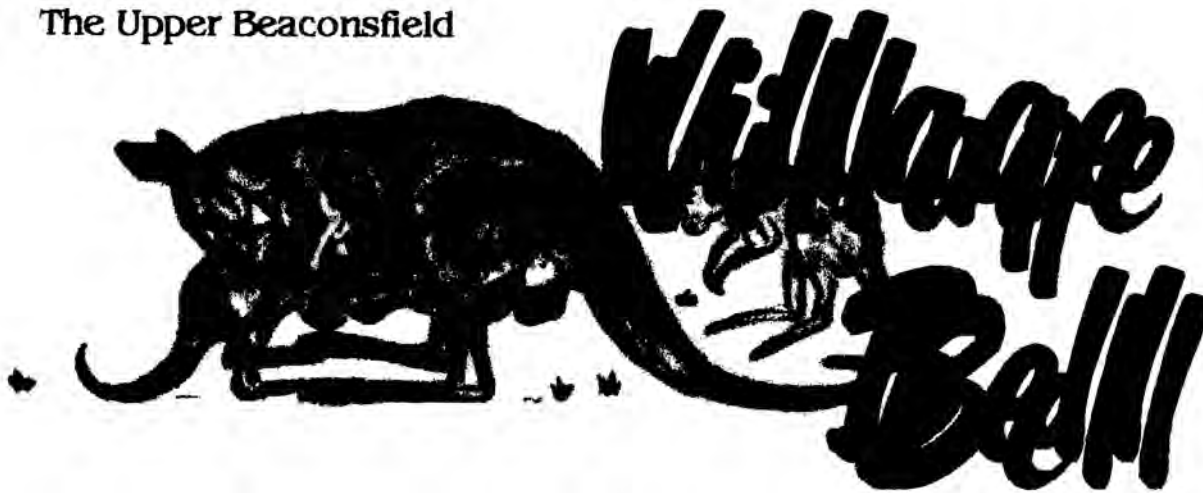


The Upper Beaconsfield



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Upper Beaconsfield Association

New plans at Community Complex?

For some time now, many people have been giving thought to improving the rear of the Upper Beaconsfield Community Complex. The information that possible Department of Natural Resources and Environment funding may be available has given those concerned fresh stimulus to input this exciting project.

Mr. Paul Reid, our local architect who was responsible for the truly superb design of St John's church, has prepared a conceptual plan.

This exciting concept plan incorporating an amphitheatre, will be discussed and viewed at the next meeting of the Upper Beaconsfield Association at 8 pm on August 2nd in the Community Meeting Room. See page 4 for some of Paul's preliminary sketches.

If you have ideas, plans or are simply interested in helping get this project underway, come along and contribute to the process. Suggestions already aired -include the need for a public toilet and pavilion in the park for casual users who may visit the park or the Memorial Garden nearby for a picnic.

Can't make the meeting? Then leave any material you think should be considered at the Post Office with Ray and Julie by Monday August 1.

Sue McKenzie

Speakers at the August UBA meeting

Due to rescheduling of the Council budget meeting our speakers for last meeting were unable to attend. Mr Geoff Rundell, General Manager of Contracts and Services and Mr Mike Ellis General Manager Strategic Planning have kindly agreed to attend the UBA meeting on August 2, 8 pm in the Community Room.

Please leave written notice of any questions you may have for them at the Post Office by Monday August 1. This will enable them to obtain precise answers in time for the meeting.

The UBA regretfully received the resignation of Lorraine Knight. Thank you Lorraine for being an involved resident.

Keith Ewenson



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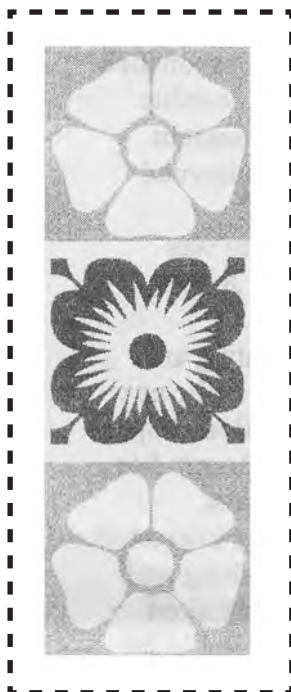
NEW RESIDENTS

Neil & Lynn Watson,
Carpenter Road

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Jack Murray,
McBride Road

Graeme Holloway,
Red Hill Road

Ray Allsop



DIARY DATES

- 2 Aug** UBA meeting, 8pm
Community Room
- 7 Aug** Olympic Torch, Berwick
- 8 Aug** Tennis Club AGM
- 10 Aug** Olympic torch at
Pakenham and Emerald
- 21 Aug** Neighbourhood Watch
AGM 8pm Community
Room

SUBSCRIPTIONS NOW DUE!

The Village Bell and UBA

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

I enclose \$5 being the family subscription to the UBA and the Village Bell for 2000.

I understand that this subscription entitles me to vote at the bi-monthly meetings of the UBA

Name of family Address

Telephone Signed

Budget news from Council



Budget consideration has commenced, and may be resolved by the time The Village Bell goes to print. The Council staff list items requested throughout the year and after consideration the following projects are to be approved.

Projects approved

The Upper Beaconsfield Community Centre office modification will become a reality, and power to the Pony Clubhouse will be connected. The school playground project enhancing the entrance of the Recreation Reserve is about to happen.

Provision of turning circle in McBride Road and replacement of the broken kerbing has been planned for as well as construction of a concrete footpath between Salisbury Road and the Emerald Beaconsfield Road (along the un-named road).

There will be an extension to the gravel footpath in Salisbury Road, north side, from A'Beckett Road. Fencing of fire access track in Yackatoon Road as requested by Fire brigade will be undertaken.

