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Upper Beaconsfield Association

Congratulations Neil and Joanne

Cardinia Shire Council has awarded Neil McDonald the individual category Environment Management Award for 1998, in recognition of his outstanding contribution to Environmental Management, within Cardinia Shire, an honour he well deserves.

For many years Neil has been both advocate and activist on many conservation matters, particularly working on the reduction in environmental weeds in our area. His other objective is encouraging everyone to appreciate, value, and preserve the wonderful bushland and rural surroundings we enjoy now, in the hope that all will try to keep them for future generations. His own property has a "Trust for Nature" covenant and also "Land for Wildlife".

Neil is an active member of the E.A.Owen Reserve and Salisbury Gully. Both reserves are managed and physically cared for by their committee members.

A foundation member of the Upper Beaconsfield Conservation Group, Neil has had two, three year terms, as president. This group is a very productive and active, their indigenous nursery in Halford Street is a great facility for newcomers to the village, and also enjoyed by residents of nearby

towns. The group meets monthly and welcomes new members.

Charles Wilson

Joanne Bradshaw Silver medallist in the Para Olympics

After Joanne Bradshaw of Albers Road suffered a disabling stroke five years ago, she decided to channel her competitive energies into the sports of discus, shot put and javelin.

Joanne, who had played State netball at both a junior and senior level, found she was able to demonstrate her prowess equally well in these new fields. She was selected to represent Australia in the Para Olympic World Championship held recently in Birmingham, U.K. in all three sports. The intensive training between February when Joanne found out she was selected and August paid off when she won her class and a silver medal in the discus, came second in the shotput and third in the javelin. To add to her personal triumph Joanne also had the satisfaction of being

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part of a great Australian team which was the overall winner of the competition for the first time. Joanne believes that Australia's acknowledged strength in Para Olympics, despite the relatively small numbers of competitors, is due to the encouragement given to athletes with a disability to participate in sport. Until now however Australian teams have only managed to finish second or third.

While the Sydney 2000 games are a consideration, Joanne is undecided whether she wants to make the huge commitment needed to participate. Participation in her first international competition enabled her to prove to herself she could succeed and at this stage she is unwilling to let her sport impact too significantly on her family and other interests.

In the meantime Joanne will continue participating as an able bodied member of the Knox Athletics Club where she is more than able to throw over the qualifying distance in each sport and earn points for her club.

Susan Pitman

50 years,
Three cheers.
Reminiscence
On wedded bliss.
Man and mate
Since '48.
Good heavens,
It's Levens!
Congratulations,
Laura & Bert!

Congratulations Japonica Jelly



The Cardinia Business Development Group has selected Japonica Jelly restaurant in Upper Beaconsfield as the recipient of the 1998 Business Award for outstanding young business in Cardinia Shire. This is a well-deserved award for local resident Jasmine Hewson.

Remembrance Day

Wednesday 11 November 1998

Mr. Frank Conn, the president of the Upper Beaconsfield branch of the RSL, will conduct the Remembrance Day service at the Cenotaph in Salisbury Road on the morning of Wednesday 11th November 1998 at 11.00.

The simple ceremony will be attended by local schoolchildren and residents and will honour the memory of the fallen heroes of the world wars, You and your friends are welcome to join the RSL members on this annual occasion.

Jo Carter

Twenty Years Ago

Here are some highlights from Issue No. 2 of the Bell:

- ◆ A study group set up by the UBA and led by local potter Ian Sprague proposed redevelopment of the commercial centre of the town around a "village square" concept.
- ◆ Mark Griffin, the then 19-year old assistant pro at Beacon Hills, was named Victorian trainee professional of the year.
- ◆ Paul Easton provided a detailed history of the Pine Grove Hotel and John Milligan wrote of the Aboriginal history of the area.
- ◆ Roger Francey wrote of the hazards of driving down the hill, noting that there had been three potentially disastrous accidents in the previous 6 weeks.

Frank Calleja Horse

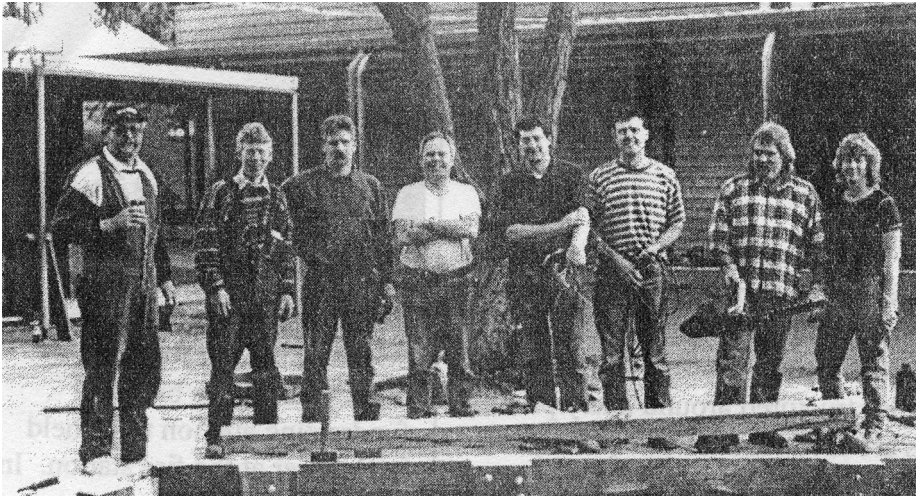
Clinic - gentle solutions for problem horses. 17-18 Oct, Upper Beac. Observers \$20/day. Ysabelle 5944 3273

Lost On weekend 19/20th Sept. Silver biro with red grip, somewhere between Post Office and Community Complex. Sentimental value, reward offered. Tel. Peg Bellair on 5944 3408

Berwick Bridge Club - beginner's lessons

Commencing at Monday 28 September, 7.30pm at Brentwood Community Centre, Bemersyde Drive, Berwick. Melway ref. 111 C 12.

Cost \$25 for 9 lessons including the textbook, Introduction to Bridge by Paul Martson. Tutor Shirley Collins (Grand Master and Victorian representative player. For further information contact Russell Williams - President 5944 3403



The "chain gang", from left John DeReus, Glenn Burrridge, David Harvey, Nigel Bydder, Kevin Cameron, Paul Hamilton, Mal Hein and Jackie Hein.

Partners in education

Upper Beac. Primary School was last year fortunate to receive a maintenance grant which allowed the relocation and enclosure of three double portables. This has resulted in the fantastic new Junior Learning Centre, a wonderful asset that the school can enjoy for many years to come.

Changing the buildings also resulted in the need to change the surrounding landscaping. The school's environment committee, consisting of parents Glenn Burrridge, Kerryn Hart, Sally Budge and convenor Kevin Cameron, have contributed many hours in order to improve the grounds at Upper Beaconsfield Primary. The main focus this year was to redesign and construct a new paved amphitheatre and seating adjacent to the Junior Learning Centre.

A number of special working bees which commenced in March this year have been attended by a dedicated crew of hardworking parents and teachers.

