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 UPPER BEACONSFIELD ASSOCIATION Inc.
 

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BI-MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING - WEDNESDAY, 7th OCTOBER - 7.45 P.m.  
PUBLIC HALL - CRÈCHE ROOM

AGENDA :

- 7.45 p.m. Minutes & Correspondence available for perusal
- 8.00 p.m. Meeting commences
- 8.30 p.m. F.O.D. - Peter Archer, Senior By-Laws Officer & Fire Prevention Officer, Shire of Pakenham
- 9.30 p.m. Meeting resumes
- 10.00 p.m. Supper

We have invited Mr. Peter Archer to speak to the General Meeting as part of our aim in maintaining a close liaison between Shire and Residents of Upper Beac.

Peter will speak about the timely subject of fire prevention work - and he says, "now is the time!" He will also deal with questions of By-laws, including Trail Bikes and Wandering Dogs.

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NEXT GENERAL MEETING ON 2nd DECEMBER

Special Speaker : Mr. Adrian Wakenshaw, who was a crew member in the second leg of the First Fleet Re-enactment in the voyage from Portsmouth, U.K. to Tenerife (Canary Islands).

His slides are superb!

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### BEACONSFIELD UPPER PRIMARY SCHOOL

#### PARENTS AND FRIENDS NOTES

We have two items of interest to the general community. These are a part of our fundraising efforts for the school and money raised through these activities go towards buying equipment for the school.

We are hosting a JEANS SALE, Friday October 16, 3.00 pm-to 6.30 pm in the school Multi Purpose Room.

There will be lots of jeans to choose from- top labels (Faberge, Hoppers, Lee, Blues Union); all the popular styles including jackets and skirts; fabrics including acid wash, snow denim and stretch denim. The garment range is for kids, teens , adults, male and female. Best of all the jeans are available at prices cheaper than normal retail.

The sale will be open as indicated from 3.00 pm to 6.30 pm to enable everyone (after school, after work) to come and see the stock and try garments on. Changing facilities provided.

Remember! JEANS SALE Fri. Oct 16, 3-6.30 pm Multi Purpose Room  
Bankcard and cheques accepted.

The school has a BARBECUE TRAILER which is available for hire. It has a large cooking surface (it can cook 500 sausages!), is gas and easy to operate. So when planning your next social or fundraising function why not hire our BBQ. It is especially good for club or sporting functions and for 21st birthday parties etc as the will cook for large numbers.

BARBECUE TRAILER FOR HIRE - Bookings and enquiries  
Ph. Helen Smith 443 219.

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#### YOUTH, POLICE and YOU

A ONE DAY PROGRAM on this topic is being offered by the HILLS COMMUNITY CLUSTER on October 23, at GEMBROOK COMMUNITY CENTRE (Mel. 189 K.10)

Speakers will be from Victoria Police, including the COMMUNITY POLICING SQUAD, and from C.S.V.

This is a very important issue in our community. Local issues such as family crises and youth crime will be discussed, also such things as child abuse and youth welfare. The day could be of great value for parents, teachers and youth workers and anyone working with children and adolescents -a cordial invitation is extended to all.

Prior registration is necessary. For a program and registration form, ring Anne Collins, the Secretary on 059 688 146.

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Term FOUR, is upon us already! Our brochure was circulated before the end of last term. Enrolments will be taken during the first week of the school term 1V, i.e. Monday to Friday 5 to 9 October. Classes will commence the following week. I hope there is something there for you; we look forward to seeing you here during the term.

It is the time of year to consider what we need to plan for 1988, particularly with regard to planning in conjunction with the local T.A.F.E. College. Please think about V.C.E. (H.S.C.) or T.O.P. courses, or any other which you might like to see provided either at your Community Centre, or at the T.A.F.E. College, taking advantage of our child-minding facilities or even the Community Bus.

Which brings me to the Crèche ....

The Crèche is registered with C.S.V, and there are accordingly strict regulations governing numbers and staffing levels, to which we must adhere. Please book your child into the crèche during enrolment week if you are planning to attend a class, or using the crèche on a regular basis, (and P L E A S E remember to do your two duties this term . . . we cannot manage without you!).

Crèche hours are Monday to Thursday 9.00 to 12.00 and 1.00 to 3.00 and Friday from 9.00 to 3.00.

Remember also Playgroup on Thursday - 10.30 to 12.00 and 1.00 to 2.30. Newcomers very welcome, and a great opportunity for you and your pre-schoolers to make some new friends in a warm, comfortable environment. (Toy library continues to operate on alternate Fridays, 10.30 to 12.00)

It HAS been warmer and more comfortable this term, thanks to the generous sponsorship of the Southern Westport Regional T.A.F.E. Board, who made available a minor works grant for the provision and installation of ducted gas heating at the Hall.

Don't forget your Community Bus, available for use by individuals, families or groups at a very reasonable rate.

