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V.N.P.A./A.C.F. Literature for September/Cctober (VNPA = Victorian National Parks #N.P.A. Magazine "Parkwatch"(Sept.) Association)

Contents include:-

"Rejection of Alpine Trail" answers an article advocating one track along the Great Divide through Vic. and N.S.W. and another through N.S.W. and the A.C.T. linking up with the Alpine Walking Track in Vic.

W.N.P.A. Annual Report

<u>Dryland Salting</u> the accumulation of salts on or in the soil, reducing or destroying vegetation, is a serious problem in the garden state. It is caused, of course, by human activities.

A.C.F. Newsletter (Sept.) (A.C.F. = Australian Conservation Foundation)

The A.C.F. is contemplating a legal challenge to the Federal Government over its rush to approve the Iwasaki project in Central Queensland — affecting 27,000 acres of freehold and leasehold land. The Iwasaki Sanyo Company roposes a \$100 million tourist resort near Yeppoon on Corio Day.

A.C.F. Annual General Meeting in Hobert on Saturday 6th Uctober. Notices of motion for the meeting include:-

2.(a).... "the A.C.F. believes that no further hydro-electric power development should be permitted in the region (S.W. Tasmania) unless"

2.(b) That the A.C.F.'s A.G.M. declare the Franklin-Lower Gordon campaign to be the focus of the Australian Conservation movement in the forthcoming year, and calls on the Australian Government to recommend the area for World Heritage Status immediately.

A.C.F. Magazine "Habitat" Oct.

Articles on:- The River Murray: Without adequate vegetation to stabilize its banks, it is getting wider and shallower, changing its course, and becoming a less efficient carrier of water. The bare banks are due to continual grazing of sheep and/or cattle. Not one of our native animals has hard hooves! - For the artminded Aboriginal Rock Art of the Kakadu National Park and Rodin's sculpture Problems in suburban living: Spending adequate time with family and friends is found to be a wise investment when calamity strikes. - The London Campaign Against lead in Petrol.

<u>Whales</u>: If a pod of blue whales is attacked by the Greas or "Killer whales", often the oldest will turn back to be eaten by the Greas.

Whales are gentle giants. Killer whales rarely attack humans. A Canadian logger once dropped a tree on to a resting whale. That night as he rowed back across the bay with his buddy, other members of the pod tipped up the boat and killed the logger, but let his friend escape.

"The South West Book" is a new book written about S.W. Tasmania covering the history of the aboriginal tribes which once lived there to the hydro-electric schemes of the present, and its value as a wilderness area. The large poster about it has vanished from the notice board.

There is a pre-publication offer of \$10.50 for a soft copy and \$15 for the hard back form.

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All correspondence should be addressed to:-

The Secretary, Melbourne Bushwalkers, P.O. Box 1751Q, G.P.O, MELBOURNE, 3001.

Meetings are held in the clubrooms, 14 Hosier Lane at the rear of the Forum Theatre, every Wednesday night at 7.30 p.m. Visitors are always welcome.

Day Walks

November 5 QUARTZ CK. - SOUTH HELLS GATE - TARRAGO RIVER (NEERIM) Medium

LEADER: Graham Laidlaw

TRANSPORT: Van from Catman Avenue, 9.15 a.m.

FARE: \$4

EXPECTED TIME OF RETURN: 8.30 p.m. MAP REFERENCE: Neerim 1:50,000 APPROXIMATE DISTANCE: 16 km.

We will start near Gentle Annie Camp, move along under the stern gaze of North Hells Gate and down the very pleasant Quartz Ck. Valley. Bring water for lunch.

November 7 <u>CUP DAY DIGGERS REST - ORGAN PIPES - SYDENHAM</u> Easy/Medium

See Notice Board in Clubroom for details. TRANSPORT: Train.

November 12 HIGH CAMP - MT. WILLIAM - PYALONG (LANCEFIELD) Fasy/Medium

LEADER: Geoff Mattingley

TRANSPORT: Van from Datman Avenue, 9.15 a.m.

FARE: \$4

EXPECTED TIME OF RETURN: 7.00 p.m. MAP REFERENCE: Pyalong 1:50,000 APPREXIMATE DISTANCE: 12 km.

