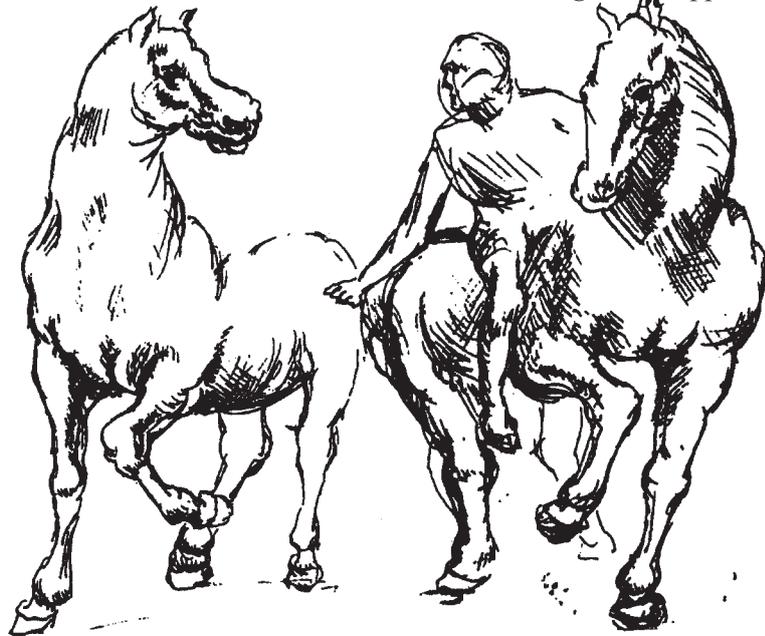


THE VILLAGE BELL



Upper Beaconsfield Association
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Bus service needs greater use

The trial of the bus service from Emerald through Upper Beaconsfield and Beaconsfield to Fountain Gate has been extended for another three months, effective from 10 May.

Note that the timetable has been slightly revised to provide better connection at Emerald. The new timetable is given on page 5 .

The usage of the service is still only marginal. Greater usage is needed to guarantee a continuing service. I would be interested to hear from both users and non-users as to how you think the service

could be improved. Contact me on 5944 3400.

In particular I would like the views of young people on how the service is, or is not, meeting your needs.

If you have any thoughts on the bus service that you would like to pass on to Cardinia Transit they would be happy to hear from you. They can be contacted on 5940 2922.

Graeme Kidd

Congratulations!

Pam and Neil McDonald are Upper Beaconsfield's Citizens of the Year for 1999 and Brendan McCormick is Junior Citizen of the Year. They are pictured after the award was presented at the Village Fair. Read their story inside on page 3.

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Vale Tom Pitman

17th April 1921 - 31st March 1999

Tom was born at Clifton Hill in 1921. Educated at Wesley College, he became Manager of the Pitman Shoe Company, where he made many innovations, including the development of Footrest Shoes, still on the market today. In 1948 he married Jeannine LePlat, there was one child, Michel-Phillipe. When Tom retired from the company in 1953, the family moved to France, living there for sixteen years, after which the couple separated and Tom returned to Australia.

In 1969 he met Susan Whiting, whom he married in 1975. In 1979, Tom, Susan, and their two daughters Svea and Margot arrived in Upper Beaconsfield where Tom soon became interested in local affairs, joining the Upper Beaconsfield Association and becoming a Committee member in 1980, 1981 and 1982.

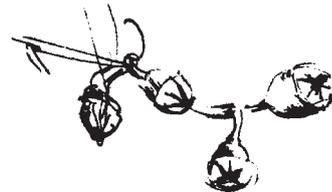
Tom was always cheerful and optimistic, a very kind and friendly man who had a great circle of friends and interests. He had a very cheerful smile, and spoke with clarity and conviction, expressing his opinions in a manner that left no doubt about his intent. He was very proud of his wife and family for whom he had great love and regard, they were indeed his prime concern in life.

The destruction of their home in the 1983 Ash Wednesday fires was a great blow to the family. After living in a caravan for six months, they moved into their new house in Stoney Creek Road, where Tom continued his consultancy work until shortly before his death.

Charles Wilson

Welcome New Residents

Blue Ridge Road	Bruce Miller
Grant Court	Chris Sturt & Julie Headford
Fraser Avenue	Yvonne, Alex & Michael Enticknap
Reed Avenue	Liz & Peter Barton
Salisbury Road	Greg & Jean McDonald
St. Georges Road	Brian & Prudence Reddish
Sutherland Road	Diane & Steve Fullard and family
Stoney Creek Road	Megan, Damon, Erin & Cameron Gable
Albers Road	Eddy & Wes, Damon, Wesley & Ashmyra



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The Treasurer, Upper Beaconsfield Association, PO Box 86, Upper Beaconsfield 3808

I enclose \$5 being family subscription to the UBA and the Village Bell for 1999.

I understand that this subscription entitles me to vote at the bimonthly meetings of the UBA.

Name of family Address

Tel Signed

Community spirit alive and well, though a little damp!

Adverse conditions once again brought out in all of us that renowned Upper Beaconsfield community spirit. The Village Fair went ahead on Sunday 28 March 1999 with great enthusiasm shown by the Fair Committee Members, Stallholders, Fun Run Participants and our wonderful community members who braved the adverse conditions to attend.

The entertainment provided this year was without exception, outstanding. To which a huge thank you is expressed to our many Sponsors, without whose important financial assistance we could not do without. A list of our Sponsors follows and we hope that you may be able to avail yourselves of their services in the future.

Not all stallholders braved the conditions and set up their wares, but for those who did it was a resounding success.

Many thanks must go to our volunteers, Michael Cherry, Peter Kenny, John Hammond, Peter Commerford, Barry Smith and members of the U.B.A. Without their help the Fair would have been severely undermanned. There are many others behind the scenes who helped with co-ordinating the stallholders requirements and to those people, too many to mention, many thanks for your assistance.

The Village Fair Committee also extends a big thank you to the Upper Beaconsfield community for their support of the Village Fair. We look forward to seeing you all next year at the bigger, brighter and hopefully drier Village Fair.

**Janette Clydesdale, Jim Jennings,
Bernadette McGougan, Denise Smith
& Kim de Reus**

Happy Birthday John!

We would like to wish John Bellair
many happy returns
on the occasion of his 90th birthday.
22 May

Citizens of the Year 1999

This year it is with great pleasure that we had the honour of presenting this Award to a couple who have lived in Upper Beaconsfield for over 20 years.

Neil and Pam McDonald of Yackatoon Road are a couple who have willingly given their time and energy and contributed an enormous amount to the well-being and growth of the community.

Their quiet leadership inspires many. This couple have contributed a tremendous amount of their time, especially helping families through difficult times, always providing backup for car, meals, the odd job that needs attention.

