

However, experience among the group of trainees for this particular course was somewhat limited.

Moreover, we had only one replacement piece of glass for the window pane.

We agreed to "give it a go" but

soon there was a dispute among the movie and still cameramen.

The movie guys said the clicking of cameras would be picked up by their tape recorder and spoil the shot.

The movie people won and our

specially selected "volunteer" duly hooked up his ropes on the top of the building and made ready for his spectacular descent and entry.

Lights! Camera! Action! Down the rope he came at incredible speed, in he swung towards the window and ... THUMP! He hit the wall just under the window.

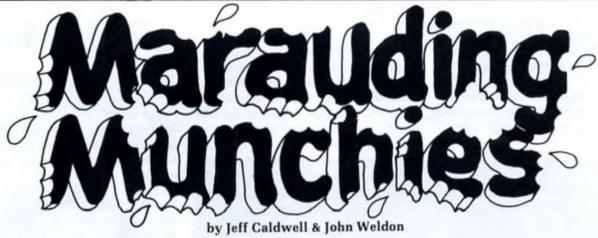
The glass slowly cracked and dropped in three separate pieces onto the carpet.

The second attempt was perfect and the movie guys were delighted.

"What about us?" said the two keenest still photographers. "We've run out of glass," we said, but that didn't deter them.

Any of you who have seen those very convincing colour and black and white photographs of a member with full protective kit and submachine gun in hand "bursting" through a window may like to know that the glass fragments were thrown at the member by half a dozen pairs of hands which just happened to be outside the picture.

As for the glass supplies, it took three weeks to winkle a new window out of the powers-that-be. And this didn't please the Chief Superintendent very much . . . it was his office.



What (or who) are the Marauding Munchies? Even platypus editorial staff are not sure but we believe they might have something to do with food. Anyway, read their contribution printed here and see if you are enlightened.

Welcome to "Marauding Munchies". This is the first in what we hope to be many articles on out of the way and somewhat different eating places.

Recently our travels took us to the New South Wales south coast town of Narooma. We stumbled across a Mexican Restaurant (which is aptly named for our first article) 'Mexican Munchies'. 'Mexican Munchies' is found down the stairs, behind and below the Hylands Hotel on the Princes Highway. One of the most striking things about this restaurant is Annette and Ian Hockey, two of the most pleasant and helpful hosts you could hope to meet.

Our meal started with an Aperilivo (or dip) called Frijoles (beans, onions, cheese and chili sauce). The main course consisted of what is called Mexican Munchie Mix — Taquitos, Tostada, Quesadillas, Enchilada, Camarones and a delightful salad tossed in honey and lemon juice. There were a range of desserts available.

For four it cost us (including wine and drinks) under \$50.00. We thought this very reasonable considering the generous servings.

Just as an after-thought: all the food is served mild, unless requested otherwise. If you are game ask for either the hot or 'mind-blower' sauces . . . just a word of advice: order plenty to drink!

The New South Wales Coast is a popular holiday area for people from Sydney, Canberra and Melbourne. We feel that it is well worth a trip to Narooma to experience the excellent cuisine provided by Annette and Ian at 'Mexican Munchies'.