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CHRISTMAS EVE FESTIVITIES IN THE VILLAGE

Ray Ratcliff

Carols by Candlelight

The annual Carols by Candlelight will again be held under the festive lights at the Rotunda in Upper Beaconsfield township on Christmas Eve.

Under the direction of the B.U.A. the Rotunda will be transformed by the brightly coloured lights and the combined voices of the residents, celebrating the festive occasion with all the warmth, and friendship that a community such as this can offer. The Primary School will present a children's choir and Ross Hales will provide the musical accompaniment for the carol singing with a much improved sound system, ensuring that everyone will be able to hear what is going on.

Father Christmas

Yes, this jolly old fellow will be with us again and will begin rounds in the fire truck, along with his trusty helpers at 7.45 pm on Christmas Eve, stopping firstly at Grant Court, His second stop will be at the intersection of BURTON Road, Stoney Creek Road and Young Street at 8 pm. From there he will proceed to the vacant block just before Paul Grove arriving at 8.15 pm, and then go on to the Rotunda, in the centre of the Village at 8.30 pm.

I am sure he is looking forward once more to all the boys and girls of Upper Beaconsfield gathering around him at the various stopping points. He will have lots of goodies and Christmas cheer to share around with all. The carol singing will then begin at 9 o'clock.

SO PLEASE REMEMBER - CHRISTMAS EVE IN THE VILLAGE :

Santa's rounds followed by

Carols by Candlelight at the Rotunda -

a wonderful way to share Christmas Festivities with friends and neighbours.

DON'T FORGET YOUR CANDLES

AGENDA - BUA MEETING

- 7.30 p.m. Minutes and correspondence available for inspection.
- 8.00 p.m. Meeting starts 8.15 p.m. Reports
- 8.45 p.m. 1) Proposal for Fireman's Memorial at Sutherland Park
- 2) Is the Shire Planning Scheme out of date?
- 3) Berwick Council is discussing closure of the Inglis Road - Lyall Road route to through traffic. What is your opinion of this notion?
- 4) Carols by Candlelight
- 9.00 p.m. General business
- 9.59 p.m. Closure
- 10 p.m. Christmas cheer - please bring a plate.

COUNCIL NEWS

Councillor P. Meeking

Beaconsfield Emerald Road Funding North of Upper Beaconsfield

At long last the reconstruction of the Beaconsfield Emerald Road, north of Upper Beaconsfield is a reality. The section from the township extending north to Split Rock Road is to be funded (subject to the Road Construction Authority) and constructed over a three year period, with the first funds being available in the 1985/86 year. The length involved is 3400 metres and the funds to be allocated will approximate \$510,000.

Beaconsfield Emerald Road - North of Guys Hill

In an attempt to assist the regular travellers to and from Upper Beaconsfield funds have been programmed to construct and seal a passing lane which already is partly in existence. Subject to the Road Construction Authority agreement funds should be available in the 1985/86 year.

TOY LIBRARY.

The Toy Library will be closed over the summer holidays and re-opened Thursday 14th February, 1985. Please return all toys by 13th December. Any enquiries to Anne Pateman - 443-382.

UPPER BEACONSFIELD PUBLIC HALL

Des McKenna -
Chairman.

Having just completed our Centenary Celebrations our Committee would like to publicly express our thanks to those people who have worked so hard to make the celebrations such a wonderful success.

In particular, we would thank Roy Harris, the Centenary Committee Chairman and his very enthusiastic group of fellow workers for their vision and willingness to work so hard to bring that vision into a reality.

Our own part of the celebrations - the dance on the Saturday evening was a very happy occasion for the many people who gathered to recall the past and enjoy the present.

One highlight of the evening was the presentation of a framed photograph of the Shire Offices in Beaconsfield, Tasmania, by the Warden, Mr. Trevor Roach, who was thanked for the support given by his community to the Upper Beaconsfield Hall immediately after the Ash Wednesday fires. This gift was used in the refurbishing of the Hall.

This photo will be suitably inscribed and hang in the Hall.

By now the whole community will have seen the splendid transformation which the Hall has undergone in recent months.