After the initial excavation by Dale Allen and his bobcat, the team has successfully laid over 300 square meters of paving, erected substantial sleeper garden retaining walls, created excellent seating areas and concreted new paths and access ramps (thanks to local concreters Karl Meyer, Stefan Damiani and Piet Van Dyk).

The huge project culminated on August 2 with a great family garden planting day, under the guidance of Kerryn Hart and Sally Budge, followed by a very well attended sausage sizzle organised by chefs June Gillespie and Roger Gordon.

This development project completes the provision of an aesthetic backdrop to the building and is sure to encourage student use of this important passive area.

We, at Upper Beaconsfield Primary, wish to thank the following wonderful supporters of our school, who have ensured that the project was such a success.

Sherrin Johnson

Thank you parents!

Kevin and Sue Cameron
 Glenn and Linda Burrridge
 Gordon Atkin
 Sally Budge
 Dale Allen
 Sam Turner
 Nigel and Anne Bydder
 Julie and Phil Born
 Carol and Gary Rose
 Davis Norbury
 David Harvey
 Scott Cunningham
 Kerryn and Lindsay Hart
 Danny Ryan
 John DeReus
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 Ray Gwozdiewski
 Jackie and Mal Hein
 Phill Scott
 Brendan O'Kane
 Brian McPhie
 Greg Whitely
 Mark Butler
 David O'Brien
 Peter Commerford
 Wendy Arthur
 Paul Hamilton

Key principles of the Strategy Plan

Following exhibition of the draft Strategy earlier this year the Consultants, Gutteridge Haskins & Davey, have now prepared a final document which has been reviewed by the Steering Committee and will now go to Council for final ratification.

The Strategy Plan has been structured around 8 key principles from which specific actions are identified. These principles are:

Social and Community Issues. *To promote and support the retention of key existing community and social services as a matter of priority, and to recognise the importance of these facilities for the long term community viability of Upper Beaconsfield.*

Natural systems and Ecology. *To ensure that all land management, use and development of land results in a net environmental improvement for the immediate area and wider catchment.*

Transport and Movement. *To maximise the utilisation and upgrade of the existing road network and any potential upgrade works to promote an efficient and interconnected road system, as well as improved pedestrian and equestrian networks and improved safety for all users.*

Residential Development. *To provide for limited use and development of land for residential purposes which is undertaken in a manner that reflects and promotes the unique rural landscape of Upper Beaconsfield, be of the highest quality of design and environmental management and result in a wide range of living opportunities for a variety of household types.*

Retail, Economy and Commercial. *To support existing retail and commercial services within the study area that provide a neighbourhood function, and provide opportunities to maximise the potential for alternative economic activities and local jobs.*

Open Space and Recreation. *To promote the protection and creation of open space and recreational facilities and public reserves in order to integrate existing native habitat, linear reserves, popular pedestrian, recreational and commercial nodes.*

Physical Infrastructure. *To recognise the existing infrastructure capacity needs and limitations within the study area., but also provide opportunities for maximising cost effective servicing for all use and development that is designed to result in minimal environmental and on-site impacts.*

Fire Management. *To recognise the high fire hazard that exists within the study area and maximise awareness for the need to integrate fire hazard minimisation, habitat management and landscape protection through all use and development of land.*

Graeme Kidd



The Fire Brigade Auxiliary will be providing hot food and drinks during the biannual fundraising auction to be held in October at the fire station. In addition to hot dogs, sandwiches, tea/coffee and soft drinks, there will also be a cake stall of home baked goods.

All proceeds from the sale of food and baked goods go toward a variety of needs at the station. The greatest of these is the purchase of a new fire-fighting vehicle.

Three Auxiliary members have joined with members of the Brigade to form a committee to focus on the task of raising funds for this purpose. Recently we held a very successful sausage sizzle at Bunnings; our next one will be held 14th November in front of Harry Heath's Rainbow Supermarket at Fountaingate. We look forward to seeing you there.

A reminder also that Auxiliary members process old, used and discarded clothing and yardgoods for rag sales. Please contact Nancy Boura on 5944 3632 if you have donations or deposit bagged goods at the Upper Beaconsfield milk-bar. As always, we extend our thanks for your continued support of the Auxiliary and the Brigade.

Colleen Lazenby

Issues in the news

Upper Beaconsfield Association: Report of August meeting

At the meeting in August we heard of the intrinsic details of the running of the Pre-School Centres and also the need for forward planning of the Recreation Ground.

On the proposed sale of the Civic Offices, Duncan Drive, the UBA subcommittee had previously advised all councillors they did not favour the action. The Mayor at the meeting advised that the Shire was waiting for a valuation of the site. It was resolved to continue to monitor the situation as an Association.

Problems associated with the production of the Bell were highlighted.

Concerns about lack of successful Community Grants were expressed, and safety factors of Charing Cross were discussed. Immediate communication with the Shire was implemented.

On the subject of Township Committees the UBA passed the following motion "This group is to retain its identity as the UBA, with its objectives to be more proactive within the wider community representation".

The meeting adjourned for tea and coffee at 10.25pm.

Township Committee vote

Meeting number Four on Forming a Township Committee was held in the Community Centre on the 16th September 8.00pm. With the Mayor in the Chair and twenty two people present it was resolved -

"That this meeting asks Cardinia Shire Council to invite the UBA to continue to formally act as the voice of the Upper Beaconsfield Community"

Having resolved the purpose of the agenda the meeting closed at 9.10pm.

Keith Ewenson

Notes From Council

Council Meeting.

The Council Meeting on 17th August was held at Upper Beaconsfield in the Primary School Multipurpose Room as part of the ongoing programme of holding meetings at various venues around the Shire. Council sees these meetings away from the Shire Offices as an opportunity for communities to see at first hand, and to participate in, the process of local government.

Amendment L.134.

The UB Strategy Plan which has now been completed will be put to Council within the next month for adoption. The Plan has identified the area at the end of Paul Grove covered by Amendment L.134, among others, as suitable for "in-fill" development.

It is expected therefore that this application for re-zoning which was deferred pending the completion of the Strategy Plan will be re-submitted for consideration in the near future.

Note that at this stage only the zoning is at issue. The nature of any subsequent subdivision will need to be assessed against the objectives of the Strategy Plan and would be the subject of a further application to Council.

Mobile Library.

Casey-Cardinia Library Corporation has been successful in obtaining funding for a new Mobile Library trailer valued at approximately \$150,000. The new trailer will incorporate significant enhancements including access for the disabled, a larger capsule and the potential to carry additional stock and computers. It is expected to be operational in the new year.

Budget.

The 1998/99 budget outlines expenditure of \$25.387m with a rate contribution of \$10.139m.

Rates.

The General Rate has been struck at 0.004145 based on Capital Improved Value (CIV) which is an increase of 7.35% on last year's rate. The additional income has been earmarked for capital works, primarily increased road projects. The Garbage Rate has been increased 6.9% to \$98, which will cover hard rubbish and green waste collections.

Cr Graeme Kidd 5944 3400

Smoke alarms - a valuable investment

Domestic smoke alarms are readily available, easily installed and easily maintained. There are numerous examples of smoke alarms alerting owners, neighbours, or even passers by, of the presence of fire.

