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Closing date for next issue

Closing date for Classies, Divisional Roundabout and contributions for the next edition of Interchange is August 17th.

CRB MEN HONORED

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY honors have been awarded to two CRB men for their services to the Victorian community.

The former Chairman, Mr R. E. V. (Ted) Donaldson, has been made a Companion of the Imperial Service Order, and Procurement Clerk, Mr Peter Koziell, was awarded the British Empire Medal.

Mr Donaldson, who retired at the end of last year, was honored "B his services to the State of Victoria.

He spent a total of 33 years with the Board, the last eight as Chairman.



MR. R.E.V. DONALDSON



MR. PETER KOZIELL

He lists amongst his most important achievements as Chairman, the ogressive construction of divided highways and the opening of sections of freeways.

Mr Koziell, 53, won his medal for services to the Polish community.

He is described by close friends as the "kingpin" of the Polish sector in Victoria.

He is involved with youth activities, recreation and sport, and ex-servicemen's groups.

Decorations are nothing new to to Mr Koziell. He already has to his credit the Silver Cross of Merit, the Gold Cross of Merit, and the Order of the Polonia Restitute. All three awards were made in London by the Polish government.

Born in Poland, he came to Australia in 1947 and was naturalised two years later.

In 1952, Mr Koziell was elected President of the Polish Air Force Association, a post he still holds today, and he devoted many years to helping newly arrived Polish settlers in Australia.

These people needed a lot of help and Mr Koziell was always on hand to offer advice or assistance with family problems, weddings, funerals, housing and employment.

His home even won the nickname of "The Polish Embassy".

Since then, Mr Koziell has been active organising such events as the Annual Polish Sports Festival and Polish folk dancing concerts.

He also organised the funding of the Polish youth camp, "Polana" and was responsible for supplying the camp with picnic tables, bar-be-ques, concrete footpathing and camping and sporting equipment.

ONE LAST FLING



Correspondence Registry Secretary, Maria Bianculli, hasn't been home in 21 years.

But at the end of last month, she finally made it.

Maria, who arrived in Australia when she was only 15 months old, flew back to Italy to see where she was born.

And before she left, she shocked workmates with her version of "one last fling".

During the ten-week trip, Maria and her mother will visit Maria's birthplace, Potenza, a tiny village near Naples, and L'Aquila, where most of her relatives still live.

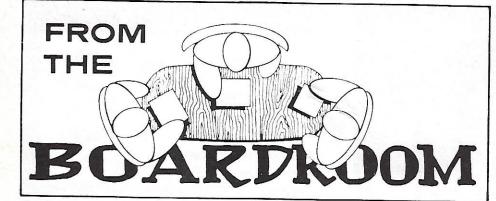
"I am absolutely rapt about the trip. I have always wanted to see what Italy looks like," she bubbled just before take-off.

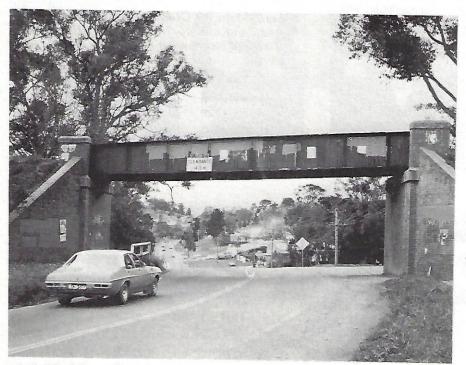
Maria, who at five-foot nothing, is the tiniest girl in Head Office, is due back in September.

Unlike other CRB globetrotters, Maria will have little trouble making herself understood — she speaks fluent Italian.

OUR picture shows Maria having her "fling" as amazed workmates, Jenny Spilar, Kay Lindley and Vicki Martino look on.

DINNER DANCE PICTURES CENTRE PAGES





IT'S GONE!

THIS Lilydale landmark has moved to a new home.

superstructure of the red railway bridge across Maroondah Highway has been dismantled and will now be used by the Emerald Tourist Railway Authority as part of the historic hefing Billy railway system.

Its removal has cleared the way for the proposed duplication of the Maroondah Highway between Anderson Street and the Warburton Highway.

The cleara under the bridge was too low for some of the larger transport loads, and before its removal, a number of trucks were forced to make long detours to avoid it.

CRB work in dismantled the bridge on Sunday, July 8, and delivered it the same day to Emerald.

Work began at 7.30 a.m. to keep traffic disruption to a minimum.

OFFICIAL CRB maps, covering Victoria, Melbourne and its surrounds, and a newly produced map of Melbourne itself, are now available for sale to the general public.

The maps, in either color or dyeline, come in four sections each. They will cost \$8 per set, or \$2 a section.

The maps all show the CRB's declared road system, municipal boundaries and general topographical features.

Run for THE CRB has agreed to support a "Super Run" between the MCG and the Flemington Racecourse

by allowing the runners to use two traffic lanes of the Johnson Street Bridge, the eastern approach to the West Gate Bridge and the Geelong and Ballarat Roads.

The 18 kilometre marathon is being organised by the Herald and Weekly Times in support of a number of charities, including the Australian Amateur Athletics Association.

The Premier, Mr Hamer and the Minister for Youth, Sport and

Recreation, Mr. Dixon, have also offered their support for the run which is expected to attract about 15,000 runners.

CRB engineer, Mr John Clarke has been nominated as the Board's representative on the liaison committee.

The run will be held on Sunday, September 23.

PROPOSED BYPASSES ANNOUNCED

The Minister for Transport, Mr. Maclellan, has announced details of two CPB proposals for two sections of the Prince Freeway.

The first section involves 16.7 kilometres which will bypass Traralgon, and the second, 34 kilometres for the sed n west of Pakenham to the Bunyip River, east of Bunyip.

Mr Maclellan said the first route would bypass Traralgon to the south and follow a route from near the drive-in theatre west of Traralgon, to North Minniedale Road to the east.

He said the proposed bypass would make the city quieter and safer by removing through traffic from Traralgon.

The route would affect 60 properties, including nine houses and would cost an estimated \$25 million based on 1978 figures, he said.

The second proposed "section" would bypass Pakenham to the south, joining the Princes Highway near Nar Nar Goon.

Between Nar Nar Goon and the Bunyip River, the route has been designed to use the existing Princes Highway with the highway being duplicated in the first stage of construction. Intersections will be retained and in the final stage, will be converted to full freeway standards.

The Princes Highway is now carrying about 11,000 vehicles each day through Pakenham.

Mr Maclellan said construction of the section between Beaconsfield and Nar Nar Goon was not likely to take place for several years.

Space age pipe

Building a freeway, or any road, is not just a matter of constructing a road surface. Often pipes, cables or sometimes drains and creeks have to be relocated before road construction can begin.

On the Mulgrave Freeway between Warrigal Road and Huntingdale Road, Oakleigh, the CRB had to construct a 1.6km long pipeline for the Oakleigh North Main Drain, which ran along the route of the freeway.

The \$600,000 concrete pipeline ranges in size from 1.9m to 2.7m diameter consisting of 2.4 m segments.

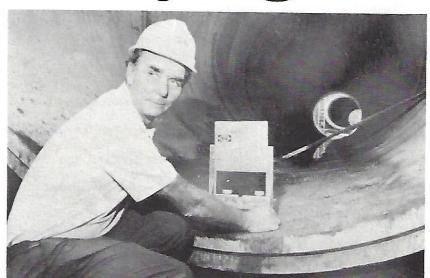
A laser beam system was used to achieve the high standard required for both level and

alignment of the pipeline. A laser beam is a small diameter beam of one colour light able to traverse long distances in a straight line.

The laser beam unit, powered by a normal car battery, was set inside the pipe to establish a continuous reference line along the length of the pipeline trench. A gauge, or target, can then be placed at any point along the trench to determine depths from this continuous reference line.

