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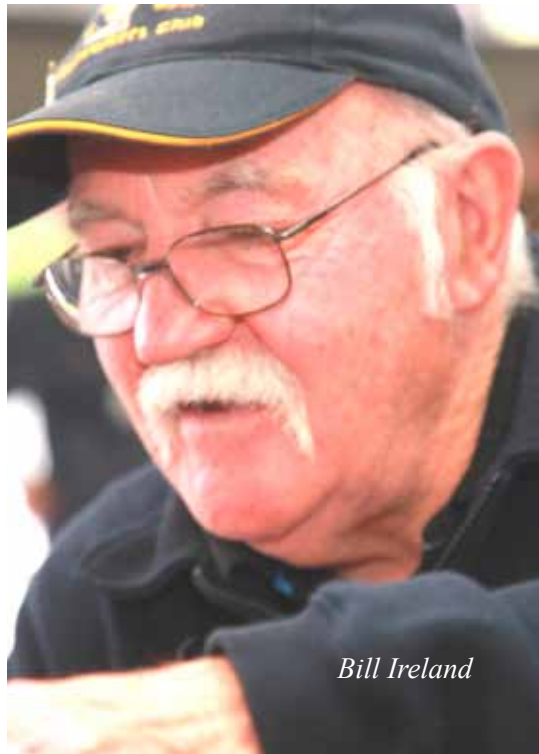
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From the Editor...

Sporting Life

It was, I believe, the Duke of Wellington who famously said that the battle of Waterloo was won on the playing fields of Eton, probably the most posh of British private schools.

I think I understand, and I think he was probably right - and this is not an argument in favour of private over public schools because I've seen poor outcomes from wealthy private schools and brilliant outcomes from tech schools.

It wasn't the wealth and privilege of Eton scholars that made them better leaders than almost any the French could throw at them, it was the quality of their finely honed leadership skills. These came as a consequence of the intelligent, highly trained and motivated teachers and coaches.

Unfortunately, these attributes cost more than the basicly skilled and poorly motivated teachers that can be expected to want to work in underfunded, undisciplined institutions with second rate facilities.

There are many great teachers out there in our public schools, many great students and graduates, but there could be many more with the right level of support and infrastructure, including support for the many thousands of students coming out of inadequate home situations.

We can do much better. We are a wealthy country that can afford to do much more in education and social and mental support, particularly in the lower socio-economic areas where young people are often being raised without all the basics everyone is entitled to, like a safe home, good nutrition, good education and employment to follow.

There has been a lot done in recent years to support and enhance education and employment prospects for young people in particular, I don't mean to suggest a big drop in standards, just that there has to be a lot more input from all levels of government to give everyone the opportunity to earn a better life for themselves and the ones they love.

And that's where sport comes in to the picture, because after all the education and support they still need the leadership skills of effective teamwork. So, where to gain, develop and hone those skills? On the playing fields of Knox.

We see it happening now, despite the occasional hiccup, in our many sporting clubs and teams, and it's changing. Now, more than ever before, we have young women taking up the challenge of what were once male only sports almost exclusively.

We see young people step up to take on leadership, both on and off the field - learning to be active decision makers in their own lives. In their way our young sports people are taking on the same leadership challenge as young firefighters, scouts and other organisations that are filling the gap between what is needed and what they can deliver.

John Mortimore

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KNOX REMEMBERS

Sunday November 10th
 Tim Neville Arboretum
 10.30 am



Nominations for the 2020 Australia Day Awards are now open in the following categories:

- Young Citizen of the Year
- Elder Citizen of the Year
- Local Hero
- Environmentalist of the Year
- Volunteer of the Year
- Citizen of the Year

The Knox Local Australia Day Awards are a great opportunity to recognise a community member who has made a beneficial contribution to the Knox community.

Further information and nomination forms are available at: <http://www.knox.vic.gov.au/ausday>

**Nominations close 5pm
 Wednesday 27 November 2019.**



**FREE Concert in The Basin
 Triangle Park - Sat
 23 November 2 - 6 pm**

Painted Honeyeater

(*Grantiella picta*)

Sorry guys, but don't blame me, it's not my fault. I told you all about it but you didn't come along. I'm talking about the Lurg bird survey of course, which was on last weekend, October 12th and 13th. Everybody tells me I carry on like a 2nd hand lawnmower about it, but for good reason. Highlights were white-winged trillers, white-browed, masked and dusky woodswallows, square-tailed kite, brown songlarks, cockatiels, peregrine falcons and the jewel in the crown, painted honeyeater.

Like name dropping in high society, mention to a fellow birdwatcher that you saw painted honeyeater and just watch the reaction. Listed as rare and add to that a bird which has a dazzlingly brilliant slash of gold on the edges of the flight and tail feathers and a deep pink bill, and you've got one hell of a good get. Seen in SE Australia in Spring - Summer as a breeding migrant in drier open woodlands like box-ironbark, they move further north in Autumn - Winter to inland Queensland and the Northern Territory.

Mistletoe is a naturally occurring parasitic plant of eucalypts and acacia species of Australia, there being many species with some specific to the type of eucalypt or acacia they target. Things are very complex out there, believe me. However, mistletoe can only be spread by two types of birds who eat their fruits then excrete them onto the branches, deliberately of course to ensure they have a continued food supply. One of these birds is the Mistletoe bird, whose name sort of gives it away, doesn't it. The other bird is the painted honeyeater, whose diet comprises nectar and insects but mainly Mistletoe berries, and whose movements (no play on words intended) are dictated by both rainfall and mistletoe fruiting cycles.

Painted Honeyeaters are easily located by the loud frequent call of 'Sue-see, Sue-see' or reverse 'see -Sue, see Sue' or as we heard on the weekend, many variations of that call. It is clear and far carrying, thank God for that, I say, otherwise it's like looking for a needle in a haystack. This was only the second time I had seen painted honeyeater, I reckon I would have walked up to Benalla just to see them.

My advice to you would be to book it in for next year, 2nd weekend of October, Lurg bird survey, it's in my diary already. As well as birds many other things were seen. Highlights were a pair of Eastern Brown snakes mating (bit of an invasion of privacy), Sugar and Squirrel Gliders in nest boxes, Yellow-footed Antechinus (small native mammal resembling House Mouse), Eastern water Dragon, Lace Monitor (Goanna), two big healthy koalas, two echidnas and a massive wedge-tailed eagle's nest. I did my survey sites with Andie Guerin who runs the regent honeyeater project and is an expert in native plants. While my eyes were scanning the skies and the trees, Andie had his eyes glued to the ground and I'm indebted to him for patiently showing me the beautiful understory plants and ground covers. Yam daisy (important bush tucker for the Aboriginal people), milkmaids, dianella, cats claw grevillea, spreading wattle, gold dust wattle,



Photo courtesy of dean Ingwersen, Birdlife Australia

lightwood, guinea flower, chocolate lily, sundew (insect eating plants) and many others were seen. He even managed to point out how to tell the difference between white and grey box eucalypts. We also saw the largest grass trees I've ever seen, Andie estimating their age at between 300 and 400 years old.

