



## 4th BRUNSWICK GROUP BOY SCOUTS

# "Scout Link"

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### Forthcoming Events—

July 30: Monthly Euchre Night, to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tabley, 2 Moreland Road, Essendon, at 8 p.m.

August 9: Monthly Parents' Committee Meeting, to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lavender, 1 Peacock Street, West Brunswick, at 8 p.m.

August 11: Picture Night, conducted by the Scout Group, to be held at the Western Theatre.

August 27: Monthly Euchre Night, to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tabley, 2 Moreland Road, Essendon, at 8 p.m.

### Dear Parent,—

Let me tell you a little about our forthcoming bazaar on Saturday afternoon, 12th November. In 1947 we held a very successful bazaar, and, financially, the return was the largest contribution of the year to our Building Fund Account. This year we are looking for an even better return, but to attain this objective we must have YOUR support.

We will be operating seven stalls, namely: Toy and Novelty, Grocery, Cake, Fancy Goods, Flower and Vegetables, Sweets, and Drink and Ice Cream. As you will realize, all these stalls have to be stocked and it is here we are appealing for your assistance.

Maybe some of our good friends are in a position to donate items suitable to stock the above stalls.

Stall holders are Mesdames Cariss, Hayes, Astley and Gronn (cakes), Mesdames Tabley and Lavender (groceries), Mrs. Anderson (sweets), Mesdames Couper and Proud (afternoon tea), Mrs. Raven (fancy goods), Mr. Gronn (flowers, etc.), male members of the Group (toy and novelty), Cubs, Scouts and Rovers (drinks and ice cream).

Will you help this worthy cause? Contact any of the above stall holders or myself if you are able to assist in any way.

So, until next issue, when I will give you further information,

Yours sincerely,

R. H. LAVENDER, Hon. Sec.

### Group Scoutmaster's Report—

Detailed preparations for a "Going Up Ceremony" on Saturday, 2nd July,

for several Cubs from the Pack to the Troop, unfortunately had to be postponed to a later date, owing to train restrictions on Saturday afternoons. We had intended to travel by train to Glenroy, a short hike would then bring us to the site selected for the "Going Up." However, trains or no trains, on Saturday, 30th July (weather permitting) our "Going Up Ceremony" will be held.

On the last Saturday Troop Parade, held at the hall, full scale pioneering jobs were carried out. A flag pole was erected, carrying the Union Jack at the mast head and Troop and Pack flags on the cross arm, also bridge building in the form of the "Flying Fox" was carried out. Both jobs were completed and duly tested by the Scouts.

As this pioneering work was quite new to a number of the Scouts, the next time we can expect a better job in less time. Remember, it is practice, practice and yet more practice.

WHEN: Thursday, 11th August.

WHERE: Western Theatre.

WHAT: Easter Parade (Fred Astaire and Judy Garland); Busman's Honey-moon (Bob Montgomery and Constance Cummings).

WHY: To raise money necessary to stock our drinks and ice cream stall for our coming bazaar.

As you are aware by now, the Group (Cubs, Scouts, Seniors and Rovers) are having a picture night. Electric torch for the Group member who sells the highest number of tickets. (Will it be a Cub once more?) Also a prize for the runner-up.

So, Cubs and Scouts, "hop to it."

"KIM."

### Rover Crew Report—

Like most things during the winter, the activities of the Rover Crew have slowed slightly, although the Crew-Night programmes are as crowded and active as ever.

Frank Buckley was elected Rover Mate for the next twelve months, with Rusty Payne as his second.

The district night on 1st July was quite successful, although only four guests turned up, including our District Commissioner and District Rover Leader. Our guest speaker, Mr. Andrews (incidentally an ex-Scouter)

gave a very interesting talk and was nearly roasted by the roaring fire (Blair's good wood).

The Crew and Senior Scouts attended a lecture at Coburg Town Hall on 15th July, on Social Hygiene, and were visited by our Senior Troop on 22nd July.

We intend to get a speaker to give us a talk on Traffic Laws on 29th July.

There are no more thick lips or black eyes to report. (Prank must be behaving himself.)

Alby Allen took some excellent photos of the Crew in the Den on Friday, 8th, for the album which the Crew is building up as a "Crew Log," so if anyone has any old photos of previous years' Scouting or Rovering with 4th Brunswick or 3rd Essendon, please let us have them.

ROVER-LEADER BLAIR.

### Cub Corner—

Great excitement this month when "Blue" Six won "Lameleg."

For those who do not know about "Lameleg," here is a short sketch:—

Each Pack meeting, Cubs are awarded points (beans to the Cubs) for various sections of their work and at the end of six weeks these points are totalled and the winning six is awarded the coveted Bone, called by the Pack, "Lameleg." They have their Six Color tied round it and hang it in their Six Corner and endeavor to earn in the following weeks as many beans as possible to keep it there.

Congratulations to Cubs Astley, Proud, Lavender and Wilde on receiving their "first Eye."

Good huntings, Cubs.

AKELA.

### Donations—

We wish to acknowledge a donation of £3/4/-, the result of a special effort arranged and conducted by Mrs. Cariss. Over a period of many years, Mrs. Cariss has been untiring in her efforts to assist the Group, and once again she has demonstrated her willingness to further our cause in this practical manner.

J. Kennedy, of 13 Walter Street, Ascot Vale, received a very nice apron as the result of this special effort.

We would like to acknowledge a £1/1/- donation from Mrs. L. Buzacott, hon. secretary, Melbourne Cat Club.

Recently our president, Mr. C. Tabley, was able to help this club with a printing job, and in return their committee felt they would like to assist our cause with this fine gesture.

