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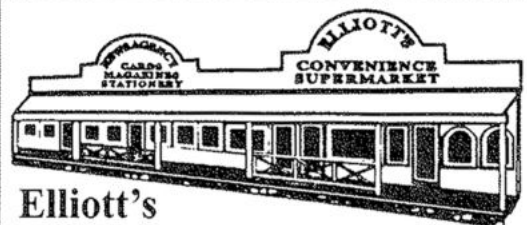
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NETBALL ON THE BELLARINE PENINSULA

Twenty-seven years ago the "Peninsula Netball Association" was known as the "Bellarine Women's Basketball Association" and was founded by Mr. Bill Jones and other interested persons. Mr. Jones started the Association because many children in the Peninsula area didn't fit into the Football, Cricket, Swimming criteria, so had nothing to do. The game has undergone many changes since being introduced to the Peninsula by Mr. Jones and co. and has gone from strength to strength. Thirteen years ago the Bellarine Women's Basketball Association became the Peninsula Netball Association and is still the PNA today and is bigger than ever.

A modified version of Netball has been introduced to the Peninsula and is called NETTA, this allows children in the 6 to 9 year old age groups to learn a team sport and enjoy themselves without any competitiveness. Netta is their first introduction into Netball and other age groups are: -

11 and under,
13 and under,
15 and under,
17 and under
and Seniors.

The competitions are played on Saturday mornings during Winter with an average of 450 children participating. Wednesday nights during Spring/Summer with an average of 650 children participating and there is a Ladies Social Competition on Monday mornings with a crèche for the little ones. There are nine clubs from around the Peninsula participating in the competitions. The different competitions are very effectively run by the girls of the PNA and everyone "big kids and little kids manage to have a fun time".

Anyone interested in joining this great fun sport can contact: -

Monday competition

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Saturday morning Competition

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145 YEARS OF VOLUNTARY SERVICE

DRYSDALE FIRE BRIGADE PRESENTS LONG SERVICE AWARDS TO LADIES AUXILIARY MEMBERS

At the Drysdale Fire Brigades recent Presentation Night three Long Service Awards were presented to Ladies Auxiliary Members. Mrs. Norma Davis and Mrs. Wendy Filbay received 40 years Clasps and Mrs. Melva Bennett 25 year Clasp. These Awards are made available by the Victorian Urban Fire Brigades Association and the local Region 7 Executive Member Ex-Captain Bernard Filbay made the Presentations on behalf of the Brigade.

It is interesting to note that the longest serving awards are for 40 years whereas the Brigade was established some 53 years ago. History tells us that from the early days of the Brigade the Ladies supported the Firemen with catering for Fire Brigade functions but it was not until 1957 that the Ladies Auxiliary was formed. A meeting was held at the home of the late Lorna Robinson wife of the long serving Brigade Secretary, the late Eric Robinson where eleven interested Ladies attended. Mrs. Jean Bennett wife of the then Captain, Ces Bennett was elected President and Mrs. Norma Davis was elected Secretary.

The Ladies Auxiliary has eight Life Members - Mrs. Jean Bennett, Mrs. Muriel Bryant, Mrs. Norma Davis, Mrs. Wendy Filbay, Mrs. Edna Peel, Mrs. Bev Serle, Mrs. Peggy Wilson and the late Mrs. Lorna Robinson.

In many ways the Ladies Auxiliary has been the backbone of the Brigade as it would be very difficult for Brigade volunteers to dedicate so much time and commitment to Brigade activities without the full support of their wives or partners and the Brigade takes the opportunity to show their appreciation.

The Ladies have supplied refreshments in extended fire and emergency situations, catered for Brigade organised com-

petitions, catered for competition team when camping at state championships, catering for various Brigade activities as well as organising numerous Fund Raising Activities. The funds that they have raised over the years have contributed greatly to the success of the Brigade. Many items of equipment, protective clothing for the volunteers, assistance with the purchase of the Brigade owned vehicle are a direct result of the efforts of the Ladies Auxiliary. This support is essential for a fully volunteer Brigade to operate effectively and efficiently.