Enquiries and bookings should be directed to Richard Halliday on 443 478.

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UPPER BEAC. FIRE BRIGADE HAS BEEN BUSY

In the early hours of Thursday, 30th July, fire destroyed the home of Nick & Maria Montagnese of Armstrong Road, Upper Beac. U.B. Fire Brigade units attended within a few minutes of the fire report, but the weatherboard house was well alight and damage to the structure was almost complete.

In the best tradition of U.B. fire survivors, and with great practical assistance from family, neighbours and friends, Nick and Maria have made their temporary home in their double garage now a compact three roomed flat, and are battling with the insurance company and bureaucracy to get the re-building of their home under way.

The other fire call in this period was on 7th September when the reverse situation applied - where the fire struck in a garage at Andrewartha's home in Emerald Road, destroying a speedboat and sedan car and damaging the garage. Fortunately the house was not affected.

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PETER McARTHUR'S AUTOBIOGRAPHY

Jane Holth

If you enjoy a good yarn and are interested in the early history of Upper Beaconsfield, make sure you read 'Whimsey and a Little Bull' by Peter McArthur. Mr. McArthur's family owned an orchard here early this century and visited it regularly from Melbourne. The hazards of early horse transport and motor-cars, running an orchard, and, later, raising pigs, local cricket, and making the golf course, plus characters such as Boss Shorthouse and Claud Harris, are described and illustrated with vim and humour in what was clearly a favourite period of the author's life.

The first three chapters are likely to be of most interest to you, the remaining chapters recall his life and experiences in Naracoorte S.A. where he took up land, and his years in the Australian Army.

The author will be signing copies of the book at the Upper Beaconsfield Hall on Monday, 5th October, from 10.00 a.m.

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ST. JOHN'S JUNIOR YOUTH CLUB

Fay Ulph

The Junior Youth Club at St. John's welcomes any students in years 7 and 8.

The Club members enjoy a varied and interesting program including outings to Ice Skating, Bowling, Camps and local activities of Table Tennis, Carpet Bowls, etc.

The Mill Valley Ranch (where the Club is having a camp on 16th October), Is a Christian Youth Camp at Tynong North which specialises in horse riding. As well as riding lessons and trail rides, there will be archery, games such as volley ball, and also two chapel services.

Cost is \$47. Enquiries to Fay on 03 707 5707

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WORKS PROGRAMME 1987/88 - Riding Councillors have proposed the below listed works for the Upper Beaconsfield area in the forthcoming Council year, and will provide the following funds, some on a dollar for dollar basis :

1. Recreation Reserve - Igloo - \$10,000 Demountable partitions, etc.
2. Recreation Reserve. - \$1,000 Playground Equipment -  
(Full Council Cost)
3. Township - \$4,000 Construct Bus Bay & Shelter  
(Full Council Cost.)
4. Township & Surrounds - \$2,000 Maintenance of existing Paths  
(Full Council cost.)
5. Township & Charing Cross - \$5,000 Sand filter to toilet block  
(Full Council Cost).
6. Township - \$10,000 Possible engagement of consultants  
to develop & review existing  
Planning Controls - Local contrib.  
(Part).
7. Yackatoon Road area - \$9,800 Amount required to gain  
Fire Access Subsidy
8. Beaconsfield/Emerald Road - \$15,000 Passing Lane - North of Guys Hill

FUNDING FIRE ACCESS ROAD - Advice is now to hand via the Minister for Police & Emergency Services that Council has been granted funding to the extent of \$15,000, which, when added to Council's funds of \$9,800, will enable the fire access road to be formed between Yackatoon Road and Hein Road, and will also provide a minor extension of McBride Road.

LIQUOR CONTROL BILL - Council has been most concerned at proposals contained within a new Liquor Control Bill which would enable extended hours for hotels, and other changes, without any real consultation with the local community via the Council. The Minister, Mr. Fordham, has recently announced that the Council's advice will be sought in such matters, but the detail is not yet known to Council.

PETITION - SEAL - ALBERS, MANESTAR & BOUNDARY ROADS -A petition has been lodged with Pakenham, Sherbrooke & Berwick Councils seeking the construction of the above roads. The Shire of Pakenham completed considerable works within the Pakenham Shire road areas during the past two years, but did not have access to the extensive funds which would be necessary to complete the full construction and sealing. Funds were sought (in part) via the R.C.A. which would have provided for construction to commence in 1987/88. Subsequent severe funding cutbacks for this category have resulted. In the project being set back until 1990/91.

TIDY TOWN - Council is looking to make our Village area a little more attractive and is looking for ideas. Let your views be made known to Riding Councillors as soon as possible.

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COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION - AFTERNOON BRANCH

Members of U.B. C.W.A. will hold a CAKE STALL outside the General Store on SATURDAY, 24th OCTOBER, from 9.30 a.m. -please call and support us.

