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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

There will be a "PLANTING BEE" at the Community Hall on Sunday 20 September commencing at 9.00am. We have 60 trees and shrubs to be planted. These were kindly donated recently by Geoff Butler. The rains of late should ensure a relatively easy job and an hour of your time would be greatly appreciated.

There will be no meeting in August.

The next meeting of the WCA will be Tuesday 15 September at 8.00pm. There will be a guest speaker. One or two members of Wildcare will come and tell us of the work they do in caring for our native animals.

Regards,

Libby King, President

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Septic Tank Licences By the time you receive this issue of the Whisper the Rates notices should out and you should have received your septic tank licence application form. As advised last month the NSW Government has introduced regulations relating to all septic tanks and aerated wastewater treatment systems. The regulations require all systems to be licensed before 30 September 1998 and regularly inspected. An initial application fee of \$30 will be charged for processing the application. This \$30 fee will cover the setting up of a data base, a survey to determine areas of high risk, an education campaign and an inspection of high risk areas in the first year. (High risk areas will be those adjacent to rivers or in water catchment areas i.e. near Googong Dam.)

Yarrowlumla Council can help with any advice on any issue, but if you have a strong objection to the entire licensing process (as I know some people have) please take it up with your local NSW Member of Parliament. This is a NSW Government Regulation imposed on the Council without any funding.

To help you out in maintaining your system and get it to a state where you will pass an inspection, the following is offered.

Maintenance Procedures: There are some maintenance procedures that need to be carried out regularly. Some care must also be taken not to overload the tank beyond its capabilities or harm the biological process in the septic tank. The following is a summary of what you need to know:

1. Periodically the sludge (inert solid material) in the septic tank builds up, reduces the liquid capacity, and allows the sludge to flow into the soil, which will clog up. Desludging is considered necessary when the sludge takes up half of the liquid capacity. Your septic tank should be pumped out every 3-4 years. If kitchen sink wastes are connected to a septic tank via a grease trap, the trap should be cleaned at least once a month.

2. Some additives to the septic system are harmful, and their use should be avoided. These include bleaches and strong detergents, particularly those containing chlorine.

Do not place newspaper or fibrous materials such as disposable nappies, sanitary napkins, paper towels etc., nor allow plastics, cigarette butts, bones and coffee grounds into the system.

The only beneficial additive is lime, which should be added when the tank is first brought into usage, or when odour problems occur.

3. In many cases septic tanks can become overloaded by both liquid volumes and by the excessive solid contents.

- Liquid overloading is easily caused by automatic washing machines and dishwashers. Large discharges of water scour the contents of the tank and force untreated effluent into absorption trenches.
- Solid overloading by the contents of garbage grinders, and by kitchen greases and oils, produces a similar problem when this material flows through the septic tank directly into the absorption trenches or collection well.

4. When trench breakdown occurs, the liquids normally absorbed by the soil or transpired by vegetation, break through ground surface in the vicinity of the trench. The trench breakdown can be caused by:

- Overloading with liquid volumes.
- The clogging of the trench with solids not trapped by the septic tank.
- The fact that the tank needs desludging.
- The age of the trench.

The discharged liquid is highly dangerous, as it contains infectious organisms, causes odours, and attracts vermin and insects.

Illegal Discharges: Unfortunately many people do not realise the dangerous nature of effluent. They consider that the septic tank renders the effluent harmless. This is not true. Offences have been committed by siphoning the contents of the collection well or absorption trenches to the street or a watercourse, to offset the cost of having the collection well pumped out or by eliminating problems on properties. These offences are considered quite serious and offenders are liable to prosecution.

Rural Residential Addresses: The new rural addressing system is now fully in operation and you should notify your change of address as soon as possible. Failure to do so will mean lost mail particularly if we get a new mail contractor, even on a temporary basis.