This walk traverses a prominent ridge, and will provide good views for most of its length. The majority of the ridge is lightly timbered, but the last section is open paddocks. A moderate amount of climbing is involved, together with some fence—hopping. Despite the title of this walk, we will not be visiting Pyalong — it is too far away. Bring water for lunch.

November 19 WERRIBEE GORGE (BACCHUS MARSH)

Easy

LEADER: Eileen Ayre

TRANSPORT: Van from Batman Avenue, 9.15 a.m.

FARE: \$3

EXPECTED TIME OF RETURN: Detween 6.00 and 7.30 p.m.

MAP REFERENCE: Callan 1:63560 (printed 1933)

APPROXIMATE DISTANCE: 12 km.

The walk will include some good views of the Werribee Gorge, but the actual route we take will vary according to how much rain there has been lately. The start and finish are uninspiring with a walk along a road, but the middle makes up for this. The walk is short, there are only a couple of climbs, and the leader will be setting a slow pace.

November 26 LORNE - TEDDYS LOOKOUT - SHE-OAK FALLS - KALIMNA FALLS Easy

LEADER: Art Terry

TRANSPORT: Van from Datman Avenue, 9.15 a.m.

Always a popular walk, so book early to ensure a seat. A beautiful walk and bring bathers because the weather by then should be hot! We normally have tea on the beach at Lorne after the walk, leaving Lorne at 7.00 p.m.

Weekend Walks.

A.W.T. NO. 5 - MT. SPECULATION - MT. ST. BERNARD November 3-7

Medium

LEADER: Graham Wills-Johnson TRANSPORT: Train and Bus. MAP REFERENCE: Howitt 1:100,000 Dargo 1:100,000 APPROXIMATE DISTANCE: 45 km.

Where are the giants of yesteryear? Grab yourselves a Monday "sickie" - duty calls again for the last time.... the final stage of the A.W.T. project (Alright, so you all hoped we'd forgotten about it!) Philip sudderdly remembered he had an appointment with his dentist or something, so, remembering how much snow we had on stage 1, the Walks Secretary dragged a superannuated yeti out of the attic, propped him up pointing in the general direction of the Darry Mountains, and said "Right. We're got a leader. anyway." With any luck the walk won't be as hot, dusty and flyblown as Philip described it in his preview, because we are going at a much better time of the year. All the same, the Carry Mountains are fairly dry at any time of the year, so please have fairly large waterbottles. I will make every effort to camp at water each night (because I cannot abide dry camps myself) but there probably won't be any water during the day.

November 3-5 **WILKY WEEKEND** Easy

LEADER: Rod Mattingley (B) 350-1222 x 721 TRANSPORT: Private - about 230 miles from Hosier Lane and the Duke of Wellington. MAP REFERENCE: Bogong High Plains - Algona Guides 1": 1 mile or "Feathertop" 1" - 1 mile.

Wilkinson Lodge, commonly known as "Wilky", is on the Bogong High Plains and 7 miles from Falls Creek. The lodge has a hot water system worked off the kitchen stove, a shower, a new septic tank and quite a few resident mice. Any member of the Club can use Wilky after first obtaining the keys from the lodge manager, but they must have stayed at Wilky before to learn how to "drive" the place. This weekend then is intended especially for those who have not been to Wilky before. There will be a good medium welk on Saturday over Malms Point to Mt. Nelse, visiting Fitzgeralds and Ropers Huts. If we can obtain the services of a volunteer cook, we will arrange a common dinner on Saturday night, as the kitchen becomes impossibly chaotic if everyone tries to cook separately. To work off the effects of Saturday nights festivities we will walk out to Mt. Cope on Sunday morning. As Wilky is small and numbers must be limited to about 12, early booking is advisable. For those interested in the history of Wilky, please refer to the article by Pete Carlyon in "Walk" 1974.

November 10-12 MELVILLE CAVES - FORBES CK. - KOIYOOR CAVE

Easy/Medium

Medium

LEADER: Arthur Francis (See leader in Club Rooms for details)

November 17-19 RED SPUR - CALEDONIA RIVER - LONG SPUR (LICOLA) LEADER: Rob Harris TRANSPORT: Van from Batman Avenue, 6.30 p.m. FARE: \$12 EXPECTED TIME OF RETURN: 9.30 p.m.