I received some interesting emails last week from Avril and Ron who live in The Basin. The first email had a photo of a White-headed Pigeon in their backyard which had me scurrying to my field guide, which revealed they have slowly expanded their range from East Gippsland to the Melbourne area. The introduced plants camphor laurel and privet are two food sources for this native pigeon which not only help spread these weeds but have resulted in their range extending eastwards in the last few years. However, that would certainly be a rarity, I've only seen them in Northern Queensland.

The second email had a photo of a regent parrot in Avril's backyard about two days later, but this bird was most certainly an aviary escapee as Regent Parrots are only found in the dry NW corner of Victoria. I have seen regent parrots at Hattah-Kulkyne National Park and Gluepot in SA, but they would never venture this far south. Watch this space as Avril and Ron, obviously keen birdos, will most likely have some more rarities showing up in their backyard soon to share with us.

Our November field trip will be to Doongalla Pony Club, Sheffield Rd, Kilsyth South. I have made arrangements with Alice from the Pony Club to use the facilities, so we will have a BBQ lunch (Please RSVP for catering) then take a walk around to look at what we can find. Meet at the Basin triangle at 12 midday on Saturday, November 9th.

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Eastern Brown snakes mating, Lurg district. Photo courtesy Lynne and Noel Billing.



Eastern water Dragon, Lurg district. Photo courtesy Karen Collard



Boronia Corps

2 Liverpool Road,
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Exciting News! We have renovated the Thrift Shop, meaning there is more treasure for you to take home, we have a larger coffee corner with new facilities so you can sit down enjoy a chat and cuppa during your browsing. Our opening hours are 10am- 4:30pm Tuesdays through to Fridays, each week we have bargain clothing prices at 50c per item, stock is rotated weekly, so with seasons changing and the warmer weather coming through, it may be just what you need.

Over the next couple of weeks, it will be the perfect time to come in and stock up with all your Christmas supplies e.g. decorations, Christmas trees, general Christmas knickknacks, at very affordable prices, with all profits going back into the community to support those disadvantaged over Christmas.

We also run an amazing Christmas Appeal each year

giving those an opportunity to help and support those in community who struggle throughout the Christmas period, If you would like to contribute please feel free to pop down to our Thrift Shop located at 2 Liverpool Road, Boronia, (with parking available also easily accessible via public transport 755 Bus, stop corner of Liverpool Road and Mountain Highway) to pick up one of our hamper bags, to return by Sunday 15th December 2019, a basic guide to what contents will be appreciated include things such as Christmas Puddings/Cakes, Tinned Fruit, Long Life Milk, Tinned Ham, Tinned Baby Potatoes, Long Life Custard, Packet Gravy, Tinned Corn and Peas, Savory biscuits, Chocolates, Lollies and other Christmas treats that will bring joy and Christmas cheer this year.

We also welcome everyone to attend our church service Sundays at 10am, with kids church at 10:20am, The Salvation Army offers various activities throughout each week, like bible study groups, a New Alpha group will be commencing this month for young adults and adults to explore spirituality and also running is the positive lifestyles program which explores wellbeing.

The Salvation Army Boronia Corps would like to thank the Community for the support that we have received over the last month through our Thrift Shop which is inspired by the values of providing bargains and creating hope. We look forward to seeing you all at our village.



Boronia



Boronia VIEW Club is on the lookout for women who

are out to improve their social life and give something back to the community.

VIEW stands for the Voice, Interests and Education of women. It is one of Australia's leading Women's volunteer organisations and supports the education of disadvantaged children through its charitable fundraising.

The Boronia View club is part of a network of over 300 clubs throughout Australia.

Boronia VIEW Club meets on the 3rd Friday of each month at the Eastwood Golf Club, Liverpool Road Kilsyth at 11.30am. A two course meal is enjoyed at a cost of \$25.00.

Our next meeting will be held on Friday 18th October.

Our speaker will be Vivienne Gallagher from Accessorize U. It will be a presentation of Jewelry, Handbags, and

scarves. Vivienne is a small business owner she goes to Retirement Villages, Age Care facilities, Ladies clubs and fundraising markets. Things will be available to purchase at end of meeting.

Our club holds several outings and activities throughout the year and has small groups of ladies who meet monthly to play cards, meet for coffee or discuss books that they have read.

The clubs aim is to support hardship students therefore we proudly sponsor eight students through the Smith Families Learning for Life program.

We are always looking for Ladies of all backgrounds and ages to join us.

For information regarding membership please contact Margaret on 0402 488 757 or Judith on 9764 8602

Walking the News...



November issue

We only have two months left for deliveries this year, before we can all have a well earned break.

The new distribution list is now available to all walkers and drivers and should be arriving with November papers. If you do not receive a new list of dates and guidelines, please let me know and I will be happy to send you one. The following rounds are available, if you are able to assist with these deliveries, please contact me, details below.

Permanent Walking rounds currently available are:

Boronia:

Part Woodmason both sides (Power Rd to Reserve).

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Marland Rd, Madge St, part Elsie St., part Albert Av.115 papers

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Petition for New Facilities for The Basin CFA

State Member for Bayswater, Jackson Taylor, is supporting the need for new facilities for **The Basin CFA Brigade**.

Established in 1927, The Basin CFA Brigade has a long and proud history serving its community and has been in its current facilities since the 1970s. However, the building is now showing signs of age.

New facilities would allow the brigade the space to grow and to continue its high level of service into the future.

Servicing The Basin area and providing support for surrounding brigades when required, the brigade has a strong and proud volunteer membership base of 80+ and responds to over 200 call outs per year. It runs an active juniors program and supports a number of much loved local events like their famous Christmas Carols.

Jackson Taylor MP, has been a strong advocate for the upgrade and has been working closely with the brigade on the concept since gaining office. Mr Taylor has now started a petition in support of the need for new facilities, and will be presenting the petition to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Hon. Lisa Neville MP. The petition states:

“To the Minister for Emergency Services, the Hon. Lisa Neville MP. The undersigned hereby petition the Minister to work with CFA on securing new facilities for The Basin CFA Brigade. Built in the 1970s the current facility has a long, proud history but is now showing signs of its age. The volunteer brigade are a proud part of The Basin and Knox communities with over 80 active members and growing with a flourishing junior program. As they continue to grow, so too does the need for a new station to cater for that growth and to recognise their importance to our community and ensure they have the best facilities possible to get on with their job.”

You can sign the petition at <https://www.jacksonstaylor.com.au/campaign/the-basin-cfa-new-facilities/>

“New facilities would ensure this proud and dedicated volunteer brigade can continue to grow and support their community,” said local MP Jackson Taylor. “The Basin CFA Brigade has been a part of this community for over 90 years, and I want to continue to back them in, so we can ensure they have the best possible facilities to get on with the job”.

It’s been another busy month in Bayswater, starting with my very first Bayswater Youth Forum. Heathmont Secondary College, Boronia K-12, Bayswater Secondary College, Wantirna College and Fairhills High School all participated, with year 10, 11 and 12 students from each school workshopping their ideas with myself and the Minister for Youth, the Hon. Gabrielle Williams MP. We covered heaps of topics, from mental health to the environment, and it was inspiring to see their enthusiasm. I have just finished collating all the responses and will be presenting them to the Minister very soon. I look forward to hosting another one next year.

