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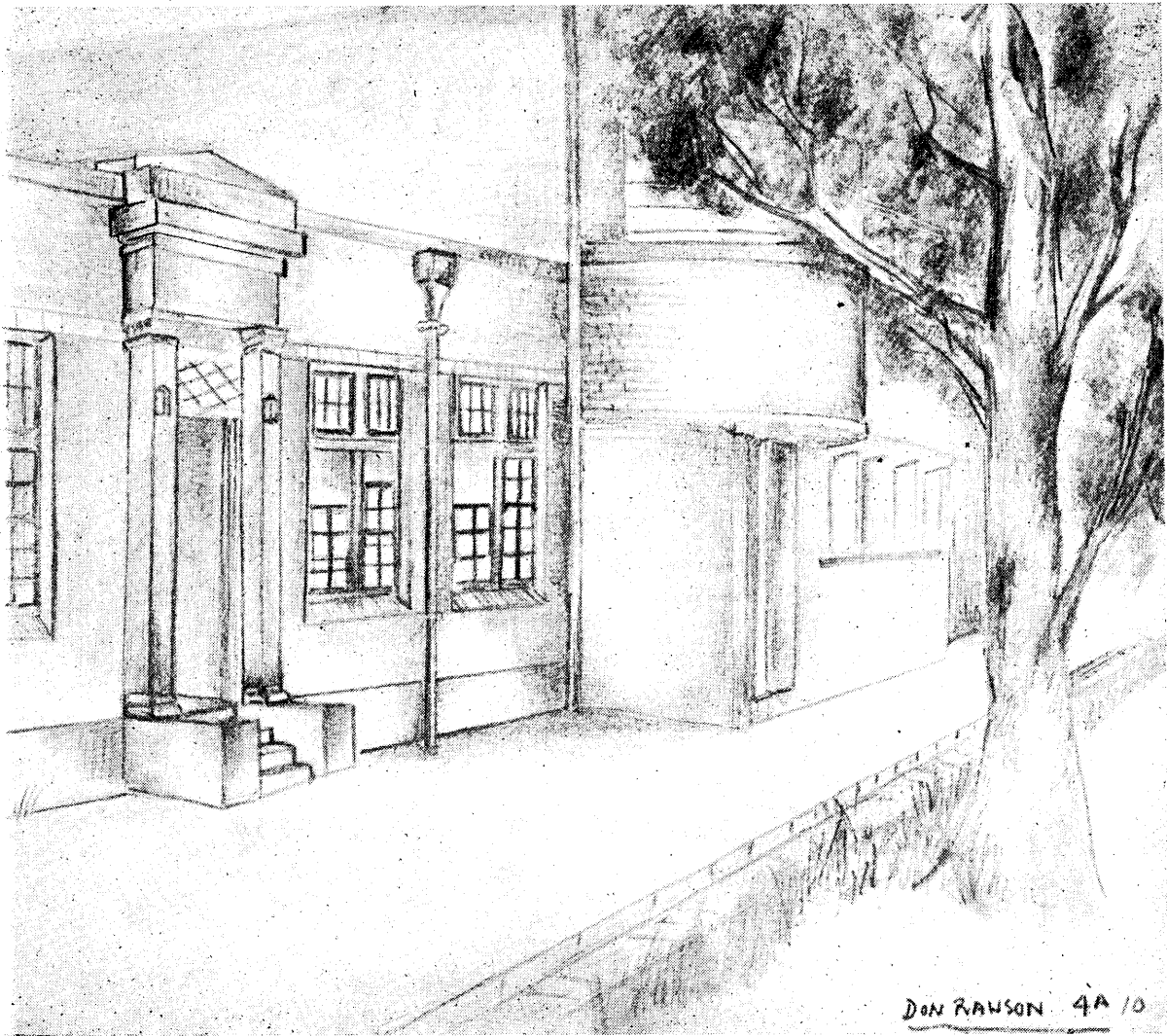
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# Editorial

*"There's a tide in the affairs of men*

*Which taken at the flood, leads on to fortune".*

SHAKESPEARE.

In presenting this, the fourth, volume of *High Tide*, the Magazine Committee hopes that it has succeeded, at least in part, in presenting a magazine that will act as a mirror of School activities for the year 1952.

A very famous man—the late George Bernard Shaw—once remarked that in ten generations of men the world gains one immortal book. We do not claim that our magazine will rank with the immortal, but we do hope that it will act as a record for those attending School, a souvenir for those leaving, a pleasant memory for ex-students, and an intense interest to all parents.

We have tried to cover all spheres of School activities, examinations results, sport, and social events.

