

WOULD YOU LIKE A PARK FOR UPPER BEACONSFIELD?

As part of the conditions for sub-division of the Sutherland Estate an area of 8 acres was retained by the Shire for municipal purposes. This land is situated behind Sutherland and Stoney Creek Roads and has access from them. On the west it is bounded by Stoney Creek. The Shire has no specific plans for development of the area but would be sympathetic to suggestions and proposals from the residents of Upper Beaconsfield.

Norm Wilson of Sutherland Road has offered the proposal which we show on Page 2 for the development of the site as a barbecue area, bush walks and an exercise track. The aim is to maintain the area as close to its natural state as possible. Look at this plan, alter it, approve it, or rub it out and start again! Leave your comments with Ray Ratcliff at the Post Office or come to our next B.U.A. meeting on 7th October and give us your opinion.

If a majority of the community approves (or at least is only apathetic towards) the idea of a park, we will present a plan to the Shire for approval and aid in applying for various grants which could be available.

Graeme Kidd.

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VILLAGE FAIR - YOUR CHANCE TO SPONSOR

Planning for the next Village Fair is well underway. The date is set: Saturday, 20th March, 1982. Peter Deering and his committee have met twice, and Peter is contacting as many local groups as possible at this stage, usually by attending one of their meetings.

The aim of the Fair is to provide a day that brings families together for fun and to help build our local community. The emphasis will be on participation in the events of the day.

There will be the usual parade: one suggestion is that each group or family or number of families decorate a small trailer, and enter it or a horse-drawn vehicle in the parade.

Other activities will include a band, musical groups, games and competitions. Stalls for food, community service information, and sale of goods, will be there. A dance will be held in the evening.

Miss Upper Beaconsfield, and the Citizen of the Year will be featured.

Could you, or someone you know, provide sponsorship in some way, e.g. a donation or a gift as a prize? - or your help in some way?

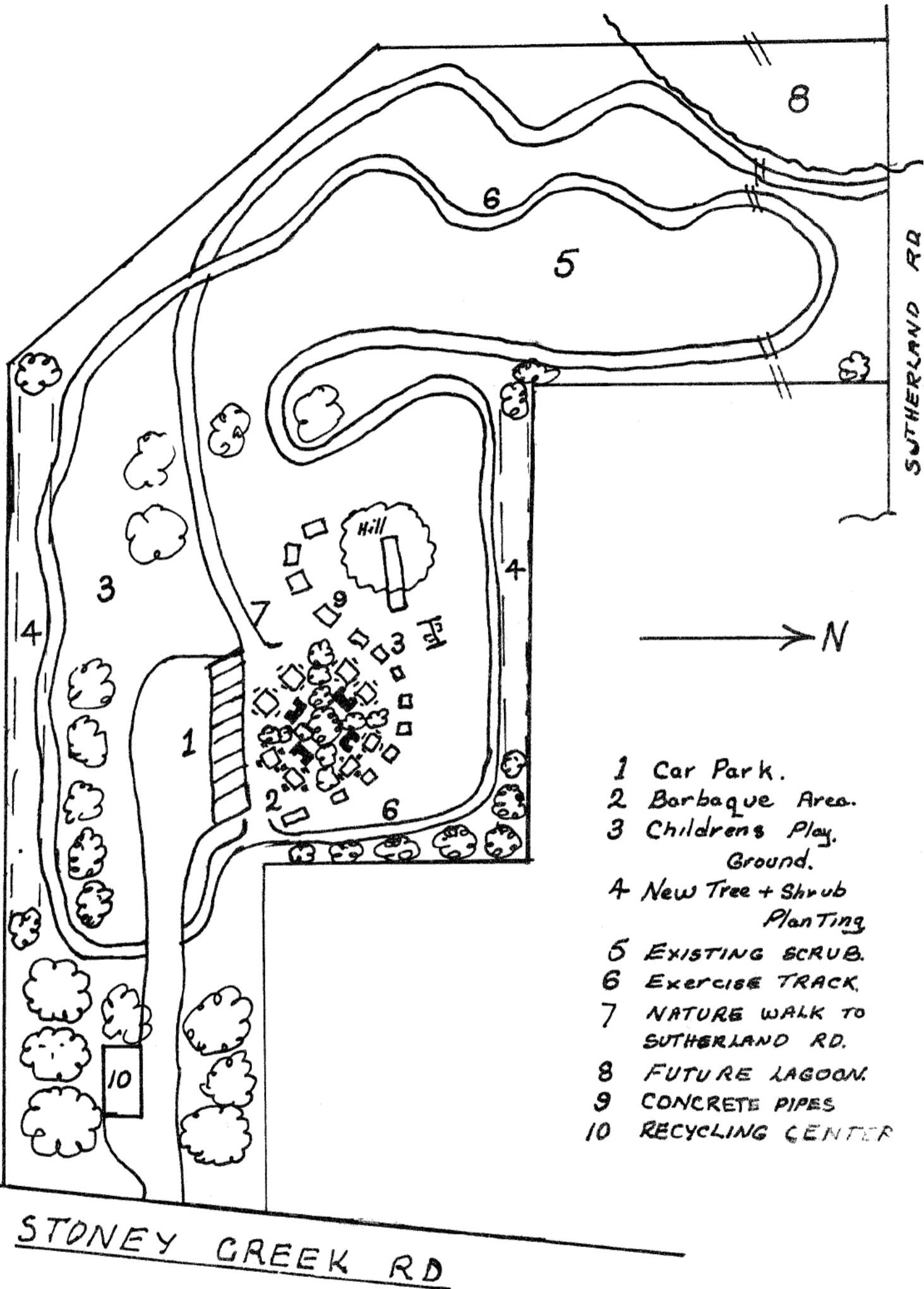
Please contact Peter Deering 443 521 - AND KEEP THE DAY FREE