What a lot they have achieved working alongside many of you and supporting many Committees such as the Village Fair Committee (for many years), Community Centre, Community Complex - Building and Grounds, Carols by Candlelight, Upper Beaconsfield Association Care Group, Salisbury Gully, Conservation Group, Clean Up Australia - Upper Beaconsfield. They have also undertaken volunteer hospital work and driving those that are unable to get to Hospital or visit the Doctor without help.

Junior Citizen of the Year

Brendan McCormick was the Committee's choice as Junior Citizen, recognising his contribution to many aspects of school and community life.

He earned his award for helping with Red Cross Calling for the last two years, for helping clean-up after the Berwick Show, as well as being a member of the Beaconsfield Upper Primary School Committee which raises funds for projects like World Vision Child Sponsorship. He was elected to the Junior School Council for 1999, is a member of the Grade 6 Prep-Buddy program, and has several times been Student of the Week for services to the school and grade. During his time as a member of the Scouting Association of Victoria he held a position as troop leader in the Cubs. His sporting talents cover Taek-wondo, football and kickball.

Keith Ewenson

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Have you used the bus yet?

New timetable

Emerald to Fountain Gate

Emerald	Upper Beac. Primary School	Beaconsfield Station	Train departs B'field to City	Berwick	Fountain Gate Shopping Centre
am	am	am	am	am	am
6.35	6.55	7.05	7.12	-	-
10.10	10.30	10.40	10.49	10.45	10.50
pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm
12.20	12.40	12.50	1.19	12.55	1.00

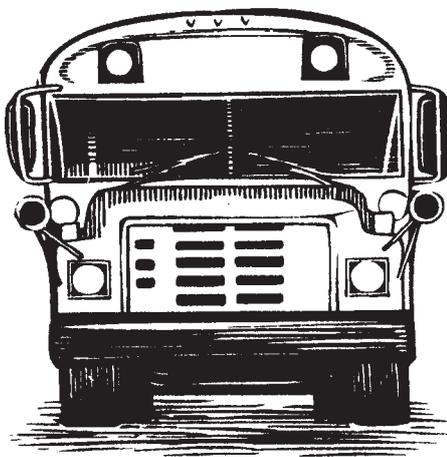
Fountain Gate to Emerald

Fountain Gate S/Centre	Berwick	Train from City at Beaconsfield Station	Beaconsfield Station	Upper Beaconsfield	Emerald
pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm
12.40	12.45	12.30	12.50	1.00	1.20
2.24	2.29	2.30	2.34	2.44	3.04
-	-	4.21	4.40	4.50	5.10

Effective date: Monday 10 May 1999.

For further information

Contact Cardinia Transit on tel: 5940 2922, Cardinia Shire Council on tel: 5945 4216 or The Met Information Centre on tel: (03) 131 638 (T.T.Y. Facility (03) 9619 2727 for persons with a speech/hearing impediment).



Diary dates

June 2	UBA meeting 8pm Community Complex
June 13	Working bee 9.30-11.30am Critchley Parker Jr. Reserve
June 26	Sausage sizzle and round robin, Tennis Club
July 1	CWA Linen display Community Hall 1.30pm
July 9	Red Cross AGM 10am RSL Hall Langmore Lane Berwick
August 7	Murder mystery night Fire Brigade Community Hall 7.30pm

Today - Neighbourhood Watch tomorrow - the world!

Lorraine's story

Even though I have lived in the Guys Hill/Upper Beaconsfield area for over 20 years, I had never been involved in the wider community life except for occasionally helping out at the Primary School. But in 1993, when I heard that a Neighbourhood Watch group was being formed, I decided to 'bite the bullet'. I thought 'Why not - who knows where it could lead?'

I was a bit worried about my first position as Zone Representative because I am very nervous of talking to people I don't know, and it's something I have always avoided. But it wasn't so bad. I met people in my zone who had been living here as long as me and I didn't even know them!

At the end of 12 months I was elected as the Secretary (bit of a set-up job!). I was that nervous at my first meeting because I had to get up and talk in front of people. I'd never done this sort of thing before - I would only talk to people on a one-on-one basis. It is a wonder I could even read the minutes, as my hands were shaking that much. My stomach was churning, too.

But by the end of 12 months as Secretary I could organise my folder with Correspondence, Minutes of the meetings, etc. (Being able to organise a household certainly helped here. The old typing skills got a good work out, too.) I could talk in front of the gathering without almost throwing up. I was also more confident in talking with a group of people about different things.

Next I was asked to take over the 'top job' of Area Coordinator. I didn't know a thing about it - except that it was a very responsible position. But it didn't take me long to learn the ropes, and I realised I had been panic-stricken for nothing. I now met even more people than I had before. Being the Chairperson of the meetings was a bit more involved than just being Secretary because you have to 'say a lot more', but by this time I had a lot more confidence and with the help of my committee members I managed quite well.

With the experience of Neighbourhood Watch to boost my confidence I willingly accepted the task of collecting for Red Cross. 1999 is my third year. Now when I get to the Berwick Montuna Golf Course I look out all the people who are inside

relaxing and start "sweet-talking" them out of their money. I always come away with a very heavy collection of small change.

The confidence I have gained from Neighbourhood Watch has also allowed me to put the car on the ferry and go away to Tasmania twice - just me and my two girls. This may not sound so difficult, but it was for me. Hopefully, it's just the beginning.

My latest conquest is the computer. I can actually do more than just turn the 'monster' on. I even know the difference between a hard disk and a floppy disk! This is from somebody who wouldn't even go near an ATM for quite a few years. It's amazing what a bit of confidence can do.

In the near future I also hope to go back to finish secondary school. I have been away from school for 30 years. When asked by somebody 'Why bother?', I answered 'Why not?' If I can get through, who knows what it could lead to? Which is exactly what I told myself when, with trembling knees and shaking hands, I first agreed to be on the Committee for Neighbourhood Watch.

By the next Neighbourhood Watch Annual General Meeting, to be held on 16 August 1999, Lorraine Barnes from Guys Hill will have served as E-36 District's Area Coordinator for four years and will be stepping down. Her departure may well also see the end of Neighbourhood Watch in the Upper Beaconsfield/Guys Hill area.

Lack of community interest and participation has seen the steady decline of Neighbourhood Watch in the E-36 District, particularly in recent years.

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Lorraine is sharing her story with "Village Bell" readers in the hope that somebody out there - preferably several somebodies - will be inspired enough to put up their hand so that Neighbourhood Watch can survive.

For more information about Neighbourhood Watch, phone Lorraine on 5944 3624.

Ysabelle Hobson

Paul Grove subdivision to go ahead

At its meeting on 3 May 1999 Council approved the application by Frank McKenzie and Sue Neagoe for a 10 Ha subdivision in Paul Grove.

