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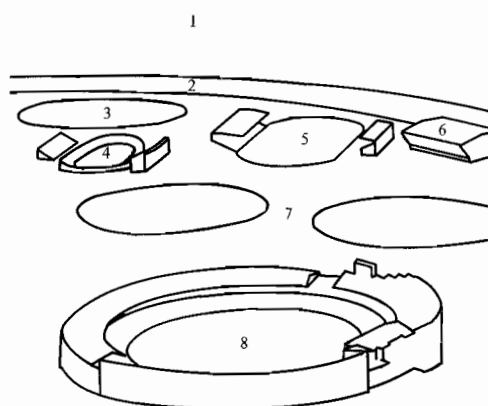
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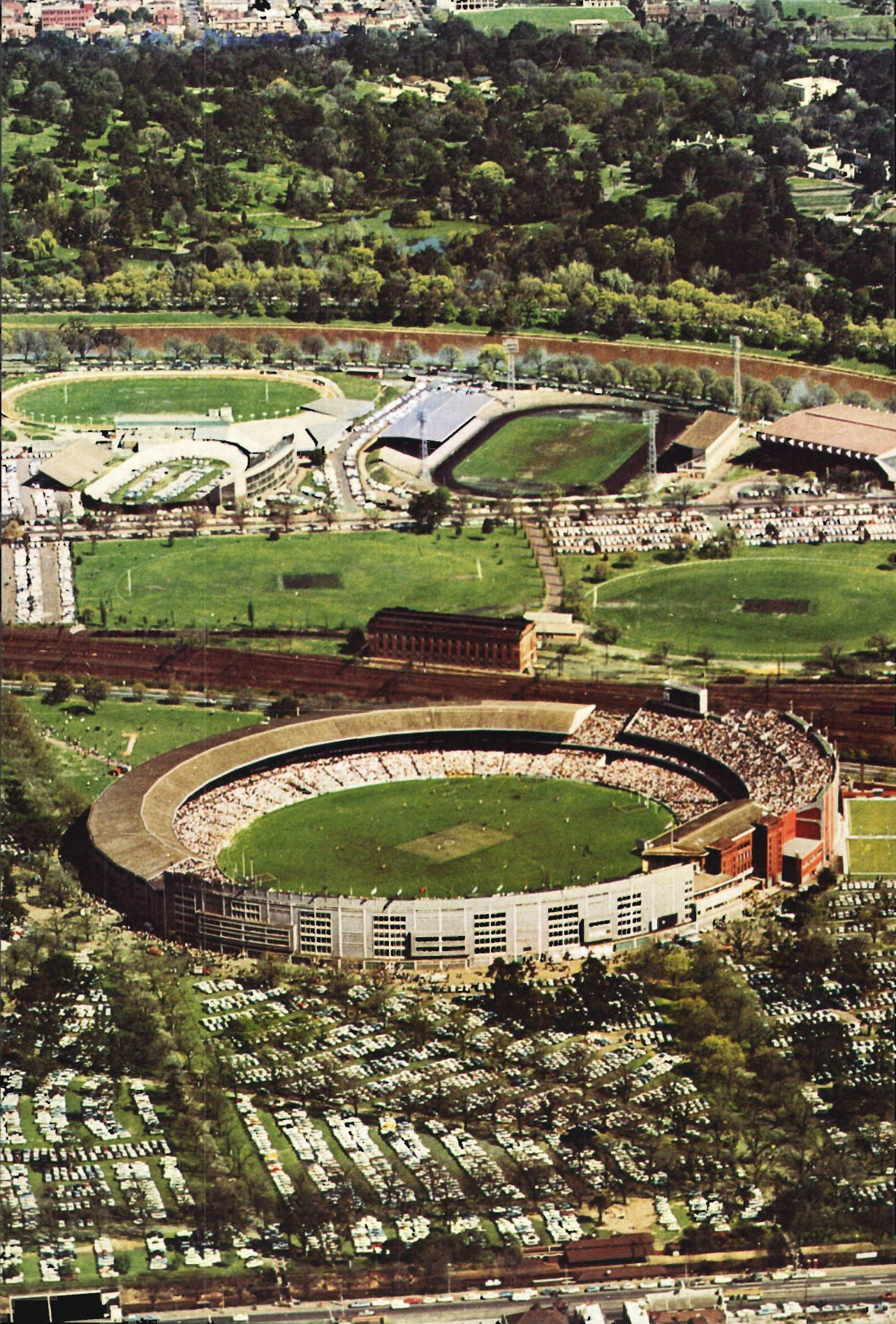
The Melbourne Cricket Ground during a Victorian Football League Grand Final showing Yarra Park, Olympic Park, the Yarra River, and the Royal Botanic Gardens.