MAP REFERENCE: Howitt (Nat. Mapping) APPROXIMATE DISTANCE: 37 km.

The walk promises to provide a vigorous weekend. Firstly there is the climb of 250m onto Mt. Reynard leaving the Howitt Road about 60 km. from Licola. This is to be followed by a rapid 1100m descent along the Red Spur. Then a stroll up the Caledonia River with the probability of seven river crossings. After camping on the river there is the ascending return up the long spur to Mt. Reynard.

November 17-19 THE GORGE - BASE CAMP (Licola)

Easy

LEADER: Tyrone Thomas

TRANSPORT: Van from Datman Avenue, 6.30 p.m.

FARE: \$12

EXPECTED TIME OF RETURN: 10 p.m.

MAP REFERENCE: Natmap Howitt 1:100,000 FEW Moroka Howitt 1"= 1 mile APPROXIMATE DISTANCE: See text below.

This base camp trip promises to be truly magnific ant. It is set amid alpine

vegetation at over 5000' ASL, beside a mountain stream and close by a line of rocky cliffs worthy of investigation. It will be the start of the alpine spring and fog willing views will abound. Four walks will be rostered of which I will lead the two longer ones and delegate leadership for the other two very easy cliff rim trips.

Trip One About G kms. Mt. Reynard - Snowy Plains- Mt. Lookout The Valley-North Cliff

Trip Two About 3 kms. North Cliff Rim - The Valley

Trip Three About 9 kms. Scrubby Hill Bennison Plains, South Cliff Rim.

Trip Four About 4 kms. south cliff rim - Tin Bucket Ck.

All walks are guaranteed easy - blodge grade.

Come along and bring a smile - I have deemed it a "social occasion", for those who wish to indulge - but remember the surroundings will be so nice you'll want to walk a lot - so don't bring too much "cheer"!

November 24-26 THE TWINS - WONGUNGARRA RIVER - BLUE RAG RANGE (MT. HOTHAM)

LEADER: Tyrone Thomas

Medium/Hard

TRANSPORT: Private

MAP REFERENCE: Nat. Map Dargo 1:100,000 or FEV Dargo 1 = 1 mile APPROXIMATE DISTANCE: 24 kms.2 x 12 km.

A high country walk with a dramatic start and finish and a very steep descent into camp saturday night on the Wongongarra River then an equally steep ascent on Sunday morning to gain the Blue Rag Range. About half the walk is scrub bash although the portion of scrub inspected leads me to believe scrub will be light. Saturday night camp is to be a surprise! I aim to camp by the river just wherever we can find a spot! Hope its not going to involve clearing spots for tents but that is a possibility.

May I respectfully suggest starters be prepared for roughing it a bit on this trip into an area where I believe the Club has not ventured in the past. It will definitely be medium hard - not medium and could even tend to be hard. The scenery and bush in the area is magnificent and well worthy of the effort.

The Club would like to take this apportunity of congratulating Ken and Linda Briscoe on the secent arrival of their son, Andrew Peter.

Please note that next month's closing date is November 15, 1976. It is later this month because of Melbourne Cup Day Holiday. I am still looking for more articles especially along the track, please forward them in the mail to News Convenor, 53 Riverside Avenue, North Dalwyn, 3104 or hand them to me in the clubrooms.

Alison Blaker

Our Membership Convenor, Libby Quarterman is currently holidaying in Nepal where she is going on a 25 day trek. Hope you have a good time Libby.

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ASSCRTED WAFFLE

There is no real point in reading this if you went to the half-annual general meeting on September 27. It is intended merely to recapitulate one or two matters which cam up then, for the information of those who were not there. Gerry McPhee's motion, which he notified in the July issue of "News", "THAT this meeting recognizes that the conservation policies of parliamentarians and government bodies are a fit subject for discussion in "News" provided that the views are clearly identified as being the personal views of a member and not those of the club," was passed by a large majority. As Gerry's covering letter in July "News" state d, I saw this as a suitable basis for discussion of the general question of the role of party politics in the club's affairs. No strong arguments against were expressed at the meeting.