The Magazine Committee is like the architect who plans the building, but does not work on the construction himself. We cannot write the whole magazine, and it is by a combined effort that *High Tide* is published.

Apart from all contributors, there are typing classes who prepare all articles before they are sent to press, our photographer, Mr. Kent, and various members of staff who have supplied useful information. As the architect knows the purpose of the building he plans, you know the purpose of *High*

*Tide*—to encourage creative work, at the same time offering a record of the School year.

And, like the architect's desire for bigger and better creations, we hope that in the future *High Tide* may achieve its own individuality, and, as we plan this, may we spare a thought for our own futures, which, like *High Tide*, will depend on how carefully we plan and build.

H.M.T.



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## Principal's Report

Looking back over the year, which has been crowded with school activities, I feel that, in all spheres of school interests, we have lived up to our reputation for conscientious work, fair play and good conduct.

In the matter of projected improvements we have not fully carried out our programme because the restriction placed on the granting of subsidies prevented the completion of our plans, and they must stand over until next year, when we hope to have a projector room, and so make full use of the facilities available for visual education.

The social service work of the students during the year has been outstanding; they have responded generously to the varied appeals, and many institutions will be thankful for the assistance made possible by their unselfish efforts, efforts stimulated by the idea that it is their duty to help those placed in less fortunate circumstances.

I would like to remind the parents of students leaving school that there is a danger that, with the release from school ties and discipline, many students will regard themselves as free to follow their trade or profession, or turn to pleasure with no thought of continuing those studies which, for so long, have been all important. The training received at school—no matter what standard has been attained—is incomplete in itself.

The most important objectives of education must be to discipline the mind, to teach the student how to acquire knowledge, to instil in him the desire to become an even more useful member of society. The art of conscientious study once lost is very difficult to regain; so let each continue to strive and to excel in what is best in life, and so bring benefit to himself and the community, and credit to the school.

In recent years circumstances have enabled many to attain, with little effort,



Mr. BROOK

rewards that formerly required both experience and high qualifications. Lack of qualifications has been no bar to high wages, and business and industry have rapidly absorbed ex-students immediately they have left school. Sooner or later the cycle of events must reverse this policy—there are indications that the changes have already begun—and the positions will go to the best qualified. How those in positions will fare will depend on their reaction to the demand for efficiency; if they have the qualification, their positions will be safe, but if they have neglected to make use of the facilities promised and wasted their time, efficiency will demand their replacement by the more conscientious and better qualified from the next quota of ex-students.

Good qualifications are the foundations of efficiency, efficiency will secure a permanent position which will ensure a happy, contented individual.

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The Magazine Staff regrets that lack of space prevents the inclusion of some articles.

Thanks to all contributors.

### IN MEMORIAM

Early this year, E. H. Townsend, a former Headmaster of the Williamstown High School, passed away at his home in Hampton.

Born at Richmond, Mr Townsend was educated at the Yarra Park State School, where later he became a pupil teacher.

In 1903 he went to the Teachers' College, where he proved himself a diligent worker, winning the Gladman Prize and obtaining also the Diploma of Education. After his college career he was chosen to organise Nature Study in schools—first in the Western District and later in the metropolitan area. In 1910 he was appointed to the Geelong High School, became Senior Master at Ballarat High School in 1913, and in 1915, at the age of 33, became headmaster of Bairnsdale High, the youngest Headmaster ever to be appointed to a high school. He went to Bendigo High School as Headmaster in 1930, and in 1941 was appointed Headmaster of Williamstown High School. He commenced duty at the beginning of the second term in 1941. He was a genial, kindly gentleman, who quickly endeared himself both to the students and the staff alike.

He was intensely interested in shipping and ships and was quite an authority on naval matters. He retired late in 1946 and for some time taught in a temporary capacity at a metropolitan school.

He passed away early this year, mourned by his family and a very large circle of friends. To him one could quite well apply the motto of the Teachers' College—

NON OMNIS MORIAR.

### DO YOU REMEMBER ?

#### FEBRUARY:

5th—Farewell to days on the beach and in the bush. School resumed for yet another year. New members of staff included Miss Boardman, new senior mistress; Miss Aubrey, Miss Tierney, Miss Killeen, and Mr. Archer.

6th—The Empire mourns the death of a well-loved sovereign.

11th—First general assembly.

14th—Jostling and bustling in quad. and boys' yard. Why? 1952 clubs arranged. Some male teachers were seen hovering in case their groups might be swelled to overflowing.

20th—Inter-school matches began.

25th—Inspectors so early in the year! This explains the sudden hush in the School.

