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### THE HISTORY OF THE VILLAGE FAIR

Jeanette Ballinger

In view of discussions held by individuals and organisations since the last Village Fair, this article is written to give everyone an idea of the History, the current philosophy behind the Fair and some of the financing difficulties.

In 1976 the Shire asked the B.U.A. to organise an event as the Upper Beaconsfield contribution to Yakkerboo in 1977. Beryl Hails and John Milligan thought of the idea of an old English type Village Fair with all organisations to be called upon to run a stall or side-show, and to pay \$5 each to cover costs. We found that \$5 each would not cover costs so we held a meeting .....

We have held meetings of all participating organisations in 1978 and again in 1979, when votes were taken that 10% of money collected by each stall was agreed upon as the fairest means of meeting costs. (Costs are very low, between \$100 and \$130 per year over the last 3 years). This means the stalls making the most pay the most, small stalls less, but the same percentage, and non money-making groups nothing. The Recreation Ground Committee has never sent in a bill and was not paid the first two years when a loss was made, however we have paid them the balance after expenses for the last 3 years, i.e. \$59, \$50, and this year we will be able to pay \$57.

Some charitable organisations consider 10% too large an amount to pay, and there is no doubt that some groups now make such a large profit that in the future 10% of money collected could mean a surplus which might just embarrass the B.U.A., in a very nice way. Perhaps we need to set a maximum limit of fee for larger groups.

Through the years the Fair has become more elaborate, the organising more complex, usually the committee is chosen (shanghied?) in December and starts working immediately. In conjunction with the Fair the B.U.A. has organised the Citizen of the Year Award, and the C.W.A. and the Fire Brigade Auxiliary have looked after the Upper Beaconsfield Princess. The B.U.A. has considered its role in relation to the Village Fair as co-ordinating and organising; we have an information tent, but no money-making stall, nor do we keep any part of the stall fees collected. We have always been willing to underwrite the Fair until it is on its feet in the same way as we launched the Village Bell and Youth Club film nights, etc., as we have only our membership fees we cannot finance anything on a long term basis.

At our meeting in 1979 the question was asked 'what is the purpose in having a Fair for the community?'. The answer we finally gave was that we wanted a fun day for the whole community and that has been the philosophy we have worked to ever since. I feel we have been remiss in not holding another meeting of all organisations prior to the Fair and strongly recommend that this is done before the next Fair.

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**THE FUTURE OF THE VILLAGE FAIR**

Peter Deering and Mrs. Terry Milligan have attended a B.U.A. Committee meeting and Peter has presented his views on how next year's Fair could be run. He would like the Fair to be the biggest day in the Upper Beaconsfield calendar, advertised widely to draw crowds, a big Pipe Band for the day, many sponsors donating prizes which could even be raffled to pay for the Fair. A really big fun day for all and a chance for local charities to make a lot of money. Peter is willing to organise and head a committee to start promoting such a Fair now, but would prefer that it be a sub-committee of the B.U.A.

The Committee has asked Peter to present his ideas and any plans to our next General Meeting on June 3 and a vote will be taken on the matter then.

An alternative to changing our Village Fair is for a Committee to be set up whose sole function would be to run a Fair/Fete for Upper Beaconsfield each year.

Whatever is decided it would seem that Peter's idea of starting to organise now rather than later is an excellent one.

Please come to our next meeting on June 3 and decide ....

- \* If you want a large commercial-type Fair,
- \* If you would prefer a smaller Family Day Fair,
- \* If you feel your money - B.U.A. membership fees - should be spent -  
- in any amount - - on a Fair - - large or small.
- \* Do you have an alternative idea for a Fair?

YOUR VOTE COUNTS . . . you don't have to be a member of the B.U.A. to vote on the type of Fair you would like.

Please come and exercise that vote.

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Graham Kidd writes that while the raising of money for local organisations is an important objective, the idea of a Village Fair directed specifically towards this is completely contrary to the aims of all our previous Fairs. These have emphasised strong community involvement with money-making of secondary importance. They have been a time to meet neighbours and friends in relaxed surroundings, and for local families to have fun and enjoy themselves. The continuing substantial community support for the Fairs suggests that most people agree with those aims, and it would be a great pity to lose something so successful and so distinctive to Upper Beaconsfield.

There may be an argument for a commercial-type Fair but if it is held it should be quite separate from the Village Fair and should not replace it. Also, since such a Fair would not meet the B.U.A. aims of improving community awareness, there would be no justification for the Association to organise it. The Association should certainly not use its limited funds (which are your subscriptions) to promote it.

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**LIBRARY NEWS**

Laura Levens

As a result of the favourable comments about the Narre Warren Library by Sheila Kidd in April's Village Bell, we are happy to welcome several families from Upper Beaconsfield who called in for the first time.

In addition to the facilities mentioned, every Thursday from 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. a thriving Library Club is enjoyed by children of any age - origami in particular attracted a group ranging from 4 to 40 years. Handcraft activities are varied by story-telling.

Pakenham Library's storytellers also hold children enthralled each Thursday from 3.30 p.m.

**STOP PRESS** : NEWLY ARRIVED - 150 CASSETTE TAPES FOR LOAN

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**ROBBERIES**

Telephone C.I.B. Pakenham 411 730

Sergeant Sunstrom, of Pakenham C.I.B., told us recently that one or more teams of housebreakers are working in the hills area at the moment and several homes in the Upper Beaconsfield/Officer area have been burgled, possibly one in daylight and several at night in the past few weeks. On two occasions alarms ringing have apparently caused robbery attempts to be abandoned without any loss.

Residents are asked to be on the lookout for unusual behaviour in the area -strange vehicles outside or inside neighbouring properties, or any information which you think may help, detailed car descriptions, registration numbers, and description of occupants would assist enquiries greatly.

Sergeant Sunstrom said that they are happy to receive and sift any information from residents in the hope of throwing up a solid clue.

Ray Ratcliff

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**BEACONSFIELD UPPER ASSOCIATION**

**GENERAL MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3rd, 1981 at VILLAGE HALL**

7.30 p.m. Minutes, etc. available for inspection before meeting

8.00 p.m. GENERAL MEETING

Reports on :

- \* Paul Grove Drainage - Council Meeting -  
Cr. Keith Ewenson
- \* U.B. Environmental Study Ms. Sonia Shaw
- \* "Keep Pakenham Beautiful" Promotion  
Miss Ruth Maguire

Village Fair : Where do we go from here?  
See articles on pages 1 & 2 - YOUR vote may be needed.

Re-cycling of Waste Materials - Mr. Peter Dunn,  
Chief Health Surveyor & By-Laws Officer, will give a  
brief outline of this scheme and will answer your  
questions - see article on page 6.

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**B.U.A. ATTENDANCE**

researched by Miss Ruth Maguire

The following figures were taken from our Association Attendance Book, from 7th February, 1979, to 6th February, 1980.