Contact : Mae McPherson - 059 443 879.

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GARBAGE CONTRACT - The garbage contract has been let - the successful tenderer was our current contractor.

The new contract will provide for both conventional rubbish bins and the new larger mobile bins.

Residents can still opt for the new service if they wish. The Council believes that the dual system is quite satisfactory - response to the new bins was quite considerable.

LEPPITT ROAD - Believe it or believe it not! The re-constructed Leppitt Road will be sealed as soon as a reasonably long dry period occurs.

HORSE RIDING CONSULTATION - Riding Groups - Conservationists & Community Groups.

A Horse Riding Trails Committee has been working at the Shire over the recent months, obtaining information concerning problems and suggestions for improvement. The ideas have been studied by the Engineering Department and assessed, and this Report will be forwarded to all Horse Riding Groups, Conservation Groups and Community Groups for their comment on the Immediate area relevant to the particular group,

SPEED SIGNS - You will have noticed advisory speed signs have been placed on the section of Emerald/Beaconsfield Road at the northern intersection of Quamby Road. Attention has been given to the table drains adjacent to this area.

MAJOR BI-CENTENNIAL EVENT - Australia Day, 26th January, 1988 -Please note that a special celebration of Pakenham & Sherbrooke will take place at Emerald Lake Park. The central theme will be 'Youth' and a diverse program Is being planned. All organisations are asked to consider participation in the' birthday of our Nation.

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UPPER BEACONSFIELD ASSOCIATION Inc.- MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Since the last issue a steady response in membership applications has been received and we have now some 313 families enrolled.

We know that there are still many good intentions out there, and we Include another chance for you to enrol your family in the local association.

The subscription is set at \$6 for a two-year membership.

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To The Secretary,  
Upper Beaconsfield Association Inc.  
c/- Post Office,  
Upper Beaconsfield 3808

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Name.....Telephone No.....

Address .....P/code .....  
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(List all family members over 18 years)

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.....Date .....

Signature of Applicant

BEACONHILLS COUNTRY GOLF CLUB

Geoff Brooks, Secretary/Manager

One of the most scenic parts of Upper Beaconsfield is the Beaconhills Country Golf Club which occupies, an area of approx. 294 acres north, of Stoney Creek Road through to Red Hill Road and west of McArthur Road through to the Stoney Creek.

The golf facility consists of two 18 hole lay-outs - the original course "The Hills" having been established back in 1927 and the second 18 hole course "The Lakes" opening only in 1983.

The great advantage of having one of the few Victorian Golf Clubs with two 18 hole courses is that the 700 members and the 16,000 visiting green fee players per annum experience both variety in the golf lay-outs which offer them different golfing challenges and in the lovely environments in which they play.

Recently, during the early months of 1987, and prior to the autumn rains, a large program of earth works and drainage was carried out on the "Lakes" Course.

The effect has been to cure most of the wet marshy spots, to improve the flow of the game through this course, and to vastly enhance both the water storage capacity and the lakes scenery.

The string of lakes running through the course is already home to a large variety of water birds and, as the grassing and planting is completed, the area will, no doubt, continue to grow in natural beauty and as a lovely refuge for a wide selection of bird life.

Weekends on the courses are usually heavily booked, but there are many openings on weekdays for the public to explore and enjoy the delights of golf in this beautiful piece of our countryside.

Enquiries are welcome from people of any age for membership or casual play, and tuition for beginners and hire of clubs, etc. are readily available, as is the opportunity for an after-game snack or a convivial drink in the well-equipped and comfortable Club House.

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BEACONSFIELD UPPER GIRL GUIDES

Annette Dale

The Beaconsfield Upper Guide Company needs one or two ladies to become Assistant Leaders. No previous experience in Guiding is required, and the Leader will only be too happy to show you the ropes and work through the program with you.

Our fourteen Guides meet on Tuesday nights, at the Igloo, to enjoy a varied program which includes a wide range of topics, from Home Nursing to Cooking.

All enquiries of help will be gratefully received. For information, please ring Annette Dale on 443 873.

Special Announcement :

Congratulations to Vicki Beames and her team of helpers, Belinda Leeds and Robbie Harper, on successfully achieving, the Externally Tested "Camp Cooks" Badge, I am sure all of Beaconsfield Upper are extremely proud of your determination and well earned success. Well done!

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### RAINFALL PAST AND PRESENT

Charles Wilson

Upper Beaconsfield is fortunate in having two reliable sources of rainfall figures. Mr. George Moir of 'Barkala' in Emerald Road has kept rainfall figures for the last nineteen years and the Beaconhills Golf Club for a similar period, at present being recorded by Mr. Stuart Laing, the Course Superintendent. The figures for the past few years are as follows :

<u>Year</u>	<u>Beaconhills Golf Club</u>	<u>"Barkala" Emerald Road</u>
1983	960	908
1984	1066	829
1985	1034	1066
1986	1044	840

The annual average rainfall at 'Barkala' for the last 19 years was 976 m.m. (38.4 inches); a few kilometres away at the Golf Club the average was 984 m.m. (39.35 inches).

