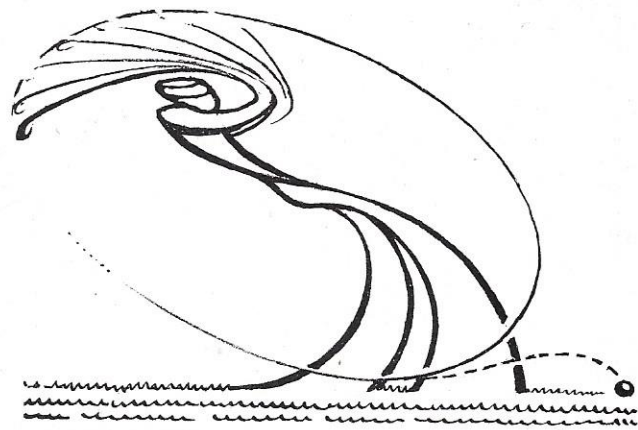


# INTERCHANGE

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# YOUR PAPER GETS THE NOD

Interchange is here to stay—for the next 12 months at least.

*That's the verdict of the Interchange survey featured in the first edition, and also the decision of the Editorial Advisory Committee formed late last year.*

80 people recorded their vote in the special "To be or not to be" coupons—overwhelmingly eclipsing any previous Roadlines survey of staff. Most Divisions responded, so it can be regarded as a State-wide survey.

The vote was: 55 for Interchange, 25 for Roadlines. This represents 69% vote in favour of the new paper.

For the 31% of readers who preferred the old Roadlines format, traditional items will continue to appear in each issue. In this edition of Interchange there are the Long Service Awards (Page 5) and pictorial coverage of various Christmas parties.

Divisional Roundabout will naturally continue, along with Senior Appointments and some CRB official information.

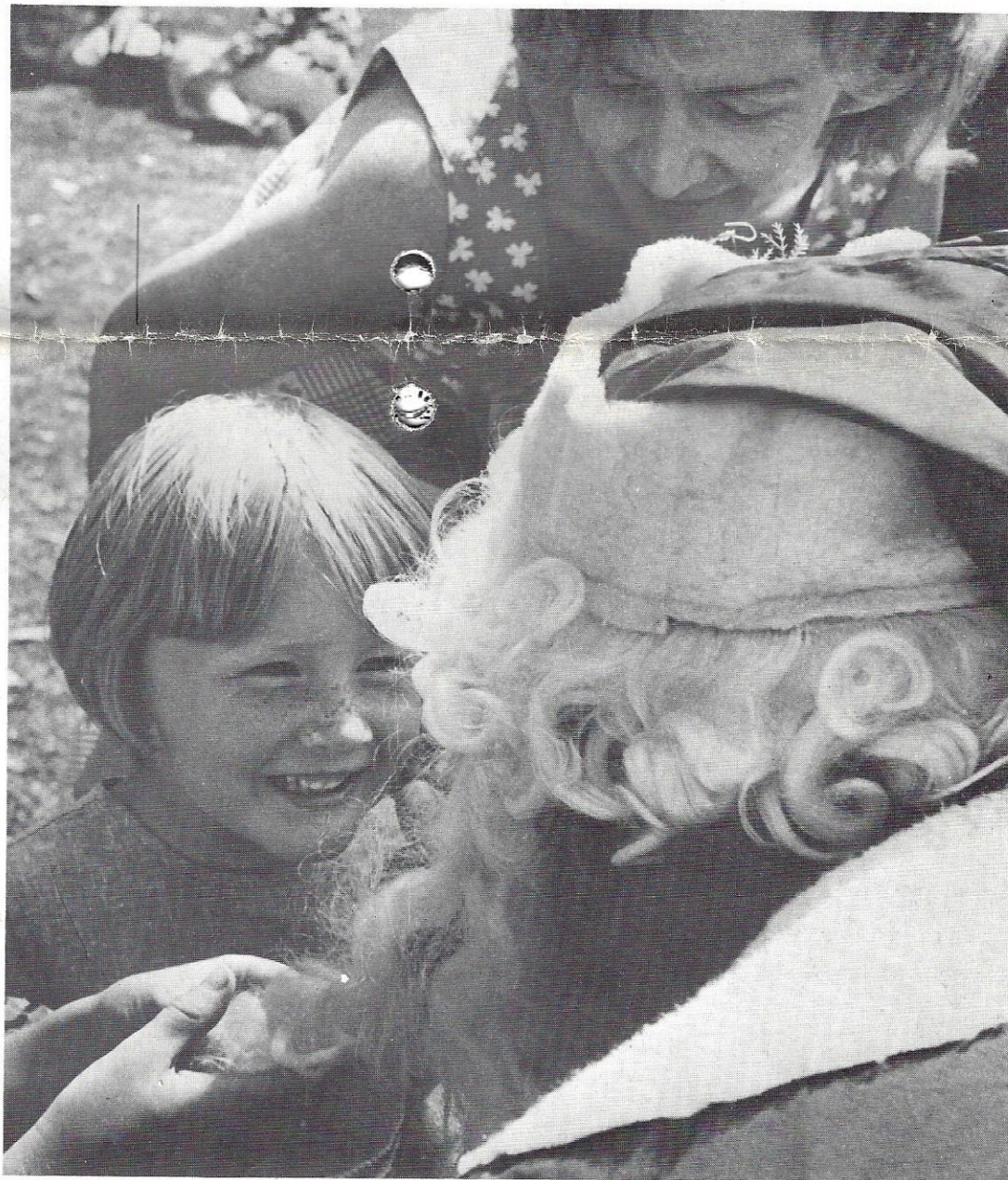
At a meeting on 18th January, the Editorial Advisory Committee chaired by Bruce McKenzie decided that Interchange should be given a 12 months' trial period.

The Committee also recommended that where possible photographs appearing in the newspaper should be of CRB staff. Interchange has followed this through and will show more of the Board's staff (See back page).

Although the response to the survey represents a small percentage of the total distribution, it is still an overwhelming response compared with previous surveys.

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## Santa brings a gleam to a little girl's eyes



*Little Sharon Moore, niece of Maureen Moore (5th floor south typing pool) stares gleefully into the eyes of Father (Merve Bailey) Christmas at the Head Office children's Christmas party at Syndal.*

*For more pictures of the children's parties and other Christmas parties, see pages 6 and 7.*

**DANDENONG'S** children's Christmas party was also held at Syndal.

*The occasional downpour did nothing to*

*dampen the enthusiasm of the children. The young at heart alternated circuits on the "Syndal Flier", with seat testing and knob twisting examinations of plant.*

*These activities were punctuated by ice cream, chips and lemon squash.*

*Father "Arnold" Christmas appeared through a gap in the clouds to distribute the ho-ho's and presents.*

*It was a successful and relaxed afternoon, again organised by the Social Club Committee.*

**HO HO HO AT H.O.! Pages 6-7**



## WHAT READERS SAID IN SURVEY

Some more complimentary comments from the survey were:

- "Less official, brighter and more newsy".
- "Format is more appropriate for news of a State-wide organisation".
- "Interchange classics—very good".
- "Accent on outside staff at work is good. More like a newspaper than a confidential booklet. Would have more appeal at all levels".

Naturally, not all the comments were complimentary. Readers expressed their disappointment in various ways:

- "A retrograde step; like changing one's subscription from Vogue to Woman's Day".
- "Too big to handle".
- "Better presentation in Roadlines".

- "Too large, but the articles in Interchange are more interesting".

Some of the more offbeat comments from the survey outlined the varying uses to which Interchange could be put.

- "The new FOR SALE column will leave more space on notice boards".
- "Roadlines was no good for wrapping fish'n chips".

Interchange will be with you for at least 12 months. The aim is to have six editions in that time, and it can only be done with your help.

Please send contributions, articles and black and white photographs to your Interchange representative or to the Public Relations Officer, 5th floor, Head Office.

The next issue of Interchange will be published in April.

## SENIOR APPOINTMENT

JOHN LEYDEN

John Leyden joined the Board as Principal Legal Officer in January after spending the previous two years as a legal advisor with the RAAF at Support Command, Melbourne.

John received his legal qualifications in Queensland and prior to his move to Melbourne was in private practice for 12 years with a firm of Solicitors in Rockhampton.

He has travelled extensively abroad and his previous appointment took him particularly to the Air Force establishments in South East Asia. In 1976 he appeared in the Court of Inquiry at Butterworth Base into the crash of two Mirage Jets. As an officer on the RAAF Legal Reserve, John retains his interest in Air Force activities.

John is married with four children aged from 16 months to eight years.

His sporting interests include football (he is still an active rugby player) horse racing, sailing and squash.

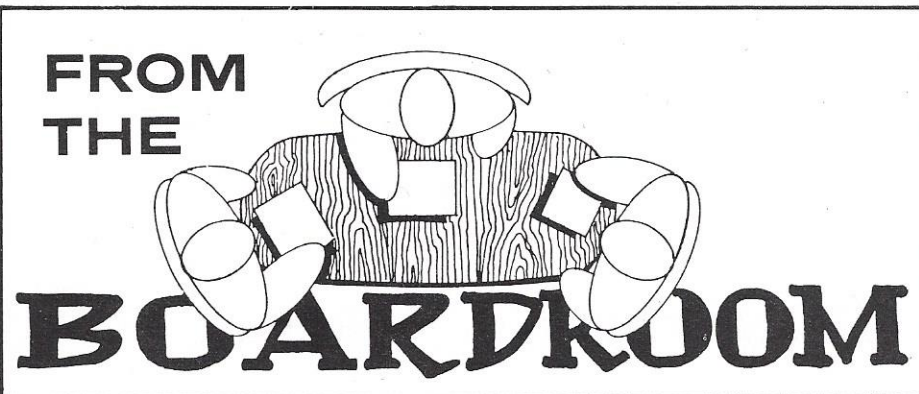


John Leyden

## BUS SERVICES ON EASTERN FREEWAY

Bus services began on the Eastern Freeway between the City and Doncaster in January.

The freeway bus route cuts normal bus travelling time between East Doncaster, Templestowe and the City by up to 15 minutes. The buses make 46 trips a day—22 in the morning peak and 24 in the afternoon peak period.



## THE BOARD THANKS EASTERN FREEWAY STAFF

LETTER FROM MR DONALDSON TO EASTERN FREEWAY PROJECT ENGINEER, GEOFF HUNT — 21st DECEMBER, 1977.

On the important event of the opening of the complete section of the Eastern Freeway (Hodde Street to Bulleen Road) today, on behalf of the Board I would like to congratulate all who have contributed to this engineering achievement.

A 9 km freeway costing 87 million with its 14 major structures and associated works is a large investment of public funds but it also represents the dedicated application of the diverse professional skills of engineers, scientists, surveyors, draftsmen, clerks of works, and not the least the contractors' workforces. All have been involved in some degree and all can derive satisfaction from the satisfactory culmination of five years' work and effort.

## INEZ RETIRES ...



Inez Lowry (right) shows one of her retirement presents to Maria Bianculli (Registry).

Ten years is not a long career by some CRB standards, but in that time with the Board Inez Lowry has become one of the best known characters at Head Office.

Inez worked as a file searcher for Central Registry and could often be recognised entering a section by the familiar line "Alright, who's hidden the Eastern Freeway file", or whatever other file she was tracking down.

Inez retired on 19th January to become a fulltime theatre and movie goer. Inez organised theatre bookings for CRB staff for many years and it was said by some people that Inez had more shows than a travelling circus.

Her working relationships were always pleasant and Inez made many friends throughout the building.

Many of them attended her farewell presentation on the fifth floor where Graeme Cox (Deputy Secretary) presented her with a gold wrist watch, leather writing case, and a bunch of flowers.