The Ladies Auxiliary are currently fund raising towards the many new items of equipment, furniture and fittings required in the new Fire Station currently being constructed for the Brigade by the Country Fire Authority (CFA). The Brigade is assisting with funding of the new Station to enhance the facilities to satisfy Brigade requirements.

The name 'Ladies' Auxiliary has been retained even though the Brigade now has female volunteers and the term 'Fireman' has been replaced with 'Firefighter'. The current President is Mrs. Robyn Van Lith and the current Secretary is Mrs. Lynne King.

These three ladies recieved long service clasps. They are seen with Captain Des Conner, Wendy Filbay - 40 years, Norma Davis - 40 years, Melva Bennett - 25 yaers, Ex-Captain Bernard Filbay, Region 7 Executive member.



WELCOME TO SERGEANT RALPH CORNELL



THE NEW OFFICER IN CHARGE DRYSDALE POLICE

He has been a member of the Victorian Police for Twenty-Two years, having joined in 1975. During this time he has served in country Victoria and Melbourne in both general duties policing and the Criminal Investigation Branch. His service has been almost equally divided between country and metropolitan policing having served at Echuca Uniform and C.I.B. Shepparton C.I.B. Russell St. C.I.B. and Ringwood C.I.B. In 1989 he was promoted to the rank of Sergeant at the City Patrol Group and transferred to Ararat Police Station in 1993. For the last two years he has been working in plain clothes at Ballarat.

Ralph is married with two daughters, 12 years and 5 years. His family are still living in Ballarat and will move to Drysdale when he can find them somewhere to live. His outside interests include water-skiing, fishing camping and obedience training of his Border Collie Dog. Ralph is pleased to be working on the Bellarine Peninsula which among its many other attractions, has a reputation for producing some of the finest Pinot Noir wines in Australia.

Sergeant Cornell said "I would like to take this opportunity to say that I am looking forward to serving the Drysdale and Clifton Springs communities in my capacity as Station Commander of the Drysdale Police Station. In the short time that I have been here I have been impressed with the participation level by local people in community activities".

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Project SkatePark is an initiative from the Drysdale/Clifton Springs Community. The aim of the project is to design and develop a Skate Park in conjunction with the City of Greater Geelong, Police and young people.

The first fundraising event, a skate day, was held recently and raised over \$250. The second activity planned is another Skate Day on Sunday August 31st at the Palmerston Street carpark, Drysdale. It will cost \$3.00 to participate on the day. Food and drinks will be available to purchase and remember all proceeds go to the Skate Park Project.

A message to owners of local businesses. Members of the Steering committee will be visiting your premises soon to ask for a dona-

tion towards the costs of the Skate Park. Please consider this request carefully as we encourage the Drysdale and Clifton Springs community get behind this project. Cheques can be made out to the City of Greater Geelong - Project SkatePark and sent to Leigh Bartlett, City of Greater Geelong, Youth Services, P.O. Box 104 Geelong, 3220.

The Steering Committee are urging all skaters, bladers and bike riders to drop in any ideas and designs on what they would like to see built at the SkatePark, to the Drysdale Police Station. So if you have a good idea don't keep it to yourself, come and share it with us.

Any enquiries contact S/C SANDY ATKINSON on 5225 3261

TRAUMA BEARS

The Neighbourhood Watch Program in this Police District have been busily knitting trauma bears. Trauma Bears are a soft toy that is given to a child when involved in a crisis situation. Both the Drysdale Police Station and the Ambulance Service have these Bears. The Neighbourhood Watch Co-Ordinators would like to

express their gratitude to all the volunteers who knitted these bears throughout the Geelong and Bellarine Peninsula. It is reassuring to know that a child can find comfort in these bears when experiencing trauma.

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The International Breast Cancer Intervention Study (IBIS) is seeking 3,000 healthy women volunteers to take part in a study to see whether the drug Tamoxifen can prevent the disease. In Australia the study is co-ordinated by the Australia-New Zealand Breast Cancer Trials Group and funded by the National Health and Medical Research Council.

The Andrew Love Cancer Centre at the Geelong Hospital is now running a clinic each month for women who would like to take part in the study.