Pavements and blackspots

There will be investigation of alternative pavement treatments for unsealed roads across the Shire at a cost of \$350,000. Special charge schemes costing \$1,100,000 this year from the Shire, where residents are prepared to contribute to road construction. Black spot funding for shoulders and delineation of Emerald Beaconsfield Road between north and south intersections of Stoney Creek Road to cost \$74,000.

New Art and Design Centre

This year the Council starts planning for the Cardinia Art & Design Centre. The Council has been briefed on the conceptual plans for the centre. The architects Prior Cheney describe the project as follows: "The proposed centre is intended to

promote the continued growth of an Australian culture. This should be an open process that encourages as many as possible to contribute and experience culture at the highest level. The intention is to have a facility that vigorously promotes excellence within the arts, while also providing high quality venues for the local community.

The facility is deliberately placed where people live and not within an 'arts precinct'. Placement within Pakenham allows it to service an audience, which is drawn both from the suburbs and the country. It provides much needed cultural and community infrastructure in a fast growing and changing regional area.

The centre has a unique combination of functions including: art/design studio, professional quality gallery space, function room and restaurant and large entry foyer/public gathering space and community arts areas as well as a dedicated 350 seat performance facility.

The function space and meeting facility provides Cardinia with a venue where important community gatherings and formal/informal meetings can take place."

It could be said that this project will be focusing the spotlight on the considerable talent we have had with of our local artists and craft people.

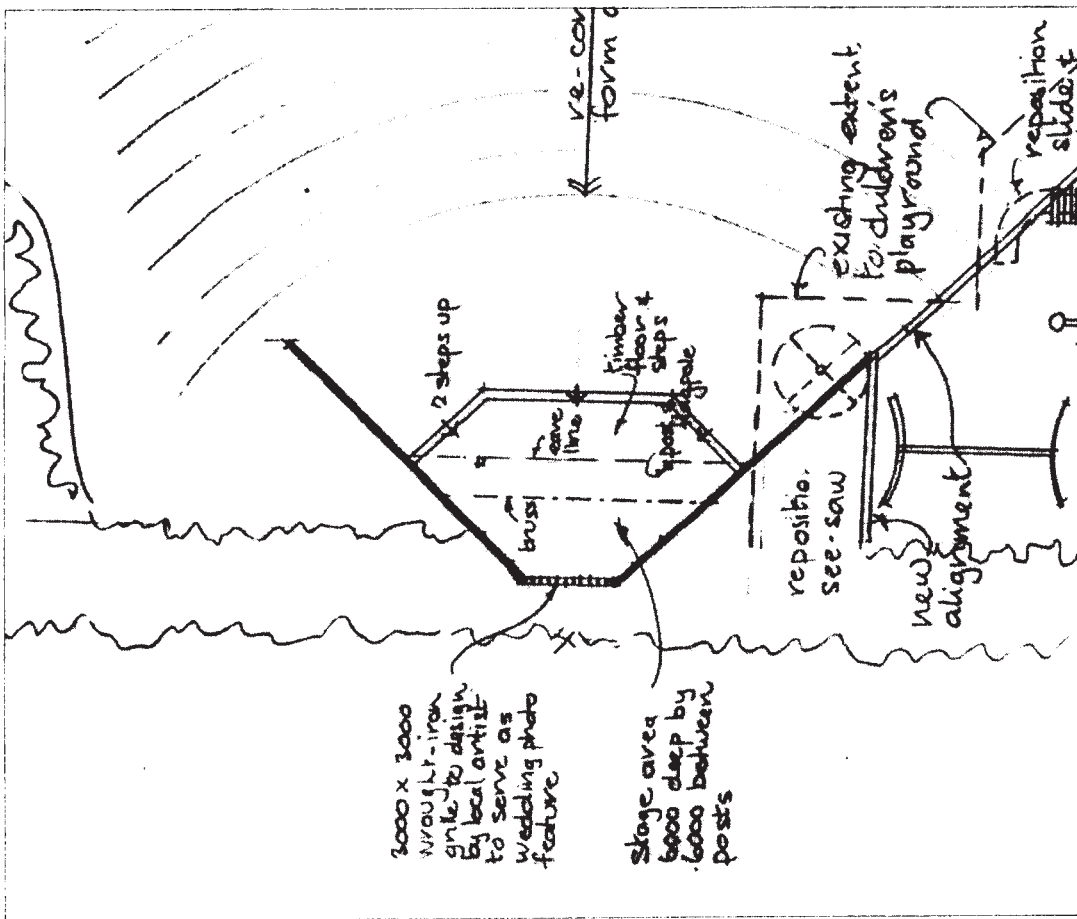
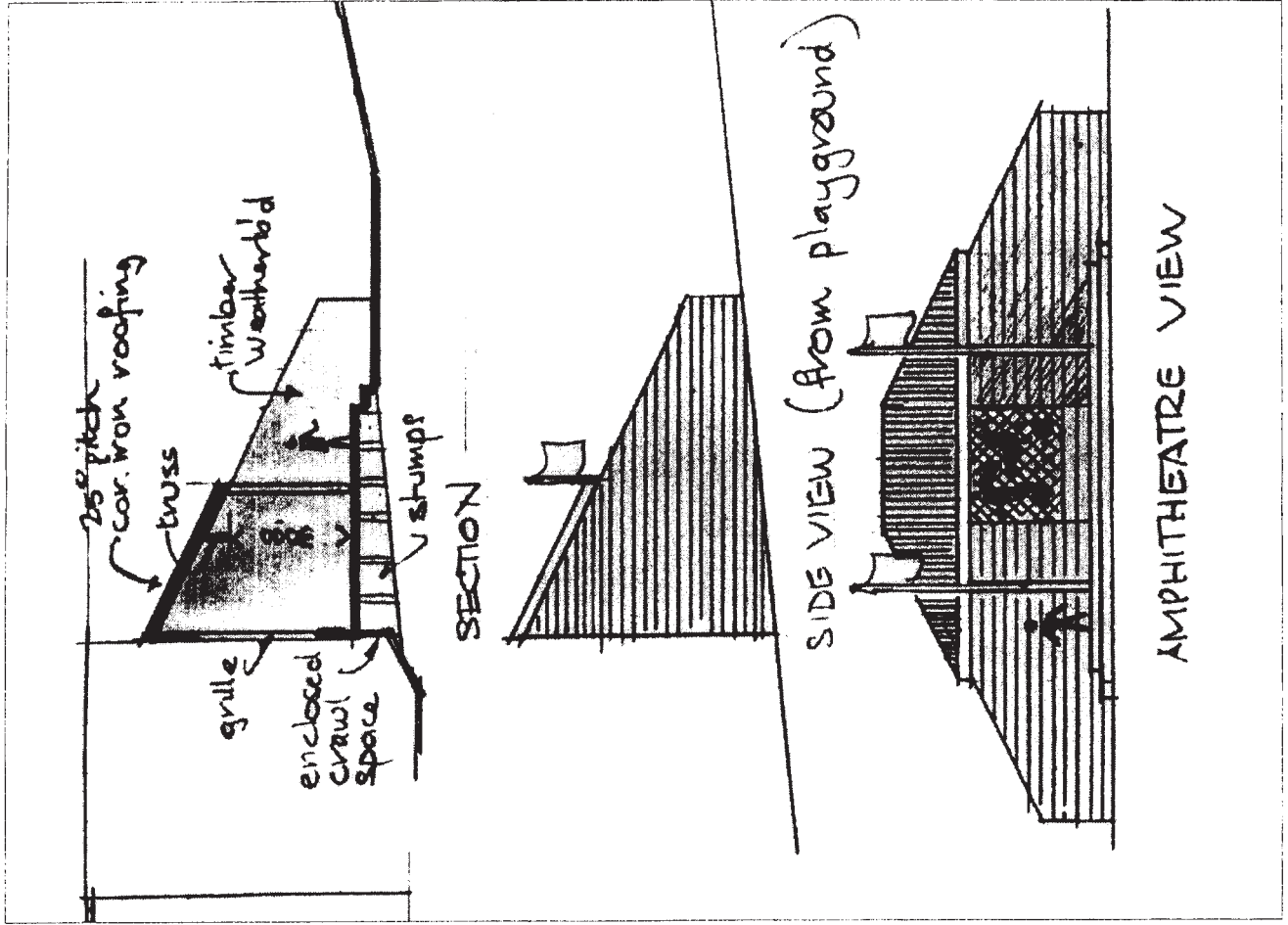
Request Card Service