Post-war records show the highest rainfall record in Upper Beaconsfield occurred in 1952 and two separate individuals recorded levels in excess of 1500 m.m. (60 inches). The lowest in the same period occurred in 1967 when a mere 638 m.m. (25.1 inches) was recorded.

In 1978 when the initial survey was undertaken for the 'Bell' information was received from the records of the following : the late Mr. V. D. Norbury, Mr. J. C. D. Esdaile, Mr. A. .K. Ballantyne Mr. G. Moir, Mr. E. Tregoning, Mr. P. Easton, Mrs. Norbury Snr., Mr. D. Norbury, Mrs. Sulman, Mr. J. Poole.

Would anyone with local rainfall records willing to share, the information, please contact me. (443 008).

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### VALE ALLAN KING

John Wells

Many people in this district were saddened by the sudden death of Allan King on Sunday, 7th June, 1987. Allan took over the Guys Hill Store in 1970 and became an important part of the wider community. He was an old-fashioned storekeeper, always ready with a joke and always ready to argue without fear or favour on any topic. The Store became a place where friends met and where news was exchanged.

He was a vigorous man and worked long hours, always putting his family first. The Store allowed him little time for other interests, but he was a successful breeder of Smooth-haired Fox Terriers and of thoroughbred horses.

Allan leaves his wife, Shirley, and his two daughters, Alison and Alexandra. We sympathise with them in their great loss. It was, of course, our loss, too. In small towns like Guys Hill the Corner Store is an important place, and in this case the man behind the counter was a vital part of the community.

Fortunately, Shirley has decided to carry on the business she shared with Allan. Her many friends in the area salute her courage and wish her well.

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Forthcoming Activities :

Wednesday, 14th October - 8.00 p.m. - The internationally famous and award winning photographer and producer, Ross Garner, will be presenting some of his most stunning work on wilderness in Australia and the third world at our next meeting in the Upper Beaconsfield Primary School Library. There will be presentations on World Wilderness; Indonesia, Tanzania and the Franklin River. It should prove to be a night to remember. Everyone is welcome, so don't miss it. There will be a \$1 donation at the door.

Sunday, 18th October, 9.00 a.m. - Bird watching walk around the Beaconsfield Reservoir with our local bird expert, Paul Chick. Bring binoculars. Meet at the entrance to 140 Dickie Road.

Wednesday, 11th November, 8.00 p.m. - Ordinary meeting in the Upper Beaconsfield Primary School Library.

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UPPER BEACONSFIELD SHOPPING CENTRE PARKING

Graeme Kidd

Negotiations on improvements to the parking area outside the General Store have been taking place between the Upper Beaconsfield Association and the Shire for almost four years now, involving a considerable number of discussions and the preparations of plans.

Community reaction has been sought by the Association.

However, no agreement can be reached because of differences of opinion about traffic flows and parking allocation. Accordingly no funds have been allocated by Council for this purpose for 1987/88.

It looks as though the ad hoc arrangements for parking and traffic movement at the shopping centre seem set to continue for some time. The main concern of the owners of the shopping development (cnr. Emerald & St. Georges Road) is that the Shire proposals could make entry to the parking area too difficult, and may cause a fall-off in the businesses which are still establishing themselves in this rather young shopping complex.

However, if other owners agree to the total concept of the scheme, Beaconsfield Nominees and the General Store proprietor may agree to proceed on certain conditions:

- 1) That the area to be used for service road be bitumenised and maintained by the Shire.
- 2) That Council funds be made available to complete the project in one operation at the outset.

If the project cannot be completed in one operation, the owners would prefer to wait until sufficient funds were available.

It would now seem to be an appropriate time for the Association to press for a solution to this community problem.

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COMMUNITY LEADERS RETURN

It was great to hear that Matt and Ann McDonald and their family are moving back to their Kitchen Road home on 11th October. Matt has been U.B.A, President and Village Bell Editor, and Ann was a foundation member of the U.B. Community Centre prior to their recent years in Townsville, Qld.

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## DOCTOR WHO - IMMUNISATION COMMENTS

A recent newspaper article reported a recommendation by the Royal Australian College of Physicians that children who have not been immunised should not be allowed to attend school. In U.S.A. immunisation is compulsory before school entry resulting in almost 100% coverage against measles. In Australia only 70% of children had been protected.

Pakenham Council currently provides through Health Centres immunisation against tetanus, diphtheria, poliomyelitis, whooping cough, mumps and measles and most children have all injections. The majority have only very minor symptoms after having a 'shot', but if the mother notes that a child has had a reaction to an injection or is not well at the time the next one is due, she should inform the nursing staff who will decide if the dose should be reduced or omitted. Any known allergies should also be reported.

