting the funny bone by using Kath and Kim style caricatures, with plenty of local place and lifestyle references.

The most innovative skits of the show were the "Facebook" videos. These at once took us back to the silent movie days, when the joke was read not heard, and herded us into the 21st century where the virtual computer social worlds mirror the absurdities of real life. The most engaging musical item was "Farmer Shepherd's Barnyard Band" and its associated songs, such as "Will you Still Milk Me Tomorrow?". "Lola" was the most peculiar skit: Robyn Bonthorne, Robert Black and David Creedon voiced the lyrics from the Ray Davies song, making them seem surreal.

This year's Follies was a professional production—bold and brassy as ever and extremely colourful. What it lacked in the way of refined comic scripts it more than made up for in acting prowess, colourful costumes and variety of performance.

Afterwards one is left with the indelible image of a Canadian Mountie singing in chorus or solo, dressed in slick red jacket and trim scout hat, or wondering aloud in his bathrobe. Add to this two Alan Cornell sing-along songs, a table of home cooked food, good wine, a theatre full of friends and family and it's no wonder that the Follies was yet another sell-out success this year.



Pictures by JEREMY LOFTUS-HILLS



Warrandyte's Rod Clarke in action during the recent Masters Games.

Rod makes a splash with Dolphins

Warrandyte's Rod Clarke has won the 2009 "Dolphin Of the Year" Award.

The shield is awarded at the annual meeting of the Doncaster Dolphins and is given to a person who has made a significant contribution to the club over the year, either in swimming or club support.

Some of Rod's achievements in 2009 included underwater camera work to provide DVDs to "swimming for life" participants, providing swim coaching during the City of Manningham Lifestyle week, organised a weekend training

camp for club members on the Mornington Peninsula, promoted and encouraged the Doncaster Masters aerobic swimming program, and was a pro-active committee member initiating healthy robust discussion always for the betterment of club members.

Rod also swam extremely well for the club with some top performances in both pool and open water events.

For those interested in joining Doncaster Dolphins Masters Swim Club, visit www.doncasterdolphins.com.au or contact Alan Gibson on 0419 161 439.

Auskickers on show at the home of footy

Twenty of Warrandyte's young footballers were invited to play for Essendon at half time of their Round 1 game at the MCG against 2009 premiers Geelong.

The team included 3 girls - Phoebe Joy, Olivia Smith and Courtney Snowball who enjoyed the big stage to run around and play footy with boys and all of them managed to get into the game.

The team was led by full back Connor Joy who took some fine marks. Ruckmen and cousins Mark and Charlie Baker were the dominant talls and were able to get first use of the ball to their onballers.

The youngest players Blake Reardon, Ben Jackson and Luke McAndrew were not overawed by the big crowd and managed to gather kicks and handballs to their more experienced team mates.

Hayden Lennon in his second game ran hard and linked well with Charlie Thompson who also showed the benefits of competing at state level in athletics and was able to run the entire ground.

Karl Papez and Zane Kontos were relentless in the backline, with both players providing plenty of dash before switching to the forward line.

Dylan Clifton was busy bringing team mates into the game with clever kicking to position where the elusive Alex Royal was able to use his speed to break away from his slower opponents.

Brothers Josh and Michael Bilosh were in the



The numbers add up for these Warrandyte Auskickers, from left Courtney Snowball, Olivia Smith and Phoebe Joy.

thick of the action in their second league game with their pin point kicking a pleasure to see for the crowd.

The experienced hands Ben Frowd, Riley Reardon and Sam Munks were like a trio of old stagers and were busy collecting kicks and handballs, but equally importantly deft knock-ons to advantage were notice-

able to the coaches.

Although the team narrowly lost the game a good time was had by all and it was pleasing to see the involvement of more girls in the game and mixing it up well with the boys.

● Almost 50 of Warrandyte's aspiring Auskickers played four grid games at half time of the recent Essendon versus

Geelong game at the MCG.

Registration day for Auskick is Saturday 17 April between 9.30 and 10.30 am at the Warrandyte football clubrooms at Taroona Av. Both boys and girls are encouraged to come and participate.

For information on joining Warrandyte Auskick please contact Edward Munks on 0434 020 191.

Tom stars at national aths titles

By ED MUNKS

Warrandyte Under 14 athlete and footballer, Tom Phillips has finished third in the 2000 metre steeplechase at the Australian Youth Track and Field Championships

Tom is a promising middle distance athlete and is coached by his father and coach Anthony Phillips.

Also competing in the Under 20s was Breanna Large who showed the benefits of her international experience and came fourth in the javelin competition with a throw and big personal best of 41.36 metres.

Two weeks earlier Large came third at Olympic Park in State Junior Athletics Championships with 39.17 metres, a then personal best.

Breanna is coached by ex Queenslander and legendary throws coach Alan Watson.

Young Warrandyte athletes again achieved great results in the Victorian Little Athletics state championships held at Olympic Park

Nicole Reynolds, competing in the Under 11 against athletes physically bigger than her, was again amongst the medal winners with a bronze in the 60m Hurdles and bronze in the 80m Hurdles.

Drew Corke in the Under 14s came 15th in the shot put and 17th in the discus and Tom Phillips also in the Under 14s came sixth in the final of the 800m and fourth in the final of the 1500m.

There were a number of outstanding performances in the Doncaster Handicap Event.