The Shire has instigated a request system. If residents want to comment to Council, these postage paid cards are available from the Upper Beaconsfield Post Office.

Cat Control

The problem of cats wandering at large is being addressed by making available cat traps. The UBA trap will be organised by Ron Fisher of Sugarloaf Road and arrangements can be made to borrow this through Ron. A call to the Local Laws Dept. would arrange for the cat to be picked up. Identified first time offenders will be returned to their owner, repeat offenders will incur a fine.

Cr. Keith Ewenson



Featured on this page are the concept sketches provided by Paul Reid for the improvements in Keith Ewenson Park behind the Community Complex.

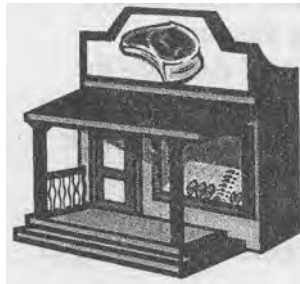
Meet your local traders

Last issue's interviews with our local shops and services resulted in my putting myself in the hands of Kerry and Heather at Creations by Kerry for a fabulous hair do and a complete set of new fingernails. Having fairly recently settled in the area from Melbourne, this was my first experience of the girls and I am happy to report it was a very good one.



A new style, new colour (stripey blonde and brown foils for those who want the details) and totally glamorous resin fingernail extensions over my existing farmhands' manicure (stable sweepings and gardening topsoil were heavily in evidence) left me looking and feeling better than new.

Peter the Butcher reports that he has 250 members in his Christmas Club! Fantastic going and wonderful support from the Upper Beaconsfield community.



He also recently donated \$200 to the Fire Brigade from his little bucket where customers make a donation in return for free lemons and dog bones. -If you'd like your purchases at Pete's to build towards a bank which can pay for your Christmas meat orders, call in and say "G'day".

Roger and Margaret are going from the supermarket and the Bell wishes them well. New people will be taking over so this convenient supermarket fortunately stays with us.



And don't forget the Pharmacy! With winter coughs and colds rampant it's a blessing to have such a professional and friendly service right where we need it.

Sue McKenzie

ARTICLES FOR THE BELL

If possible, please submit your articles to the Bell on disk as well as a paper copy. Name your disks so they can be returned and you can collect them at the PO.

We prefer that you save your word processing file as a text file (go to save as.....text file). This is safer, no viruses!

Do not worry about formatting, the plainer the better (no bold, avoid tabs and ALL CAPITAL letters)

Clark Kent, Jimmy Olsen, Lois Lane, Perry White - where are you?

The Bell needs some more staff. You don't have to be superman, super woman or even a journalism graduate to help put together our inimitable local news sheet

There are only 6 issues a year and the editorial committee shares the load very fairly, taking it in turns to edit each issue. We need your input - words, pictures, and enthusiasm are all that's required! Call any member of the Bell's staff and tell us you're ready to be a fearless reporter for your local community!

If you are interested in joining the Village Bell team we would love to hear from you. Please contact: Charles Wilson 5944 3008, Carolyn Floyd 5944 2618 or Helen Smith 5944 3219 Sue McKenzie 5944 4737

We also need someone to help out with the printing. This would suit someone with a mechanical aptitude and a few spare hours available to assist with the printing. Please contact Charles.