We are looking for women aged 35-70 who are assessed to have at least twice the average risk of breast cancer, usually due to a family history of the disease.

For women aged 35-45, a strong family history includes a mother or sister who had breast cancer before the age of 40, or two or more close blood relatives who have had breast cancer before the age of 50.

Tamoxifen has been taken by more than a million women worldwide. It has proved effective in treating women with early stage breast cancer and has also been shown to reduce the risk of women developing a new breast cancer in the other breast by about 45%.

Women interested in taking part in the study will receive detailed information clearly setting out the risks as well as the potential benefits. All participants will be seen six monthly by a study doctor and have a yearly mammogram.

If you would like more information about the study, please phone me on 5226 7858 or you could phone the IBIS hot-line on 1800 640 709.

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Representing your country in sport is a dream most Australians have, but few ever achieve. Queenscliff resident Sandi Dalladay will do just that at the World Transplant Games, being held in Sydney. Sandi, who had a life-saving kidney transplant 14 years ago, will be competing in swimming, 50m, 100m, 200m, 400m freestyle and the 50m butterfly.

Over 1200 competitors, all transplant recipients, compete at the games which are held every two years. The organisers of the Sydney games expect teams from about 40 countries to be there. The patron of the games is world no. 1 golfer, Greg Norman. The event is designed to encourage people to decide to become organ donors, and very importantly, to tell their family. "Australia has one of the lowest donor rates in the western world and many people die because of the shortage of organs" Sandi said.

Other objectives include giving recipients a chance to play sport at a competitive level and enable them to express gratitude to the families or organ donors. Most of the competitors would not be alive today without their transplant, which was only made possible by the extremely generous donation they received. In my case I received my kidney from mother.

Anyone interested in finding out more about organ donations should contact Organ Donor Registry on 1800 645 899. Donor card or driver's licence identification does not mean you are on the registry.

Also in order to compete in these games, I need financial help. So if anyone is out there that would like to help me please contact me on 014 943678.

V.C.E. MATHEMATICS TUITION

Parents are often heard expressing their concerns about their sons and daughters in V.C.E. Students can be frustrated by mathematics because "it's too hard" or "I can't get enough help because the teacher is too busy". Individual tuition is one solution to these problems but can prove too expensive for many families.

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Arnold Haynes is a teacher with many years of experience and is happy to announce that he is to run after school "keep up" classes at Springdale Cottage, a convenient central location in Drysdale. Arnold believes in the three E's of education, encouragement, expertise and enthusiasm which he is happy to offer to the local community.

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Management of the new supermarket have indicated that they are in a transitional phase at present and that there will be significant marketing of the launch in the near future.

Plans for the future include a major expansion of the shopping complex which management expects to be completed mid 1998.



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welcome to come along and enjoy some good company and conversation.

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TAXATION: A new full-time service in Drysdale

Taxation, Financial Planning and Business Advisory services are now available on a full-time basis in Drysdale following the recent opening of Brown Cross & Davies office at Gallop House.

Many local residents and businesses are already being serviced by this firm of Peninsula based Chartered Accountants. Continuing its commitment to the Bellarine, Brown Cross & Davies have opted to open a permanent full-time Drysdale office to service these clients.