Similar to the Stalwell Gift, athletes are put in their handicap positions based upon their season results with the format designed to enable a blanket finish to the events.

There were some very excited medal winners in a good spirited evening competition:

Under 6: Hannah Youl - gold in 100m

Under 7: Claire Youl - gold in 100m, silver in long jump; Kimberley Gilling - bronze in vortex

Under 9: Hayden Carruthers - bronze in long jump and 800m; Ben Munks - silver in shot put

Under 11: Joel Carruthers - gold in long jump, silver in shot put and 800m; Billy Kyritsis - bronze in long jump and shot put; Sam McAuley - bronze in 100m

Alexandra Ward U12 - bronze in 100m

Under 14: Drew Corke - gold in 800m and long jump, bronze in shot put

Under 15: Blair Corke - silver in 100m, bronze in 800m

DONCASTER CENTRE CHAMPIONSHIPS

With over 600 registered athletes competing over three weekends, Warrandyte athletes competing for the East Doncaster club achieved the following results in the final two days of competition:
Under 7: Kimberley Gilling -



Nicole Reynolds, bronze in 60 and 80 metre hurdles.



Joel Carruthers, gold in the Under 11 long jump.

gold in vortex, bronze in 100m and 70m

Under 9: Blake Reardon - bronze in 800m; Adam Bardrick - silver in 100m, 800m, discus and bronze in the 70 m and long jump

Under 10: Callum Pynt - bronze in 70m and 100m; Nicholas Ward - bronze in long jump.

Under 11: Nicole Reynolds - silver in triple jump and 70m, gold in 60m hurdles, Silver in 100m and high jump

Under 13: Shaely Pynt - silver in 300m hurdles, bronze in long jump and 100m

Under 14: Drew Corke - silver in 1500m, bronze in javelin.

Under 15: Blair Corke - silver in 400m, gold in triple jump, silver in 100m

For more information on Little Athletics please contact Andrew Pynt on 0410 478 333 or Liz Phillips on 0416187140.



Warrandyte allrounder, Campbell Holland crashes the ball through the covers during the preliminary final win against Lilydale.

Szenis takes out top RDCA award

Warrandyte allrounder, Matthew Szenis has been named the RDCA's Wilkins Cup Player of the Year.

He was named winner of the Steve Pascoe Medal for the best player in the competition, polling three votes in the final game to win the award by one vote.

Szenis has had an outstanding season taking 44 wickets with his orthodox left arm finger spin.

He also opened the batting for the 'Dyets and has been a key player for a number of years since leaving the club's junior ranks.

Szenis was a key player in Warrandyte's tilt at the Wilkins Cup premiership and has thrived on the new playing format this season which has seen fewer one day games.

With additional two day games, the spinner has been able to bowl long spells and control opposition batsmen with his flight, change of pace and ability to turn the ball away from right handed batsmen.

Szenis also won the club's Club Champion and bowling awards.

● Three Warrandyte players have won RDCA awards for their feats during to 2009/10 season.

First XI captain, Adam White won the Wilkins Cup batting award, the third time he has done so in the past five years.

John Prangley won the H Grade bowling award, his second association award in successive years.

In E Grade, Graham Rees took out the bowling award.

Warrandyte Cricket Club has also announced its award winners for 2009/10. First XI:



Winners ... from left, John Prangley, Adam White and Graham Rees.

Batting, Adam White, 525 runs @ 47.73; bowling, Matthew Szenis 44 wickets @ 12.70; fielding Steve Glenk; captain's award, Jack Ellis.

Second XI: Batting, Blake Morgan, 400 runs @ 30.77; bowling Adam Beardall, 37 wickets @ 15.0; fielding Dale Lander; captain's award, Ryan Pascoe.

Third XI: Batting, Cameron Day, 531 runs @ 37.93; bowling Tully Greve, 17 wickets @ 10.82; fielding, Brendan Zach; captain's award, Luke Warren.

Fourth XI: Batting, Nathan Croft 434 runs @ 33.38; bowling, Graham Rees 27 wickets @ 10.96; fielding, Graham Rees; captain's award Craig Lincoln.

Fifth XI: Batting, Grant Hartmann,

319 runs @ 45.57; bowling, Graham Hartmann, 25 wickets @ 13.36; fielding, Pete Hanson; captain's award, Nathan Aly.

Jack McAuley Shield for First XI Club Champion, Matthew Szenis.

Darryl Valentine Award for 2009/10 Club Cricketer of the Year, Tully Greve.

Maria McGhee Memorial Award for best performed junior player in senior competition, Tom Ellis.

Clubperson of the Year, Stewart Smead.

President's Award, Ruth Smead

● Matthew Szenis has won the Steve Pascoe Medal, a best and fairest medal voted on by his club peers, and the Gerald Walshe Medal, recognised as the best player in the First Eleven for season 2009/2010.

Batsmen let premiership pass them by

By RYAN HOIBERG

Warrandyte's brittle batting proved costly as they threw away the chance to win the RDCA Wilkins Shield grand final.

East Ringwood set a modest target of 155 and Warrandyte were cruising at 0-25 before collapsing dramatically to be all out for 71.

The batting was the story of the finals for Warrandyte who were saved by rain in the first semi final when 9-104 chasing Ainslie Park's 140. In the preliminary final the 'Dyets crashed to 4-48 before a middle and late order surge saw them make 232 and easily account for Lilydale.