Inevitably I suppose, the word "censorship" was thrown around. I had to explain that I never have any idea in advance what has been sent to the "News" convenor — I have no idea what has been received until I get my copy of "News" at the same time as everyone else. During my term of office there have been only two exceptions to this, and on both occasions it was the authors themselves who raised the question. I gave a full account of my decision on the first such occasion in the March, 1977 issue of "News" (page 9). The second such occasion has been this one. The only precedent on the question of a party-political interpretation of the objects of the club that I had to go on, was the reprimand the committee received from a general meeting about six years ago for its decision to contribute a donation to the U.T.G. I therefore felt that this was an area in which the membership of the club had to be consulted at a general meeting. That has now been done, and I don't think anyone can claim that they haven't had time to think about it, or denied the chance to express their opinion.

OCTOBER COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES

Official minutes will be posted in the committee rooms in due course. Some points which came up:-

REFERRED FROM GM 27 SEP 78: (1) \$50 donation to New South Wales Federation of Bushwalking Clubs to assist campaign to save Colo/Hunter wilderness authorised for payment. (2) Secretary to write to Premier, Minister for Conservation, Opposition Spokesman on Conservation, Chairman Soil Conservation Authority, Chairman SEC, to express club's opposition to use of snowpacking machine to drag downhill skiers to summit of Mt. Nelse.

TREASURER: Dalance 30 Sep 78: \$7582.88. Dills passed for payment totalled #900.36

WALKS SECRETARY: AUG: 111m + 59v = 170 = 128d + 42w/e. PROFIT #115.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY: 377 members, including 23 to be presented.

NEWS CONVENOR: Closing date: 15 November. More articles are needed.

"WALK 1979": Typesetting and proofreading now well advanced, Preliminary layout later this week. Full complement of advertisements received.

WILKINSON LODGE: Vouchers will be available from the Lodge Manager as from Wednesday week. Introductory weekend 4-5 November for those who have not yet visited the lodge. Workparty will be some time after Christmas.

SOCIAL SECRETARY: Dinner 21 Oct. - see notice elsewhere this issue.
Personality Slide Night sometime in November. Christmas Dinner and fancy dress ball, Prahran Town Hall 16 Dec.

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT: Mens' Club investigating painting of the stairway. CLUBROOM CLEANUP: Wed. 1 Nov., 5-15 p.m. Please come and help!

SEARCH & RESCUE: Two new names have been added to our search and rescue list, but we still have only 10 active names on it, and need more. Communications coming through much better now.

DUTY ROSTER: 25 Gct. Christine Nicol, Graham Wills-Johnson; 1 Nov. Eileen Ayre, Elizabeth MacKenzie; 8 Nov. Shelly Hayes, Rod Mattingley; 15 Nov. Arthur Francis, Libby Quarterman, 22 Nov. Caroline Strickland, Alison Blaker.

Meeting held 2 Oct. 78
Next Meeting 13 Nov. 78 14 Hosier Lane,
7.00 p.m.
VISITORS ARE WELCOME

PERSONALITY SLIDES on 15th November, 1978. Please have slides in by Wednesday 25th October, 1978, for selection and sorting.

Social Secretary

NOTICE: CLUBROOM CLEANUP

The next clubroom cleanup will be starting at 5.15 p.m. on Wednesday November 1. Please drop by to help for a few minutes if you can, thanks.

Eileen Ayre

<u>Wanted</u> - Required desired etc. 2 girls to share easy going house in Prahran with one very tolerant male. \$25 per week. Phone 529 4935. House available in November.

Contact Graham Hodgson.

SCROGGIN

Ingredients

₹ 1b. cooking chocolate

loa butter

- 2 dessertsp n. honey (preferably candied)
- 2 fl. oz. rum (old kedge or capstan are suggested)
- 8 oz. dried fruits (raisins, currants, sultanas, dried apricots try glace apricots, crystallized cherries, or gangerif you feel affluent.

1 oz. raw peanuts

4-6 "Arnott's wheatmeal biscuits (broken into 1/4 - 1/2" squares) sufficient "Uncle Toby's oats" for the desired consistency.