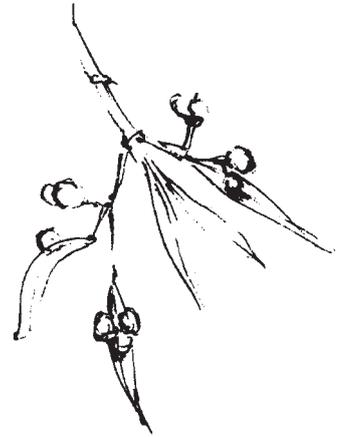
The development plan provides for 19 rural residential allotments ranging in area from 4000 sqm to 6775 sqm. Public open space of approx 8800 sqm (including an existing dam) has been provided which abuts the existing Sutherland Park Reserve.

A three metre wide right of way will also be provided at the western end to allow an eventual linkage between St Georges Road to Stoney Creek Road.

Prior to the subdivision starting the developer will be required to seal Paul Grove to a width of 5.5 metres. An overall landscape concept plan for the reserve and road reserves must also be approved, along with a survey of existing vegetation and a vegetation management plan.

The landowner is required to enter into a Section 173 agreement with Council covering the design principles for the development of the lots, type of fencing, protection of waste water disposal envelopes for each lot, and for the maintenance of waste water disposal systems.

Cr. Graeme Kidd



Audience of sceptics and believers

On Thursday 13 May 1999 The Age newspaper carried the front page story 'Unleashing the thylacine' which reported that scientists believe by cloning from a recently discovered museum specimen they may soon be able to bring the thylacine back to life.

Peter Chappie, President of the Australian Rare Fauna Research Association, would dispute that the Tasmanian Tiger ever left us. In an extremely interesting audio and visual presentation at the April UBA meeting Peter recounted, to an audience of sceptics and believers, sightings of tiger-like animals by himself and other residents throughout the hills area. Peter has devoted many years to collecting and recording evidence and is convinced that the Tasmanian tiger still roams areas throughout Victoria including Upper Beaconsfield.

Peter is keen to hear from anyone who has seen an animal that they cannot explain. Perhaps you have seen something that 'wasn't a dog and wasn't a fox.' Ysabelle Hobson is recording unusual sightings in Upper Beaconsfield and she would be pleased to pass on anything of interest to Peter. Ysabelle can be contacted on 5944 3273.

Caroline Floyd

Other UBA meeting highlights:

Life membership

Also at the April meeting Jeanette Ballinger was presented with a Life Membership of the UBA in appreciation of her years of work as a foundation member.

Bus service

Cr Graeme Kidd reported that twenty-two passengers per week does not warrant a permanent bus service but the trial will be extended for a further three months. He also reported that the burning off by-law would remain much the same but will be exhibited when redrafting is completed. No decision has been made on the sale of Shire offices and some other properties.

Next meeting

At the next meeting on June 2nd 1999 at 8pm at the Community Complex we expect to hear about the Community Centre's activities; a speaker from St John's church and the Village Fair committee.

Keith Ewenson

Neighbourhood Watch at work

Although we have had a substantial amount of burglaries in the past few months, it is reassuring to note that two offenders have been charged with a number of offences relating to these crimes.

The community's vigilance certainly paid off in these instances and hopefully will continue to do so in the future.

Volunteers are the backbone of the Neighbourhood Watch and your assistance, in whatever capacity, will ensure the future of our organisation.

Lorraine Barnes
Area Coordinator 5944 3624

Snakes at kinder

On Monday 10 May the children had some exciting visitors to the Kinder. Andrew from Australia Wildlife Lectures brought a large display of Australian animals and reptiles, some alive and some stuffed, for the children to experience close up.

Andrew encouraged the children to observe the special features of each animal, to feel their skins and to watch their movements. He showed the children how to handle the animals gently and quietly, but at the same time teaching them to leave the animals alone if found in the bush.

The most popular visitors to Kinder were two friendly blue tongue lizards, the bearded water dragon who climbed the human trees, and the water turtles who had a race. But the most exciting of all was the very wriggly water python.

There are still vacancies for 3 to 4 year old children at the Upper Beaconsfield Pre-Kinder in McBride Road. Our Pre-Kinder has a qualified Pre-school teacher and a very happy atmosphere. For further enquiries contact Donna Parker on 9769 9937.

Rosemary Russell

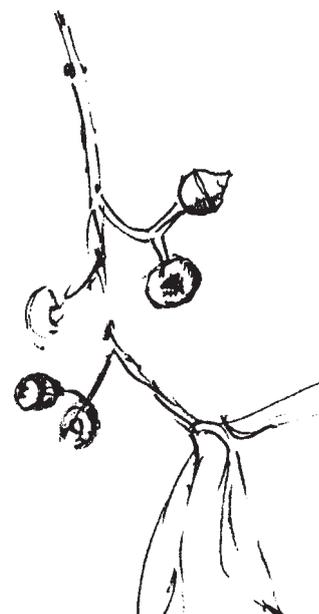
Working for the truck fund

The Auxiliary wishes to thank everyone who supported our Tea Room at the Village Fair this year. Our cosy space provided a welcome respite for people during the rainy periods and we were able to add over \$700 to the Brigade Truck Fund as a result of sales on the day. Our thanks to the Cricket Club for the use of their rooms, and to the Reserve for the use of the kitchen. Our congratulations to the Village Fair Committee for a great day.

At our Annual General Meeting on 25 May officers for the coming year will be elected. All community members are invited to join the Fire Brigade Auxiliary, whose functions are largely fundraising and, in the event of lengthy turnouts for our firefighters, catering for men and women working in emergency situations. The Auxiliary and Brigade will be hosting a Murder Night in August as our next fundraiser. Details are available elsewhere in this issue of the paper.

We also collect used clothing, curtains, worn bedsheets and similar materials twelve months of the year and process these into rags for bulk sale. Rags can be left at the Milk Bar in Upper Beaconsfield or call Nancy Boura on 5944 3632 to make other arrangements. To purchase rags, also contact Nancy.

Colleen Lazenby
Upper Beaconsfield
Rural Fire Brigade Auxiliary



Hazards of solid fuel stoves

Fires associated with potbelly stoves, slow combustion heaters and solid fuel kitchen ranges are unnecessarily common. In most cases the fire is confined to the flue and so is more of a nuisance than a disaster. If, however, the stove is in any way defective, the fire may spread into the roof space or wall cavity. If you suspect that your stove is 'out of control' shut off any vents, if possible quickly isolate the flue, and then call the Fire Brigade on '000'.

Solid fuel heaters can start house fires in a number of ways:

(a) Your fire can ignite a build up of soot or creosote in the flue. The result is a chimney fire. If there are any gaps in the chimney, the fire could spread into the roof space resulting in serious damage.

(b) A really roaring fire in a slow combustion heater can heat the metal flue up to such a degree that even the outer layer, designed to remain cool, can become hot enough to ignite ceiling or roof material in contact with it.

(c) Radiant heat from any sort of heater (solid fuel, electric, gas etc.) can raise the temperature of any paper, wood etc. stacked too close to the fire, to the point where it will ignite. This fire can then spread to curtains, furniture and walls.

It is important to be aware of potential problems and to accept that annual inspection and maintenance is essential for trouble-free operation. For further details contact a Brigade officer whose telephone number can be found on your Fire Brigade contact card.