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PATIENTS at Salisbury House Nursing Home and Highland Park Nursing Home Upper Beaconsfield would appreciate any donations of vases for bedside flowers. These would be very much appreciated.

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A PROPOSAL FOR A PARK IN U.B.



- 1 Car Park.
- 2 Barbaque Area.
- 3 Children's Play Ground.
- 4 New Tree + Shrub Planting
- 5 EXISTING SCRUB.
- 6 EXERCISE TRACK.
- 7 NATURE WALK TO SUTHERLAND RD.
- 8 FUTURE LAGOON.
- 9 CONCRETE PIPES
- 10 RECYCLING CENTER

I would like a park on this site ..... Yes ... No .

I like the above design ..... Yes ... No .

Other comment : .....

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**RE-CYCLING FOR UPPER BEACONSFIELD**

Jeanette Ballinger

The B.U.A. Sub-Committee on Re-Cycling lunched and then had a formal meeting at Council Offices in September. Shire President, Peter Meeking, chaired the meeting very ably and a representative of the Keep Pakenham Beautiful Committee was present with Shire Officers and ourselves.

- 1) Our community has agreed that we want to join together for re-cycling on one site for mutual benefit but wish the present organisations to run their own efforts as at present. We would be willing to form a committee of those organisations and the B.U.A., as a consultative group.
- 2) The Shire has agreed to check further on possible future sites for the Re-cycling Centre.
- 3) Shire Officer, Mr. Peter Dunn, will draw up a plan for the Centre along lines which were discussed and will cost out each item.
- 4) The next meeting of this group will be at the Shire Offices on October 14.

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**BEACONSFIELD UPPER ASSOCIATION**

**GENERAL MEETING**

Wednesday, October 7, 1981 at the Village Hall

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

8.00 p.m. GENERAL MEETING

Reports on - Re-cycling  
 - Village Fair  
 - Future Park for Upper Beaconsfield.  
 - Youth Club Meetings & Funds  
 - Finance Committee Report .....

a) Donation to School for purchase of large screen.  
 b) Xmas Celebration for Upper Beac. Community? ...  
 ... Father Xmas,  
 ... Carols,  
 ... Street and house decorations.

10.00 p.m. Supper

**A BASKETBALL PREMIERSHIP**

Matt McDonald

On Sunday, 20th September, the U.B.B.C. (Upper Beaconsfield Basketball Club) won A Grade Premiership in the Pakenham Competition. The final siren had the teams locked together on 34 all. In the five minutes time-on the local lads outscored Catani by 2 points in some tense and exciting play. The final score - 39 - 37.

The players were: Glenn Rutherford, enthusiast; Graeme Kidd, the reliable; Geoff Zelle, ball snatcher; Mick Adams, honorary local at 6'8"; Graham Matthews, straight-shooter; Chris Leaver, interceptor; Matt McDonald, "lean" jump-shooter; and Ray Crook, renowned rebounder. The team has played in the competition for four seasons, and has come a long way since surviving the first season and a half without a win!

The next season begins next week, and numbers have grown enough to enter two teams for the summer.