## Metro moves to High St.

After a long association with Head Office, Metropolitan Division has finally made the move to go it alone. It will shortly move to 700 High Street, East Kew.

Since 1973 Metro has occupied part of the MRD building, but in that time has become severely congested so the move has had to be made.

Metro is almost self contained at present so the shift to new premises away from the Head Office complex should not be a difficult one. It will have to provide its own plan printing operation and its own telephonist but otherwise the Division is complete.

## New public transport map

A State-wide public transport map, detailing up-to-date road and rail passenger services operating throughout Victoria, has been published by the Ministry of Transport.

The new map shows the network of buses that service major country centres as well as connecting interstate capital cities.

On the reverse side of the map all existing VicRail country passenger services, and the metropolitan network, are set out.

The new map retails for 20 cents and is available from VicRail and Victour offices

Activities in recent months may have cast a temporary cloud on the completion of the project and the usual ceremonial opening could not be held. However, this does not detract in any way from the credit due to all associated with this major project.

I am sure that the general public will appreciate the benefits which will result from the freeway. While serving its intended purpose of improved road communication (and also providing for a future rail service), it will be of tremendous benefit to the community by diverting through traffic from other streets and roads thereby reducing congestion and the risk of accidents and enhancing the amenity of these areas.

Would you please extend the Board's thanks and appreciation to all concerned, and good luck in meeting the challenges of the next project.

It may also involve representing the Governor General at minor functions.

The Governor General's aide-de-camp is virtually a personal assistant who arranges transport matters, advises on protocol and uniform arrangements for service functions and ensures that the Governor General's official duties run smoothly.

Andy McGalliard is not the first Board officer appointed to the position. Bob Handley had the job nine years ago. Colonel McGalliard is Commander of 6 Construction Groups which controls the CRB unit 22 Construction Regiment in the Army Reserve.

## Andy McGalliard: Governor-General's new aide-de-camp

Andy McGalliard (Assistant Plans & Surveys Engineer) has been appointed honorary aide-de-camp to the Governor General, Sir Zelman Cowen.

The appointment is for three years and involves acting as the Governor General's aide in Victoria when the regular aide-de-camp is unavailable.

## Freeway link completed

The four kilometre section linking the Mulgrave Freeway at Dandenong with the South Gippsland Highway at Hampton Park was fully opened to traffic by the CRB in December, 1977.

The \$10 million project included an overpass over the South Gippsland Highway and direct freeway access for traffic to the

Dandenong-Hastings Road. The southbound lanes and part of the northbound lanes of the link have been open since December, 1976.



# 19 ENGINEERS JOIN THE BOARD

The first group of newly graduated engineers to join the Board since 1975 started work this month.

Nineteen engineers have joined Traffic Engineering Division, Bridge Sub-Branch, Road Planning Division, Plans & Surveys Division and Metropolitan Division.

They were selected from 333 applicants from every State in Australia.

In the light of the current unemployment situation and reports about the number of highly qualified people out of work, it is of interest to look at the applicants.

The applicants for the Class 1 positions included a graduate with a PhD in Civil Engineering and three with Masters degrees.

For the past few years the Board has not replaced staff who retired or

resigned unless the need for a replacement could be clearly justified.

The last CRB cadetships in civil engineering were awarded in 1973 and all cadets have now completed their studies.

## NEW ENGINEERS

### The new engineers are:

**Traffic Engineering:** R G Beavis, A W Bowman, G A Hodge, J E Warren.

**Bridge:** B G McCracken, Tang Chai Kang, F S K Tin Loi.

**Road Planning:** C R Broadhurst, N W Schmidt, A L George, B Phey, F Phaedonos.

**Plans & Surveys:** D S Bertram, G B Bolling, P V Bushman, D A Commons, D A Watt, J A Sibthorpe.

**Metro:** G Mavroyen.

The Ph.D. is held by Francis Tin Loi, who came from Mauritius in 1970 after winning several scholarships. He studied at Monash University and completed his Ph.D. in structural engineering last year, researching the effect of variable repeated loading on structures.

Francis, 29, has done casual tutoring at Monash University for the past three years. He has joined Bridge Sub-Branch and will be involved in design work.

**Graeme Hodge**, who has joined Traffic Engineering, is not completely new to the CRB. He spent the summer vacation of 1975/76 working for Dandenong Division in a survey team.

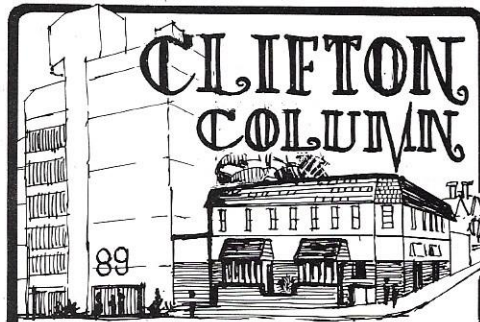
Graeme completed his Masters degree in Engineering Science at Monash University last year after completing HSC at Box Hill High School.

His thesis dealt with the analysis of hazards at intersections.

**Tang Chai Kang**, 24, joins Bridge Sub-Branch after completing a Masters degree of Engineering Science at Melbourne University.

Kang's research topic for the Masters was on "Properties of Prepacked Concrete".

From March, 1976, he has worked part-time in the University's civil engineering department in tutoring, laboratory sessions and other work.



**Clifton Column has received a complaint from a road contractor about the CRB's contracting methods.**

**He says he likes to keep informed on which companies are getting road works contracts. "There seems to be a lot of work going to this French road contractor DeTour—I've seen his signs all over the place!"**

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On the subject of field personnel, the Board has had an enquiry from a young man wanting employment as a tree fella.

*We employ big fella, little fella and hard working fella, but definitely no tree fella.*

Perhaps he is interested in becoming a wood worker.

*Would work but he won't.*

We received another request for information on how to become an unskilled labourer.

We don't know what makes him think the CRB knows about unskilled labouring.

*Perhaps we could refer him to the tree fella.*

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At the Christmas break-up dinner for the Dandenong Division patrol staff, bachelors Jack Payne and Bob Porteous from Tooradin were up to their old tricks.

They tried a duet at the microphone until the band leader suggested they should practise in the car park outside for about three months first.

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**Ray Craddock, Metropolitan Clerk of Works, supervising a contract job down Beach Road says he found an old freezerator (about 25 years old).**

**Ray, being a super-optimist, fitted a three-pin plug to the loose wires and plugged it in. Lo and behold, it worked!**

**Leaving it beside his Stanley Hut, Ray went down to the shop to stock it. While away, some thief cut off the cord and stole not the freezerator, but the cord and Ray's new three-pin plug.**

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As the Board's anti-litter campaign gains momentum with more Piggy Litter posters appearing on walls throughout the State, the inevitable Piggy Litter jokes are rolling in...

For example: What do you use to fix up an injured pig? Oinkment, of course.

And: Some people are calling the \$600,000 pig the "Oi-onic Pig".  
Yawn.

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An unlikely quartet from Personnel, namely Peter McCullough, Ern Darbyshire, Bill Lindstedt and one other who shall remain nameless (because his name is impossible to spell) were making use of daylight saving time to play golf at Yarra Bend Club on 11th January.

Bill, after 12 modest holes, holed out in one on the par 3, 13th. The shot, played with a steady 6 iron, hit the base of the pin and stuck for Bill's first ever ace.

Bill's comment on moving onto the 14th tee was "anyone beat a one?"

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**One member of the staff enquired seriously "Who's the Bridge engineer who drives around with a boat on top of his car".**

**The reply came quickly "Ozzie Kayak of course".**

## Capturing a split-second explosion

**It takes only a split-second for a balloon to burst...**

*The noise of the explosion conjures up visions of a dramatic event.*

*Well, here (pictured below) is what it looks like when a dart is dropped on the balloon.*

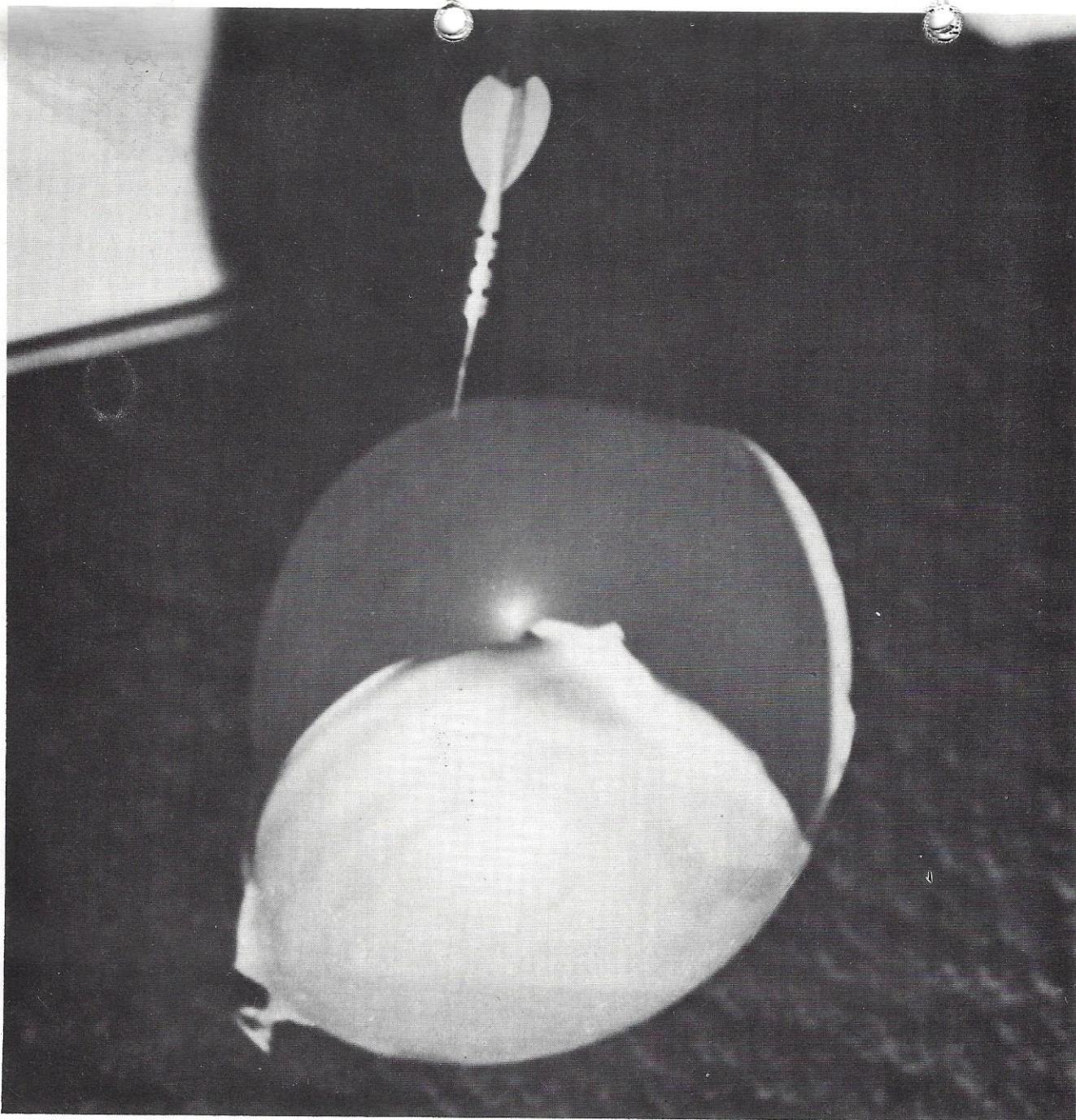
*It's not as dramatic as you may have imagined—but it makes an interesting picture.*

*The photo was taken by Peter Heney (Syndal) at a Waverley Camera Club meeting.*

*He used a Pentax SP 1000 with a 5.6*

*aperture opening which was connected to the flash and triggering mechanism which were set off by the sound of the balloon bursting.*

*Peter is a motor mechanic and works in the General Section at Syndal Workshop.*





# African and Asian engineers here for three-month course

**Engineers from 12 African and Asian countries have arrived in Melbourne for a three-month training seminar.**

A total of 22 engineers from India, Fiji, Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, Philippines, Pakistan, Sudan, Burma, Afghanistan, Nigeria and Tanzania are here as guests of the CRB and the Australian Development Assistance Bureau.