Brigade elections

The biennial elections were held at the Brigade's April meeting.

Captain	Robert Irving
President	Eric Bumpstead
1st Lieutenant	Robin Mountain
Secretary	George Silberbauer
2nd Lieutenant	Jon Boura
Treasurer	Judy Irwin
3rd Lieutenant	Ian Johnson
4th Lieutenant	Graeme MacGowan
Comms. Officer	Nancy Boura
Apparatus Officer	Geoff Schoonderwaldt

Our thanks to Alan Dale, Ray Allsop and Owen Magee who did not seek re-election to the positions they had held for a number of years.

Turnouts

Since the last Village Bell the Brigade has responded to: 1 motor vehicle accident, 2 car fires, 1 chimney fire, 7 storm damage calls and 3 false alarms.

Jon Boura

MYSTERY WHODUNNIT MURDER NIGHT

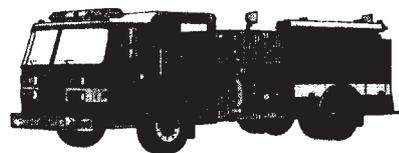
Dying for a great night out?



August 7th 1999
7.30 for 8pm start

Community Hall
Salisbury Road, Upper Beaconsfield.
\$20 per head

We're raising funds for the new truck!



The Fundraising Committee of the Upper Beaconsfield Fire Brigade is holding a Mystery Murder Night on Saturday 7 August 1999 at the Community Hall in Salisbury Road, Upper Beaconsfield starting at 8.00 pm. Cost will be \$20 per head. BYO drinks and glasses.

Bookings through Pat Edwards 5944 3610 or Ray Allsop at the Post Office. Come along and enjoy a 'Whodunnit Night with a Difference' - the Murder Company's 'Whodunnit' is an entertaining blend of mystery, great comedy, music and fun.

A "jungle" is growing in the reserve

On Sunday 2 May 1999 our group held a working bee at Critchley Parker Jnr. Reserve in an effort to control the spread of a bluebell creeper (*Sollya heterophylla*) which is becoming a major problem in the north-west corner. In spite of letter dropping all homes in St. George's Road and High Street together with an article in the 'Pakenham Gazette', not one resident attended to help with this work. Two well-intentioned residents were good enough to apologise due to prior commitments.

What a shame that residents who regularly enjoy walking and riding in the reserve could not spare even an hour to assist in keeping this beautiful piece of bushland in good condition.

Our group is planning another working bee for Sunday 13 June from 9.30am to 11.30am - tea, coffee and scones will be available. The Reserve is owned by the Department of Natural Resources and Environment, who state that they have neither the

money nor personnel to cope with maintenance and appreciate volunteer help.

Critchley Parker Jnr. Reserve needs a 'Friends' group. Just six to eight people prepared to form a committee and spend two hours every three months looking after the area i.e. keeping tracks clear, controlling spread of bluebell creeper and generally keeping an eye on the Reserve. Most of our small group are already involved on committees caring for other reserves in the area but would be willing to provide advice when required. Anyone interested can phone Neil McDonald on 5944 3782 or Gladys Aarons on 5942 7571.

**Neil McDonald
Upper Beaconsfield
Conservation Group**

Attack of the killer midges

On 20 March 1999 I sat watching the Bowls Pennant Finals at Pakenham, a warm sunny day with no wind, perfect conditions for quality lawn bowls.

At about 4.00pm a few insects arrived on a light breeze, these insects causing a small commotion because they were biting and making everyone at the venue itch and scratch. As time progressed the number of these insects increased. They were black winged, some 4-5 mm long. Later we were advised they could have been flying Jumping Jack ants. Apparently this plague covered an area from Hallam to Pakenham and originated on French Island.

I began to feel lightheaded, and was sweating lightly, my eyes felt swollen and my hearing was affected. My wife offered me antihistamine tablets but I refused.

As the Bowls drew to a close I was feeling much worse, having been bitten all over my body, but particularly under the arms, in the groin and around my middle. My wife Barbara and I decided it was best to get medical help quickly.

As I drove from Pakenham to Beaconsfield Medical Clinic, Barbara fed me 3 antihistamine

tablets and smeared antihistamine cream on the visible swellings, all to no avail for when I arrived I collapsed with Cardiac Arrest (no pulse, no heartbeat).

The Doctor gave me injections in both arms, one of adrenalin, the other corticosteroids. I came around to Barbara slapping my face, and a dreadful pain in my chest.

At 5.40pm I was in the MICA ambulance going to Dandenong Hospital, where ECGs were done and I remained under observation until 10.00pm. I now carry a needle and injections of adrenalin in case of a repeat performance.

From 4.00pm to 10.00pm, a period of just six hours, I had gone from feeling well to dead to feeling well again.

For those who don't know, I am close to 60 years of age and extremely fit and well. To think a small insect can so easily cause death is amazing, but I am assured by the Doctor that if I had tried to reach Dandenong Hospital direct I would not have been here to tell you this tale. Be careful out there, it bites!

Chris Cowley

Editor's Mailbox

A nasty accident

My daughter who is 13 years of age and responsible when she goes horse riding, was riding home from games practice on Saturday 27 March. As she was coming out of the track onto the Upper Beaconsfield/Emerald Road near the Sugarloaf Road intersection, a red car with a male driver and showing "P" plates came onto the gravel area of the road and continually honked his horn, until my daughter fell off her horse.

Thankfully she only ended up with a few bruises and was a bit shaken, but I was very disturbed that someone could deliberately move off the road to scare a child like that.

I would like to thank the driver of the four wheel drive vehicle who stopped and assisted my daughter at the time.

L. Brough

Sugarloaf Road, Upper Beaconsfield
5944 4298

Traffic roundabouts

I believe many drivers are deliberately ignoring the requirements of the law when approaching and entering a traffic roundabout. Firstly the law requires that all vehicles approach a traffic roundabout with caution - that means slowing down and observing other traffic entering the roundabout.

Secondly the law gives right of way to the vehicle that first enters the roundabout - the only time the vehicle on the right has the right of way is when two vehicles reach the roundabout simultaneously. Note that once you pass the sign signifying a roundabout that is placed prior to the actual roundabout, your actions are governed by the traffic requirements for roundabouts - this includes the right of way.

I am not advocating that you insist on your rights when faced with some twit "rushing" the roundabout and barging through regardless -you may be right but you may also be dead right and that is not a desirable outcome. You can be poorly placed to contest matters when confronted with someone on your right hell bent on barging through at speed.

A classic case is the roundabout at the intersection of Lyall Road, Harkaway Road and

Brisbane Street in Berwick, particularly at the morning peak hour. Drivers, often in a stream, hammer down Harkaway Road at speed and enter the roundabout without so much a look to their left at the traffic trying to enter from Lyall Road and the traffic waiting, waiting, waiting, to enter from Brisbane Street. Neither the City of Casey, nor the Police, seem to show a concern for the situation at this roundabout.