112 different residents have attended one or more meetings. 13 nominated organisations were represented at some or all meetings.

Ed. More work will be done on this research for the next issue of the V.B., including research on the estimated population figure of 1350 residents.

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**B.U.A. CONSTITUTION**

J. Ballinger

An article is being researched now on the beginnings of the Association. In the meantime, as we were asked if we have a constitution, I have taken an extract from page 1 giving the aims and objectives of the Association :

"Section 2 - Aims and Objectives :

- a) To influence development in Upper Beaconsfield and district so as to retain, as far as possible, its present character and atmosphere.
- b) To facilitate communications with the Shire Council and any other authorities in matters pertaining to Upper Beaconsfield and district."

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**THE UPPER BEACONSFIELD STUDY**

George Silberbauer

Representatives of the Upper Beaconsfield Association, Shire of Pakenham and the Dandenong Valley Authority met on the 13th May to review and discuss progress of the Upper Beaconsfield Study. A 21--page description of the community has been prepared, drawing mainly on 1976 census data. The community grew rapidly after 1971 and compared with the rest of Victoria, is unusual, in its high proportion of young families, its highly qualified professional workforce, the mobility of the population and the small proportion of inhabitants of other than Australian origin. Statistically, it seems that 'Tub' (True Upper Beaconsfield) moved here prior to 1971 and has lived in the same house ever since. (His twin brother, Almost-Tub, however, is among the 48% who arrived after 1971). Being twins they were both born in Australia about 1950 and have secure jobs in the professional/technical field connected with either manufacturing or retail/wholesale trade which bring them salaries in excess of \$20,000. Each lives in a brick or brick veneer house and sweats on a mortgage of nearly \$400 per month. Mrs. Tub and little Tubs are less well-known and we look forward to becoming better acquainted with them during the course of the study. We (and Tub) may see ourselves as a community with strong rural connections but the sad fact is that less than 5% of the population of Upper Beaconsfield is engaged in farming.

Both the Monash Study Group and the Upper Beaconsfield Association will contribute further information to this report. The U.B.A. will also investigate community needs, the history of the area and cultural activities and will gather information on community interests, concerns and attitudes to specific and general issues.

The problem was discussed, of development which, if undertaken during the course of the study, could close off options which might only be discovered as a result of the investigation. The Paul Grove drainage scheme is a case in point; it was argued at length at the last U.B.A, meeting that implementation of the scheme should be deferred until the study has proceeded far enough to indicate whether the proposed scheme does, in fact, provide the best solution to the problems of drainage and pollution. Both the Shire and D.V.A. representatives expressed the opinion that implementation of Stage 1 (i.e. serving of notices and subsequent consideration of responses to these) should proceed now. This, they felt, was the best way to stimulate suggestions, comments and expression of public opinion. The Shire Engineer emphasised that responses to notices need not be confined to objections to the scheme and that he was eager to receive constructive criticism of the scheme and suggestions for ways in which it could be improved.

While welcoming the Shire's readiness to go far beyond the minimum requirements of the Local Government Act, the U.B.A. representatives expressed reservations about the merits of proceeding with Stage 1 at present. There is a feeling in the community that, once started, a Council scheme gathers momentum and becomes an unstoppable juggernaut, making nonsense of a study intended to discover community aspirations to the future character of Upper Beaconsfield. The recent experience of State Rivers' handling of the reticulation scheme has given understandable grounds for nervousness in this area.

It was recognised that this problem required that communication between the Shire and the public be particularly close and the Shire Engineer expressed his desire to achieve this.

The D.V.A, was represented by Don Thomson and Colin Hayes, the Shire by Colin Akehurst and the U.B.A, by Peter Bligh and George Silberbauer, Councillor Ted Owens was present as an observer.

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**B.U.A. INITIATED ACTION --- Pine Trees**

The Association has done some further work on the pinus radiata question and re-presented to our Councillors letters written by Dr. Charles Wilson, and letters from the Department of Crown Lands and Survey and the Ministry of Conservation. If you are interested in this question, copies of these letters will be available at our next Association meeting on June 3.

Following action by Cr. Keith Ewenson, Council has requested the Planning Officers to bring forward a report on how to expedite clearing permits for pine trees.

Ed.: Council's present attitude explained in article on page 5.

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**PINE TREES AND THEIR REMOVAL**

Don Jackson, Statutory Planner.

Many conflicting statements have been made regarding the necessity for obtaining a town planning permit from the Council for the removal of pine trees in the Upper Beaconsfield area. The simple fact of the matter is, a permit is required. Whilst this may appear on the surface to be a planning "over kill", when one looks at the background it becomes a different matter, and at this stage I regret it is necessary to go into a few technical matters.

The Third Schedule of the Town and Country Planning Act gives any Responsible Authority (which is in this case your Council) the power to recognise areas considered to have special features of natural landscape quality. These areas may be declared as "areas of special significance" and "areas of natural beauty" as provided for in Clauses 8A and 8B of the Third Schedule. There would be few people who disagreed with the application of this provision to Upper Beaconsfield. Once having done so, and in order to preserve this special significance, the Responsible Authority may impose special controls regarding tree clearing. Your Council has done just this, with the intention of preventing large scale and inappropriate tree clearing which would, in a large number of cases, have a significant effect on those qualities the Council is trying to protect. Now, this is not to say that the Council will refuse all applications; it just means that control is able to be exercised over tree clearing!

This control is exercised by making provision that a permit must be obtained before any clearing of native vegetation (as defined in the Order) is carried out.

There are some exceptions, and these principally relate to clearing in response to an Order served for a fire hazard clearance, or the removal of trees from the approved site of a house or access ways leading to it.

The misunderstandings that have arisen have probably done so because of the definition "Native Vegetation" contained in the planning control documents, or the Interim Development Order Ordinance as it is known more correctly. The Order defines Native Vegetation as "includes any trees, shrubs, bushes, undergrowth, plants and other growth naturally growing in the region or which are or is a kind of species which grows naturally in the region or is indigenous thereto, but does not include any plant declared to be a noxious weed pursuant to the Vermin and Noxious Weeds Act, 1958."

There is no doubt that pine trees are included in that definition as they are growing naturally everywhere around Upper Beaconsfield. Likewise they are not noxious weeds even though attempts have been made to include them on the list. Whilst it may not have been foreseen that the Order would have the effect it has had on the legality of removing pine trees, the fact of the matter is as stated - a permit is needed to remove them, except in the exceptions referred to earlier. In so far as pine trees are concerned, ratepayers would find generally that the Council gives sympathetic consideration to applications for removal of pine trees, but it is stressed that applications should be made at an early date, and not on the day the bulldozer and chain-saw operator arrive - it's a bit late then!