As well as allowing residents to safely evacuate the building, early detection helps keep damage to a minimum allowing salvage of treasured possessions. Smoke alarms are available from hardware stores or supermarkets, and priced as low as \$5. They should be in your house by now !

The smoke alarm will come with an instruction sheet which will provide advice on suitable locations to install the alarms through your house. However, to avoid unnecessary hassle don't install it over the stove top, toaster, or open fireplace !

Smoke alarms should not be painted as this can reduce their ability to detect smoke. Being statically mounted they attract dust which can also compromise their performance, so when vacuuming do the smoke alarm also. Most smoke alarms have a test button which should be checked each month.

Whilst most smoke alarms have a low battery alert, many people fail to notice the cricket-

like chirp. So, to be safe, change your smoke alarm batteries every 12 months. The night the clocks change back from daylight savings is an excellent choice, other people choose Good Friday. Either way, choose a day and change the batteries every year !

Remember these are one of the cheapest but most valuable investments you can make -and all new buildings are required to be equipped with smoke alarms.

Auction

A fund raising auction will be held on Saturday 24th October at the Fire Station. Donations of saleable goods are invited, alternatively goods can be sold on commission.

The Brigade can collect and store donated goods. Enquiries should be directed to Peter Deering on 5944 3521 or Stan Hamilton on 5944 3531 or Ray Allsop at the Post Office.

Turnouts

In the last couple of months the Brigade has responded to a variety of incidents including motor vehicle accidents, chimney fires, oil spills, and power lines down.

Jan Irving
Upper Beaconsfield
Fire Brigade

Beware -"Aggies" spread rapidly!

Agapanthus is a declared environmental weed on Mornington Peninsula, and could easily become one in Upper Beaconsfield in the future. The flowers are very attractive and many use it to line a pathway, or on the nature strip, where if controlled, it need not be a nuisance.

Unfortunately it is already in many bushland areas, and once established tends to form large clumps, which are not easily removed. A broad sweep with a mattock will usually remove the plant and most of its roots. Let this vegetation dry for a few weeks and then it will burn in a hot fire.

If you do not wish to remove the plant, or are physically unable to do so, at least remove the dying flower heads before they can develop and drop seeds which will germinate and cause you problems in the future.

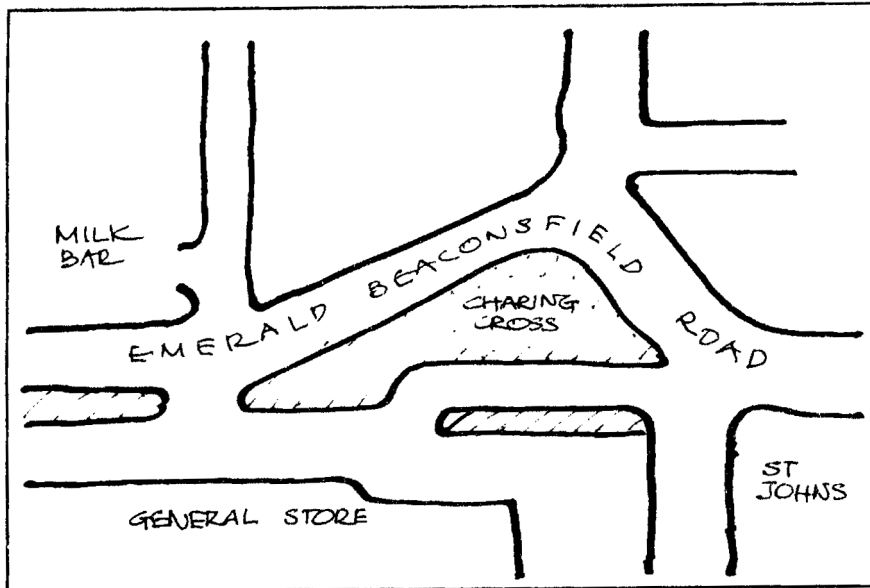
Charles Wilson

SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL - UBA AND VILLAGE BELL

I The Treasurer, Upper Beaconsfield Association, PO Box 86, Upper Beaconsfield 3808
I I enclose \$5 being family subscription to the UBA and the Village Bell for 1998.
I I understand that this subscription entitles me to vote at the bimonthly meetings of the UBA.

I Name of family Address.....
I Tel Signed

Improving traffic flow in Upper Beaconsfield



Sketch plan of suggested redesign of Charing Cross

Over the years there have been various ideas to improve the traffic flow at the centre of Upper Beaconsfield. The most recent was the roundabout at the Salisbury Road-St. Georges Road-Beaconsfield-Emerald Road intersection. Land was sought but the project appears to have been shelved.

At the last meeting of our Upper Beaconsfield Association it was decided to renew pressure on the Shire of Cardinia for them to improve our traffic flow and traffic safety by action instead of word.

To start our campaign a plan of a suggested solution prepared by one of our residents is shown to start your creative thinking processes working. It is our intention to give the Shire a range of concepts or plans to solve the traffic flow so that they can start the process of achieving a workable solution that can be implemented. We do not want to go into detailed planning because we regard this as the Shire and Vic Roads forte.

Please drop your suggested plan, concepts or thoughts, in writing, to our local Post Office or local licensed supermarket. If you wish to initially discuss this issue further, you can ring Roger Gordon on 5944 3255.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Traffic Flow Working Party - UBA
John Larsson
Roger Gordon

Next UBA meeting

7th October, 8p.m.
Community Complex

Get involved in your community and be informed on local issues. Come and hear speakers from - Neighbourhood Watch and Red Cross. You would be most welcome.

Why not join us?

Citizens of the Year 1999

Start thinking now about who you could nominate for the Upper Beaconsfield Citizen and Upper Beaconsfield Young Citizen of the Year.

Someone you know who has contributed in some way to our community. Maybe someone who has worked on a committee that provides a service to the community, or has shown leadership, caring or inspiration to others.

By nominating someone you will be helping to encourage a recognition of the importance and value of community service in Upper Beaconsfield.

Details of eligibility for both awards and nomination forms can be collected from the Upper Beaconsfield Post Office. Completed nomination forms should be directed to the Chairperson, Citizen and Young Citizen of the Year Awards, PO Box 85, Upper Beaconsfield. Nominations close March 1999.

Anne McCormick
5944 3502

Return to Largowan

In 1901 a house known as "Largowan" was owned by Mrs Rushall. Her son Captain Rushall inherited the property and used it as a training ground for an Australian Light Horse unit during World War 1. He continued to live in the house until it was destroyed by fire in 1923.

The following year Rushall built a new home in brick. To reduce the fire danger he had a path built around the house which was asphalted, and had a fire watch seat built in a windmill tower.

When Rushall died in 1926, the house was bought by Charles Martel a French woolbuyer, an elegant and able young man, who called it "Mon Desir". He was very proud of the house which he re-decorated and enlarged considerably. He bred pigeons for the table and kept peacocks in an immaculately kept garden. His only son, Maurice joined the RAAF in 1940 and was killed when shot down over Europe. His name is on the War Memorial.