They will study all facets of road and bridge building during the course which is being conducted on a live-in basis at the Sheraton Hotel, Melbourne.

After the official welcome on 23 February, the visitors will be escorted on an orientation bus tour of Victoria that will take in some of the more beautiful parts of the State.

As well as studying the technical aspects of road and bridge construction in Australia, it is also planned that the visitors should

see as much of Australian cultural, family and social life as possible. One of the major aims of the visit is to nurture an international understanding of respective life-styles.

The Board is looking for people willing to entertain the guests in Melbourne in the form of barbeques, day trips over weekends and other social outings, especially during Easter.

The visiting engineers, aged between 27 and 45 years, are interested in seeing Australian family life first hand and this cannot be found by sitting in a hotel room. It is simply a matter of inviting one or two of the visitors to your house or on an outing for an afternoon.

All offers of hospitality should be directed to Bob Billinge, the Principal Training and Development Officer on Extension 2527.

The course, chaired by Stan Jervis, finishes in May.

## PRACTISE MAKES PERFECT AT MULGRAVE PROJECT

If you were to venture to the Mulgrave Freeway Project Office between 12.45 and 1.30 p.m., you would find all personnel in the conference room engaged in their ritual game of darts.

For 45 tension-packed minutes, two teams battle out games of "Kill", "Cricket" and "Footy". Teams are selected each month amidst many moans of "Don't put me on the same side as Frank Kwong".

If a sporting critic were to summarise each players' performance, it may read:

"Practice makes perfect", an old adage contracted by the form of Project Engineer Don Durant who has been playing for the past six years.

Frank Kwong the self-appointed captain of both teams covers up his poor form by stating, "I only produce my best under pressure".

Tacticians Mike Hodgson and Trevor Kane can be relied on to score with four out of six darts, however John Eldridge usually finishes with more darts on the floor than in the board.

The form Gary Scott and David Jones display varies from ordinary to brilliant, while Phil Symons and David Kimpton throw the darts with such force, it sometimes nails the board to the wall.

Probably the most consistent player is Trevor Moore who always scores with one dart out of every six and is closely followed by Perry Ponton, who has more chance of hitting the board when he forgets his glasses.

The most unusual action belongs to Peter Nash, who is a great team man—vanishing each time he is due to throw.

At the close of play each losing player slumps to his desk mumbling "Where did we lose it".

Despite the apparent liabilities, Mulgrave is willing to challenge any aspiring teams from other Divisions.

## Plan your social calendar with HOSA

March 3rd-5th  
March 18th  
April 22nd-23rd  
May 16th  
June 2nd  
July 16th  
August 12th  
September 2nd  
October  
October 27th  
November 13th-17th  
December 10th  
December 22nd

Inter-divisional Sports  
Shuffy's  
Fishing Contest  
Bullen Safari Park  
Annual Ball  
Car Trial  
Dirty Dicks  
Pilgrim Puppets  
Football Match  
Disco Night  
Tennis Tournament  
Children's Christmas Party  
Staff Luncheon

## Bert McLaren is new CRB Chess Champion

**The 1977 CRB Open Chess Champion is Bert McLaren (Title Survey).**

He defeated Frank Benjamin after both players had tied on six wins each.

The CRB Chess Club started in September, 1974. Membership has grown from seven foundation members to 16 at present.

The Club has conducted three Open and two Club Championships as well as competing against other clubs.

Open Championships were conducted in 1975, 1976 and 1977. These involved from 11 to 14 players of varying skill.

In 1975 the first three placegetters tied for first position, even after a playoff. In 1977 two players tied for first place in the primary games, requiring a playoff for first place.

The Open Champions have been:

1975  
P Mulholland  
1976  
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1977

A McLaren

The Club Champions have been:

1976

P Mulholland

1977

A McLaren

In Inter-club games, the CRB achieved mixed success last year. The results were:

- lost to MMBW (1-4 points)
- defeated MMBW (5.5 to 2.5 points)
- lost to Kew (1-8 points)
- drew with Women's Chess Club (3-3 points)

This year the Chess Club again intends to conduct the Open Championship and Club Championship.

Depending on numbers interested, other competitions could be conducted for less experienced players.

The Club meets weekly on Wednesday lunchtimes at High Street Cafeteria from 12.50 to 1.25 p.m.

- New members are welcome, and should contact the President, John Berends (ext 2315) or the Secretary, Frank Benjamin (ext 2234).

## "GROUND CONTROL TO MAJOR HOSKING!"



**Plans & Surveys held a pleasant day for staff of section one at Alan Mackinlay's farm.**

**Entertainment was provided by David Hosking and the white cuckoo who took a liking to David's shoulder.**

**David Trace's son, Robert, was voted the dirtiest child of the day and won a cake of soap... and a roll in the pig pen.**

## DE ON THE HOP

**What would you do if you were a DE and received a letter from a Council which included the following paragraph.**

"Throughout many areas in this state, and in fact other States, if a driver is travelling along a Highway and is confronted with a Kangaroo Warning Sign, he generally knows that if he is foolish enough not to take notice of this warning that he may well become a victim of hitting a kangaroo. In fact, in most areas of the State, areas that are delineated with Kangaroo Warning Signs are in fact generally littered with dead kangaroos."

Naturally you would ask the Council for further details.

You would then be non-plussed to read the following paraphrased article which appeared in a country newspaper.

"In a letter to a Shire Council, CRB Divisional Engineer asked for information on the times and places kangaroos used the highway in question to see if warning signs are warranted. The Council suggested that the DE write and ask the kangaroos themselves when they intended using the road."

Well, the DE involved is not giving away any secrets but the signs are now up and both Council and the kangaroos are happy.

*With the weighty tidal wave proportion problems facing the CRB of late, you can put this one in the basket of a ripple on the glassy surface of a small river.*



# 57 RECEIVE LONG SERVICE AWARDS

Once again the Board has paid tribute to its long serving staff members.

In December, awards were presented to 57 people who completed 25 years' and 40 years' service with the CRB.

Since 1975, when the awards were introduced, 19 people have received gold awards for 40 years' service and 366 people have received silver awards for 25 years' service.

This time, the Chairman, Mr. Donaldson, presented four men with gold 40-year awards and congratulated them on their achievements. The four were Alby Smith (Syndal), Russell Smith (Benalla), Mac Wilkinson (Plans & Surveys) and Peter Fletcher (Head Office, Accounts Branch).

Russell Smith was employed by the Board as a time keeper in 1937 until he enlisted in the AIF in January, 1942.

After the war, Russ returned to the Board as an Overseer and remained in that position until being reclassified to Superintendent of Works in 1964. Russ retired in August last year.

Alby Smith started with the Board in 1937 as an Assistant Storeman until becoming an apprentice Fitter and Turner in 1939.

He enlisted in the RAAF in 1940 and after 5½ years war service returned to the Board.

Since those years Alby has held several positions including Workshop Foreman at Horsham and in 1962 was appointed as Engineering Assistant in Mechanical Sub-Branch.

Mac Wilkinson started in 1937 as a Junior Messenger at the Board's South Melbourne Depot.

He became a Junior Draftsman in 1940 and was seconded to work on sealing the Stuart Highway in the Northern Territory in 1942-43. Prior to 1942 he served in the CMF and joined the RAAF in 1944.

Mac returned to Plans & Surveys Division after the war and progressed to Superintending Draftsman in 1971—the position he currently holds.

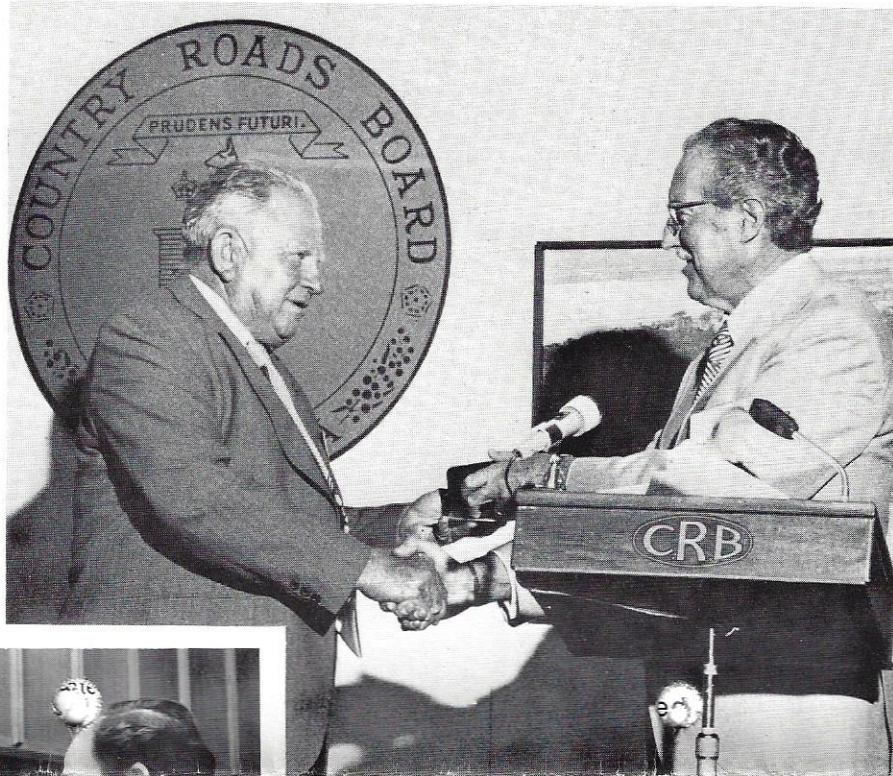
Peter Fletcher started as a Workshop Clerk at the South Melbourne depot in 1936.

He served in the Army and Navy from 1941 to 1946 and returned after the war to work in the Tax and Leave Section of the Board.

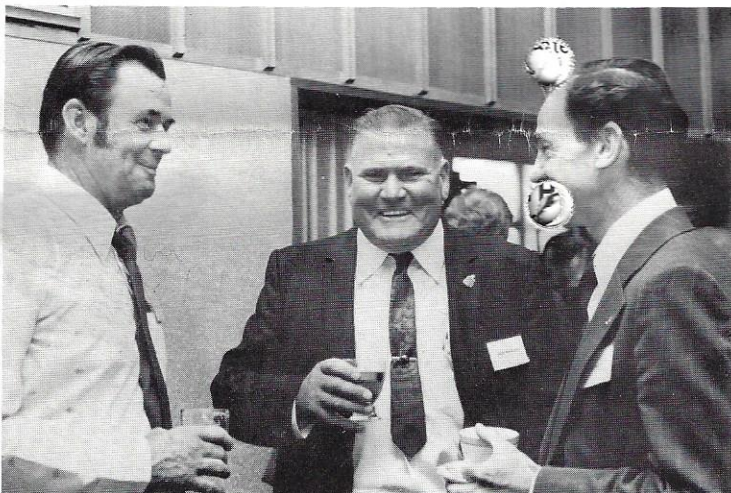
Peter has held several positions in the Chief Accountant's Branch since then and at present is the Final Ledger Accountant.