This system means that the pipeline was placed accurately and quickly.

Work Supervisor Roy Smith found the laser beam system a significant improvement over the old line and level control system.



Work Supervisor Roy Smith with the laser beam unit.

FLEXI FOOTY

BRIDGE Engineer, John Moylan, is always on the ball — especially at weekends.

Every Saturday, he swaps his conservative public servant image for a Footscray jumper and takes to the field as a football star.

Since the beginning of this season, John (26) has played regularly with the Bulldog's top side, and he is fast gaining a reputation as one of the Club's best half-back flankers.

Before that, he was playing for North Melbourne.

"I made the change for a number of reasons," he told Interchange. "Playing with a new Club has renewed my enthusiasm.

"I am also getting more regular games with Footscray than I was with North.

"It was good to have a change of scenery."

John started as a cadet engineer with the CRB in 1970, and is now a fully qualified design engineer.

At present he is working on the West Gate Freeway.

John says the introduction of Flexitime has done wonders for his football career.

"Before Flexitime, I was always late for training.

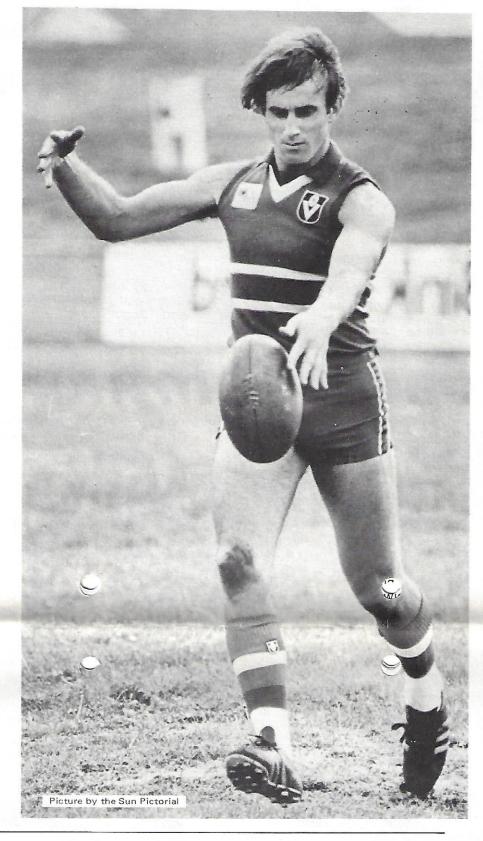
"But now, there is no problem out getting away in plenty of time to be on the ground at the start of the session."

As well as being a football idol, John is also a keen skier.

"A few of us manage to get away the odd day trip to Mount Buller, but normally my ski-ing doesn't fit in with my football programme," he said.

Easily the Board's most eligible bachelor, John is a country boy at heart.

His family own a farm at Dookie and he normally spends his holidays back on the farm helping with the harvesting.



THERE'S A TRACK LEADING BACK

The CRB will take a step back into the past at this year's Royal Melbourne Show.

The theme for our exhibit will be "The History of Roads in Victoria" and it will show comparisons between early and modern roads and road construction methods.

Already, hundreds of historic photographs, some dating as far back as 1912, have been dug out of the archives for the display. The exhibit will be in the form of an audio visual multi-screen slide presentation, and will be part of the Ministry of Transport exhibition in the Government Pavilion. CRB staff will man the display. The Royal Show will run from September 19 to 29.

The Board has also agreed to stage a display at this year's Apprenticeship Exhibition.

It will be the first time Board apprentices have taken part in the exhibition.

The exhibit will centre around examples of work undertaken by apprentices as part of their training.

Some of the working models prepared by the apprentices will include: a cut-away model of a working combustion engine, models of hydraulic pumps, solar heated water systems and historical plant items that have been prepared by Board apprentices.

The exhibition was recommended by Apprentice Supervisor, Brian Butler, after a visit to last year's exhibition.

The exhibition will be held at the Government Pavilion at the Royal Melbourne Showgrounds between August 6 and 13.

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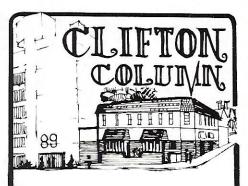
You can help us to help you by keeping the Interchange staff informed about the doings in your department.

And we need to know in a hurry. A recent report about a cricket match reached our desk FOUR months after the match. Even allowing for hangovers, this is far too late for publication.

This also applies to Divisional Roundabout notes, and classified advertisements.

We MUST have them by the due date.

If you have something of interest to tell us, our extension is 2633. We are always eager to listen. And remember, any photographs for Interchange must be black and white.



THREE false alarms in the one week had the ever alert HO fire officers on their toes.

But a full investigation revealed the cause not to be the work of a cruel hoaxer, but the burning toast at the breakfast session in the cafeteria.

Apparently automatic alarms don't like the smell of burning brekky.

Office Services are now demanding that Saladas be served with bacon and eggs.

RADIO 3LO's breakfast announcer, Peter Evans, is either a staunch women's lib supporter or he is just plain pernickety.

As he pointed out on his programme recently, a Board report about a road being closed while workmen built a manhole was incorrect.

"It should have been 'built a personhole'," said Evans.

A STORY from one of counterpart organisations. An SEC worker from Moe was in a Dandenong men's wear store trying on various suits for an impending wedding.

He eventually found a wifitting, conservative outfit but was put back with the sales clerk's comment: "It's only \$70."

"I was looking for something more expensive," commented the country visitor.

"Oh, that's all right," came the clerk's obliging reply, "I'll just put the price up on that one!"

SENIOR Board officer turned up at work last week sporting a very blackened eye.

Seems he was greeted after a night out with the boys by a not-so loving wife.

Said officer has now officially declared his home an official hard-hat zone.

HEAD OFFICE Basgy has a novel approach to flexitime.

He always keeps himself around the maximum in debit. "If I get hit by a bus, it's the Board, not me, that will lose out," he explains.

AS OUR clever little secretary in the editorial office of Interchange tells us "Only the good Di Young".

DAVE IS A MAN WHENTER WHITH DRIVE

DAVE Beattie is certainly a man with drive.

And after 19 years as the Board's official chauffeur, who wouldn't be?

During his career, Dave has driven five different Board chairmen more than a million miles.

He has been right around Victoria twice and says he is now working on the third circuit.

In all those miles, Dave has had only one breakdown, and that was when an engineer steered him through a shortcut.

"We were up at Murchison, and a local engineer told us to take a cut through the bush," says Dave.

"We ended up bogged to the axles and we had to get a bull-dozer to pull us out," he said.

Because he goes just about

everywhere with the Chairman, Dave is often being mistaken for a Divisional Engineer, a member of the Board, a special advisor to the Board, and once even for the Chairman himself.

"That was at Frankston. A local councillor mistook me for Tom Russell.

"It even made the local paper. It was all quite embarrassing," he said

"On another occasion at Hamilton, Ted Donaldson even went so far as to introduce me as his special advisor.

"I got all sorts of VIP treatment that day."

Dave says his is the best job in the Board, "bar none".

"All the Chairmen have been terrific blokes.

"They all treat me like just one of the official party.

"And they always sit up front with me when they have been alon

"There is never anything so formal as them sitting in the back like Lord Mucks."

When Dave first started as the Board's driver, his vehicle wan old 1956 Ford Customline.

These days, its a shining white Ford LTD.

\$50 CASH PRIZE FOR THE LADS

AN ANNUAL award is to be made to the most outstanding apprentice at the Syndal workshops.

It will carry a \$50 cash prize as well as a desk plaque. In addition, the winner's name will be inscribed on a shield hung in the foyer of the depot canteen.