Method

- 1. Soak dried fruits in rum the previous night.
- 2. Melt chocolate, butter and honey together in double boiler do not use direct heat.
- 3. Add mixed fruit and peanuts when the chocolate etc. mixture is liquid.
- 4. Add broken biscufts to the mixture.
- 5. Now add sufficient porridge for consistency desired (but don't make it too sloppy, nor too crusty and dry).
- 6. Stirring occasionally, allow the hot mixture to stand in double boiler so that chocolate etc. shall permeate the biscuits (about 10 mins.)
- 7. Pour into a dish (like an old aliminium meat or custard pie or ico-cream dish), and then put it in the fridge.

NOTES

- (a) If rum is not used, use more butter and honey.
- (b) Honey is added (apart from making the mess taste nicer) since it prevents the mixture from crumbling if too much bikky has been added.
- (c) Dried apple, apricots etc. should be sliced to about $\frac{1}{4}$ "-1/2" squares.
- (d) The mixture should be quite viscous even when hot, bearing in mind that it has to be carried in one's pack.

SCROGGIN - just like mother never made before



A tale from the Ratcliffe's Ratbays Cross-country ski week at Wilkie.

Once upon a time there was a little group of happy boys and girls having an idyllic lunch on the grass under the shade of the snow gums, in the valley on the way to Mt. Nelse.

One of the little boys a dark-hairedfellow named Christopher decided to have a ski in his brightly-printed undies. All the little girls shaded their eyes at such a sight. Only a forthright girl named Libby ventured to take a photograph.

To every—ones astonishment, when Christopher skied down yonder behind a sparse branch of a gum tree he removed his undies and gave a delightful view of his white bottom to all who dared to look. He then proceeded to "streak" away from the view of the other boys and girls.

One of the little girls, a mischievious wench by the name of Eileen, thought that Christopher may have inadvertently left his undies hanging on a branch. Accompanied by the cheers of the group, little Eileen ventured off at great speed down the hill to the said undies.

Ch, what delight would have been experienced by all, to see Christopher in the altogether coming back to retrieve his undies.

Alas, little Eileen was not successful. The undies were no where to be found. Oh what bad luck!!

When little Christopher returned, undies intact, he related his thrilling story. Streaking was an exhibarating, free experience. What do you think?

THE END By Lynn Ratcliffe

FROM CLARKFIELD TO BACCHUS MARSH AND ON

Harold, Alwyn and Art had kindly invited any cyclists to join them on their next bicycle ride. What Art didn't say was that one needed to be an insomniac in order to get there on time. On the appropriate Saturday, one person arrived proud of having caught a train at 6.45 a.m. to Spencer Street, only to find 2 others travelling by the same line had caught an even earlier train.

Only seven insomniac cyclists turned up - perhaps the Club possesses a shortage of this rare but happy species.

To get to Clarkfield, we travelled in a funny little two-carriage train. Once at Clarkfield we assembled with our cycles and some with colourful gear, on the road in the bright morning's sunshine for photos at the start of the expedition. Various bikes, their comfort and capacities were carefully studied, and then we set off.

The roads Art had chosen were good in terms of state of repair, of flow of traffic, of their climbs and descents and especially of the pleasant scenery they passed through.

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The ride was a friendly one with people dropping back to talk to others, and helping when things like chains fell off. One lady in a car with a flat tyre even had her tyre changed for her and the spare blown up with the aid of pump from a passing motorist. The courtesy of the males in our group couldn't be faulted (and I didn't see anything wrong with the females either).

As we climbed up Mt. Bullengarook before lunch, bad weather set in. In our long lunchtime break we sat around a fire in the rain, vaguely watching while others tried one of the bicycles and while Art changed Alwyn's tyre.

After lunch we had a long ride down a ridge of Sullengarook almost to Sacchus Marsh. Many racing cyclists passed us. Stto thought they weren't going much faster than he was. Stto wasn't travelling the same speed as me!

After a short detour in to see the start of the Lerderderg Gorge at Darleyford, we rode on to Dacchus Marsh, where some of us decided to stay and enjoy such luxuries as Georges take away chips and a walk around the town. The intrepid cyclists, Ken, Max, Otto and Art went on another 15 miles to Merton South. They really raced — the other three mad to race. Otto then did catch up and commenced his mad circles around them.

