

2nd. Ringwood Scout Group,

February 26, 1978

Dear Parents,

Greetings for the new year. Now that cubs, scouts and school have started, we can regain that former rhythm of daily and weekly events that the silly season and the school holidays had interrupted.

The major event immediately in sight is the Annual General Meeting. This is to be held on ~~Wednesday~~, **TUESDAY** March 7 at the Scout Hall at 8.00 p.m. The Agenda is as follows:

1. Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting *Moved by Scconded by discussion*
2. Chairman of Parents' Committee - Ron Cunningham " "
3. Treasurer's Report - Theima Morrison *+ TROOP BUDGET.* " "
4. Group Leader's Report - Geoff Naughtin " "
5. District Commissioner - David Graham
6. Chairman of the Parish Pastoral Council - Tom Petrie
7. Parish Priest - Fr. Hugh Fagin
8. Introduction of the new Parents' Committee
9. Supper. - Ladies to bring a plate

The business part of the evening is expected to take approximately 45 minutes. This will then allow us to talk over a cuppa and speak with the new committee and the scouters.

After the successful progressive dinner we had last year, we booked in the Ringwood Parish calendar for another one early this year. The date to put in your diary is Friday, March 31. The new committee will contact you with further details soon.

Before that, however, a barbecue is planned for Sunday, March 19 at Aura Vale Lake - Cardinia Dam (to the left off Wellington Road). After the barbecue there will be a 'going up' ceremony from cubs to scouts. This occasion will enable all those in cubs to get some idea of what scouting is about.

See you at the A.G.M., the barbecue
and the progressive dinner,
Yours in scouting,

Bob Munro

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR ANNUAL MEETING
OF 2ND RINGWOOD (OUR LADY'S) SCOUT GROUP TO BE HELD+
ON 7.3.78

In every voluntary organisation there is a hard core of dedicated workers who do more than their share for the benefit of the organisation. 2nd Ringwood Scout Group is no exception.

I would like to thank our hard working committee for their efforts over the past 12 months. What they have lacked in numerical strength, they have made up in effort. I would like to thank all the parents who have supported our fund raising activities over the past 12 months, the fathers who attended our working bees, bottle drives, and those who fulfilled their obligations under the bottle roster, the parents who provided transport at various times, and in general, anyone who has assisted us over the period of my presidency.

Perhaps, the most important people in 2nd Ringwood are those to whom we entrust our sons for training in Scouting. I refer to our conscientious Group Leader Geoff Naughtin and his assistant Joe Nicholds, and our Cub leaders David Probert, Arch Lavell and Trevor Molloy. We owe a tremendous vote of thanks to these men who have served 2nd Ringwood so capably and well over the past 12 months.

Our Group has big plans for the next 12 months. We must install proper toilet facilities for our boys this year. We need an aggressive hard working committee and I would urge all parents to give the Group every support over the next 12 months.

Ron Cunningham, President.

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2ND RINGWOOD (OUR LADY'S) SCOUT GROUP ...GROUP LEADERS REPORT 1977/78

I, first of all wish to thank last year's committee, in particular those people whose efforts went unforseen by the majority of us. Pat McGilp for clothing exchange, Bob Munro as retiring secretary, Brendon Stahl for his support and financial help, also retiring after 3 years, Ron Cunningham as President, Xavier Gervasoni for just being there when required and finally Thelma Morrison for balancing the books.

Last year, and at the Cub-Break-up, I spoke of the need for leaders to fill in gaps as well as strengthen the Group as a whole; this has partly succeeded with the inclusion of one new leader (John Burdeu), but this falls far short of the six (6) extra leaders, male or female, who are still urgently required to commence a second Cub Pack. You, who are reading this report, must help find leaders now. Don't leave the job to the next person, you do it now. Otherwise this Group (2nd Ringwood (Our Lady's)) will lapse and a decline in enthusiasm by the leaders, because of the work load imposed upon them will be reflected via the boys, causing a loss of numbers, which will prevail until a situation arises where a closure is unavoidable as nearly happened 3 years ago. Therefore the matter is in your hands.

A few points of interest that happened during the last 12 months are as follows:- Scout Job week realised \$157.39 of which Mark Whitehead raised \$50.40. 24 Scout Action Badges and 12 Belt Badges were gained. The Ambulance appeal raised \$28,012.15 throughout Victoria, from which 4 Ambulances including one Mobile Intensive Care Unit were purchases. Two Cub pack holidays were held during the year, firstly in the form of a "sleep-in" at the Hall, followed by a hike with Hastings Cubs at Hastings; the second one at the National Fitness Camp, Point Lonsdale with 7th Ringwood. The Scouts had many camps during the year, finishing with a very successful camp before Christmas at Clifford Park, which was fully organised and programmed by the boys themselves, which is what Scouting is all about. The Cohen Shield Competition was entered for the 2nd year, a wet day but a happy one, with all 3 Patrols entering and gaining 2 Gold and 1 Silver, the best effort in Ringwood District. A special thanks to the Cubs who participated on the day.

At the moment the membership for 1978 should reach 50 families, which is a 15% increase and a total boy membership of 39 + 8 Leaders, an overall gain of 8 boys and 1 leader. The numbers will of course increase with the formation of a 2nd Cub pack.

Yours in Scouting,

Geoff Naughtin.

BALANCE SHEET FOR 2ND RINGWOOD (OUR LADY'S)

SCOUT GROUP AS AT 31.12.77.

Balance in Bank account as at 31.12.76 \$500.87

RECEIPTS

Subscriptions	\$814.50	
Sale of 2nd hand uniforms	28.00	
Hire of hall	136.00	
Sale of bottles and papers	1127.32	
Functions	532.46	
Scout Job week	157.39	
Interest on all accounts	<u>125.15</u>	
	\$2920.82	\$2920.82

Government Loan at A.N.Z. Bank Ringwood	\$1000.00
Mutual Permanent Building Society	<u>169.05</u>

TOTAL \$4590.74

PAYMENTS.

Equipment	\$254.76
Loan repayment	405.76
Leaders expenses	498.52
Functions	247.93
Members fees to Scout assoc.	434.86
Property and MaintenanceExp.	309.36
Postage	10.00
Insurance	<u>95.00</u>
	<u>\$2256.19</u>

TOTAL ASSETS \$2334.55

Balance as per bank statement as at 31.12.77 \$1165.50

I have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the Group and have obtained all the information and explanations required by me. In my opinion the foregoing statements are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and fair view of the financial position of the group for the year ended 31.12.77. Audited by Mr. J. McGuirk, Admin. Manager I.B.M. on 18.2.78.

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