Peter Greenwood, Your Local Councillor 6238 3358

STOP PRESS NEWS

In a scratchy Press Release late today (Tuesday 28 July) the Government has announced that the licences for septic tanks need not be completed until 30 June 1999. Not a lot of detail at this stage but I suggest holding off on the licence application at least until next month when I should have further information. I understand, but not confirmed, that some Councils may be charging hundreds of dollars for the licence fee hence many objections and possibly an investigation. (Note Yarrowlumla fee \$30.) Obviously more info to come but the rate notices posted today still have 30 Sept as the date for lodgement of the applications. I will keep you informed. (But in the meantime clean up your septic system -- and please pay your rates!) Peter Greenwood

WAMBOIN VOLUNTEER BRIGADE

Incidents There were no incidents requiring Fire Brigade attendance during July.

Finance: In last month's 'Whisper' I outlined the Brigade's mission and gave an overview of changes to the vehicle fleet. In this edition I will concentrate on financial matters.

The financial statement tabled at the May 1998 Annual General Meeting showed that in the last year the Brigade expended approximately \$21,000. This money was raised primarily from a combination of Subscriptions, Donations, Bank Interest and Fund Raising.

Each year Brigades are invited by the Fire Control Officer to lodge requests for new equipment. This year our request included the following broad categories of equipment: - personal protective equipment (\$1000), replacement hoses and associated equipment ((\$2500), protective clothing for personnel to be trained in structural firefighting to crew the new "Pumper" (\$3000), portable pumps for property protection as in the 13 March fire in Forest Road (\$1000), three hand-held CB radios (\$1500). Overall the request amounted to \$13461. In the event this Brigade, in common with all other Yarrawlumla brigades (big and small) has been allocated \$2900 to cover these items.

This is not intended to be a 'wingie', none of us like to pay out through rates and taxes, but we all want - in this case - Fire Protection. It comes at a cost. The hundreds of hours of volunteer labour we expended last year were free and willingly given, but the equipment we need is not.

We have been very fortunate indeed in securing some much needed sponsorship in the last two months.

Monaro Mix (Bungendore) donated all of the concrete required for the base of the new Fuel Shed; their generosity has helped us to add a significant safety margin to our Bingley Way Facilities which now reach the required Australian Standard and are appropriately licenced for the storage of hazardous goods. **The Canberra Building Information Centre**, Northbourne Avenue, Canberra have made a one-off monetary contribution of \$2600 towards Brigade expenses this financial year. The Brigade is also grateful to **Loft Homes** for paying for the printing of the new Emergency Telephone Lists which were distributed last month, and to **Radio 2CC** for continuing support including assistance in production of the subscription bumper stickers which will be handed out during the spring 'subs drive'. On your behalf I have expressed our gratitude for this generosity and hope you will consider patronising them in return.

- Richard Hobbs, President

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With a cook book saying on it,

"Cooking children that are well fed."

I thought to my self

"Oh dear, that's what those things are on the shelf!

The bottles saying.,

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I hurried to my lovely bed,

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- By Tamsin Hong

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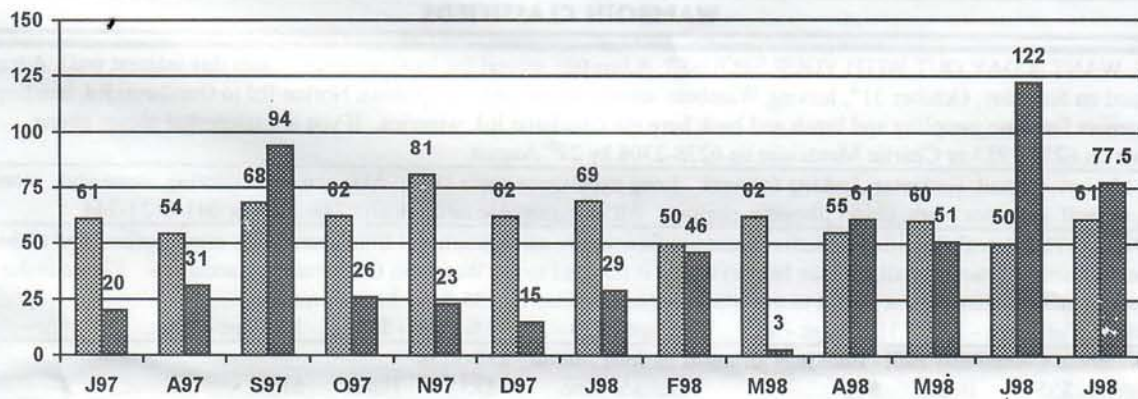
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TEMPERATURES AND RAINFALL IN WAMBOIN**(22 year statistics by David Robertson)**