- The extension of the Community Centre crèche and playground.
- The relining of the Hall and the repolishing of the floors.
- The complete repainting of the outside of the Hall.

All these things, however, have been brought into focus by the erection of the commemorative bell tower as the new main entrance.

For the design of this beautifully simple structure, we are indebted as a community to our local architect, Mr. Paul Reid, who readily accepted the challenge of fitting a new structure into 100 years of history.

The bell tower project came into being as a result of the desire of the people of Beaconsfield in England to assist our community and many individuals and organizations there contributed to their Lord Mayor's Appeal. Negotiations were carried out between their Rotary Club in U.K. and the Rotary Club in Berwick to determine how the money should be spent and resulted in a decision to proceed with our bell tower.

The President of Berwick Rotary Club, Mr. Graeme Beasley, attended the centenary dance and outlined to those present the history of the project and in officially handing over the tower presented to the Hall Committee a list of the donors and a beautiful book on the history of Beaconsfield, England, together with a photo album of snapshots of the present day buildings there.

We would like some suggestions from the community as to how we could best make use of these items. Some suggestions to date have been - donation to a library - make available at the Post Office. What are your thoughts?

The list of donors is to be framed and hung in the entrance alcove of the Hall.

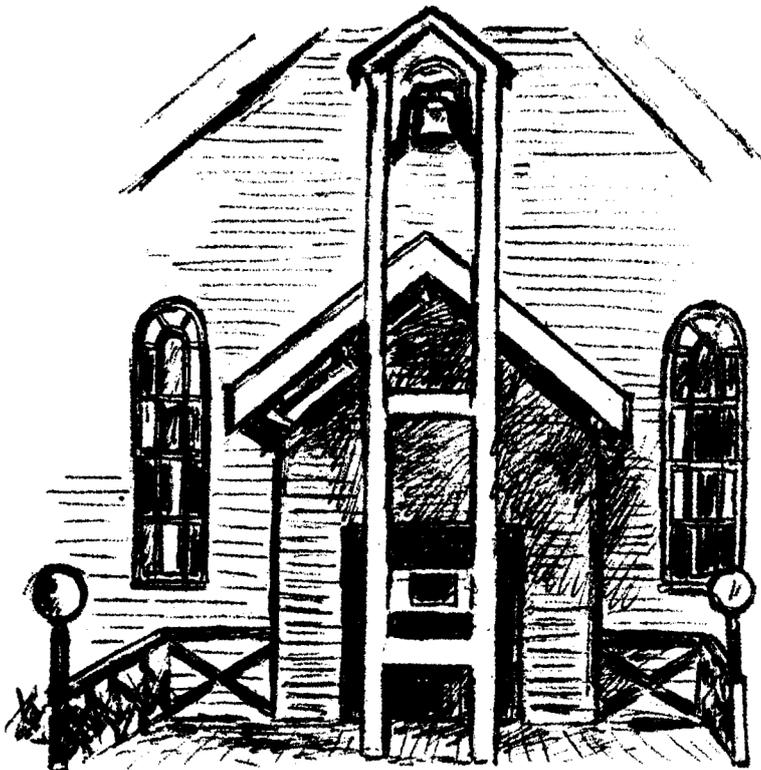
Our very grateful thanks as a community go forth to our good friends in Beaconsfield, England and to the members of Berwick Rotary Club for their generosity and support.

The present Hall Committee's term of office expires on 8th December and a new Committee will be elected at a public meeting called by the Shire in conjunction with the Crown Lands Department on Wednesday, 28th November.

The term of office is for three years. It is the earnest desire of the Committee that a serious interest should be taken by the whole community in the wonderful asset we have in what surely must be the best preserved and most beautiful historic public building in the Shire.

We seek the support of every organization and there are many which uses the Hall, to attend this meeting and seek representation on the Committee.

A wonderful example in community service in this regard has been set over many years by Mrs. Joyce Bumpstead and Mrs. Joan Trumper, both of whom worked so hard for the centenary of the Hall and deservedly achieved so much personal enjoyment from the celebrations.



Margaret Chellew.