The results of mass immunisation have been dramatic with an enormous reduction in mortality and morbidity with all diseases. Smallpox has been totally eliminated worldwide and vaccination is no longer necessary.

In less developed countries problems of polio and other diseases persist and it is the aim of Rotary International, through their Polio Plus programme to eliminate polio from the world by the year 2000 - a very worthy and achievable objective. Any mother who has any doubt concerning the wisdom of her child being immunised should discuss it with her doctor, presenting him with all the facts that cause her to feel concerned.

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### THE LIES MY PARENTS TOLD ME

By Nola Hamilton

When I was a tiny little girl  
Not much older than three  
My ways of thinking were often changed  
By the lies my parents told me  
I couldn't work out the Toothfairy's use  
For a bunch of rotting teeth  
Or how eating all my greens up  
Would put colour in my cheeks  
(Who wants green cheeks?)

They told me Easter Bunny would come  
Carrying chocolate by the load  
And they wondered why I cried my eyes out  
When I saw a dead rabbit on the road  
I was told not to pull faces  
In case the wind changed  
But no matter how hard I tried  
The 'damn thing's still the same

Mum told me Red Ridinghood's grandma  
Got gobbled up by a wolf  
Then she wondered why I trembled  
Whenever a strange dog went, "woof"  
Mum said to eat all my vegies  
They'll make my hair curl  
Dad said, it'll put hairs on my chest;  
But I'm a little girl

And then at every Christmas  
Chocolates and softdrink were left for Santa  
Then in later years I found out  
Mum and Dad scoffed all the Fanta  
They'd always threaten to leave me behind  
But they never did  
They knew I was afraid of the Boogie Man  
Cos I was just a kid

Now I am all grown up  
They try to give advice  
They say, "Have we ever lied to you?"  
And my answer's never nice

UPPER BEACONSFIELD TENNIS CLUB

Gill Stead

Annual General Meeting - was held on 27th August, 1987 at 8.00 p.m. in the Clubhouse. The following people were elected to the Committee :

Graham Shead	-	President
Peter Durkin	-	Secretary
Ian Jackson	-	Treasurer
Christine Logan	-	Vice President
Reg Mattingley	-	Vice President
Elsie Bennett		
Gary Mitchell		
Vic Greenaway		

Raffle - The winners of the raffle were drawn at the Fifties Night. Many thanks to all those members who sold tickets and to all the members and the public who purchased them.

Prizes went to :

First	Miss S. Jobson	Hallam	Ticket No. 81
Second	A. Pekel	Dandenong	Ticket No. 162
Third	G. Gardiner	Upper Beac.	Ticket No. 1253

Fifties Night - A fantastic night was had by all who attended the night. Due to the effort by everyone who assisted and participated, the success of the night was guaranteed. Such was the commendable effort by the 'ladies' (who did little justice to their wives', mothers' garments!). Many a masculine eye was seen roving the stage, hoping to catch a glimpse of some delicate feminine form, alas to no avail. For those of you who could not attend, there is always next time. Look forward to seeing you there.

Bush Dance - 17th October, 1987 Following the success of last year's Bush Dance, the Billy Tea Band has been engaged to play for us again. Come along and enjoy the music! Tickets are \$30 per double, available "from Gill Shead 443 439. B.Y.O. drink, glass.

Tennis/Cricket Club Challenges - The Tennis and Cricket Clubs have decided to have a Challenge Day in late November where the Cricket Club will be attempting to show the Tennis Club Members how to play tennis.

Early in the New Year, the Tennis Club will be showing their talents on the cricket field.

Further details on the noticeboard.

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UPPER BEACONSFIELD HALL

Graeme Kidd

There have been rumblings for some time over the ineffectiveness of the electric heaters at the Hall. Coupled with a mounting electricity account it was decided that it was time to change to a better and more efficient system, and that is what we did in July when we had a ducted gas system installed. Funds for this were provided through a TAFE grant to the Community Centre, with the Hall contributing the balance. David Pfeifer carried out the installation in his usual competent manner.

The system operates on tokens, with one token providing heating for one hour. Tokens can be purchased from Joyce Bumpstead (443 298). When using the heater, please take careful note of the operating instructions.

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SUE GRAY RETURNS FROM DISASTER RECOVERY PROGRAMME IN U.S.A.

Once again, thank you for your support and encouragement for my trip to the U.S.A., - as many of you know the trip was wonderful and really worthwhile. I attended consultancies in Los Angeles, Phoenix, New York and San Francisco and also addressed the International Hazards Conference in Boulder, Colorado. There is no doubt that Australia is in the forefront in the development of programs, services, research, etc. on community recovery following disasters. Not only are we (i.e. Governments, Public Service, Welfare & Voluntary Agencies & Communities) learning from the lessons of the past but we were able to pass some of this knowledge on to others. Much of what we have learnt applies to communities regardless of the type of disaster that has occurred and is perhaps most easily and simply summarised into :

- a) Recovery is a process of change. It is achieved over an extended period of time and is brought about by community agencies and personnel with the support where necessary of resources beyond the community.
- b) Communities recover best when they manage and direct their own recovery. It is the responsibility of Government and other agencies to resource, finance and support communities managing their own recovery process.