The next owner was Norman Steele, of the prosperous warehousing family, then followed by Gladys Irene Zuyderhout, wife of a retired Dutch sea captain. On 4/11/63 "Mon Desir" was purchased by Baroona Pty. Ltd. the family company of Bess and Keith Ballantyne, who renamed the house "Baroona". In December 1968 they sold to Henry Hugh Strain and Ethel Wynne Strain, who named the house "Highland Park" and converted it to a nursing home.

In November 1992 it was bought by the Harrison family who obtained a Council permit for a restaurant and reception rooms.

The house has now been purchased by Peter Hutton and Ulli Reichardt who have reverted to the old name "Largowan". They will use the house for a restaurant, and say that work on the project will commence in November.

Charles Wilson

Thanks - contributors to the Village Bell

Thanks to those who are submitting articles on disk. Word or Wordperfect files are preferred. No fancy formatting or tabs please! Give your files a logical name rather than a cryptic number or name so the item is easy to identify. Delete any old files from the disk. Disks may be collected from the PO.

Neighbourhood Watch

Next meeting 19th October at the Community Centre.

At the AGM held on 17th August the current administration was re-elected unopposed. However we still do not have a Newsletter Editor or Treasurer. Anybody who can help with these could please contact Lorraine Barnes on 5944 3624.

"Fire Safety in the House"

Since 1983 residents of Upper Beaconsfield and surrounding areas have become aware of the dangers in summer resulting from the hot dry conditions and many take precautions to meet the threat of fire.

Recently during a period when I was conducting research to help with a project I was working on as a committee member with Standards Australia, I became aware of a booklet put out by them pertaining to fire safety in the home. This booklet, "Fire Safety in The Home, a guide to residential fire safety", is not a standard as such but is designed to advise the householder on matters concerning fire safety. It is easy to understand and has many suggestions on how to make your home and family as safe as possible in the event of a fire.

Prepared with the assistance of such bodies as National Fire Protection Association, N.S.W. Fire Brigades, C.F.A., Australian Assembly of Fire Authorities, C.S.I.R.O and others it is in my opinion a must for our area and should be in every household.

The cost of the booklet is \$14.50 rrp but if enough people are interested I should be able to order in bulk and pass on any saving. A copy will be available to peruse at the UB Post Office and you could place your name on a list for a copy. Should you want any more information you could contact me on 5944 3196 (AH).

Viv Hyland

The Upper Beaconsfield Association and the Village Bell

Did you know that:

- ◆ The Village Bell is the official newsletter of the UBA.
- ◆ The Bell has been published (bi-monthly) continuously since July 1978.
- ◆ In the aftermath of Ash Wednesday extra editions were published covering information on all available services.
- ◆ The editors are a sub-committee of the UBA.
- ◆ The Bell is posted to all residents of UB.
- ◆ People not resident still pay to have the Bell delivered.
- ◆ Copies are sent to the State Library and to Berwick and Pakenham Libraries.
- ◆ Copies go to Shire Councillors and the Shire Shire CEO.
- ◆ Copies go to our members of parliament, The Hon. Rob Maclellan and Bob Charles MP.
- ◆ All expenses are paid by the UBA out of memberships funds and advertising fees.
- ◆ Local advertisers receive first preference of all advertising space.
- ◆ The current editor phones all organizations offering space in each Bell for them to promote their organization.
- ◆ In the last issue 38 different organizations and people participated.
- ◆ Cardinia Shire Council uses the Bell to disseminate information as do the Shire Councillors.
- ◆ The Bell received the Shire of Cardinia Australia Day Community Award in 1997.

UBA aims and objectives

At recent meetings questions were asked about the UBA aims and objectives. The committee feel it is again time to publish these in the Bell.

From page 1 of the UBA Inc Constitution dated December 1, 1994:

Section 2: Aims and objectives

- 1 To monitor and influence development in Upper Beaconsfield and district so as to retain, as far as possible, its semi-rural character and atmosphere.
- 2 To facilitate communications and interaction between the Upper Beaconsfield community and the Shire Council and any other authorities and instrumentalities in matters pertaining to Upper Beaconsfield and district.
- 3 To conduct social, cultural, educational, recreational and community service activities.
- 4 To print, issue, and distribute publications to residents and other interested persons.'
- 5 To provide a forum where local issues can be debated, and, if applicable, resolutions which are decided upon can be communicated to any relevant authorities or instrumentalities.
- 6 To assist in disaster and emergency relief. To assist with the provision of amenities and services available to residents.
- 7 To raise funds to finance the foregoing purposes.

Jeanette Ballinger

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New tennis team

Once again our AGM is over, and we have a new enthusiastic committee for 1998 - 99.

Ian Jackson finished his two year term as President. All members acknowledge the hard work Ian has done both as President and Chief Court/ Grounds Person to keep our courts and surrounds in tip-top condition.

Eve Morgan, our hard working Treasurer of four years has also retired. There is an enormous amount of work to do especially when subs are due!!

We also thank Elsie Bennett and Mark Bellgrove who did not seek re-election this time. They have also supported the club over many years, especially in organising many very successful quiz nights etc. Our continuing Secretary Jenny McCormick was awarded a Life Membership.

Our new committee is Michael Zerbst (President), Ian Jackson (Vice President), Phil Born (Treasurer), Jenny McCormick (Secretary). Other members on committee are Julie Born (Junior Coordinator), Anne Hutchinson (Mid Week Coordinator), Ian Haythorpe (Senior Saturday Coordinator), plus Lynn Cousins, Linda Burrige and Geoff Whiting (General Committee).

Winter Competition

We have just finished Winter Competition for both Juniors and Seniors. Congratulations to our Junior Sections 6 & 7 teams on each winning a Grand Final and to Junior Section 16 as Runner Up. Congratulations too to Seniors Section 8 (Red) on winning their first Grand Final. Great Effort!

Our Juniors enjoyed a B.B.Q. tea and hit of tennis under lights before the presentation of trophies to mark the end of their season. Playing under lights is a new experience for many of our Juniors.

Summer Season

There are 14 Junior teams (72 children) playing in the forthcoming Summer Season. It is great that our Juniors are able to use the School Court and the U.B. Community Complex's Court otherwise we would have to turn young players away. We wish them the best of luck and hope they have an enjoyable season - and maybe a flag or two, too!

There are 6 Senior teams playing in the coming Saturday Summer Season -1 in West Gippsland & District Association, 1 Men's team in Caulfield Carrum District, and 2 teams in Berwick/Dandenong & District Associations.

There are 8 teams playing in the Mid Week Ladies competition. They are currently half way through their Spring Season. The latest ladder indicates that Tuesday Section 11 are in 1st position, Wednesday Section 8 Blue are 3rd, Wednesday Section 8 Red are 4th, and Thursday Section 2 are 3rd. We are looking good for the finals. No wonder we need extensions done - where will we put all the flags?

Night Tennis is still very popular and does a great job keeping all those adults off the streets!! Monday and Thursday night tennis has continued throughout the winter - Monday (Intermediate standard) & Thursday Nights (Beginners upwards).

All enquiries can be directed to Greg Wyatt - Phone: 5943 2472. Wednesday night (for the more advanced players) has just commenced after the winter break - enquiries can be directed to Cameron McCormick on 5944 3617.

