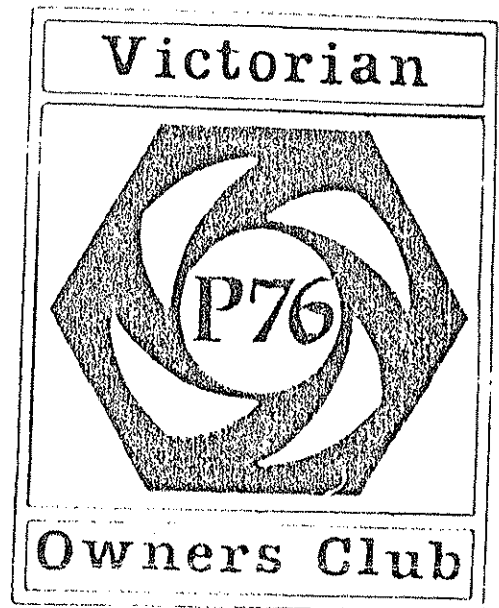


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COMING EVENTS

9th to 11th JUNE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY WEEKEND AT BENDIGO
16th JUNE DRIVE IN NITE DROMANA DRIVE - IN
28th JULY ANNUAL DINNER & ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MAC'S HOTEL

BENDIGO QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY WEEK-END

We have finalised the week-end at last!

Some of us will be arriving on Friday. Chris and Barbara Bain have kindly asked us to their home for a cuppa. Their address is - 115 Victoria Street, Eaglehawk. Map Ref 4C. Telephone - 054-467122. The easy way to find their place, coming from Melbourne is to follow the truck route to Eaglehawk; turn left at Eaglehawk Road; drive over a railway bridge and come to a set of lights; turn left, this is Victoria St. Chris and Barbara live about 150 metres on your left hand side.

Saturday morning we will be meeting at Lake Neanger, Napier Street, Eaglehawk Map Ref 5B for a BBQ lunch and bonnets up of course.

We will be leaving the lake at 12.30 to convoy through Bendigo on to Violet Street, 6 I. This is where the central Deborah Gold Mine is located as well as the Talking Tram Terminus. They both take about one hour. The Gold Mine will cost \$9.50 per Adult and \$5.50 per Child for an underground tour which starts at 1.30pm and 2.15pm. The Talking Tram starts at 1.30pm and again at 2.30pm and cost is \$5.00 per Adult and \$2.50 per Child. This is an 8km trip around Bendigo with a recorded commentary about Bendigo and its history. The tram will drop you off where the Gold Mine is located. After this we have not planned anything until 6pm; this is so people can see and do as they please.

There will be a list of places for you to think about. I do not know about admission prices etc. or just walk about Bendigo as there is a lot to see.

At 6pm we will meet at the New Windermere Hotel, 114 High Street Kangaroo Flat. The Hotel is on your right hand side heading towards Melbourne near the Vet. The meals will cost from \$4.00 to \$7.00, also there will be a band afterwards. Kids are welcome.

Sunday morning at 10.30am we will be meeting at the Bendigo Showgrounds for the Sunday Market. We will meet opposite the Market on Holmes Road, Map Ref 6E - look for the Leylands. It would be a good idea to have lunch there also as we will be back at the cars at 12.00pm.

We will then head out to Sandhurst town which is isolated in whipstick bushland. The admission price is \$6.50 per Adult and \$4.50 per Child. If we get a group of 20 or more we get a discount of \$4.50 per Adult and \$2.50 per Secondary School Children and \$2.00 for Primary School age. This admission covers all rides and tours within Sandhurst Town. At 1.30pm all aboard the Red Rattler through the Black Forest back to 1852; beware of the Bush Ranger "Mad Dog" Mitchell who often preys on this train. At 3pm we will take a leisurely ride on a wagon pulled by a Clydesdale to the fair-dinkum eucalyptus distillery. It closes at 5pm.