UPPER BEACONSFIELD TENNIS CLUB

Gwenda Oldmeadow

The Club has had a busy time over the past couple of weeks. Our thanks go to the members who helped with the activities over the Centenary weekend. The Centenary Round Robin was very successful with 32 adults and 18 juniors participating. The winners were Paula Mitchell and Leigh Oldmeadow and the junior winners were Kylie Johnson and a tie between Michael Meeking and Timothy Anderson. The Cup Eve Dinner Dance was again very successful and enjoyed by all.

The Midweek Ladies Summer Comp is in its final weeks and we have another Premiership team. Congratulations to Section 5 Wednesday - Siosi Oliver, Barbara Jackson, Julie Jamieson, Christine Logan and Gwenda Oldmeadow on winning another Grand Final for the Club. Winter Comp starts February 1985 but names must be on the list in the Clubhouse by Wednesday 28th November. Any new members or prospective new members who are interested in playing Competition Midweek please phone Gill Shead 443 439.

There will be a Midweek Ladies Christmas lunch at the Pine Grove on Tuesday December 4th at approximately 12.30.

Coaching clinics for juniors will be held during December and January and for seniors on four Tuesday evenings commencing 20th November. For details ring our Coach Bruce Isaacs on 580 7840 or enter names on the Clubhouse Notice Board.

If anyone would like further information on the U.B.T.C, please phone our President Leigh Oldmeadow 443 658 a/h or Secretary Elizabeth Hart (03) 707 1337 a/h.

The Club wishes a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to Village Bell readers.

TANGARA TRAIL BIKES

Susan Pitman

While he was teaching Tim Richardson became aware of a need for youngsters to be able to ride their trail bikes in safety. He put in around 3 km. of track on his 35 acre property in Boundary Road just beyond the end of Manestar Road and bought 20 bikes. There are three models for hire in the trail bike fleet - Z50's for riders from 8 to about 13 years, XR80's for teenagers and three wheeled ACT70's for all ages between 8 - 18. Helmets are available and tuition for beginners is free. Tim is committed to teaching safe riding skills.

Since the service began there have been few complaints about noise as Tim insists that all bikes be of the quiet variety. While the boys may prefer the noisier bikes, they don't get a choice at Tangara. Bikes are available on weekends and school holidays when the weather is not too wet and Tangara has proved a popular venue for birthday parties. Further information is available from Tim and (as from the 8th December) his wife Barbara on (03) 796 8590.

CENTENARY BOOKLET

Some of the fifty readers outside Upper Beaconsfield who receive the Village Bell in a wrapper by mail, may be interested in a booklet published on behalf of the Centenary Committee and on sale locally. The booklet contains the histories of the Hall and the School from 1884 to 1984, in 26 pages of print, with 14 photographs and reproductions of artists' drawings of the buildings.

Copies can be obtained from John Milligan, Hughenden Road, Upper Beaconsfield, Vic., 3808 or phone 059 443 263. The price is \$4 plus 50 cents postage.

BEACONSFIELD UPPER CITIZEN OF THE YEAR - 1984

This years award, which must have been one of the best kept secrets of all time, went to Dr. Charles Wilson. He and his wife Yvonne 'retired' here about seven years ago. Charles enthusiastically supported many community activities. He eventually started what he hoped would be a small practice.

During this time his care and compassion has endeared him to all who know him. It is only from those who have benefitted from his kindness that we are made aware of the time and effort expended beyond the call of duty.

A large number of people welcome the opportunity to express their appreciation by supporting this award.

FAREWELL AND THANK YOU TO THE WATERS

Jane Holth

After living in Upper Beaconsfield for five years and becoming very much a part of the community, Shelley and Steve Waters have found it painful to say goodbye. Last weekend they moved to their new home in Mt. Eliza. The old brick house which they bought is similar in character to their beloved Little Amesfield which was destroyed in the fires last year.

During their time in Upper Beaconsfield Shelley taught Religious Education at the Primary School and Steve ran the St. John's Youth Club. After the fires Shelley was particularly active in helping the community get back on its feet when she started the crèche and joined the rebuilding committee of St. John's church. She intends to break her ties gradually by carrying on her work at the crèche this year and in 1985.