#### MARCH:

3rd—Annual assembly at the Town Hall, where prefects, house captains and form captains were presented with their badges.

5th—Once again Koalas took the honours at the House Swimming Sports held at the Footscray Baths.

6th—Magazine Committee visited the Mail Office, where they received quite a few hints on how to produce a magazine.

21st—Old Jupiter Pluvius was hard at work again. Consequently, W.H.S. competitors in the Combined Swimming Sports weren't the only people practically drowned. Nevertheless, someone has to be last.

#### APRIL:

11th-15th—Peace! Glorious peace! Easter holidays.

16th—Change over from summer to winter sport.

17th—"Teachers of Tomorrow" interviewed by Mr. Hawes, the recruiting officer from the Education Department.

24th—Examinations began! An impressive Anzac service was held at the Town Hall. Mr. Brook, who took part in the landing at Gallipoli, told us of the wonderful comradeship and courage during the days spent on the peninsula.

#### MAY:

5th—"To be or not to be . . ." Correction day.

12th—Boys played girls at tennis. Well, the boys are supposed to be the stronger, aren't they?

13th—Senior students journeyed to the ballet.

15th—Rooms 11 and 12 were gaily decorated for the first term senior social. Even the old weather man favoured us.

16th—Form V held its first end of term concert, for which they received £7/17/2 for S.C.F. Books away! Holidays, here we come!

27th—School had a clean, sparkling look to welcome back the lambs.

28th—Friendly matches were played against Hampton High. The results sent our hopes soaring to the clouds.

#### JULY:

24th—Although the juniors had a hectic morning, they were full of beans for the annual ball in the night. This year's was the most spectacular for years, with Irish and Scotch dances, a marvellous Gipsy dance and a ballet solo and chorus. Compared with all these gay colours and activities, the juniors' version of the "minuet" was soothing to the older members of the audience.

#### AUGUST:

1st—At last the seniors might take their heads out of the clouds and plant their feet firmly on the ground. The ball was a great success for both students and ex-students. If possible, there was an even greater crowd than usual.

7th—"Woe is me!" Seniors' exams began.

8th—The rest of the School are for it now.

15th—Lucky for all except teachers. Correction day. We still don't know who won the race. I believe this is going to be an annual affair.

21st—Parents' Day. The display in Room 11 drew the attention of many mothers. Miss Grylls, the wonderful worker for S.C.F., showed a film and explained the work done by this organization to Forms V and IVA. The finals of the form basketball competition were held before a large, interested crowd.

25th—For the second senior social the weather was not so promising. The crowd was still very large, despite this.

27th—A lightning premiership, won by Footscray Tech., was held at the Williams-town Oval. Olympic stars Marjorie Jackson

and Winsome Cripps gave a demonstration for the crowd.

29th—An end of term concert, arranged by IVB, was entertaining, as well as being responsible for swelling the Social Service funds. After an assembly and a general clean sweep, the School ended for second term.

#### SEPTEMBER:

10th—"Refreshed by nature's holy charms," we returned to the grindstone once again. This time for the last term of the year.

15th—Seniors realised they have a lot of work to do. Entries for Leaving and Intermediate Certificates.

19th—The boys all lined up for the annual cross-country. Perhaps it would have been easier had it been a swimming race.

23rd—Boys from Deloraine Area School, Tasmania, arrived and met the people with whom they were to stay.

24th—Junior football team played the Deloraine team, beating them by five points. The cadets arranged a social, at which the Deloraine boys and masters were guests. Although Rooms 11 and 12 were crowded almost to overflowing, a good night was had by all.

29th—Deloraine boys and masters were farewelled at assembly. Before departing, they presented a School banner to Mr. Brook. Mr. Paice, their headmaster, also presented a basketball to Margaret Wegener, for the School, from the girls at Deloraine.

#### OCTOBER:

1st—House sports were postponed because of rain.

3rd—Everybody in the School is happy. The House Sports were won by Wombats. The last time that they won was 25 years ago.

4th—Ask the fifth form the cheapest way home from Moonee Ponds! Many shoes were worn out tonight.

7th—The first of the magazine went to press.

16th—Mr. Bradshaw showed a film of the sports to the house captains and prefects. Star of the film was Bill Dagg, who finished with such a dash in the senior 880. His dash was only made three or four seconds after the winner had crossed the line.



17th—Chemists at Dandenong and Williamstown will have plenty of patients with sore throats. But it was worth it. To defeat Dandenong in the Combined Athletic Sports is no mean feat.