After Sandhurst we have two choices, either buy take-away and have it at the Bains - tea and coffee supplied - 115 Victoria Street, Eaglehawk (wives take control of the wallets, Chris has a lot of P76 parts in his backyard) or there is a bushdance at Costerfield. It is in the town hall with a minimum charge and supper is supplied. Kids welcome. The Cannings are going so if you want to go make a group and convoy down there. It is about a 3/4 hour drive. It starts at 8pm and a good time is guaranteed.

Monday morning we will all meet at the Tourist Bureau on the Calder Highway Melbourne side of Kangaroo Flat at 11 a.m. We will be starting a convoy at 11.30 am through Bendigo to let people know of our presence - if they haven't already noticed. We will finish near the Alexandra Fountain at Charing Cross for lunch and goodbyes.

If you do not want to attend certain activities, do not feel obliged to. Don't forget to bring your maps, they will come in handy. If you think the drive to Bendigo is too much or for any other reason then why don't people go together and share their car, petrol and driving. I am sure people would jump to take this opportunity.

OTHER PLACES OF INTEREST

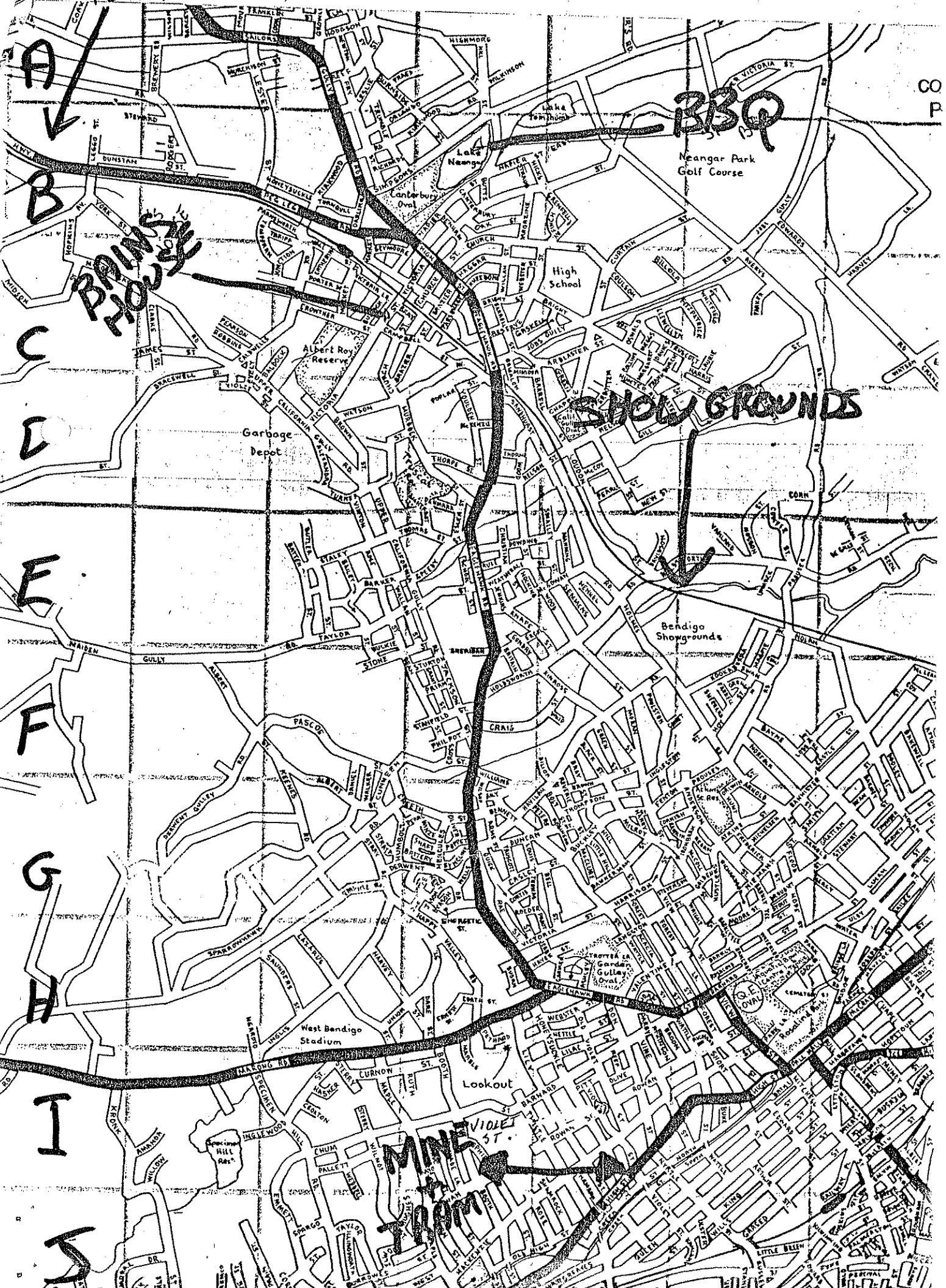
- Bendigo Pottery Midland Highway Epsom. Telephone 054-484404
Open 9.00am to 5.00pm.
- Bendigo Mohair Farm - 11km along Maryborough Road. Telephone 054-353341
Showroom open 10.00am - 4.45pm. Admission Free. Tours will cost.
- Hartlands Eucalyptus Farm - Whipstick Forest, Huntly. Telephone 054-488270
054-488227