But with the chance of returning to the RDCA premier grade on the line, Warrandyte's batsmen failed to deliver despite an excellent first day effort by the bowlers.

The Second XI also failed in the grand final although under completely different circumstances. They made what appeared to be a match-winning 262 but were beaten by Olinda who had two of their batsmen make centuries.

But there was some consolation for Warrandyte with the Third and Fourth XIs winning their grand final matches.

The First XI made the grand final after defeating Lilydale away from home. Warrandyte batted first, and made a shaky start in the preliminary final, losing star player Matthew Szenis in the first over.

Stand out young player Jack Ellis was joined by Lee Evans at an unfamiliar first drop position and they battled to counter some strong bowling. Lilydale started to get on top, dismissing Ellis, Evans and then Justin Cleaves in a suicidal run out to have Warrandyte struggling at 4-48.

Dave Mooney met captain Adam White in the middle and the pair went about rebuilding. When Mooney departed for 14, Stephen Glenk combined for a 49 run partnership, with White who was busily building a great captain's innings.

Glenk was busy holding down the other end to support his captain but when White departed for 58 and Glenk followed soon after Warrandyte again to be looking shaky on 7/142.

The tail then wagged with Campbell Holland and Matthew Chapman pushing the total to 232.

An inspired spell by Alex McIntosh, claimed the first five wickets to have Lilydale reeling and they never recovered from this devastating bowling onslaught, and were eventually dismissed for 112.

Warrandyte, searching for their first First XI premiership since 1983-84 faced the highly fancied East Ringwood who got off to a steady start. Holland then struck, claiming the



Relieved ... Steve Goddard acknowledges his century for Warrandyte's Second XI.

first wicket, quickly followed by a sensational run out, followed by another Holland wicket.

East were reeling at 3/39 and the 'Dyets grabbed consistent wickets thanks to Holland, Evans and Szenis.

A fight back from East's tail saw them score 154.

Warrandyte's batsmen did not show up to the party however, and collapsed to be 5/36. No batsman was able to cope with the bowling line up and the 'Dyets were bowled out for 71.

Warrandyte's Second Eleven were also asked to take the long road to the grand final, facing Eastfield in their preliminary final.

Opening pair Steve Warr and Ryan Pascoe ripped through the Eastfield order, dismissing them for 110 within 40 overs, half the allotted time. Warr claimed 5/33 and Pascoe 2/22.

Club legend Stephen Goddard took the game by the throat, scoring a century. Warrandyte passed Eastfield's total with only two wickets down.

Warrandyte faced Olinda in the grand final and batted first. Blake Morgan and Ben Taylor both batted Warrandyte into the match, posting 58 and 86 respectively. Tyson Brent posted 30 not out to push Warrandyte's score to 7/263.

It was a total that should have been defended and looked even better when Olinda were 4/51 at tea. But Olinda hit back with a 162 run partnership and while Warrandyte's attack bowled their hearts out, they were not backed up by their fielders, with too many catches dropped. Olinda passed the total with five wickets to spare with two of their batsmen scoring centuries.

Warrandyte's Third XI won the tightest of tight games to give them the F Grade Flag.

Club stalwarts John Prangley and Greg Creber won their first flags after many years dedicated to the 'Dyets.

Warrandyte started shaki-

ly, and a batting order that would normally amass a grand total collapsed under the pressure of the match.

Stewart Smead and young bowler Luke Warren batted through the pressure, with Smead's 55 the innings of his life. Warrandyte were able to scratch together a total of 155, and were able to claim two early wickets to put Montrose of the back foot.

The game looked to be Warrandyte's at 8/90, but then an agonising late order partnership threatened a Montrose win.

However, when Warrandyte grabbed the ninth wicket thanks to John Prangley, the game was in the balance but young off spinner, Daniel Barry took the final wicket to clinch the game.

The Fourth XI had only Knox City between them and a grand final spot, and captain Nathan Croft shone with the bat in the preliminary final, steadying a strong middle order after a good start from the opening batsmen.

Croft finished with 58 not out and Warrandyte posted 6/191 on a fairly large ground. The opening bowling of Craig Lincoln ripped into the Knox City openers ensuring that 191 would not be challenged.

In the grand final Warrandyte were asked to bat first and only the batting of both openers, Luke Revell and Geoff Zach, withstood the pressure of an intense bowling attack.

North Ringwood dismissed Warrandyte for 149, however, an inspired spell by Craig Lincoln (5/25) and Jack Wright (3/6) removed any doubt from the match, bowling the opposition out for only 52 to give Warrandyte their second flag of the day.

FIRST ELEVEN: Preliminary Final - Warrandyte 9/232 (White 58, Holland 39, Chapman 34) def. Lilydale 112 (McIntosh 5/38, Evans 2/13, Szenis 2/13) Grand Final - Warrandyte 71 (Szenis 15) lost to East Ringwood 154 (Holland 3/31, Szenis 3/33, Evans 2/40)

SECOND ELEVEN: Preliminary Final - Warrandyte 4/196 (Goddard 100, Taylor 40 not out) def. Eastfield 111 (Warr 5/33, Pascoe 2/22, Beardall 2/28) Grand Final - Warrandyte 7/263 (Morgan 86, Taylor 58, Brent 30 not out) lost to Olinda 5/270 (Gidley 2/45, Beardall 2/64)

THIRD ELEVEN: Grand Final: Warrandyte 155 (Smead 55) def. Montrose 145 (Warren 3/24, Barry 3/26, Prangley 2/34)

FOURTH ELEVEN: Preliminary Final - Warrandyte 6/191 (Croft 58 not out) def. Knox City 113 (Ellis 3/29, Wright 3/30) Grand Final - Warrandyte 149 (Revell 31) def. North Ringwood 52 (Lincoln 5/25, Wright 3/6)

Warrandyte basketball round-up with Tony Oliver

Venom are back to best form

Warrandyte's Big V Division 1 season is back on track with a strong 69-48 win over Craigieburn in the girl's first home game of the season.

