



● Actor Tom Burlinson rides into Ringwood market. Pictures: ALEX GALL.

Brass band upstages the clatter of hooves

THE "Man From Snowy River" was upstaged by the Premier yesterday on the last day of the Nunawading re-election campaign.

Tom Burlinson, star of the movie, rode his steed "Denny" into Ringwood market to support the mountain cattlemen's attack on the Government's Alpine National Park.

But the Premier also turned up — and brought with him a brass band.

After a few noisy moments he met Burlinson — and proceeded to tell him the Government's view.

"All it means is that all Victorians can use the park," he said. "They (the cattlemen) have still got 95 per cent of their land left."

Burlinson had joined the campaign to protest against accusations that cattlemen were "manipulating the image of the Man From Snowy River."

The Conservation, Forests and Lands Minister, Mrs Kirner, said that under the previous governments the cattlemen had lost 5½ times the 1 per cent of their land they were losing now.



● Mr Cain talks to Tom Burlinson about the proposed alpine park