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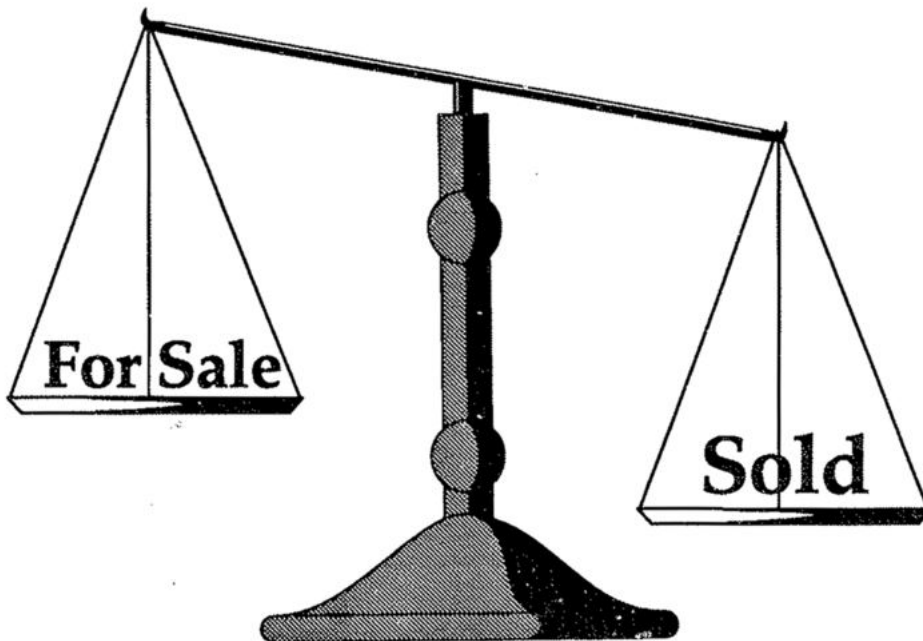
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COUNCILLOR BLAKE MAKES \$7,000 DONATION TO ROTARY CLUB OF DRYSDALE

Councillor Dennis Blake, Councillor for Coryule Ward recently made a special presentation of \$7,000 to the Rotary Club of Drysdale Inc., to assist with the Clubs miniature railway project which will be established at Portarlinton, one of the showcases of the Bellarine Peninsula.

Councillor Blake was speaking recently to approximately 40 Rotarians at The Springs at Clifton Springs.

Councillor Blake said Rotary Club is well known for its community service and this project will add further to the tourism infrastructure on the Bellarine Peninsula.

Councillor Blake, who provided with donation from his 1996/1997 Councillors Ward Contingency fund said that this is a project that warrants full community support and I am pleased to be part of this initiative in partnership with a well recognised respected service agency.

The miniature railway will be located on the foreshore at Point Richards and it is expected to be operational in the near future.

BELLARINE FOOTBALL LEAGUE FINAL SERIES

DRYSDALE RECREATION RESERVE

This is the most important occasion and is a great boost for the Bellarine Peninsula, with up to ten thousand people expected to attend the Grand Final day, it becomes a real showcase not only for the township of Drysdale but for the whole of the area.

As ward Councillor I have requested that the appropriate work is carried out to ensure that the area including the Drysdale Recreation Reserve and the surroundings including McCleods Water holes are something that our local community and our many visitors will be proud of. The Drysdale Recreation Reserve is a magnificent venue with many families attending, people from far and wide will be passing through to attend the final series and especially Grand Final Day at Drysdale on Sunday September 14th .

I have been advised by Mr. Terry Merivale, President Bellarine Football League that the dates are as follows for the Bellarine Football League Final Series to be played at the Drysdale Recreation Reserve

Week 1	24th August 1997
Week 2	31st August 1997
Week 3	6th September, 1997
Week 4 -	GRAND FINAL DAY 14th September, 1997

On behalf of the community I wish the Bellarine Football League a very successful football final series at Drysdale and thank the President, Mr. Terry Merivale and Bellarine Football League for selecting the Drysdale Recreation Reserve as the venue to host this major event at Drysdale, the Gateway to the Bellarine Peninsula.

I ask the whole community to get right behind this event and make this Bellarine Football Final Series at Drysdale a great success.

Open Letter to the Residents of Geelong and to the residents That I represent in the Coryule Ward.

Councillors allowances and expenses.

Due to unfair and untrue statements on the last round I thought it appropriate to clearly outline my expenses for the period 30/6/96 to 30/6/97.

Councillor Allowance	\$12,000.00
Travel Reimbursement	\$ 5,829.00
Cabcharge	\$ 1,251.54
Mobile Phone	\$ 2,091.52
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duties for the community is equivalent to \$1.82 per resident per annum in my ward. If I was to look at the big picture, that is representing all residents in the Greater Geelong area it works out to approximately 12 cents per resident.

Over the next nine months I will continue to be reimbursed for car travel, bearing in mind that I have been using my own motor vehicle for most civic duties over the past two and a quarter years and the cost of the phone facsimile machine telstra costs will be paid by council.