PONY CLUB DINNER

Jane Holth

A lucky seat number and two raffles with prizes varying from new tyres to bags of 'complete' helped make a festive evening at the pony club dinner at the Muddy Creek Restaurant on 15 November. Nearly 90 people attended and profits will go towards the pony, club's grounds.

The guests were enlightened as to the coming summer fashions by a parade of outfits from Pol Boutique in Berwick. Models were Nancy Vaughan, a member of the pony club and her sister Sarah, plus Kylie Greenaway, also a member, and Meg Johnson, mother of a member.

CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS - A PERSONAL VIEW.

Dear Maud,

I'm so sorry you weren't able to get back to Upper Beaconsfield for the Centenary celebrations. The rain held off and everyone seemed to have a lovely time especially those who met up with people they hadn't seen for 50 years.

I quite looked forward to the day - hadn't felt such a glow of anticipation since my last 18th birthday. I mean I didn't expect to know anyone from that long ago but maybe that young man, Oswald, you remember mother tried to get him for me? Well, maybe he might have turned up so I donned my best outfit - white blouse with leg'o'mutton sleeves, a red tie, a red and white striped skirt and white gloves. I carried a crocheted red dolly bag and wore the cutest straw boater with a lovely red velvet ribbon. The inspector told me not to wear red to school as it excites the young men. Maybe it is the wrong shade of red - there were all those handsome bandsmen and some fellas in yellow and men driving gorgeous shiny cars and not one took the slightest notice of me. No one can say I don't try though.

Anyway, the concert by the present generation of school children was just like the 'old days - songs, dances and all that and most enjoyable. There was a procession too, which I didn't see much of, but then one doesn't when one is on a float waving one's hand like the Queen of England. The Berwick Pipe Band led at a swinging pace and there were horses and interesting cars and many of the local groups had entered floats and the Pakenham Brass Band marched and then played all afternoon. Lovely. I spent millions or at least felt like I had at the stalls and on souvenirs and watched some of the sports. Nearly got hit by a man's gumboot! Out of luck, it was empty.

Lots of clever crafts people had got together an exhibition of their work. Upper Beac. has some real talent! Wouldn't mind if some of it would rub off on me.

The dance at night was a happy success, I believe. I didn't wake up in time to go - all that excitement can be very wearing you know.

Anyway, I saw Jean What's-Her-Name, you know who used to sit near you in Mr. Roarer's class and she said Oswald had been there and I said I didn't see him and she said, yes, he was in a huge Rolls Royce and I said, well I never! Fancy that old geyser being Oswald! Funny how one, expects people not to change, I mean, he used to come to school with the seat out of his pants and then he worked on the "any old iron cart".

I hope you can come up for Christmas. Please come on Christmas Eve morning so we can have a good old chat and a rest before we go to Carols by Candlelight at Charing Cross in the Village. There'll be coloured lights and organ music and Father Christmas and lots of friends. I love Christmas carols don't you?

I remain

yours truly,

Lily Lefton-Shelff.

Centenary souvenirs are still available from the School.

There are:

Carafes for \$5-00;

Spoons (Hall and School) for \$3.00; and

The history of the School and Hall for \$4.00.

All good Christmas presents.

UPPER BEACONSFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS.

Lin Chadder.

Term III is all too rapidly drawing to a close. Many sectors of the community have enjoyed the wide range of courses and activities we have offered this year. I should like to thank Christine Hoffman, my predecessor, for so efficiently paving the way. I would also like to call on you as the members of this community and as the people who stand to benefit from what is available at your Community Centre, to give me some ideas of what YOU want organized for next year. Please, if there is any course, activity or demonstration you would like to have at the Community Centre, please let me know, as I am in the midst of planning next year's programme and need your guidance as to what you want.

The Community Centre, which includes the CRÈCHE, will close for 1984 on 6th December. Mothers, if you still have to do your Christmas shopping, you'll have to hurry if you want to utilise the crèche facilities. The crèche extension to the Hall is completed to lock-up stage and I again thank Terry Brain for his hard work and Kathy Murphy and Glenda Matthews for all their effort and enthusiasm. We hope to open the doors to accommodate your children in the completed new extension during the first week of Term I of 1985. Special thanks to the crèche staff for their loyalty and hard work and to the voluntary helpers, without whom the crèche could not continue to provide the high standard of child care to which you have all become accustomed.