It is widely known that the Council has submitted to the Department of Planning its proposed Planning Scheme. At this stage it is not known when final approval will be granted, but it is confidently expected to be well before the end of 1981. The Planning Scheme contains similar provisions to the Order regarding the removal of vegetation. Whilst this may appear to be somewhat onerous when applied to a localised area, it must be remembered that tree controls cover the whole of the Dandenong Ranges area within the Shire. To make special provisions in localised areas for specific types of trees would be impracticable and confusing to the general ratepayer.

\* **STOP PRESS**

The Council resolved, at its meeting on the 11th May, 1981, that the officers "Bring forward a report to the next planning meeting on ways and means of expediting permits for the removal of pine trees."

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**MEALS ON WHEELS**

- Contact Ms. Joyce Morris - Pakenham Shire  
Office 411 011

Did you know that for those who need it the Meals on Wheels service is available in Upper Beaconsfield? You can arrange this through your Doctor or you can ring Ms. Joyce Morris (411 011) for advice.

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**RECYCLING OF WASTE MATERIALS** Shire of Pakenham, B.J.Wallis, Shire Secretary

Pakenham Council has decided to investigate the introduction of a recycling programme with community and Council involvement.

Ideally, each community would establish a recognisable receiving depot; (some already exist), and superintend the local operation. Council staff would be able to provide a recommended plan for each site so as to facilitate the necessary improvements, Council's contractor will arrange to pick up the material and the Council cheque would be forwarded to the group or association for the value of the items. Subject to further investigations it may be possible for portion of the Municipal Tip to be made available to community organisations to store recyclable material. We would hope that in time each community would organise itself so that the scheme (at local level) would become the responsibility of the local Progress or Community Affairs Association. Obviously there will need to be assurances that no organisation currently involved in recycling will receive any less under a revised arrangement. On the contrary, given widespread cooperation, such groups stand to benefit - as does the rest of the community.

**LOCAL RECYCLING GROUPS**

Organisations which are already recycling materials will have a chance to question Mr. Peter Dunn, Chief Health Surveyor & By-laws Officer, on how their present activities will fit in with the proposed scheme at the B.U.A. meeting on June 3.

Mr. Dunn has agreed to speak at the meeting because he is anxious for all groups to understand that the Shire wishes to enhance and not threaten current operations.

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**UPPER BEACONSFIELD ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY**

Sonia Shaw

In the issues of Village Bell this year, the Project Team for the U.B. Environmental Study hope to present progress reports on aspects of the Study. This time it is intended to outline the aims and content of the community survey.

The survey is to be divided into two parts :

- \* In the first section, the aim will be to describe the U.B. Community -in terms of population, growth, employment and income and other relevant social information. This section will need to be carried out so as to up-date the information contained within the 1976 census. Although another Census will be taken in June of this year, the data will not be available in time for use in the Study.
- \* The second section will aim to record community attitudes on several matters:
  - 1) Servicing options : This will provide data for Ian Newman's work on on-site disposal of domestic wastes;
  - 2) Perceptions of Stoney Creek : Is the Stoney Creek valued by residents for its recreational and/or aesthetic attributes? The responses to this part of the survey will be useful for Pat Condina's work. Pat is aiming to determine optimum pollution levels for the Creek.
  - 3) The Future of U.B. : For example,
    - \* What is the preferable size of the township?
    - \* Are community facilities in the township adequate?
    - \* Are residents prepared to travel out of the area for services/ facilities in the face of rising energy costs?

I am working on the preparation of the questionnaire at present. When it is in a workable form, I hope to be in contact with the U.B.A. regarding possible assistance in conducting the survey.

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**\*\* CORRECTION ON BEACONSFIELD UPPER ASSOCIATION FEES** as published in Issue 16, January, 1981

<u>YEARLY</u>	\$2 per person	\$3 per family
<u>2 YEARS</u>	\$4 per person	\$5 per family

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# VILLAGE FAIR 1981



BEACONSFIELD UPPER ASSOCIATION FLOAT.



THE SCHOOL FLOAT IN PROCESSION.



KINDERGARTEN FLOAT IN PROCESSION.



THE STORY TENT.



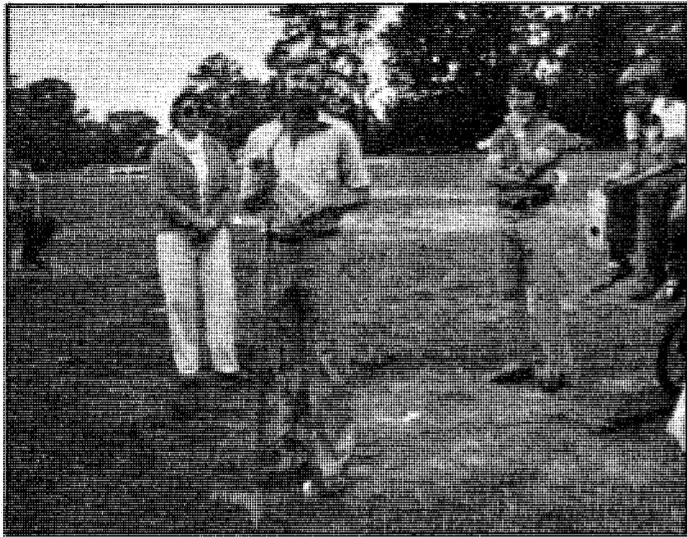
"IN-TENT" LISTENERS



THE GIRLS WITH THE NEW VAN.



UPPER BEACONSFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL  
SOCCER TEAM ENTRANTS IN CASINO



CITIZEN OF YEAR... ROGER FRANCEY.



FIRE BRIGADE AUCTION.



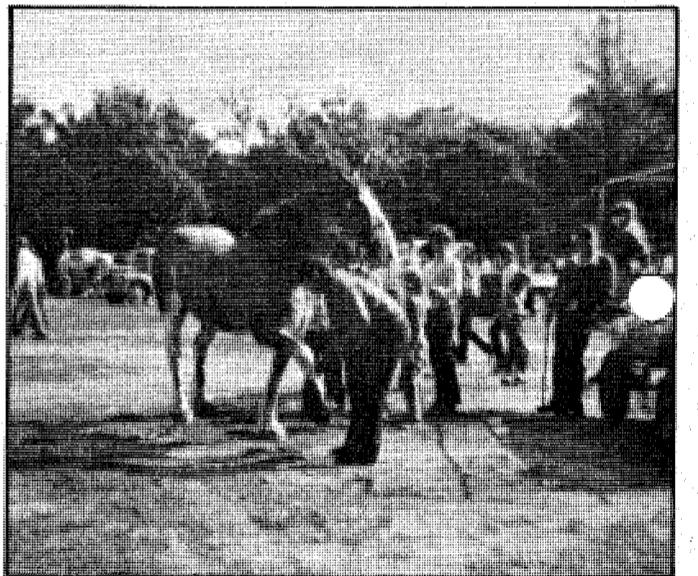
FIRE BRIGADE NEW VAN, YOUR DONATIONS HELPED BUY THIS.