Olympic Torch Relay



The Olympic Torch Relay has been the focus of communities all around Australia in the lead-up to the Olympic Games later this year.

The torch will be passing through the Shire of Cardinia and the City of Casey and both municipalities will be within reach of the citizens of Upper Beaconsfield who wish to view the torch relay. Both municipalities warn of minor traffic delays during this time. Monday 7 August - the torch will be at the Edwin Flack Reserve, Berwick (next to Berwick Secondary College).

This is one of the designated

stopping places and there will be celebrations throughout the afternoon, including lighting of the Community Cauldron.

The estimated time of arrival of the torch is 12.00 noon. Parking will be at a premium - onlookers are asked to park at Acoonah Park and take the shuttle bus provided. From Berwick the torch will travel to Kooweerup then Morwell.

Torch boards Puffing Billy

On Thursday 10 August the torch will travel from Warragul to Army Road, Pakenham at about 8.45 am and then will be carried by bearers along King St., Henry St., Cook Dve., Station St., Main St., Princes Highway to Beaconhills College and then by vehicle to Gem-brook arriving approximately 10.00 am.

From Gembrook the torch will travel by bearers to Cockatoo, to Woori Yallock Rd. Roundabout then by convoy to Avonsleigh and Worrell Reserve at approximately 11.12 am. A lunchtime celebration will be held here before the torch continues on through Emerald to Puffing Billy and then by train to Belgrave.

Australia Day Celebrations In Cardinia

Underlying the celebration of Federation is the joining of the Australian States in 1901 and next year's celebration of Australia Day will highlight this important event. The Australia Day Planning Committee has met to develop plans for this celebration and aims to bring communities from across the Shire together on Australia day.

The day will commence with a street parade followed by the ceremony in the newly developed P. B. Ronald Park in Pakenham (formerly the Central Recreation Reserve). After the completion of the ceremony there will be a range of activities for people of all ages with consideration being given to making buses available to bring people in from a range of locations. A planning Committee is seeking expressions of interest from individuals or groups who may wish to participate or bring forward other ideas for the day. Contact John White 5945 4345 if you wish to be involved.

Nominations needed

Australia Day Awards: Individuals or organisations are invited to nominate Cardinia Shire residents for the following awards which are to be presented on Australia Day 2001: Cardinia Shire Council Citizen of the Year; Young Citizen of the Year; Community Event of the Year. Nomination forms and eligibility criteria can be obtained by contacting Carolyn Stone on 5945 4343 or John White on 5945 4345.



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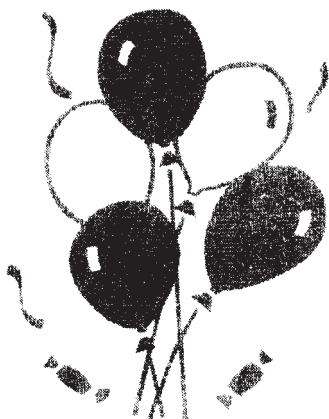
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Village Fair
2000



Sunday
November 26
Recreation Reserve

Village Fair plans

The Village Fair Committee is well under way with our planning for the Fair on the last Sunday in November.

We are looking forward to combining some of the favourite past entertainment with exciting new ideas.

After looking around at other community fairs, we have a few ideas for stalls if your group is interested in trying something different, let us know.

The Committee would love to hear from you with ideas, expectations and thoughts regarding our community day. Leave your ideas at the Post Office or call us on 5944 4107 or 9707 2560.

Committee

Bernadette McGougan, Denise Smith, Jane Harvey, and Janette Clydesdale.

Coordinator of the Tower Challenge

David Bloom

HISTORICAL HOME



Mr Ron Hayball, who built the original St. John's in 1923 also built "Crail", see above. This lovely old weatherboard home which can be seen today in Salisbury Road, fortunately survived the bush fires.

Digitiser's note: 'Crail' was probably built by the Einsiedel family. When Paul Einsiedel sold the property to Mrs Kerr in 1903, there was already a house on it. Mrs Kerr named it "Crail"

St. John's Upper Beaconsfield

I want to begin this article by thanking our local traders and other friends who have been supporting St. Johns in recent months. It has been a great encouragement for all our members.

What do Anglicans believe?

The last few months have seen a great deal of unfavourable press for the Anglican Church with controversies surrounding the new head of the Church in Australia, Peter Carnely, and even an ABC TV (Four Corners) program on the divisions within Australian Anglicanism. The key question in the press has been "What do Anglicans believe?"

I don't think it is odd that debates about the resurrection of Jesus, the interpretation of the Bible or the existence of God should take up so much public air time - after all the issues are important and where we stand on any of them has great relevance to the lives we live as individuals and as a nation. The roots of the Christian Churches go back a long way and history shows that every generation has had its controversies. That is why our prayer books are so clear about what Anglicans do believe. With good reason our 8.30 am congregations repeats a section of liturgy that Christians all over the world have been saying since the first century AD: "Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again".

I guess that this good news has always, and will always, cause controversy.

Youth, halls and teaching

Our Youth Ministry continues to grow and we are beginning to work with other local Churches on outreach and welfare projects. To help this work, the Melbourne Diocese has recently given us the long awaited go-ahead to build a hall. We hope to call for tenders within a month. The hall will be a great boost for us as our Kid's Church has outgrown our facilities and we want to get moving with games nights, discos and concerts for local growth.

You're welcome

This year in our teaching series for adults, we have been focusing on the work of the Apostle John, the closest friend of Jesus. He wrote the book of Revelations and the Gospel of John. We are about to begin looking at a letter of his, which deals with some surprisingly modern issues such as moral uncertainty, truth and love, certainty and doubt. You're welcome to join us on Sunday mornings at either 8.30am or 10.00 am - it would be great to see you.