You will have noticed the lovely playground area of the crèche extension. I gratefully acknowledge the hard work done by Chris Leaver in getting it ready so quickly in time for the centenary celebrations and the generous assistance of Red Cross Australia which enabled us to have this done. The public playground equipment outside the crèche fence is still accessible and there for the use of all local children.

Parents of children using the Primary School runs and the High School feeder run, please give some thought to whether you will be taking advantage of this service again next year. Forms will shortly be going home via the relevant schools. Grateful thanks to Richard Halliday and Mick O'Riley for their time, support and responsibility, without which the Community Centre could not offer these valuable services.

The Community Bus, which is available for use by any of you, is to be fitted with seat belts to all seats and the two aisleway folding seats will be removed as necessary safety improvements. The bus will then seat 10, plus the driver.

Congratulations are extended to the new Community Centre Committee elected at its Annual General Meeting on 1st November, and best wishes for continued success in 1985.

1ST UPPER BEACONSFIELD SCOUT GROUP

Gail Crane

The Scout Group like other local organisations, played an active part in the recent Centenary Celebrations. The parade saw both Scouts and Venturers participating, the Scouts with their float depicting a camp set up and the Venturers with their recently purchased "Paddock Bomb" which incidentally, will be used for future Motorkarnas between Venturer groups.

At the fair itself the Venturers were out and about directing traffic and the Scouts had on display a fully equipped tent (in slightly better nick than the one on the float) which is one of four recently purchased thanks to various donations and the proceeds of the Dutch Auction held in August. Our committee members were busy on the day manning our soft drink and hot dog stand.

It was a memorable weekend for all of Upper Beaconsfield and our Scout Group were pleased to be a part of the celebrations.

Recent group activities include a "Friends" night at the Cubs where each cub brought along a friend and Leaders were relieved that it was a mild evening and activities could be held outdoors. Scouts attended a District Camp at Gembrook recently and were able to participate fully equipped for the first time since the fires, and some of our Venturers participated in a 150 k. expedition on pushbike to Cape Patterson - and yes, they did make it back.

Events coming up include a fathers night at Cubs where hopefully all dads will attend and a family night Christmas break up to be held on 17th December. Venturers will be participating in the "Melbourne Gathering" of all Venturers statewide the first weekend in December and their Christmas break up will be a Punk Rock Night at the Village Hall on 19th December. Admittance is \$3 for Venturers and their friends and \$5 for adults. The Scouts will be having an evening out shortly with another troupe and their Christmas break up will be a Barbeque on their last meeting.

Parents please note that the 1985 fees have been set as follows:

\$45 per year for first child and for each subsequent child \$35 per year.

Notices will be issued in February, for payment by 1st March 1985.

Parents are you aware that the waiting list for Cubs is a very large one and therefore, if you have a boy of five years or more, it would be wise to add his name to the waiting list now by contacting Yvonne Curtis on 443 539 to enable your son a better chance of getting into Cubs.

The Group Committee would like to extend the Season's Greetings to all Scouters, their parents and leaders, and a special thanks to all leaders for their dedication throughout the year, for without them, there would be no Scout Group in Upper Beaconsfield.

CRICKET IN UPPER BEACONSFIELD.

From notes provided by
John Glismann.

Cricket has been played at Upper Beaconsfield since the 1880's. The first recorded venue was at "Casely" in Salisbury Road. In the book "Early Days of Berwick", we read that many a famous cricketer, including Stoddart, captain of an English Test team and the brilliant Hugh Graham, visited there. As a small boy, a local resident, Bernard Cronin, played cricket on the gravel drive, with Hugh Trumble bowling at a kerosine tin wicket and Mr. Warren Kerr, Chairman of the Savings Bank Commissioners, fielding in the slips. Social cricket was also played at "Windarra" when Professor Halford entertained prominent cricketers

The local team played on the flat ground behind Mr. Hucken's house (near the store), until 1885 when the present Recreation Reserve was purchased from Mr. Priestley.