The winner will be decided by a voting system with votes coming from supervisors in each section of the workshop.

The award was introduced as an annual event after a similar award was made by the workshop committee last year to apprentice, David Hopes.

The committee made the award independently of management and raised the money to pay for it amongst themselves.

About 40 second, third and fourth year apprentices will be eligible for the award.

Ron's gone a'painting



PERSONNEL Officer, Ron Muller, is really quite an arty type.

And a very successful arty type at that.

He is an accomplished water colour artist specialising in traditional Australian landscapes.

His works have been highly praised throughout the art world, and his three one-man exhibitions have all been outstanding successes.

At his latest exhibition, at the exclusive Manyung Gallery in Mount Eliza, most of the fifteen paintings displayed were snapped up by eager art lovers.

Other paintings have found their way to Germany, America and England.

Ron has now packed his wife, Maree, and their two children into a camper van, and has headed off to the wilds of the great Australian North to capture even more of our native beauty on canvas.

During the seven-week trip, they will travel to Adelaide, then take the Ghan train to Alice Springs and Ayres Rock. From there they will head for Katherine Gorge, then across the top to Cairns and down the East Coast.

Every inch of the way, Ron will be sketching and taking photographs of scenic panoramas that catch his eye.

"The actual painting will have to wait until we get home," explains Ron.

"A camper van in the bush makes a very poor work studio, and there are a lot of problems with paintings when you are on the move," he said.

"But once we are back, I should have enough material in the sketches and photographs to keep me busy for a long, long time."

Ron has been planning the trip for two years and he is confident it will produce enough work for him to stage at least one more exhibition before the end of the year.

But most of all, he wants to find a special scene he can paint, just for himself.

"Nearly all of my work has been sold, and we have only one on the wall at home," he said.

WHAT A WINE-UP!



MORE than a hundred wine lovers sipped their way through 89 bottles at the CRB's Wine Club wine tasting night early this month.

The night was a tremendous success and ten different varieties of wine ranging from champagne to muscat were available to the drinkers.

The function, in the Board's theatrette, began just after five,

and the last empty bottle was put away about 9 o'clock.

The guest speaker, local wine merchant, Stan Majewski, talked about the re-emergence of Victorian vineyards.

Wine club president, Jeff Briggs,

kept the wine flowing and said later he felt the evening had been a "knockout".

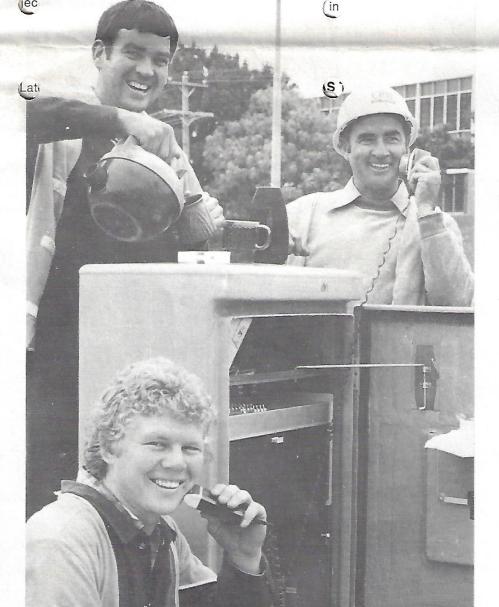
"Judging by the noise, everyone had a ball," he said.

"It was a good chance for the staff and some of their friends to get together over a drink."

All of the wines ta and are available, and anyone wishing to try a little more, can contact Jeff on Extension 2563 for details of prices etc.



OUR picture shows Julie King, Jan Pemberton, Bob Evans, Karen Barnfather and Paul Anglin getting a top-up from Wine Club president, Jeff Briggs.



To work - by a whisker

On site at the Mulgrave Freeway Project, men learn to live on raw courage and compromise. In this harsh climate, cafeteria ladies are non-existent, and luxuries such as tea trolleys and the like are nothing more than a far-off dream.

Sometimes initiative is a necessity. The lads at Warrigal Road/Waverley Road intersection have been spending so much time on the job lately they have had to use a power point in the new traffic signal controller for their early morning needs.

Overseer Dale Carmody prepares the coffee while Ganger Bob Wills (left) and Overseer Joe Joiner finish shaving.

Any unwanted secondhand toasters, electric frying pans, sandwich makers, etc., can be left at the Project Office during normal working hours.

BRIGGS DREGS

Officially our dinner was to celebrate the wife's birthday. How was I to know the course of the evening would arouse such passion within me?

Before dinner we quietly sipped a delectable 1973 Deutz Blanc de Blanc Champagne which, as soft lights sparkled through the myriads of tiny escaping bubbles, seemed to be on fire.

The atmosphere was near perfection: neither too much, nor too little, with the Deutz providing a delicious tingle to properly set the mood for what was to follow.

Next appeared a bottle of the kind that makes women weak and makes me wish I had a cellar full — a seductive 1973 Lindemans Hunter Valley Burgundy. Unlike many Hunter reds I've tried, this was positively delightful: soft and round, full of charm and flavour.

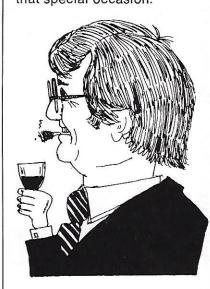
And then, one of those few moments in your life when, in true Hollywood tradition, shooting stars shoot, bells peel joyfully, and the ground sways beneath you as you remain motionless, Rosanna Brazzi sings 'Some Enchanted Evening', from South Pacific, and Louis Jordan suddenly realises that Gigi is no long a silly little girl but is in fact a woman.

We sat transfigured ... hearts pounding ... pulses racing ... our eyes not knowing where to look, as I, searching for works to describe my feelings, cound do nothing but audibly sigh as a sated smirk spread across my face.