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| 1 Royal Botanic Gardens                              | 5 Olympic Park No. 1 Ground |
| 2 Yarra River  | 6 Olympic Swimming Pool     |
| 3 Olympic Park No. 2 Ground (Greyhound Racing Track) | 7 Yarra Park Ovals          |
| 4 Olympic Park Velodrome                             | 8 Melbourne Cricket Ground  |







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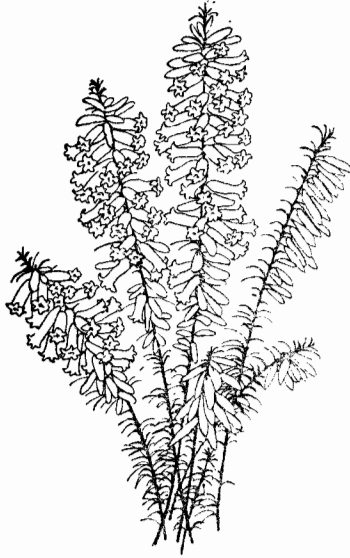


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The form of the Pink Heath, *Epacris impressa* Labill., was proclaimed on 11 November 1958 by the then Governor of Victoria, General Sir Dallas Brooks, to be the Floral Emblem for the State of Victoria. This plant was chosen as the result of a number of surveys made throughout Victoria by the Field Naturalists' Club of Victoria, the Tree Planters Association of Victoria, and kindred organisations and the metropolitan press, over a period of some twenty years.

## PREFACE

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This eighty-sixth edition of the *Victorian Year Book* again aims to present a comprehensive and faithful account of life in Victoria today. In attempting to achieve this objective, the *Year Book* reports upon important State activities and in particular upon the major social, political, and economic developments and trends of the State.

Continuity, especially of statistical information, is preserved as far as possible so that the *Year Book* will fulfil its function as a reference work. Consistent with its basic purpose, the coverage of the book is wide and hence, of necessity, its treatment is broad. Therefore, the statistical tabulations, which are supplemented by descriptive text, graphs, maps, and photographs, are comprehensive rather than detailed. The specialist reader will, however, frequently wish to pursue a subject further and hence to refer to other publications issued by this Office. These are listed in Appendix G and, as opportunity presents itself, are expanded to incorporate a steadily increasing amount of statistical information. They may be obtained from the Victorian Office of the Bureau, which also provides library facilities where the public may consult a wide range of statistical references.

The statistical tables in the *Year Book* give the latest facts available at the time the book goes to press. However, because of the time required for various phases of editing and printing, later information on a particular topic is often available in other publications. Readers should be aware that rounded figures sometimes cause small discrepancies between totals and the sums of components. Yearly periods shown as, e.g., "1970", refer to the year ended 31 December 1970; those shown as, e.g., "1969-70", refer to the year ended 30 June 1970. Other yearly periods are specifically indicated.

This edition again contains a number of new articles and hence some of the material published previously has been omitted. To help in tracing such omissions, references retrospective to 1961 are given both in the places where the articles last appeared and, in the case of major articles, in Appendix H. These references show the year of publication and the page number.

The material in the *Year Book* has been carefully checked throughout, but I shall be grateful to those who will be kind enough to point out defects or make suggestions.

Readers requiring the main statistical information of the *Year Book* in a concise form are referred to the *Victorian Pocket Year Book* which is usually published in July of each year. Copies can be obtained from the Victorian Office of the Bureau.

A number of persons and institutions have again helped in the preparation of the *Victorian Year Book* ; I express my thanks to them in detail in the following pages.

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