One of the highlights of my month has been standing with the Premier Dan Andrews and the Minister for Disability, Ageing and Carers the Hon. Luke Donnellan, to announce \$81.6mil for a new 120 bed public aged care service in the heart of Wantirna. This will create a major hub for aged care services for our loved ones right here in our local community. Not only will this facility provide care for older people living with dementia, mobility and complex care needs, but will create 245 construction jobs which is



more great news for locals. Construction starts next year with it all to be done by the end of 2022 – which paves the way for the expansion of the Angliss.

As the winter sports season wound up (and I revelled in the Richmond win!) it’s been a lot of fun getting around to many end of season nights at local senior and junior clubs. So it was a real pleasure to be able to present the “Best Clubman” award to Les Dalton at The Basin Football & Netball Club 2019 Best and Fairest night. What a legend! Just one of many legends recognised recently.

The Basin keeps churning the legends out too! I was ecstatic to meet the very first women’s cricket team playing for The Basin Cricket Club. It is fantastic to see so many women and girls get involved in grassroots sport, and I can’t wait to come down and watch the team play.

As always, please come and see me if you need help with state government matters. You can call my office on 9738 0577, email me at Jackson.Taylor@parliament.vic.gov.au or pop in to the office at Mountain High Centre, Bayswater.



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Cricketing History in The Basin

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This is a huge step forward for empowering women into the sport and The Basin CC have been pivotal in helping to get this up and running.

Watching the start of the games at Batterham Park on both ovals at 6:30pm on October 19th was local MP Jackson Taylor, with Di Day from Cricket Victoria also

in attendance.

In the first round The Basin won one game and Upwey won the other. In the second round The Basin were a bit short handed so some daughters were brought in to play alongside their mums. The Basin won both games!

Congratulations to the women for a great inaugural effort, and especially to their very hard working coach of both The Basin teams, the very proud but busy Teagan Sheldon.

KNOX Carols by Candlelight

Saturday 7 December

Wally Tew Reserve, Ferntree Gully
4pm - 10pm
(main show from 8pm)

Free Community Event
knox.vic.gov.au/carols





A Team to Remember The Basin Women's Football Team 2019

The Basin Women's Football team had a very small beginning in February 2018 with only 12 who turned up for the first meeting with the two enthusiastic and dedicated coaches; John Hayhurst and Ken Hayhurst. The goals for the Head Coach, John Hayhurst, were to follow a plan to first develop their skills, then understand the game, and then learn how to play the game and inspire in them a passion for footy. All of these goals have been achieved and culminated in a grand final berth for the 2019 season.

Since 2018, after two years of hard work, the number of players registered went up to 61 so they were able to field a Reserves team in 2019. So, more coaches were added to the team in 2019 including Matt Bailey-defensive coach and Andrew Battye-midfield coach along with team manager Kim Torake and Les Dalton-team runner with Karl Winter as board man. A leadership group was appointed by the head coach which included Co Captains Julia Baker and Candice Carroll, Vice Captain Emily Dalton and Deputy Vice Captains Ebony Rues and Alicia Caminito. A snapshot of the background of the players shows they have come from all walks of life including a number of nurses, an osteopath, sales assistants at Brumbies and a number of students at TAFE or University to name just a few with the age range from 18 to 38.

Due to the hard work, commitment and passion by both players and coaches the results have been amazing. Julia Baker, one of the two captain's this year (along with Candice Carroll) said, "Honestly we couldn't have done it without the coaches John and Ken Hayhurst, they inspired us in that first year by their example and commitment to be there every week so everyone put in 100%, we were all in. We worked hard to build good discipline both on and off the field in respect toward umpires, the game plan, and having each other's back. She also deeply appreciated the support from the Basin Football Club and said, "... their support for Women's Footy was enormous and they treated us exactly the same as the men, they have had a professional approach to the women's footy club." In fact after the grand final the Basin Football Club commented that the results of the women's footy team had been unbelievable and fantastic.

So, the grand final this year on Sunday 1st September, was held between The Basin Women's team and Croydon South. It was an incredibly close game, with excellent defense by both teams leading to low scores for both sides, the Basin were two points up at the start of the last quarter. About one minute before the siren blared out, Croydon South kicked the winning goal to win by four points. I watched one of the first practice sessions of the team in 2018 and saw players asking, "How do you hold the ball to kick?" and then in 2019 I saw a team of hard playing, skilled players working as a well-oiled team. A privilege to see such amazing progress in such a short period of time. Julia Baker said some stirring and inspiring words to the players at the end of the grand final game. The team spirit was so strong for her that she said to them, "I would rather play for our club and lose today than play for them and win the grand final." Julia told me, "...

that losing in the grand final was an invaluable experience, since none of them had ever been in a footy grand final and they could learn much from the experience." The head coach John Hayhurst said being in the grand final was one to two years earlier than he had expected.

So, the best for The Basin Women's Footy team is yet to come. Go Bears!!



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We meet every Thursday morning 9am-11am at Boronia Community Church of Christ 59 Boronia road Boronia.

New Members always welcomed please contact:

Margaret 0418 306 104



From Left to right Leader Alice Wotherspoon, Secretary Sue-Anne Mynott, Treasure Zita Ragg and Co-Leader Lyn Mawdsley

We've partied like it's 1969!

On October 12, Martin Luther Homes officially marked its 50th birthday with a big event that got everyone involved. There was a festival tent filled with laughter, a cake bazaar filled with yummy treats, and two busy barbecue stalls that had a large variety of food on offer. Without a doubt, the highlight of the day was the entertainment program that was performed by our residents live on stage.

Martin Luther Homes was also busy at the Senior's Festival, and we have some new cakes on offer at Cafe Jensen, find out whose oven they are baked in.

What a surprise!

When our retirement village excursion group visited the 'Taste of the Orient' cooking show, our resident Julie Chek struck gold! Of all the people who attended, she was the lucky winner of a wonderful hamper, packed with Asian-style delicatessen, enjoy Julie!



Keith Cree: Volunteering

I became a member of the Boronia West Primary School Council after my elder daughter commenced school in the

mid 1960s and continued on as other children also attended the same Schools.

Again, sometime after my elder daughter moved on to Knox Technical School, I joined the School Council and for a time was on both Councils at the same time.

Over the 20 year period on both Councils I held various positions, such as Treasurer, Co-operative Director, and President

In pursuit of a more secure neighbourhood, I became a Zone Leader in Neighbourhood Watch for about 15 years.

In late 1999 I was invited to join the BBCN Committee as Treasurer, a role that I held for 16 years as well as being the President largely for an overlapping period for a total of almost 20 years.

In about 2008 I became a volunteer at Puffing Billy Railway for approximately 7 years. And I was also a member of The Rotary Club of Boronia for approximately five years in the 1980s.

In total in excess of 60 effective years Volunteering in the Community.

As submitted for the Senior Volunteer Achievement Award 2019

* For a period of over 20 years, member of the Boronia West Primary School Council from mid 1960's and later Knox Technical School, for a period on both simultaneously. Held positions of Treasurer, Co-operative Director and President.