As all public money that is spent in the city is always under scrutiny and always should be it is important to understand that my total amount of reimbursement in carrying out my civic

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RETIREMENT IS NOT AS EASY AS IT USED TO BE

Retiring in the '90s is vastly more complicated than in the past. Each Federal Government budget the social security, taxation and superannuation rules change. It has become so complicated that Australians need specialist advice before and during retirement.

Frank Tigani says, "it is the fact that we are enjoying better health and living longer in retirement," "that has caused the financial complexity and uncertainty for Australians retiring in the '90s".

This has forced successive governments to introduce complex rules to encourage Australians to save for their own retirement rather than rely on the Government.

Pre-Retirees Checklist

1. Do you think you will have enough money saved for retirement, but have not had a financial adviser confirm your saving will pay for your intended retirement lifestyle?

Yes No

2. Do you have more than \$176,000 in assets excluding your family home and wish to claim social security?

Yes No

3. Are you over 55, have money in superannuation or rollovers and have been receiving Social security for more than 9 months?

Yes No

4. Are you self employed and not currently making contributions to superannuation?

Yes No

5. Do you have most of your money invested in cash or term deposits?

Retirees Checklist

1. Are your current investments earning less than the social security deeming rate, Currently 4% & 6%, and you are receiving social security?

Yes No

2. Do you have most of your money invested in cash or term deposits and expect to Live 5 years or more?

Yes No

3. Is your money invested in assets that are NOT concessionally taxed?

Yes No

If you answered yes to any of the questions above then you should seek professional advice from an investment specialist who understands how social security and taxation rules affect your investments. The right advice can maximise your social security entitlements and investment returns giving you a higher standard of living in retirement.

The Department of Social Security has published a 51 page booklet called Investing Money, Your Choices - Information to Help You Plan Your Retirement. Readers who have paid off their home, are saving for retirement or are retired can call Frank Tigani on (03) 5224 1133 for a FREE copy of the booklet.



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IN YOUR GARDEN

Spring is well and truly in the air though it's not officially here yet. The Daphnes have been flowering profusely, the heady aroma a must in every garden. With much energy being placed into the producing of flowers on a Daphne quite often the leaves will yellow and drop off. A dash of Epsom Salts will help with the yellow leaves, while a light feed will renew vigor of the plant. Daphne does well in a morning sun situation where it is moist in the Summer and well drained in the Winter. A humus or compost rich soil with regular feedings will give good results in late Winter - Spring in the form of perfumed flowers. Pick the flowers for inside and you not only have that smell inside, but you keep the bush a nice compact shape.

Another of the very smellies is the slightly temperamental Boronia. There are now a multi-

tude of different Boronias available, varying in colour and size, but the smelliest is still the brown. Not all Boronias have the awesome aroma, but not all are that easy to turn to compost. Many of the pink Boronias actually love the hot sun and flower for very long periods from Spring to Autumn. They all tend to like the well-drained soils with moisture available in the hotter months. Boronias can grow most quickly and can become long and lanky in just a couple of years. The best pruning practice is to take cut flowers for inside, removing about one third of the foliage. If you can't bear to cut it for flowers then after it is finished is the time to prune it for shape. You can get an awful lot of pleasure from each plant even if it only lasts a couple of years.

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BELLARINE FOOD AND WINE FAIR

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The Drysdale Primary School is hosting its very first ever Food and Wine Fair and we hope this will be an excellent opportunity for the local community to display their wares as we believe there has been a huge upsurge of wine growing and specialty foods on the Bellarine Peninsula.

There will be tastings from local Wineries and Food Sampling from Mussel Farm, Hy-

droponic Tomatoes, Restaurants, Bread, Chocolates, Cakes and Ice Cream outlets and more.

There will be rides for the children, displays from Hotels, Motels and Bed and Breakfast and Cooking Demonstrations.

There will also be a Junior and Senior Dualathlon in the morning, \$5.00 for Juniors and \$10.00 for Senior entrants.

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Bellarine Secondary College Rocks Geelong

Bellarine Secondary College created history by becoming the first school to win the Geelong stage of the 1997 Victorian Rock Eisteddfod Challenge for the fourth consecutive year. The event, which was held at the Arena on Thursday July 31st, attracted a large audience who was captivated with the professional standard of all the acts.

