

CITY OF MOORABBIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY.  
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HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR, CR. COATES.

Congratulations to Councillor L.R.Coates on his appointment to the mayoral post unopposed for the Centenary year. Councillor Coates was born in Moorabbin, the son of a pioneer gardener. His present term as councillor will take him on to 15 years as a representative of the local people, and this is his third term as mayor. He is well-known as a footballer and more so as a cricketer. He is at present an active bowls enthusiast. Les Coates, as he is best known, has also represented his people in parliament, and was the last member of the Legislative Assembly to represent Moorabbin under the old electoral boundaries of Dandenong. We wish him well in this important year in his roll as mayor.

PRIZES FOR YOUNG HISTORIANS ESSAYS.  
THE CALL FOR DONORS OF PRIZES FOR AN ESSAY COMPETITION

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WAS WELL ANSWERED. TWO WELL-KNOWN CITIZENS WERE QUICK TO RESPOND.

AND WE THANK THEM SINCERELY. THEY ARE MRS. G. SHEPSTON, A FOUNDATION MEMBER OF OUR SOCIETY, AND MR. H.G. FOWLER, A LOCAL HISTORIAN,

AND HEADMASTER OF THE CHELTENHAM HIGH SCHOOL. BOTH HAVE OFFERED FOUR GUINEAS AS PRIZES FOR THE WINNER. THIS MEANS THAT WE

CAN NOW RUN TWO COMPETITIONS, ONE FOR THE SENIOR PUPILS OF SCHOOLS WITH A PRIMARY RATING, AND ANOTHER FOR THE JUNIOR STUDENTS OF HIGH

SCHOOLS. MORE DETAILS WILL BE ANNOUNCED LATER. WE HAVE ASKED THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF THE CENTENARY ORGANISATION TO ASSIST US IN

THE PRELIMINARY JUDGEMENT OF ESSAYS.

SUBJECTS: For juniors; The growth and development of Moorabbin. For seniors (high school); A pioneer family, or the history of one particular part of Moorabbin. Minimum words will be 1,000 for juniors and 1,250 for seniors. Illustrations may be included, but the minimum number of words is essential.

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