REMINDER: Members have you paid your 98/99 subscription?

Coming dates for your calendar:

- ◆ Saturday Social Night (every second Saturday in the Month) commencing soon - more information in the newsletter.
- ◆ Working Bee 11th October 9.30am onwards - all members are required to attend - many hands make light work. General tidying up - please bring wheelbarrows, shovels, rakes etc.

New members are always welcome - any enquiries re membership can be made by phoning Michael Zerbst - 5944 3619, Phil Born - 5944 3222, or Jenny McCormick - 5944 3617.

Jenny McCormick

Heh you fellows !!!

I think it is about time someone had a word with the men of Upper Beaconsfield. Many of you are dragging your feet when it comes to taking a role in community life. I know we have some very active and committed men in the community who are doing a great job, however the women of Upper Beaconsfield carry a very large part of the load as far as community life in the village is concerned.

Many of these women cram more into a day than a lot of you fellows manage to fit into a week! Just try the daily schedule many of these girls fulfil - you'll be calling for help quicker than you think.

Yes, I know that many men have work commitments, however these days many of the women also have work commitments as well as all the demands placed on them as wives and mothers.

Yes, I know that work can be demanding and that at the end of the day it is very pleasant to put your feet up and relax - point is that quite a few of you fellows like to relax at the end of every day.

Yes, I know it is great to get involved in family activities, but many of the things you and your family do rely on facilities and services that others in the community have created and maintained.

Yes, I know it's great to spend time with your mates, but bear in mind that while you are enjoying yourself there are others who are getting on with creating and maintaining community facilities and services - facilities and services that you and your family use. Well why not? The facilities and services are there for the use of the community aren't they?

Exactly the point - and I would like to see more men realise that the community, their families, and they themselves would be the richer for their contribution to community life in Upper Beaconsfield. So how about sharing the load with the girls ?

Every community service, every facility and every club and association in Upper Beaconsfield would be grateful for more support and more involvement from the men of Upper Beaconsfield. So there is the challenge fellows !!!

Graham Jackson

Evacuee Registration Sessions

Do any residents wish to join local Red Cross members in learning the procedures for registering evacuees from an area should a major disaster occur. Registration is essentially a clerical job. Sessions in this area are to be held as follows:

- ◆ Thursday, 8th October, 8pm to 10pm at the Narre Warren Police Station,
- ◆ Friday, 9th October, noon to 2pm at the RSL Hall Berwick.
- ◆ Thursday, 15th October, 10am to noon at Cardinia Shire Offices, Pakenham.

Volunteer Drivers

Thanks to excellent publicity, Mrs Joy Farrar, our Unit member organising transport, has been fortunate in getting several volunteers willing to drive in the Melbourne area. Additional volunteers are always welcome.

Murray River Marathon

It is anticipated that once again teams from Beaconhills College will be taking part in the Murray River Marathon between Christmas and New Year. Visitors from many overseas countries are expected to compete.

Street Stall.

This year the annual street stall will be held in Berwick on Friday, 20th November. Donations of "eye-catching" produce would be most welcome.

Cards and Gifts.

From September onwards Christmas Cards and calendars will be on display in the Berwick Library. Unit members are indeed grateful for the ladies from the Library who sell the merchandise on behalf of Red Cross.

Congratulations on your special 20th anniversary issue of the Village Bell. It made very interesting reading.

Marie Womersley 9707 1103

History snippets from St John's

When I last wrote for the Village Bell I mentioned the new Hall and car park project that is progressing gradually at St. John's.

Since then I've been reading some of the original Vestry minutes of the parish - here is an excerpt from the meeting held in the assembly hall on Tuesday afternoon, 2nd of May 1921; the Rev. A Cole presiding as chairman: "That in the opinion of this meeting of members of the Church of England it is desirable that a Church at Upper Beaconsfield be erected in accordance with the Acts of Synod." The motion was carried unanimously by the 19 members present and the meeting went on to appoint a building committee and plan a series of working bees to prepare the block of land.

I first read this while St. John's was in the middle of a series of working bees to prepare the land and our current building committee was debating plans for the Hall. Some things are constants after all!

Baptisms and Weddings

In my first twelve months at St. John's I've heard various concerns expressed by residents of Upper Beaconsfield about the Baptism of Children and Weddings in the church. One minor issue has been the availability of car parking which will be resolved once our new car park is available for use, the other issues, however, are more serious.

Regarding Baptism some have felt that St. John's in the past was too exclusive in its policy so, by way of clarification, I will briefly outline what Baptism means in any Christian Church. Christian Baptism stems from Jesus' command to Baptise those who trust in Him as the Son of God, that is, God Himself in human form, and it represents three things: 1. That we die to ourselves, that is, that we give up on trying to justify ourselves before God. 2. That we begin to live for God, that is, to learn to please Him and not merely ourselves. 3. That we join God's people, that is, the Church. These things are then confirmed by public oaths and statements of faith during the Baptismal service; as you can see, Baptism is very demanding but it always has been because it is a sign of someone beginning to follow Jesus.

Regarding Weddings, the Commonwealth government has a much tighter policy than the Church! We do not require people to either be members of St. John's or even committed Christians for their Wedding to take place at St. John's. We have a policy that outlines the government and church requirements so please feel free to give me a call if you wish to have a copy.

What's new

On Sunday the 22nd of November we will stop the current 9.30am Sunday service and replace it with a weekly 8.30am Traditional Anglican service and a 10.00am Family service (in a contemporary style).

Next term our 'First Things' course commences again for people who have questions about the Christian faith - the course runs over six Tuesday evenings from the 13th October and dinner is provided.

Please call me if you'd like to make a booking or have other matters you believe we can help you with.

Mike Flynn

Vicar of St. John's

5944 3862 Office 5944 3410 Vicarage

Craft Exhibition

The West Gippsland Group of the Country Women's Association welcome you to their Exhibition at the Pakenham Hall, Henry Street, Pakenham, on Wednesday, 28th October from 2pm to 8pm, and on Thursday, 29th October from 10am to 3pm.

Admission is \$2.00. There will be many crafts, floral displays, cooking and demonstrations to see. Light refreshments will be available.

The Annual General Meeting of the Woorinyan Country Womens Association will be held on 21st October 1998 at 7.30pm at Kwarna Tea Rooms. All welcome.

Woorinyan CWA

Sue Elliott 9796 8634

Joyce Bumpstead 5944 3298

Enthusiasm boosts cricket performance

Increased activity and interest in cricket within the town meant that we were able to field four senior sides during the past season. Adding the three junior teams meant that the club reached a peak numerically speaking and in most instances maintained a high standard on the field both in terms of performance and sportsmanship.

After winning the 'B' Grade flag in 1996-97 our senior side under Joe Robertson was elevated to the West Gippsland Cricket Association's top division. Indifferent batting for most of the season saw us struggle to avoid relegation. The injection of some youth into the side later in the season improved matters and we live to fight on in 'A' Grade again next season.

Phil Olle led the Seconds in 'C' Grade. The side played well throughout and won its way through to the final against Cardinia which we lost. Considering the many necessary selection changes during the season, to finish as runners-up was more than noteworthy.