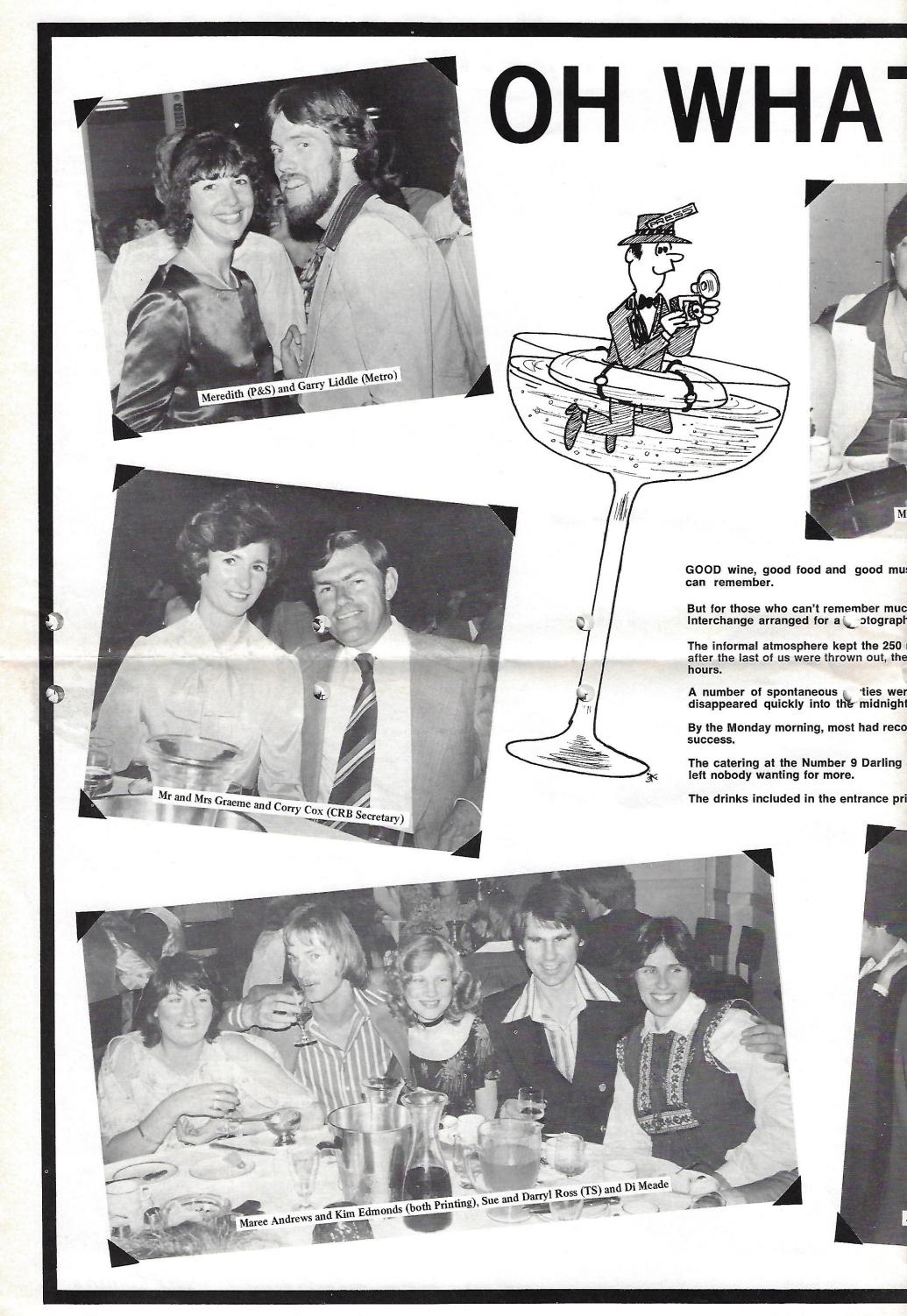
Once again I experience the stunned silence after hearing Richard Strauss '"I'm Abendrot" for the First Time', and the exultation after tasting my only bottle of twelve-year-old 1964 Chateau Reynella Cabernet. Both were never to be forgotten experiences that could never be adequately expressed in mere words alone.

I yearned for more, but, alas, the rapture could not be sustained for unfortunately we had drained the final drop of our bottle of 1971 Chateau De Pommand French Burgundy.

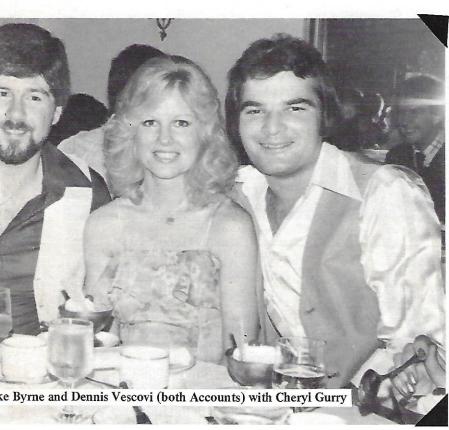
It had been a truly exquisite wine with which to celebrate that special occasion.



Jeff Briggs



TANITE!





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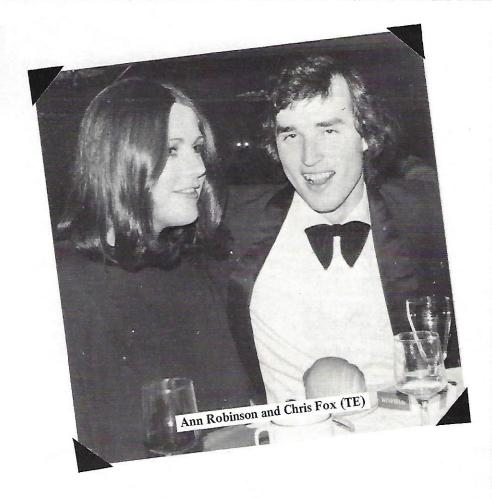
evellers rockin' and reelin' well past the pumpkin hour, but even e were some who wanted to "kick on" even further into the early

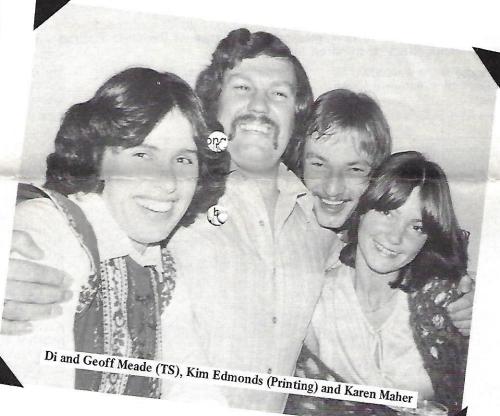
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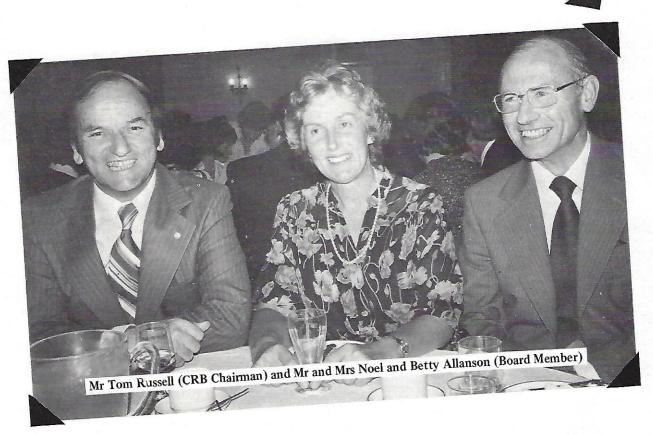
treet reception rooms was first class and the three-course meal

e also did their bit to make the function a memorable one.









Formal Farewell

FAREWELLS can be pretty formal affairs, even at the CRB.

And when Emmerson Richardson took his leave from the Traffic Engineering Division, it was a case of bowler hat and tails for the guest of honour.

Explained Emmerson; "I hate wearing

"A cravat is much more suited as regulation apparel for a Board officer."

Emmerson, an Engineer Class 3, was with the Board for four years before he opted for a career with the Western Australian City of Stirling as a Traffic



RPA TOPS 100

With the introduction of 19 new members, the ranks of the CRB Retired Persons swelled to more than a hundred members.

The "newies" were welcomed by the "oldies" at a General Meeting in May.

The guest speaker at the meeting, Mr Kerrin O'Callaghan of the Commonwealth Taxation Office dished out a few tips about tax.

He concentrated mainly on provisional tax effecting retiring people.

Association have

Les Beecher has been forced to resign from the Comp tee after a spot of ill health, an as been replaced by Bas Abery. All of Les' mates are hoping a speedy recovery will get him back on his feet again.

The formation of cour groups is progressing successfully and Albert Boucher is available to advise anyone from Bairnsdale Division wanting to join the Association. The Secretary, Eric Montcrieff will also visit various divisions with similar advice.

A visit to the Mitchelton Winery proved to be interesting and entertaining and more such excursions have been called for.

Jim Paton scored the two bottles of champagne for his lucky membership number at the May General meeting.

The next general meeting is scheduled for 12.15 on Tuesday, August 28, at the theatrette at Head Office, Kew.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I would like to draw your reader's attention to the paragraph appearing on page 3 of the May issue of "Interchange" To suggest that I would even consider launching my vintage limousine in the turbulent waters of Lake Nillahcootie has cut me to the main sheet.

I would like to advise your readers of the true facts of the incident.

Having suffered the humiliation of becoming immobilised (stuckh I was offered volumes of advice by the cream of the Board staff, including the Deputy Chairman. My own crew, Rob Green, as usual offered his nautical comments. The crew's duties fore your information is to assist the skipper, but Rob does not seem to understand this when we sail.