Two women were among the 53 people to receive 25-year silver awards. They were Pat Shinkfield from Salaries Section and Fay Paul from Accounts.

After the presentations, the recipients and the invited guests enjoyed refreshments and an informal chat to talk over old times.



• The Chairman, Mr Donaldson, congratulates Russ Smith on his 50 years of service and presents him with his gold cuff links. Russ retired last August as Superintendent of Works in Benalla Division.



LEFT: After the presentation, 25-year service men Max Carson (Benalla) left, and Jack Karnatz (Benalla) centre, talk with Ted Oppy, Divisional Engineer Ballarat.

## BRIGGS' DREGS

Now that you've discovered that wine is good for you, I imagine you've been wondering which wines are best.

To introduce this subject I think a quick look at wine and food compatibility is worthwhile.

Many people will tell you that it doesn't matter what you drink with particular foods, as long as you like the wine. I agree—this is true as long as you don't have taste buds.

As a useful exercise in yuk, try the following test: chew one mouthful of salad tossed with a vinegar based dressing and wash it down with a further mouthful of your favorite wine. When the residue of the first merges with the second, you should end up with a mouthful of vinegar.

Furthermore, there are some types of oily fish which cause red wine to taste steely—like chewing tin cans.

Next time you think the wine you are drinking doesn't go with what you are eating, please remember it may not be the fault of the wine.

I hope to be able to recommend particular wines in each column, but until "Interchange" becomes a monthly, I cannot guarantee you will be able to buy them. All this leads to my first recommendation which is one especially for the crew in Geelong.

In mid-December, Anakie Wines near Geelong, released their 1976 Cabernet Sauvignon. Unfortunately, the supply is very limited. However, if you want something to tighten your dentures, it's a must. It's not cheap and it's not for immediate drinking, but in eight years time if you don't like it, I'll give you what you paid for it.

A little more readily available is Eric Brand's Laira Shiraz Cabernet 1975. (I was pleased to see that Len Evans agreed with me on this one). At \$2.95, I believe it is an excellent bargain and well worth putting away.

Housekeeping Tip of the Month Ever wondered what goes best with squid? Easy—sauvignon blanc. At present there are two available, both from 1976—Hardy's, and Rosemount Estate from Denman in the Hunter Valley.



Jeff Briggs

JOIN US



for the  
BREAKFAST SESSION

in the  
CAFETERIA DAILY  
7.45 a.m. — 8.30 a.m.



FREE  
music  
while-u-eat!

SEE YOU THERE!

## 25 YEARS SERVICE ...

The full list of Board staff who completed 25 years service is:

Lyall Armstrong (Ballarat), Jim Bathe (Warrnambool), Bruno Bender (Benalla), George Benesh (Geelong), George Blackall (Dandenong), Maurie Brackett (Metropolitan), Harvey Briggs (Traralgon), David Brown (Horsham).

Kevin Brown (Bendigo), Lawrence Butcher (Geelong), Charlie Butterworth (Ballarat), Max Carson (Benalla), Jan Chmielewski (Traralgon), Arthur Cook (Geelong), Bluey Cubitt (Ballarat), Brian Doyle (Syndal), Ivan Duffield (Geelong), Henry Dunstone (Traralgon), Wal Dyal (Bairnsdale).

Wal Farley (Bairnsdale), Albert Franke (Bairnsdale), Max Glasson (Ballarat), Jock Gibb (Benalla), Joe Gil (Geelong), Ivan Haggart (Bairnsdale), Roy Hanley (Major Projects), Sid Jarvis (Warrnambool), Joe Johnston (Benalla), Ted Jones (Traffic Section).

Jack Karnatz (Benalla), Mick Kierce (Ballarat), Jim Klajn (Syndal), Chris Louca (Bridge), Alan McLeod (Warrnambool), Ted McLeod (Bairnsdale), Dick Mathews (Horsham), Vic Milesi (Benalla), Ziggy Nelsons (Ballarat), Jim Newman (Benalla).

Andy Panayiotou (Bridge), Reg Patterson (DE Benalla), Fay Paul (Accounts), Allan Peterson (Bairnsdale), Jack Reidy (Bairnsdale), Bill Renn (Urban Projects), Don Ross (Dandenong), Les Russell (Benalla), Peter Rylov (Traralgon), Andy Savva (Bridge).

Pat Shinkfield (Personnel), Simmo Simmonds (Bendigo), Bob Simpson (Bridge), Len Smith (Dandenong), Dobrossay Stefanovic (Traralgon), George Strug (Dandenong), George Szkirka (Geelong), Russell Toy (Syndal), Kevin West (Geelong), Ken Whitelaw (Bairnsdale).

Graham Williamson (Syndal), Bluey Wilson (Syndal), Brian Youdan (Syndal).

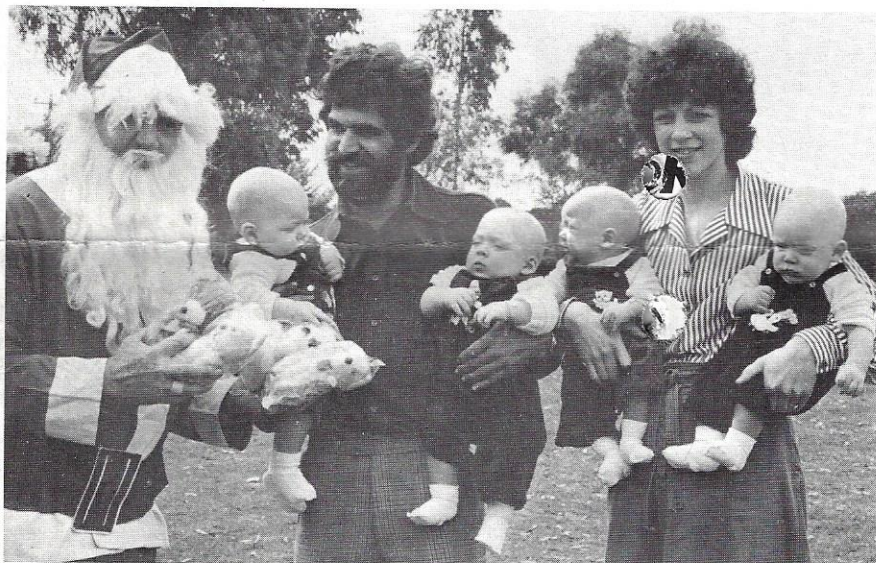


At Head Office, Syndal and in the park . . .

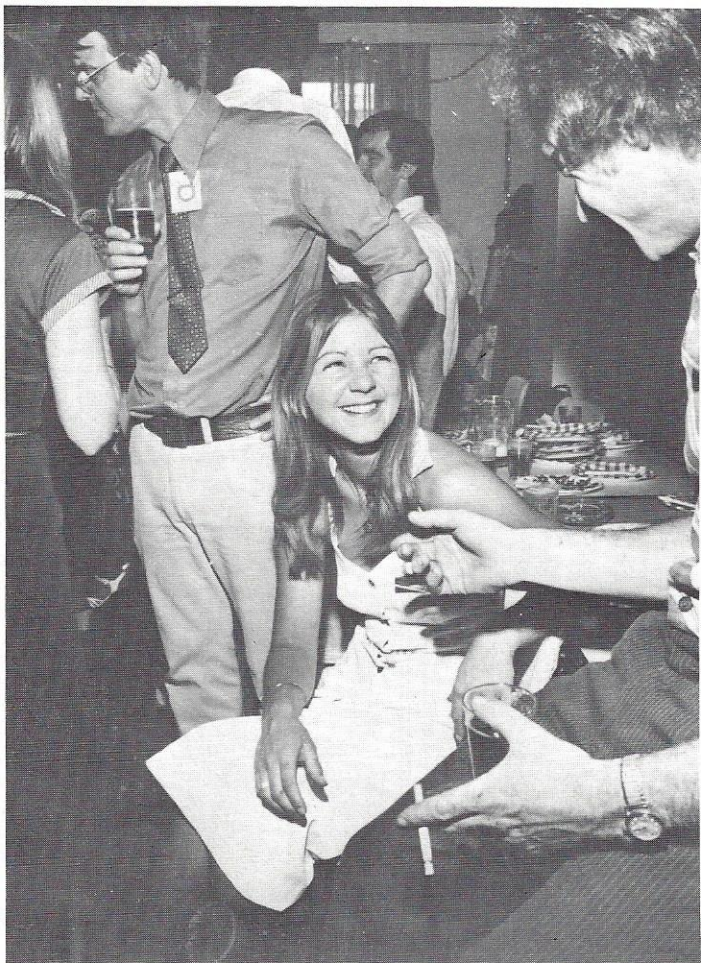
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*"Yes Santa, I've been very good this year" . . . a scene at the children's Christmas party at Syndal.*



*A big day out for the Hughson quads when they met Santa at the Syndal Children's Christmas party.*



*Kate Egan, fifth floor, shares the festive mood of the Head Office staff Christmas luncheon.*

**Christmas parties seem to be getting better and better, judging by the attendances at CRB parties.**

Both the Head Office and Syndal children's Christmas parties at Syndal were great successes and a tribute to the organisation of both social clubs.

The less formal chicken and champagne breakfast in Kew Park on Christmas Eve was well attended and even attracted people who had left the Board.

The Head Office Christmas Staff Luncheon attracted a big crowd again this year. Several hundred staff enjoyed about three hours of eating, drinking and dancing mixed with the usual group chatter.

The Board members joined in the festivities and moved among the crowd.

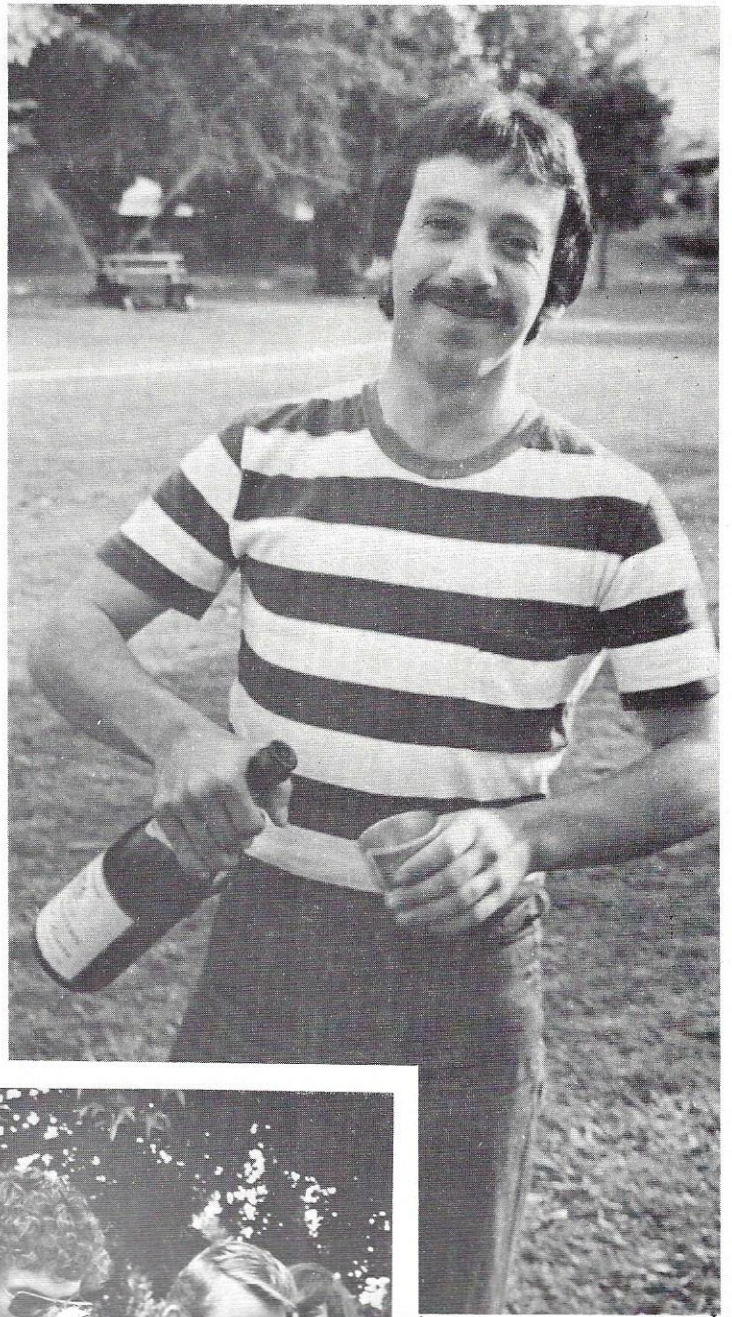


*Metro engineers Geoff Hose (right) and Ken Mathers kick up their heels at the Metro Christmas party held at Bienvenu restaurant, Burwood. Their effort won the night's dancing competition.*