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**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH**

Lois Maghanoy

Services

Holy Communion	9.00 a.m.	Sundays 1, 2, 3 and 4
Holy Communion	10.30 a.m.	5th Sunday in the month.
Youth Service	7.00 p.m.	5th Sunday in the month.

Organisations

Vestry Rev. Roger Rich (411 013)  
 Meets bi-monthly in Fellowship Centre.

Women's Fellowship Sue Bradley (443 788)  
 First Wednesday in the month at 10.30 in Fellowship Centre.

Prayer Group Alison Medwin (443 551)  
 Alternate Tuesdays at 11.00 a.m. in home of Mrs. McTaggart.

Children's Fellowship Marion Graham (443 206)  
 (Wednesday School) - Fellowship Centre after school.

Youth Club Steve Waters (443 540)  
 Fridays from 7.00 to 9.00 p.m. in Fellowship Centre.  
 Ben Maghanoy (443 614)

Adult Fellowship Terry Fogarty (443 481)  
 Two Streams: Rev. Roger Rich (411 013)  
 a) Alternate Tuesdays at 8.00 p.m. in Fogarty home.  
 b) Alternate Tuesdays at 7.30 p.m. in Church office.  
 Next Meetings:  
 a) October 6th and 20th  
 b) September 29th, October 13th and 27th.

Junior Choir Regina Rich (411 013)  
 Friday at 4.00 p.m. in the Church.

Paper Collection Roy Harris (443 410)  
 Last Saturday in November, April and August. May also be deposited at any time in Roy Harris' shed in Salisbury Road.

Coming Events

Fete Barry & Alison Medwin (443 551)  
 Saturday, October 10th between 9.00 and 1.00 in the Fellowship Centre. Fancy goods, produce, cakes. Morning Teas and children's amusements provided. Donations most appreciated. Trash or treasure collected.

Celebration '81 Rev. Roger Rich (411 013)  
 Theme: Unite the Family  
 Venue: Pakenham High School  
 Time: Friday 9th to Sunday 11th October.  
 9th: (At 7.30 p.m.) Youth with a Mission and Rev. Charles Widdowson minister to young people.  
 10th: (At 2.00 p.m.) Puppets and music for children, parents addressed.  
 10th: (At 7.30 p.m.) Music, dance and mime for whole family.  
 11th: (At 10.30 a.m.) Eucharist.  
 Theme: God's Family 'The Church'.  
 11th: (At Noon) BYO Meat Barbecue on School grounds following H.C.  
 11th: (At 7.30 p.m.) Mission concludes at St. James' with Evening Fellowship.

Family Camp  
 In early November at the Belgrave C.M.S. camp. From Friday to Sunday. Adults - \$16.50, children over 2 years - \$12.50.

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**TEA ROOMS FOR UPPER BEACONSFIELD**

Bob and Joan Trumper have announced that they will be establishing tea rooms at their Kwarna Nursery in Burton Road. Planning approval has been received. They look forward to welcoming customers from Upper Beaconsfield and elsewhere early in the New Year.

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UPPER BEACONSFIELD ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY

Sonia Shaw

The UB Environmental Study Questionnaire has now been distributed to all households in UB. A total of 450 (Approx.) questionnaires were sent out.

The Study Team wish to express their thanks to all who participated in the survey. Thanks go to each household who completed a questionnaire. Special thanks are due to the "helpers" who distributed and picked up the questionnaires; and to the members of the BUA committee who assisted with the organisation of distribution of questionnaires and with the Pilot Survey. The next step with the Study is to collect the questionnaires from the Post Office for coding, and processing on the Monash computer. The data obtained from the survey results will be used by the Study Team for various aspects of the Study, e.g. Ian Newman will use information on effluent disposal, Pat Condina will use information on Stoney Creek, while I will be looking at attitudes to the future of UB.

Preliminary results of the survey will be made available to the BUA as they are to hand.

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PAUL GROVE DRAINAGE SCHEME

Pat Condina

The Council's scheme for a combined drainage/treated waste system has been abandoned for the time being. This will give the Council and others time to consider some of the many ramifications of such a drainage scheme.

There is no questioning the technical competence of the scheme as it stood, and future studies may find that such a scheme may be desirable in many respects. Apart from the social implications of the scheme, the main problem lay in the fact that it only provided half the answers - it would pipe the area's effluent and drainage to a certain point, but no details were given of how this sometimes polluted drainage would then be disposed of in an environmentally acceptable way. Obviously a total plan is necessary and it may happen that such an integrated approach may be more economically attractive.