Many of the names of our earlier cricketers are no longer remembered in the district, but among those of 1885 and later are G. A'Beckett, Alf Shorthouse, H. and D. J. Glismann,

C. Schlipalius, A. Noble, R. Beatty. Later on many of the cricketers' names may be seen on the Roll of Honour in the R.S.L. Hall and unfortunately on the War Memorial in the village. F. A'Beckett, C. March, H. Harvey Smith, R. Tyler, A. and G. Anderson, W. J., L. G., and W. Knapton, and

H. Albers were a few of those who played prior to 1914. Notable members whom JG can recall were T. Etheridge, an Englishman who was a champion wicket-keeper, with a batting average of at least 2.5!! R. Tyler, a batsman, A. Anderson, a fast bowler, E. Brown and J. Edebohls. R. Halleur used to ride over from Harkaway on horseback to take part.

A highlight of the season was ANA Day when a team from the Melbourne Cricket Club played, against a local 15. Upper Beaconsfield was affiliated with the Dandenong and Berwick Cricket Association.

During the 1914/17 War the Club was disbanded and its equipment, boots, pads, matting, stumps, etc. was donated to the Comforts Fund.

After the War the Club was re-formed. The players were R. Hayball, C. A. Harris, W. Johnson, R. Wilson, J. and B. Binding, W., H., and N. Holmes, D. and S. Begg, W. Lang, E. Owen, W. Knapton (third generation), D. H. H. and D. G. Thomson. JG joined the Club in 1925 and they played social cricket until affiliation with Berwick Cricket Association.

Two performances stand out in JG's mind; the century of H. Holmes and the hat-trick of N. Holmes. The three Holmes were left-hand bowlers and right-handed batsmen. On the day H. Holmes scored his century, he got forty runs while JG got four.

There are many more names which JG cannot recall, but possibly Mr. D. Begg or Mr. H. Holmes could add to them.

CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS.

Fay Smith -
Secretary - B.U.C.C.C.

The weather was kind, the food was great and the crowd large. The community came together to celebrate the centenaries of two most important centres - the school and the hall.

The "Back to School" commenced with the concert by the school children in which each grade presented a variety of items. In their enjoyment of the performance, proud parents, prouder grandparents, principals and teachers forgot their cramped knees caused by child-sized seating!

It was most appropriate that the two oldest ex-pupils, John and Annie Glismann, are nephew and niece of the first two pupils on the original register. Their mother was a teacher at the school in the 1890's and married the older brother of those first two pupils. John Glismann now lives in Castlemaine and the large crowd was very appreciative of his sharp wit and quick tongue as he produced his school bag complete with ruler, set-square and alley bag.

The crowd then dispersed to the oval, or the school building. Many of our ex-residents went to the oldest room, built in 1916, where a large photo collection was displayed.

"Do you remember when" seemed to be a favourite sentence beginning and luckily there weren't too many "That's not right!" It is indicative of the interest aroused that at 5.00 p.m. when the photos were to be moved to the Hall, the cry was "Not yet".

Meanwhile, on the oval, the crowd wandered among the many craft stalls, chose lunch from the catering stalls provided by community groups or visited the excellent art exhibition in the kindergarten.

The afternoon activities were heralded by the skirl of pipes as the procession arrived from the Hall. The floats were a credit to their creators and the vintage cars, bikes and horses added a touch of nostalgia.

The sports were an opportunity for all to join and there were medallions being worn proudly by winners of the gumboot throw, three-legged races, etc.

The dance in the evening was well attended and all those present were touched when Miss Annie Glismann rang the bell with obvious delight after the opening of the new bell tower.

The church service in the Hall Sunday morning had a warm, friendly atmosphere, as again many visitors joined the congregation.

During the day there were tennis and golf tournaments and the Riding Club held a Centenary Cup event for their club members, the Cup being presented by former resident Lt. Col. Burton.

I have deliberately kept this report nameless. All our visitors were "distinguished guests". To all those who came from near and far, thank you. I hope you enjoyed it.