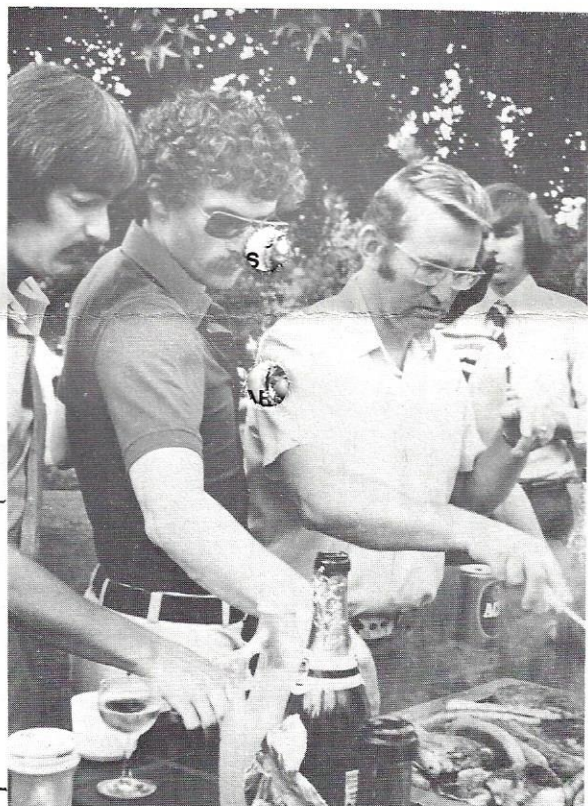




**Dancing was one of the big features of this year's Head Office party as more "budding Fred Astaires" than usual took to the floor.**



**John Auricchio (ex Accounts) made a brief return to the CRB to enjoy the chicken and champagne breakfast at Kew Park.**



**The serious business of bar-b-queing. From left, Allan Bull, Ross Trompf and Dick Sturgess at the "chicken and champagne" breakfast.**

**An unusual angle of the revellers on the Head Office sun deck. Can you spot the bald heads and cuddly couples? Sun deck patrons had the dubious distinction of being the last to leave the party.**





# INTER-DIVISIONAL SPORTS DAY AT BENALLA

## The 1978 Inter-Divisional Sports Day will be held in Benalla on Sunday, 5th March.

The planned sports are Tennis, Golf, Sailing, Lawn Bowls, Rifle Shooting, Snooker and Squash.

If participants and their families wish to spend the weekend in Benalla they can practise on Saturday in preparation for the Sunday competition.

### FREE BUS

For Head Office participants, HOSA has organised a weekend bus trip to Benalla, leaving Friday night and returning Sunday night. The bus will carry 45 passengers and is being fully subsidised by HOSA.

HOSA has organised the following itinerary:

### Friday Night (3rd March)

Chicken and champagne tea on departure from Head Office. Arrive Benalla.

### Saturday (4th March)

Tour of four wineries and a NSW bowling club (Poker Machines!) with a bar-b-que lunch at one of the wineries.

### Sunday (5th March)

Inter-Division sports competitions; lunch at Benalla Division; return to Melbourne.

The meals supplied on Friday night and Saturday lunch will cost \$5 per head.

Hotel or motel accommodation and caravan or camping at the Benalla Caravan Park or possibly at the Tennis

Club, can be arranged. Contact your Divisional social club.

Those who have entered for the competitions should have paid their money by this stage. However some late entries may be considered. If interested, contact your social club immediately.

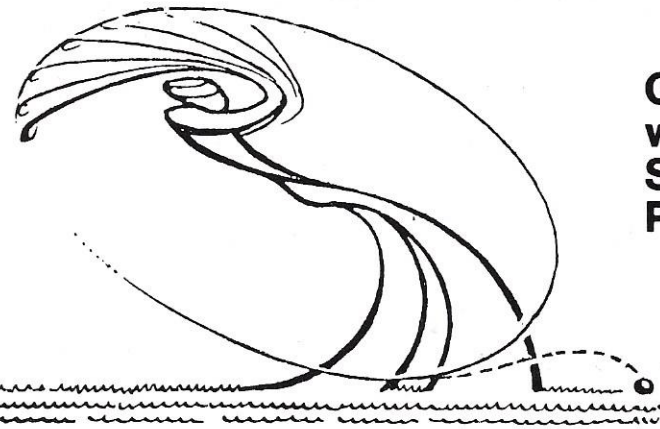
### AT BENALLA ...

The Sports Day starts with morning tea at Benalla Lawn Tennis Club at 8.30 a.m. The Tennis Club will be the base for the day. Most events will start at 9.30 a.m. and finish by 1.30 p.m. Lunch will be served at the Tennis Club between 1 p.m. and 2.30 p.m. Cost for lunch is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children. The presentation of trophies will follow the lunch.

For those who do not want to compete in the sports, the Tennis Club has made available some courts for a social hit. Canoes can be hired on the Benalla Lake. The Art Gallery, gardens and swimming pool are within walking distance of the Tennis Club.

### WHERE THE SPORTS ARE ...

- **Golf**—Benalla Golf Club
- **Squash**—Haven Village Squash Courts
- **Bowls**—Benalla Bowling Club
- **Snooker**—Benalla
- **Yachting**—Lake Nillahcootie
- **Tennis**—Benalla Lawn Tennis Club
- **Shooting**—Benalla Rifle Range



**GOLF**  
with  
**Steve**  
**Parsons**

## When liars and cheats meet on a golf course...

For this edition we take a look at some of the basics of the game.

**Golf is the fastest growing participation sport in the world, and to assist the un-enlightened we list a few of the more important facets of the game.**

Golf is ...

- A form of work made expensive enough for gentlemen to enjoy it.
- The simplest looking game in the world when you decide to take it up and the toughest looking after you have been at it 10 or 12 years.
- What letter carrying, ditch digging and carpet beating would be if those three tasks had to be performed on the same hot afternoon in short pants and coloured socks by gentlemen who require a different implement for every mood.
- Played on carefully selected grass with little white balls and as many clubs as the player can afford. These balls usually cost from 50 cents to \$2 and it's possible to support a family for months on the money represented by the balls

lost by some golfers in one afternoon.

- Played on a course that has 18 holes, 17 of which are unnecessary when you get to the 18th. A "hole" is a tin cup in the centre of a "green", which is a small parcel of grass costing about \$2.90 a blade.
- Simply trying to get the golf balls from a given point into each of the 18 cups in the fewest strokes and the greatest number of words. The ball must not be thrown, pushed or carried, but must be propelled by about \$400 worth of curious looking implements especially designed to provoke the owner into a maniacal fury.
- Concluded after the final or 18th hole when the "golfer" adds up his score and stops when he is on the fringe of respectability, then he has a pint of gin, sings "Fr'eeze a jolly good fellah" with six or eight other liars, burglars and cheats and calls it the end of a perfect day.

(Reprinted from State Bank Staff Magazine—Statesman).

## CRICKET AND GOLF TEAMS IN TASMANIA

The CRB golf and cricket teams made their biennial trip to Tasmania this month to play teams from the Main Roads Department.

After a welcome to Launceston by the city's Mayor and a day trip to Devonport, the visitors settled down to two days of cricket, golf and social engagements.

The cricket team was again captained by Howard Ellis. The other team members were:

Renny Duckett, Ross Trompf, Brian

Fitts, Geoff Christensen, Graeme Johnson, Murray Carmen, Bill Dalrymple, Patrick Vethecan, Geoff King, Alan Bull, Dick Meloni. Ray Smith was an umpire.

The golf team was:

Brian Wilkinson (Team Manager), David Farrow, John Davis, Jack Campbell, Peter Vorweg, Phil Marshall, Ken Rainbow, Jim Winnett.

- Full results will be published in the next issue of Interchange.

## Play sport and keep fit? NOT IN BENALLA ...

Benalla's sports injury list reads:

Engineer Alan Koch, broken finger — cause hockey.

Engineer Bob Citroen, cut eye — cause squash.

Admin. Officer Robbie Allen, broken arm — cause football.

Engineer John Piper, dislocated knee — cause squash.

Engineer John Coles, pulled leg muscle — cause squash.

Engineer John Bond, cut hand — cause tennis (maintenance of courts).

Engineer Fred Crook, injured knee — cause hockey.

E.O. Leon Shanks, cut eyebrow — cause football.

E.O. Rupert Cheetham, tennis elbows — cause canoeing.

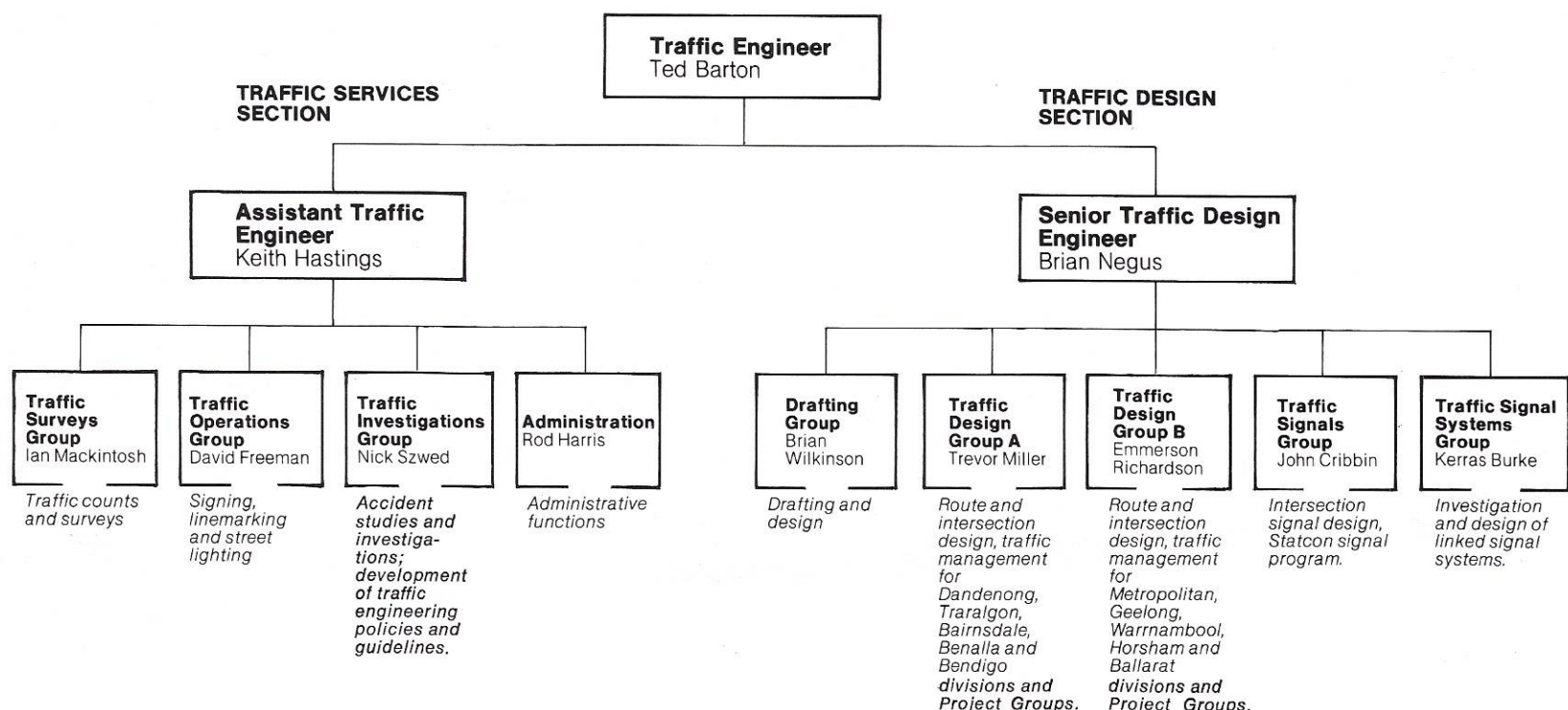
Admin. Officer Gary Levy, injured knee — cause football.