JOAN TRUMPER DOING SOME SELLING ON HER STALL.



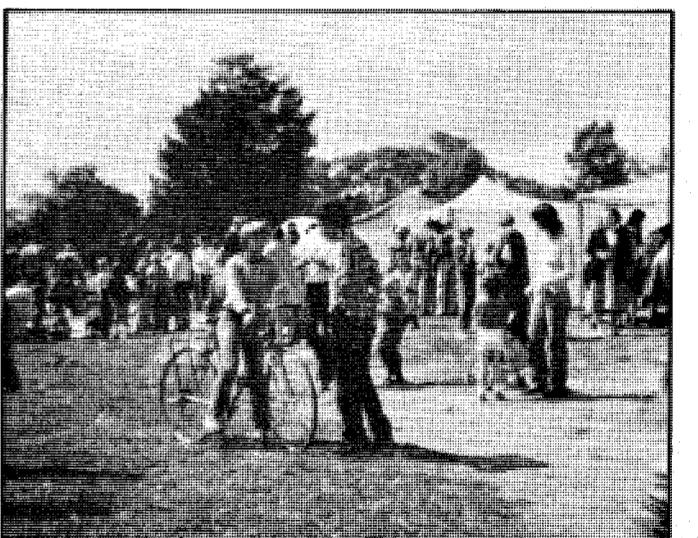
Mr DE BOER AND HORSE DOING SOME STUNTS.



OLD FRIENDS SHAKING HANDS.



SOME OF THE CROWD NOTE THE CLOWN ON THE LEFT



SOME OF THE CROWD.

**DEWHURST - MORE MEMORIES**

Diana Rocke, Roy Harris, John Milligan

These scattered recollections of the vanished village are mostly from Luke Gibbs and Larry Osborne. Like most communities; Dewhurst had its colourful characters. One such was "Doc" Murphy who practised at Emerald. He was also known, in emergency, to deal with cases at the "Pine Grove" and the "Clematis Inn". Attached by welding to his Peugeot car was a lockup safe for drugs and pharmaceuticals, an accessory which puzzled the police when they found his car after it had been stolen. It is recalled that once, at the "Clematis Inn", he saw Jack Pratt with a severely inflamed finger. Thereupon he took his instruments to the kitchen and sterilised them thoroughly by boiling. He then gave the patient two double whiskies, conducted him to the kitchen, and operated on the spot. It is anecdotes like this that bring the dead village to life for us.

Another colourful character was the wife whose husband stayed overlong at a Christmas party. She went out and helped him to return home, . . with a stockwhip.

Larry Osborne recalls that F. W. Fisher subdivided Bim Bim Be in the 1930's. He was a pastry-cook in Toorak, and his week-ender in Berglund Road was later Ian Pask's house. His death occurred by a gun accident in his bedroom.

Harold Holt, later Commonwealth Treasurer and Prime Minister, had a week-ender west of George Beattie, who had the second house along Blue Ridge Road. Another Holt family, understood to be no connection, had a place on the corner of the road opposite Eric Palise. George Beattie owned the Beattie Physical Culture, School in Elizabeth Street, Melbourne. Roy Harris remembers him as an immensely strong man, though not of tall stature. Fred Pyle, in the third house along the road, owned a dental business in Caulfield. Blue Ridge Road was known as the "Jewish Settlement". Its first four houses were made of "Cindcrete" bricks, made of cinders and concrete, produced in Ingles Street, Port Melbourne, and hauled to the site by Harris Brothers. Beattie did all the work by hand, road-making, digging-out etc., to keep himself fit. Incidentally, it is understood that the works in Ingles Street had the first "ready-mix" concrete plant in Australia.

Eric Palise referred to above, had a wood yard. He was believed to be related to Whelan ("The Wrecker") who had a place nearby, and who donated some building materials to the Fire Brigade. Also up at the north end of the village was one of the Dutton Brothers, nicknamed "Mud Hut Dutton" because of his abode near the Falls. Another neighbour was Dr. Bailey, a dentist; a Guest House west of him was owned by Holman.

Alan ("Tiger") Chaming worked on Closter's property beside Ladd Road; the previous owner was Champion, Chaming's earlier name was Adolf Kramer. Nearby was Carl Hepner, whose son Alf was a champion axeman. Vic. Shinner took over the west portion of their land; he was known for his prize fowls, kept at Oakleigh. There were at least two dog breeders in the village; Stephens had kennels on the Upper Beaconsfield Road, and L. A. Wilson had about forty greyhounds. Jack Halley was a market-gardener; the family still has a garden supply business in Emerald.

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**CORRECTION**

In a recent issue of the "Village Bell", a contributor mentioned having seen 1913 on the bus garage, a sign "Harris Brothers, Carriers, Upper Beaconsfield". John Glismann, uncle of the Harris Brothers, writes a gentle comment that the brothers were not born in 1913, their parents were not married then, and the garage was not built until 1919.

However, this does not affect the date when the name Upper Beaconsfield was in current usage.

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**WIDENING AND SEALING OF STONEY CREEK ROAD**

The Village Bell was to give you the date of the commencement of work on this project.

You might see the road workers before you see the Village Bell.

At the time of going to press, the word is the last week of May.

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**A NEW FACE AT THE MILK BAR**

Anne McDonald

Many residents may not be aware that the new face behind the counter at the Milk Bar is that of Ian Beckwith, the new owner. Actually, Ian and his wife Margaret have owned the freehold of the shop for three years, but have only recently taken over the management from Tom Van den Dolder.

The Beckwiths have no immediate plans for major redevelopment, realising the significance of the Store in Upper Beaconsfield's history. They have however, plans to reorganise space within the shop and have already put in extra shelving to expand the grocery section. Ian sees the business as a convenience store rather than just a Milk Bar. He hopes to build up lines that people use all the time which the General Store may not stock, so that the two stores may complement each other's trading.

Part of the adjoining shop will be used as a cool room, but Ian hopes that the community will make use of the little store. He would be pleased to hear from any groups that may like to use the space for stalls and other activities.

For the past nine years, Ian has been a sales representative with Cadburys and now that the family's interest is centered in Upper Beaconsfield they have moved into, a new house in Brennan Avenue. The two older children, Wade 8, and Malany 6, attend the Primary School; Devin the youngest is 18 months old. Ian has been very involved in community sports in Springvale and Parkmors and looks forward to playing tennis with Upper Beaconsfield, but feels that business commitments may restrict him for the next few seasons.

Trading hours with the Beckwiths are : Monday - Saturday 7.00 a.m. - 8.00 p.m.  
Sunday 8.00 a.m. - 8.00 p.m.