Average August Rainfall	53.8 mm
Wettest August	1985 - 170 mm
Wettest August Day	6/8/85 - 35 mm
Driest August	1994 - 5.5 mm
Coldest August Night	9/8/97 - - 4c
Hottest August Day	30/8/82 - 20c
Coldest August Day	8/8/89 - 5c
June 98 rainfall	121.5 mm
July 98 rainfall to 28/7/98	77.5
Total 1998 Rainfall to 28/7/98	388 mm
Total 1997 rainfall	529.5 mm
Average Annual rainfall (1976-97)	749.5

Chart Below Shows Avg Rainfall vs Actual for Last 13 Months

Mth	J97	A97	S97	O97	N97	D97	J98	F98	M98	A98	M98	J98	J98
Avg	61	54	68	62	81	62	69	50	62	55	60	50	61
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This term our staff has almost doubled with the addition of six student teachers from the Catholic University. Michelle Hay, Rebecca Thiem, Mark Wyatt, Maree Chiricosta Josephine Pelle and Lucy Badzim will be practising at Sutton School for the first three weeks of this term. We hope they enjoy being at Sutton School as much as we enjoy having them.

Our Year 2 and Year 3 students begin swimming for the sport this term. They will attend lessons at the AIS each Thursday-

New councillors were elected to the School Council for Term 3. They are Hayley Frater & Matthew Taylor Yr 1, Deanne Brucic & Matthew Dunn Yr 2, Lee Fook & Sarah Dunn Yr 3, Terry Fahey & Aticia Elword Yr 4, Erin Rewson & Brett Singley Yr 5, Holly Frost & Scott Roxburgh Yr 6. The supervising teacher for the term is Mr Alan Petchell. The councillors were inducted on Friday 24 July.

Each class will be involved in the "Child Protection Program" this term. Children will learn strategies for dealing with unsafe situations, and which can protect them from physical and sexual abuse. Year 6 will also participate in Human Sexuality this term.

- Christine Walsh

WAMBOIN CLASSIFIEDS

LIKE WINE? WANT A DAY OUT WITH YOUR SPOUSE? A bus trip around the local wineries. Does this interest you? A trip is being planned on Saturday, October 31st, leaving Wamboin around 10am, picking up down Norton Rd to Gundaroo Rd, heading to Murrumbateman for wine sampling and lunch and back here via Gundaroo Rd. wineries. If you are interested please phone Robert Gorham on 6238-1913 or Charlie Montessin on 6238-2308 by 29th August.

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Advertising rates: Full Page - \$70 Half Page - \$35 1/4 Page - \$20 1/6 Page - \$15 1/8 Page - \$10

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WAMBOIN MOTORISTS!! On these foggy mornings: Please turn your **HEADLIGHTS ON!!** Traffic intersecting Norton Road cannot see you if your headlights are not on. Parking Lights are not strong enough in fog. - Kevin Rowe

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"How dare we take our Greenways for granted."**A discussion by Paul D. Patti**

After another weekend of stunning views, intriguing wildlife and peaceful experiences; courtesy of our Weeroona Drive Greenways and my wife's retired Dressage horse "Lucky", I am drawn to pen some thoughts on why future community policy for maintenance of these very valuable public assets must be pursued with all vigor. Since finally settling in the wilds of Weeroona, after 20 years of itinerant military lifestyles, I have become a weekly user of the winding trails that are one of the significant components of our Greenways.

Before proceeding, there must be a clear and definite "Thank you" to each person who has contributed to the establishment and ongoing life of the Greenways - this asset is of the highest community value and rivals walking trails I've seen and enjoyed in Germany, England and Denmark.