Admin. Officer Vic Christou, injured shoulder — cause football.

## ORGANISATION CHART Traffic Engineering Division

\*Interchange will make space available to feature Organisation Charts—detailing the organisation and functions of senior officers of a division—for Head Office and regional Divisions in future issues.

The new organisation and hierarchy of Traffic Engineering Division is shown below.





# UNION OFFICIALS FROM THE CRB

Most CRB staff are members of two major associations—the Municipal Officers Association (MOA) and the Association of Professional Engineers, Australia (APEA).

And they are well represented on the executives of both associations. Union executives change regularly and the CRB has not had such a strong representation as we have at present for many years.

Lin Peterson, of Bendigo Division, is Federal Vice-President of the MOA, and Charlie Robinson (Plans & Surveys) is Victorian Vice-President. He has also been President of the CRB sub-branch for the past five years.

Bob Pearson (NAASRA) is Federal Vice-President of the APEA. On the Victorian executive of the association, John Pittard (Advance Planning Engineer) is branch treasurer and member of the Federal committee of management.

The MOA has about 15,000 members in Victoria, of which 1050 are CRB staff.

The APEA has about 5,500 members throughout Victoria, of which the CRB membership of 500 comprises the second largest co-ordinated group in Victoria after the SEC.

Charlie Robinson's involvement with the MOA started in 1964 when he was asked to represent the technical area of MOA members (e.g. draftsmen).

He was elected State Vice-President in the recently held elections.

Lin Peterson has been involved in the MOA for several years starting as CRB sub-branch treasurer, then moving to the Victorian Branch Committee of Management and finally was elected to State Vice-President in 1976 and Federal Vice-President in 1977.

Bob Pearson was elected Victorian branch secretary in 1974 and became Victorian branch president three years later.

He is currently also Federal Vice-President (Victoria)—a position he has held since 1974.

Bob was recently awarded a Jubilee Medal for his work with the APEA.

In recent years CRB staff have received several improvements in salary and working conditions.

These have included:

- Equal pay
- Leave loading
- Four weeks recreational leave
- Maternity and paternity leave
- Appeals system
- Classifications Committee

If union executive titles and the various committees, branches and sub-branches leave you confused, Interchange hopes to clear the air by publishing an organisation chart for each association.

\* Interchange hopes to publish items of union news as a regular column in future issues.

# Retirements from Bendigo

## HARRY EVERARD

Harry Everard retired from the Board on 9th December, 1977.

He commenced with the Board in Benalla on 8th June, 1947, as a traffic officer, the position he held until he retired. He moved to Bendigo in 1957. Many of Harry's friends and workmates from Head Office and Divisional Offices joined the staff from the Bendigo Office in wishing Harry and his wife June a happy retirement at a social gathering in the cellar of the Bendigo Divisional Office on the day of his retirement.

The Principal Traffic Officer, Mr Bob Gardner, spoke highly of Harry and the work he did for the Board during a time when many changes were tak-

ing place in the transport industry, especially during the time when traffic officers worked alone at night and many truck drivers were known to be armed. Divisional Engineer, Mr Tom Glazebrook, supported Mr Gardner and related several amusing "early days" incidents involving Harry and dissident truck operators. He presented Harry with a car radio/cassette player on behalf of all his workmates and friends in the Board.

Harry was particularly pleased to see several private truck owners at the farewell function.

## MAVIS PEARCE

Mrs Mavis Pearce, a senior stenographer with Bendigo Division, was farewelled at the Divisional Christmas dinner held in the office garden pending her retirement on 13th January.

Leave entitlements made 23rd December her last day at work.

Mavis spent about 17 years in the

Board's service spanning 42 years. As Mavis Eddy she first worked in the Divisional Office in 1935 under Mr Sam Butler when the Divisional Staff could be counted on the fingers of one hand. She left the Board in 1942 following her marriage to Alan Pearce. She returned briefly in 1965 and 1966 to help out in the Accounts Section and was engaged again on a permanent basis in 1969.

Divisional Engineer, Mr Tom Glazebrook, presented Mavis with six beautiful bone china cups saucers and plates and thanked her for the work she had done during her service with the Board.

He especially mentioned that Mavis would be missed by the younger engineers who were guided by Mavis in correct spelling and English in their written reports.

## TOM STOREY

Friends and workmates of Tom Storey gathered at the Oasis Hotel in Swan Hill on 4th January to wish him a happy retirement.

Tom was Patrolman in Charge of the Boundary Bend Patrol for the past 11 years. He spent all of his 13 years service with the Board as part of the Boundary Bend Patrol.

Divisional Engineer, Mr Tom Glazebrook presented Tom with a wallet embossed with the CRB emblem.

## Christmas parties in Dandenong Division

### STAFF CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

The Christmas luncheon was again a great success with first rate catering. Thanks go to those responsible for the organisation.

After explaining the presence of certain items in his car, the DE, Stan Hodgson presented the trophies to the winners of the Table Tennis tournament—J. Cunningham (Singles) and Peter Evans and Don Brady (Doubles). John thanked the organisers, especially the handicapper. However he lodged a protest to the doubles final—apparently one of the winners' state of dress caused some distraction.

Mr. Hodgson made a presentation to Arnold Easton "Santa" for a job extremely well done at the Children's Christmas party.

### CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

The occasional downpour did nothing to dampen the enthusiasm of the children attending this year's Christmas party at Syndal on 18th December (See Page 1).

Club committee members behaved very bravely on seeing their previous month's work torn off with such single-mindedness, although Ken Hall was consoled by the knowledge of having taken out the rain insurance in his name.

Many thanks to the Social Club Committee for again organising a successful and relaxed afternoon.

### PATROL CHRISTMAS PARTIES

A Christmas break-up dinner for the Dandenong Division patrol staffs operating south of the Princes Highway, their Supervising Engineers and Roadmaster and their ladies was held at the Pakenham Hotel on 16th December.

Patrols which were well represented were Bass, Pakenham, Tooradin, Frankston, Dromana and Hampton Park. The food and the music were very good and most of the group monopolised the dance floor.

Bachelors Jack Payne and Bob Porteous from Tooradin were up to their old tricks. They tried a duet at the microphone until the band leader suggested they should practise in the car park outside for about three months first.

On the same evening the patrol staffs operating in the northern section of the Division held their Christmas break-up dinner at Lazy Harry's Restaurant, Woori Yallock.

Alf Adams scrubbed up so well that he was not recognised by most of his workmates. Jack Wodetzki, aided by a patrolman or two, completely drowned out the sound of the band. Ron Clinch, Merv Long and Bomber Harrison appeared to enjoy themselves more as the evening progressed—just as well stumps were drawn at midnight.

The raffle was most successful, which was mainly attributed to the fact that everybody won a prize. Ray Trenfield offered himself as the prize to all the ladies, without success. Bad luck, Ray, there's always next year.

The DE, Stan Hodgson, visited both functions and mingled amongst the staff to wish them a Merry Christmas.

## DIVISIONAL ROUNDABOUT

More Divisional Roundabout on Page 10.

### HEAD OFFICE

Interchange rep.—Dianne Young

### SYNDAL

Interchange rep.—Tony Anthony

### GENERAL NEWS

Julie Brown of Registry celebrated her 21st birthday on 30th December—congratulations Julie.

### CHRISTMAS PARTIES

Some 32 staff of Advance Planning Division with their respective wives, husbands, girlfriends, boy friends, had a most enjoyable evening on 8th December at the Doncaster Cottage for a dinner-dance. During the ceremonies a fitting tribute was paid to the two longest serving lady staff members of this Division when the song "Where have all the flowers gone" was going to be dedicated to them.

### MOVEMENTS

Jenny Allen joined Advance Planning Division all the way from Adelaide. Jenny's husband Barry is a foreman with Roche Bros and was transferred from Adelaide to Melbourne. Welcome to the Garden State to both of you.

Annie Chong, Analyst/Programmer, joined APD from Methods Section. Andrew Robson recently left APD to take up a new position in the Computer Section.

Lloyd Rowe, Engineer, recently joined ADP to spend 6 months with us under the Training Scheme.

Jim Dunbar, Assets and Equipment Clerk, retired on 31st January and is returning to Scotland to live. He has worked at the Board for 11 years.

Keith Day, resident electrician for the last 13 years, recently resigned to take up a job with the Alfred Hospital.

Maureen Neal resigned as Telephonist on 15th December.

Anne Whish-Wright commenced as a Telephonist on 3rd January.

Margaret Tehan transferred from Registry to become Head Office Receptionist and took up duty on 16th December.

Jeff Ang is a new arrival as Analyst/Programmer to the Computer Section, commencing 21st November.

Printing Section welcomes Shane Coomber, Apprentice Lithographer.

### MISCELLANEOUS

Barry Wilson, 5th Floor Controller, returned in mid January after about 2 months sickness—"Look out Girls" (and boys!)

### MOVEMENTS

K R Ryan to Bairnsdale; T G Lewis to Benalla; Mrs. Mill from Stores to Accounts.

Peter Hollingsworth, Instructor Driver, left the Board to join the Gas and Fuel Corporation in the same capacity. Motor Mechanic B J Evans left for greener pastures.

We welcome Mrs Margaret Barnes to the Accounts Section; Engineer Peter Davies ex Uni; J R Hall and G R Lewien.

### WORLD TRIP

Miss Heather Larsen is off to the U.S. and Canada for 5 weeks at Easter. Later in the year Col Lindo from the Workshop is off on a world trip.

### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Graeme Boucher on his Diploma of Mechanical Engineering with Credits and Honours galore.

Mrs Jan Cormack left on 3rd February for that Special Event. Best wishes Jan.

### ON THE MEND

Electrical Apprentice Grant Cherry broke an ankle while working on "that" Freeway.

Draughtsman Gabor Gerendasi is recovering from multiple fracture of the leg.

### APPRENTICES

Twenty-two apprentices for 1978 are: A Amenta, Miss S J Barton, B G Ford, A J Hardiman, (brother already at Syndal), P E Mathews, N D Perkins, W G Wickham, P B Doyle, (son of Laurie Doyle), R Brain, C Bridle, K J Elliott, I R Freeman (son of David Freeman), P A Hill, D G Latus, J C Leck, R G Murray, P E Reynolds, P J Sayers, R G Smith (son of Albie Smith), G J Staples, T D Sutherland, D P Treganza, S R Wilson.

