

with the site of the old Highett Theatre?.

Sport of all kinds flourished in Moorabbin. The League matches played here drew large crowds; the Council has granted another £50,000 to be spent on the grounds and buildings.

It is pleasing to report on the many community projects in the city. The largest is the much-needed community hospital though it will not really be that but only a maternity hospital with thirty beds. We should try to go further. Moorabbin and Bentleigh Jaycees worked together to assist the Hospital Appeals Committee. Other organizations, chiefly of women, supported the Red Cross, the Cheltenham-Mordialloc Hospital, the Alfred Hospital, the Blind and the Gordon Boys' Home. For the latter the Lions' Club held a successful fete in April. Moorabbin Jaycees carried out a project inquiring into and giving information on the safety in homes, and also conducted their third careers exhibition in the Town Hall. Moorabbin Rotary Club sent powdered milk and money to the "have-nots" of India and Pakistan. Bentleigh Jaycees surveyed and reported to the Council on street signs and arranged poster displays to increase awareness of need for care on the roads. Going further afield they organized an appeal for technical books for Indonesia. A local Anti-Cancer Committee conducted a successful appeal. The Moorabbin Historical Society, in co-operation with Mr. D. Chipp, M.H.R., sent through its Junior Citizens Scheme three young people from the city's secondary schools to Canberra to see something of how Australia is governed.

It is good to see how the cultural life of the city is expanding. The biggest step forward is the Moorabbin Arts Festival to be held in April-May, 1966. There will be a fortnight's program of plays, operas and concerts and exhibitions of pictures, photographs and historical material. The three libraries flourish; pictures, photographs and children's art and needlework have been displayed in them; the Council plans to make the Central Library larger. Three dramatic societies - the City of Moorabbin Theatre Group, and St. Paul's and St. Christopher's Players produce plays regularly. The Southern Cross Light Opera Company presents Gilbert and Sullivan; two music groups in Beaumaris and Moorabbin are growing; the Cheltenham Arts and Crafts Society - a link organization holding together seven cultural groups - has held two successful exhibitions. The schools of the city combined to present a choral festival in August.

It is not so pleasing to report on the vandalism that continues in halls, schools and kindergartens. One wonders if lighting them at

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