I refer to those interested to read "Road Safety Regulations, 1998, Section 402, No. 19" -or you can ask a policeman, politely, when he books you.

Graham B. Jackson



Casey Cardinia United Horse Association needs you

At a recent meeting the Casey Cardinia United Horse Association was formed to help lobby for horse trails, horse and rider safety on the roads and development of an Equestrian Park.

The Association is looking for interested individuals and horse clubs to become affiliated with the Association in order to present a united front to Councils and State Government Departments.

If you are interested in registering your support contact the Secretary Gayle Joyce, P.O. Box 211, Berwick 3806 (Phone 9707 3382) for further information or a membership application form. Fees are Individual \$3, Family \$5, Club \$20 and Corporate \$25.

Local Upper Beaconsfield Representatives on this Committee are:

Michael Bragge 5944 4590

Linda McKay 5944 4236

Beaconsfield Reservoir

Following Council discussions with the Department of Natural Resources and Environment and with a private group, it would appear that there is little interest by these organisations in the management and/or ownership of Beaconsfield Reservoir.

While Council is concerned that this important area of bushland be preserved for public use, Council does not consider ownership or management by Council a viable option.

The matter is now in the hands of Melbourne Water to come up with an alternative and acceptable solution.

Cr Graeme Kidd

Kristie selected to compete in world kayaking championships

Kristie Columb/Leaver of St. George's Road was recently selected to compete in the Junior Ladies, singles and doubles (K1 and K2) events at the World Marathon Championships to be held in Ayor, Hungary on 30, 31 July and 1 August.

Kristie also won Victorian Sprint Championships at Nagambie in February in the U. 18 Ladies K1 200m, 500m and 1000m, going on to represent Victoria at the National Sprint Championships in Penrith, Sydney in March. At this meet she won the Australian Sprint Championships in U.18 Ladies K1 200m, 500m and 1000m, enabling her to be also selected for the World Sprint Championships to be held in Germany, Italy and Belgium.

For her outstanding achievements she has been awarded the Australian Junior Female Canoeist of the Year, and the John Jacoby Scholarship Award for best performed Victorian Paddler. The latest achievements are just two more in a long list of sporting achievements Kristie has attained over the years in kayaking.



Do you know who's who in your area?

Do you sometimes wonder who to contact when a certain situation arises or where they are located? Perhaps you need information about a local Regulation or By-law or where to turn to for assistance when something goes wrong.

Well the people you need are at Community Information Cardinia in the Resource Centre at 68 Main Street, Pakenham. Call in personally or phone them on 0359 412 377 and they will tell you who's who and what's where.

Did you hear the good news of the changes for older Australians, making the Senior Health Card available to women aged 61 years and men 65 years who do not qualify for the Aged Pension.

If you are single and your income does not exceed \$40,000 (\$67,000 for a married couple), you satisfy residency and age requirements, then you should be eligible for a Senior Health Card which will give you access to prescription medicines at the cost of \$3.20.

For more information contact Community Information Cardinia at 68 Main Street, Pakenham. They are open from 10am to 3 pm Monday to Friday on the above phone number. Volunteers who care about their community staff this service.



A variety of craft

The CWA meets the first Thursday of the month at the Community Hall in Upper Beaconsfield.

The fourth Monday of the month is a Craft Day at the home of Mrs. Mae McPherson, with a fee of \$2 for members and \$4 for non-members. A variety of craft is enjoyed over the year, along with lunch and a chat.

Our meeting Thursday 1 st July is a Linen display with the merchandise being for sale. Admission is \$3.50, starting time 1.30pm with afternoon tea supplied.

For further information please phone our Secretary, Mrs. Carol Murtagh on 5944 4100.

Lorraine Temby

Fields out to pasture

As many of you will know, Brenda and I have sold the General Store, finishing up on 30 April. We would like to thank our loyal customers for their support and especially their friendship, which was a real bonus for us. We also wish to apologise to those of you we did not get around to thanking personally, but events happened very quickly. Anyway we have just completed building a new home in Upper Beaconsfield so we are sure to catch up with you in the street.

We would also like to take this opportunity to encourage the continuous support for John Adamson and Scott Hathaway as the new owners of the Store. Both are probably well known to you. John has worked at the Store for fourteen years and Scott cut his teeth at the Store before working in an accountancy firm more recently. Both are great guys and along with the effervescent "Bloomer" (David Bloom), we are sure they will look after your every need.

Perhaps if I could make one last plug for all the retailers in Upper Beaconsfield. They really require the whole of the community to get behind, support them, and at least give them an opportunity to win your business. We know they will try their hardest to get, and keep, your custom.

Brenda and Doug Field

New proprietors at the General Store

By now many readers will be aware that John Adamson and Scott Hathaway are the new owners of the Upper Beaconsfield General Store. If you did not know this, it will be because they have worked there for many years and their faces are already well known to local residents.

In John's case, the term has been fourteen years, almost from Berwick High School days. His father, Ern, was a well respected electrician in the area so while John now lives in Berwick with his sister, he has been connected with the area all his life. One change for him will be that his golf handicap will be harder to maintain on single figures at Beaconhills, since his playing opportunities will be reduced, and he will be too hard at work to spend much time grieving over the current state of McGuire's Magpies.

Scott has worked in the store for about ten years, is married, and currently lives in McKenzie Road with his parents-in-law. He is building a new home, so he will not have too far to travel to work.

Naturally new owners will bring some new ideas and new arrangements. It is hoped to expand the range of hardware items and have them displayed in user-friendly fashion.

Brenda and Doug Field are to be thanked for their friendly service over recent years, and their former customers wish them well for the future. It is good to know that their brand of cheerful helpfulness will be maintained by a fine pair of young local men.

Russell Williams



Beaconhills Country Golf Club

The long period of good weather over autumn has been good news for golfers. The large number of trees planted at Beaconhills over recent years has been a good mix of native and deciduous. This year the depth of colours in the foliage has been quite spectacular.

The dry weather has enabled the reconstruction of the 11th and 16th holes on the Lakes course to proceed without undue delays. The re-modelled 16th is open for play.

The features of the new hole include a new bunker on the right, the consolidation of two old bunkers on the left into a large pot (complete with island), more water in play on the left and an elevated fairway which will drain freely. Excavation into the bank on the right moves the access path effectively out of play.

The new bunkers around the 11th will soon be catching wayward balls. The sand iron will be coming out of the bag more frequently at Beaconhills.

Autumn is the Pennant season. At time of writing the A Grade men's team, with one round to be played, is in with a chance to win the flag. Both the men and women had teams in three divisions. The top ladies team playing in Section 2 for the Mornington Peninsula District was runners-up for the flag.

The Beaconhills Junior teams have been the stars of the Peninsula District Junior Pennant having won two of the three sections contested. The captain of the successful Section 1 team was local Pete Haussegger. Other members of his team were Curtis Treloar, Brett Hamilton, Matthew Taylor, Aaron Gray, and Josh Condor.