22nd—United Nations' Day! A display of beautiful works from many countries was held in Room 11. Our thanks to those girls who not only brought these things, but wore their national costumes, so that we might understand some of the meanings of United Nations.

31st—Many burdens were lifted from the backs of the seniors, for today they received their long-awaited recommendations.

#### NOVEMBER:

4th—Despite the weather, many forms had hikes and picnics. The fifth form collected a few casualties, a sprained ankle and a "stick-in-the-mud."

11th—Remembrance Day!

14th—Exams. have caught up with the School.

21st—Correction Day!

#### DECEMBER:

8th—The great event of the year, Speech Night, was highlighted by music from the orchestra and choir, and the dancing of the ballet girls.

9th—Attendance greatly reduced, owing to some students' lust for work.

19th—The last day of the school year for 1952. Teachers and juniors look forward to a well-earned break of six weeks. The seniors depart, some with many a tear, shrinking from the terrors their future world will hold, and casting longing glances at "The Best School of All."

H.M.T.

### THE PARKER CUP

The annual presentation of the greatly coveted trophy is always an exciting event. Ex-students associate the Parker Cup with various moments of hope, joy, disappointment and triumph. Present students regard it as an aim or achievement. But whether past or present, that one common feeling of admiration continues like the flame of an everlasting torch. Therefore it is essential that this article should be prepared to enlighten all to the history of our trophy.

The Parker Cup was presented to the school by a well-known dentist of Douglas Parade, Williamstown, Mr. F. A. A. Parker, in 1923. Mr. Parker has since retired, and

his son, Mr. L. Parker, who practises in the place of his father, was the House Captain of Dingo House in 1931, together with Miss Abbot, a present mistress at the school. The trophy winners from 1923 to 1951 are:

1923 (K), 1924 (K), 1925 (W), 1926 (K), 1927 (K), 1928 (W), 1929 (K), 1930 (K), 1931 (D), 1932 (D), 1933 (D & K), 1934 (D), 1935 (D), 1936 (D), 1937 (D), 1938 (D), 1939 (D), 1940 (P), 1941 (P), 1942 (D), 1943 (D), 1944 (D), 1945 (P), 1946 (K), 1947 (D), 1948 (K), 1949 (K), 1950 (P), 1951 (K), 1952 (?).

These records reveal the fact that Dingoes have been triumphant on twelve occasions, Koalas ten, Possums four, Wombats twice and Dingoes and Koalas have drawn once.

The trophy is awarded for the greatest total of points which are derived from the results of the various inter-house sports.

The following account of the system for awarding points for the year 1952 Parker Cup, as well as being informative, enables one to appreciate the valuable work carried out by the members of the staff who are concerned.

This year there were 250 points awarded, 100 for Girls' events, 80 for Boys' events and 70 for Combined events. Of the 35 points awarded for the Swimming Sports, 16 were awarded for first position, 10 for second, six for third, and three for fourth. Points for the Athletic Sports were awarded on the same basis.

The distribution of points for Boys' Sport were calculated in the following manner:—

There are 30 points awarded for Cricket—12 for first place, eight for second six for third, and four for fourth. The Football results are exactly the same. However, in the Boys' Tennis, which receives a total of 12 points, the awards are six points for first position, four for second, and two for third. The value of the Cross-Country is eight points—five for first place, two for second, and one for third.

The distribution for Girls' Sport was Basketball 19, Cricket 16, Hockey 19, Softball 19, Tennis 17 and the Swimming Certificates 10. However, the positions in the Girls' competitions are awarded on percentage. There were also points awarded for any girl who passed the Basketball or Hockey Umpire's Examination. However, I must stress the fact that these awards apply

only to 1952, as there are constant alterations made each year.

The Parker Cup, which is mounted in the showcase, amidst other trophies, in the corridor of the upper storey of the "new" building, has not been engraved since 1943, but there are at present discussions which may lead to it being engraved up to the present year.

. In conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation to all who have contributed information towards this article. B. HOGAN.

### SOCIAL SERVICE

Thanks very largely to the guidance given to the forms by their Form Teachers and Social Service Representatives, this has been a very successful year. The steady response, week by week, and form by form, is proof that there is a fine spirit of service deeply felt by a great many boys and girls in the school. There is little doubt that many will want to continue such community work when they leave school and will seek the opportunity to do so.

Five special efforts were co-operative. These were the St. Vincent's Hospital Casualty Ward Appeal (£51/5/9), the egg appeal for the local hospital (over 1,000 eggs), the collection of tinfoil for the Royal Melbourne Hospital Auxiliary (organised by III C), the collection of stamps for the Save the Children Fund (organised by Form V) and the distribution of news sheets for the Committee of the local Maternity Hospital Appeal.