* Zone Leader in Neighbourhood Watch for about 15 years.

* 1999 joined the Boronia and The Basin Community News committee as treasurer for 16 years as well as being the President largely for an overlapping period for a total of almost 20 years.

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FAVOURITE RECIPES FROM OUR HOUSE

Simply So Good Crusty Bread

This is an easy, no knead, bread recipe. Given to me by the lovely Julie, our speech therapist at work. Over the years I have made many loaves of this bread. I say easy but it takes time, mixing time plus 12 hours of proving (rising time), not sure if this is because of colder European temperatures. Of interest – the longer the proving time the less gluten in bread.

Ingredients

3 cups of plain flour
½ teaspoon of yeast
1 ¾ teaspoon of salt
1 ½ cups of water.

Method

Mix dry ingredients then add water and mix with a slicing/cutting motion rather than stirring. Once all mixed (it will be quite sticky), cover with either glad wrap, wet tea towel or bees wax cover and then leave to prove for 12 hours. I usually prepare my bread in the evening, leave it to prove

overnight then bake in the morning.

When ready to bake, scrape dough onto floured plate and then use lots of flour around the dough. Also lots of flour needed to stop it sticking to cooking pot. Cover while waiting for your pot with lid to heat in oven for 30 minutes.

To bake it you need an ovenproof container with a lid that fits. (Any ovenproof container with lid – first time I made this bread I used stainless steel oval roasting container with a glass lid, I now use round casserole dishes). Put oven on at 220°C. Place the container with its lid (no bread dough yet) into the very hot oven 220 °C. Heat the container with its lid on for 30 minutes. After 30 minutes put the well floured dough in the container and put the lid back on. Bake with lid on for another 30 minutes. Then take the lid off and bake for another 15 minutes still at 220 °C. Done.

Take out of oven and put on rack to cool. Take care

because 220 °C is obviously very hot.

A friend has told me this bread is like a ciabatta loaf. So in a large cooking pot it will flatten out. In a smaller round casserole dish it will keep the round shape of the pot.

There are heaps of modifications to this recipe like adding rosemary and cheese, check out the website/ blog if you have internet access, just look up Simply So Good Crusty Bread. My modification is a fruit loaf but will save that recipe for another time. It is a very forgiving recipe. The first time I made it I think I put in too much yeast, I have also left it too long to prove but still all good. Good luck, happy bread making.

Maria, Sunny Boronia :)



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1st The Basin Scouts: Environment

The youth at 1st The Basin Scout Group have been working towards their Environment badges, organising debates and raising funds. You will meet some at various tree-plantings or volunteering for various weekend Environment projects with Scouts Victoria.

Their parents, leaders and I have been delighted and engaged by their clear voice to raise funds and hands-on energy to make the world a better place for us all to live in.

1st The Basin Scout, Hannah attended her second environmental event, digging many holes and planting as many trees. About 4000 trees and plants were planted by participants from First Friends of Dandenong Creek. The work they did will do much to improve our local natural environment for many decades to come.

Our 1st The Basin Scout group wishes Hannah all the best as she works towards her Landcare badge. Bravo!



(LEFT) Two irreplaceable originals; Jan Birket with the blade and Pauline Brown watching on.

Full report on our 25 year celebration in our next bumper edition.

BBCN Annual general meeting 2019 25th anniversary celebration

Held at the Boronia Church of Christ

Wednesday 11 september

Committee: Margaret Comport, John Edgley, Ben Furlong, John Mortimore, Veronica Pearce, John Pernu, Roger Thompson.

(L to R) Early team members: June Harling, Romaine Meadowcroft, Margaret Comport, Graham Billing (in chair), Pauline Brown, Jan Birkett, John Mortimore



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Learning is fun and rewarding

Throughout the course of the school year, primary school students from across the state participate in the Premier's Reading Challenge.

This initiative is a wonderful way for students to test their abilities and improve their reading skills. For others, it is also an opportunity to experience the joy of reading.

Many students do exceptionally well, some reading hundreds of books.

Each year, I recognise and award one student from each participating local primary school a certificate and voucher in recognition of their fantastic reading efforts and for taking part in the Premier's Reading Challenge.

In addition to reading, many students also strive to do their best in all aspects of their school life and are helpful towards other students and staff. Local schools around Knox each year select a student who has shown great endeavour throughout their years, not just during their graduating year. These students are presented with an Endeavour Award and are congratulated for being a great representative of their school.

This is also the time of the year when many students are getting ready for their graduating ceremonies as the end of the school year approaches.



Nick Wakeling MP awarding gift voucher to Faith Ng, Waverley Christian College as part of Premier's Reading Challenge

For those students graduating, or getting ready to continue their learning next year, I wish them all the best in their future endeavours and I hope that they see that learning can be fun and rewarding.

Nick Wakeling MP
State Member for Ferntree Gully



The Hut Gallery,
157 Underwood Rd, FTG

November Exhibitions

Gallery Exhibition,
"Tree Of Life"

The member's interpretations depicted in their artworks.

Foyer Exhibition,
"Kids After School Class"

A display of the children's artwork.
Weekends from Sunday the 3rd of Nov to Sunday the 8th Dec.

All Welcome, Free Entry

Ferntree Gully Quarry Reserve improvements have begun

The Quarry Reserve in Upper Ferntree Gully is one of the hidden gems of our local community. Set against the beautiful Dandenongs, the reserve has become a favourite place for locals to walk, swim, socialise and now fish!

Because of the popularity of the reserve with Knox locals, as well as the opportunity it presents to attract visitors from all across Melbourne, it has been a priority of mine to further develop the reserve and transform it into a key local attraction with facilities to match.



To develop Quarry Reserve I made a commitment of \$1.7 million during the recent election. This funding is now secured and set aside, meaning we can get on with

the planning and construction.

Some of the improvements that are on track for 2019/2020 include a nature based playground for the kids, security fencing, a picnic area, a viewing area, fishing platforms for catching the recently introduced fish and path links around the reserve.

These developments have already begun with the nature based playground started in October. The security fence will be started in November and Knox Council is working through the procurement process for the construction of the picnic area, viewing area, fishing platforms and path links. A contract is expected to be awarded mid-October for their design and construction.

This has been a great partnership with Knox Council and I look forward to seeing these plans become reality. As always, I will make sure to keep you updated on its progress.



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Real Action For Knox

Remembering Melbourne's Cartooning Icons

Danny Nolan

I have always loved cartoons, whether they be comics, book illustrations, news editorials or animation and have dabbled with the art form for most of my life in one way or another. Growing up in Melbourne I was lucky to see two of the best examples of the art nearly every day in the daily newspapers.

William Ellis Green who was more commonly known as WEG and Geoffrey Raynor Hook or Jeff Hook as he signed his work.

I've met both Geoff (Jeff) Hook and William Green in my lifetime and can say both were charming and talented men who though retired still loved to pull out their weapon of choice (a thick black marker with butchers paper) and do portraits for people.