Bellarine's theme of 'Something Wicked This Way Comes' depicts a group of youths who enter a fun park after hours so that they can explore the place and have some free rides. Something wicked happens as the rides come to life. Nine friends enter the park, only four leave. The months of hard work and practice by the ninety-six dancers and twenty backstage crew were rewarded when the school won four

special awards; best drama skills, best choreography, most entertaining and best visual effects. Bellarine Secondary College will now go on to the State heats in Melbourne and have their sights set on state and national success. Other performing schools and their themes were Belmont High School {Chariots of the Gods}; Geelong Northern Education Complex {A Siamese Dream}; Grovedale Secondary College {An Adventure in Lego Land}; Newcombe Secondary College {The Golden Ticket}; Oberon High School {The Magic Faraway Tree} and Western Heights Secondary College {Passion for Fashion}.

WELL DONE BELLARINE!

BEACON POINT PRE-SCHOOL

3 YEAR OLD & 4 YEAR OLD GROUPS

Term two was a busy time in our kindergarten with both the 3 & 4 year old groups hosting a Dad's/Special Person's night. This allows "that other person" in our child's lives to come to kinder with the child and share what happens there. Dads are actually quite good at painting, pasting, story telling and a variety of other activities.

Later in term three we will be hosting a Grandparents Day and hope this will be well attended. So, be forewarned all you out there who are grandparents of Beacon Point Pre-Schoolers.

Beacon Point Pre-School is still accepting applications for 3 & 4 year old groups for 1998 at the kindergarten. Inquiries can be made by phoning the Directress Mrs. Meredith Dick at Beacon Point Pre-School on (03) 5253 1550.

Peninsula little athletics club

The **Annual General Meeting** will be held on Monday 25th August, 1997 at 7.30pm, in the Community Room at "The Springs" (next to the Golf Club) Spring Street, Clifton Springs. The Club invites nominations for positions on the Executive Committee. For nomination forms, or for general enquiries phone the Secretary Michael Robinson on 5251 3845

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PAINTCRAFT:

September school holidays program for children 10 years and over. Children can learn to paint on glass objects - anything from a coffee jar to a vase (parents permitting). Starts on 28th September for 2 weeks. Cost: \$25.00 (including materials).

DRYSDALE SENIOR CITIZENS

Balloons - Tinsel - Beautifully decorated tables, adorned with snowmen, angels, holly etc. But Christmas is not until December 25th - Not so, well, at least not for the Drysdale Senior Citizens Club. These recycled teenagers decided to celebrate early this year. The theme - "Christmas in July" was the order of the day last Monday the 28th July. This was organised very ably by the Club's Senior Vice President Irene Bowkett and company. A beautiful luncheon catered for splendidly, by the Community Health Auxiliary Service, ending with delicious Plum Pudding with all the trimmings - after Dinner Mints in exquisitely decorated baskets.

This was followed by a very entertaining concert by The Drysdale Senior Citizens Concert Party. Many people were heard to comment that this one was the best to date. This of course being due to the untiring efforts of the producer (who is the President of the club) Mr. Benny Ashworth - his wife Mary (wardrobe mistress) and a dedicated cast of varying talents,

not the least, Kathy and Alma - two great musicians, well done Ladies - "If music be the food of love, play on."

A great day was enjoyed by all who are looking forward to the next concert. Incidentally, The Drysdale Senior Citizens Concert Party also travels around to various nursing homes etc, to entertain the folks therein; who are always appreciative of an afternoon's entertainment.

The next trip out is on the 19th August, a shopping spree to various outlets. Details of the outcome of that will be in the September issue of the Springdale Messenger.

Until then, Yours sincerely, I.M. Astill

A message from the President of the Club.

To all elderly citizens - come and play indoor bowls, free, all year round, for a fee of \$15.00 for membership. Beginners classes available. This \$15.00 entitles you to the use of all other club facilities. All enquiries please telephone 5251 3119 (The President) or 5251 2983 (The Senior Citizens Club).