Mike Flynn, Vicar at St. John's



LOOKING BACK

Newer residents of Upper Beaconsfield will be interested in this photograph of the original St. John's Church which was built in 1923 by Mr Ron Hayball, with carpenters Hans Glismann and Bill Johnson.

The weatherboard church was burnt down in the Ash Wednesday fires in 1983. See also the photograph, page 7.



Berwick/Upper Beaconsfield Red Cross Unit

The Berwick/Upper Beaconsfield Red Cross Unit held its Annual General Meeting during July. The Unit has a history of 87 years of service to Red Cross, but unfortunately it is very difficult to attract new members. Over the past 12 months the Unit has only had one new member, Graham Jackson who is working with John Patterson in the area of Red Cross emergency communications.

The Upper Beaconsfield part of the Unit's name is almost a misnomer. Apart from Graham and myself the only current members living in Upper Beaconsfield are Mrs Peg Bellair and Mrs Dorothy White. The Unit's meetings are held in the RSL Hall, Langmore Lane, Berwick, on the second Friday of each month at 10.00 am.

New members needed

Jenny and John Patterson of Salisbury Road, belong to the Berwick Hills Unit which meets in various members' homes at 8.00pm every second month. Both Jenny (5944 4511) or myself (5944 3554) would be delighted to have enquiries from anyone interested in becoming a member.

Jenny is Regional Emergency Registration Officer and will be conducting her annual emergency registration practice on Friday October 13 at the RSL Hall, Berwick immediately following the Unit meeting from 12noon -2.00pm. An evening session will be held at the Narre Warren Police station on October 12 from 8.00-10.00pm. Cardinia Shire Office is the venue on Thursday October 19, between 10.00 and 12noon.

Long service awards

At the AGM three members were presented with long service awards - Mrs Helen Hudson received the gilt rosette for 60 years of service to Red Cross, all of which has been with the Berwick/Upper Beaconsfield Unit. Mrs Glad Mitchell and Miss Nancie Gower both received 30 year service awards.

Record fundraising

Twenty-five to thirty members attend the Berwick/Upper Beaconsfield Unit meetings, and despite the fact that we are not quite as young as we used to be, and this limits some of our activities, the Unit raised \$21,649.67 during the past 12 months.

The Unit relies heavily on the support of the many Friends of Red Cross, particularly during the March Red Cross Calling. With the help of many volunteer collectors, \$14,925 was raised by the Unit. This figure includes a record amount of \$5,122.40 raised in Upper Beaconsfield.

Thank you friends

The Berwick Opportunity Shop donated \$2000 towards the work of Red Cross and other generous donations were received from the Berwick RSL Ladies and the Berwick Tennis Ladies. Mrs Claire Page donated a beautifully dressed bride doll to raffle which raised over \$400, and Mrs Hilary Hooper continues her donations of handwork and gifts. The Berwick Library sells large quantities of Red Cross Christmas cards, calendars and diaries and it is also the place to drop in your used postage stamps. The Unit thanks all the Friends of Red Cross for their generosity and interest and all who support the street stall, purchase raffle tickets and put their spare change into the Red Cross tin at the Pine Grove Hotel.

Donating blood

Unit members attend the mobile blood banks at Berwick Leisure Centre and Narre Warren North throughout the year. Eleven sessions this year have resulted in 2,412 donations.

Emergency attended

The catering team attended the Langwarrin fires late last year and their efforts were welcomed and praised by the emergency personnel. Fortunately there were no other call outs for our emergency teams during the long, hot summer.

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Upper Beaconsfield
NEIGHBOURHOOD
WATCH



"Improve the quality of life by eliminating crime and promoting closer community ties." All community minded residents are invited to our AGM.

August 21
8pm Community Room
Community Complex
Contact: Melinda Conn
5944 4010

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Nursing home visits

Four members have been visiting nursing home residents on a one-to-one friend basis. They find this compassionate friendship and social contact, both enjoyable and fulfilling. Another member is a welcome, friendly visitor at the Berwick Hospital each week.

Changes to volunteer transport service

Unfortunately changes to the Red Cross Volunteer Transport Service have a significant impact on our area. The valuable service of very generous volunteer drivers, using their private vehicles, has been replaced by a Red Cross fleet car, based in Region 8A, at Springvale.

Liability and litigation, together with cost effectiveness, were among reasons for this change. Requests for Volunteer Transport are now to be communicated to Pat Davis at Headquarters on 9685 9868, or I can refer them on.

Barbara Jackson
Chairman Berwick/Upper
Beaconsfield Red Cross Unit

Upper Beaconsfield **Community Care** **Group Notes**



Thanks for the firewood

A special thank you to those volunteers who recently cut and stacked firewood for distribution to those in need of assistance this winter. Thanks also to the residents who made the timber available to our Group and to the generous people who have donated money to the Care Group for firewood and other needs.

Volunteers please

We recently forwarded to all volunteers an availability form needed to assist our coordinators when trying to match a volunteer to look after a request for help. There are still a few forms outstanding and if yours is one of them we would be grateful if you would complete and return it as soon as possible. If you have mislaid the form phone Des McKenna and another will be sent to you.

Like to receive our newsletter?

If you live outside the area in which our newsletters are distributed (the area covered by deliveries from Upper Beaconsfield Post Office) and would like a copy, please contact us and we will be happy to make suitable arrangements.

What does the Care Group do?

We offer free of charge to residents of Upper Beaconsfield, Dewhurst and Guys Hill the following services, irrespective of your own personal circumstances: emergency domestic help, emergency transport, friendly visiting, emergency outside work and handyman help, emergency childcare. We have a supply of frozen meals available to families with illness, bereavement etc. Assistance is just a phone call away.

How do you reach us?

