



## 4th BRUNSWICK GROUP BOY SCOUTS

# "Scout Link"

Meets at Kitchener St. Hall — West Brunswick



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### DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

Mr. Norman Anderson, 1a Balfe Crescent, West Brunswick.

### GROUP PERSONNEL

G.S.M.—Mr. Dennis Rathbone (Kim), 12 Ward Grove, Pascoe Vale South.

L.C.M.—Miss Lois Parry (Akela), 290 Albion Street, West Brunswick. Phone: FW 4647.

A.L.C.M.—Miss Estelle Cooper (Bagheera), 242 Bell St., Coburg.

A.S.M.—Mr. Albert Allen, 8 Cadman Street, West Brunswick.

Rover Leader.—Mr. Albert Blair, 11 McKeon Av., Pascoe Vale South.

Cub Pack meets Friday, 7 p.m.

Troop meets Wednesday, 7.30 p.m.

Rover Crew and Senior Scouts meet Friday, 8.30 p.m.

### PARENTS' COMMITTEE

President: Mr. Cliff C. Tabley, 2 Moreland Road, Essendon.

Hon. Secretary: Mr. Robert H. Lavender, 1 Peacock Street, West Brunswick. Phone: FW 6313.

Hon. Treasurer: Mr. C. H. Gronn, 8 Hopetoun Avenue, West Brunswick.

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Aug. 27.—Monthly Euchre night to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tabley, 2 Moreland Rd., Essendon, at 8 p.m.

Sept. 13.—Monthly Parents' Committee meeting, to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lavender, 1 Peacock St., West Brunswick.

Nov. 12.—Annual Bazaar, to be held at Kindergarten Hall, Shore Reserve, West Coburg.

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

October 29th—

**MONTHLY EUCHRE PARTY** (Hostess, Mrs. McCubbin) to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tabley, 2 Moreland Road, Essendon.

November 8th—

**MONTHLY PARENTS' COMMITTEE MEETING**, to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lavender, 1 Peacock Street, West Brunswick.

November 12th—

**ANNUAL BAZAAR**, to be held at the Kindergarten Hall, Shore Reserve, West Coburg.

Dear Parent,

At our last Parents' Committee meeting, it was unanimously decided to hold our forthcoming Bazaar on November 12th. As there are only three weeks left in which to finalize arrangements, we urgently appeal for those gifts of groceries, toys, novelties and fancy goods etc. Please let us have them by forwarding same to the Scout Hall or by phoning me at FW 6313.

It is hoped that the Bazaar, which will be our biggest venture this year, should be an outstanding success; however, without your support this cannot be achieved.

Should any parent be fortunate enough to have visited the 3rd Brunswick Scout Hall, he will appreciate what a fine job their Group Committee has done in giving their boys such a fine and well equipped Scout Hall. To those parents and friends connected with 4th Brunswick, I say, why can't we do likewise? We can, but not without money, so please advertise our Bazaar among your friends and let us make the 12th November a day to remember, both pleasurably and financially.

Don't forget we are holding a special social meeting\* to finalize Bazaar arrangements on October 28th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tabley, remember you are welcome.

Yours sincerely,

R. H. LAVENDER (Hon. Sec.)

### GROUP SCOUTMASTER'S REPORT

The day of our Bazaar is drawing nearer, Cubs and Scouts. Have you all brought along those Comics, Books, etc. that "Akela" and Alby have been asking you for? Some of you, no doubt, have done so, others intend to. Don't leave it until the last week, take them along to your next meeting. Gifts towards the Grocery Stall may be forwarded or brought along to the Scout Hall on meeting nights.

Many thanks to Cub John Fenton's father, for his donation of groceries. Reports from the Cubs' Section, indicate an increase in attendance.

Congratulations, Alby, on receipt of your A.S.M.'s warrant presented at a recent parade by the D.C. "Nobby" Anderson.

A programme of first class training for P/L's and seconds, has been arranged. This will entail work outside of their Wednesday night meetings.