We had a pleasure ride back in one of the carriages Art had reserved for us in the country train. A peaceful end to a very pleasant day.

EILEEN AYRE

SLEEPING BAGS AND PUSSIBLE DANGERS

Advice has once again been received of a fatality caused by the use of a sleeping bag which had been dry cleaned and not aired before use. The tightly rolled bag was opened immediately before use within a small tent resulting in the death of its occupant within about eight hours.

An enquiry established that some of the dry cleaning chemical had remained in the bag while tightly rolled and was released while the bag was in use, forming a poisonous vapour. The presence or absence of these chemicals cannot be detected by smell.

Sleeping bags after dry cleaning should be unrolled and hung loosely in a dry place for a minimum of twenty four hours in warm weather and three days in cool weather and should never be used without airing. This warning should be brought to the attention of as many people as possible.

Tasmanians are very sensitive about being Australians. Vic. Dushwalkers in Tasmania are often heard to say: "Well, I'm off to Australia this afternoon." Tasmanians tend to jump up and down in the one spot and froth at the mouth when mainlanders overlook the possibility that Tasmanians are also Australians. The Apple islanders seem to have an inferiority complex over the matter. Travel brochures and maps have been known to leave Tassie off the map of "Australia". Have you ever wondered whether perhaps Tassie isn't part of Australia?

Judges and legislators are learned fellows, and should know about such things, and they also feel that Tassie is not part of Australia. I quote from the Rules of the Supreme Court of N.S.W. Relating to the admission of Solicitors, rule 61, "No person shall be admitted as a solicitor either conditionally or otherwise, nor shall be allowed to practise as a solicitor unless he bona fide resides in Australia or Tasmania."

There we have it, proof positive. Next Christmas, when a Tasmanian threatens to wrap your rucksack around your head, quote the above rule and run.

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Taken out of "The Coast and Mountain Walkers of N.S.W." with the compliments of Stuart Hodgson.

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MIND YOU - LANGLAUF STREAKING
IS NOT ALL THAT ITS CRACKED
UP TO BE. HE GOT A NASTY
GRAVEL RASH AND HAS BEEN
EATING HIS DINNER OFF THE
MANTELPIECE FOR A WEEK.

LOPEZ

After negotiating fallen tree trunks and other numerous obstacles before morning tea on the walk from Powelltown to The Bump, Rob. Hayes sat down on a comfortable piece of ground to have a bite to eat. Trouble was a largish bullant on the same piece of ground had the same idea and rushed in for a quick meal. As Rob jumped up after being bitten he tried to brush the bullant off, and was rewarded by a bite under the fingernail— at which he was heard to yell out "Ouch, I've been bitten by a b...ant!! The rest of the trip was quiet until a group of trailbikers broke the tranquility and tried to ride through the walkers. Their path was made a bit rougher by logs appearing on the track but it hardly slowed them down. On the same walk, one visitor had an interesting motif on his T—shirt "I'm a mountain man, and I love mountain women". Said visitor also consumed six cans of coka cola during the day. It is his cure for a hangover.

Some peopla had lots of fund at Wilky this year especially those with the Wilky Manager. On this trip, Chris. M. was talking of going for a streak in the snow, but the weather conditions weren't right. However, at one lunch time break the sun was shining so brightly that he was persuaded to go for his streak. It wasn't a proper streak, as he was wearing skis and initially at least, his jockettes. After getting behind a tree he removed his remaining clothing and skied off for a 15 minute jaunt. I've been assured that a photo was taken and will be shown at the next personality slide night. The Wednesday night after returning from Wilky, said Christopher walked into the clubrooms. All conversation stopped and a few seconds later the whole room burst into laughter, as the story had been relayed around the room before he had arrived. Afterturning bright red he tried to disappear into the crowd. The author of a wilky report borrowed Chris's razor for an "all over" shave when Chris wasn't looking.