Section 2 also won a flag and members were Tim Major (Captain), James Marsh, Tim Angwin, Julian Haines, James Doyle and Brent Cameron.



The junior program at Beaconhills is character building - the fine young players have conducted themselves with distinction, in the face of intense pressure. Congratulations to all players chosen to represent Beaconhills during the Pennant season and to caddies for the support given to players.

Women's golf is going from strength to strength with new members continuing to filter through from the low-stress golf played on Mondays. The latest new local members to join the women's comps are Sandra Mew and Gloria Minehan.

Beaconhills held its first Long Markers Day for women (handicaps 30-45) during April and supported the Long Markers Day at Berwick/Montuna very well. More than a third of the field was from Beaconhills and apart from not winning the division 30-36, they won most other trophies, and also the raffle!

The recently introduced Long Markers Days are a wonderful way for new members to become involved in, and enjoy, competition golf away from their home club.

The ladies Foursomes Championship has been played over two rounds on the Hills and Lakes courses. Congratulations to Ann Felgate and Catherine Hammond, the new Champions.

For the computer literate, the cyberspace profile of Beaconhills is now greatly enhanced, due to a recent upgrade of the Internet "web" site to domain status. The domain name readily identifies the site as the only official Beaconhills Golf Club site and facilitates easier identification via web browsers.

Check www.beaconhillsgolf.com.au for up-to-date information and member interaction. A recommended golf quiz style site for Internet buffs is www.golfquiz.com

Barbara Jackson
5944 3554



Scouting news

Following our AGM in March, we have seen a number of changes in leaders and committee. Peter Johnson has taken over the role of Group Leader, after having spent two years as a Cub Scout Leader, and we thank him for accepting this position. The Group Leader has total control and responsibility for our Group and, with our numbers hovering around the 100 or so, will certainly keep him busy.

Other changes include Karen Pryor as our new Treasurer and Brian McPhie, Karen McQuilten and Bernie Wood joining the Group Committee. Jan Carmody has offered to take control of our fundraising activities and has started the ball rolling already with a Christmas in July dinner on July 24th at the Pine Grove.

Region Commissioner Bob Taylor reported at our AGM that Upper Beaconsfield is now one of the largest Scout Groups in Victoria. We have set the model for others to follow. This has only come about by the dedication of our leaders and committee members and we thank each and every one sincerely for their efforts. With enrolments

at the Primary School on the increase, with a projection of 500 students by 2005, we can expect continuing pressure to expand. This can only be achieved if we have an increase in leader numbers and this means that parents wishing to enroll children will need to consider becoming leaders. This is a most rewarding experience and you would be joining a very special group of people from the community. Have a chat with some of these leaders to find out what is involved and then contact Peter Johnson to start the procedure. You won't be disappointed.

After months of preparation and training, our scouts entered two teams of riders in the annual Formula Bike event at Sandown Racetrack, which is an endurance ride for 16 hours nonstop. We entered two teams of ten and they rode in pairs on rotating shifts. Team A - Paul Boynes Kirk Matthews, Tom Werner, Luke Shokavich, Graig Wood, Simon Wood, Jarryd Carmody, Dale Wilkinson, Brad Shean and Jemima Rose came 8th out of 117 entries. Team B - Sam Ryan, Ross Allan, Duncan Wood, Simon Bailey, Jarryd Shokavich, Daniel Werner, Shane Johnson, Anthony Wood, Emily Wood and Eamon Matthews came 46th. Congratulations to all.

Peter Johnson 5968 6786

Red Cross report

The annual 'wind-up' function for Red Cross Calling was held at the Civic Centre, Narre Warren on Thursday 13 May, when those groups who volunteered to door knock for Red Cross were presented with certificates. The final total collected within the City of Casey was \$59,136, which exceeded last year's total. Our local unit collected \$16,160. Many thanks go to students from the Secondary Colleges in the area for their assistance.

'Second Time Around'

These shops are producing valuable revenue for Red Cross in sales of clothing, furniture, household goods and bric a brae. Some of the money raised in this way will go the refugees from Kosovo, providing them with new clothing, footwear and toiletries. Red Cross currently has a big part to play in helping the refugees, especially in tracing family

members. The Dandenong shop is now located in McCrae Street near the Plaza. Donations of goods would be most welcome.

Annual General Meeting

A cordial invitation is issued to interested persons to attend our Annual General Meeting on Friday 9 July at 10.00 am in the RSL Hall, Langmore Lane, Berwick. There will be a guest speaker.

Shoes Through the Ages

Though the attendance was very disappointing, a very successful function was held on 23 April when Mr. McKenna presented a fascinating display of 'Shoes Through the Ages' along with information on the type of shoes most suitable for our feet. His talk was followed by a light luncheon.

Marie Womersley 9707 1103
Berwick/Upper Beac Red Cross Unit

Wonderful support for Red Cross Calling

Once again Upper Beaconsfield residents have been wonderful supporters of the March Red Cross Calling door knock. A total of \$4,403.45 has been raised in the area, with help from 30 callers. This was an increase of \$103.65 on last year's figures.

A special thank you to first time callers Anne McPhee, Edwina Vaughan and Jamie Tainton and to members of the Upper Beaconsfield Rover crew who helped out in several areas. Thank you also to Carol and Peter Holmes and Carmel McKenna for covering an additional section.

Volunteer callers were a little harder to find this year and a couple of areas were not fully covered.

I would like to thank residents who were either missed in the general collection, or were out when the volunteer called, for making a special effort to contact me to make their generous donations.

I succeeded Mrs Peg Bellair as Area Organiser for Upper Beaconsfield in 1995 after being a caller for many years. Peg's original calling book was lost during the Ash Wednesday fires and the current book has callers and their areas listed from 1984. Five callers, Peg Bellair, Yvonne Wilson, Mavis Brockman, Kathy de la Rue and myself have called for at least 16 years and for those who know us, we are not exactly teenagers!

Late January I phone each caller to see if they

are available for March. Usually each year I have to find about six new callers for one reason or another. I would really appreciate hearing from anyone who feels they can give a small amount of their time to Red Cross during March. The area is broken down to approx 35 calling sections and where possible the same caller is used each year for the same section. This is beneficial for both the caller and the donors, as the caller gets to know the dogs etc. and the donor recognises the caller. Mavis is so well known in her area that all she has to do is toot her car horn outside the house and people dash out with their donations!

The money collected for Red Cross during the March door knock is used to fund Red Cross services within Victoria. The generosity of Upper Beaconsfield residents and the time given by volunteer callers is greatly appreciated by Red Cross.

The management of Pine Grove hotel kindly allows Red Cross to leave a collection tin on the bar counter throughout the year. If you find 5 cent or 50 cents coins a nuisance in your trouser pocket, Red Cross would welcome them and put them to good use.

Barbara Jackson
5944 3554

"A Caring Community"



The video produced by Maureen Scott showing the operation of the Community Care Group and its structure was enthusiastically acclaimed by the 60 people who attended

our very successful Annual General Meeting in March. The video was produced entirely by voluntary and local effort and is a great credit to all those involved in its presentation.