Warrandyte had a disappointing first game, away to Mildura, where they dominated everywhere except on the score board.

A good crowd at Warrandyte Sports Centre saw the Venom girls easily in control at quarter time with a 16-11 lead.

Things turned around in the second quarter with Craigieburn taking the game up to Warrandyte to take an eight point lead into the long break, a swing of 13 points.

"We had some serious words at the half time break", said coach Justin Nelson after the game.

The tactic worked as the Venom lifted both in offence and defence to take an eight point lead into the three quarter break.

Warrandyte consolidated in the final quarter to take the points 69-48.

Jennifer Cameron top scored with 27 points (11 rebounds), with 14 coming from Janelle Lucas.

Janelle was back in the team after injury and is responding well as she builds up court time.

"It looks like it will be a competitive season. It was good to share around the court time, and to give some of the newer players experience, such as Emma Hoehne who made her debut today," said Nelson after the match.

This is very much a transition season for the Venom, as the younger brigade have their opportunity.

On a sadder note, match day court manager Peter Anderson suffered a heart attack and needs to take some time off.

Peter has filled that position with quiet confidence since Warrandyte entered the Big V.

Bruce DeLacy has stepped into the position until Peter returns, hopefully in a few weeks.

Debut win for Big V men

The home court advantage and a large supportive crowd proved just the ticket for Warrandyte Venom to move on from their loss in the first round and grab a two point win over the Pakenham Warriors in Big V competition.

This was the first time that these two powerful teams had met and both were chasing their first win for the 2010 season.

Warrandyte's Chris Jones, was first to score in the game, followed quickly by Pakenham's Adam Connelly.

The scores remained close for the entire 40 minutes and neither team was able to gain a substantial lead at any stage. The largest lead was at the end of the first quarter when Warrandyte was up by five points.

Watching the third quarter of the game was similar

to watching a game of tag. When Pakenham got a basket Warrandyte would quickly do the same just seconds later. At the end of the third quarter Pakenham was only trailing by four points.

The pressure from the score board combined with the atmosphere from the crowd, led to many foul shots given to Pakenham.

However some stellar shooting from Warrandyte captain Chris Vanderzaag (18 points and 14 rebounds) got Warrandyte back in the game.

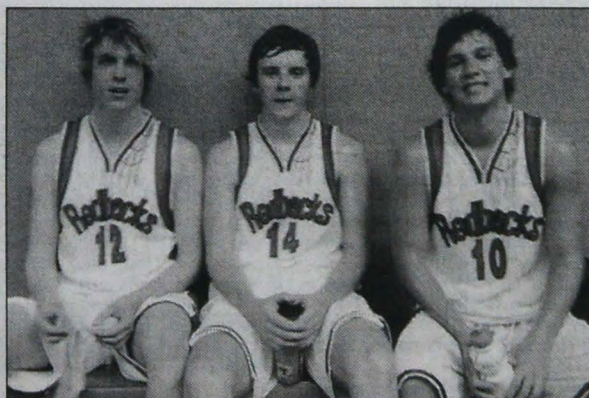
With 36 seconds to go the scores were even, 70 points to both teams and with 18 seconds remained when Warrandyte's Coach Kelvin Bowers called a time out. Pakenham was one point up when Josh Collins from Warrandyte scored a three point basket just before the buzzer, to win the game.

A triple Redback farewell

Three of Warrandyte Redbacks long serving players farewellled the club in a semi final loss to Eltham.

Josh Blakey, Peter Whittingham and David Wood have been playing with the Redbacks from the early junior years.

They have also played a number of seasons with Warrandyte Venom.



Redback players from left, Josh Blakey, Peter Whittingham and David Wood.

Redbacks bring home eight titles

Warrandyte Redbacks brought the EDJBA summer season to a close with eight premierships.

And in one game, Warrandyte were assured of a premiership. In the 14 AR boys final, both Warrandyte sides were playing.

The game opened with Chris Bollands winning the tap but neither side could settle down and it was several minutes before Nicholas Cookes opened the scoring with a shot from the free throw line.

As the game progressed, both sides created fast transitions and Steve Killey's side went into the break with a 20-14 lead although at that stage it was still anybody's game.

The second half was more one sided, with the WR1 side winning 43-20.

Both coaches paid tribute to the players, who contributed to a highly entertaining spectacle.

For the premiers, Nathan Delacy top scored with 15 points, an effort plus good defensive work that earned him the MDP award.

Tim Apostolides contributed eight points and Matt Killey six points. Chris Bollands scored nine points for the runners up.

In what is fast becoming a local derby, Matt Lane's Under 16 boys took on Park Orchards in their BB grade final.

The first half was tight with Park taking a one point lead at the break, by 11-10. Warrandyte suffered a major blow in the first half when Jack Power was fouled off.

