RINGWOOD TECHNICAL SCHOOL

PARENTS', TEACHERS' AND CITIZENS'

ASSOCIATION



NEWSLETTER

NOTES FROM PARENTS, CITIZENS & TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION MEETING. held in School Assembly Hall on May, 27th.

CHAIRMAN. Mr. I. Cook.

- 27 parents and teachers were in attendance.
- Membership now stands at 414 families. 1.
- 2. Assembly Hall costs now finalized - Actual cost \$94.000 fully paid.
- Black-out curtains installed fully paid for. 3.
- Concrete path to N.W.corner of grounds completed. 4. 200 yards x 4'6" x 3".
- 5. Guard rails erected by front gate.
- Music lessons keenly sought. Visiting teachers 6. regularly take nearly 200 students in recorder, violin, flute, saxophone, percussion instruments.
- Oval progressing top soil spread. 7.
- Education Dept. Recruiting Officer addressed Form V 8. students last week.
- Rag drive to be conducted during next month. 9. 10.
- P.W.D. to survey area behind "D" Block could be site for future tennis courts. Provision of additional shelter for girls urgent 11.
- problem. 12. Film Projectors for Assembly Hall. Prices. etc.,
- to be sought.
- 13. Fete date set OCTOBER. 4th. ********

MOTHERS' CLUB SMORGASBORD LUNCHEON will be held in the School Dining-room on JULY 8th at 11.45 a.m. \$1 per head. All parents are invited. This will be followed by

an address by Father Brosner, Roman Catholic Chaplain at Pentridge Gaol.

R.S.V.P. 3rd. JULY to General Office at the School *****************

5A COMMERCIAL CLUB EXCURSION:

A REPORT BY LORRAINE TANN AND RHONDA DAVIS.

On Tuesday, May 27th. the 21 girls in 5A Commercial were accompanied by Miss Smeeth on an excursion to the Stock Exchange House in Collins Street.

The new building at 351 Collins Street was one of the most beautiful building that many of us had seen. There was a huge chandelier hanging in the foyer which gave the impression of being made of paper tubing. We climbed the chickly carpeted stairs to the first floor where we walked among display boards until we came to the Public Relations desk. An attractive young lady met us there and led the way to the meeting room where she introduced herself as Miss Knight, and gave us some background knowledge of the Stock Exchange itself.

This talk was followed by a film on the running of the Bidding Centre, where buyers and sellers of shares bid for the best prices. Miss Knight then returned to us and explained how this bidding took place and how it was recorded.

We then assended by lift to the third floor where the public gallery is situated. Even as we stumbled out of the lift we could hear the raucous shouts as the bidders tried vainly to be heard over the soaring voices of their competitors. We stayed here for a quarter of an hour to witness the buying and selling of shares.

All the buyers had yellow discs pinned to them and the sellers had red. What a task the Posting Clerks had! Out of the yelling they managed to distinguish which shouts had to be recorded, and whether they were sellers or buyers. Half the time they even managed to know where to record a certain shout without even turning around to see where the voice came from. We watched with enthusiasm for the allowed time before returning to the meeting room

Once we were re-seated, our guide asked if we had any questions. When these had been answered we went to look at the display maze through which we had walked to come to the Public Relations desk.

This display told the history of the Stock Exchange and by lifting up one of the four telephones we could listen to the running of the Stock Exchange on tape. These telephones looked just like ordinary telephones, but when you lifted the receiver it allowed the tape to continue from where it had left off when the previous person had replaced it. Miss knight's voice was on the tape, telling us very similar things to those she had said in the Meeting Room.

The next display told the history of the Mining Shares, and Australian Mining. Once again there were telephones only this time a different voice floated over to us and it told of Mining Shares.

After inspecting the very informative display, and when everyone had listened to both of the provided capes, we left to go to Coles! Cafeteria and had a very enjoyable lunch.

After lunch we went to the Colonial Mutual life Assurance Botiety limited, where we saw many different office machines at work, and had a talk on computers. Cur hostess, Miss Jennings, took us to see a flexowriter, a photo-copier, accounting machine and executive typewriter, and a new type of tape recorder. We saw the computers in their special room, and watched the information pour out of them at great speeds. We were given a short talk on computers, which helped us understand their use.

Following afternoon tea at C.M.L., we returned home.

It had been a very interesting excursion and we thank Miss Smeeth for arranging such a trip.



RINGWOOD POLICE & CITIZENS! YOUTH CLUB

The above Club invites inquiries from prospective members. For full details ring 870-9106 any evening after 7.00 o'clock.