Just phone any one of the following:

Des McKenna 5944 3516
Glenda Matthews 5944 3884
Annette Walker 5944 3574
Community Centre 5944 3484

Des McKenna 5944 3516

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Building expansion for Cricket Club

The Upper Beaconsfield Cricket Club has finally been able to find a concreter and have the concrete slab for its proposed extensions poured. On Friday July 7 local contractor Vic Tucci sped into action and by late afternoon the job had been completed.

This will be the basis of extensions to the cricket club social rooms, which will improve the facility for the community. The cricket club's social rooms will be slightly enlarged, there will be improved storage areas, a permanent timekeeper's box for the Junior football club, improved viewing areas for spectators with the verandah being extended over the entire north facing section of the building as well as future capacity for the installation of a canteen area. One other feature will be internal access to toilets from the rooms, which will overcome one unsatisfactory feature of the present arrangements. Hopefully the rooms will be completed soon after the cricket season commences.

Nick Meyers, former Baden-Powell C.C. player in the M.P.C.A. has been appointed captain coach of the club. Nick hails from Frankston and promise to be a real acquisition. Indoor practice commences on Sunday August 6 (9.00am) at the Cranbourne Indoor centre. This will follow a golf day held on Sunday July 23 with a BBQ at Peter Brennan's. The club plans a trip to Tatura to play Cooma cricket club in mid September. This will be a great way to commence serious preparation for the

coming season. Any residents who are interested in joining the UBCC should contact Rob Hansen (59 443 871).

While the new extensions are in the process of being constructed the club is undertaking a vigorous fundraising campaign to finance its part of the funding. A major raffle will be organised and all members will be asked to add the cost of a raffle book to their fees. This will be almost a levy to assist the building fund. Families can then sell their raffle tickets to recoup their levy. Further details will be sent to all families.

Part of our fundraising also involves sponsorship. The club will be seeking sponsorship from members of the community. We have already received support from major sponsor the Pine Grove Hotel but a recent addition has been that of Heritage Spas who have contributed to the project.

The whole community is reminded that you can access the activities of the cricket club by hitting its award winning web page. By looking up www.vicnet.net.au/~ubcc/ you will be able to discover a host of information about the cricket club.

Rob Hansen (President)

Craft Exhibition at the Cheese Factory in August

The Group Exhibition of Handicrafts and Home Industry of the Country Women's Association will be held at the Old Cheese Factory, 34 Homestead Rd., Berwick on 29 and 30 August.

The Exhibition will be open to the public between the hours of 2 & 7pm with the presentations at 2.30pm. On Wednesday 30 August the open hours will be 10am until 3.30pm. Admission is \$3 per adult with schools' groups a minimal charge of 10c per head.

The C.W.A. of Upper Beaconsfield will be represented with a variety of handicrafts and cookery

made by members.

Please support your local Club by attending the Exhibition. Refreshments will be available.



Carol Murtagh, CWA

WILDLIFE WATCH

Eyes down from now on

Levitate, instead of walking, through the bush. There will be so many beautiful things to find secreted amongst the grass. Orchids galore; communities of nodding, blunt, dark tip and tall greenhoods; cream, green and maroon spider orchids; dark, dark red helmet orchids; golden moths and other donkey orchids; and on a really warm day in October there is bound to be small blue sun orchids. This month salmon sun orchids bloom as well.

Gliders in the wattles

A good place to wander quietly in the night is among wattles in multiple shades of yellow. This is where gliders like to forage.

Blooming now

Many shrubs with golden, pea-like flowers come into bloom in the next couple of months. Hop goodenia, bush peas and parrot peas, as well as the common and handsome flat-peas. As a relief from all that yellow, watch for multitudes of small two-tone blue flowers, like tiny butterflies, on the love creeper's almost leafless stems.

Wallabies pay a visit

During the second week in July, for the first time in twenty years, we saw five wallabies browsing in a group near our house. Usually they are seen one or two at a time. In this group there was one large male, two females each with a joey in her pouch and two smaller specimens which could have been last season's young. Four were a dark brindley-brown and the fifth was definitely black. All five had beautiful russet fronts and crowns which glow in sunlight.

Laura Levens



No golf please!

The Committee of Management of the Upper Beaconsfield Recreation Reserve would like to advise all residents that golf practice is prohibited on the reserve oval and grounds.

Apart from the damage incurred to the playing surface of the oval, we have received complaints from walkers, joggers and users of the equestrian facilities that there have been some near misses from flying golf balls.

The Committee will not accept responsibility for injuries caused by golf balls.

Barry Smith, Secretary

BABYSITTING CLUB

The Upper Beaconsfield Babysitting club is a group of local mothers who baby-sit each others' children in their own homes.

The children don't have to be taken out of their house on cold nights. The club has proven to be very successful as well as convenient and is based on a point system with a no pressure arrangement.

If you are a new resident or just wanting some information on the club, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Cathie Usher
5944 4183

Secretaries of the month

August	Judy Prowse
September	Sue Bailey
October	Jean Dayson

Beaconhills Country Golf Club



Winter is a fairly quiet time for golf news. During the holidays schoolgirls Christina Beltran, Rebecca and Fay Harford, Brianne - " Arthur along with several teacher members, played in the Wednesday ladies' competitions, enjoying the

opportunity of playing on very highly regarded courses during the holiday period. Fay, aged 10 years, is the youngest of the girls and plays a very creditable game, scoring lower than many members. Both Christina and Rebecca are Monthly Medal winners. All the young players have enjoyed the opportunity of playing on excellent courses during the holiday period.

Christina played in the schoolgirls' Victorian Championship with success. Although not a winner in the first round of the match, she won the competition for first round losers. Christina was selected to play in the Mornington Peninsula District country team and has also qualified for the District Scratch Match Play Final.

Junior Girls' Championship

During September school holidays Beacon-hills will be the host for the Mornington Peninsula District Junior Girls' Championship and also two rounds of the South Eastern Junior Championships will be played on the Hills and Lakes courses.