While this may seem pretty obvious to us, it certainly was neither obvious nor evident elsewhere. Tremendous interest and enthusiasm was expressed in our discussions and this has been followed by requests for further information and contact. The members of the Australian contingent from the State Recovery Committee (including myself) also learnt a great deal, particularly in the area of working with the media, before, after and during disasters and the positive and negative impacts media involvement can have. The other area which we need to examine is the very long-term consequences of disaster for individuals and communities. As you are no doubt aware, we all deal with problems in our own way and time. By definition a disaster irrevocably changes peoples' lives and there is very little information related to the long-term effects and how these can be managed by individuals and communities. If anyone would like to be involved in helping us to build this body of information would they please contact me. It may be valuable to you as an individual, it will certainly be valuable to others.

Sue Gray 443 4884 or 443 842

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SEWERAGE FOR UPPER BEACONSFIELD ?

Ray Ratcliff

The Pakenham Sewerage Board is awaiting a Report from their engineering consultants on a scheme to provide sewerage for the more densely populated areas of Upper Beaconsfield.

This information was contained in a letter received by the U.B.A. Committee in August. The letter contains few specifics but the Board spokesman indicated that if the State Government subsidy is extended to this scheme, the cost to residents would be borne by a annual rate which is averaged out across the State and probably would be in excess of \$200 p.a. per household. As soon as the Report is available, it is our intention to call a Public Meeting at which the experts will outline the details of the proposal and answer residents' questions.

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CHAMPAGNE CHRISTMAS SHOPPING TOUR

Saturday, 24th October, leaving from the Igloo with 8 stops at factory wholesalers for ladies' and children's wear, shoes, toys and gifts. An ideal way to get the Christmas shopping done on one day.

\$20.00 per head when booking with Elaine Ziesler - 443 749 or Wendy Thomson - 443 921, which includes lunch with champagne.

QUIZ NIGHT AND ANNUAL AUCTION

Thank you to all those who supported us at these recent functions, which together raised over \$1,000. Thanks to the Upper Beaconsfield's Chemist, General Store, Milk Bar, Goodfellows, Butcher, Garage & Golf Club for support with the donation of goods for the raffle and auction.

BOTTLE DRIVE

On Sunday, 11th October, we will conduct a special Bottle Drive in Upper Beaconsfield starting at 9.00 a.m. We will make door to door calls to collect bottles, but if you have a large load or live outside the main housing areas, contact Barry Smith 443 219 to make sure we do not miss you,

Our Bottle Depot is located in the car park at the Hotel and bottles can be left there at any time.

SCOUT JOB WEEKS

From Saturday 10 to Sunday 25th October, Cubs, Scouts & Venturers will be raising money for the Group in the annual Job Weeks. The boys will have a record sheet to fill in. The boys can do a range of simple jobs involving cleaning, tidying, car washing, gardening.

This is the one time of the year when we ask the boys to use their own time for fund raising towards their Section activities. Please help them to help the Group.

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EXERCISING IN THE WATER - CLASSES FOR NEW MOTHERS.

Have you had a baby in the last 12 months?

Would you like to tone up your stretched tummy muscles, and increase your general level of fitness?

Do you have backache, and find other exercise tends to aggravate the problem?

If you would like to get a bit fitter, whilst enjoying the company of other young mums in the area, perhaps you would like to join in the next post-natal hydrotherapy class, which is to commence at Monbulk Heated Pool on 26th October. If you have any back problems, this is a particularly good form of exercise for you.

Classes are conducted by a Physiotherapist on Monday mornings, and child minding is available at the pool.

If you are interested in finding out more about the classes, please ring the Mountain District Community Health Centre - phone 059 688 146 - and an information sheet and registration form will be sent out to you.

Registrations close on Friday, 9th October - book early - class numbers are limited.

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The U.B. Toy Library is open every 2nd Friday 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon, at the Public Hall/Community Centre.

Borrowing date are as follows :

October 9  
 October 23  
 November 6  
 November 20  
 December 4 - Toy Return Only - NO Borrowing

During the past twelve months we have spent approximately \$2,000 on new toys, e.g. Talking Computer/Fisher Price Toys  
 Brio Train Sets/Vikingland and  
 Imported Puzzles

and we welcome any suggestions for new toys to be purchased.

Cost for :                    One Child                    \$8.00)                    per annum  
    family                                    \$12.00)

We are at present organising a raffle to raise extra funds for further new toys.