The second half was similar but the scoring did open up. Warrandyte were doing slightly the better and appeared to have a winning break at 28-21 and then Jake Martin drove successfully to open up a seven point lead with less than two minutes to go.

No one told Park Orchards who were successful from the free throw line and then an outside three points closed the margin to two points.

The Redback boys started to close down the play and were able to hang on for the win by 31-28.

"That was the closest game we have had all sea-



Redback Under 16 premiership winners. Back: Michael DeLacy, Jack Power, Luke Collins, Sean Cubitt. Front: Jake Martin, Jarrod Buzzini, Liam Roodhouse, Jack Cousens and coach, Matt Lane.

son," said Matt Lane. "But it was also the best win."

Jack Cousens was awarded the MDP award, with a strong game at guard and nine points for Warrandyte. Other main contributors were Jake Martin (6) and Sean Cubitt (5).

Another tight game was the U10 BA boys between Warrandyte and Eltham. The game seesawed with Eltham in front with four minutes to go.

But the Redbacks got back in front by a point after Brent Gaudion was successful from the free throw line.

Eltham were the taller side but Warrandyte were able to eke out a 38-33 win.

Gaudion top scored with 11 points, with nine points from Tyler Robertson and six points from Tristan Unwin.

Warrandyte also picked up a premiership in the Under 12D girls final at Park Orchards.

The Redbacks dominated in the second half to take the flag by 32-15 after the scores were close at 11-8 at the break.

"I was very proud of the girls," said coach Sue Turner after the game.

Top scorer for the



Under 12D premiership winners. Back row: Josiane Dimmock, Taylor Turner, Sue Turner, Jacinta Haikel. Front: Emily Worrall-Carter, Elise Mortimer, Kirsten Beriman, Casey Ryan.

Redbacks was Jacinta Haikel with 11 points, with good support from Taylor Turner with nine points and four each to Elise Mortimer and Kirsten Beriman.

The result did not go Warrandyte's way in the Under 16 D girls final. Their opponents Banyule opened very strongly and it was not until the mid way point of the first half that

Warrandyte registered a point.

The Redbacks came back but could not close the gap, going down 17-13 at the end.

Megan Stack scored two field goals for the Redbacks, with single field goals coming from Hayley Frost, Victoria Macleod, Ruby Moxey-Fithall and Claire Lockhead.

Venom teams make the grade

The grading is over and Friday night basketball has started for 2010.

Darren Evans's Under 18 Metro 4 boys recorded their second win of the season defeating Werribee by 62-36.

A feature of this game was the high scoring with Joel Rimes outstanding with 19 points.

"He has benefited by some special training with new senior men's coach Kelvin Bowers", said Evans after the game.

Karl Slavero with 11

points and Liam Roodhouse with 10 points were also good contributors.

Steve Killey's Under 16 Metro 4 boys also kept their undefeated record in place with a tight 52-35 win against Coburg.

The scores did not truly reflect the endeavour of Coburg and it was only in the final minutes that Warrandyte asserted themselves to win easily.

Adam Banitsiotis led the scoring with 13 points, with Jake Martin contributing

eight points and Michael DeLacy with six points.

Gavin Eddy's East 4 boys were solid winners against Mornington by 40-31 (11 points to Daniel Haikel and eight points to Nick Harman). This also retained their unblemished record.

The same can be said of Gerry Pearce's Under 14 boys. The score line was 8-4 at the break but Warrandyte were able to close out the game 27-19 with Campbell Graham contributing five points.



Run-scoring machine, Nathan Willoughby from South Warrandyte Hawks.

A never-ending run spree for Nathan

South Warrandyte Hawk junior, Nathan Willoughby has completed an outstanding cricket season, scoring more than 1000 runs.

The Under 16 player scored 1038 runs in 24 games for Hawks' junior and senior teams.

In 11 Under 16-2 matches (including two finals), Willoughby scored four 50s and two hundreds and totalled 615 runs at an average of 87.86.

He also took 12 wickets at a healthy average of 14.33.

Junior form carried on into the seniors at the start of the season, with 97 runs in three

Third XI games.

Willoughby was promoted into the Second XI where 10 matches produced 326 runs, with one 50 and a highest score of 126 to average 40.75.

The Luther College Year 11 student hopes to improve his game further next season, but it will be difficult to top this season.

Father Peter used to play at Fifties and Sixths level for the Hawks, but seemed more content to follow the fortunes of the little run machine as this season unfolded.

- Frans Brouwer

Hawks crash in grand final

South Warrandyte Hawks finished the RDCA Chandler Shield season in disastrous fashion, being bowled out for only 68 in their Grand Final match against Mooroolbark.

It was a disappointing finish for the Hawks who had loomed as a real premier-ship prospect after their preliminary final win over Templeton.

Seven South Warrandyte teams (two junior, three senior and two veterans) reached the RDCA finals but only one team was able to come away with a premier-ship.

The Fifth XI defeated St Andrews in a low scoring affair on a very slow out-field.

Just two fours were scored in the match, both late on the second day.

The Saints were all out for 108 in 68 overs with Barry Williams 4/25 off 24 overs, Matt Sheppard 3/19 and

Sam Cleary 2/29.

In reply, the Hawks reached 3/86 off an amazing 51 overs at tea. A couple of quick wickets brought Sam Williams to the crease, and he helped finish off the match at 6/111.