The eucalyptus oil, soap etc. are for sale any day. Open for inspection only on Sundays and Public Holidays from 10.30am to 4.00pm.

- Dai Gum San Wax Museum - 28 View Street, Bendigo. Telephone 054-424725
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- Dudley House - 60 View Street, Bendigo.
1859 house and garden containing Bendigo's history. Open 2.00pm - 5-00pm.

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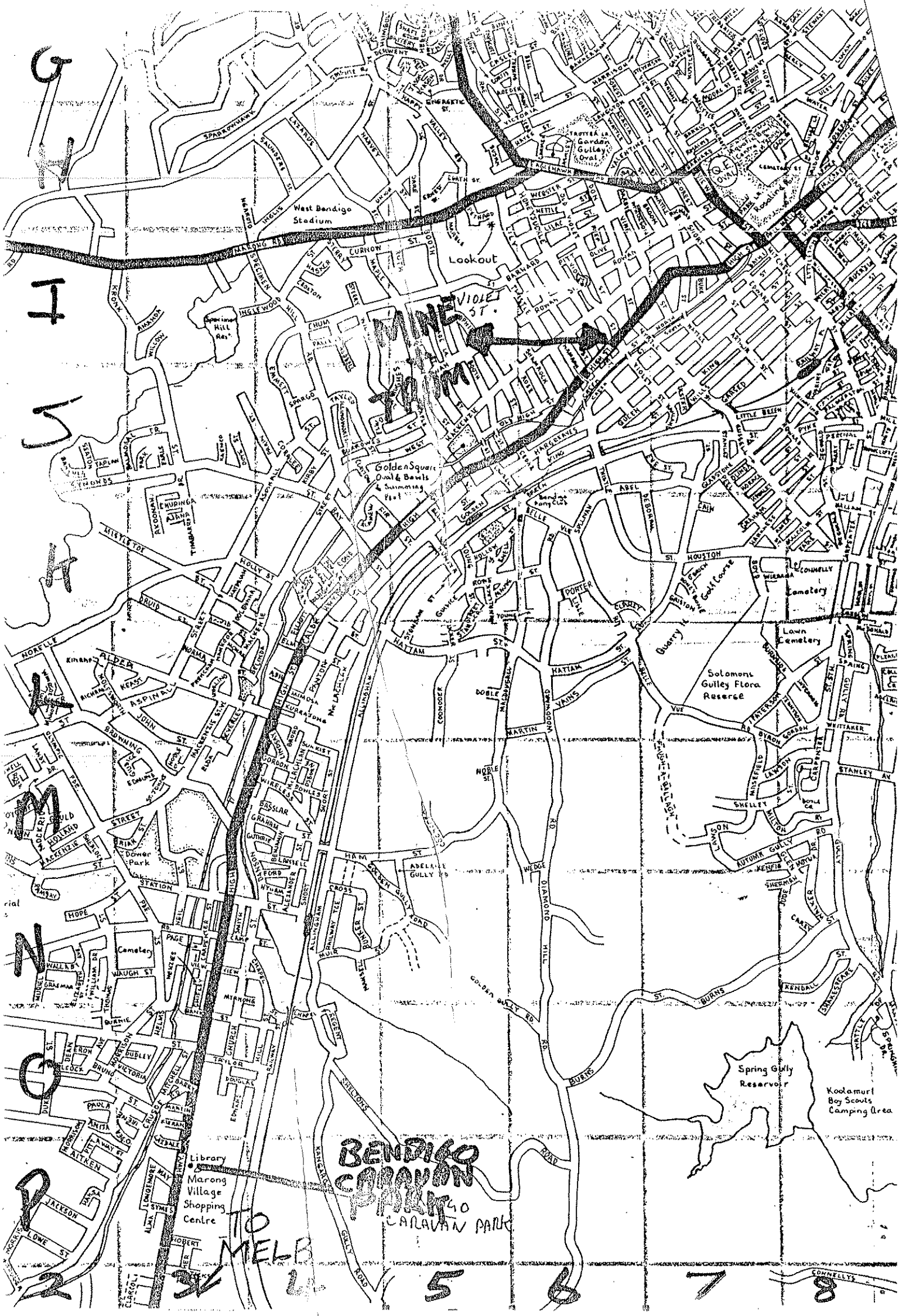
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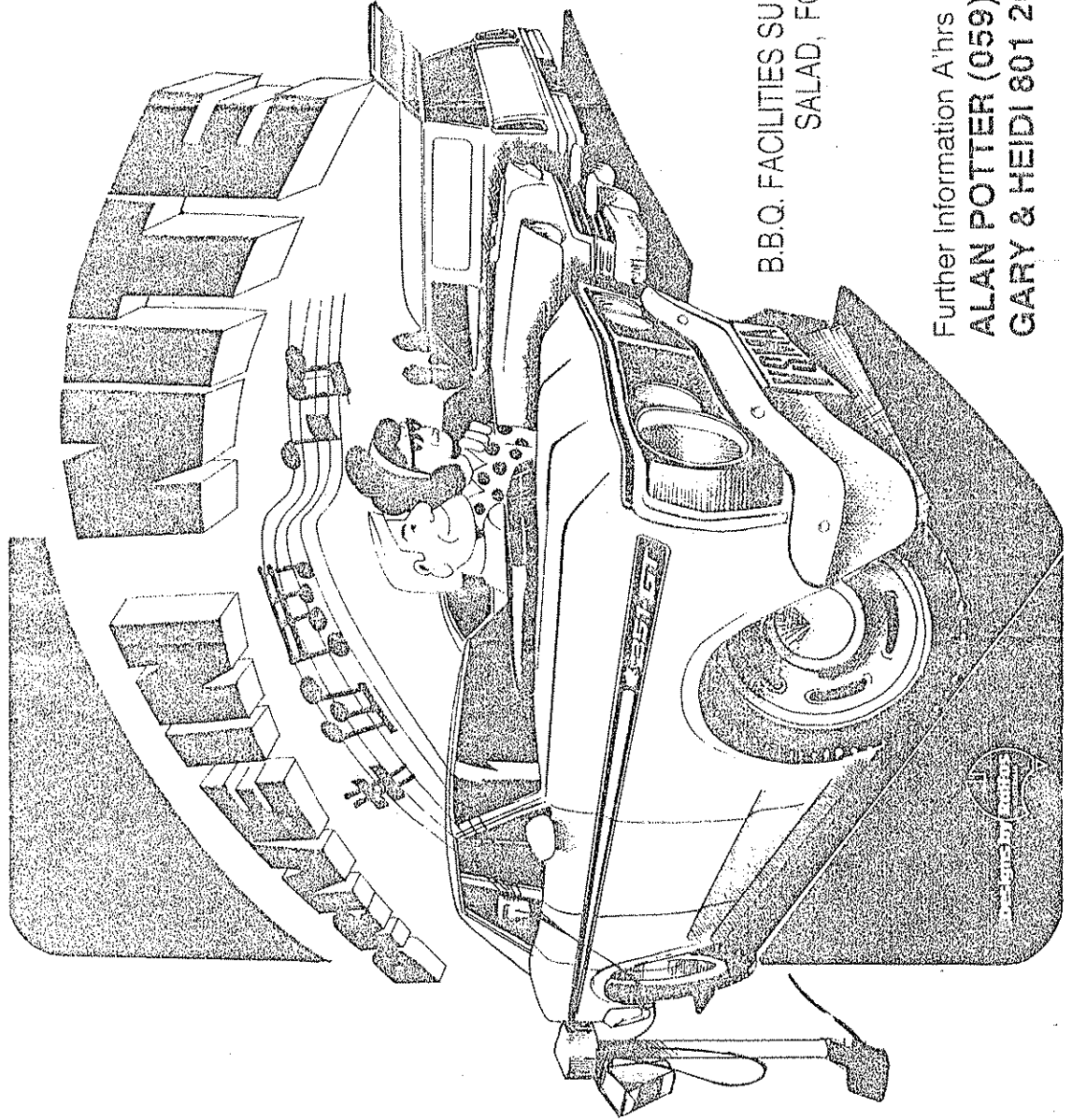