Further donations of 1/- from the following: Mrs. Tabley, Mrs. Wallace, Mr. Hannan, Mrs. Astley, Mrs. Rushworth, Mr. Hayes, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Cariss, Mrs. McKinley, Mr. T. McKinley, Mrs. Lamont, Mrs. Wilde, Mrs. Seers, Mrs. Russ, Mr. Gronn, Mrs. Christenson, Mr. Parry, Jr., Mr. Boyd, Mr. Williams, Mrs. Parry, Mr. Boyle, Mrs. Kitson, Mrs. Self, Mrs. Raven, Mrs. McNaughton, Mrs. Middleton, Mrs. Anderson, and Mr. J. Christenson. 2/- from: Mrs. Easton, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Fitzgerald, Mrs. Marshall, Mrs. Essex, Mrs. Atkins, Mr. Hodges, Mrs. Proud, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. McCubbin, and Mrs. Lavender; and Mrs. Murray, 3/-.

#### Social Reports—

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tabley, our monthly euchre party was held on 25th June. A very enjoyable evening was attended by 14 parents and friends, resulting in a further £1.8/9 being added to the Building Fund.

A social meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tabley on 8th July. Main business was a discussion on our forthcoming bazaar. Among many suggestions put forward, one of importance to all parents and friends was the stocking of the stalls.

Restrictions on trams, trains and buses did not deter 42 parents and friends from attending and participating in a very enjoyable evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Anderson on Saturday, 16th July. To Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Marshall and many other helpers we say "Thank you" for a job well done. As a result, £10 was raised to go towards Mrs. Anderson's sweet stall at our bazaar.

#### District Picture Night—

A very fine film covering Scouting in Britain, together with what might easily be said to be the best film we have yet seen of the Pan Pacific Jamboree held at Wonga Park, were highlights of a very interesting picture night held at the 1st Brunswick Scout Hall on Wednesday, 13th July. Approximately 230 Scouts and Cubs, parents and friends attended and contributed £5/4/6 to the L.A. Funds. We would like to offer a vote of thanks to Mr. Jack Keam and Mr. Clarrie (Rainbow) Simpson.

Mr. Keam (who, incidentally, was an old Scouter of the 1st Moonee Ponds Troop) volunteered his services and equipment to put this show on. He was ably supported by Mr. Simpson (G.S.M., 6th Camberwell Troop), who gave us a very interesting commentary of his own film, taken by himself of the Jamboree.

All in all, it was a grand night and we say once again "Thank you." Jack and "Rainbow."

#### Wanted

Save all those empty ½ lb. tea packets. When next you empty that packet of tea, do not open it at the end, but cut the packet through the middle, thus leaving two small packets which we can decorate and use as "sweet" containers. As soon as you have a few, send them along to the Scout Hall, or hand in to any member of the Group Committee.

#### CUBS AND SCOUTS YOUR BADGE ARE YOU PROUD TO WEAR IT?

Have you ever noticed, as you walk along the street, how many people are wearing badges in their buttonholes? See how many you can count next time you are on your way to school, and without staring or being rude, try to find out what they all are and how many you know.

I wonder how many Cub badges—or Scout badges—you will see? Not nearly so many as there ought to be, I am sure.

When Akela enrolled you as a Cub, she gave you a little bronze Wolf Head to wear in your coat. Do you wear it?

The Scout Shop issues hundreds and hundreds of these little badges every year, and I am sure many of them get lost, because I see so very few as I go about. It is so very easy to lose a small badge, isn't it?

What! you haven't lost yours? It is at home in a drawer? Goodness! who sees it there? How can anyone know you are a Cub if you don't wear your badge?

You are not ashamed of being a Wolf Cub, are you? No, of course not. You are proud of it. Then WEAR your badge and show that you are proud.

#### Group Personalities—



I feel that we cannot let this opportunity go by without a word about our ex-secretary, Mr. P. J. (Grandad) Bowden.

Grandad, as he was most popularly known, had been an active member of the Group for the past twenty years. Firstly when it was known as 3rd Epsendon, and later when it was changed to 4th Brunswick.

He became hon. secretary of the Group Committee since its inception.

He has taken a keen personal interest in the welfare of the boys since the formation of the Group. His personality and example have been an inspiration to all who have had contact with him, be they Cub, Scout or Rover, and his unflagging interest and work for the Group have been a continual source of inspiration to the Scouters and Group Committee members.

On the 22nd February, 1947, he was presented with the "Thanks Badge" by our District President, Cr. Norm Shells.

Mr. Bowden, since 1934, has loaned the Group—free of cost—the use of his property, sheds, electricity, etc.

Towards the end of last year, Grandad (who, incidentally, is well over 80 years of age) decided, owing to ill-health, to relinquish his connection with the Group and it was with deep regret we were obliged to accept his resignation.

#### VERY TRUE

A wise man once divided mankind into four classes:—

"He who knows not, and knows not that he knows not, is a fool. Shun him."

"He who knows not, and knows that he knows not, is simple. Teach him."

"He who knows, and knows not that he knows, is asleep. Waken him."

"He who knows, and knows that he knows, is wise. Follow him."



Most of us work alright after we get started, but we're so darned hard to start.

#### Never Again.

Graeme had been to the dentist. He wanted his tooth after it had been pulled out, so the dentist wrapped it up and gave it to him.

"But what are you going to do with it, Graeme?" asked the dentist.

"I'm going to take it home, cram it full of sugar, and watch it ache," replied Graeme.

#### Hard Up.

Richard had been to his aunt's house for Christmas dinner.

"Did you find auntie's pudding rich?" asked his mother when he returned.

"Oh, no," said Richard. "There was only one threepenny bit in it."