I might add that the Deputy Chairman's wife was the only person who showed any sympathy whatsoever, for which I am most grateful. As you can see from the photograph when it came to action, the Deputy Chairman was unable to match his advice with his efforts on the port side.

The real help came from a yachting club member and old Benalla friend, Mr Jack Gipp. I trust that this story sets the record straight. TOM GLAZEBROOK.

KATHY COME BACK

Everyone loves a gorgeous bird, but imagine having a real live beauty queen in the house.

That's exactly what we had some years back . . . a genuine CRB Miss Australia entrant.

Her name was Kathlyn Armstrong and that's about all we know about her, fellas!

Kathlyn's picture surfaced this week from our "Nostalgia File" and we decided to run it as an incentive for some of our modern day talent who might be considering entering the cheesecake stakes.

According to the sparse information that came with the picture, Kathlyn was nominated by the CRB Younger Set in 1947 under the title of "Miss Travel".

She raised funds for the Free Kindergarten Union of Victoria and the Christmas Food Parcels for Widows of Royal Navy Personnel.

Right now, we don't know where she is, but we feel it's definitely a case of "Kathy Come Back".



DIVISIONAL ROUNDABOUT

HEAD OFFICE

IN TRANSIT

Registry were sorry to lose another happy face when Sue Langmire was promoted to Admin. 1 in Plans & Surveys. Vicki Martino from Metro Division has replaced Sue.

Two resignations in Estates Section are Geoff Unsworth to travel overseas and Phillip Murray who took up a position in the Valuer Generals Office.

New arrivals to Personnel Section are Lee Bower (Personnel Assistant), Tim James (Workers Compensation), and Ken Vickery (Acting Leave & Statistical Records Officer). Personnel Section however have relinquished Cherokee Judd to Urban Projects and Mike Anderson to Traffic Section.

Barry Thomas, Senior Systems Analyst, resigned to join the TAB and Jeff Ang, Analyst Programmer, has spread his wings and taken a job at Ansett. Both were from Computer Section.

Public Relations Section welcomes John Allison (ex Methods) and Phil Teese (ex Sunday Observer) although we have lost David Webb (Public Relations Officer) and Peter Carey (now Works Analyst).

The two new faces in Legal Section are Cathy Purchase (ex Urban Projects) and Tim Wilson (ex Estates ction). Gaye Schofield (Legal) and a busy week recently — Gaye resigned from the Board on Friday, was married on Saturday and left to live in Boston with her husband on the following Tuesday (Phew!). Latest details of Thursday haven't ached us as yet.

GENERAL NEWS

Warwick Bull is away on Long Service Leave travelling overseas with his wife and child. A secretariat spokesman said he was "in Europe somewhere".

Peter Salway (Personnel) has returned from a sojourn at the Ministry of Transport.

Jack Foster (Personnel Manager) returned in late July after 7 weeks overseas.

Maurice Langford (Personnel) returned to the Board in early July after 2 months travelling to Hong Kong, the UK, Europe and the West Coast of America.

Ron Muller (Personnel) has set off on his 7 week "Outback Australia" trip on 28th June, and was well armed with easel, palette, watercolors and wife.

Peter Lindsay had four weeks holiday in Darwin during June. He recently returned to Personnel for a ten month break.

Registry welcomes back Audrey Bertram after a 6 week trip back home to England and Des Chapple after a spell in hospital, during which time Max Airey looked after the ladies as Acting OIC — Thanks Maxxxx.

Registry tells us Kay Lindley, who had a short stay in hospital, couldn't wait to get back and "bust her stitches".

Registry wishes Maria Bianculli a safe and happy holiday in Italy. Methods welcomes back Peter Hogon who spent four weeks travelling Coburg, North Brunswick and other exotic far-off places.

OFFICE MOVEMENTS

Title Survey welcomes Frank Mau and Ross Stewart (both from Engineering Surveys) and Geoff Miller who has been seconded from Dandenong Division.

Allan Leake resigned on 29th May after 15 years with Title Survey. Allan is the drummer with the Storyville Jazz Band and plans to devote more time to the band.

Max Corry has left Title Survey to take up duties with Engineering Surveys, and Tony Nash has been seconded for 12 months to the West Gate Freeway Project.

GENERAL NEWS

Tom Smallman (Title Survey) had two months away touring the U.S.A. and Sweden.

John Harper (Title Survey) and wife, Wendy, went cruising around the Pacific, calling at ports in the Philippines and south-east Asia.

BENALLA

WELCOME

To Jenny Ellis who joined the accounts staff as Comptometrist. She replaces Helen Revell who has joined the ranks of the D.E. Clerk's section

CONGRATULATIONS

To Mary Young (but not so "Young"), who obtained her driving licence at the second attempt, having received a lot of tuition from her husband, Don Sharkie (Traffic Officer) and Des Hare (Raceway Supervisor) and a lot of "encouragement" from workmates in the office.

We all ex d our congratulations (or conditiones!) to our new "Grandmothers" here at Benalla. They may be old in name but are very young in spirit.

OVERSEAS TRIP

John Pipe Engineer, is spending three months overseas, touring England and Europe. John, who is 6 ft. 4 in., might find it difficult entering some of the old historical places of interest in Europe. John has been nicknamed "Black Jack" by his workmates, because of his passport photograph.

Bob Auld, our very popular Gardner and Mail Man, was welcomed back from his recent trip to New Zealand with open arms. Things just don't go as smoothly without him. Bob tells us that he and his wife had a great time. They even enjoyed better weather in windy Wellington than we had here in Benalla.

NEW HOME

At last, Arthur Ford, ADE, and family have shifted into their new home on the outskirts of Benalla.

THE HUNTER

Benalla's Permit Officer, Des Hare, after a dramatic fight with a fox last year has got his revenge by taking out his wrath on the local red fin population. Evidence of this is his badly-ripped hands.

MARRIAGE

LEE-LAKEMAN—After honeymooning on the Gold Coast, will the responsibilities of marriage effect the performance of one of our star footballers?

DEATHS

PEEL, Thomas James — All here at Benalla Division were saddened by the sudden death of Tom Peel. Tom had worked for the Board for 18 years and was due to retire in October this year.

OLD "MAC" EDWARDS HAD A FARM

Engineer Gary Edwards, who owns a small farm in the Benalla area, recently acquired a number of new additions to his "menagerie" which have caused quite a bit of confusion and concern. Gary spent one recent frosty morning pursuing one goat, one cat, one dog and last but cer-

tainly not least ONE BULL. One can only hope that Gary's pyjamas weren't red.

RETIREMENT

Jack Macklin has retired after sixteen years of Board service. Jack spent most of the time as grader driver with the patrols in the southern part of the Division. Jack will spend his retirement developing a gold mine in the Gordon area.

DEPARTURES

Assistant Divisional Engineer Bob Gooch left on June 1 for 16 months as a COFE Minister of the Airways. He will be stationed at Cooktown. Glyn Jones will take over as Assistant Divisional Engineer for that period.

TRAVELLING

Nell Rapacholi and family and Glyn Jones and family spent the May holidays soaking up the sunshine in Queensland.

Divisional Engineer Clerk, Dave Hooker, will also be Bjelke bound in late June for two months. Famous for his comments about the deep north, it is understood he is travelling incognito.

Laboratory Chief, Max Harper, has just returned from several weeks of fishing at "The Entrance", near Gosford.

Engineering Assistant, John Brunt, and his wife, are off on a seven-week tour of Central Australia in July, while Divisional Accountant, Bill McConnell, and family are jet-setting to Hong Kong, Japan and the U.S. at the end

Phew: all this travelling is tiring.