Some early results of tests around the Paul Grove area indicate that the effluent in the roadside drain is high in nutrients and organic matter. For example, samples at the end of Paul Grove give values of phosphorus and nitrogen over ten times higher than in the creek. Such a flow if allowed to reach the creek would certainly adversely affect it. Fortunately, at present this effluent is being absorbed and assimilated downstream of Paul Grove and few pollutants would enter the creek for the greater part of the year. Piping would mean that full advantage was not being taken of such natural treatment processes.

When one considers that so few people were inconvenienced by poor drainage and that fewer still would actually derive real benefit from the scheme, it seems wise to have deferred implementation until such time as a scheme which is fully consistent with desired development of the area is proposed.

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THE UPPER BEACONSFIELD ASSOCIATION

Graham Jackson, Secretary

The Association continues with a vigorous programme of activities and interests. This issue of the Village Bell carries articles on a number of matters which the Association is promoting.

Planning of the Village Fair is already underway, whilst the film nights held for the younger residents are proving successful and look set for a long run.

The Shire Secretary, Mr. B. Wallis, has advised that the Association has been granted the sum of \$310.00 towards the purchase of equipment for the production of the Village Bell on the understanding that the Association contributes a like amount.

A new, and exciting matter that has come before the Association is the idea of creating a park on council-owned land in Sutherland Road; you will find more information on this topic in this issue.

Representatives of the Association are also looking at the Council's suggestions for a re-cycling centre in Upper Beaconsfield, whilst others are investigating the possibility of arranging lighting and decorations to add a distinctive touch to Upper Beaconsfield at Christmas time.

All in all, the members of the UBA are vigorously pursuing many matters of interest or concern to the residents of Upper Beaconsfield.

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**KINDERGARTEN, PRE-SCHOOL AND INFANT WELFARE CENTRE**

Kathy De La Rue

It is hoped that all Mothers attending the I.W.C., or Mothers of young children who have recently moved into this area, have enrolled their babies and toddlers in Pre-School or Kinder., as places for certain years are rapidly filling -further information contact Liz. Schroeders ('Phone 443 594).

The Staff at either the Pre-School in McBride Road, or the Kindergarten in Stoney Creek Road, will be happy to chat, with any parent, and show child and parent around their centre. 'Phone 443 822 (Kinder.) or 443 253 (Pre-School) for further information.

Both Kindergarten and Pre-School are presently adding to their equipment. Equipment on order and awaiting delivery includes:-

Fort, Listening Post, New Chairs, Screens, Sand Trolley, etc.

These purchases have been made possible due to excellent Community support for fund raising activities. The recent raffle raised \$761 (Profit).

1ST PRIZE - I. ILES      2ND PRIZE - D. JAMIESON      3RD PRIZE - L. GIURLES

As in the previous two years, a "SUPER BAZAAR" will be held on NOVEMBER 27TH in the Kinder. grounds. Stalls will include Plants, Cakes, White Elephant, Clothing etc.

Kindergarten, Pre-School and I.W.C. meetings are held on the first Monday evening of every month. Any interested parent would be most welcome. Contact Ann Decelis ('Phone 443 752) for information.

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**BEACONSFIELD UPPER PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Coming Events:

- 1) Poowong Camp - At present 27 children are enjoying a three day camp at Poowong, accompanied by Mr. Fisher and Miss Gaskin.
- 2) Canberra Trip - 43 children and four teachers will take part in a five day excursion to Canberra from 16th - 20th November - all are looking forward to having an enjoyable and educational trip.
- 3) Bonfire - The Bonfire will be held, as usual, in November - please watch the School Newsletter for the date and keep it free as this is always excellent entertainment.
- 4) Inter-House Athletic Sports will be held in October.
- 5) Inter-School Athletic Sports - similar to the 1980 programme - will be held at the Reid and Robinson Reserves on November 5th.

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**BEACONHILLS CHRISTIAN COLLEGE**

The Steering Committee recently appointed Mr. Frank Millett as Founding Principal. Frank is well qualified and has experience as Principal in a similar school to Beaconhills.

Parents, students and supporters of the school attended a meeting on Monday, September 28 in St. James Hall, Pakenham, to hear the latest developments and to meet the Principal.

For further information contact: Julie Jamieson 443 262  
John McConchie 443 577

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**THE VILLAGE BELL**

- Masthead: Sheila Kidd
- Editors: Graeme Kidd with assistance from Matt McDonald, Jeanette Ballinger, Laura Levens and Charles Wilson.
- Typing: Alison Ryan, Sandra Francey, Amy Crosbie, Elva Ratcliff.
- Duplicating: Ken Ballinger, John Milligan, Charles Wilson.
- Collating: The ladies of the Fitness Club.

**DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE - 15TH NOVEMBER, 1981**

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VILLAGE CALENDAR

OCTOBER    3 - 10    St. Johns - "Youth with a Mission"  
               8            C. W. A. Day Group. General Meeting, Officer.  
               9 - 18    St. Johns - Celebration '81  
               10           St. Johns - Annual Fete  
               15           C.W.A. Choral Festival, Rochester  
               17           U.B. Fire Brigade Auxiliary Dance, Village Hall at 8 p.m.  
               19 - 31    C.W.A. Handcrafts Exhibition - Myer, Melbourne  
               27           U.B. Kindergarten Meeting - 8 p.m. (First for new Committee.)

NOVEMBER    2            U.B. Tennis Club Dinner Dance, Beacon Hills Golf Club  
                               7.30 p.m.  
               6            Guy Fawkes Night - School  
               27           U.B. Kindergarten "Super Bazaar" at Kindergarten  
               28           St. Johns Paper Drive  
               28           R.S.L. Annual Fete, 2.00 to 4.30 p.m.

MULTI PURPOSE ROOM PRODUCTIONS

Presents

Chicken and Champagne Evening

"BEING THERE"

Starring Peter Sellers and Shirley McLaine

Friday, 9th October - 7.30 p.m.

15 doubles still available at time of publication.

To obtain tickets please phone Dawn Nance - 443 848

Note: Quadraphonic sound and comfortable seating  
will all help the chicken and champagne to  
go down.

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FIRE BRIGADE AUXILIARY NEWS

Judy Upjohn

A reminder that the Fire Brigade will be holding its Annual Supper Dance on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17TH at 8 p.m. in the Public Hall. The theme for this year will be:-

"GO CRAZY NIGHT" ..... LOTS OF THRILLS AND FRILLS, FANCY DRESS (OPTIONAL)

The rest is up to your imagination so come and join in the Fun.

Further details will be posted up soon on the local Notice Boards and tickets will be available from Dot Pockett (443 506).

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C.W.A.

The Upper Beaconsfield Branch of the Country Womens Association were very happy to receive the Handicrafts and Home Industries Cup for gaining the most points for prizes won at the State Exhibition held at the Chadstone Auditorium in August. This Cup is for a Branch of not more than 30 members.

Coming Events:        October 8th        Annual Meeting (Everyone welcome)  
                               October 13th        Choral Festival, Rochester  
                               October 19-31st    Handicrafts Exhibition, Myer Melbourne

For further details of our Club's activities, please contact:-  
G. STUTLEY - President. (443 599) or G. JUDD - Secretary (443 556)

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R.S.L. UPPER BEACONSFIELD - WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

Ruth Maguire

Annual Fete - Saturday, 28th November - 2.00 to 4.30 p.m.

R.S.L. Rooms, Halford Road.

Stalls:    Christmas Gifts, Cakes, Sweets, White Elephant, Plants, Produce,  
              Afternoon Tea.

ALL WELCOME!

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**WHO FLIES THE VILLAGE FLAG?**

Paul Easton

Often asked when the flagpole adjacent to the cenotaph in Salisbury Road carries the national emblem. This question is best answered by one man - the President of the local R.S.L. sub-branch.

Sometimes celebrating a Commonwealth occasion, or regretfully marking a bereavement, the flag is raised by Mr. Frank Conn, a dedicated R.S.L. stalwart for decades.

Though declining in numbers, the sub-branch is very active and the Clubhouse in Halford Road (adjacent to the Fire Brigade Station) the scene of regular social functions, Public occasions, such as Anzac Day, provides the opportunity for district residents to enjoy the hospitality of former servicemen and women. Another annual event open to all is the fete conducted on the last Saturday in November by the R.S.L. Ladies Auxiliary. This group, headed by Mrs. Nell Fullerton, welcomes public support, both by patronising the popular raffles, and by attending the stalls and novelty attractions.

Closely linked with the Legacy movement, the sub-branch is a vital community group and plays its quiet role in the progress of the Village.

With some 20 active members, the sub-branch regularly hosts zone gatherings of war veterans, during which times Halford Road is the mecca for R.S.L. and Legacy representatives from far afield.

Regular meetings are held on the first Sunday of each month, starting at 10.30 a.m. and now that membership qualifications have been relaxed, newcomers are warmly welcomed.