WEG's clean crisp lines and pen work were part of my life as his single-panel cartoons appeared each day on the front page of the (now defunct) Melbourne afternoon paper *The Herald*. He was the polar opposite of *The Herald's* sister paper *The Sun's* Jeff Hook, who tended to more cluttered scenes and shading and Melbourne landmarks featured more prominently.

Both artists were influential on a whole generation of cartoonists and were recipients of many a lifetime achievement award and both received Orders of Australia in their latter years. Even though they were household names in Melbourne Jeff Hook achieved fame beyond our shores for being the recipient of the 1987 *Best Political Cartoon* at The International Cartoon Festival at Knokke-Heist, Belgium, and in 1991 he won the award for *Best Press Cartoon* at the same Festival. Hook first gained international recognition in 1967 for his cartoon about the end of the Six-Day War, "The three wiser men", which was republished widely outside of Australia, including in *The Times*.

He has also illustrated 46 books of various subjects, mainly humour.

In his private life he was also very active, besides art-related societies and associations he was also Life Governor

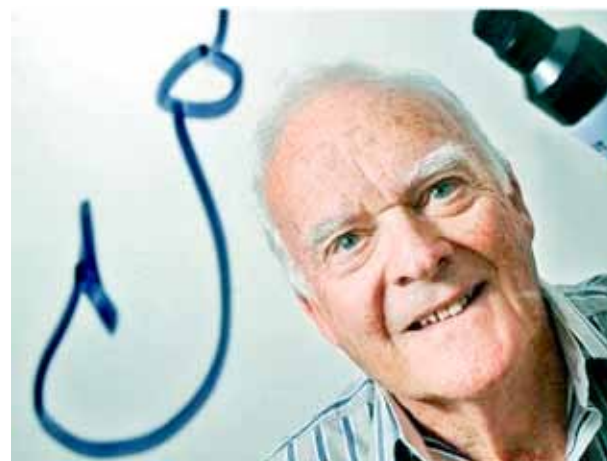


Weg above left and Danny by Weg above.

of the Royal Victorian Institute for the Blind, and a Patron of the Amputees Association of Victoria up to his passing in 2018.

WEG will be remembered mostly for his Grand Final posters which have symbolized the VFL/AFL premiership winners for over 50 years and can be found in many a Victorian home, for example, 90,000 were sold the year of his death Green passed away December 29 2008. While these iconic images are extremely popular WEG never made a cent on them instead donating all profits to the *Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal*.

Both cartoonists were generous with their time and often



Jeff Hook

visited schools as guest speakers. I remember Jeff Hook coming to our primary school and ripping off a caricature of our teacher in a couple of minutes. Drawing an instantly recognizable likeness but with exaggerated facial features on a little cartoonish body. Perfect ammunition for a class of smart-alec kids to torment said teacher later. Of course Jeff Hook was also immensely popular due to his habit of hiding his namesake a small fishing hook hidden in every cartoon he drew. Leading to many a child grabbing the paper in the morning to be the first to find it.

When I lived in Croydon, I would often see WEG outside of Coles in the Shopping Centre set up with a card table, just keeping himself busy and delighting passer-by's doing caricatures for \$20 a hit on big A2 poster paper.

Like Jeff Hook WEG was also great with the quick draw. On 14 January 2005, the 82-year-old Green confronted a burglar running through his back yard in Heathmont, Victoria. After confronting the man, Green called the police and then proceeded to take pen to paper and produce a caricature. His art was immediately recognisable to the local police. The offender was soon apprehended at a local shop as the cartoon clearly showed the man responsible.

I was lucky enough to have my portrait done by WEG on my 40th birthday. It hangs proudly in my study. I just wish I had one by Mister Hook to make a pair of two of my artistic heroes.

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Knox & District Over 50s

Christmas is creeping up on us and maybe you would like to make some new friends to celebrate the New Year. Well, it's all just here waiting for you with us at Knox Over50s – a very sociable and friendly organisation.

The group meets monthly from January to November and provides guest speakers, day and overnight trips, a

book club, visits to Boronia Cinema, coffee mornings at the Myer Knox coffee lounge, regular lunches at different locations around Knox and morning melodies.

Recent highlights of our calendar include a visit to the theatre to see *The Wizard of Oz* and some wonderful musical entertainment on a visit to the Wesley Church in Warragul. Our annual holiday was a great success, with some 20-plus of our members enjoying a wonderful time in the Flinders Ranges.

Meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday of each month starting at 10:30 am sharp in the Boronia Progress Hall - the weatherboard building at 134 Boronia Rd. Boronia

(parking available at the rear in the Library car park). Cost is a mere \$3, which covers morning tea, hall hire and also the chance of a lucky door prize. You are welcome to attend 3 meetings before deciding if you wish to join.

We'll start off with general business, followed by morning tea and the chance to have a chat and meet up with or make new friends. You could then sign on for any events of interest to you and perhaps borrow a free DVD from Darryl's table.

As our November meeting is the last for the year, we will be joined by Gavin Liddell for musical entertainment, including Christmas songs and an old-fashioned sing-along.



Another "Senior's Week", has been enjoyed, thanks to the Organisers. Christmas Holidays are being planned, BUT, remember, our activities continue throughout the year. No shut-down for this Active Club.

2ND. Chance for Sunnymede Garden visit!!! November 26th we have a full 48 seater bus, but there is a waiting list. So many beautiful garden areas, called "rooms". This month, 2 garden outings!! On the 13th, we'll visit **Mont du Soleil** in Kallista.

The Monthly "Men's Coffee and Chat" is a success. In a local café, they meet at 11 a.m. on the second Tuesday each month, very friendly, Men with a cuppa, talking Men's Hobbies, and/or whatever Men like to talk about. **Lyn** is taking bookings for the 1812 presentation of "Leading Ladies" for Sunday afternoon November 24th. This 1812 theatre group produce some very entertaining shows. And to make it a more social occasion, it's dinner after, at the Pub.

Wednesday evening "Dineout with Friends", will meet at Billy's Kitchen on the 27th. We would welcome you as a friend too, if you would like to come. The Lunch Outing will take place at The Paradise Valley Hotel, Wednesday 20th. We all need to eat, and socialising with others is so important.



Garden arrangement at Mont du Soleil

MOST IMPORTANT;!!! Nov. 25th. The quarterly meeting date. After club business, we have an interesting guest speaker, on the subject of gold prospecting. Then Supper is served. (Let's hope for gold samples.)

In the meantime, all activities are available to you, and only after 3 visits will we ask you to join. Annual Membership is \$25:00 per person, for any and all of activities. 4 Meetings and 4 newsletters per year included. No charge for quarterly meetings.

Learn more about our friendly club, i.e. Life Activities Club Knox Inc., and/or for a copy of our current newsletter, please ring: **Carol on 9727 2726**



We Have Returned!

Those Thrill-seekers who look forward to the regular contribution from Knox U3A will undoubtedly have been disappointed by our absence over the past couple of issues. Unfortunately (or fortunately perhaps?) your correspondent has been somewhat busy (a) selling a house, (b) buying a unit in a retirement village and (c) moving from a to b. Apologies for that, but those who have journeyed down the same path will know what I mean.