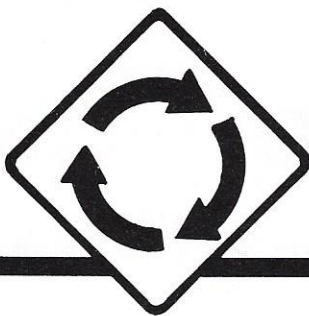
### SPORT

Syndal Social Club cricket team played Dandenong at Mulgrave on 13/10/77:

Dandenong all out 74  
J Cunningham 29, L Pecora 12, B Gidley 11.  
Syndal 7 for 100  
B Belheusen 26, A Jones 38 N.O., P McAra 16 N.O.  
wickets: A Jones 4 for 2, G Jones 2 for 7, A Loughron 2 for 31.  
wickets: G Pullin 2 for 3.



# DIVISIONAL ROUNDABOUT



## BAIRNSDALE

Interchange rep.—Ian Ellis

### APPOINTMENTS

Ian Stringer joined the band of white collar workers on 22nd October after spending some time in the field as an Overseer.

Laurie Haylock was appointed to the staff as Survey Assistant.

### DEPARTURES

Turning his ear to music, Sid Cooper has left the survey party and opened up a music shop in Bairnsdale.

Mike Gurney (Motor Mechanic) left the Board on 2nd December to take up dam building at Darthmouth.

### SPOT NEWS

The Depot Foreman had trouble sitting down, a while back, which is quite unusual for him.

With the walk-way now completed, the Drafting Section is now tied to the main office, with the TAB holding it up (and not vice-versa). Thanks go to Sid Dawson and his offsideers for a very good join.

### SOCIAL

The Annual Golf Day was held at the Bairnsdale Golf Club on the 25th November.

Doug Howes won the Bob Baade Perpetual Trophy from a field of 25 players.

**Results:** Doug Howes—Best Club Player, 63 net; Bruce Fraser—Best Novice Player, 74 net; Helen Baade—Best Ladies 18 holes, 65 net; Keith Boulter—Highest Score, Score withheld.

Bob Baade, although not well, played in the competition but had to retire and leave Helen to present the trophy.

### CHRISTMAS PARTIES

The Social Club's children's Christmas party was well attended at the Race Course on 10th December. With the weather fine the children had a real ball.

Thanks go to Kevin Mathews for the tractor rides and Alan Scott who again donned the red outfit.

Good to see Jack Reidy, who travelled from Gelantipy, take off one of the gate prizes.

The McLeod Residence was the venue for the Christmas break-up party on 16th December. There was certainly plenty of room and a good night was had by all. Joe Gwizdek got the poker dice rolling and anyone requiring lessons should see Katherine McLeod. Appreciation goes to Pat and Sandy.

By the way, there is no truth to the rumour that the Cann River Slab and the Firemans Pole were included in the final plans.

## BALLARAT

Interchange rep.—Jim Kierce

### DEPARTURES

Glenda McKenzie, our switchboard operator at Ballarat, left before Christmas. We wish her well for the future.

## BENALLA

Interchange rep.—Mike Farmer

### WELCOME

A warm welcome to several new members of staff.

Richard Ashton, Admin. Officer ex-Estates Section commenced in September to do Vic Christou's job. Vic was the successful contender for Ivan Haydon's job.

Mary Young replaced Robyn Cooper who resigned to look after her new baby. Mary has endeared herself to all with her friendly and warm personality. We were sorry to lose Robyn, however our best wishes to her and husband Geoff.

Robert Allen, Admin. Officer, departed from the office to work at the Violet Town Site Office. His replacement was better looking in the form of Janet Hammond who came here from Teacher's Training College.

Cheerio to Gary Levy, ex-Admin. Officer, ex-Benalla footballer who resigned to

work in his father-in-law's upholstery shop in Benalla.

### STELLA'S GOT A WAY WITH WORDS

Stella Warton, Comptometrist in the Benalla Office for the past 13 years, became the first winner of "Railwords", a crossword puzzle in the Victorian Railways magazine "Railways".

Stella and her husband Alan, a VicRail employee in Benalla won a trip to Mt Buffalo Chalet.

She is a great admirer of the Mt Buffalo Chalet and National Park and has been there on a number of occasions. "It's a beaut chance to get away for a relaxing weekend", she said.

Stella's other interests are golfing and horse riding during the summer months.

### CHRISTMAS TRIP

Travelled a thousand miles for Christmas dinner ... Sophie and Don Sharkie did that, for they made a quick trip to Surfers Paradise over the holiday break. Sophie returned very tanned and happy—she was to become a grandmother for the first time.

## BENDIGO

Interchange rep.—Reg Marslen

Julie McQuillan is our new Typist/Stenographer in the engineering section. Julie comes from out Maldon way.

Rhonda Dean is back with the Accounts section while Mrs Dawn Kirchofer is absent on maternity leave.

Congratulations to Julie Anderson on the promotion to Senior Stenographer following the retirement of Mrs Pearce.

Tom Gibson has been away on extended sick leave, but all who know Tom will be pleased to hear he's fighting fit again. Tom has decided to call it quits. More about this in the next issue of Interchange.

Kelvin Skinner is the new Apprentice Fitter and Turner for the workshop. However, he is spending his first year at the Ordnance Factory, Bendigo, under the Commonwealth Government's Apprentice Training Scheme.

## DANDENONG

Interchange rep.—Vic Lawther

### CRICKET

In a recent match between Syndal and Dandenong Divisions, Syndal avenged its defeat early in 1977 by beating Dandenong Division by 25 runs. The scores were: Dandenong 75, Syndal 8/101.

### ANNUAL BARBECUE

This year's annual barbecue was held on the upper level of the Graham Mansion at Park Orchards on Saturday 12th November. Numbers were down on last year's barbecue possibly due to people not being able to find the place as the roads have just been made in the area and no street signs have been erected.

The weather was reasonably kind and there was plenty of good cheer and an excellent spread of food.

The comment of the evening went to Cathy Evans who was heard to say to her husband "You had better slow down on your drinking, Peter, remember you have to drink tomorrow".

It was also noted that a number of males kept disappearing into the darkness down a steep slope beside the house only to be seen later helping each other up the same slope. Enough said!

Thanks to Steve and Marg Graham for the use of their home and to all those who helped make the barbecue a success.

### END OF YEAR DINNER DANCE

On 2nd December the Division held its end of year Dinner Dance at "Karinya Lodge" at Blackburn. Some familiar faces amongst the 106 who attended were Frank Edwards, retired (P & S), Russ Tucker (Metro), Russ Bittner (Traffic) and David Anderson (MRD). The night must have set a record for dancing, and the venue proved so popular the dancing continued for an hour past the allotted time.

## HORSHAM

Interchange rep.—Betty Sleep

### NEWCOMERS

A welcome to Lisa Neal, our new junior typist and Gerard O'Connor (Accounts Section). We wish you both a happy stay with us.

### FAREWELLS

Surveyor Mick Toll left us in October to go to Wangaratta. We wish Mick and his wife Sue all the best in the future.

### CRB LADIES SOCIAL CLUB

A very enjoyable night was had by all at the CRB Ladies Christmas Fancy Dress Party.

Best Dressed Couple—L and A Donald; Best Dressed Male—K Breuer; Best Dressed Female—E Minne.

A small presentation was made to Mrs Sue Toll as she has left Horsham to live in Wangaratta.

## METROPOLITAN

Interchange rep.—Ken Mathers

### ARRIVALS

Welcome to new arrivals Russell Tucker (Engineer) Burwood Highway; Geoff East (Engineer) Calder Freeway; Gary Liddle (Engineer) Planning Section; Joe Mahon (Cost Clerk) Burwood Highway; Robert Van Loon (Cost Clerk) Camp Road.

### DEPARTURES

Bill Hooker (Engineer) Training Scheme and Jim Morse (Engineer) to W Gate Freeway Project.

### TITBITS

At the recent CRB Golf Day at Commonwealth Golf Club, the Metro team although not winning the tea event, team member Greg Kelly had a hole in one.

Since the Golf Day, Greg Kelly partnered by Bill Dunk won the pro-am event at the Croydon Golf Club.

Good to see Overseer Keith Duncan back at work after his back trouble; also Ganger Tony Whalley back at Burwood Highway after an absence.

One point for Woman's Lib. in the Accounts Section. Despite the acquisition of a boat and promises of fish all round by Alf Panozzo, the only fish of any consequence heard of lately were caught by Linda Turner and husband Ken (Urban Projects) at Eildon.

Alan Briggs and Ken Hornsby recently became proud fathers. Alan's daughter made her debut at the Metro Christmas Party, at the tender age of five days.

Juris Bruns and Brian Short have recently joined the Nepean Team. Merv Seoney is busy demolishing houses and keeping an eagle eye on some of the local home industries, especially at No 70 and 122 Nepean Highway.

The Site Office area is looking particularly improved since Jim Spry has returned to us after his extended sick leave.

Juris Bruns can highly recommend the MSS security service after an encounter with a guard one Monday night at the Vic. Rail Office. He had great trouble convincing the guard that he was only checking that the guard was doing his duty.

## PLANS & SURVEY

Interchange rep.—Gary Battershill

### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to David Valentine and Sergio Caneppele on qualifying as Civil Engineers.

### NEW ARRIVALS

Alex Evans, Class 3 Engineer; E Forge, G Christensen, R Rentz, Draftsmen; D Bertam, B Chipperfield, Engineer.

### RETURNS

Peter Baird and Hugh Parker both returned to work in one piece after tripping around Europe, as did Bob Adams after facing the wilds of Indonesia for one

year working with the Snowy Mountains Authority.

Ian Relph managed to come out of his ordeal in Road Planning without a scratch, as did John Smelt who made it through the Engineers Training Scheme. Peter McCulloch came back but wishes he hadn't and Greg Connel came back and he's not too sure.

Sean McCallion is back from Draftsman Training Scheme.

### FAREWELLS

Laurie Watson and Greg Beeton to West Gate Project Office; Renny Kratky to Dandenong; Val Drieberg has left to go to Dandenong Sewerage Authority; David Challman left for surveying.

Warren Duncan has managed 12 months leave to sanity from the landscape group, but with regret the next victim is none other than John Parkinson.

We hope the medical profession have done the right thing this time by Jack Ross—we wish him a speedy recovery.

Ivor Preston, Section 3's answer to Herb Elliott, ran in his first and last marathon (thanks to Noel Anderson) in December. Kerry Burke was heard to mention something about "The old grey mare".

Mick Jones' newly formed canoe club is proving a raging success with a total membership of 2.

Alan Baker is coming in later on Monday mornings due to all his weekend gardening in his new house. Kevin Rhodes has finally finished his barbecue, and Brian Fitts is spending a lot of time on roofs these days as well as in his mate's restaurant.

## TRARALGON

Interchange rep.—Ian Collings

### ARRIVALS

Welcome to our two new engineers, Bob Scott and Mike Sweetland both from Plans and Surveys.

### FAREWELLS

To Greg Mariager who left us to take up a position with Road Planning Division, we wish him all the best for the future. (Interchange also wishes to thank Greg for his efforts in providing Divisional information for his publication and Roadlines in the past).

### GENERAL

The 89th annual Traralgon Show had a surprise winner in Wayne Strobbridge, 11, who defeated women entrants to win the open cookery section with his fruit cake. He also won first prize for his sponge in the open section. Wayne's father has been at Traralgon Division since 1970 and must be enjoying a few good meals at home.

## URBAN PROJECTS

Interchange rep.—Ron Hutchins

### MOVEMENTS

The Sub-Branch welcomes P D Carter to our Johnson Street Bridge Project Office; C Purchase to Head Office; and the following to the West Gate Freeway Project: A Stork, M Mirabella, J Morse, L Watson, G Beeton, V Martin, W Shaw, A Walker, A Gundry.