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**SCHOOL BUS**

Jeanette Ballinger

In September a meeting was held at Berwick High School in another attempt to work out a solution to the unsatisfactory bus timetable. Present were Mr. Ray Allen, Deputy Principal and Bus Officer of the School, two formidable men from the Transport Regulation Board, and Barbara Baldwin, Jeanette Ballinger, Linda Brodie and Jenny Lord. It was finally agreed that the Moloney Bus Service would be asked to arrange routing to eliminate the 40 to 45 minute wait, at the school - especially at night - and the T.R.B, men agreed reluctantly to do this.

The mothers will obtain numbers and computer listings from the school, and try to work out re-routings straight to Berwick High to eliminate delays in the Moloney and Sincoe services, as well as to try to extend the service to pick up the 20 or so children in the Foott, Manestar and Red Hill Roads area.

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**UPPER BEACONSFIELD HALL**

Des McKenna

The Hall committee has decided to build a garden around the front of the hall, and has had the offer of suitable rocks. However, these need to be collected from Harkaway. We would appreciate if someone with a suitable sized truck, preferably a tip-truck, would offer to transport these for us. If you can, could you please contact Peter Durkin 'phone 443 765.

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**NEW ARRIVAL**

New arrival at the home of Peter and Judith Escreet, Morris Road - baby Rohan born at the end of August, a brother for Justine, Taryn and Rebecca.

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DEWHURST.....More recollections from readers.....

Diana Roche  
Roy Harris  
John Milligan

Even in the recent long, cold, wet, windy winter, we have not had snow. But back in the days of horse transport, when show fell it was a real problem for horses. When L.A. Wilson had to go up to Emerald from Dewhurst after a fall of snow, he had to stop frequently to clear snow from the horses' hooves, to enable the animals to get a grip on the steep hilly tracks. For the same reason, those Christmas card pictures of coaches speeding merrily through the snow are mostly imagination.

Mr. Allan, who lived at Bim Bim Be for a time, next bought "Staverton" above Guys Hill. He was killed when a cartload of manure overturned, on the road between Upper Beaconsfield and "Faldinghurst".

There were Scout and Cub troupes in Dewhurst, led by Alan Thompson.

Dewhurst appears to have had no permanent garage business. The Fire Brigade had an account with Belfield, who started the garage in Upper Beaconsfield, on land that belonged to Bob Bickham.

The present house "Blue Ridge" at the east end of Berglund Road, was built by Freighters Ltd. as their staff country club. At the original house on the site there was a "horse works". A horse was harnessed to a pivoted beam, and it walked round and round a circular track. Power was transmitted from the pivot by gears and belts, to operate farm machinery.

Ray Wilson and his brothers lived in a shack between L.A. Wilson's place and the school, before he built a house beside the "New Road". Edwards was one of the weekenders at Dewhurst. W. Bennett followed Cation in the Post Office building, but he did not continue the Post Office business. He had large hire cars. When Mrs. Wilson was at "Glenbrae" she took boarders; usually the school teacher stayed there.

Colin Rowse had the "Crystal Brook" nursery and contracting business. He laid out the grounds of "Clover Cottage" in Manuka Road, Berwick, when Mr. Tuckfield of TinyTips Tea bought the place. Eric Bumpstead worked for him there on the earthmoving and landscaping operations. Colin Rowse's father was connected with the Tintookie Puppets, and he made part of the puppets.

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PAKENHAM SHIRE CITIZENS' ADVICE BUREAU

Ruth Maguire

The Annual General Meeting of the Committee of Management was held on Thursday, August 6, 1981, at which I represented the B.U.A.

The Presidential and Bureau Secretary's reports indicated that the Bureau was meeting a real community need in so much that the number of enquiries had about doubled in one year. To meet this the harried volunteer staff has been increased from 5 to 17.

The Guest Speaker, now Councillor M. Owens, Berwick, gave an interesting account of the work being done in Westernport to help the disabled to greater emotional and physical independence.

Citizens' Advice Bureau - 24 Main Street, Pakenham - Phone (059) 41 2377

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FITNESS CLUB

Dawn Nance

Between "tasting nights" of tomato aspic and brandied pear delight our ladies are developing into potentially stunning Mrs. Australias. Our popularity is explained by our membership growth to 48.

Thursday nights in the Multi-Purpose room; contact Dawn Nance 443 848.

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**VILLAGE DANCE**

Norm. Wilson

The Village Dance was held on Saturday night - September 12th, with an attendance of around 120. Fine Colonial Style music was provided by the "Flying Doctor Bush Band". The night was a swinging success with Mum, Dad and the kids all joining in and dancing to the music.