In a cliff-hanger the Thirds, captained by John McConchie in 'F' Grade, went down to Emerald by just one wicket in the final. After hitting up big totals in most games we didn't manage to bat out all the allotted overs in the final, which was the difference at the end.

The Fourths cut their teeth in 'F' Grade and got the season off with a flying start. Several players were promoted, a couple became unavailable and there was a resultant mid-season slump. Skipper Adam Konecny regrouped his charges well. They found form again but couldn't quite make up the deficit.

Coached by Richard Edwards and led by Marcus Gehling the Under 16's looked a pretty average side early in the season. As the season progressed a noticeable change came over the players who gained both in confidence and performance, eventually to the stage of forcing their way into the semi-final after a great win in the final round. Though the semi was lost, the season was a most interesting one and everyone's perseverance and ability to improve is to be commended.

In similar vein to the Under 16's, our Under 14 team with Rob Hansen as coach and carnival batsman Brendan Webb skippering, the team also started like novices. They were often short on both

confidence and numbers. A few Under 12's started to help out and with a full complement things turned around dramatically. The side pushed up the ladder and ultimately into a semi-final which was also lost by only a wicket. A gutsy season's performance by a relatively inexperienced team.

Our Under 12's, who don't play for points, had a big season winning fourteen out of fifteen games including the Annual Challenge against Flinders. Coached by Roland Betheras and well led by James Haupt they won all of the nine fixtured games, breezed through the qualifying rounds of the knock-out competition, but lost the final to Nar Nar Goon in an exciting match. It was yet another one wicket defeat in a final for the club.

Ex 1996-97 player John Stinear was voted club champion after working his way up through the ranks to 'A' Grade where he played a significant role in helping the team avoid relegation. Life memberships were bestowed upon Richard Edwards and Rob Hansen.

The Club committee acknowledges the input from sponsors, the local community, players and supporters throughout the season as well as its responsibilities in running one of the township's major sporting and social facilities.

Roland Betheras

BH 9707 4222

*Welcome to these new residents
of Upper Beac.*

Wayne and Cherie Tognazzini
Salisbury Road

Murray Jenkins
Kitchen Road

Kim and Greg Marsh and family
Armstrong Road

Andrew and Jennifer Manson
Berglund Road

Actors wanted !

Upper Beaconsfield Community Care Group

To assist in the training of our existing and new volunteers our Committee plans to produce a training video which will include some short role plays to emphasise the messages we are trying to get across.



We are very fortunate to have Maureen Scott to professionally produce the entire project and in order to make the role plays believable we need the help of anybody in the community who has skills or experience at any level in acting.

If you are able to help we would love to hear from you. The time involved will be, we believe, minimal and will be great fun. There is no restriction on age or any other factor as we need people to represent all aspects of our community life.

If you can help call Sue on 5944 3788 or Des on 5944 3516.

Can we help you ?

Our Group offers assistance to all residents irrespective of their personal circumstances in the areas of Upper Beaconsfield, Dewhurst, and Guy's Hill in the following ways :-

- ◆ Emergency Domestic Help
- ◆ Emergency Child Minding
- ◆ Emergency Meals
- ◆ Emergency Transport
- ◆ Emergency Minor Handyman Repairs
- ◆ Friendly Visiting
- ◆ Referral to other assistance

Our assistance is not restricted to these categories so if you have any sudden emergency or need, please call us and we will endeavour to help.

Call Des on 5944 3516 or Glenda on 5944 3884.

Des McKenna

Clover Cottage- Fundraising opportunity

The Pony Club and the Riding Club are offering a fund raising opportunity to other organisations. They have a fund raising Dinner at Clover Cottage on Wednesday, 14 October at 6.30 pm.

However, they are having difficulty in building the attendance to the 100 for which they will be charged in any event. Any organisation that puts together a table will receive all of the profit of \$7.50 per person. The price is \$35 each. This does not include drinks which are available for individual purchase. Most tables are 10, but other sizes are 4, 6 and 16.

Here is an easy way to raise some funds for your organisation - and have a good night out at the same time. Get together, say, five couples and your organisation will be better off by \$75. If you are interested in this offer, contact Liz Hodges on 5944 4312. First come - first served!

Community Aid Abroad - Freedom from Hunger Doorknock



At the time of writing these notes the doorknock in Upper Beaconsfield and Guy's Hill is at about the half way mark and returns from collectors seem to be at about the same level as last year. We would like to thank both the Community at large for their continued support of this annual appeal and the volunteer collectors who give so generously of their time and energies. We will provide a full report in the next issue of the Village Bell.

Des McKenna 5944 3516

Golfing now on the net

Beaconhills has launched itself into cyberspace with the development of an Internet site which can be accessed on www.netspace.net.au/~bhillsgc providing up-to-date information for members (including weekly competition results) and the opportunity to market our 36 hole golfing facility at Upper Beaconsfield. Members can also communicate with the club via email and our commitment is to reply via email, phone or fax within one working day of receiving messages. Technology has now taken over handicapping - our new terminal for member access has been installed - together with simple instructions for use.

With the 'age of instant communication' taking over, a formal policy regarding mobile phones on the course has been introduced. As a courtesy to other players, mobile phones must not be used during a round of golf, except in an emergency. They may be carried, but should either be switched off or left in pager mode.

The club insurers have clarified the acceptability of 'call up' holes if safe refuge points are established and used by golfers. Shelters will shortly be erected on holes 1 & 3 (Lakes) and 2 (Hills). The call-up ban will be removed after their installation, thus speeding up play.

The remaking of the 6th tee (Hills) has been completed and after allowing it to settle over the winter months is now ready for use. Major work on the 16th (Lakes) involving raising the fairway, a bunker re-build, significant drainage improvements and an upgrade of the irrigation system will be undertaken early 1999. Budgeting is also in hand for projects on the 11th (Lakes) - drainage of green and surrounds and completion of 3 bunkers - currently 'grassy hollows'. Improvements to the tee on 2nd (Hills) are scheduled.

The groundstaff have had a busy period with early Spring preparation of greens and fairways. Sanded greens are a bit of a nuisance, but a necessity for good course management. Course Superintendent Robert Ryan with his excellent staff will have the course in top condition for the club championships due to be played during October. Robert's dedicated staff include Greg Tivendale who played his first AFL Senior game for Richmond against the West Coast at Subiaco during August on a Sunday, then

caught the 'red eye' special overnight from Perth and was back at work 7am Monday! Leading hand Barry Auhl was recently named 'Outstanding 3rd year Apprentice' at Holmesglen TAFE.

Junior golf goes from strength to strength. Two rounds of the South East Junior Masters will be played at Beaconhills during the school holidays (Lakes and Hills). Amstel and Berwick/Montuna make up the other two venues for the four round tournament. Congratulations go to Christina Beltram, Pete Haussegger, James Marsh and Julian Simeth for qualifying for the PGA Junior Championship. Julian had the best off the stick score. The next round will be played at Werribee and all at Beaconhills wish them great success and hope they get the chance to play in the final at Royal Pines Qld. A golf clinic for Junior members will be held on Friday 2nd October cost \$3.00.