1st Prize :            A Romantic Weekend for Two to Launceston Casino.  
 2nd Prize :            Lunch for Two, Strawberry Terrace, Clover Cottage  
 3rd Prize :            Handpainted China Jug & Bowl

Raffle to be drawn on last Toy Borrowing Day - 4th December at Community Centre.

The Committee Members work hard to raise money for new toys for the benefit of all Members and your support would be gratefully appreciated.

Contacts :            Wendy Thomson                    443 921  
    Alison Ryan                        443 984  
    Jenny Gwozodziewski            443 483  
    Christine Dalla                    443 818

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#### NEW RESIDENTS

We welcome the following new residents :

Armstrong Road            :    Joanne O'Hagan, Michael Duggan  
 Burton Road                :    David Hassall  
 Blue Ridge Road          :    Loretta & Michael McMahon  
 Corringham Road         :    Lorraine & Vernon Knight  
 Halford Street            :    Karen & Brian Southorn  
 Knapton Avenue          :    Bonnie & Ross Medley  
 Lewis Road                :    Fiona Sullivan, Danny Leslie  
 McKenzie Road            :    Sue & Trevor Bailey  
 Morris Road                :    Kay & Brad Taylor  
 Old Officer Road         :    Greg Davis, Sharon Mashado  
 St. Georges Road        :    Ulf Tornblum; Mary Jackson & Family  
 Stoney Creek Road        :    Roslyn & Graham Fairweather & Family  
 McBride Road             :    John & Michelle & David Geschke

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The new cricket, season for the Upper Beaconsfield Cricket Club Inc. commences on Saturday, 3rd October. This season we have teams in A Grade, B Grade and D Grade as well as U.16, U.14, and U.12. We still need players in all grades so if you wish to play, why not join us? Contact Brian Ford on 443 233 if you would like an introduction.

Snicks of History : Did you know that cricket has been played in Upper Beaconsfield for over 100 years now? The Long Room - which is the Green Shed - has stood on the Recreation Reserve for over 70 years now, being placed on the Reserve in 1916 by the Cricket Club. Two wings were added to it in the Fifties. Those were designed by Mr. Lou Russell and constructed by Mr. Geoff Heather, both of the Cricket Club. The Cricket Club recessed during World War I but re-affiliated with the Berwick & District Association around 1925 (according to John Glismann's recollections).

The venues for play have changed over the years too. Initially the Recreation Reserve was purchased from Mr. Priestley. A note in the Recreation Reserve Minute Book points out that the Cricket Club initiated a meeting to raise funds for the purchase. That letter was dated July 22, 1898, and the ground was known as the Upper Beaconsfield Public Recreation Ground. Cricket was subsequently played on flat ground behind Mr. Hucken's house (near the General Store) as well as on George Thomson's paddock. In 1946 when the coir matting could not be located at the Recreation Reserve.

The history of the Cricket Club is now being researched by Club President Rob Hansen who hopes to contact notable identities from the past to compile the valuable information.

Social Events : The Cricket Club hopes to run a Quiz Night in early November and is challenging the Tennis Club to a Round Robin style event towards the end of November. Both of these events should be great fun for all!

Patrons of the Club : The Cricket Club wishes to thank those local businesses who have undertaken to support the village cricket. Special thanks go to Moonshine Motors, John Plowman Window Cleaning, Ace Water Tanks, Graham Wood Machinery, Ken Murphy Landscapes and Richard Edwards Pharmacy. In the next issue we will have a much fuller list of thanks to record. We appreciate your magnificent support so far.

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UPPER BEACONSFIELD RURAL FIRE BRIGADE LADIES' AUXILIARY

A DEMONSTRATION NIGHT - TUESDAY, 13th OCTOBER

7.30 p.m. - C.F.A. MEETING ROOMS

Demonstration given by Australasian Cane Collection of Narre Warren.

ALL WELCOME - Why not do some early Xmas Shopping?

There will be a variety of gifts, of all shapes and sizes.

Enquiries .: Joan Green (443 962) or Dot Pockett ( 443 506)

The *LADIES' AUXILIARY* also urgently need CLEAN USED RAGS/CLOTHING  
If you have any, please leave at the Milk Bar.

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UPPER BEACONSFIELD RECREATION RESERVE COMMITTEE

Des McKenna

Annual Meeting - At its second annual meeting held on 15.9.87 the following Office-bearers were elected :

Chairman	Des McKenna
Vice Chairman	Bob Taylor
Secretary	Bill Physic
Treasurer	Ron Carroll
Bookings Officer	Ron Carroll

Igloo Alterations - Following receipt of preliminary plans from the Shire Engineering Department, the Building Surveyor produced cost estimates of two basic proposals :

- i) Internal partitioning to achieve two change rooms and a mezzanine floor for Venturers
- ii) External building of two change rooms leaving the Igloo unrestricted.