My concern is for the future of the Greenways. If the greatest levels of inclusive community consultation are not set in place and then maintained, what will be their fate? Can these fine trails be forever maintained by goodwill? What implications must be faced by our community under the Common Law "Duty of Care" provisions that demand that all users be provided with the safest possible recreational facility? Could a skew towards 'conservation in isolation' see the Greenways cut off from walkers, riders and runners because of real or perceived dangers to the sustainable future of this asset - the High Country debate is but one example. There is evidence to suggest that some Carers of the Greenways have a diverse understanding of both Environmental Engineering, Flora Management, Occupational Health and Safety and the needs of each group of Users.

We see siltation running across the Greenway, stifling flora and polluting waterways; a disregard for basic Civil Engineering practice and Environmental Protection Agency guidelines has caused a shocking major degradation of our resource! There are far too many instances of the ad hoc placement of unstabilised rotting branches and rocks, to fill in erosion channels that regularly bisect the trails. This practice is doubly inappropriate: the next rains move the timber down slope and the rocks either create larger wash holes or are themselves moved down slope. When soil stabilization is undertaken, the works must be safe for everyone - anchor bolts protruding from the surfaces of logs can puncture the sole of the human foot or tear flesh - our Equine friends can suffer an agonising death from Tetanus or other infections just as easily. We see other instances of timber felled and laid across the trails, wire fences and gates that are important access controls but are placed with little consideration for the safety of users and those beloved persons often seen cutting fire wood from the trails. Likewise there is clear evidence that some users of the Greenways have no long term vision of their beauty and sustainable heritage. Rubbish and the debris of humanity abound; is it too hard to carry every scrap out! Garden rubbish dumped for convenience will possibly spread weeds through the native grasslands. Branches torn down, shrubs trampled; established and stable walking and riding trails not used and new sensitive areas disturbed; there can be no shortcuts in sustaining our environment! Fences damaged, gates not left as they were found, trekking across private land instead of following the trail. Horses feet and black poly pipe were never designed to coexist.

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Dave Hubbard	Poppet Rd.	36
Cathy Abell	Canning Close	17
Joan Mason	Bingley Way	40
Carol Olgilby	Norton, Bing to Yalana	52
Roberta Rentz	Weerona, Norton to Majors	28
Sue Gane	Majors Close	20
David Anderson	Weerona, Majors to Denley	35
Anthony Whitford	Hogan/Denley area	22
Ann Platts	Denley/Birchman's Area	20
Ruth Lambert	Yalana + 10 GearysGap	55
Mary Loft	South End - Clare Valley	38
Stephanie Royle	North End - Clare Valley	32
Anne Reardon	Summerhill Road Area	10
Rachael Gascoine	Brooks Creek Estate	10
Bernie Reardon	Clare Lane	8
Lyle Monetssin	Forrest Road area	50

A wise Director once told me, "Don't give me problems, offer solutions" - and so to some suggestions. A valuable engineering and environmental tool is the Master plan. This vision statement gives form and order to the collection of individual projects needed to keep the Greenways alive. We all must be able to sense our ownership of each little centimetre and of the entire resource that is the Greenways! - our chance to contribute will be sweeter as it will be a labour of love. This inclusion will also bring balance and offer consultation with each stake holder - it may be our objective to establish an all weather trail capable of daily use; likewise horse riders may be limited to fewer trails during the blessed rains of winter and spring. There could be separate public plans for access development, environmental engineering and flora management including revegetation. Regular inspection and supervised user maintenance of the Greenways could begin to bring more value to this asset. Ultimately financial support must be considered. Will it be possible to gain access to scarce Public funds via our Council and State Government without some solid planning and professional inputs from many disciplines. This is probably already on the agenda by the Committee that manages the Greenways on our behalf - I hope.