Speaking of journeying down paths I thought I might



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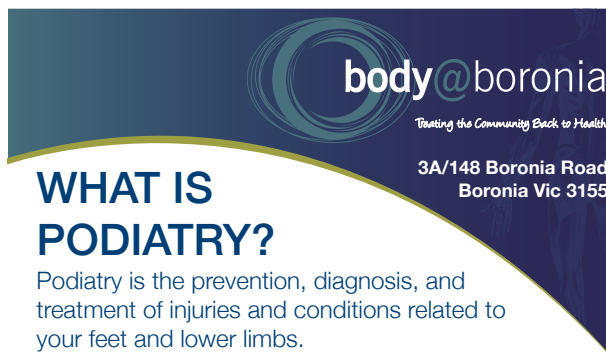
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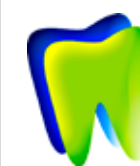
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NEW PATIENTS WELCOME



Celebrations will continue in early December with a BBQ at the Arboretum and a Christmas Lunch at Marybrooke Manor in the Dandenongs.

We have a monthly newsletter (*Knox Natters Matter*) which will keep you up to date with the many fun social activities available.

If you are feeling a little shy just make yourself known as a "newbie" to the "greeters" at the door or any one of our friendly members, who will make you feel most welcome.

We look forward to seeing you there.

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highlight the several opportunities for recreational walking offered by U3A. The most popular of our walking activities are the two half day bushwalking groups held on Monday and Wednesday and the full day Bushwalkers, also held on Wednesday. Venues are usually reasonably local, and one would be surprised just how many extended walks are available within reasonable distance of Knox. Dandenong Ranges Park, Olinda State Forest and the like all have possibilities for 10 to 12 kilometre walks, well within the capabilities of our age group.

Local venues are usually chosen as participants are obliged to make their own travel arrangements to the commencement of the walk. However, every so often an extended excursion is arranged like the recent 3 day trip to the Mornington peninsula region where there are many half and full day bushwalking opportunities. Pictured nearby you can see this group disappearing into the distance on the Two Bays Walking track in the Arthur's Seat vicinity. Course leaders are experienced bushwalkers David Evans and Judy Wright.

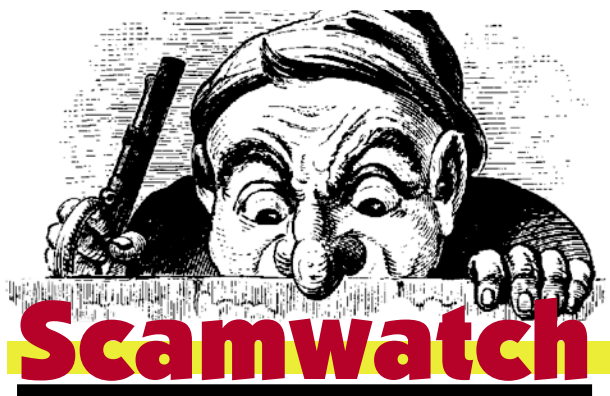
For those seeking less demanding, but equally interesting walks, we have half day excursions in our "Exploring Melbourne" Activity on alternate Tuesdays. Co-ordinated by member Ron Henderson, these trips explore the interesting streets and lanes of the City of Melbourne from the perspective of the tourist, rather than the resident. It is surprising how much we don't know about our own City, but Ron is just the man to point these features out.

Down a notch further and we have the much gentler "Strollers" group engaging in easy walks usually within the municipality, and one with a difference, Dog Walks and Coffee aimed at socialising both owners and pets on an easy walk to a coffee shop somewhere. Bring your own dog.

Some of these groups are full, and waiting lists will apply, but why not engage in one of the 164 different activities and courses Knox U3A offer while waiting. Membership is still \$60 a year, and details can be located on our website, www.u3aknox.org.au or telephone 9752 2737.

John E Ford

Publicity Officer, Knox U3A



Wangiri Phone Scam

Unexpected missed calls from overseas numbers

Recent media reports have been warning consumers about overseas missed call (or 'Wangiri') scams.

'Wangiri' is a Japanese term which roughly means 'one and cut'. In these scams, a scammer will call your mobile phone and let it ring once then hang up before you can answer it, and without leaving a message. A missed call will appear on your phone from an international number.

If you call the number back, you may be put on hold, hear music playing, or the scammer could try to chat with you. The scammer's objective is to keep you on the line for as long as possible because your call will be charged at a premium rate. A premium rate is an arrangement between the callers and their telecom providers overseas to split the income. If you call that number back, the overseas telecom provider charges your telecom provider a very high rate for the call, and that cost is then passed on to you in your phone bill.

For many Australian mobile providers, when the call comes in, the name of the originating country will appear on the phone. Were you expecting a call from that nation?

Protect yourself tips:

- If you receive an unexpected missed call from an international number you don't recognise, ignore it.
- If you are receiving repeated one-ring missed calls, block the number.
- Consider blocking international calls on mobiles used

- by children. This prevents a child from accidentally calling an international number themselves.
- When dealing with uninvited contacts from people or businesses, whether it's over the phone, by mail, fax, email, in person or on a social networking site, always consider the possibility that the approach may be a scam.
- Spread the word to your friends and family to protect them.

Have you been scammed?

• If you've returned one of these calls and receive a large bill, contact your telecommunications provider to discuss your options. If you're dissatisfied after dealing with your service provider, you can contact the Telecommunications Industry Ombudsman.

The ACCC encourages you to report scams via their Scamwatch Report-a-scam page.

Telecommunications Industry Ombudsman: tio.com.au
Scamwatch: scamwatch.gov.au

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Phone scam extra:

Do you occasionally answer phone call but there passes several seconds of "silence" before the caller simply disconnects? But it's not really silent; you know it's a connected call because you can hear the background noise from the caller's location. "Why did they waste my time and theirs with this brief silent call? Wait – am I being stalked?"

Probably not.

A man who spent a decade as a telemarketer explained that it is a way to take a brief break on the job. How does it work? He is in an office along with dozens of other telemarketers with headsets. The moment he ends one call, he is available for another. Meantime, a central computer is calling numbers automatically, detecting a connection, and immediately routing the call to the next available telemarketer, who experiences no break between calls. So occasionally, as a new call appears, the telemarketer remains silent as he closes his eyes, takes a deep breath, and takes a moment of zen (and a moment of your time) before hanging up and taking the next call.

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Supplements:

- Combination of glycine, leucine, carnitine, inositol and phosphatidyl serine with antioxidants and B Vitamins to support memory and neurotransmitter function with a protein shake for breakfast
- A herbal formula containing Withania and Lemon Balm, Bacopa and Ginkgo biloba to support adrenals, good circulation and brain function.

- Betaine hydrochloride, Glutamic Acid and Pepsin to aid food digestion with each meal.
- Omega 3 fish oil, B complex and Zinc citrate, anti-inflammatory and nourishes the nervous system
- 30 minutes before bed :L-tryptophan, glycine, magnesium and B6 for sleep, stress and anxiety
- Rescue Remedy Sleep sprays just before bed.

Diet and lifestyle:

She has eliminated stimulants and sugary treats. Most important was the protein shake at breakfast using with chia seeds and berries, helping with the brain energy. She started meditation and counselling and learning to manage stress.