The work of our newsboys and newsgirls has been praised by the Committee, who believe that 95 per cent. of the wide district was reached.

As well, each form has selected its own charity. Here is a summary of their achievements:

Save the Children Fund, Form V, £18/5/2.  
Yooralla, Form IV A, £13/4/10.

Footscray Hospital, Form IV B, £12/9/10.

James Noble Memorial, Form III A, £5/6/7.

Blind Children, Form III B, £3/2/8.

Berry Street, Form III C, £6/4/5.

Berry Street, Form II C, £1/10/3.

Footscray Kindergarten, Form III D, £5/17/5.

Williamstown Maternity Hospital, Form III E, £3/13/5.

Deaf and Dumb Children, Form II A, £3/1/-.

Melbourne Orphanage, Form II B, £3/16/1.

Williamstown Free Kindergarten, Form II D, £2/16/6.

Deaf and Dumb Children, Form II E, £1/15/9.

Blind Babies, Form I A, £7/13/7.

Methodist Babies' Home, Form I B, £14/10/9.

Spastic Children, Form I C, £8/17/6.

Newport Free Kindergarten, Form I D, £6/13/7.

Williamstown Hospital, Form I E, £2/9/6.

This takes the story as far as October, the total amount collected since the opening of the year (including some miscellaneous monies and the St. Vincent's Appeal) being more than £175.

The first-year pupils have done very well indeed. Boys of I A cooked strange food in Room 6 one day and sold it to unsuspecting customers. Three girls in I C collected £5/13/- for the Spastic Children's Appeal. A boy in I E showed his film strips and raised £2/5/9. Form I B held a bazaar which brought in nearly £3.

Forms II and III have relied more on their class-room collections, although II A, II D and II E held Toffee Days and III C and III E ran Tuck Shops. The III C girls have sent parcels of knitted and secondhand clothing to Berry Street, and have been in charge of a substantial collection of tinfoil. Form IV A and IV B shared the money raised at an inter-form basketball match, and at the end of Term II the IV B girls organised a very successful concert.

Although there are only forty pupils in Form V, they have set a fine standard for the whole school. As well as organising the collection of stamps and presenting a first-rate form concert, they have given very generously each week to their fund. Miss Grylls, a representative of the fund, came to the school to meet Form V and to explain a film which Mr. Kent was good enough to show. This visit made our senior students feel that they must do even more for the under-privileged children of the world. Form V are still sponsoring a little English girl.

Although the figures reveal a good overall effort, they cannot quite express the thing that really matters, which is that at W.H.S. a big body of students can and do, from time to time, forget themselves and think of others.

B. BOARDMAN.

## HOUSE NOTES

### DINGO HOUSE

The Dingoes have had a rather enjoyable and fairly successful year under the leadership of House Captain "Mike" Wainstein, Vice-Captain Ted Barnes and House Masters Messrs. Wilson and Osborne.

Our most successful fields of sport this year were the House football and cricket competitions. We came first in the football, and, at the time this was written, we were coming first in the cricket. Our next best were the cross-country run and the swimming sports. We came second in both of these, and the best effort was that of Paul Dine, who came equal first in the senior section of the cross-country. However, we were not up to the standard in the athletic sports and could only manage fourth place.

Dingoes were well represented in the School teams. In the senior teams we had five members in the football—Massey, Ritchie, Hodge, Wainstein, and Strachan—and four members in the cricket—Massey, Hodge, MacLeod, and Strachan. In the under fourteen cricket team we were represented by Barnes (Captain), Fordham, Harkess, and Stewart—and in the under fourteen football team by Barnes (Vice-Captain), Fordham, R. Romanski and E. Romanski. We also had representatives in the School athletic team (the outstanding ones were Amor, Ritchie and May), and in the baseball team—MacLeod, Dessent, and Kerr. May was also Junior Champion in the athletic sports.

Thanks must go to our House Masters, House Captain, and Vice-Captain for their work during the year in putting us among the top Houses of the School.

Ably led by Ruby MacLeod and Beth Fraser, and assisted by our House Mistress, Miss Orr, Dingoes have completed another hard-fought year.

In the swimming sports the girls managed to gain first place. The softball team came second, after a hard battle with Wombats. The hockey team managed to gain third place and the basketball team second place.

In the tennis team Dingoes comprised the first two pairs.

At the House Athletic Sports Dingo girls came third. It was one place ahead of last year's effort, so if we keep trying we are sure we will be repaid for our efforts in the future.