The following age groups are catered for:

Bcvs:

Midgets - 7 years only Juniors - 8-10 years Sub.Inters-10-11; years Inters. - 11:12-12 years Sub.Seniors - 13-15 years Seniors - 15 years and over

Gymnastics - 11-15 years Gymnastics - 15 years and over.

Monday afternoon 4.30 - 5.30 Monday evening 7.00 - 8.00 Wednesday evenings 7.00-8.00 Wednesday evenings 8.15-9.15 Thursday evenings 7.00-8.00

Thursday evenings 8.15-9.30 Friday evenings 7.15-8.15

Friday evenings 8.45

Girls:

Midgets - 7 years only Juniors - 8-10 years Inters. - 10-13 years Seniors - 13 and over

Tuesday afternoon 4.30-5.30 Tuesday evenings 7.00-8.00 Monday evenings 8.15-9.15 Tuesday evenings 8.15-9.15

Facilities at the Club include a full range of Olmypic gymnastic equipment, trampoline, table tennis and billiards.
Weekend camps are held regularly.

THE HOUSE OF MOUSE

There is a house
With a Mouse
Who eats has choose
To the brooms

He dirties a pan

That is spick and span.

He scares the cat

That are the rat.

He lives in a hole

Made by a mole

Under the house

With the mouse.

B. Groen (2H)



NOTICE TO PARENTS:

Parents are advised that FRIDAY, 11th July, 1969, is CORRECTION DAY. Students will not be required to attend school on this date.

MR. MONTGOMERY VISITS RINGWOOD, ENGLAND.

The following extract is a recent letter received from Mr. Jack Montgomery (Art Department) and concern his visit to Ringwood, England.

The letter is dated 13th May, 1969.

"I arrived in Ringwood (population 9,000) on Thursday afternoon to find all shops shut and few people about. This is a half holiday for shops as they open all day Saturday.

Spent some time with Council officials and with the staff and some children of the Ringwood Secondary School. It was most pleasing to be so well received for it was very obvious that both groups knew of Ringwood in Australia and were eager for news. I felt very much at home and was even shown an antiquated photo of our main street in Ringwood, Vic. Asked if it had changed at all I had to inform them that their photograph was at least 1920 vintage!

I have given to Mr. Hunt, the Headmaster, four names and addresses of our boys and girls who want pen-

friends. Hope something comes of this.

Ringwood Secondary School is the only one of its kind in the town. A technical wing, known as a Technical Secondary Division, it attached. Saw through most of the school, in particular the subjects I was interested in - painting, art metal, instrumental drawing, pottery and science. Staff of 35, 680 children aged from 11 to 17 years. There is no doubt that Victorian children are most fortunate in that we are spending much more to provide for good technical education than any other country I have seen so far (with possibly the exception of Sweden). By comparison the Ringwood Secondary School was behind us in facilities but the standard of work was very good, particularly in the junior classes and in metalwork.

Ringwood itself is a delightful old world town with narrow winding streets, thatched roof buildings and Tudor type timbered houses amid modern shops.

The weather here has been very hot (in the 80's) for several weeks.

My kind regards to everyone.

Yours MONTY.

GREEN HOUSE (GIRLS)

The evergreen's motto "DO YOUR BEST AT ALL TIMES".

I sincerely hope this is true for all members of our Senior and Junior Houses.

It is very noticeable that the Junior house is more co-operative in school activities but the Senior house are showing their ability in the sporting field.

The will to succeed must be a combination of both and when these house points are added up at the end of the year we want to be on top.

Good luck, girls, for the rest of the year.