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**THE OTHER THINGS THAT COUNCIL DOES :**

Cr. Peter Meeking

Family Day Care Co-Ordinator : We are still battling to obtain funding for the employment of a Child Care Co-Ordinator. A second submission is to be delivered directly to Canberra, which if successful, will give relief to the many Mums and sometimes Dads too, who need reliable low cost child care be it after work, before work, or during the day. Certainly it can be utilised in emergency situations but also would be available to those who are simply in need of a break.

Public Bodies Review Committee : A lengthy submission was made to the Parliamentary enquiry which inter alia was assessing the worth of statutory authorities more particularly associated with water supply and sewerage. You can be assured that the S.R.W.S.C. did not escape, and Council's comments incorporated the many problems which have been raised including water quality, rating, water restrictions cost of extensions and the lack of political accountability of the Authority at local level.

Primary School Children -- Understanding Local Government : Slides, cassettes, brochures and a booklet entitled "Understanding Local Government" have now been provided to every Primary School in the Shire, with a view of having teachers incorporate Local Government within the syllabus.

Housing Requirements : Council has raised issues on the need for the provision of emergency accommodation within the Shire of Pakenham - currently none is available. There is need also for the Government to involve itself in "spot purchasing" whereby homes are purchased, which are scattered throughout the semi-residential sectors of the municipality and then made available on a rental basis to persons in necessitous circumstances.

Blackberries : We have tried to convince the Government via the Department of Crown Lands and Survey that it should resume its responsibility in regard to the removal of blackberries on road reserves. So far we are not successful, with the Department maintaining that blackberries on road reserves which adjoin private properties are the responsibility of the property owners.

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**COUNCIL ELECTIONS**

One Council seat becomes vacant each year and an election is held if the seat is contested. The possible election date is August 1981 and the seat this year is the one held by Cr. Ted Owen. We will keep you informed in our next issue.

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**PAUL GROVE DRAINAGE SCHEME**

Upper Beaconsfield Association Meeting Report.

Instead of the Association's April 1st meeting, the occasion was devoted to a Public Meeting to consider the Paul Grove Drainage Scheme. Mr. Colin Ackehurst, Shire Engineer, together with five officers of the Shire Council presented the proposed drainage scheme to an audience of some sixty residents. Cr. Keith Ewenson chaired the meeting, whilst Crs. Peter Meeking and Ted Owen were also present.

Mr. Ackehurst reviewed the history of the scheme, including the decision of the Shire not to proceed with the original proposal. Council officers then reviewed particular aspects of the scheme ranging from planning and engineering to health.

Following a summary by the Shire Engineer, the meeting heard from several representatives of the community, introduced by Roger Francey. Mr. Peter Bligh spoke of a survey being conducted of land owners involved in the proposed drainage scheme. Other speakers included Mr, G. Silberbauer, Mr. M. Graham, Mr. Kidd and Mrs. L. Brodie who each concentrated on a particular aspect of the proposed scheme. The meeting was then opened to questions, and statements from the floor, with many residents contributing to the discussion and a number of very pertinent questions were put to the Shire Officers.

Whilst many points were raised and discussed during the course of the meeting, the major emphasis was placed on the issue of the impending joint D.V.A./Shire of Pakenham Study, and the implications this had for the proposed scheme. The Shire Officers indicated that in their view, the proposed scheme would not pre-empt the joint study or in any way conflict with the study. A number of the residents present expressed their view that the proposal was premature and that to implement the scheme before the conclusion of the joint study might well preclude the community benefiting from the greater understanding that would result from the joint study.

At the conclusion of the meeting a B.U.A. Meeting was convened and it was proposed that a letter be forwarded to the Shire Council re-iterating the views expressed in a recent Association letter to the Shire on this subject, namely that the scheme would pre-empt the joint study and furthermore would reduce the significance of the joint study. This motion was carried on a show of hands with only two votes against.

The Secretary of the Association undertook to forward such a letter, drafted in consultation with Mr. G, Silberbauer and Mr. R. Francey to the Shire.

Graham Jackson, Secretary, B.U.A.

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**TRACING FAMILY CONNECTIONS**

John Milligan

A few months ago an inquiry was received from a lady in Melbourne, whose children were interested in tracing their connection with the Nobles, who lived here about 80 years ago. With the help of John Glismann we were able to provide some of the information they hoped for. The Noble family lived at "The Steyne" in a Beckett Road; the men were cricketers, and one of them was a founder member of the Recreation Reserve Committee in 1898.

A second enquiry concerns Leonard Kane, said to have lived in this area from 1935 on. A family re-union is being planned at Ballarat and they would appreciate any help that could be given.

Another enquiry was received from Mrs. Martineau of P.O. Box 26, Monbulk, regarding the families of Tillotson and Owens. They are understood to have lived in Upper Beaconsfield in the 1920's, at a house called "Glenbrae". Do any readers remember these families, and the location of "Glenbrae"? (Phone 443 263).

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**THE "VILLAGE BELL"**

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**VILLAGE SOCIAL CALENDAR**

- June 2 Upper Beaconsfield. Fire Brigade Auxiliary "Royal Way" Lingerie & Patio Wear Party 8pm at Meeting Room
- 7 Upper Beaconsfield Pony Club. Combined training at U.B. Recreation Reserve
- 19 Official Opening of the Multi-Purpose Room. Wine & Cheese 8pm. Berwick Soccer Club - Junior Disco 7-10pm Narre Warren Community Center School Age children \$1:00 Refreshments - Supervision
- 21 Veteran Cyclist Brian Newcombe Trophy Race 10am Pine Grove Hotel
- 27 Brownies & Guides Local Association Hoedown 7:30pm - 11:30pm Village Hall Adults \$3:00 Children \$1:00
- July 5 Berwick Soccer Club. Car rally leaving Crawley Rd. Narre Warren North 11am. \$2:00 per car B.B.Q. for B.Y.O. Food.
- 11 Berwick Soccer Club. Street stall, High St. Berwick
- 14 & 15 C.W.A. West Gippsland Group Exhibition - Pakenham Football Ground

August

18-21 C.W.A. State Exhibition, Chadstone Auditorium

September 12 Beaconsfield Upper Association - Long awaited Dance 8pm at Village Hall

October 17 Upper Beaconsfield Fire Brigade Auxiliary Dance at Village Hall

Please contact Mrs. Laura Levens, 443828 evenings - before the 15th of each alternate month if your organization is holding an event open to the community

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**UPPER BEACONSFIELD KINDERGARTEN, PRE-SCHOOL & INFANT WELFARE CENTRE**

Kathy DelaRue

With the onset of Term 2, there are limited vacancies at the Kindergarten and Preschool for the remainder of this year. Enrollment Officer - Liz Schroeders reports that quotas for the next four years are being filled e.g. 1983 Kinder year - no vacancies, so anyone enrolling for that year now go on a waiting list. Phone Liz, 443594 for any details - don't delay in enrolling your new baby NOW!