"Bob a Job"-Cubs, Scouts, and Rovers have been doing a grand job in helping Scout H.Q. with this idea.

It was very pleasing to me to be stopped by Cub John Fenton, who proudly displayed his Job card—nice work, John.

I was also very pleased to see a photo in the "Sun," October 10th, of three lads from 4th, namely David Anderson, Brian Ordish and John Marshall, and I'm told Peter Anderson was there, too, but was left out of the photo, anyhow these lads were busy doing their "Bob a Job" in "cleaning windows," (George Formby Style). Congratulations, boys, there should be more of it.

At our Group Council (Scouter Meeting), on Monday, October 10th, a number of important items were discussed.

One in particular, was Group uniforms, starting with the scarves, it is intended to purchase a bulk of made up scarves from H.Q.; these will be on sale to Group members. Let us make our uniforms uniform.

"KIM."

### ROVER CREW REPORT

The visit to the Fairfield Mill of the Australian Paper Mills, on September 16th, was most interesting and instructive. They are a very progressive firm and it was certainly an eye-opener for those who attended.

A Metropolitan hike in the Murrumbidgee Ranges on the weekend of September 17th-18th had about 60 starters, seven being from our Crew. Although the rain made things a little unpleasant, all enjoyed themselves, even the task of having to push the vans through about a quarter of a mile of mud. Joe is advised to have window wipers fitted to his glasses—not for rain, but for when talking to "Mo" Essex.

Rusty, Joe and Rob Atkins were the only ones of the entire party to reach the summit of Mount Despair—congratulations.

The District hike for weekend October 1st-2nd was abandoned. All members of the Crew are active members for the "Bob a Job" week.

We are also doing our best, to help the Scoutmaster with the Troop, by supplying instructors, but with everybody's final exams. coming near we are somewhat restricted.

On Friday, 21st October, we are to be visited by 9th Brunswick and 4th Moreland Crews, when we hope to have a talk by Mr. V. Lavender on Aircraft.

Rover Leader BLAIR.

### SCOUTMASTER'S REPORT

I would like to say "Thank you" to some of the parents for paying visits to the Scout Hall on Wednesday nights.

The "Guard" certainly appears to have been quite effective in subduing outside interferences.

During the past three weeks, we have been having some good meetings, run according to programme, in which a lot of essential work has been done.

On Wednesday, October 5th, I had the pleasure of receiving, in front of the Troop my warrant for A.S.M., from the District Commissioner, "Nobby" Anderson. At the end of the night of the 5th October, a Court of Honor was held and discussion dealing with programmes of the Troop meetings, and games to be played were discussed.

Although the strength of the Troop is 25, the average attendance during recent meetings has been about twelve.

On Monday, 10th October, a Group Council was held at the home of our G.S.M., Dennis Rathbone.

ALBERT ALLEN, A.S.M.

### CUB CORNER

On the 24th September, the Pack had a Saturday afternoon parade and went to the Trestle bridge at Glenroy. This was the first hike with the Pack for some of the new Chums, but they were ready and waiting at 1.45 p.m. with refreshments in their haversacks just like old veterans.

We called in at the aerodrome and watched the planes for a while, then went on our way to the bridge, where we had a rest emptied our haversacks and explored.

Some of the Cubs were quite adventurous and went across the bridge several times (such energy).

Soon it was time to start for the Glenroy Station, but unfortunately we just missed the train, however, John and Jeff entertained us with riddles until the train came.

Great excitement last Friday night, October 14th, Red Six won Lame Leg for the second time. It was a night for fun and games, so the Cubs brought along old clothes and costumes to dress up for the playacting, then we finished up with a sing-song and supper.

Congratulations to John Fenton, for raising the most money in the Pack for the "Bob a Job" week.

Good hunting, Cubs!

"AKELA."