Mark Griffin and Mark Auhl were among 160 professionals from all over Australia and New Zealand who recently attended an excellent 3 day seminar on coaching at Royal Pines Qld with world renowned teacher from the United States Jim McLean. Mark has clinics starting in October for beginners and those wishing to refresh their golfing skills. Enquiries Pro shop 5944 3630. Beaconhills has excellent facilities for private lessons including video.

The Monday 'low stress golf concept continues to be extremely popular and it is great to have a number of ladies ready for competition golf. Seven new members have joined the ladies sector over the past two months. The Interclub match play has been enthusiastically supported once again by Beaconhills players. The team included three Upper Beac residents Lesley Davidson, Ros Harding and Paula Mitchell. It is a great opportunity for new and longer handicapped players to experience match play under Pennant conditions.

Congratulations to young Christina Beltran of Stoney Creek Rd. After just turning 15 she entered her first Saturday comp and gave the men a run for their money. Playing off a handicap of 30 she scored 45 stableford points - winning the

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Tasmanian tiger - latest sighting

On Tuesday 18th August at about 7 pm, the Upper Beaconsfield Tasmanian Tiger was again spotted by a local person (name withheld). We're not revealing the location, but it was somewhere very central.

The Tiger ran across in front of X's car. The lights were on high beam, and X got a good look. X describes the animal as smooth-coated, with a brown/orange colour and dark stripes along the back. It had a long thin tail and small, pointed ears. It was bigger than a fox but smaller than a large dog. A child in the car with X also saw the Tiger.

Ysabelle Hobson

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competition and taking 5 off her handicap!

Twilight golf comps will be held on Wednesdays and Fridays, starting Wednesday 28th October. Hit off times will be from 3.00-6.00pm and bistro meals will be available from 6.30pm -have your family and friends join you for a meal and enjoy the tranquil beauty of Beaconhills at twilight.

Children's menu available - visitors welcome. Enquiries: Jemma or Andy

Barbara Jackson

VEC Interschool Show Jumping Competition



Georgia Watson from MLC receives her prize from Helen Butler of Weatherbeeta.

On 11th September, 70 competitors participated in the Victorian Interschool Show Jumping Finals, hosted by the Victorian Equestrian Centre. These competitors had made it successfully through the Show Jumping Heats on 10,14 and 24 August, also held at the VEC, and involving a total of 240 competitors who came from all over Victoria.

This is the first time the Show Jumping Competition has been held, and the stakes were high. The winning team, Hillcrest Christian College Nyora Team A, took home \$1000 in prize money, given by the VEC. The overall individual winner was Georgia Watson. Her prize was a Bates Close Contact Jumping Saddle worth \$1700, donated by the well-known horse rug manufacturers, Weatherbeeta.

Other placings were: Yarra Glen Primary School Team A - 2nd; Hurstbridge Primary School Team A - 3rd; Tintern Girls School Team B - 4th; Beaconhills College Team A - 5th; Beacon-hills College Team B - 6th; Tintern Girls' School Team A - 7th; Hillcrest Christian College Nyora Team B - 8th.

Individual placegetters: Dale Keefer - Beaconhills College - 2nd; Melissa Ball - Yarra Glen Primary School - 3rd; Erica George - Tintern Girls' School - 4th; Madison Caulfield - Hurstbridge Primary School - 5th; Sarah Joyce - Hillcrest Christian College Nyora - 6th.

Ysabelle Hobson

Wildlife watch

September 1998

Did you know that there are about 2000 species of native bees in Australia, most no larger than a mosquito?

Did you know that the local golden moth orchid (*Diuris pendunculata*) is pollinated by only one species of native bee? Therefore no bee no orchid though the bee has been recorded on 29 different plant families!

Australia's native bee population is acknowledged as the most remarkable in the world due to the fact that two predominant families are considered to be primitive because of their short tongues particularly suited to the shallow cup flowers of eucalypts, tea-tree, melaleuca, paper barks, burghan and bottlebrush which grow in such profusion in the Australian bush. One family of solitary bees has short blunt tongues and a semi-social family of bees has short pointed tongues.

Bee shapes vary from tiny and slender to plump and round. Some are bare like wasps and others have thick furry coats. Colours range from black through the complete brilliant palette.

Nests can be constructed in the soil, in excavated pithy stems, in abandoned beetle burrows or in mortar between bricks. A similar hierarchy to the honey bee is present in the social species. In other families the females might live in the same nest but there is no queen and each female manages her own unique cells.

Another snippet of information culled from the from Land for Wildlife News, as were the bee notes, is a useful telephone number for advice about injured native animals. WILD-LINE is available 24 hours a day on 0500 540 000.

Stop Press! I showed a photograph of a spider orchid to a recognised orchid expert at a seminar recently. He immediately identified it as *Caladenia lindleyana*, the wine-lip orchid. The photograph was taken in my patch of bush in 1983, which means that all this time that the rare species for which I have been hoping has been almost under my feet!!

At this same seminar we were taken on a field trip to see another rare spider orchid which is a

beautiful, unusual shade of smokey pink. *Caladenia hastata* is pollenised by the male of a native bee which lands on the labellum, regains his balance, steps backward, deliberately rubs his head against a sticky place on the column, deliberately steps backward again, raises his head and positively thumps it several times into the pollen source. Two things result from this. First he has harvested a beautiful cap of pollen and secondly a female bee flies in, quickly mates, removes the cap from the male, rolls it into a ball, flies off into her nest hole where she pulls the door closed and lays one egg. The pollen and nectar collected by all female bees provides sufficient food for the pupae until it is ready to emerge from the nest.

The only action not deliberate in the whole episode was that the owner of the site was in the right place at the right time to witness the pollination and to capture the slow-flying male bee for identification.

Laura Levens

Cardinia Mobile Library

Visits Upper Beaconsfield every Tuesday from 11.30am to 1.30pm. (Opposite the Medical Clinic)

Services provided include:

- ◆ Free library membership
- ◆ A broad selection of over 15,000 items from picture books to large print.
- ◆ Magazines, videos, audio books and compact discs.
- ◆ Access to information on subjects or topics of interest.
- ◆ A photocopier.

Over 350 items on average are added to the collection each month. Items available at any of the 5 other branches of the Casey-Cardinia Library Corporation can be obtained by request. Members can borrow up to 10 items for a 4 week period.

Upper Beaconsfield residents are invited to visit the Mobile Library any Tuesday and see for themselves how libraries provide a Pathway to Knowledge.

For more information please contact Pakenham Library on 5941 2036.

A job advertisement

In the last issue of the Village Bell I placed an advertisement for someone with office skills to fill a part time position in Dandenong. Due to an unfortunate mistake one number was left off the contact telephone number, yet 3 women were interested enough - and smart enough - to follow through and make contact. I am very pleased to advise that all three applicants were well qualified for the position and one has now been hired.

This is, as far as I am aware, the first time the Bell has been used to advertise an employment opportunity.