The success of the dance was attributed to a few people to whom I would like to say thank you:

PETER DEERING - for the printing of posters and tickets. "MUDDY CREEK RESTAURANT" - for the \$20 voucher, which was the prize for the lucky door ticket. THE GENERAL STORE - for their help with prizes. KWARNA NURSERIES - who supplied plants for the Auction. THE HALL COMMITTEE - who supplied the Hall and supper. STAN HAMILTON - for the bales of hay. Last, but not least, my fine Committee - KAY PENNINGTON, GILL WATSON and GRAEME KIDD. Without their help it would have been a hard road. Many thanks also to the UPPER BEACONSFIELD ASSOCIATION for making this enjoyable occasion possible.

**BUA DANCE - SEPTEMBER 12**

Jeanette Ballinger

A very big thank-you to Norm Wilson, his committee of Kay Pennington, Gill Watson and Graeme Kidd for all the work they put in to make this a great evening for all those who attended. The band was full of life and originality. A prize for the best Colonial dress-lady went to Mrs. Dutka, and gentleman -Peter Meeking.

The ladies of the Hall Committee again did an excellent job for the evening - we hope they made some money out of the drinks because there was not enough money to reach the hire fee for the Hall and the Association is down \$50. There were simply not enough adults; however, it did leave room to dance and we all made the most of it.

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

Dear Editor of the Upper Beaconsfield Village Bell,

Recently (on the 12th of September) our family attended the Village Dance put on by the Upper Beaconsfield Association at the Upper Beaconsfield Public Hall, and we had a great night. The "Flying Doctor Bush Band" provided the music. The crowd was enthusiastic and everyone joined in and seemed to enjoy themselves. Supper was provided. The entrance fee was reasonable, which included a chance to win a prize. A mini auction, childrens' games and dress competitions provided much needed spells from dancing.

We thoroughly enjoyed ourselves, and hope that further dances of this kind are held for the local people.

The Stephenson Family,  
Pakenham.

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**NEW RESIDENTS**

We offer a warm welcome to the following new residents:

- St. Georges Road: Mr. & Mrs. Keith Nadenbousch  
Mr. & Mrs. Timworth  
Mrs. Court
- Brennan Avenue: Mr. & Mrs. B. Dennis
- Salisbury Road: Mr. & Mrs. Neil Robert  
John & Annabelle Budd
- Stoney Creek Road: Mr. & Mrs. Parker
- Emerald Road: Kerry O'Loughlin  
Margaret Andrews
- Lenne Road: Mr. & Mrs. C. Mitchell
- Grant Court: Mr. & Mrs. Ruse
- White Lane: John & Sherie Holcombe

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**HILLVIEW QUARRIES**

Following advice from the Minister of Planning that some form of amendment should take place which recognises the existence of stone, the Council resolved to meet with the Minister to discuss the matter further. In the meantime however, Council has determined to meet with Hillview prior to meeting with the Minister, and has appointed the three Beacon Hills Councillors, plus one Councillor from each of the other 3 hidings and officers to be the Councils representatives.

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**SHIRE PRESIDENTS REPORT**

Peter S. Meeking

On the 10th August, 1981, I was elected to the position of President of the Pakenham Shire Council, and I thank particularly the residents of the Beacon Hills Riding who by their support over the past four years have enabled me to gain this position.

Even at this early stage I am finding the President's role to be many and varied, requiring considerable versatility and a high degree of staying power. Speech making, often impromptu, is commonplace. Efficient Chairmanship is essential, but varies greatly from a formal Council meeting to a small community group meeting, and all that is in between. Delegations to Government Ministers are frequent and different again, and so too is presiding over a Citizenship Ceremony for the very first time. With the essential need to maintain my employment, days and nights are fully occupied, and it all adds up to an exciting and challenging period. I can assure you all that I will be totally involved.

It was certainly baptism of fire as in the first few weeks Council faced up to its much awaited debate on where to build the new municipal offices. Even though both local newspapers (Pakenham Gazette and Berwick Times) included lengthy reports of the meeting, I should advise that the decision taken was to build on Duncans Hill, which is the Housing Commission land adjoining the High School.

The Pakenham Chamber of Commerce and a number of other citizens strongly supported the alternative view to build within the existing commercial centre, and emotions ran high. The debate lasted a little over three hours, the decision was taken, and it is hoped that it can now be on with the job. Building and associated costs are increasing at the rate of one and a half percent to two percent per month, and with interest rates rapidly climbing, every delay just increases the cost, so hopefully all other difficulties will be quickly resolved.