To all individuals and groups who contributed before, on and since the weekend, another thank you. Many of you wore several hats; and we appreciate the unselfish giving of your time and talents.

To those who missed out because of previous engagements, don't be caught next time! Put this date in your diary now, Sunday, 7th November, 2004 - the Opening of the Time Capsule.

IN THE GARDEN

Chris Leaver

The summer is quickly approaching and the need to water will gain our attention. Watering is best done in the early morning or late evening and a deep watering twice a week is far better than a sprinkle every day which will only encourage surface rooting.

Lawns will need some attention to help them survive the summer heat. Spike over with a fine fork to allow water to penetrate deeper and remove weeds before they have a chance to multiply. Remember to lift the mower blades for a higher cut to protect the grass from scorching.

Annuals to plant for summer and autumn colour are marigolds, petunias, celosia's, zinnias, salvias. Dwarf and climbing beans, lettuce, celery, cucumber, pumpkin, sweet corn, cabbage, tomatoes can be planted in the vegetable garden.

NEW SHOP IN UPPER BEACONSFIELD.

Phillip Rocke.

Pocketts' Family Butchers is now open in the Village, with Brian and his son Shane hard at work. As well as the standard meat lines, delicatessen and gourmet lines such as Chicken Kiev and Chicken Cordon Bleu are available. The shop is open Monday to Thursday 7.00 am - 5.30 pm, Friday 6.00 am - 5.30 pm and Saturday 6.00 am - 12.00 noon. Telephone 443-260.

OPENING SOON.

Coralie Knight and Sandra Strongman would like to announce the opening of their craft shop, "THE VILLAGE CRAFT COTTAGE" on Sunday, 9th December.

Everybody is most welcome to attend a wine, cheese and chicken opening celebration which will be held at 2.00 pm.

The Cottage is situated next door to the Pizza Shop

UPPER BEACONSFIELD BABY SITTING CLUB.

New members welcome - ring Sheila Kidd 443-400.

Any member interested in going to the "Mandarin Court" Chinese Restaurant, Dandenong, Thursday, 13th December, for a Christmas get-together, please ring Sheila.

Secretary for the Month December - Carole Ross.

No Secretary for January. If you need a babysitter, try and find a member who is available.

A meeting will be held in early February to appoint Secretaries and a Co-ordinator for 1985.

YAKKERBOO PRINCESS.

Carol Vasko -
Queen of Yakkerboo.

As is well known, the Yakkerboo Festival is coming up shortly and Upper Beaconsfield are looking for girls to become Upper Beaconsfield's Princess. If you are 16 before the 31st January, or over, and interested in becoming a Princess, contact:

- Mrs. J. Bumpstead - 443-298; or
- Mrs. D. Pockett - 443-506.

As the Queen of Yakkerboo, I have had a wonderful year and I would like to recommend it to all the young females in Upper Beaconsfield.

TENNIS CLUB VOTE TO MOVE THEIR HOME.

Reg Mattingly.

At an extra-ordinary meeting on Wednesday, 21st November, the members of the tennis voted to accept the proposal from the Beacon Hills Golf Club to build a 6 court/club house complex at the golf course.

The next step is for the matter to be considered by the golf club membership at their annual General Meeting on 4th December and then this will provide the final verdict whether the project will proceed.

The major concern of the Tennis Committee has been the lack of court facilities for the growing number of juniors in the Club and the unsatisfied need for the fifth court to accommodate them. The other influencing factor has been the poor state of the existing clay courts that are badly drained and heavy rain renders them unplayable.

If the project proceeds, it will provide for 6 en-tout-cas porous courts, 3 with flood lights, larger club rooms with toilet and shower facilities, better car parking and a protected area for the young children to play.

THE PAKENHAM SHIRE CARE GROUP.

The Care Group operates throughout the Shire and its services include:

- Emergency transport.
- Emergency child minding.
- Shopping.
- Gardening.
- Friendly visiting.

More volunteers are required from all areas and men and women who may be able to help us in providing the above services or are interested in knowing more about the Care Group are asked to contact the Co-ordinator through the Citizens Advice Bureau - 412-377, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday -10.30 - 2.30 pm.

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