Although we have gained some, we have also lost, by way of promotion and transfer: R Cross, L McGregor, K Hall, D Blake, P Bubbs, D Poole, R Bridger and J McCarthy, who has resigned from the Board's service in favour of home duties.

## WARRNAMBOOL

Interchange rep.—Gordon Gunn

### ON LEAVE

Jack Gore, Welder, has been caravanning in Western Australia.

Glyn Jones and family went to New Zealand for 3 weeks. "Kiwi" Bryant explained what roadwork features to note—his handiwork of course.

Sick in hospital, was Tich McKay, Depot Foreman with engine troubles. Less smoking required.

Apprentice Russell Cairns had his tonsils out, which has greatly improved his talking capacity.

### WELCOME

To new apprentice John Mellican.



## BIRTHS

**BAGLEY:** To Brian (Bairnsdale) and Joan, congratulations on the arrival of a son, Adrian Glenn.

**BENSON:** To Dick (Bendigo) and Trixie, a daughter, Jennifer Leanne.

**BRUIN:** To Bob (Dandenong) and Geraldine, a daughter, Jacqueline Renee on 13th January.

**BURZACOTT:** To Ray (Ballarat) and Helen, a son, John Anthony.

**BYRDEN:** To John and Chris, a son, Wayne Edward, on 4th September.

**COOK:** To Geoff (Advance Planning) and Jan, a daughter, Amanda Leanne.

**COUSINS:** Jenny (Accounts) and Bernie, are the proud parents of a son, Michael, born on 5th January.

**ELSTON:** To Geoff (Plans & Surveys) and Cheryl, a daughter Breanna—a sister for Brook.

**FLEISCHER:** To Ian (Bairnsdale) and Angela, a daughter, Lisa.

**GRIFFIN:** To Michael (Ballarat) and Carmel, a son, John Anthony.

**HUGHES:** To Howard (Bridge) and Cheryl, a son, Chad Lincoln in September.

**KRUPKO:** To Tony (Mulgrave Project) and Regina, a son, Robert Anthony on 12th December.

**McAULAY:** To Bob (Syndal) and Carol, a daughter Cathleen Joanne.

**MARSHALL:** To Alan (Dandenong) and Heather, a son, Scott Alan, brother for Narelle.

**MARTIN:** To Michael (Ballarat) and Margaret, a daughter, Jillian.

**MURPHY:** Richard (Dandenong) and Marion have another daughter, Christine, sister to Steven and Julia.

**SATCHELLE:** To Peter (Plans & Surveys) and Alison, a daughter, Jacqueline.

**SPEIRS:** To Charlie (Advance Planning) and Janne a daughter, Tamara Leanne on 12th December.

**WHITECROSS:** To Greg (Ballarat) and Cheryl, a daughter, Katie Louise.

**CHRISTOU:** To Vic (Benalla) and Pauline, a daughter Rebecca, a mate for Vicki.

**COOPER:** To Robyn (Benalla) and Geoff a lovely daughter, Hayley Patricia, no doubt the first of a number.

**HOMAN:** To Lex (Benalla) and Jillian a son Clint Daniel.

**SMITH:** To Doug (Benalla) and Kay, a son Cameron Andrew.

**BYRDEN:** To John (Benalla) and Chris, a son Wayne Edward.

## ENGAGED

**BARNETT,** Lesley (Bairnsdale) announced her engagement to Kevin Quirke at the Division's cabaret night.

**LEE,** Robert (Benalla) to Kerrie Lakeman.

## MARRIED

**ANDERSON-DELL:** John Anderson (Admin) married Lynne Dell (Accounts) on 11th February at Pakenham.

**DUNKERLEY:** Sister Barbara (Syndal) married Arthur Jones.

## RETIRED

**ALEXANDER:** Ernie (Syndal), Foreman retired after 30 years with the CRB at the age of 60. A send off was held on 3rd February.

**CAREY:** David (Ballarat), Avoca Patrolman, retired at the age of 60, after 27 years with the Board.

**KING:** Horace (Ballarat), Crane Driver, retired on 10th February, aged 60, after 20 years with the CRB.

**LOWRY:** Inez (5th Floor, Head Office) well known registry girl and theatre booking personality, retired on January 19.

**MURRAY:** Brian (Warrnambool) after 18 years service to move to a warmer climate to benefit his daughter's asthma.

**REEVES:** Gordon (Bairnsdale), Plant Operator, retired on 25th October after 19 years with the Board.

**SMITH:** John (Syndal), Welder will retire on 23rd February, after 12 years with the CRB.

**THOMPSON:** Herbert (Bridge) retired on 28th January after 13 years with the Board. Strangely enough, Herb started work in 1933 at 1 Princess Street, Kew, when Jellis Bakeries occupied the site. He joined the CRB in 1964 and moved to the same address with Bridge Sub-Branch. After 45 years of working life he has finished on the same site that he started work at!

**TIVEALE:** Jim (Benalla), Cost Clerk retired after 16 years' service to spend more time surf and river fishing.

**SMITH:** Russell (Benalla), Supt. of Works retired after 40 years service. Many of his workmates and engineers met at Shepparton to wish Russell well in his retirement.

## DEATHS

**ANDERSON:** Jimmy (Traralgon), Owner-truck driver, died at home on 14th December after 27 years with the CRB.

**ASHBY:** Norm (Bairnsdale), skilled builders labourer, died on 7th October after 20 years with the CRB.

**BRONKHORST:** Arie (Warrnambool) died on 3rd January after retiring on 30th December. Arie was 64 and had spent 22 years with the CRB.

**PEVITT:** Johnny (Warrnambool), Patrol Assistant on Heywood Patrol, died on 2nd January, aged 58. He had worked with the Board for 30 years.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

Winners of HOSA food hamper raffle:  
**1st**—Glenda Mevel, Title Survey  
**2nd**—Dick Williams, Plans & Surveys  
**3rd**—Bruce Unthank, Traffic Engineering

## FOR RENT

**HOLIDAY** House in Mt Beauty township. Accommodates up to 10 people in 3 bedrooms. Large living room and kitchen. Ideal centre for tennis, golf, fishing, etc.

or just relaxing. Skiing at Falls Creek or Mt Buffalo in Winter. For bookings, etc. contact John Finlay (HO ext. 2192).

**HOLIDAY** House—Inverloch. 3 bedrooms, all facilities. Bookings available for Easter and School holidays. Contact Andrew O'Brien (Dandenong ext. 26).

## WANTED TO BUY

**BICYCLE,** Adult size for female—Di Young, HO ext 2633

**DINING** table with six chairs—Danny Gocs, HO ext 2633.

**JAPANESE** swords and British war medals—J Wright, HO ext 2680.

**POTTERS** Wheel, electric. Variable speed—A Dolley, HO ext 2338.

**REFRIGERATOR,** suitable to hold and make cold two to three dozen various coloured bottles containing liquids—V Lawther, Dandenong, ext. 89.

**TWO** wheel caps for Mazda 1800, 1970/71 model—J Trimmell, Bairnsdale.

**WORKSHOP** manual for 1968 Ford Falcon—M Farmer, Benalla.

**1929** Essex, 1929 Dover and 1936 Standard 9 parts and information—L A Edwards, Traralgon.

## WANTED

Girl travelling partner to travel in air-conditioned panel van to Perth in April, 6 weeks. Share expenses. Cherokee, Head Office. Ext. 2019.

## SWAP

**Double** bed with wooden bedheads and a mattress, to swap for one or two single beds. Ext. 2584.

## FOR SALE

**AIR** Conditioner, as new, \$190, Chevron Brand, window model, 6000 BTU, refrigerated unit—Robyn Robb, HO ext 2047 or 2393.

**CARAVAN,** 15 ft Viscount 4 berth, 2 years old \$2600—John Hunt, (Dandenong).

**CLARK** Splash Pool, 7½ ft by 18 inches, not used, \$10—J Low, HO ext 2502.

**FE HOLDEN,** mechanical parts. Some body trim, grill etc.—L A Edwards, (Traralgon).

**IRONING** board, collapsible, \$10 ONO—David Webb, HO ext 2762.

**LIVESTOCK,** (cheap meat), 1 Prime Angus Cow, Top Condition. 1 Hereford Steer (18 months old) Best Offer—D Bryan, HO ext 2377.

**MAZDA** 808 Sedan, LOK 264, Orange, Black trim 4 on floor, P.B. Radio, Radials \$2980—P Millington HO ext 2721.

**MOTOR** home, Starcraft on Bedford Chassis, 1977 model with all luxuries. Perfect for Long Service Leave Trip. Best reasonable offer—Tim Holden ext 2161.

**SAFE**-n-sound Child car seat \$15—V Hughes, Road Planning.

**SEAT** covers, sheepskin, suit small car \$25, ONO—David Webb, HO ext 2762.

**STOCKMAN** waterproof coats, 2 in near new conditions, size 4 and size 6, \$40 each ONO—S Warton, Benalla.

**TELEPHOTO** lens, Tamron brand, auto 300 mm F5.6. As new condition \$130—Robyn Robb HO ext 2047 or 2393.

**TYPEWRITER**—Underwood 18 personal portable. Good conditions with carrying case \$35.—David McCullough, Legal.

**WASHING** machine, Wilkins Servis Automatic series 408, 2 years old, excellent condition—R Furness, Personnel.

**YAMAHA** RD 350, long rego, good tyres, \$550 ONO—J Robinson, Traralgon.

**TENT**—Andre Jamet, 5 berth 13' x 13'. Fully sealed inner tent, 2 sleeping compartments, groundsheet for living area, fly net doorway, \$200—Peter Hillard ext 2412.

**Rims,** 7" to suit Ford, \$12 each. Head Office 2019

### CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE

Classies for the April edition of Interchange close on Friday 17th March.

Send your Classie to your Interchange representative or the Public Relations Section, 5th Floor, Head Office.

## CLASSIES COUPON INTERCHANGE

To: Public Relations Officer  
 5th Floor  
 Head Office

**Closing date:**  
 Friday 17th March.

Please include in the next edition of "Interchange" my classified advertisement (below):

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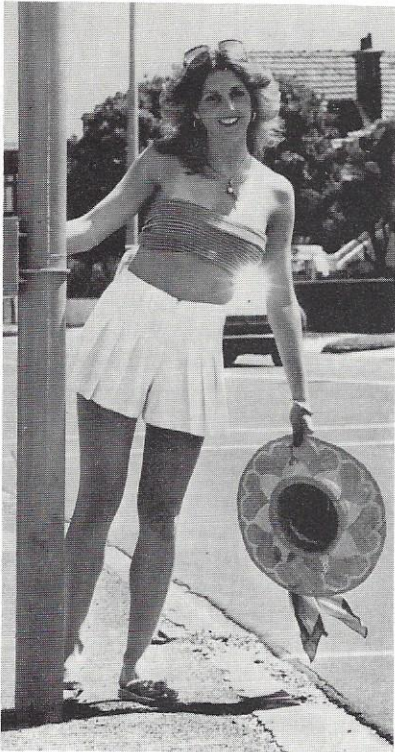
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## THE BEAUTY OF FLEXTIME....



*Cherokee Judd (Personnel) took some time off work to improve her suntan in the January sun at Brighton beach.*

*While she was in the area, Cherokee had a look at landscaping improvements to the Nepean Highway widening project with Metropolitan engineer, John Nation (Pictured right).*

*She is pictured (left) about to cross one of the roads to benefit from the widening project, St Kilda Street, Brighton.*

*Cherokee has worked at the Board for 5 years. In 1976 she took a year's leave of absence to travel through Europe and the US.*