Already I have been able to invite a number of community groups to attend a Council meeting, and I will continue to do so for the entire year. Service Clubs, School Councils, Mothers Clubs, Red Cross Groups, Associations and Auxiliaries are but some of those who will be invited. I want people to see what happens at Council meetings, both the good and the not so good, and thereby draw together in a closer link the community and the Council. I will continue to encourage Council to provide open government as much as possible, with debate and decision available for all to see.

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**CONGRATULATIONS AND COMMISERATIONS**

Our congratulations to Peter Meeking on his selection for the position of Shire President for the coming year. With his considerable energy and talents we feel that Peter will carry out his functions most ably. We commend his attitudes towards open government and greater communication, principles strongly endorsed by the BUA.

To Keith Ewenson, our commiserations on losing the very close contest for the position.

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**1ST BEACONSFIELD UPPER CUBS, SCOUTS AND VENTURERS**

Ross Hales

The local lads are still having a great time, Monday and Thursday evenings, in the Beaconsfield Upper General Hall. Games, sing-songs, quizzes, tests, instruction, camps, excursions and bottle drives are thoroughly enjoyed by all. A couple more volunteer leaders would be most welcome at this time, as there are still some boys on a "waiting list". For all Cub, Scout or Venturer information, please contact Tim Richardson on 03-796 8590.

VENTURERS: There are vacancies in the "Venturer" division, any boys between 14 and 18 are most welcome; and, as the following programme shows, venturing is an excellent educational, as well as enjoyable activity.

Venturers Programme 1981

September.	Tuesday	7	Gang Show excursion
	Tuesday	14	Map reading. Programme planning.
	Tuesday	22	Night work. Orienteering, direction and time by the stars.
	Tuesday	29	(6 p.m. start) Camp practice, light fire, cook meal, pitch tent.
October.	Tuesday	6	*Camp practice. Visitors - environment and music.
	Weekend	10/11	Camp at Walhalla - Gold and Copper prospecting.
	Tuesday	13	*Dandenong visit; hospital, police and ambulance.
	Tuesday	20	*Visit a Shire Council meeting.
	Tuesday	27	*Car rally - see the car being prepared.
November.	Monday	2	*Night beat; all night in Melbourne visiting services that operate all night. Cup Holiday next day.
	Tuesday	10	Basic first aid course.
	Sunday	13	*Fire Brigade practice.
	Tuesday	17	Motor bike maintenance. Repair Go-Kart engine.
	Tuesday	24	*Pottery as an art form - hobby or career.
December	Tuesday	1	Films on alcohol, tobacco, drugs. Plan Christmas camp.
	Tuesday	8	*Squash night at Beaconsfield.
			*Venturer uniform to be worn.

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**UPPER BEACONSFIELD TENNIS CLUB**

The new office bearers of the Club are:

President:	Tony Lange	Secretary:	Glenda Fenton(443 508 A.H.)
Vice-Presidents:	Peter Gray	Treasurer:	Gwenda Oldmeadow
	Harry Kennan	Jnr.Tennis:	Julie Jamieson

The 1981/82 season commences on October 3rd, with the Club entering 6 senior teams and 5 junior teams in the West Gippsland Tennis Association.

Junior Tennis - The winter season brought 2 premierships home to Upper Beaconsfield, congratulations Section 1 and 2. The Round Robin on the 22nd August was won by Jamie Hooper and Joanne Eaton. As an onlooker on that day you had to feel proud of these kids who battled on in wet conditions and so obviously enjoyed themselves.

Coaching - Greg. Harrison has commenced coaching on Wednesday nights, ensuring that the junior strength will continue to grow.

Working Bee - Working Bees are being held every Sunday at the moment to get Court 2 ready for the summer season. If you can spare some time, to help please come along any time on a Sunday and you will be made welcome.

Cup Eve Dinner Dance - NOVEMBER 2ND - BEACON HILLS GOLF CLUB - 7.30 P.M. By now every one will know what a surprise packet we produce for our Cup Eve Dinner Dance, and this year there is more fun in store. If you would like to organise your table early please contact Carol Westrip (443 406) or Annette Phillips (443 675) for tickets - they will be limited.

**SHIRE OF PAKENHAM - IMMUNIZATION CAMPAIGN** Enquiries 411 011 Health Dept.

WHEN	-	Friday, 9th October, 1981 5.30 - 6.45 p.m.
WHERE	-	Council Chambers, John Street, Pakenham.
WHO	-	Adults
WHAT	-	General Immunization against POLIO, DIPHTHERIA, TETANUS.

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