After 6 weeks, K. reported her sleep had improved, even though her stressors were still the same, she was calmer and more focused.

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11 We also pray that you will be strengthened with all his glorious power so you will have all the endurance and patience you need. May you be filled with joy, Colossians 1:11-20 New Living Translation (NLT)

What's on in November 2019!

Thursday, 14 November - Over 40s Social Group are off to St Kilda Pier
 Saturday, 16 November @ 6.30pm – Trivia Night (Adults \$10 Kids FREE)
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MONTHLY

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3rd Sunday – Refresh 7.00pm – 8.30pm An informal



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Community Outreach Meal 6.30pm-7.30pm A friendly chat, a cuppa and a free, nourishing 2 course meal every Thursday night. Everyone is welcome.
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 - Emerge Youth for Secondary School students from 7.30 – 10 on Fridays

- Day Trippers once a month for adults who enjoy a bus trip with friends
- Sunday Lunch at a local bistro once a month
- Community Meals – a free meal for those who want to connect with community on the first and third Monday each month
- The Hub Play Café – a space for everyone which includes a play area for children open from 9.30am – 1.30pm Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

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I have a beautiful clock on the wall in my study made by a man who makes all his clocks out of wood from houses which have been pulled down. This man reminds me of God. For God, nothing and no-one is too far gone or wrecked to be restored or recreated into something new and of beauty (have a look at chapter 31 in the book of Jeremiah, verses 31 to 33 if you are not sure if this is true). I find it very reassuring!
 Boronia Road's musical friend, Hanford Lam, is a wizz at putting lots of individual musical talents together and

making beautiful music. He will be presenting a variety concert at Boronia Road on Sunday, 10th November 2019 at 1.30pm featuring music students and a Choir. Last year, people were blown away by the quality of music produced by both students and choir, so if you would like to enjoy a wonderful afternoon of music, we suggest you come a few minutes early to secure a seat. The cost is \$15 per person and includes not only the concert but a delicious afternoon tea. For all enquiries please contact Irene on 0421 769 067 or irenesmith2@bigpond.com or Hanford on hanfordlam2012@hotmail.com
 Even if you cannot make it to the Makers and Growers Market or the concert, you are very welcome to join in with us anytime. There is lots of other regular stuff which goes on each month:

- worship each Sunday morning at 10 – we aim to be user friendly

- craft every second Friday from 11-1 – being crafty is not a pre-requisite; you can just turn up for a cuppa and a chat
- Music Together for toddlers every Friday
- An op shop and food bank every Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10-12.
- Morning tea at the church every Tuesday from 10am -12 or down the street at the Mt Village Coffee Lounge on Wednesday mornings at 10am
- A little free library in our foyer

Drop in sometime and say g'day! For more information about us, check out our web page, www.bruc.com.au or like our facebook page, www.facebook.com/BoroniaRdUnitingChurch or phone the church on 9762 6732 or ring Ann on 0408 596 814.

Happy Diwali 2019

I recently had the pleasure of attending the Knox Diwali Festival at the Shree Swaminarayan Temple Melbourne in Boronia.

Diwali is one of the most important occasions for Hindu people here, and throughout the world.

It represents the great joy and optimism in the Hindu community, and the importance of celebrating the bonds shared with family and friends.

I thank the leaders and members of the Knox Hindu community for hosting the festival, which is becoming bigger and better each year.

Hindu Victorians passionately nurture cultural traditions, and have been generous in sharing their rich heritage

and faith with the broader Victorian community.

Our thriving and active Indian community has always been an enthusiastic part of Victoria's multicultural landscape, and it continues to make an outstanding contribution to our society, across many fields of endeavour.

I encourage all religious and cultural groups to share their traditions with the wider community.

For anyone who wants to find out more about Diwali or the Shree Swaminarayan Temple, visit <https://swaminarayan.melbourne>

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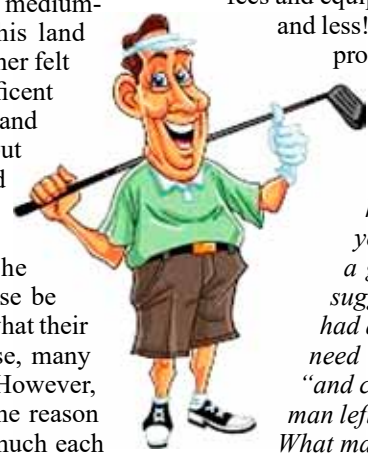
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Do You Feel Rich?

Once there was a farmer who lived on a medium-sized hilly and lush plot of land. This land overlooked a beautiful bay, and the farmer felt lucky to have inherited such a magnificent spot. However, he was getting older and was no longer able to farm the land, but had a dream of having it cleared and turned into a golf course!

After a few years of development a grand golfing resort emerged! The farmer's dream also was that the course be available to all keen golfers no matter what their means! When he advertised the course, many keen golfers applied for membership. However, he only managed to take on a few. The reason was that the income determined how much each member paid – for example, those on \$100,000 paid