For each of us who use or live with the Greenway everyday, there can be real gains by earnestly thinking about the way we treat this part of our environment:

Rubbish is always carried out for responsible disposal later. Trails are followed and all flora is left undisturbed, unless instances of OH&S arise. Walk, ride and run smartly - Those gates, signs, fences and crossing points have been placed to benefit all of us. Sell others on the valuable experience you can have on the Greenway - if we all take a little bit of interest we can move mountains. Take action to report areas of erosion or overuse - correctly designed remediation will fix many problems before they explode. Leave the Greenway in a better state than you found it, if you can. To close off, please don't write me off as a passionate horse freak or an environmental tree hugger: I'm neither. I've been lucky to live and work in every state of Australia, mainly out of sight of big cities - but in the shadow of the varied environmental habits they are forced to employ. My roving overseas have shown me some horrible pollution incidents and evidence of little foresight in open community recreational planning. Balance is the issue for me. I would hope that for the brief time of my ownership of these hills and trees along Weeroona Drive, that maybe I can help it be a little bit more special for those who follow.

I'd be glad to learn about the problems other "Urban Farmers" have overcome and share some of the ideas we have tried at "Paudebaire". Call in for Coffee any time. Food for thought, I hope. Regards.

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All Creatures Great and Small

A Continuing Series by Local Vet, Dr. Blair Lamont, BVMS, MRCVS

Wet and cold winter weather greatly increases the incidence of some conditions. One in neutered male cats is blockage of the urethra due to "sand" formation in the bladder. We find that many cats are less willing to venture outside in the inclement conditions and tend to urinate less frequently - plus often drink less if taking less exercise. This has the twofold effect of allowing urine to sit in the bladder for longer and thus increase the chance of "crystal" formation, and the higher concentration of urine through drinking less has a further enhancing effect on crystallisation. It may well be that other predisposing factors are also involved, but the end result is that a "sandy" precipitate develops in the bladder, and can stick in the urethra resulting in partial or complete occlusion. Neutered male cats are most affected - probably because the urethra is narrower than in entire males - possibly also because male cats expend more energy on "outside interests" and thus drink more. In the female, even when desexed, the urethra is too large to be blocked by the fine particles.

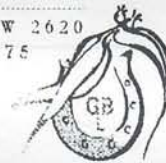
Often the first signs are those of urethral irritation - ie frequent straining to pass urine, sometimes with vocal accompaniment; closer examination may reveal some drops of blood tinged urine in the litter tray, or on paper, bedding etc. As the condition progresses signs relate increasingly to bladder distension, and toxemia from the inability to void the toxic by-products normally cleared from the body via the urine "uraemia". If you suspect this condition, seek veterinary advice URGENTLY, as permanent bladder and kidney damage and death from uraemia can occur within 40 hours from onset. (Many owners confuse the condition with bowel constipation.)

Treatment depends on the severity of the condition. In early, partial blockages injections may suffice; more severe cases may require anaesthesia and catheterisation of the urethra with bladder flushing; the most severe cases may die despite surgical and medical treatments, fluid therapy, etc. In cases which merit it, a "sex-change" type of operation can offer the best hope of preventing recurrence - the penis is removed to enlarge the external orifice. Sometimes continual medication will suffice, but can be hard to administer and not always effective. It is also advisable to try and ensure adequate intake of fluids (to dilute the urine) eg, by exercise, increased salt, etc. Dry cat foods may be more predisposing than "wet" feeds but this has not been proved to date. A major advance recently in treatment / prevention has been the introduction of "special" tinned and dry foods designed to dissolve existing crystals and to prevent recurrence - they are very successful in most cases.

In conclusion, while this condition is more prevalent under certain conditions it also at other times, so be aware and seek early treatment if suspicious.

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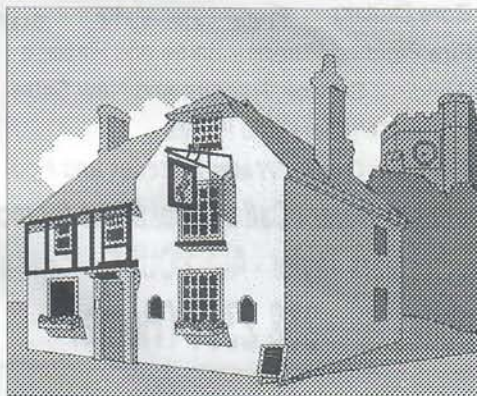
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(prepared by David Robertson)

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Anyone can submit articles or notes for inclusion in the "Whisper" and as long as they have common community interest, they will be published.