### GROUP PERSONALITIES

**Group Scoutmaster Dennis Rathbone**

Back in the early part of 1932 young Dennis joined the 3rd Essendon Cub Pack. This was to be the start of his Scouting career. After about eighteen months the family shifted to Preston with the result he was made a Scout in the Preston Troop on October 1, 1933.

He attended the Frankston Jamboree in December, 1934-January, 1935. Transferred back to the 3rd Essendon Troop in 1936 he passed through the Troop as a Patrol Leader and entered the Rover Crew at its inception. Later he became Scoutmaster under the guidance of our present District Commissioner, Norm Anderson, who at that time had been running the Troop on his own. In March, 1946, 3rd Essendon was changed to 4th Brunswick. Dennis still held a S.M. warrant till early 1949, when he became G.S.M. of 4th Brunswick, which position he still holds.

### DONATIONS

We wish to acknowledge the following donations: — Mr. J. Adams. 4/-; Mr. A. Lavender, 4/-; Mrs. A. M. Lavender, 4/-; Mr. C. Gronn, 3/-; Mr. V. Lavender, 3/-; Mrs. Proud. 3/-; and 2/- each from the following: Mrs. McCubbin, Mrs. Essex, Mrs. Atkins, Mrs. Lavender, Mrs. Murray, Mrs. W. Smith; and 1/- each from the following: Mrs. Astley, Mrs. Rushworth, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Cariss, Mrs. McKinley, Mr. T. McKinley, Mrs. Wilde, Mrs. Seers, Mrs. Mrs. Bruce Wallace, Mr. K. Gronn, Mrs. Russ, Mr. C. Gronn, Mrs. P. Christenson, Mrs. J. Christenson, Anderson, Mrs. McMillen, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Tabley, Mr. Hannan, Mrs. Parry, Jnr.; Mrs. Parry, Snr.; Mr. Boyd, Mrs. Batten, Mrs. Edwards, Mr. Williams, Mrs. Boyle, Mrs. Kitson, Mrs. Raven, Mrs. Self, Mrs. Naughton, Mrs. Fitzgerald, Mrs. Middleton, Mrs. Prior.

### SOCIAL REPORT

With Show Time and an Essendon Premiership to discuss, 19 parents and friends attended our last Fuchre night on September 24th. Welcome reappearances were made by Mesdames Couper, Patten and Proud, and Mr. and Mrs. Prior. A very enjoyable evening concluded with a further £3/8/- being added to our Building Fund.

Always willing to assist the Group, Mrs. Raven conducted a card afternoon at her home on October 12th. A very enjoyable time was spent by the 18 parents and friends who

attended and contributed £3/2/9 towards our Building Fund.

### FINANCE

Our Treasurer, Mr. C. H. Gronn, reports that our Building Fund stands at £32/11/-, plus £450 in Government Bonds.

Group or working account is now £6/7/7.

### CONGRATULATIONS

To Lois Parry and Estelle Cooper, we extend our congratulations on having passed the preliminary training course, which entitles them to wear the "Gilwell" woggle, a truly great honor. In the completion of the preliminary training course, they have fulfilled their training for their L.C.M.'s warrant.

—"CHIL."

### "FOR HIRE"

For the time being the Group is not using the Kitchener St. Hall on the first and third Saturdays in each month, and therefore are in a position to sub-license same for appropriate functions, so should any person or persons desire the use of the Hall, please contact me at FW 6313, or any member of the Group Committee regarding same.

### "A GRIN"

What is it that's worth more than gold,

That's never bought and never sold,

A grin!

What helps you when you're feeling sad,

That keeps your temper when you're "mad,"

A grin!

What cheers you up when thinks too blue,

That helps you ever to win through,

A grin!

What means a lot to those who're down,

That's worth far more than any crown,

A grin!

What is it that a Cub should wear  
When other fellows rave and swear,

A grin!

What makes the world a better place,  
Through being on each fellow's face,

A grin!

## BAZAAR!!!!

**SATURDAY AFTERNOON**  
— 12th NOVEMBER

**Kindergarten Hall,  
Shore Reserve,  
West Coburg**