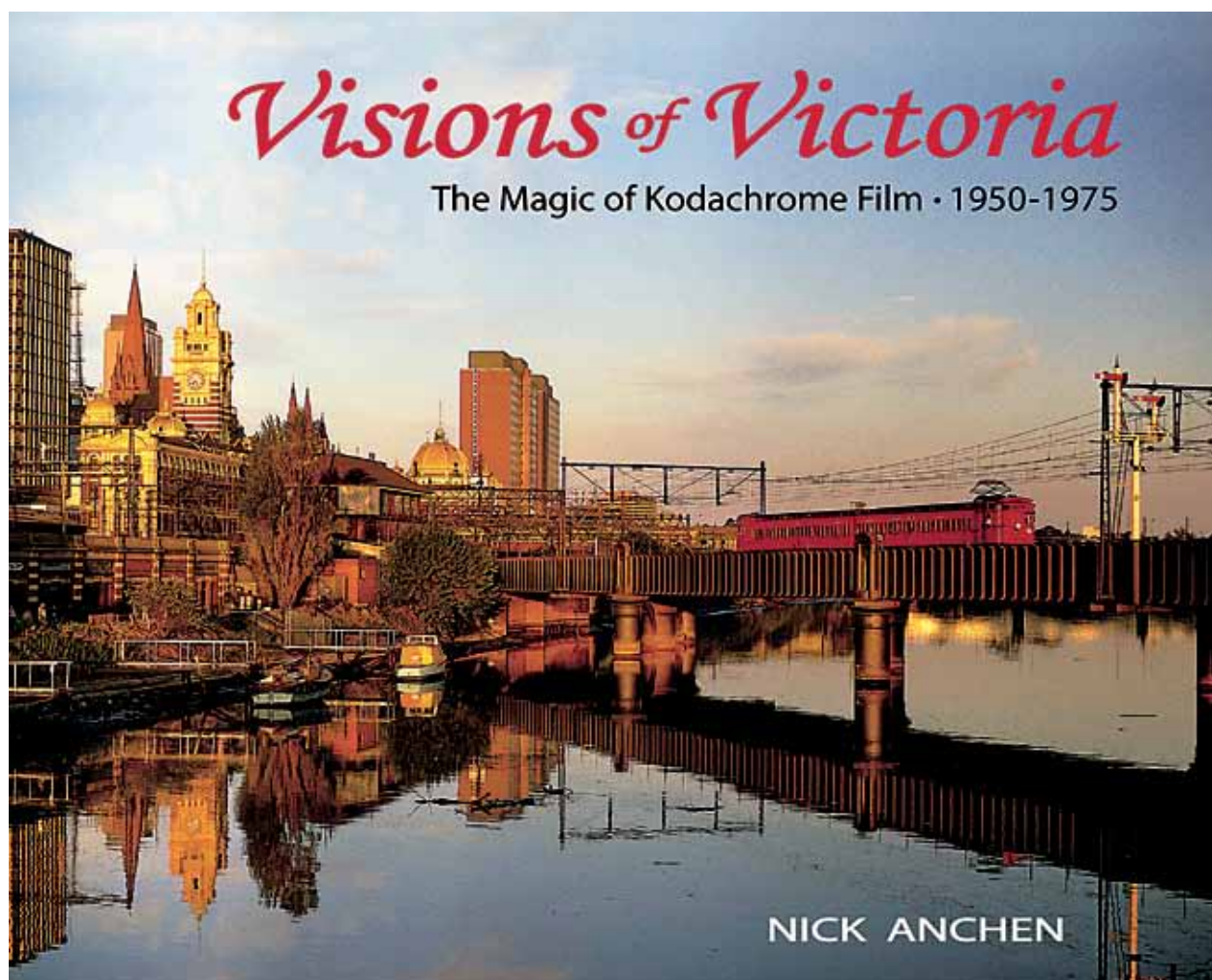


\$1,000 per annum. Those on an income of \$100 million had to pay an annual fee of \$100,000 per year plus the fees and equipment for all those on an income of \$30,000 and less! However, over a number of years, the club produced some world-class golfers, thanks to the generosity of the few wealthier members, and therefore was termed a great success!

Jesus told the story of a rich young ruler (Matthew 19:16-22), who asked him what he should do to join God's kingdom! The young man pointed out to Jesus that he was a good man who always kept the law. Jesus suggested that the man go and sell all that he had and give the money to the poor – "you won't need it because you will feel rich," Jesus said, "and come and join me in God's Kingdom!" The man left deeply saddened, because he had so much!

What makes us feel rich?
Beth B.





Visions of Victoria by Nick Anchen

The Magic of Kodachrome Film 1950-1975

Melbourne underwent great changes in the decades following World War II, with rapid population growth and mass migration during the 1950s and '60s forever altering the face of the city. Despite the changes, Melbourne in this period was often considered to be idyllic, with an ease of life and a strong sporting and social culture.

Kodachrome 35 mm film became commercially available in Australia in the early 1950s, and with its vibrant colours and grainless quality, it rapidly became the film of choice for many photographers.

And who could forget Paul Simon's 1973 classic song,

Kodachrome

*"They give us those nice bright colours
They give us the greens of summers
Makes you think all the world's a sunny day, oh yeah
I got a Nikon camera
I love to take a photograph*

So mama, don't take my Kodachrome away"...

Melbourne, with its wide, tree-lined streets and fabulous 1880s architecture, was a natural subject for photographers of the period. So too were regional cities such as Ballarat and Bendigo, along with many of the state's attractive country towns and picturesque rural landscapes.

Visions of Victoria is a journey back in time to a very different place – with red trains and green trams, Moomba parades, FJ Holdens and men wearing hats – viewed in majestic living colour through Kodachrome, the world's most beautiful film.

This would make a great Christmas present and is available at Rainy Day Books in The Basin.

Tormore Reserve



The new works at Tormore Reserve look great. We have a new half court which can be netball or basketball. Get down and shoot a few hoops!

With the warm weather upon us (hopefully) we have new barbeques and picnic tables under cover. Great for the footy or cricket, and especially for a family outing to enjoy that great outlook to the Dandenongs. There is plenty of water at the water station and lots of room for kids to run around.

Pretty soon we will have a new playground too. The old one has been removed and works are in progress. For the night owls there are our new lights, solar powered with LED globes, which will soon be commissioned. There will be a light path through the reserve to Boronia Station. This includes the path to Tormore Rd and the path past the cricket nets through to Warbler Court.

Tormore is a great place just to sit and relax. That view is spectacular, and in fine weather just being there is so good. Just chill with a barby and a cold drink.

Peter Lockwood



Boronia Park

Knoxfield Ladies Club

Our recent visit to the Woodlands Historic Homestead and Park to visit retired champion horses, including Rogan Josh, Might & Power, Brew and Prince of Penzance, the winner of the 2015 Melbourne Cup ridden by Michelle Payne, was heartily enjoyed by members of the Knoxfield Ladies Probus Club in company with a small group of Bayswater Probus Ladies. The Woodlands homestead was established in 1843, a rare example of a large pre-constructed timber kit house brought from Britain. The homestead has been restored and expanded over the years, with "Living Legends" opening in 2006 with a lease of the homestead and 170 acres of cleared farmland from Parks Victoria. Living Legends is a not for profit organization and relies on donations and bequests to maximize the benefits of the historic Homestead and Park for local and overseas visitors. Woodlands is now listed with Heritage Victoria.

Although the wind was bitter, we had warmed up on arrival with extremely large and fluffy scones for morning tea in the music room. The beautifully restored rooms of the house are filled with memorabilia and photos of decades of race horses and their achievements. The gardens are also being restored with the help of many volunteers.

This month we had a wonderful time at the Diamond Valley Miniature Railway in Eltham. Welcomed with a hot cuppa and a brief history of the Railway by the many willing volunteers, who stressed that they are always recruiting and training crew to keep this wonderful railway running. The brainchild of Mr Clem Meadmore the railway began in Chelmsworth Park Ivanhoe, but after suffering floods, relocated to Eltham Lower Park, close to Diamond Creek in 1960. The Railway is a 184 cm rideable Miniature Railway based on the Victorian Railways at the scale of 1/6th full size, and operating a variety of steam & petrol/diesel powered locomotives. There are 2 signal

boxes based on the historic Lever Frames right through to computer controlled signalling. We were shown through the signal centre, the workshops where repairs are carried out and track panels, crossovers and points are made, the storage facilities, and then had a great ride for 15 minutes or so on a locomotive, around the site, through the tunnels, then alighting at the station. Tremendous fun – we are all children at heart. Easy to see why this is the most popular tourist attraction in the Nillumbik Shire and the finest and most successful hobby miniature railway in Australia. Operated wholly by volunteers, revenue from train operations is put back into maintenance and new works; also towards worthwhile charities.

We have also fitted in a fashion parade and a High Tea in Berwick, and look forward to an outing to a Gingerbread factory, Gardenworld and DFO as well as another visit to the 1812 Theatre,

The Knoxfield Ladies Club meets at the Wantirna Club, 350 Stud Road Wantirna at 10 am every 3rd Wednesday of the month. For further details, please call Val 9763 6175 or Jo 9752 9219.