A. STRACHAN, Form V

### KOALA HOUSE

Koalas have always had the reputation of being hard workers and fair players; this year has proved no exception. The girls, ably led by Pat Burgess, have all pulled their weight in an effort to uphold the reputation and to keep in our possession the coveted Parker Cup.

Starting off well by winning the swimming sports, the future looked bright. We had several good swimmers representing the school, including Noel Clark, Beth Halbert, Mabel Patterson (vice-captain) and promising junior, Beth Leek. During the winter months we won the junior and senior basketball matches and although we were not quite as successful in the other sports we put up a good fight.

Then came the athletic sports. Although the girls trained hard and did their best, the winning place went to Wombats. In the combined sports which followed, Koala girls again represented the school and helped to make Williamstown top school. Among the individual representatives were Pat Burgess, and junior Gillian Monaghan.

In the inter-house tennis tournament three of our girls represented the school, House Captain, Vice-Captain, and Barbara Phillips.

On the whole, Koalas have had a successful year, and the thanks go to Miss Killeen, our popular House Mistress.

This year Koalas have tried very hard to hold the Parker Cup. At the beginning of the year "Butch" Carter was elected House Captain, with John Peckham as his assistant. Once again we were led by Mr. Jones. Bill Dagg became an unofficial magistrate, with



the result that most of our meetings were conducted in an orderly manner.

The first event of the year was the House swimming sports. Koala boys, stimulated by the "pep" talk given them by Mr. Jones before they went into action, performed like Olympians, and we ran out quite easy winners. Koalas seem to have had the monopoly on this event for quite some time now. In the combined swimming sports we were represented by Ron Morgan, Graeme Sherman and John Peckham.

In the senior cricket team we had three Koalas, "Butch" Carter, "Tex" Porter and promising Third Former, McKinnon. In the House cricket Koalas seemed to falter and we ended up with the natural result—last.

We were fortunate in having the captain of the school tennis team, Neil Armstrong, in our House. The House tennis team also did quite well.

It was in football that Koalas really shone, when we consider the number of boys who played in either the senior or junior team. Bill Dagg, Ian Porter, Alan Carter and Neil McKinnon were in the Senior XVIII. In the Junior XVIII we had Ken Jones, Alan Hutchinson and the captain, Alan O'Meara, winner of the Deloraine Trophy.

In the House athletic sports, Koala seemed to start off on the wrong footing and trailed the other Houses all day. However, in the athletic team we had three members: Ian Porter, Neil Armstrong, Alan Hutchinson.

Although we may not have done so well this year, it has not been through lack of enthusiasm, and we must pay tribute to the way in which Mr. Jones and "Butch" managed us.

D. McD.

### POSSUM HOUSE

"We are the Possums, the Possums,  
We're out to get the rep,  
Just because we've got the pep,  
We are the Possums, the Possums,  
That is the house for me. HOORAY".

These are the words which unite with the melodious tune which echoes within the walls of Room 6 under the baton of Mr. Bradshaw, our enthusiastic house-master. Our "victory" chant has stimulated a "fighting" spirit in the Possum House, which is equal in strength to the Possum Parker Cup

winners of 1950. Don Rawson, our popular, efficient house captain, and Joe McCarty, have proved themselves worthy of their position by their keen interest and encouragement in all events.

Possums' determination and sportsmanship has achieved for them equal third position, a step further than last year, in the swimming sports, second in the boys' tennis and high position in the football and cricket, which have not been decided. Possums revealed their true form to win the averages of the cross-country run. Individual congratulations are extended to Neil David (Senior), John Johnston (Intermediate), and John Heriot (Junior). The athletic sports proved to be one of the most interesting and keen events of the year. Possums and Wombats fought well all day, but after the House Marching, Wombats took the lead and we came second. Here, another Possum deserves praise for his sportsmanship, which led Geoffrey Mayne to the position of the boys' intermediate champion.

On the sporting fields we were well represented as we had the captains of the senior cricket, the baseball and the boys' hockey. The number of representatives from our House in the teams are: senior cricket 4, junior football 5, senior football 4, junior cricket 6, tennis 1, baseball 5, hockey 6, and swimming 3.

Every Possum appreciates the tireless labours of the previously mentioned House officials, Bob Anderson, our diligent secretary, and Mr. Cardiff, the assistant house-master.

"This is the House for me."

This year Possum girls have been capably led by Joyce Green, who has worked untiringly throughout the year. Joyce was assisted by Sylvia Tunnecliffe, who also encouraged the girls with the true House spirit.

Although the girls swam their hardest in the swimming sports, we were only able to come equal third, but we hope to do better next year.