The Committee has decided that in lieu of a social function (which have not been well supported in recent times), they will conduct a major raffle during Term 2. Prizes will be a weekend holiday for two, a gift voucher at a specified restaurant, tickets of which will be available locally and we trust we will receive general public support. Honey raised will go towards a much needed fort at the Kinder (approx. cost \$1,000) and in replacing (and adding to) equipment at the Pre-school.

During the Easter Break, the Kinder was "visited" by some vandals, leaving quite an unsightly mess behind them. The Police have been informed and certain action has been taken to try to prevent future recurrences. If any local resident ever notices anything unusual about our Kindergarten or Pre-school, please don't hesitate to phone Sue Colles - 443660 or Ann Decelis 443752 and discuss it with them.

The Mothers Day Street Stall and Raffle, held on May 9th, raised approximately \$200, despite the inclement weather conditions. Thanks to all for their support. Kindergarten, Pre-school and I.W.C. meetings are held on the first Monday of each month at 8pm at the Kindergarten. We welcome any member of the public to attend and join with us in discussing ideas that contribute to our childrens' Pre-school education.

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**MOTHERS' DAY AT THE KINDERGARTEN**

Carole Snowden

A very special thank-you to Kerry Kirk and Judy Stevens for their Mothers Day effort at the Upper Beaconsfield Kindergarten. They, and the children went to considerable effort to make the Thursday prior to Mother's Day quite unique. The children made individual invitations decorated with autumn leaves. Then, a greeting at the door from 'your' child with a special 'hand print' card, and a kindergarten made pot of marmalade was just the beginning. A sumptuous morning tea followed. Many thanks, I'm sure, from all the Mums for a happy experience.

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PAKENHAM SHIRE CITIZENS' ADVICE BUREAU Colin Ackehurst, Publicity Officer

HAVE YOU SOME TIME TO SPARE ? The Bureau needs volunteers who will be trained to give information and advice to enquirers.

Volunteers are rostered during weekdays to provide this valuable service to the community and a flexible roster is used to meet the needs of individual volunteers.

The Citizens' Advice Bureau is unique in that volunteers are carefully selected and thoroughly trained to ensure that enquiries are treated confidentially and efficiently.

The training course is over fourteen weeks and consists of lectures on interviewing, communications, and a wide range of likely problems to be encountered. The next course of training commences shortly and people interest in becoming a trained volunteer should contact the Bureau direct on 41 2377.

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ST. JOHN'S NEWS

Alison Medwin

Wednesday School resumes after school holidays with a new leader, Marion Graham, and assistant. If you are looking for Christian training and fellowship for your child up to 12 years, this could be your answer. Contact Judy Hill - 443 579.

Young Members' Club resumes after holidays every Friday evening 7 - 9 p.m. for teenagers over 12 years. We cater for fun and shared fellowship with different activities and excursions. Young people, this is for you. Contact Steve Waters 443 540

Adult Fellowship meets every second Tuesday evening, 8 p.m., at the home of Terry and Anne Fogarty. Tapes being shared and discussed at present are "What shall we know about God", and "Who is Jesus?" presented by David Watson. This is an enjoyable and friendly evening. Those interested contact Terry 443 484

Friday Junior Choir - 4 p.m. for all young songsters wishing to raise their voices in praise to our Lord. Contact Father Roger 411 013

In June, join with us in sharing at Pakenham two seminars on "Drugs - their Use and Abuse" This problem is rising within our Community and we feel these seminars will be most useful and informative for all those concerned with drug misuse. Contact Vicarage 411 013

Women's Fellowship meets 10.30 a.m. on the first Wednesday of each month. Any ladies prepared to share in the organisation of the necessary upkeep of our family Church will find themselves very welcome. We are eager for new faces and ideas. Contact Sue Bradley 443 788

Holy Communion Worship Services are held every Sunday 9 a.m. except when there is a fifth Sunday. These occur 3 -4 times a year, this year being - May 31, August 30, November 29. On these days there is a 10.30 a.m. service with the traditional Book of Common Prayer and a 7.00 p.m. service especially designed for young people and the young in spirit.

We are hoping these differing forms of worship will cater for all your worship needs.

<u>Future Diary</u> :	June 5	<u>Young Members' Club</u> evening presented by and for the Heart Foundation. Please give this evening your support, - one day you may be the sufferer.
	September 19	Annual <u>Progressive Dinner</u>
	October 10	Annual Church <u>Fete</u>
	Paper Drives	Last Saturday in August, November and April. Paper may be left in Harris' shed or for collection <u>contact</u> Roy 443 410

Our Vestry continues to beautify and upgrade our Church and grounds. At present, cementing an access path between Church and Fellowship Centre.

"For where two or three are come together in My Name, I am there with them."  
Matthew 18 : 20

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HISTORICAL SOCIETY meets on the first Friday of the month at 8 p.m. in their , rooms at John Street, Pakenham. Membership, costs only \$1 per family per year. Visitors are welcome. John Milligan

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\*\* PRIVATE P.O. BOXES - NOW AVAILABLE AT THE POST OFFICE - 443 200. \*\*

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UPPER BEACONSFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL SOCCER TEAM

Gill Shead

CASEY CUP : Inter School Soccer Match held on Saturday 28th March (see photo)

Twelve schools competed and our team came fourth in their division, which was a great effort on their part, as some of the boys had never played in a proper soccer match before.

They weren't in it to win; just to compete and enjoy themselves, which they did immensely. The boys put on a good show of sportsmanship and skill, which made the parents who went along to barrack very proud indeed.

Special thanks to Pat Finn and Colin Bell for their coaching encouragement. (Colin never wants to see another orange, sponge and bucket again!)

As you can see from the photo (see page 7 ), our boys looked resplendent in their new school soccer jumpers and wore them proudly - thanks to the support given to the School Mothers' Club in their fund raising efforts by resident of Upper Beaconsfield.

In the photograph from top left:

Mr. Colin Bell, Troy Sansom, Matthew Smith, Andrew Camp,  
Steven Bell, Matthew Rocke, Chris Smith, Mr. Pat Finn

from bottom left :

Steven Molony (able helper), Martin Molony, Barry Dawson,  
Tim Magee, Wesley Harris, David Shead.

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BERWICK CITY SOCCER CLUB

Pat Schelling - Club Sec.

The soccer season started 25th April, after a very successful pre-season Lord Casey Challenge Cup competition for primary Schools. The Upper Beaconsfield Primary School team is reported above.

The Club juniors (which still boast a number of local boys) are now playing at Fox Road, Narre Warren North and have teams of Under 7, Under 8, Under 9 and Under 10 in sub-juniors and Under 11 and Under 12 in junior league. Total junior membership is now over the 100 mark.