It is the intention of the Group Committee to utilise the video in the in-home training of volunteers but also to make it available to local groups in order to familiarise residents with the work of the Care Group with an expectation that more residents will use the services offered.

Another grateful thank-you to all those involved.

Auditor Needed

In the olden days we used to have our books audited by the Accountant at the Shire but with the new order this service is no longer available to us.

Whilst legally the amount of money handled does not require us to have the books audited, we would all naturally prefer to still do so. We hasten to assure you that this does not mean we are worried about our very efficient treasurer; in fact he is the one wanting us to have an annual audit.

Is there in our community someone who would offer to act as our auditor on a voluntary basis? I am assured the time needed for this task would be minimal in a busy person's list of responsibilities. Can you help us please?

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Wildlife Watch

While on walks searching for wildflowers I meet wildlife going about their day. I stop to wonder whether ants really know where they are going, to follow the flight of butterflies among the flowers or be astonished by the size of granite rocks the echidna overturns in its search for ant nests.

On my way to the rubbish bin one evening I almost walked on a banjo frog which just sat and looked at me while he bloated to twice his normal size. Certainly he looked too large to swallow which I suppose is the reason for the increase. When his back was gently stroked he tried to swell even more.

The other morning I came across a black spiny-spider erecting its web. Long guy ropes had been stretched between a burgan bush, a lomandra, some hardenbergia and grass in an apparently random design made elegant by fluffs of silk dispersed along each one. Among these she had constructed twenty eight spokes radiating from a central knot and had placed rows at about three centimetre intervals each one fastened to a spoke with a small white tassell of silk.

When I arrived the spider was busy spinning a closely woven border of brightly shining silk, much brighter than the rest of the web.

Then the silk changed from shiny to a sheeny

surface as she began to add more rows. All the original rows were removed in turn but the tiny silk tassell remained hanging there. Each time a thread was broken the web shuddered as though tension had been eliminated. When all the rows were completed she constructed a narrow triangular shape pointing toward the ground from the centre and settled herself head down above it.

It is known that there are many spigots in a spider's spinneret and the number of these used decides whether fine or heavy thread is created. Broad bands used for wrapping prey result from many spiggots being used at one time. Now I want to know whether she eats the original rows or incorporates them into the second set? Does she make different degrees of shine in the silk by stretching it at varying rates as she pulls it from her spinnerets?

In my patch of bush in April heath, narrow-leaf peppermint, indigofera, myrtle wattle and hop wattle were budding up; silver banksia and the small mauve-flowered creeper twining glycine have been in flower for some time and correa have just shown colour so honey eaters will be visiting soon. Epacris impressa is in bloom, all shades from white through palest pink to bright American-beauty pink. Small helmet orchids and gnat orchids are acting shy among grasses and fallen leaves.

Laura Levens

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Personal Monitor

Some years ago the Rotary Club donated a personal monitor system to our group which we make available to residents in our area.

The monitor consists of a very small pendant, which is worn around the neck of the client and an automatic telephone system linked to a central monitoring group in Melbourne.

The client can alert the system of the need for assistance merely by pressing the pendant. This automatically sets in train a phone call to the monitor who notifies close by family or friend or if these are unavailable will arrange for an ambulance to be despatched to the home.

We supply and instal the unit free of charge but the client needs to enter an agreement with the Monitoring Company, which involves a small

weekly fee.

This system is currently available for use in our community. Perhaps you know of somebody who could have a need for it.

To contact the Care Group

All our services are free and available to any resident irrespective of their personal circumstances.

You may contact our group by phoning:

Annette Walker 5944 3574

Glenda Matthews 5944 3884

Des McKenna 5944 3516

Community Centre 5944 3484

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Upper Beaconsfield
Community Care Group

Past owners of Pen Bryn

'Pen Bryn' is built on the highest land in Upper Beaconsfield being part of 318 acres selected by Henry Snell, draper of Collingwood, in the early 1870's. Snell built a small wattle and daub cottage on the land, but must have had financial problems as he failed to pay his Berwick Shire rates in December 1875. On the 9 October 1876, William Brisbane Jnr. paid the Government £318/4/, obtaining a Crown Grant for Snell's selection. Brisbane was essentially an entrepreneur, and a very colourful character. After spending time on the goldfields, he became a storekeeper in Berwick, and a sawmiller in Gippsland, then a Councillor and was Berwick Shire President in 1889. (Brisbane Rd.-Melway Map 210 J12)

On his newly acquired land Brisbane built a guesthouse which he called 'Beaconsfield House', known by the locals as 'The Big House', where he opened our first Post Office on 1 October 1878, and became the first postmaster, with an annual allowance of £6. Brisbane quickly subdivided his 318 acres into 49 lots, the largest being the 40 acres on which the house stood. Brisbane had mortgaged his guesthouse and its surrounding land.

In 1879 Brisbane was in financial trouble; trustees being appointed to administer this estate. They sold the guesthouse to James Walford, (Walford Rd Map 313 A11) who, sixteen days later on 23 December 1880, sold to John T Butler, who then became the next postmaster.

In August 1882 Mrs. Grace Somner became owner and hostess, her husband Arthur, the new postmaster. By 1885 it had become a well known and elegant resort, with a glowing report of Mrs. Somner's hospitality appearing in 'The Age', the only complaint being that no bar was to be found. Mrs. Somner took the hint and obtained a liquor licence, renaming the house 'Beaconsfield Hotel' and as such it was sold to Frederick R Wilckens in June 1890.

In 1893 most of the building was destroyed by fire, only the eastern wing surviving and still remains today. The Post Office then moved to McBride Road, where James Kirwin became the postmaster. In March 1902, the burnt out remains and 40 acres were bought by David J. D. Bevan Barrister at Law, who built a house which he named

'Pen Bryn' - Welsh for top of the hill. As he was unmarried it also became a home for his parents. His father, Dr Llewellyn Bevan, was a brilliant churchman, "a great preacher with a mellifluous voice". Possessing an international reputation he was the most admired Protestant leader of his day. In 1909 Dr Bevan moved to Adelaide where he died in 1918, his wife returning to Pen Bryn, where she lived until her death in September 1933.

In 1913 David Bevan was appointed the First Judge of the Supreme Court of the Northern Territory, where he worked until forced out by the populace in 1919 (see Lockwood's account in the Berwick Library). Returning to Upper Beaconsfield, he became interested in local affairs, becoming a Councillor and marrying Doris Reed of 'Calembeen' who was 20 years younger. (Reed Av. Map 212 K3). The newly weds lived in 'Calembeen' until Bevan's mother died at which time they then moved to 'Pen Bryn'. After David died in 1954, Doris was joined at 'Pen Bryn' by her brother Dr J. S. Reed who had retired from medical practice. The house was too big for them so they moved to a smaller home in Corringham Road.