John Cleary made 30 which was top score for the match. Sam Williams 17, Justin Tucker 16 were the other key Hawks' scorers.

Barry Williams deservedly won the "player of the final" award with 4/25 and 13 runs in an opening partnership of 29 - the highest of the match.

In their semi-final, the U14-2s scored 113 (Lucas Williams 33, Jake Sammartino 23), but Bayswater Park overhauled this with 9/130 (Sammartino 2/12, James King 2/25), and went on to win the Grand Final from third spot.

After an unbeaten home and away season, the U16-2s thrashed Bayswater Park in

the semi-final. The following week, 79 (Jack Hollins 24, Josh Bird 20) was never enough, and Wonga Park passed this seven wickets down (Alex Cattanaach 3/13, Oliver Hansen 3/18).

In Masters Division 1, 8/203 (Paul Foley 41no, Don Rixon 44) could not match Wonga Park's 5/205. In Legends, Warranwood's 4/216 (Ian Jones 2/35) was too much for our boys who managed 3/100 (Colin Garratt 40no).

In I Grade, the Fourths passed Wonga Park nine wickets down in the semi-final for a grand final berth. After an opening partnership of 43, the side reached 5/132 before collapsing to 144 all out (Scott Adams 37, Zep Johnson 27, Hayden Richards 30).

In reply, Wonga Park struggled to 7/99 before an unbeaten eighth wicket partnership reached the target.



South Warrandyte's successful Fifth XI. Back Row: Matt Sheppard, Morgan Williams, Justin Tucker, Sam Cleary, Lachlan McMahon, John Cleary (captain). Second Row: Barry Williams, Jahn Holewa, Luke Brouwer. Kneeling: Michael Sweeney, Jackson Cleary, Lucas Williams. Front: Sam Williams.

Back-to-back tennis titles

Warrandyte Tennis Club coach, Craig Haslam has defended his club championship singles title.

Elise Northover also dou-

bled up on her success last year, winning the women's title.

The senior championships were brought for-

ward to March this year to coincide with the junior titles to help increase the interest among players.

Father and daughter

team, Robert and Emily White won the round robin mixed doubles event.

Results:

Men's singles: Craig Haslam d Adrian Mifsud 6-1, 6-1

Men's doubles: Neil Sproatt and Paul Gilling d Blake and Dan Tester 6-3, 6-3

Women's singles: Elise Northover d Emily White 6-2, 7-5

Mixed doubles: Robert and Emily White (round robin format).

Under 18 Junior Boys singles: Adrian Mifsud d Ryan Tester 6-1, 4-6, 6-3

Under 18 Junior Girls singles: Elise Northover d Ariel Paterson 6-1, 6-3

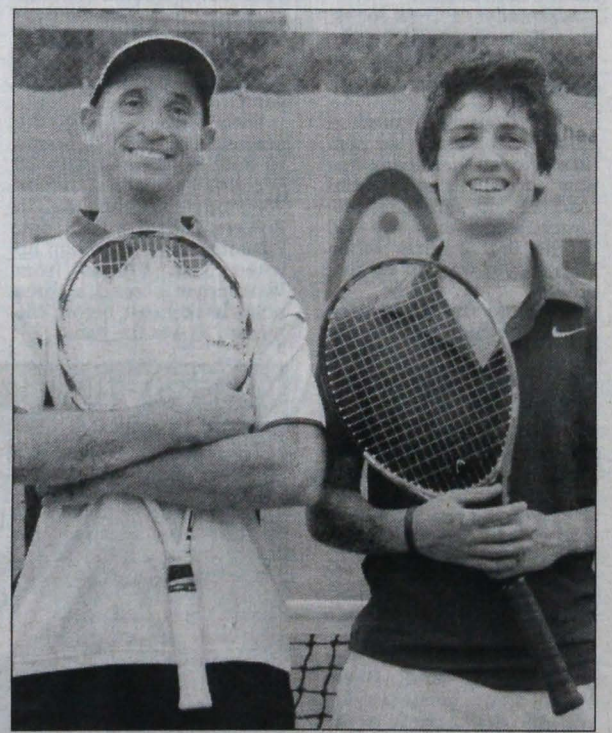
Under 15 Boys singles: Mark Ford-Learner d Nick Ford-Learner 6-1, 6-0

Under 15 Boys doubles: Mark Ford-Learner and Nick Ford-Learner d Campbell Prior and Kyle Newman 6-2, 6-0.

The Under 18 Boys doubles is to be played. There were no entries in the Under 18 Girls doubles.



Warrandyte Tennis Club's Under 15 Boys doubles finalists, from left Kyle Newman and Campbell Prior and Nick and Mark Ford-Learner who won the title in straight sets.



Craig Haslam, left, defeated Adrian Mifsud in the final of the Warrandyte Tennis Club's men's championship.

Bloods show the way for Pioneers

By CHRIS CHAPMAN

Warrandyte started the EFL Division 3 season with a convincing win against Whitehorse Pioneers on Saturday.

In front of a sizeable crowd at Warrandyte Reserve, the Bloods led from start to finish, eventually recording a 58 point victory.

The Pioneers have become something of an arch-rival in recent years, and the Bloods have generally had the upper hand, winning the 2006 Division Four Premiership and more recently the 2009 First Semi-Final.

Despite having the wood over the Pioneers, Warrandyte's recent disappointing form in practice matches against Tarwin and Glen Waverley meant the Bloods were conscious not to underestimate their Round 1 opponents.