During the winter the Possums had a fairly strong basketball team, but Koalas were stronger still. As a result Possums came out in second position. Though the softball team played hard, they were not able to beat Wombats and finished up third.

The hockey team, however, went through the entire season undefeated and were easy winners of the Hockey Cup. This was mainly

due to marvellous co-operation and splendid team work. Congratulations, girls, on a very fine effort.

Possums were well represented in all the school teams. Margaret Wegener was first hockey captain, and Joyce Green senior basketball captain. There were sixteen representatives in all.

At Newport, we had a successful day at the Athletic Sports. Possums led early, but Wombats passed us and went away to win. This put us in second place.

This year the yard duty was well done, and, though we did not reach full marks, we were very close to it several times. This is only one indication of the enthusiasm of the Possum girls.

Our special thanks go to Miss Begley, our House Mistress, who aided us in every possible way.

### WOMBAT HOUSE

Under the very able leadership of "Bill" Deacon for the first and second terms and Bill Hocking during term three, Wombat House is well on the way to win the coveted "Parker Cup".

This year we won the athletics cup for the first time in twenty-five years. It was the sixth time in succession that we had won the marching; and we hope to keep on winning it. Doug Henderson, known as "the athlete", again won the "senior athletic championship". Doug won seven of the eight events for which he entered. In the event

Doug did not win he came third, this event being the "shot putt". The seven events he won were the 100 yards, 220, 440, 880, long jump, high jump and the hop, step and jump.

Then again the swimming is a different story; we did not lose the competition, but we came equal third with Possums.

Wombats won the tennis cup once more, but only just. As a matter of fact, it was only won by a few games. Bill Deacon was the main factor determining the House's win in this section. Other "stars" were Ken Green, Stan Aird and Rod Plumb.

Wombats "took away the money" as far as the football cup goes. The team was under the leadership of ("Weg") Greig during the season. The "B" team, Form I, did not lose a single game right through the season; our thanks to Bob Dunn and Stan Aird, an exceptional performance, boys. Six boys from our House represented us in the senior football competition and about three boys in the junior team.

Our House could not very well be congratulated on its efforts to win the big event, the cross-country run.

Beckinsale, Powell and Harris represented the House in the boys' hockey.

On the whole, Wombat House's performance this year is the best I have seen in my four years at the W.H.S., but I do not think that the management of the house could have run so smoothly without Doug Henderson's untiring work.

ROD PLUMB

### HOUSE CAPTAINS

Standing — M. Wainstein (D.), A. Carter (K.), D. Rawson (P.), W. Hocking (W).

Sitting — R. McLeod (D.), P. Burgess (K.), J. Green (P.), S. Binney (W.).



Ably led by our keen captain, Shirley Binney, who was assisted by Aileen Schuldt, Wombats had a most successful sports year.

At the first important sports of the year, the House swimming sports, we gained third place with Possums.

During the winter terms, the basketball and hockey teams gained second place, and the softball team, the first place and prize-winning cup. In the inter-school winter sports, we had representatives in the hockey, basketball and softball teams, as well as captain and vice-captain of the softball team.

At the House athletic sports our green flag was flown proudly after our well-earned victory. Once again we won the marching; this is becoming quite a habit, as we have won it for four years. Congratulations to all House representatives in the sports, and special congratulations go to Evelyn Barclay on her two fine wins.

At yard duty we always excel and we have gained full marks for several weeks.

All the girls of Wombat House would like to thank their Captain and Vice-Captain for their leadership, and also our thanks go to our House Mistress, Miss Abbot, for helping to make 1952 such a successful year for "The Wombats".

## HOUSE SPORTS

The Inter-House Sports were held at the Newport football ground on Friday, 3rd October. Due to rain during the week the track was very heavy, consequently there were no records broken.

The standard of marching in the House Marching Contest was high. Wombat House won this event by one point from Koala and Possum Houses equal second, and Dingoes, who were fourth.

We wish to express our appreciation of the fine work done by the members of the staff, especially the Sports Mistress, Miss Bryan, and the Sports Master, Mr. Charles.

The final results were:

	Wombats	Possums	Dingoes	Koalas
Boys .....	105	67	83	52
Girls .....	112	98	78	79
Aggregate .	217	165	161	131

W. HODGE, Form IV A



### AT LIGHTNING PREMIERSHIP

Sitting — L. Hassett (Test Capt.), Marjorie Jackson, Winsome Cripps, Marjorie McQuade (Olympic stars).