In February 1961 Mrs. Doris Halligan, the widow of Cyril Steele, of Steele Furniture, who had married one of her son's friends became the owner. She had wonderful taste and totally redecorated the house, renaming it "L'Aiglon".

After her death in 1968, Keith and Bessie Ballantyne became the owners of this beautifully decorated home, where many great dinner parties were held, Keith providing the entertainment with his immaculate renditions of early Australian poetry. In 1981 the house passed on to their son Douglas and his wife Rosemary who sold it in 1988 to Henry and Jane Winberg. They "modernised" the house, but were less caring of the garden. Fortunately, Keith Slater an electronics engineer and his wife Jan, who bought the home in 1990, have spent much time restoring the garden to a state appropriate to this magnificently sited home.

On 6 June 1999 the property will once more go to auction and we hope it will continue to be prominent in the history of Upper Beaconsfield.

Charles Wilson

Encouraging young people to ride

As a youth organisation Pony Club encourages young people to ride and learn to enjoy all approved kinds of sport connected with horses and riding. One of the main objectives of all youth movements, whatever the medium they use to attract their membership, is to 'promote the highest ideas of sportsmanship, citizenship and loyalty, thereby cultivating strength of character and self discipline'. The task of providing tuition for a range of riders from 8 to 21 years of age, Grade five to one, D certificate to A certificate, in as many aspects of horsemanship as possible, is certainly a difficult one. Brad Trewin, our Club District Commissioner, has undertaken this task in a very fine way. During the past year Brad, together with the assistance of a wonderful group of regular instructors, guest instructors and helpful parents, has planned and organised all rallies. The members have had instruction in areas of flat work, showjumping, cross-country, games, flat teams, riding at a given pace, slowing and theory.

The ability of the club's members was evident at several events throughout the year. In April the Flat Team won the Zone Qualifying events for both the Flat Team section and the Musical Ride. They then went on to win the 1998 Flat Teams' State Championship, a first for the club. Members involved in the games team also had a great year, placing second and seventh at the Zone Qualifying, receiving two firsts and a second at the Mornington Peninsula Games Day, and placing second, third and fourth at the Tonimbuk Prince Phillip Games Day. Katja Weimann was also selected to represent Victoria at the National Prince Phillip Mounted Games in Perth.

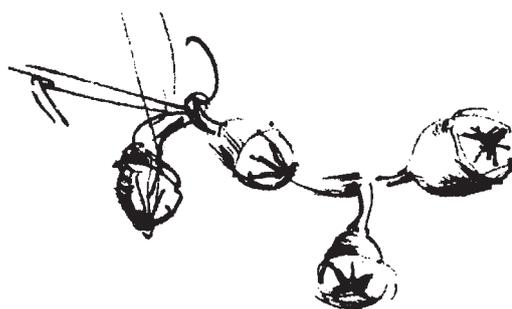
Despite the lack of a suitable crosscountry course, the club has also several riders competing at grade 1 and 2 level in Horse Trials. Of particular note is Michael Parker's effort at last year's Horse Trials

State Championships at Yerringberg. Although he did not get the blue sash, he won respect for himself and the club with his great sportsmanlike behaviour. There are very few clubs within the state that have riders that not only qualify to compete at state level, but also consistently place at state events. This just reflects on the depth of ability that we have within our club.

One of the club's greatest assets is their wonderful facilities that have been developed over the past 15 years along with the Riding Club. With the help of \$1 for \$1 Council funding, support from the Recreation Reserve Committee and a very active fund raising committee, the club has extended the clubhouse facilities to include toilets, built a superb new 60 by 30 all weather arena and at the moment is levelling and upgrading an existing arena. Ongoing maintenance of these arenas as well as the large public arena, whilst protecting other fragile areas of the Reserve, is always a high priority of the Pony Club Committee.

Thanks to President Ray Woff, the Committee and parents for their tireless efforts to continually improve conditions for the children. Thanks also to the Junior Committee led by President Elissa Kerpen, for organising several events during the year, raising much-needed funds.

Marlene Kelly 5944 3487



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Tennis Club news

The Junior and Senior teams have completed another successful season with quite a number making it to the final four and those below can boast of even better results.

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Cameron Fenby, Ellen McKay

Runners up Section 3

Tim Burridge, Katryna Sobiesiak David Born,
Anthony Chesman, Emma Arnott

Runners up Section 16

Emma Cashen, Matt Hutchinson, Emma Martin,
Braden Michaluk, Evan Mickle

Seniors:

Runners up Section 1

Peter Puts, Michael Zerbst, Cameron McCormick,
Elaine MacGowan, Susie Crockett,

Marita Meeking

Runners up Men

Paul Pfeifer, Tony McKay, Paul Higgs, Mark
Bellgrove, David Hassall

Juniors and Seniors are into their fourth week of the Winter Competition and already many teams are well placed on the ladders. There are 13 Junior teams and 6 Senior teams. The current Midweek Ladies Competition has only one more match to go before finals commence. Our ladies have done exceptionally well with 7 out of the 9 teams making it to the finals - a few more flags for sure! We wish them luck.

Our new lights are getting plenty of use with Monday and Thursday night tennis still going strong. Wednesday nights are also continuing through the winter on a casual basis. Tuesday night has proven very popular with the teenagers, showing that not all teenagers sit in front of the TV.

Fridays from 4 to 5pm is the time for the younger members who have not yet started Saturday

competition, providing new players with much needed game experience, scoring and proper tennis etiquette etc. This is being coordinated by Lyn Cousins - 5944 3429.

A round robin and sausage sizzle for junior members has been confirmed for Saturday 26 June - first Saturday of the school holidays. Families are also welcome to come along and if they are lucky there might be a spare court available for a social hit. Family Social Nights are still held on the second Saturday of the month and all members are welcome. Barbeque facilities are available.

Jenny McCormick

Upper Beaconsfield Tennis Club

Cricket Club AGM starts resurgence

An enthusiastic group of members gathered at the Pine Grove Hotel for the cricket club's Annual meeting last Monday May 17. President Rob Hansen suggested that it was time to commence a resurgence which could provide a new direction both on and off the field. He claimed that the club was looking to its younger members to adopt a greater level of commitment to create a more competitive, better organised Upper Beaconsfield which could match any clubs of a similar size.

Elections produced a new committee consisting of Rob Hansen (Pres.), Stephen Paine (Sec.), John McConchie (V.Pres), Bob Taylor (Chairman selectors), Clarrie Bouchier, Shawn Hassall, Arthur Winzar, Peter Brennan (committee), as well as Richard Williams (Treas.).

President Rob thanked all the sponsors I from last season with particular thanks to Jill and Fred of the Pine Grove. To kick start the resurgence a Think Tank meeting will be held Mon May 31. at the rooms (at 8.00 pm.) V.C.A. Level 3 coach Geoff Bowyer will be the key note speaker.

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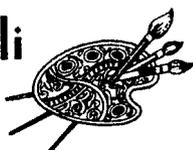
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