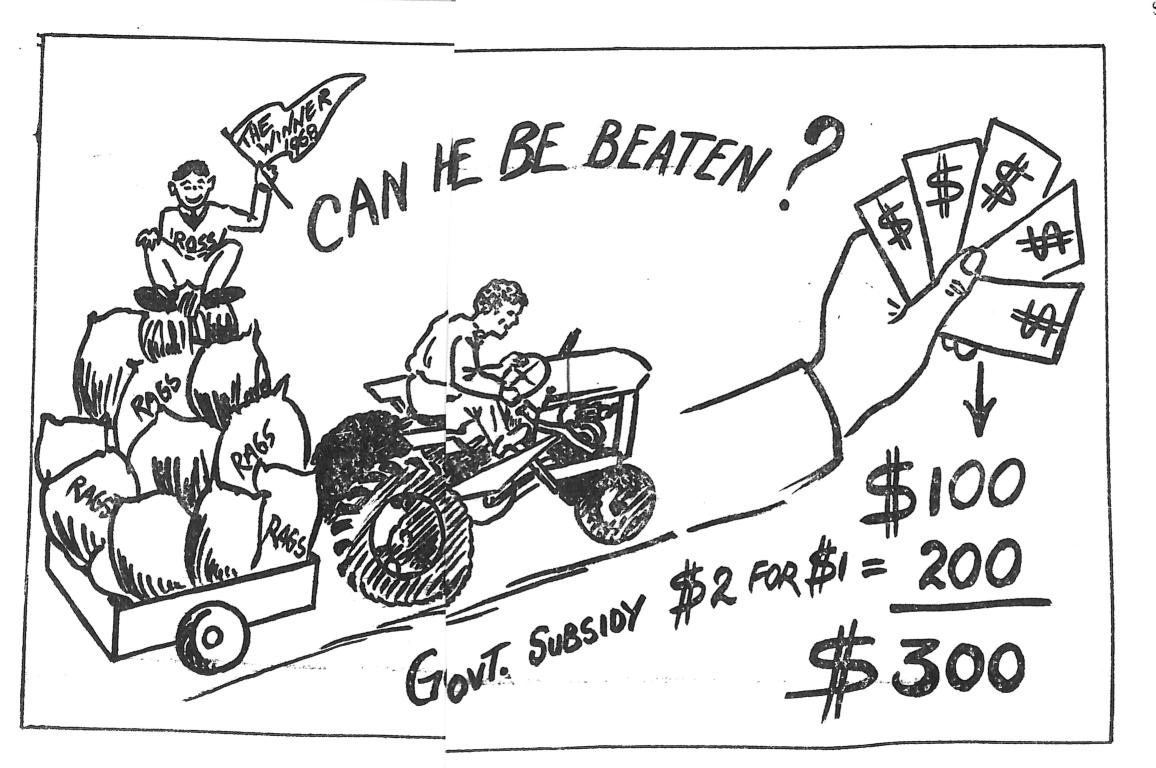
Mrs. I. Jonson.

GREEN HOUSE (BOYS)

Half way through the year and Green has forged to the front --- just though!!!

The cross-country may well be the factor that decides the eventual winner and Green's band of magnificant men in their running machines will be way out in front - we hope!!!!

So far it has been a good year for Green. With enthusiasm and co-operation on sports days, it will continue to be so.



BLUE HOUSE (GIRLS)

House Mistresses: Senior - Miss M. Smeeth Junior - Mrs. E. Davidson

Junior - Mrs. E. Davidson Teacher: Assisting: Mrs. Waters, Mrs. Cahn, Miss Strode.

House Captains - Senior-Marilyn Moss Junior-Jane Robertson

Vice-Captains: Senior - Antonio Van Dinther Junior - Karen Johnson.

We had hoped to improve this year and give some lively competition in swimming and athletics, but despite our keen efforts it was not to be

our keen efforts it was not to be, as the opposition was far too good. We are, however, still trying and hope to gain a better place in general house activities.

BLUE HOUSE (BOYS) Ouite a number of the mani-

Quite a number of the members of this House are actively supporting the present drives for papers, bottles and rags. Unfortunately the number of active members is not enough - too much is being left to too.

It is expected to

It is expected that every member of this House will contribute to these drives from which, in the future, the school generally will benefit.

Within the next week or so each boy will be expected to bring at least two full bags of rags, large numbers of newspapers and larger numbers of bottles, particularly of the type which earn most points.

Remember we missed winning the Citizenship Cup last year by a very narrow margin. We do not want the same to happen this year.

Blue House (Boys) Continued:

The sporting side of House activities has been very poor. Evidence indicates that some boys have not been applying themselves as they should, absences from sport being very prevalent.

After such wonderful participation in the Inter-house athletic and swimming sports it is very disappointing to have such a lack of interest and participation in out winter sport activities.

It is expected that every member of the House will make an effort to remedy these shortcomings.

Mr. Davis, House Master.

GOLD HOUSE (GIRLS)

Our Junior girls have been very successful lately in their basketballmatches and have gained us many house points. Can our other teams improve their games?

Gold House has been working steadily at many activities to help our school - collecting bottles and papers, etc. All have helped but a few girls have excelled themselves. To mention a few - S. Girao, P. Clark, Y. Giles, M. Bryant.

GOLD HOUSE (BOYS)

It is generally felt that we have given the other houses enough start, and that it is time for Gold House to now strive earnestly and gain its rightful position on top. All we need is a real "team effort" in the cross-country, to be run in the near future, and we will have achieved our aim. We also need all your empty bottles and old newspapers to gain valuable points for the character award.

If you haven't started training yet, now is the time to start so that you will do the best for yourself and your House. VICTORY FOR GOLD HOUSE R. Lidgerwood.

