



## 4th BRUNSWICK GROUP BOY SCOUTS

# "Scout Link"

Meets at Hopetoun Avenue — West Brunswick



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### GROUP PERSONNEL.

- G.S.M.—Mr. Dennis Rathbone, 12 Ward Grove, Pascoe Vale South.  
 L.C.M.—Miss Lois Parry, 290 Albion St., West Brunswick.  
 A.L.C.M.—Miss Estelle Cooper, 242 Bell Street, Coburg  
 A.S.M.—Mr. Albert Allen, 8 Cadman St., West Brunswick.  
 Rover Leader—Mr. Albert Blair, 11 McKeon Avenue, West Brunswick.  
 Cub Pack meets Friday, 7.30 p.m.  
 Troop meets Wednesday, 7.30 p.m.  
 Senior Scouts meet Thursday, 7.30 p.m.  
 Rover Crew meets Friday, 8 p.m.

### PARENTS' COMMITTEE.

- President: Mr. Cliff C. Tabley, 2 Moreland Rd., Essendon.  
 Secretary: Mr. Robert H. Lavender, 1 Peacock St., W. Brunswick. Phone FW 6313.  
 Treasurer: Mr. C. H. Gronn, 8 Hopetoun Avenue, W. Brunswick.

Dear Parent,

In order to bring you a complete resume of the activities of the Group each month, it was decided to publish this "Link" between Parent and the Troop, and we, the members of the Group Committee hope and trust that a closer co-operation will result from the information therein.

**Group Scoutmaster's Report.**—Our G.S.M. reported that the Cubs and Scouts held a going up ceremony on Saturday afternoon, March 19, during which four Cubs passed through to the Scouts. Arrangements were being made to hold a Scout Camp at Eltham during Easter. Albert Allen was appointed S.M. (owing to the resignation of Jim Millar), and it was hoped he would take out a warrant in the near future. Senior Scouts number only four at present but their numbers should improve as time goes on. The Rover Crew were expecting to take a trip over the Bogong High Plains during the Easter break.

**General Reports.**—As the B.C.C. had recently granted the Group a block of land in Jolly St., West Brunswick, for the purpose of erecting a Scout Hall, the Parents' Committee decided to form a Sub-Committee comprising of Messrs. Hayes, Anderson, Lavender and G.S.M. Dennis Rathbone, for the purpose of visiting various Scout Halls in order to obtain ideas for the building of our own Scout Hall.

**Social Reports.**—Among many social activities was a Picture Night held at the Western Theatre, on March 31, the result of which was very satisfactory, and our Building Fund will increase by approximately £15.

Our monthly Euchre nights, held on the last Saturday in every month, are still proving very popular, but we would like to see more parents attend.

Mr. C. Tabley, our representative on the L.A., reports that arrangements for the Annual Ball, on June 16, were proceeding satisfactorily.

**Resignations.**—G.S.M. reports having received a verbal resignation from S.M. Jim Millar.

Mr. Tabley resigned as Social Secretary for the Group and our Secretary has taken over the duties of Social Secretary as well.

**Group Scoutmaster's Report.**—Owing to the inability of our G.S.M. to be present at our last meeting, S.M. Alby Allen gave us the following report: Our Cub Pack and Scout Troop were at full strength and many were waiting to join, thus making evident the urgent necessity of having our own Scout Hall. The Scouts would be holding a competition camp at Eltham over the Easter vacation. Two members of our "Bowden" Rover Crew would be going up to Mt. Bogong on a working "Bee" over Easter. Senior Scouts were still functioning but small in number.

**General Reports.**—D.C. Norm Anderson reported having received from H.Q. Warrants for our R.L. Bert Blair and G.S.M. Dennis Rathbone. Mrs. Cariss reported that we would be able to obtain the use of the Kindergarten Hall, Raeburn Reserve, for our forthcoming Bazaar in October.

**Social Report.**—Social activities were as follows: Mrs. Cariss (Australian Tea), £5/7/6; Mesdames Lavender and Tabley (Card Evening) at the home of Mrs. Lavender (Senior), £13/7/-; Euchre Party (Scout Hall), £1/6/9; and the final result of our Vacuum Oil Company Picture Night, February 10, 1949, £4/15/-.

Much praise and credit must be extended to Mrs. Cariss for her very fine effort in raising the sum of £5/7/6, for considering only fourteen people attended, this was indeed a wonderful result.

Regarding Mesdames Tabley and Lavender's Card Evening much of the success of the evening was due to the fine attendance of Members of the 483

Essendon State School Mothers' Club. To them we owe our very sincere thanks.

**Finance.**—Our Treasurer, Mr. C. H. Gronn, submitted accounts totalling £15/9/6 for payment. These were duly accepted and passed. He also reported that our Building Fund Account stood at £60/15/6, plus £350 in Government Bonds, while our Group or Working Account stood at £25/9/7.

**Presentation.**—Our Parents' Committee meeting held in the Scout Hall on April 12, was very well attended, there being twenty-one members present; this was indeed pleasing to our President, for it had been arranged to make a presentation to our ex-Secretary and a staunch supporter and worker for the Group in the person of Mr. F. J. Bowden (Grandad). Grandad had been associated with the Group for 20 years.

Mr. Norman Anderson, D.C., who had been closely associated with Grandad over a long period, was elected to make the presentation. After a brief history of Grandad's association with the Group, Norm presented him with the "Challenge Hide." Grandad then replied to Mr. Anderson's remarks and duly presented the "Hide" to S.M. Alby Allen for Patrol Competition among the Scouts. Alby responded on behalf of the Troop.

The ceremony was brought to a conclusion with a presentation of a Scroll. This was carried out by our Treasurer, Mr. C. H. Gronn, who after a few words relating his association with Grandad, handed over the gift which Grandad in turn thanked the Group, remarking that he would hang it on the wall in his own home.

**A Fine Effort.**—Our congratulations go out to Cub Richard Astley for a job well done. Richard sold 48 tickets for our recent Picture Night, thus winning the prize for the most number of tickets sold. Runners up were Cub Graham Wilde and Scout Bob Edwards.

### Forthcoming Events.

April 30: Monthly Euchre Party to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tabley, 2 Moreland Rd., Essendon, at 8 p.m.

May 7: A House Party at the home of Mrs. Couper, 23 Murray St., West Brunswick, at 8 p.m.

May 10: Parents' Committee Meeting to be held in the Scout Hall, at 8 p.m.

June 2: Card Afternoon at the home of Mrs. Raven, 218 Moreland Rd., West Brunswick, at 2 p.m.