October auction

The Club's annual auction, normally held in August, will be held later in the year, probably in October. A date will be advised to Upper Beaconsfield residents, along with an invitation to join with members in attending this function.

Barbara Jackson 5944 3554



Why wait 'til December?
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Nerida Beresford: 5944 3643

Glenda Matthews: 5944 3884

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Morning tea
&

Champagne lunch
at the Grand Hyatt

Secure your place now!

Tel. Rosemary Cotton 5944 4065

Term 3 at the Community Centre

You may have noticed some changes in the office at the Community Centre this term. After several years of tireless service, Sue Bailey has resigned from her position to take a well-earned break, and Anne Inkster, who has also been at the Centre for several years, has commenced twelve months maternity leave.

The Committee of the Community Centre would like to thank them both for their commitment to the Centre and wishes them the very best for the future.

Anne McPhie has commenced as our new co-ordinator and will be joined by another staff member shortly. Alison Ryan will continue to be responsible for Accounts and Finance at the Centre.

Courses

Term 3 courses at the Centre have now commenced but it is not too late to enrol for many.

A new intake for our "Personal Care" course (Certificate III in Community Services) is commencing and will run on Tuesdays from 9.00am to 3.00 pm, for eighteen months during school terms. Graduates will then be qualified as personal carers for the elderly and disabled. The course covers the many aspects of health care, first aid and work environment issues.

Other courses with vacancies include the eight-week "Dream Workshop", the Music Workshop for Pre-Schoolers which takes place on Friday mornings and Emergency First Aid for Parents which will take place on Saturday, 19 August. Also on offer are Low Maintenance Garden Design, a 4 week course starting on 22 August, Rose Pruning on 16 August, Fruit Tree Pruning on 29 July and Chainsaw Maintenance on 14 August.

An information session on Mandala, will be held on Monday, 11 September. Mandala, meaning "circle", is a symbol of wholeness and balance and you will discover how to create beautiful art through self-expression using shapes, designs, colours and symbols. There will be no charge for this session but please call the Centre to book a place.

Volunteers

If you have some time to spare, or if you'd like to gain some work experience in an office, and get to know more people in the community, you will find it rewarding to spend some time working at the Centre as a volunteer.

Your hours as a volunteer will be recorded and for every 40 hours of voluntary work completed, you are entitled to a free course to the value of \$50.00. While you are working as a volunteer you will also receive free childcare in the Crèche. (Some limits do apply.) The Centre could not continue to offer the present range of services to the community without the assistance of our volunteers.

Crèche



The Crèche at the Centre is open five days a week from 8.45am to 4.00pm, providing excellent care and stimulating activities for preschool children.

The hourly rates are very competitive and cheaper rates apply while you are doing a course at the Centre. Don't forget to book in as the crèche can be fully booked at various times.

Please contact the Centre on 5944 3484 if you would like to enrol for any course, if you have not received a program for Term 3, or if you have any other queries. We would also welcome any suggestions for other courses or activities that you would like to see offered by the Centre in the future.

Sally Randall
President -Upper Beaconsfield
Community Centre Committee

Pony Club's outstanding results

Congratulations to Lauren Emmett who proved she is one of Victoria's best young event riders by winning one of the grade 2 Championships at this year's Pony Club Association of Victoria State Horse Trials. Lauren, riding the very talented Timbertop Chase, put in a brilliant performance leading the field from start to finish to end on an excellent dressage score of 49.

Natalie Kerpen and Michael Parker also competed in impressive style at the Championships, notching up good results. Natalie, riding her horse Midnight, excelled during the cross country and show jumping phases to take out eighth place in her grade 2 section. Competing in his section of the prestigious grade 1 event, Michael and his mount Tully put in a great performance to finish in sixth place.

The event, this year hosted by the West Gippsland Zone, was held at Tonimbuk Equestrian Park. Over 45 competitors competed in two sections of the grade 1 event while 146 riders contested five grade 2 sections.

Well done to all three members for their outstanding results against Victoria's best.

Marlene Kelly 5944 3487

"A Century Partnership"

- a review by Charles Wilson

Rob Hansen's publication, "A Century Partnership" is a great addition to the recorded history of Upper Beaconsfield and an outstanding history of the Upper Beaconsfield Cricket Club.

Rob, an avid cricket lover, obviously enjoyed writing this extremely well researched account of the genesis of the Club and its progress over the last 100 years. He certainly achieved his primary objective and for good value has included much other interesting historical information.

There are many anecdotes and considerable detail concerning members of notable local families, such as the Knaptons, Hamiltons, Noblets and many others, which make it entertaining for those of us whose life is less centred on the cricket field.

Most of this family information has come to light as the result of many interviews Rob has had with local people. Those who have moved away from the village were sent a questionnaire, usually providing a good response.

The layout of the book is unusual, many pages carrying inserts of photographs, letters, or newspaper cuttings relating to the period being discussed, which greatly adds to the interest. I found it easy and enjoyable to read and do not intend to lend it! You can get your own copy from the Post Office or the General Store for \$22.00.

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Conserving our bushland environment



Did you know?