This issue has been considerably delayed due to a lack of contributions. Most people say how they look forward to it coming out but we must have news or articles to put in it. The frequency of future issues is up to you."

This was editor Derek Gough's message - the previous issue appeared in February 1983 and the following in December.)

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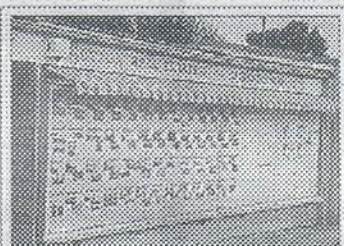
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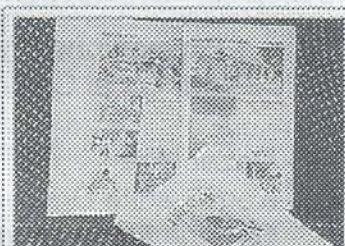
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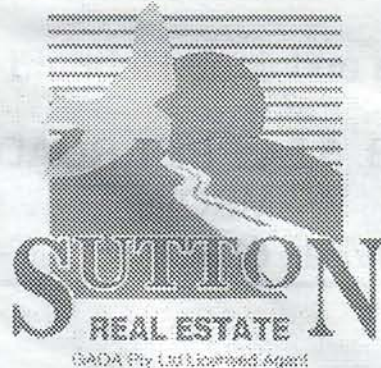
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Any One for Tennis? Tennis for Anyone! Handicapped Teams Do Well.

A desperate contingent of Wamboin post-childhood professional tennis fanatics have been frequenting the Bungendore Park tennis competition for the last two club seasons. Having mastered upon the highs and lows of the court surfaces the two teams have skilled their way from the bottom of the ladder to mid way and above, bravely coping with injuries commensurate with maturing bodies and bones.

Take "Thingummy" who broke his wrist on second appearance when he discovered that his hand wouldn't support his body weight when he skidded over, and "What's his name" (warming up at Campbell most mornings because the rest of the team needed all the help they could get) sustained an injury when his body wouldn't do what his brain commanded. "The young fit chick" eventually succumbed to asthma as the rest of the company enviously inhaled the fumes from the cosy wood fires of Bungendore Village. Extremes of temperature played havoc with the tattooed lady's arthritis, and the woman from the winery sprained her ankle whilst mulling over tennis tactics at work.

Meanwhile, the mother of Ned and Bess soldiered on. Sir Galahad of the bad hair, learnt better than to take his woman from the city to play with that "lot". The new recruit contributed other than "NIX" to the Ferals average, thank goodness, whilst Wamboin One suffered in "silence" on several occasions until the timely appearance of the two "ells". The roller-blading wife of a local builder gave a much needed boost to both teams.

The rumours of sideline activities were quelled when "What's his name wife" accompanied the players and declared the atmosphere too cold to be conducive to tennis. However she wasn't there the nights there were adjournments to the local. The Ferals shock of being in the play off was overshadowed by the shock of playing with frozen balls and other extremities. However, trendy gloves, beanies and thermals were the go. The play off was won by hardier souls (Bungendore Bulletin, July 98) and the Ferals were able to hibernate to their warm caves until the new season commences. "What's his name" was invited to play in the finals but had to decline due to more pressing local commitments - talk about come up in the world!!

The new club competition commences in September and enrollment/membership forms can be obtained from the Bungendore Super-Market or Lyn Guy on 6238-1046. Informatin will be posted on the Super-Market notice board. So, cone on all you Wamboin players who aspire to White City. We'd love to have some more local talent to make up more teams. Essential requirements are a tennis racquet and a sense of humour. Games are played Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday evenings and players are interchangeable. - Mary Lou Gorham and Sue Gane

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