



# NEWSLETTER

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## CHAIRMAN'S CHATTER:

Finally I have found time to jot a few lines down for the newsletter. This year took some time to settle down but is now starting to run smoothly. The attendance at the January Bar-B-Que was disappointing and the February meeting was changed due to the Toongabbie Cemetery headstones having already been transcribed. In March, Dawn Cowley gave a wide ranging talk on "Genealogical Resources". Dawn's talk was full of information and was very valuable to our newer members. At the April meeting, Anne Tainton spoke on the work being done by the Church of Latter Day Saints in their library in Traralgon. Anne's description of the present programmes being undertaken and the efforts being made by the church around the world in the recording and storage of genealogical records made us all appreciate the value of their library as a resource centre. Some of our members plan to visit the B.A.R.C. centre in Bena on May 6th. This is the collection of genealogical resources used by Janet Reakes. These are now owned by Jim Riddell who has set up the library in the old church at Bena in South Gippsland. Our May meeting will be an open night at our library where there should four fiche readers available for use. In June we will attempt a Trivial Pursuit games night based on genealogical knowledge.

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The following notice appeared in the Melbourne "SUN", on Saturday 24th February, 1990.

### Birth, Death and Marriage Certificates REVISED FEES 26TH FEBRUARY, 1990

Full Certificate (Search and Issue)	\$23-00
If Registration No. supplied	\$11-50
Change of Name Certificate	\$11-50
Extract of Entry	\$11-50
Priority Fee (Additional)	\$21-50

Registry of Birth, Deaths and Marriages  
295 Queen St, Melbourne Vic 3000  
P O Box 4332, Melbourne Vic 3001

Telephone: 03 603 5800 (General Enquiries)  
03 11530 (Recorded Information)

INDEX TO EXTRA B.D.M. CERTIFICATES-NO.3:

Mrs. Dawn Cowley has released the next edition of the Index to Extra B.D.M. Certificates. There are approximately 2,000 entries. The cost is \$5-00 including postage.

Those wishing to obtain a copy of the Index, or wishing to submit information, please write to:

Mrs. Dawn Cowley  
"TAKAMUNA"  
27 Shanahan Parade  
Newborough Vic 3825

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ENGLISH CERTIFICATES:

Please note the new address for the above:

General Registry Office  
Smedley Hydro  
Trafalgar Road  
Southport  
Merseyside PR 82HH  
England  
United Kingdom

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NEW ACQUISITION:

Our Librarian, Mrs. Florence Butcher, is in the process of purchasing both ENGLISH and IRISH STAMPS, for members of The Mid-Gippsland Group.

English Stamps are approximately 37p, allowing for an exchange rate of approximately 90 cents to a \$1-00.

Irish Stamps-will be available. Exchange rate to be advised.

By purchasing one stamp, this works out much cheaper than purchasing one I.R.C.



## TOWNS DIE QUIETLY

MORE than 30 rural communities in Victoria have finally admitted defeat over the future of their towns. Towns with such colorful titles as Albucutya, Boigbeat, Pier-Millan and Kooloonong will soon die - although it can be argued they were never really alive. The demise of the townships is one of the little known recommendations in the Land Conservation Council's recently released report on the Mallee. The LCC does not expect much opposition to the recommendations, considering there are no town residents to protest. These small areas of Crown land were set aside for townships during settlement of the Mallee from the turn of the century until 1925. Unfortunately, the optimism of government planners wasn't matched by the settlers' ability to populate the Mallee. Those early blocks of half a square mile were found to be profitable which led to the establishment of much larger holdings. Municipal councils in the Mallee have urged the LCC to revoke the townships. The LCC insists that no cemetery land will be revoked. The townships earmarked for revokation are: Albacutya, Annuello, Bambil, Bannerton, Barraport, Benetook, Boigbeat, Boinka, Bolton, Boonoonar, Cocamba, Curye, Danyo, Galah, Goschen, Goyura, Karawinna, Karween, Kiamil, Kooloonong, Kulwin, Merrinee, Miralie, Mittyack, Morkalla, Natya, Nowingi, Panitya, Pier-Millan, Pirlta, Pira, Torrita, Tutye, Yarrara, Yarto, Yatpool, Yungera.

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All Correspondence should be addressed to the new Secretary:

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Hon. Secretary  
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