A senior and reserve team complete the Club teams. Senior teams train and play at Crawley Road, Narre Warren North until their pitch at Fox Road consolidates, and compete in Provisional League.

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C.W.A.

Beryl Sharpe - Secretary

The annual C.W.A. West Gippsland Group "Exhibition" is to be held at the Pakenham Hall, Tuesday & Wednesday, 14 & 15th July. This yearly event presents a display of crafts, needlework, cooking, floral art, basketware, etc. of very high standard.

Trophies, cups and prize card awards are made to successful branches and exhibitors, working demonstrations of various crafts will also be featured.

Admission 60 cents      Children 25 cents      School children in groups 10 cents

Tuesday 5:30pm - 9:00pm                      Wednesday 10:00am to 3:30pm

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AT THE VILLAGE FAIR a new and different stall this year was the Storytelling tent where many children enjoyed the stories read and told by Val Ewenson and Philip Sydenham, local residents who are also on the staff of Dandenong Valley Regional Library which provided the 'show' bags and badges and stickers. By the end of the day there was hardly a chest which did not state "Libraries are people places" or "Blast off with Books".  
Laura Levens

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RED-CROSS CALLING - DOOR KNOCK APPEAL MARCH 1981

Peg Bellair

A record total of \$1,662:86 was raised this year in Upper Beaconsfield alone. This was \$425:42 above last years total. Our thanks go to all the Callers and to all those who contributed.

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UPPER BEACONSFIELD TENNIS CLUB

Carol Westrip

The Winter season started with the Tennis Club entering three senior teams in the Dandenong & District Association's Saturday competition and eight Ladies teams in the four days of mid-week competitions. Four junior teams were entered with the West Gippsland Tennis Association in the Saturday morning competitions.

The Annual Progressive Dinner held on March 28th, though down in numbers, compared to previous years, was a very enjoyable evening thanks to our hosts and 'caterers'. On April 4th, a tournament was held to determine the Junior Singles Club Champions for 1981. It was very encouraging to see the number of entrants aged from 8-16 years and after a morning of very good tennis the results were:

- Girls - Kate Lord
- Boys - Stuart Eaton

Congratulations to the champions and to every one of you who tried so hard. There are some very keen and promising juniors in the Club who, with the support of parents and members, will no doubt contribute to the Clubs continued success in the future. The Sunday Social Days have been a great success and please note that the last one for this season will be held on May 31st. They will re-commence in summer season. A local resident who attended the R.S.L. on April 5th, returned home to report to his wife that the rules of tennis must have changed - "they now have three each end!" He was howled down with cries of senility and/or intoxication until others confirmed his story and his sanity. We played 'triple tennis' that day, the latest craze in social tennis - and it was a lot of fun.

The Clubhouse must be turning into one of the smartest in the neighbourhood - well we think so anyway! Thanks once again to our great volunteers, it is very near completion and really does look smart.

A Tupperware party will be held in the clubhouse on Thursday May 28th, at 12:30pm. Entry fee 50cents - proceeds to the Club. Everyone welcome. Please note there will be only three courts playable for the next 2-3 months whilst one court is being re-surfaced. There will be no coaching over winter. Greg Harrison resumes lessons in the 3rd school term.

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VETERAN CYCLIST'S RACE

June 21st

It is on again, the hardest handicap, 1 day race that the Veterans, - 35 years and over, have. It is the 65km Group Handicap Brian Newcombe Trophy Race, starting at the Pine Grove at 10:00am via Beaconsfield, Pakenham, Gembrook, Cockatoo, Emerald and back to the Pine Grove, depending on weather conditions, from 11:15am on.

Ian Iles, the only local man in the event out of 90 to 100 riders, says many people are started at the short estimated time but they have ex-world champions with them, names like Ken Stewart, Graham Rowley and Bill Dove. The oldest man in the race is expected to be Jack Jamenson, 67 years old.

Frank Sansom, proprietor of the Pine Grove has donated the trophy, in memory of a rider who was killed while riding home to Upwey last year. The race is sponsored by Town and Country Paints and Don Maye's Tyre Service.

Volunteers to act as traffic controllers and corner marshalls would be very welcome - Contact Ian Iles on 443385.

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COLLATING VILLAGE BELL - Manestar Road is pioneering a new idea, a 'collating-get-together'. Residents will meet at a local home, have a cup of coffee and a chat whilst collating the V.B. As the 'Bell' hasn't been printed yet, let alone collated, we will let you know later how it worked!

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**1st BEACONSFIELD UPPER SCOUTS & CUBS**

**WANTED URGENTLY !!!!! -INTERESTED PERSONS TO TRAIN AS SCOUT & CUB LEADERS**

We have 21 boys on the Cub waiting list for 1982 which means a second pack could be formed. All we lack are the leaders. At least 4 new leaders are required.

The Scouts have a full complement of boys but also need at least 2 more leaders.

If you can accept the challenge to be a Leader, please phone Brian Dickinson 443322 or Julie Jamieson 443262 without delay. Training would have to start immediately to be ready by 1982. The position of leader is challenging, rewarding, satisfying, educational and a Lot Of Fun !

Our recent Bottle Drive was most successful and was well attended by Cubs, Scouts and parents. Thanks to the members of the community who support our Drives. Bottle Drives are our only form of fund raising and the money is used to purchase new equipment, outings and camps, or sending boys to Jambourees etc. So please save ALL your bottles and when you receive notice of a Bottle Drive, put them "Out the Front" for collection, or, if you like, ring Greg Williams on 443710 and we will arrange for a special collection.

We need some sort of dry storage space for our equipment (tents, canoes, tumbling mats etc.) Perhaps a barn, unused garage or similar. Please phone the Scout Leader Brian Dickinson if you can assist.

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**BROWNIE & GIRL GUIDE LOCAL ASSOCIATION**

Margaret Cummings - Sec.

The Local Association held a very successful stall in April, raising \$102. A Family Hoedown will be held on June 27th - 7:30pm at the Village Hall. If you missed the dance after the Village Fair, come along and enjoy this one. It is to raise urgently needed funds to support the Brownies and Guides. All the girls were involved in April Action, which was a Lamington Drive. They raised \$149:60, half of which goes to headquarters and the rest is split up between the three units. The Brownies now have two packs. Jenny Toon and Sue McSwan completed their training in April and -have eight girls in their pack. Four more will be joining them in June and they will be building up to a full pack of 18 as soon as possible. This will ease the long waiting list. The girls have been working towards making their promise which they did before Easter and are looking forward to their roller skating trip next term.

The other Brownie pack led by Sandra Francey and Marion Graham have a full pack and have been very busy this term. Next term their programme will include batik printing, which should bring out the creative talents of our girls. Many of the Guides and Brownies attended a Church Service at St. John's on May 3rd to celebrate Guiding Week. A few went on to Karonga Park in Dandenong where a regional celebration was held, the culmination of Guiding week. The Guides have completed a very busy and enjoyable first term with Kathy Archibald and Jenny Mattingly as leaders. Many of the girls have been involved with doing community service at Salisbury House and St. John's church.