RESIGNATIONS

Draftsman Don Gleeson finished at the end of June and proved into his own milk bar. We vish him all the best in his new venture.

Vin Gilfedder finishes at the end of July after 33 years with the Board.

RETIREMENT

Draftsman Max Irwin retires on July 22.

MRD

FAREWELL

Nick Litterbach left in March, and is now working at the CSIRO as a Technical Assistant. Greg Ridsdale resigned after six years with the Board. Edgar Sandy has also resigned and is now working at Siemens of Richmond in Component Sales. Edgar spent 4½ years in the Electronics Lab. T.A. Jim Larkin and Overseer Len Owen have also resigned. Farewell to Greg Mayo who helped out in the Prep. Lab. while Neville Hogan was on leave. Steve Mumford from the Workshop left in June. Steve Shelton from the Geology Section has joined John Connell and Associates and will be working initially on the underground rail loop.

WELCOME

Welcome to Shane McConachy, the new T.A. working with Murray Dixon. Also to Paul White, who after completing his Masters at Uni., is now an Engineer for Special Research in M.R.D. Doug Hutchison is the new operator in the Trichlore-thylene Lab. Wayne Wilson is the new apprentice in the Workshop. Welcome to the new E.O. 1's, Tony Megens at Mulgrave, John Seymour at Doveton, Oshana Gewargis in the Stone Lab., Chris Carson in Asphalt, Andrew Munodawafa in Bitumen Lab. and Jeff Gerish in the Concrete Lab. Welcome also to Tom Barker, the new Laboratory Attendant.

GENERAL

Graeme Briant spent a few weeks holiday at Wilsons Prom. Rumour has it that a "Rock" is going to fall on the Foundation Section in the near future. Rick Evans spent two weeks leave in Queensland. George Carruthers is now at the Carrum office with John Rowe. Dan Baker spent a month touring the East coast of N.S.W. and Victoria. Alan Griffiths braved the autumn weather for a two-week camping holiday at Halls Gap. Gail Fleming was presented with a "Corning Ware" baking tray from the people at M.R.D. Gail was married on May 12th. Also married on the same day was Leith Wohlers. Leith was presented with a Crock Pot and a glass serving dish.

Lloyd Wilson spent a few weeks' leave in Sweden where his daughter lives. Gary Chapman spent his honeymoon on a boat on the Hawkesbury River. Andrew Tucker spent eight weeks' leave in Queensland and New Zealand. Ken Fry previously with Pavement Section, is now working on the Foundations Section Drilling Rig. Ken's replacement in Pavement is Neil Brown. Murray Dixon has been promoted to Overseer (Class II) and also gets to drive the new four-wheel drive Chev. Everyone working on the Wallan-Broadford Section went to Angeluccis for dinner on April 8th.

Our new barbecue was a great success and there was enough room for everyone's steaks. Marbe next time we'll write our name name name.

Did you know that Michael Ma was part of the tail end of the Chinese dragon in the Moomba process of the Moomba part of the Moomba process of the Moomba process

Farewell to Neil Quinn who left the Board's service in May. Andrew Skotnicki spent a month in America and did a bit of skiing in Aspen, plus a stopover in Hawaii. Simone Servals is off to Europe for two months with her family.

PLANS AND SURVEYS

Alan Mackinlay's section held two successful nights recently; the first was at Brian Fitts' home for his fellow workers, but the wives and girl-friends were not overjoyed, so a night for everybody was held at Marg and Gary Battershill's home for 30 people with the Pancake Parlour coming to cook the supper. Both nights were great successes and Ken Williamson, David Keam and Bruce Hicks all announced their separate engagements over that weekend.

And with Ian Relph's marriage on June 17 at Mt Macedon this only leaves one major bachelor left — so watch out, Brian.

Brian Fitts is leaving for a nine weeks' holiday in Europe. We wish him a good holiday and good hunting.

Terry Kot broke a bone in his foot while dancing his version of a Russian Cossack dance with Trish Maganja (P & S typist) at her birthday party. All Plans and Surveys wish her a happly twenty-first.

DEPARTURE AND ARRIVAL

Brian Laider moved to Materials Research Division and Sue Longmire has taken over Brian's spot in Plans and Surveys.

TRARALGON

MOVEMENTS

The new faces are Malcolm Prior, Peter Wilson and Soo Bong Chung (all Depot) and Roger Bell (Cost Clerk).

Farewell to Lionel Warren, Pasquale Pugliese, Grant Dean, Pat Stabler (transferred to Bridge) and Peter Parrett.

RETIRED

Jim Bush, a long-serving Traffic Controlman with the B.S. gang, retired recently. A farewell barbecue and presentation was held at the depot. We are sorry to report that soon after his retirement Jim passed away. Our sympathies are extended to his family.

DEATH

It was with regret that we learnt of the death of Graham Harkins. 'Harko", an overseer, had been on sick leave for some time with cancer. He will be sadly missed and our thoughts are with him and his family.

SPORTS DAY

The recently held inter-divisional sports day between Traralgon and Bairnsdale proved to be a most enjoyable day with Jephcott's Jaguars and Curries Crusaders doing battle in cricket, tennis and golf. For the see Bairnsdale Divisional notes.

GET WELL

Foster Patrolman Don Douch has been on sick leave for some time and has had to have several operations. We hope that you are well soon, Don, and get back with us.

SOCIAL ROUND-UP

A barbecue was held down at the depot on a very pleasant autumn Sunday. There were tractor and horse rides for the kids (and the not so young) and plenty of eats and drinks. The lawns of the depot are arractive spot for this type of function and it is intended to erect some permanent barbecues on these lawns.

Storeman Ian Couch, a confirmed bachelor, recently got engaged. The s" decided he should have a preliminary bucks night so a bar-becue and "etc." night was held. It proved to be an enjoyable evening during which lan was presented with a vertical grill and other assorted "useful" presents. Now lan can't wait for the real bucks night.

A supper dance was held in the Social Club rooms on Saturday, 23rd June. An organist was hired to provide the music and the forty people who attended voted the night a great success. Gary "Jo Kool" Lawrence taught Fran Doyle to disco and it took so much out of him that we hear he didn't arise until 4 p.m. Sunday. Doug "Caruso" Ryan led the community singing around the organ. In fact, the organist who was hired until 12 was having such fun he played for another two hours for nothing and all the songsters staggered home after two in the morning.

The Social Club is planning a Chinese Dinner night in August so everyone keep a watch for this. (And there is no truth in the rumour

BAIRNSDALE

HOW SICK ARE YOU?

Well we have a "worker" by the name of "Thunder" Collins who lives at Bonang. Bill, 57, started with the Board in July 1954 as a Bonang Patrol Assistant.

Talk about feeling crook, Bill took a day off in September 1957, and another in May 1960.

In August 1962 he actually took five days off and since then hasn't had a sickie.

We don't know whether it's the mountain air or the mountain women, but not to have a single day off in 17 years must certainly be some sort of CRB record?

EDITOR'S NOTE: Personnel agree. It is certainly a record.

DIVISIONAL ROUNDABOUT

SICK LIST BENDIGO

Bert Parsons, Patrolman-in-Charge at Cann River, is off work for six months due to ill-health. We all hope he has a speedy recovery.

SPORTS DAY

Jephlotts Jaguars and Curries Crusaders met in Sale in April for an interdivisional sports day. We just managed to bring home the fine shield after winning the cricket by two runs.

In cricket, Traralgon, led by Dr Currie (whose attire and batting was immaculate) scored a total of 101 runs. Top scores were Brian Doyle and Dr Currie. Top wicket getters were David and "Rodney Hogg"

Bairnsdale repiled with a total of 103 with John Downie, Phil Prosser and Jamie Murphy top-scoring. Lindsay Marshall ended up taking three catches for the Crusaders.