On the way home from Wilky, in the Seven Creeks Cafe, the following conversation was overheard:-

Bushwalking Personaltiy - "Do you have any home-made cheese-cake"?
Waitress: "Yeah mate, would you like it with cream or icecream
B.P: Could I have it with cream and iceeream please"
W: "Yeah If you were greedy" Sad to relate the waitress returned and informed B.P. that they had run out of cheese-cake.

Overheard in a darkened car speeding toward Melbourne (later that night), B.P. Are you putting on face-cream m....? F.B. No! Why?

B.F. I thought I could smell vegemite. Needless to say female B.P.'s reply was drowned by roars of laughter

Geoff C. was in such a hurry to drink his Rose one night before a meeting that he tried to pour a glassfull from a corked bottle!

Independent university tests have shown that 9 out of 10 readers of "News" turn to read "Lopez"first. Are you THE ODD MAN OUT? The same researches discovered that only one in 400 read "Assorted Waffle" first.

Talking of Assorted Waffle, a lecturer in chemistry (little Willie) told me that there was a typographical error eith the reduction potential of aluminium — a minus sign was transposed to a plus sign (by a scratch on the stencil).

During the General Meeting the prospects of allowing the "mentally defficient" or those "lacking social graces" into membership of the club was discussed. It seems to me that if they weren't allowed to join the membership would be reduced to 2. me and ? $^{ extsf{C}}$ ome to think of it, the membership would only be me!

Quote of the Month:

THE NEWS

"There are 20,000 000 people in Werribee, and I'm the 20,001st Rob Wills.

It was noted in clubrooms that a certain Jeanette H. had a large diamond ring on her finger. Could we see yet another silver spoon marriage!! Who will be next I wonder, seems to be that time of year.

THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOMED:

BARBARA KENNELLY, 48 Elder Street, Dlackburn, 3130. H: 878 1660 STANLEY KLUSIK, 8 Station Street, St. Albans, 3021. H: 396 0215. GEOFF LAIRD, 23 Grant Crescent, Ringwood, 3134. H 874 3854 DAVID TILLER, 4 Canterbury Place, Brighton Beach, 3186. H: 921 355. JOHN HILLARD (News Subscriber) 1/15 Kio Koad, Roseneath, Wellington, New Zealand Home 862324 Dus. 728877 E.528 PAUL ORMONDE, 51 Windermere Crescent, Grighton, 3186. H: 923 125 B: 630211. PAMELA EDDY, 107 Punt Road, Prahran, 3181. H: 51 6469 D: 5203252. HANS VAN VEEN, 25 Stapley Crescent, Chadstone, 3148. CHRISTINE LAUGHER, 45 Draper Street, South Melbourne, 3205. H: 699 1037. B: 201226 ****

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Jerry and Chris Grandage, Wirreanda, Logan Avenue, Kalorama, 3766. H 728 5414 D: 64 0251 x 395 Debbie Chesterfield, 655 Inkerman Road, North Caulfield, 3161. H: 509 9334. Elizabeth McKenzie, 10 Lilydale Grove, East Hawthorn, 3123. H: 82 5360.

INTERESTING!

The game of cricket is very simple.

There are two teams; ours and theirs; one is the team that's in, and one is the team that's out. The team that's in, stays in until they are all out, and when they are all out, they come in. Then it is the turn of the team that was in, to come out and be in. Then the team that is all out, comes out and tries to get the team that is in, out. When both teams have been in and out, the game is over.

Written in July, 1966 by Graham Hodgson

Members will be interested to hear that an ex-member of the club, Lynne Vary is happily living in Corfu, Greece. She is very busy silk screening and painting, including street scenes of Corfu and fishing boats etc. She has to print the drawings in black on canvas, then paint it in colours. She is staying there indefinitely, resting and repairing the boat which they sailed from Q'land., quite an experience don't you think. She was so pleased to get off the boat after many months at sea, the weather being unpredictable and the seas rough with many adventures.

Lynne is enjoying the food in Greece, salads, olives, fetta cheese, meat and wine but she can't get used to the olive oil which they pour over everything. The food has been a pleasant change from the bins, tins and more tins which they had on the boat.

She is presently busy seeing the countryside by bike and enjoying being on land again until they set said again, probably for Europe. All the best, Lynno.