In a lacklustre first quarter neither side was particularly clean with their ball movement. As play settled Warrandyte were able to break forward through quick hands from Matt Wood and a penetrating kick from Ben Reid and first gamer Glenn Archer marked strongly in the forward pocket before calmly slotting through Warrandyte's first goal.

Later in the quarter, goals to livewire forward pocket Steve Christopher and Mick Morello took Warrandyte to a handy 20 point quarter time lead.

The second quarter saw Warrandyte slip back into some old habits, with poor decision making causing several unnecessary turnovers. Through the midfield, young gun Ross Ansaldi mopped up at ground level and Adam Tsapatsaris and Grant McAdam racked up possessions floating across half back. However some basic mistakes hampered Warrandyte's entry into the forward line.

Fortunately, Whitehorse failed to fully capitalise on Warrandyte's sloppy second term, with inaccurate kicking in blustery conditions. Whitehorse registered 3.6 for the quarter, to Warrandyte's equally inaccurate 2.4, giving the Bloods a two goal half time margin.

At half time Warrandyte coach Michael Tout reminded his players of the hard work they had all put in over pre-season and asked them to commit to outrunning Whitehorse in the second half.

"Keep running, keep taking risks, just make sure you use the ball properly" said Tout.

In the third quarter Warrandyte took control as the game started



The eyes have it Warrandyte's Lee Evans looks to handball to a team mate during Saturday's match against Whitehorse Pioneers. Picture: Robert White.

to open up. Whitehorse players struggled to stay accountable against a fitter Warrandyte side, with Bloods such as Dion Mullet-Treloar and Matt Feben regularly running off their opponents to provide uncontested options further up the ground.

Warrandyte's ball movement also became sharper, with fewer unforced errors and more run from behind. Goals to Dan Large and Steve Christopher widened the Warrandyte lead, then Archer marked strongly in the square and duly kicked his second. Two quick

goals to Whitehorse kept them in the contest before late goals from Lee Evans and veteran Matt Wood gave Warrandyte a 34 point break going into the last quarter.

The final term saw Warrandyte further increase their lead, with many forays forward starting from the Warrandyte's dominant backline - one of the features of the side's success in 2009 and once again looking to be a strength in 2010.

The last quarter saw the Bloods kick seven goals to the Pioneers' three, with Christopher bobbing up for another two opportunistic goals to take his tally to six for the day while Archer kicked his third and fourth out of the goal square. After a solid pre-season training campaign, and with the inclusion of several new players to the Warrandyte side that reached a preliminary final in 2009, hopes are high amongst supporters for further a successful 2010.

First gamers Cam Van Florestein, from Croydon, and Clint Kennedy, from Rye, showed plenty of promise on Saturday, while Flynn Jarvis, Paul Burgoyne and Justin Khouri also impressed after stepping up from Warrandyte's Reserves and Under 18 sides.

Jarvis provides a secondary ruck option while Burgoyne is an in and under player and Khouri a stocky leading forward. Van Florestein is a ruckman or centre half forward with strong hands, while Kennedy is a strong marking forward who provides valuable experience to a young Warrandyte side.

Warrandyte travel to Coldstream next week.

Warrandyte 17.15-117 d Whitehorse Pioneers 8.11-59

Goals: S. Christopher 6, G. Archer 4, L. Evans 2, D. Large 2, M. Wood, M. Morello, A. Tsapatsaris

Best: R. Ansaldi, B. Reid, S. Christopher, D. Mullet Treloar, A. Tsapatsaris, G. McAdam

● Warrandyte Football Club's annual Sponsor's Luncheon will be held on Saturday April 24 from 12pm - 2pm leading up to the home game against North Ringwood.

Tickets at \$40 are available and include drinks, two course meal and a special guest speaker. Contact Chris Chapman on 0421 736 592 or James Logan on 0414 337 418 for tickets.

The club will also pay respects to the ANZACs in a brief ceremony before the match.

Archer's injury scare

Warrandyte's high profile recruit, Glenn Archer, sent a scare through the club when he was taken from the ground late on Saturday on a stretcher.

Archer, who had kicked four goals, was accidentally kicked in the head.

But the club reported that he had recovered and was able to celebrate the win with team mates after the siren.

Archer is a former champion North Melbourne player and showed he had lost none of his courage and skills in his debut match for the Bloods.

Reserves open with big win

Warrandyte Reserves opened with a win in the Round 1 clash against Whitehorse Pioneers.

The Warrandyte side has been in good form in their pre-season matches, with a respectable loss against a higher ranked opposition in Eltham Panthers followed by convincing wins against Tarwin and Glen Waverley.

Warrandyte 200-game veteran and premiership player Ash Grybas took the reins of the Reserves side following the departure of '09 coach Adam Hinds, and with a long list of players to choose from, it was a strong Bloods side selected for Saturday's game against the Pioneers.

The first quarter saw a sluggish start from the Bloods, winning a lot of the ball through the middle of the ground but unable to capitalise on the scoreboard. At quarter time the Bloods were in front by the narrowest of margins, 2.2 to Whitehorse 2.1.

In the second term, Warrandyte started to gain the upper hand, with some quick ball movement and overlapping handballs creating some sharp passages of play from the backline through to the forward 50 metre arc.