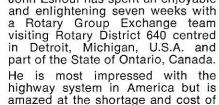
In tennis, Traralgon, who were strengthened by the inclusion of guest lady player "Kevina" Hadingham, proved too strong, winning five sets to one. Both Noel and Jennie Linford won their three sets. Bairnsdale took off the golf with Alan Scott having the best score for the day.

A rematch early next year seems certain.

DANDENONG

OVERSEAS

Progress reports from Vic Lawther (and Kath) and David Vimpani (and Valerie) say all appear to be enjoying their globetrotting. As yet we have not heard how Andrea Gilbert is progressing in her travels.



John Esnouf has spent an enjoyable

amazed at the shortage and cost of fuel there.

NEWS

TRAVELLING

A big welcome to new member of the staff, Tricia Scarlett. Tricia replaces Mrs Kay Addlem who left the Board after four years to concentrate on the garden at her husband's property at Serpentine. Now that Tricia has joined us, Julie Anderson becomes the s shortest member of the staff.

We nearly lost Jenny Bridges a couple of months ago. Jenny toured Europe during her leave. The trip included Egypt where a offered 500 camels for her.

Joan Summers was another over-seas traveller during her leave in April, visiting friends in England.

We have it on good authority that a former member of the Bendigo Workshop Staff and his wife were caused some embarrassment on returning to Tullamarine in the early hours of the morning recently following a vacation in Hawaii. He had left his car in the car park for the fortnight. It was still intact, but parking lights left on left the battery

Cook Kevin Fahy retires this month. Kevin was with the Board for only eight years but his culinary feats



It could be the petrol shortage, or then again maybe they start em young up at Seymour. But whatever the reason, a trike with official CRB number plates.... and an official CRB parking spot is a rarity.

ARRIVALS

A lot of new faces have joined the division team:

- -Elsa Fraser from Traffic who is our new 'Hello' girl; Dawn King (wife of Dennis King,
- also of Traffic) who is relieving while Andrea Gilbert is overseas;
- Betty Bauers, ex Head Office, who is relieving in the Accounts
- -Bruce Lyons, Survey Officer from Mulgrave Project;
- Bob Jones, Admin. Officer from Estates;
- Dorothy Treseder, who is also relieving in Accounts Section;
- Warwick Peel who has moved into the divisional office from the field.

It's good to have you on the team and trust you're getting to know us all by now.

DEPARTURES

Evie Vardis left the Accounts Section on June 20 to prepare a welcome for her second baby, due in August. We wish Evie (and Bob) all the best and look forward to Evie's return to the office.

HOSPITAL VISITS

Val Pye left on June 20 to have a 'retread job" on her feet and on her return Ruth Exinger will leave to have her "typist arm" repaired. We wish both all the best for their operations and a speedy recovery. have brought outstanding praise from all who have passed through a camp where he has been in charge of the kitchen. The office girls are high in their praise of his cakes and shortbreads. It has even been suggested that a cookbook of his recipes might be produced by the Board. Thanks Kevin for your outstanding contribution to living in the Board's Camps.

BYE BYE TOM

Tom Hughes, Depot Foreman, Bendigo, since 1967, retired on May 15. Forty-three of his 46 years were spent in Bendigo Division.

Depot personnel gathered to farewell Tom and after suitable remarks by Divisional Engineer, Tom Glaze-brook, Col Turner and Tony Cleeland presented Tom with a recliner rocking chair on behalf of the Social Club. The function continued at the Newmarket Hotel where savouries were served with liquid refreshment as the happy gathering reminisced for several hours.

On Friday, May 18, 105 of Tom's friends from Bendigo and various parts of the State gathered at the Bendigo Bowling Club for dinner and to present Tom with a car radio cassette player. Bob Handley re-called the early days in Bendigo when a stores set up was required and Tom Hughes was the man with the ideas and the right way to carry it out. He complimented Tom on his excellent work and faithful service for almost half a century. He said the Board was lucky to have had Tom.

Dave Proudfoot, on behalf of all the stores people, thanked Tom for his co-operation with the staff at Syndal. He apologised for the absence of Ted King and welcomed Tom into the CRB Veterans Association. Another message of best wishes arrived from Brian Henkel a former Board employee at present in the

Divisional Engineer, Tom Glazebrook, said many people did not know that Tom owned champion show dogs and he had missed the opportunity of winning a \$1,000 prize for best dog in an Adelaide show by being present at this particular function. He presented Tom with his gift and wished both Tom and Edna every happiness in their retirement.

Tom said he had enjoyed every year with the Board but wished he was 30 years younger.

Tom expects to spend some time in Western Australia and no doubt will then settle down full time with his show dogs.

HORSHAM

RETIREMENTS

The colourful career of Horsham's legendary B.S. Overseer F. E. (Des) Ward has finished.

Des retired because of ill health after almost 30 years of service. In his time with the Board he continually scored the highest seasonal outputs and although dogged by acute arthritis and the affects of tuberculosis, his sharp wit and efficient supervision earned wide praise.

Des was also a fisherman of some note. On Monday mornings he would amuse his men with tales of the 20 lb. cod he threw back. The smiles turned to belief when the local paper published a phot graph of proud Des and a 70 lb. Murray Cod in his keep.

Bad health prevented Des from attending an official farewell in Horsham and several parties made the trip to his new house in Melto including the Divisional Engineer Mr Heid and Asphalt Division representatives.

We all wish Des and wife Annette, a happy retirement and can assure them that their Melton home will continue to be a "half-way house" for Horsham travellers.

TEN DOLLAR METER

Lizzie who works up the front whilst shopping decided to punt on not feeding her meter The parking man beat her and said Liz you weren't in the hunt. I was watching, you certainly blew it To your bill just add ten dollars to it Said Liz with a groan I can't really moan For you see I quite often do it.

DINNER TIME HUNCH

Geoff, it would seem had a hunch To go parking and not to go munch But his memory was poor. In his sporty two-door Were the seats laying back after 'lunch'.

REUNION

Aidan Murphy, Experimental Officer was reunited with his sister Mrs Shelia Roche for the first time in 31 years.

He last saw her briefly in 1948 when he returned from Palestine on two weeks leave in Ireland before proceeding to Malaya. Aidan had not seen her for four years.

Aidan, his wife Mary and Sheila spent two months travelling throughout Victoria including Mildura, Melbourne, Sovereign Hill, Grampians, Port Fairy and Portland where their aunt and uncle lived for some years and where Aidan spent some leave from Malaya before coming to live in Horsham in December 1952.

CLASSIES

BIRTHS

MULLANE: Terrence (Ballarat) and Pamela, welcome Nathan Paul on 24th May. A brother for Catrina, Jacinta and Damien.

NEW: Cliff (Title Survey) and his wife welcome Alexander Carl on 17th June — father doing well. PROSSER: Phil (Bairnsdale) and

Caroline announce the arrival of Scott Phillip on 2nd June. The smile hasn't left Phil's face yet. **SAUNDERS:** Ian (Benalla) and Louise are pleased to announce the arrival of the "All Blacks" new ruckman, Benjamin Ian.

WARDEN: Ken and Peggy (Bairnsdale) welcomed the arrival of Majella Ann on 26th May. WHELAN: David (Dandenong) and Terry welcome another son, Barry Michael, on 29th April; a brother for David, Kevin and Kylie.

BOAST: Peter (Dandenong) and Sandra, a daughter, Lisa Tamara; sister for Joanne and Katie, on 18th June.

DEGNAN: Bill (Traffic Engineering) and Judy, a daughter, Leonie Michelle, born 22nd April, 1979. **GARDNER:** Bob (Benalla) and Maggie, a son, Jared Robert, on 20th January; brother for Vicki and Betina.