There are a number of very capable, intelligent women in our community who would like to return to work, not just to earn money, but also for the involvement and the interest. They do however have family responsibilities and cannot easily conform to normal working hours. I have found it is not difficult to adjust our office requirements to fit in with these responsibilities, and further more to allow some flexibility to cope with the sudden demands made on mothers. This is particularly so when you have several part-timers working, as they can ensure between them that critical times are covered.

So what do you get in return for going out of your way to adjust for the family responsibilities of your staff - you get experienced, skilled and committed people who are keen to involve themselves in your business. We have received a high level of loyalty from our several part-timers over the years and our staff turnover has been very low indeed.

If you are looking for part time staff then I commend to you the Village Bell as the way to go.

Graham Jackson

Oaks Day at Upper Beaconsfield

The Spring Carnival is fast approaching - soon it will be the first week in November. This year the all-important "first Tuesday" will not overshadow the first Thursday. Traditionally the day where the ladies have the spotlight, this year's Oaks Day will be celebrated in style at the Pine Grove Hotel.

As a fund-raiser for the Upper Beaconsfield Community Centre, Donna Allan is organising this fun day with the best interests of all in mind - the centre, the ladies who attend and of course their hip pockets (or perhaps their diamante handbags!). Champagne and hors d'oeuvres will be served on arrival, followed by a two-course meal. The bar will be open, and a betting service will be operating so there will be no need to battle the crowds at the TAB!

Ladies, tell your friends from all around, and join in the celebrations with "Fashions in the Field" and other competitions throughout the day.

For details and bookings contact the Community Centre on 5944 3484.

Historical bus tour

Often when we think of Cardinia Shire's history we immediately think of Pakenham, overlooking Beaconsfield and Upper Beaconsfield. Pakenham and its settlement feature prominently in books about people and places of importance, but there is much interesting history at the top and bottom of the hill as well.

The Community Centre has therefore decided to run an historical bus tour of Upper Beaconsfield and Beaconsfield as a fund-raising activity. Helen Hudson, an active member of the Pakenham-Berwick Historical Society for many years, will conduct the tour with her husband Bill. They will visit many places and recount their varied and often surprising pasts.

The tour will include a trip to Mt Misery - once an important site from which one could see Westernport Bay. Long-time residents as well as more recent arrivals will find this tour quite fascinating.

The group will meet by 10am on Friday, 16th October at the Community Centre, and afterwards a light lunch will be served. The cost per person will be \$15. For more information and bookings contact the Centre on 5944 3484.

Open day and information nights

The Upper Beaconsfield 4 year old kinder and 3 year old pre-kinder will be holding both an open day and an information night:

Open Day :3 year old pre-kinder

Location.....3 McBride Road, Upper Beaconsfield
DateWednesday 21st October
Time10 am to 12 noon

Information Night:.... 3 year old pre-kinder

Location.....3 McBride Road, Upper Beaconsfield
DateMonday 26th October
Time7.30 pm

Open Day :4 year old kinder

Location.....Stoney Creek Rd, Upper Beaconsfield
DateWednesday 11th November
Time1 - 3 pm

Information Night:.... 4 year old kinder

Location:.....Stoney Creek Rd, Upper Beaconsfield
DateMonday 16th November
Time7.30 pm

This is an excellent opportunity for you to bring your child to the Centre to explore the surroundings in preparation for kinder or pre-kinder next year. It also provides parents who are unsure where they will be sending their child next year, an opportunity to come along and see the centres for themselves. Have a cuppa and chat to the kinder and pre-kinder staff and committee members who will be attending.

The kinders pride themselves on offering safe and friendly centres in attractive rural settings. Diverse programmes aimed to meet each child's developmental needs and the kinder offers a kindergarten to primary school transition programme.

For further enrolment information please phone :

Pre-kinder enrolment officer - Karen Wellard 5944 3165
Kinder enrolment officer - Carol Marinelli 9702 1336

Nikki LeBrocq
5944 3343

Upper Beac. CWA

The Group wishes to congratulate one of our members, Shirley Barby, for her second placing for her wall-hanging at the State exhibition . Well done Shirley.

New members are always welcome. We are a good social club as well as helping charities and local issues where we can.

Our fees are \$20.00 annually including the State monthly magazine which has interesting articles on local and international issues.

We meet the first Thursday of the month at the Upper Beaconsfield Community Centre. There is a craft day every fourth Monday.

Contact President, Daphne Brown, 9702 2568, or our Public Relations Officer, Lorraine Temby, 9702 1670.

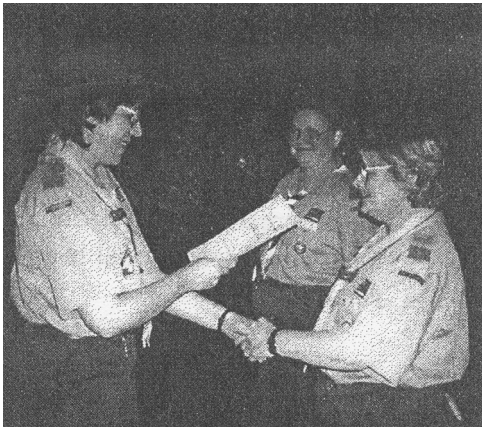


Quality Scouting Award for U.B.



1 st Upper Beaconsfield Scout Group has been presented with the Quality Scouting Award for which Sections must achieve a high activity and service targets to qualify. This achievement is a reflection of the dedication and enthusiasm of our leaders and members.

Leaders presented with training badges



Tracey Davey, Cardinia Joey Scout Leader presents Jane and Chris their training warrants.

We are very proud of our two Joey Scout leaders Chris Cunningham and Jane Harvey who were recently presented with their Wood Badge to signify that they have completed their training.

They are the first Joey Scout leaders to achieve this in Cardinia District and had the honour of being presented with their awards by Mick Adams, Branch Commissioner for Joey Scouts, at a District Council meeting at Pakenham Scout Hall.



Cardinia Scout Commissioner Olive Elston presents Andrea with her Wood Badge.

One of our Rovers -Andrea Powell, who is a Cub Scout leader at Koo Wee Rup, was also presented with her Wood Badge at the same meeting.

Raffle results

The lucky winners of our raffle were 1st prize holiday for two- Lily & Michael Dufton who have already booked their trip to Cairns and Port Douglas, 2nd prize cordless drill - Christine Tandy and 3rd prize trailer of firewood - R. Kresojevic. Our thanks to those people who supported this raffle by purchasing tickets. Unfortunately, because of insufficient support, the Trivia Night was cancelled and the raffle was drawn by Thomas Cook Travel manager Lynn Rowlands at their Fountain Gate office. Our sincere thanks go to Thomas Cook Travel for supplying these tickets and making the raffle possible.

All sections have had busy programmes for this term.

Barry Smith 5944 3219

Babysitting Club

The Upper Beaconsfield Babysitting Club has been operating for almost 25 years in the area, catering to the needs of young families.

In 1982 there were 33 families utilising the Club and in 1998 there are just 15 families.

If you are interested in joining or would like some information about how the club functions, please contact Wendy Jennings on 5944 4023 or one of the following ladies -

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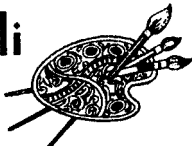
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