Clever use of the ball and clean skills saw the Warrandyte midfielders begin to dominate their Whitehorse opponents, and as the game began to open up, the delivery into the Warrandyte forward line also improved.

Adam Gamble and James Logan provided dual targets up forward, with 17-year-old Liam Whitfield also presenting strongly. Late quarter goals to ruckman Dave Hand and big centre half forward Hamish Hosking sent the Bloods to the half time break with a 19 point advantage.

A third quarter highlight saw Brendan Zach take a big ride on a Whitehorse opponent's shoulders to take a sensational mark, while the Warrandyte backline continued to repel any Pioneer attacks.

Tim Hookey, in his first game for the Bloods, took several strong contested marks at centre half back, while Caleb Atkinson, in his first game out of the Under 18s, collected possessions in the centre square. Further goals to Gamble, Hand and Hosking, and running goals to Opteynde and Konrad off each wing saw the Bloods take a 48 point lead to three quarter time; 12.8 to Whitehorse 4.8.

The final term delivered more of the same, with a hard running Warrandyte side beating their Whitehorse opponents to the ball and then using it more effectively once in possession.

Warrandyte 17.8-110 d Whitehorse Pioneers 5.9-39

Goals: A. Gamble 4, D. Hand 3, J. Logan 2, H. Hosking 2, L. Whitfield 2, G. Carle, T. Konrad, B. Opteynde, C. Atkinson

Best: T. Hookey, B. Zach, D. Hand, H. Hosking, C. Atkinson, A. Gamble

Colts success

Warrandyte Colts started the season on a high note as they combined well to assert their authority from the outset in the match against Whitehorse Pioneers.

With numbers at the contest and support from behind, the boys showed glimpses of what promises to be an exciting season as they shut their opponent out and denied them any scoring opportunities.

Midfielders Heffernan and Reddie were dominant early, collecting numerous possessions and using the ball well. Harris, McKee and Ellis were all dangerous targets near goal and had the better of their opponents in the key positions.

Warrandyte 12.13-85 d Whitehorse Pioneers 2.6-18

New season kicks off for juniors

Warrandyte junior footballers started their new season on Sunday.

Despite the difficulties in finding suitable training venues, the players are fit and keen to go.

The Tackers have shown great enthusiasm and are busting to play their first game of 2010.

The Under 11s to 14s have been working hard on skill development and all coaches report an improvement in skill across the board.

Recent practice matches against Lower Plenty showed that the club will be very competitive in all age groups.

The Colts have been training as a combined group and Steve and Josh Blakey have been pleased with the quality of football displayed in scratch matches against Park Orchards and Bundoora.

The Colts 1 team is still looking for players, so if you are interested, download a registration form from the website.

Clem Misfud has been working the Under 15s into match fitness and is encouraged by what he has seen in the pre season.

The club would like to thank all those who took on the role of team managers for 2010. This is often a thankless task, yet one that is critical in getting the team on the field each week.

There are still places at the club for players who would like to play. All you need to do is visit the website www.warrandytejfc.org and download a registration form.

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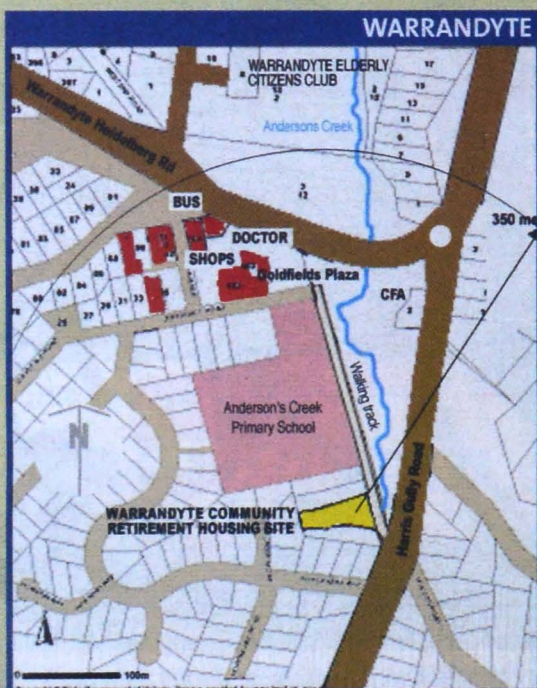
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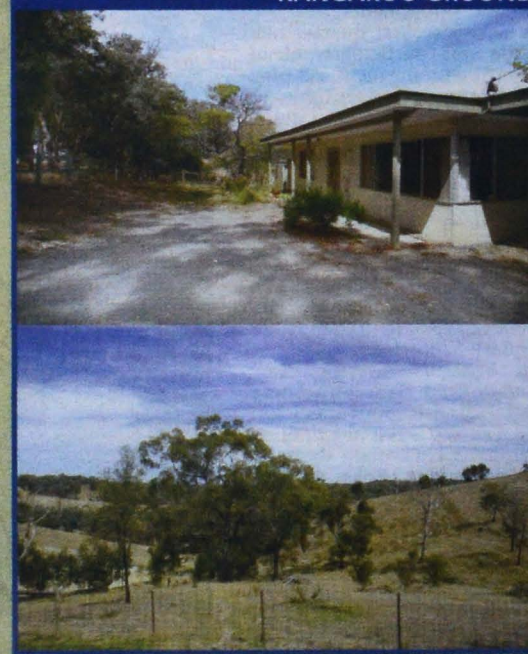
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