Senior House Master

RED HOUSE (GIRLS)

Red House girls are entering the winter sport competitions enthusiastically with pleasing results in volleyball. However, both Juniors and Seniors must "look to their laurels" in basketball to show progress.

Many girls are busily earning points for the Citizenship Cup, but unfortunately there are those who are "in debt" and we would like to see them do something about evening the score.

Thank you, girls, for your recent willing effort in raising money for the school fun's.

Mrs. Nelson, House Mistress.

RED HOUSE (BOYS)

Red House is continuing to dominate on the football field and most other teams are having successes against other houses. We are being hard pressed by one particular house but recent weeks have seen us just nudge ahead. With the cross-country run only days away, this is an opportunity for all members of RED House to show off their best as a large number of points for both team and individual efforts are there to be won.

EVERY member of Red House must, in this second half of the year, give of his BEST to assure the house of a good position when the final points are counted at the end of the year.

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- 3. TO SELL: 2 boy's jumpers Ringwood Tech. colours. Sizes 34 and 36. Perfect condition. Cleap.
- 4. TO SELL: Diesel and dummy train (electric). \$5.50 or offer.
- 5. TO BUY: Slot cars and old car parts.
- 6. TO SELL: Football scrolls Essenden, Carlton and South Melbourne. Glossy card, plastic covered 9" x 12". 65 cents each.
- 7. TO SELL: Gas copper, almost new perfect condition. \$20.
- 3. TO SELL: 150 cc Lambretta Motor Cycle. Registered. Roadworthy. Excellent condition. \$85.
- 9. TO SELL: Mice 5 cents each.
- 10. TO SELL; Pye "HandyVac" Vacuum Cleaner. Hardly used. Less than half rice. \$16.
- 11. TO SELL: •22 Rifle, B.S.A. bolt action repeater. Good condition. \$18.
- 12. TO BUY: Two-man hike tent. Must be in good condition.
- 13. TO SELL: Canvas Canoe. Needs repair. Offer
- 14. TO SELL: Vauxhall Wyvern for wrecking.
 Offer for parts or the lot.
- 15. TO SELL: Chemistry Set. Hardly used. \$4 or offer.

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 - 16. TO BUY: Fish Tank (Acquarium)
 Approx. 1' x 1' x 2'.
 - 17. TO BUY: Books, Stories and Social Studies.
 - 18. TO SELL: 1 pair Adidas Football Boots Size 10. Excellent condition \$8.
 - 19. TO SELL: 1 pair "Ron Barassi" Football Boots Size 8. Perfect \$6.
 - 20. TO SELL: Lincoln Transister 6 Radio \$8.

SOCIAL SERVICE:

Mr. Montgomery wishes to thank Form Teachers and Students for their Social Service efforts during Term I.

Final Grand Total donated is \$200.74.

Cup winners during Term I were as follows:

Twice - 3K, 4E. Once - 2F, 2A, 2G, 2M, 1H, 1D, 3A, 4A.

RABBITS

One, two little rabbits:
Oh! such funny habits.
Nibbling and chewing away
As they rush around each day.
Big eyes peering everywhere.
Look, doggies, over there!
Big ears flopping
Little tails wobbling.

Through the fence And away they go. Big dog rushing and puffing -Fence too low, and dog too slow!

Dolly McKay (1J)

FIRE

(Written as though I was a chimney standing alone with the remains of the burnt house lying arounts)

I stand here, lonely and thinking ---No-one to comfort me but my neighbour;
And he, too far away to do nought but whisper soft
comforting words at this time of grief and mornance

Fire has been here ---Come and gone with all his destroying, terrifying it was
Gone to cause more agonizing damage
And death to sweet, innocent children;
Children such as these that now lay beside he in a
mangled mass of still-smouldering skin.

A ghastly sight never to be forgotten.

Fire! Why in the name of God do you do thus?

We have done nothing to anger you -- And yet --
Yet you still go on in your murdering, unfeeling way

An unforgivable sin on the face of the earth ---

The fire blackened squirrel, dying over yonder, is just one of the terrifying painful sights I row witness.

Because of you --Yes Fire, because this --This is what you leave behind you.
Death, nomeless creatures, foodless creatures --WHY?? Tell me, why????

GIRLS' SPORT NOTES:

Training for Inter-school matches is well under way and Senior teams have been chosen for Basketball, Hockey Softball, Tennis and Volleyball.

Points for House matches in Form I show Blue and Red Houses well ahead of Green and Gold, but Red House is winning in the Second Form.

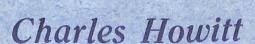
Keep up the good work, girls, and always remember that it's enthusiasm and good sportsmanship that make a fine team.

Charles Howitt



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