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VICTIMS OF CRIME ASSISTANCE ACT 1996

A new scheme of compensation for crime victims came into operation on 1 July 1997.

The new scheme will apply to acts of violence committed at any time after 1 July 1997 and to those committed between 1 July 1996 and 1 July 1997, providing an application for compensation has not been made under the old compensation scheme.

A victim of an act of violence can claim compensation on the basis of being either a primary victim, a secondary victim or a related victim.

Primary victim

A person who is directly affected, i.e. is injured or dies as a result of an act of violence, can claim compensation of up to \$60,000 for:

the cost of counselling and medical services; up to \$20,000 in loss of earnings (not covered by WorkCover); the cost of lost or damaged clothing worn at the time of the injury; "in exceptional circumstances" other expenses such as moving costs or the cost of installing a burglar alarm.

Secondary victim

A witness to an act of violence who is injured, and a parent or guardian of a primary victim who was under 18 and who is injured as a direct result of subsequently becoming aware of the act of violence, can claim compensation of up to \$50,000 for:

the cost of counselling and medical expenses; "in exceptional circumstances" loss of earnings of up to \$20,000.

Victim related to a deceased

All related victims of a primary victim who died as a direct result of an act of violence, such as close family members, dependants and

people of "intimate personal relationship" can be cumulatively awarded up to \$100,000.

Within 21 days of lodging an application (or any extension granted by the Victims of Crime Assistance Tribunal) a related victim must notify the Tribunal of every other person who she or he believes may be or may be alleged to be a related victim, or a person who is not a related victim but has incurred funeral expenses.

Any one related victim can be awarded up to \$50,000 for:

the cost of counselling services and medical or funeral services; the loss of money that the related victim would have been reasonably likely to receive from the primary victim up to two years after the death; distress experienced or reasonably likely to be experienced as a direct result of the death.

Victims can no longer claim compensation for pain and suffering, however offenders can be ordered to pay compensation for pain and suffering as a result of legal proceedings being issued by either the victim or the state.

Applications for compensation should be made within two years of the commission of the act of violence. Application forms can be obtained from the Victims of Crime Assistance Tribunal 233, William Street, Melbourne 3000, telephone (03) 9628 7855.

It is advisable to seek legal advice when completing an application form and victims are entitled to legal representation in the Tribunal hearing.

NOTE This new scheme of compensation commences on 1 July 1997. The cut off date for claiming compensation for pain and suffering under the previous legislation was before 30 June 1997. If you believe that you might be affected by the new Act, obtain legal advice quickly.

The above information is provided by the Law Institute of Victoria

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Our Senior group will be performing Henry on September 10th, 11th and 12th. Please see our full-page advertisement for this performance in this edition. It is a very funny play! Come one come all!

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We have watched the children grow from babies, helped them stumble through their toddler years right through to Kindergarten.

We even have some children and parents drop in from time to time that have used our service in the past. It is always nice to see how they are progressing. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the families and local businesses that have supported our service in the past and to also thank the families that presently use and support our service.

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Investors whose properties are good value get more enquiry and can afford to be more selective about the type of tenant they install.

References are a must. There are many questions a landlord could ask but the bottom line is Do you believe she/he would be able to pay \$x per week for y weeks? An investor's managing agent is the person with the expertise to advise on the tenant's ability to meet their lease obligations.

Many novice investors don't know what to ask of their managing agent. If you can tell them up front what your needs are it's much easier to keep abreast of what's happening and avoid confusion.

Your agent should provide a monthly statement of all income and expenses with your cheque banked directly into your account. Ask for an annual written report of state of repair (internal and external) and cleanliness and a mid-year kerb side report of state of repair and cleanliness.

Apart from this all you need to do is carry out an internal inspection of the property yourself once every two years so that you can visualise its state of wear and tear when maintenance and repairs are discussed.

It takes three to six months to get to know your agent and how he/she operates.

Until then you should require all expense items to be referred to you (other than emergencies) prior to the agent spending any money. After the initial period, set a limit on the amount the agent can spend (usually about the equivalent of one week's rent) without reference to you.

Like any contractual arrangement, you should always have your agreement with your agent evidenced in writing.

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