As a result of this information, the Reserve Committee opted for a proposal to plan for the building of one room external to the Igloo of an area of 42 square metres.

The potential user groups - Cricket, Scouts & Football - have been asked to advise the Committee of any specific requirements their Group would have for such a building and confirmation that they would be prepared to provide some of the funds required.

Once the new building becomes available, it is planned to demolish the old tin shed currently occupies by the Cricket Club and Venturers.

Concreting - The Committee has funds available to externally concrete the kitchen and entrance end of the Igloo, and urgently seeks from within the Upper Beaconsfield Community some professional assistance to supervise this project. Do you have such knowledge which you would be prepared, to make available to us? Please contact either Peter de la Rue - 443 759, or Des McKenna -443 516.

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GARDEN GNOME ADVISES . . .

Chris Leaver

Spring is a very active time in the garden and as the weather hopefully improves we can enjoy the many jobs around to keep the gardener occupied.

Now is the time to begin planting native trees, shrubs, ground covers and climbers. When planting, always dig a hole at least twice the diameter of the plant container. Carefully remove the plant from its container, loosen surface root mat and place the plant no deeper than the ground level in its pot. Firm soil around the plant and water thoroughly. It is a good idea to add Osmocote slow release fertiliser to the soil while backfilling.

In the vegetable garden we can now plant silver beet, cabbage, carrot, parsley, beetroot, celery, spring onions, peas, potatoes, radish, basil and thyme.

Many annuals can now be planted, some are : snapdragon, viola, stock, candytuft, dahlia, lobelia, marigolds, pansy, alyssum, verbena, zinnia, salvia and nemesia.

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- Oct. 1 St. John's Jnr. Yth. Club (yrs.7/8) Ice Skating, leaves Church 1.15 p.m. Club normally meets 7.30 p.m. each Thurs. Enquiries to Fay on 03 707 5707.
- Oct. 1 Girl Guides of U.B. & Berwick Meeting & Activity Day at lower end of Brennans Ave. - 10.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m.
- Oct. 4 U.B. Riding Club - Visiting Instructor at Rec. Reserve, New members most welcome. Enq. Dellas 443 316 or Peter 443 033
- Oct. 5-9 Community Centre Course Enrolments.
- Oct. 7 U.B.A. Meeting - 7.45 p.m. Creche - Public Hall.
- Oct. 8 Luncheon & Fashion Parade by 'Clementine's of Berwick' at Willowdene. Superb Summer Fashions & Luncheon (inc.wine). In aid Pre-School. Some tickets left - Tel. Denise 443 258.
- Oct. 9 "Dimboola" as presented by Westernport Theatre Co. at Beaconhills G.C. Proceeds to Pakenham Lions.
- Oct. 10 Annual Parish Fair St. John's Church grounds from 9 a.m.
- Oct. 10 Cub Billy Cart Derby - 1.30 to 3.30 p.m.
- Oct. 10 - 24 Scout Job Weeks.
- Oct. 11 Scout Bottle Drive.
- Oct. 13 C.F.A. Auxiliary - demo night by "Australian Cane Collection"
- Oct. 14 Wilderness Presentation by Ross Garner - see Cons.Group
- Oct. 16 Jeans Sale at Primary School for P.F.A. Funds, 3.00-6.30.
- Oct. 16 - 18 St. John's Jnr. Yth. Gr. Camp-Mill Valley Ranch, Tynong
- Oct. 17 Tennis Club Bush Dance - see Club notes.
- Oct. 18 Birdwatching Walk - see Conservation Group notes.
- Oct. 18 Scout Competition Camp.
- Oct. 18 Jamboree of the Air
- Oct. 18 - 25 St. John's Link Missionary in training, Dianne Beck, at St. John's & attending Parish functions. To Pakistan in January.
- Oct. 23 "Police & You" Seminar at Gembrook - see article.
- Oct. 24 C.W.A. Cake Stall - 9-30 a.m. outside General Store.
- Oct. 24 Champagne Xmas Shopping Tour - see Scout notes.
- Oct. 26 Post-natal Hydrotherapy Classes begin - Bookings close October 9 - see article.
- Nov. 1 Riding Club - a.m. Visiting Instructor. p.m. In-house Dressage Competition.
- Nov. 3 Melb. Cup Eve Calcutta Night - Book at Beaconhills Golf Club.
- Nov. 15 Copy Deadline for Village Bell for distribution Nov. 26.
- Nov. 20 Combined Cub, Scout, Brownie, Guide Night
- Nov. 27 Sports Afternoon, U.B. Primary School - 1.30 p.m. onwards.
- Nov. 27 Xmas Auction - Rotary Club - at Beaconhills G.C. 7.30 p.m.
- Nov. 30 Twilight Sports, U.B. Primary School - 5.00 p.m. onwards.
- Dec. 20 Carol Singing Service at St. John's - 7.00 p.m.

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