The Upper Beaconsfield Conservation Group has been part of our community for over thirteen years. The group:

- Has produced and distributed the book "Upper Beaconsfield—our bushland environment". Copies still available
- Has a mulcher for community hire
- Helps identify noxious and environmental weeds
- Has community education and awareness programs
- Provides roadside and private property plant identification service
- Helps with weed eradication and revegetation projects
- Assists in the management of local bushland reserves
- Planted and maintains the Stoney Creek Road traffic island

- Established the indigenous plant nursery in Halford Road, Upper Beaconsfield
- Provides strong involvement in environmental issues in conjunction with Cardinia Shire and the Upper Beaconsfield Strategy plan
- Has social events and get together

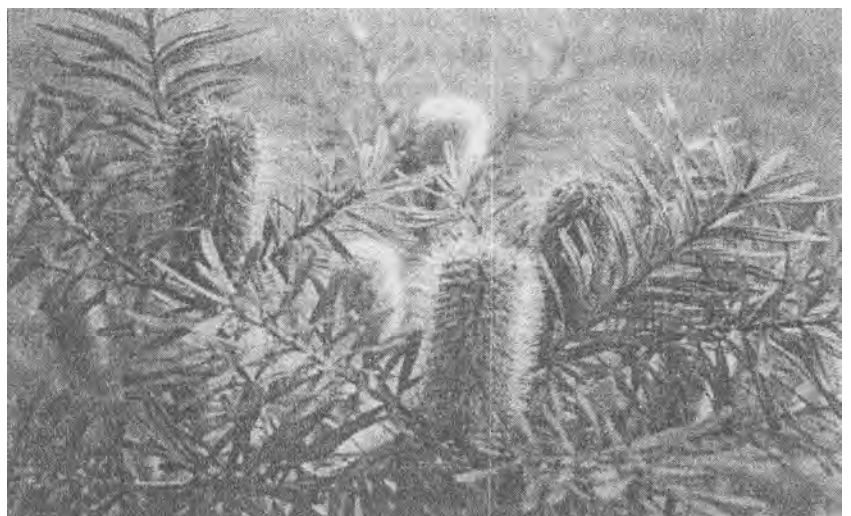
Please consider joining the Conservation Group to help with these and future activities. We meet at 8pm on the second Wednesday of each month in the Community Room at the Community Complex in Salisbury Road.

Contact Gladys Aarons 5942 7571

Laura Levens 5944 3828

Update—Please note there will be no August meeting.

Nursery Hours until the end of August will be Fridays 12-4pm, or by appointment 5942 7571



Tennis Club having a busy year

This year our Club has been admitted into the VIC TENNIS Pennant Winter Competition with 2 mens' teams entered (Section 7 on Sunday afternoons and Section 10 on Sunday mornings). Both teams are doing well, being 2nd and 1st respectively. Next year we hope to have a ladies' team entered also. Any interested players please see Ian Haythorpe.

New Tennis Court

Work is nearly complete on the new Tennis Court (plexi pave type) and we hope to have the court ready for play in the near future .

Tennis Fun Day

The Upper Beaconsfield Tennis Club was part of the "National Tennis Fun Day" on 20 February 2000, conducted in conjunction with "Tennis Australia" which attracted over 140 people to our club for a great social day. The day was promoted to encourage community members to visit and play at the club and experience the game of tennis. For those of you who missed it, activities on the day included free tennis coaching, target hitting, speed serving , fast tennis and free giveaways from our Sponsors . Upper Beaconsfield Tennis Club rated No. 10 nationally / No.5 in Victoria and No.1 for our District for the highest _ attendance figures for this day. Well done to our committee and organizers - next year will be just as much fun.



Social News

We were pleased to hold a quiz/trivia night in November 1999, at which we raised \$700 dollars for the Upper Beaconsfield Fire Brigade towards the purchase of their new fire truck. It is proposed that every month on a Saturday night, subject to weather conditions, we hold an open family tennis night for families to play socially under the lights. All members and non-members are welcome to attend - keep an eye out for notices in the clubhouse for these events.

Club Championships

The junior and senior singles club championship events have been conducted and the results area as follows:

Junior Male Club Champion: Robert Scott
 Runner up: Darren Cordy
 Junior Female Club Champion: Katryna Sobiesiak
 Runner up: Lauren Haupt
 Senior Male Club Champion: Robert Scott
 Runner up: Peter Puts
 Senior Female Club Champion: Susie Crockett
 Runner up: Katryna Sobiesiak
 Senior Male Doubles Club Champions: Peter Puts and Michael Zerbst
 Runners up: Robert Scott and Peter Durkin

Well done to all our winners and members who participated to make these events possible and a special well done to Robert Scott (age 14) for winning both the Junior and Senior Singles Club Championships and runner up in the doubles .

Currently we have many promising male and female junior players at the Club.

They represent the Club in local junior competitions, and some are now participating in the senior competitions as well. With this large number of Junior competitors together with our keen Senior players, the Club is looking forward to a continued successful future in its competitive and social activities.

AGM

The Annual General Meeting for the Club will be held on the 8 August at 8 pm in the Clubrooms, Sutherland Park, Stoney Creek Rd., Upper Beaconsfield. All interested members/ persons are invited to attend.

To all Bell advertisers

Reluctantly, the UBA Inc must increase the cost of advertising in order to cover the increased costs of producing The Village Bell.

Revenue received by the UBA does not warrant the increased administrative work that would be required if the association is to register for the GST. As a result, supplies will no longer be tax-free.

To maintain the status quo, advertising for 6 issues will increase from \$70 to \$76 from the October issue. This will be the first increase since January 1997.

A single line ad will now cost \$11 and single box advertisements can be placed in the body of the Village Bell for \$16.

We hope you understand the need for this increase and that you will continue to give the UBA your valued support.

Carolyn Floyd
5944 3618

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Have you paid your Village Bell subscriptions and membership for the Upper Beaconsfield Association for the year 2000?

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To avoid time-consuming recordkeeping, it has been decided by the Village Bell editors that nonresidents wanting Village Bells posted out to them should also renew their subs every January. If you have joined the mailing list later in the year, your subscription will still be due in January.

To be put on the mailing list please contact Cheryl Finn 5944 4007.

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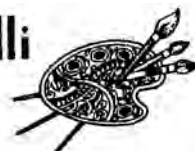
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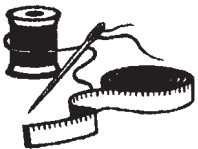
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