You may have seen a large troupe of cyclists passing by up Emerald Road on April 26th. The Guides were off on a Bike Hike which was great fun and enjoyed by all. Three girls came up from Brownies and re-affirmed their promise with Guides, bringing the Unit up to 17 Members.

For enquiries about joining Brownies you can ring Jenny Toon on 443604

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**STOP PRESS**

Film Nights for young people to start again soon.

The Projector had an overhaul and the sound system was repaired so Film Nights should be bigger and better - soon.

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UPPER BEACONSFIELD RURAL FIRE BRIGADE

George Silberbauer

The Brigade held its biennial meeting on 6th April to elect Officers for the coming two years. Peter Bligh was elected President; Eric Bumpstead - Captain; Stan Hamilton, Vic Greenaway, George Silberbauer and Ian Farr - Lieutenants; Nancy Boura, - Communications Officer; Brian Fiddes - Apparatus Officer and Owen Magee - Secretary with Terry Milligan attending to Treasury matters - the mixture as before.

Twenty-year Service Badges were presented to Eric Bumpstead, Stan Hamilton and Don Lang, a former first Lieutenant of the Brigade. The occasion was made more memorable by an invasion of firemen's wives and children - bearing the necessaries for a very good evening supper - jollification, speeches and congratulations aside, the fact is that these three have given twenty years of voluntary, unpaid public service in a form which amounted to a lot of hard, unpleasant work and intermittently getting scared out of their wits in order to protect others' lives and property. Thanks Fellers !! - from all of us.

This summer was marked by a remarkably small number of fires in Upper Beaconsfield. That they were so few is due entirely to the care and commonsense of local inhabitants. Don't worry about your fire brigade rusting up and dying of boredom; there were plenty of calls for assistance in surrounding districts to keep us off the streets and out of trouble. Take even greater care next summer and make all our matches "away fixtures".

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UPPER BEACONSFIELD FIRE BRIGADE AUXILIARY

Judy Upjohn - Secretary

The Annual General Meeting of the Auxiliary is to be held on the 26th May 1981 8:00pm in the Brigade Meeting Room. Local residents are invited to attend and will be made most welcome; Nominations are now open for re-election of Office Bearers.

Numbers are becoming drastically low on our catering teams, so any ladies willing to help out, please contact either Terry Milligan 443263 or Judy Upjohn 443652 for further information.

Members of the Brigade and Auxiliary would like to extend their special thanks to those residents of Upper Beaconsfield who gave their generous support during our recent "rag drive". These "rag drives" are now regular, and a valuable source of funds to assist the Brigade's operations, so in view of the value of these proceeds, we wish to collect all rags whenever available, throughout the year. Please phone Dot Pockett 443506, Terry Milligan 443263, whenever you have any clothing or rags to donate and to be collected.

Mrs. Nancy Boura, who has been doing an excellent job as Communications Officer was re-elected again for 1981 at the recent Biennial meeting of the Fire Brigade.

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FIRE BRIGADE AUCTION

Peter Deering

To all who cleared out their sheds, garages and rooms etc., and to those who bought, I and the Fire Brigade thank you. We managed to transfer your trash and treasure to help fill up someone else's garage at the same time making money and sending me hoarse. The money raised will help to keep the Brigade equipped and running.

Due to the response we had this year and from the fun I had, I am sure we can make it a date next year. If you have saleable items you are going to discard, keep us in mind. Remember, one man's trash is another man's treasure!

To the Village Fair Committee, we thank you for allowing us the opportunity to participate with you and lending us the P.A. for the Auction.

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**R.S.L. WOMEN'S AUXILIARY**

Ruth Maguire

The R.S.L. Women's Auxiliary, Upper Beaconsfield, entertained some 34 patients from Hobson Park, Psychiatric Hospital, Traralgon, and two patients from Salisbury House to luncheon on Wednesday, 13th May. Other guests included staff from Hobson Park, and friends who helped entertain.

Tea was served on the guests' arrival, then luncheon after which they were entertained with slides of Western Australian Wildflowers and of New Zealand.

It was a lovely day and the guests appeared to enjoy their outing.

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**BEACONSFIELD UPPER PRIMARY SCHOOL MOTHER'S CLUB**

Gill Shead

Our meetings are held on the last Wednesday of each month and ALL Mothers are cordially invited to attend. Coffee is served at 1:30pm and the meeting starts at 1:45pm, so come along and enjoy a cup of coffee and a chat and join our hard working "MUM'S", you will be made very welcome. For those with young children, a Child Minding service will be available at Dawn Nance's home in Lenne Road from 1-3pm and one of our very capable mothers will be in charge.

Office bearers elected at our Annual Meeting were:-

- President: Veronica Bennett Vice President: Pat Edwards
- Secretary: Gill Shead Asst. Secretary: Yvonne Curtiss
- Treasurer: Jan Brain
- Committee: Gilda Hansen, Ros Harding, Myrna Hunter,  
Dawn Nance, Sue McSwan, Annette Walker.
- School Council Representative: Ann Burrridge.

Sincere thanks to the outgoing committee for a job well done. We are a very active Club and our main function is to help support the School Council with our fund raising activities.

Village Fair: Many thanks to the children and parents who helped to make our Float such a great success. We were awarded Second Prize. From the cake stall, we raised \$160, thanks to the magnificent efforts of the good cooks in Upper Beaconsfield. Oh what lovely cakes!

Easter Egg Raffle: Our sincere thanks to the Stores who contributed so generously to our Annual Easter Raffle, a very pleasing amount of \$185 was raised. The results of the draw were as follows:-

- 1st Prize Won by Mrs. D. Nowak
- 2nd " " " Nicole Bligh (Donated by Guys Hill Store)
- 3rd " " " C. Fox ( " " Beaconsfield Upper General Store)
- 4th " " " Mrs. J. Durkin " " Pinewood Sports Store)

We are going to continue to hold Hot Dog Days for the children this year as they have proven to be so popular.

At the moment, a group of Mothers are busy sewing up and filling Bean Bags for Physical Education activities.

We will also be doing the catering for the Fun Run to beheld on June 21st.

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**NURSING MOTHERS' ASSOCIATION** - Beaconsfield Group.

Meetings for June and July.

June 2nd. 8:00pm Guest Speaker: Mrs. Janice Morgan - Naturopath. Place: Roslyn Robinson, Payne Road, Beaconsfield; Phone 03 707 3218

July 7th 8:00pm Discussion on Breast Feeding in previous generations Bring along your mother or motherly friend.  
Place: Julie Atkins, Keith Parade, Beaconsfield; Phone 03 707 3762

Group Leader and Counsellor; Glenyce Sheean - Phone (059) 443267

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