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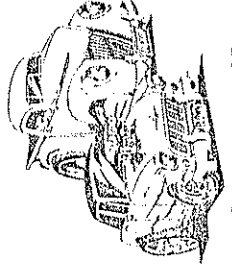
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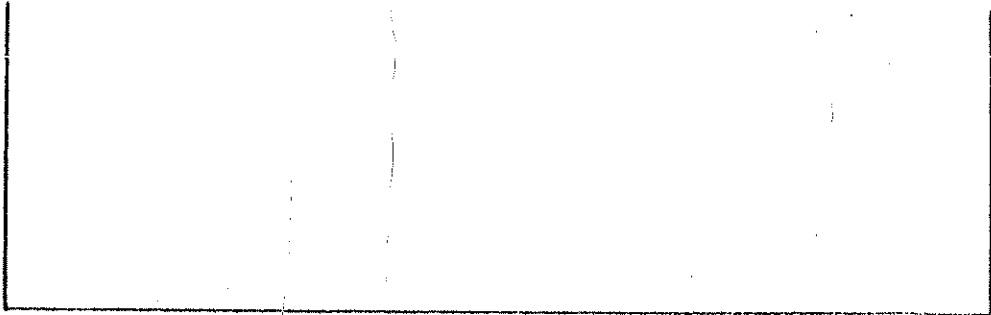
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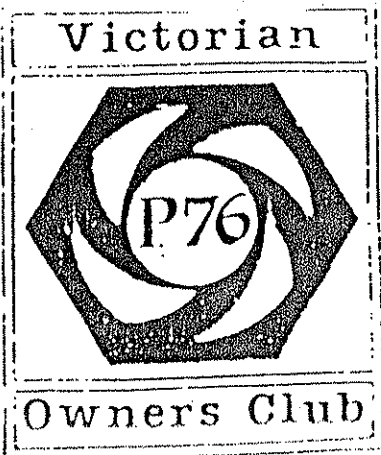
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