GRAHAM: Steve (Dandenong) and Margaret, a daughter, Courtenay Jane, on 13th May (Mothers' Day); sister for Travers

d Matthew.

HARRIS: Rod (Dandenong) and
Jenny on 11th April, a daughter,
Joanne Claire; sister for Timothy.

Julie, a son, Craig Andrew.

PHNSON: Neville (Benalla) and swife are pleased to announce the arrival of Darren, on 4th May.

KERR: Colin (Benalla) and his wife announce the arrival of a

HARRIS: Tom (Horsham) and

son on 26th April.

McCULLOUGH: David (Legal)
and Chris welcome a son.

LARKIN: Geoff (M.R.D.) and Cheryl, a son, Matthew Robert. SALTER: Ken (Traralgon) and Marge, another daughter, Priscilla Skye; sister for Natasha, Samantha and Felicity.

WANTED TO BUY

MINI MINOR: Early model, any condition. B. Guttridge, ext. 2346.

OLD CAR BATTERIES: \$1 for each. Lou, ext. 2081.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC: March

1977 edition. Michael Morris, ext.

ENGAGED

COUCH: Ian (Traralgon) announced his engagement to Robyn Foster-Johnson.

KEAM: David (Traffic Engineering) announced his engagement to Wendy Fullwood in June.

WEALANDS: Kareen (Estates) and Bruce Hicks (Traffic Engineering) announced their engagement and will marry on 22nd September, 1979.

WILLIAMSON: Ken (Plans and Surveys) and Betty Brown announced their engagement on 14th April.

CONROY: Margaret (Ballarat) and Gordon Shelton, announced their engagement on Easter Sunday.

GAVIN: Colleen (Warrnambool) the D.A.'s typist, and Leon Stuart (also Warrnambool), workshop mechanic, have announced their engagement. Congratulations to hoth.

HARRISON: Phil (Title Survey) and Pam Smallman announced their engagement on 17th March. KEAM: David (Plans and Surveys, Eng. Training Scheme) announced his engagement to Wendy Fullwood on 8th June.

MARRIED

RELPH: Ic (Plans and Surveys) and Helewwere married at Mt Macedon on 17th June.

WOHLERS: Leith (M.R.D.) and Rhonda were married on 12th May.

FERGUS: Ross (Permits) married Kathy Roney in Billings, Montana, U.S.A. That's "Big Sky Country", pal.

LEE: Robert (Laboratory, Benalla) and Kerri Lakeman were married on the 26th May at Benalla.

SCHOFIELD: Gaye (Legal) and Dr Ron Moyston were married on 23rd June.

STIRRAT: Mike (Horsham) and Mandy Lawes were married at Hamilton Lamb Hall on 12th May. They spent two weeks honeymooning at Moreton Island.

WANTED TO RENT

HOUSE: Four-bedroom in Kew-Hawthorn area. K. Lindley, ext. 2707.

CLASSIES COUPON INTERCHANGE

To: Public Relations Officer 5th Floor Head Office Closing date: Friday Aug. 17

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

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RETIRED

DOOLING: John (Traralgon), owner/operator, on the grounds of ill-health.

READ: Peter (M.R.D.) retired in April after 14 years with the Board.

CORBOT: Patrick George (Benalla) due to ill-health after 22 years with the Board.

GLISOVIC: Mick (Benalla) Truck Driver, B.S., after 28 years with the Board.

HUGHES: Tom (Bendigo) after 46 years service. (See Divisional notes.)

MACKLAN: Jack (Benalla) Grader Operator, tired after 16 years.

WARD: Des (Horsham) retired in January '79, after 29 years of service. (See Horsha Divisional notes.)

FOR SALE

ELECTRIC RANGE: Metters elevated electric range, four burners, grill, rotisserie, v.g. cond., \$150 o.n.o. Norma Jones, ext. 2019.

TD CORTINA WORKSHOP MANUAL: Ford edition, almost new, \$15. Gary Vaile, 2143.

HQ HOLDEN PREMIER: 308 V8 four-speed manual, excellent condition, \$3,700 o.n.o. Steve Collins, Ballarat Division.

1952 FORD V8 HEARSE: Body needs some attention. Contact Bairnsdale Division.

SWAP SHOP

ONE modern brown brick airconditioned office and 30 diligent staff for 200 hectares of prime pasture and 100 head beef, any location suitable. Contact D.E., Traralgon.

FOR RENT

HOLIDAY HOUSE: At Mt Beauty, accommodates 12 people in three bedrooms. John Finlay, ext. 2367.

DEATHS

BROWN: Donald (Ballarat) who had been sick for some time, died in June, 1979.

HARRIS: Leslie (Ballarat) who retired in November 1978 cause of ill-health, passed away during Easter, 1979.

LOUGOON: Francis (Ballarat) aged 72, who retired from Board in 1971, died in June, 1979.

McDONALD: Charlie (Bairnsdale, retired) passed away on 29th April (see Divisional notes).

MURPHY: George (Bairnsdale, retired) passed away on 13th May (see Divisional notes).

PARISH: Robert (Horsham) passed away suddenly on 21st March.

PEEL: Tom (Benalla), died as a result of an accident on 26th March after 18 years service with the Board.

WILLIAMS: K. R. (Horsham), Construction and Maintenance Worker, was killed in a motor cycle accident at Murray Bridge on 27th April.

BUSH: Jim (Traralgon, recently retired) passed away (see Divisional notes).

HARKINS: Graham (Traralgon) passed away (see Divisional notes).

BENALLA

BIG M

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In preparation for the "Big M" (Frankston - Melbourne) to be run in October, Mr Oppy and Richard Tann competed in the Ballarat Harriers Half Marathon in May. Both were pleased with their performance finishing 101st and 147th respectively from 220 starters. Their times for the 21 km — Mr Oppy 87.40 min. and Richard Tann 100.26 min. With a few more runs under their belts they should have no problems in completing the gruelling 42 km in good time.

DIVISIONAL ROUNDAB

PROUD FATHER

Congratulations to Graeme Doepel (S.O.W. Bungaree) whose sons, Edmond graduated from the Navy training academy, and Brenton graduated from the Army training academy in June 1979. Although Graeme is elated with the success of his sons, he is finding it strenuous transporting them to and from their "port of call". Especially since Graeme was elected president of the Ballan Lions Club in June.

ACTRESS AND ACTOR

Congratulations to Graeme Day and Chris Parkin on their magnificent performance in the comedy musical "Guys and Dolls", presented by the Lyric Theatre.

Chris played one of the "Hot Box girls", and Graeme played the lead role of a gambler — Sky Masterson. A most apt role for Graeme.

The show which played from June 1-9 was a great success.

FOOTBALL TIPPING COMPETITION

Quite a few staff have been making money by winning the football tipping competition. There are weekly prizes of \$5, plus end of year prizes in excess of \$340. With the football season half over everybody is playing very cautiously.

The half way leaders are Gary Kropp and Zane Streeter (47 points), with Graeme Freestone hot on their heels with 46 points.

Surprisingly enough, sitting close up to the leaders are two girls — Joy Molan and Johanne Cochran who know nothing whatsoever about Aussie rules . . . or DO THEY?

SNOW NEWS IS GOOD NEWS

THERE'S snow in them thar mountains...and for the HOSA Ski Club, that really is good news.

The club has arranged a week at Mount Buller between August 12 and 16.

As soon as the first positive snow reports came in, Ski Club boss, Alan Bull and our two stunning snow bunnies, Jenny Jones and Cherokee Judd schussed down to the Alpine Ski Centre in Hartwell to try out the latest in snow fashions.

Bookings for the ski trip are just about full, but because of possible cancellations, a reserve list has been started.

Anyone interested should contact Alan in Estates, 2059.