# Sport

## LIGHTNING PREMIERSHIP

On 27th August this year, a lightning premiership was played on the Williamstown football ground in aid of the district hospitals. The schools represented were junior teams from Williamstown High, North Williamstown Post-Primary, Footscray Technical, Hyde Street Central and the Christian Brothers' College, Yarraville.

We were very fortunate in having many personalities from the world of sport present—Marjorie Jackson, Winsome Cripps and Marjorie McQuade, who distinguished themselves at Helsinki; Test Captain, Lindsay Hassett; well-known League umpire, Jack McMurray; also Alan Martin and Jack Collins, stars from Footscray.

Before the start of the lightning premiership all the teams assembled before the grandstand and Jack McMurray officially opened the meeting with a short speech. It was a very colourful sight and we felt assured of a good afternoon's sport.

The first match between Footscray Tech. "A" and "B" teams resulted in a win for the "A" team.  
Footscray Tech "A"—2 gls. 7 bhds. 19 pts.  
Footscray Tech "B"—nil.

The second match was between the Christian Brothers' College and the Williamstown High School. Williamstown High, closing up the game early, held a good lead throughout and finished well ahead.

Williamstown High—4 gls. 1 bhd. 25 pts.  
Christian Brothers—1 gl. 1 bhd. 7 pts.

The next match of the day was between North Williamstown and Hyde Street Central Schools.

North Williamstown, playing as a team, ran out easy winners. By winning this match, North Williamstown went automatically into the grand final.

N. Williamstown—5 gls. 6 bhds. 36 pts.  
Hyde Street—nil.

For the right to play in the final Footscray "A" played Williamstown High. It

was a close game with Williamstown looking dangerous towards the end.

Williamstown High—2 gls. 1 bhd. 13 pts.  
Footscray "A"—5 gls. 3 bhds. 33 pts.

The Footscray Tech. "A" team had won their way into the final against North Williamstown. Both teams seemed evenly matched, so everyone was expecting a close finish.

In the interval before the grand final, Olympic runners Marjorie Jackson and Winsome Cripps gave an exhibition, much to the delight of the crowd, who had expectantly waited for the "Lithgow Flash" to appear in Melbourne.

With Jack McMurray umpiring, the grand final was played in a vigorous manner throughout. In the last few minutes the technical school had many shots for goal and there was no doubt of the winner of the 1952 lightning premiership.

Footscray Tech "A"—7 gls. 3 bhds. 45 pts.  
Nth. Williamstown—0 goals. 1 bhd, 1 pt.

The shield was presented by Lindsay Hassett amid cheers from the grand stand.

Thanks must be given to Mr. Walsh, Organiser, and Mr. Brook, President, for their excellent display, which was appreciated by all.

DON McDADE, Form V.

## SENIOR FOOTBALL NOTES

This season the Senior XVIII had a very successful year, winning four out of the six matches played. The team combined well and we were able to outclass teams that depended on certain "stars".

The first match was against Coburg at Coburg. It was a very wet day, but Williamstown finished stronger than their opponents. Scores were: Williamstown 5-7 (37 points), Coburg 4-6 (30 points). The next match was against Hampton, and after a very close first half Williamstown went away to finish fairly comfortable winners, scores being: Williamstown 9-8 (62 points) to Hampton 6-6 (42 points). The following match was against Essendon, our old rivals. Williamstown completely outclassed them. Final scores: Williamstown 9-3 (57 points) to Essendon 0-1 (1 point).

The next match was against University High Seconds. After a very close and hard-fought game, Williamstown finished on top. Scores were: Williamstown 6-3 (39 points) to University High 5-2 (32 points).

Throughout the year Williamstown played fast, open football, but towards the end of the season grounds became very heavy and, as we were up against heavier teams, we were at a disadvantage. Still the boys combined to fight out the matches and, though the scores may not indicate it, our opponents had to fight very hard for their victories. Scores of the final matches were: Williamstown 5-10 (40 points) to Coburg 7-8 (50 points); Williamstown 4-3 (27 points) to Northcote 8-7 (55 points).

All members of the team are to be congratulated on their splendid teamwork and co-operation throughout the year. Special thanks go to Messrs. Keogh and Cowban for their assistance in coaching and umpiring.

DOUG HENDERSON, Form V.

### BOYS' TENNIS

This year the boys' tennis team played five matches, of which we won two (giving Mr. Kent two of the biggest shocks in his life). We played Box Hill High School, University High School, Northcote High School, Essendon High School, and Coburg High School.

The team consisted of Billy Deacon (captain) and John Johnston (first pair), Grant Nicholl and Neil Armstrong (second pair), Ken Green and Roy Coram (third pair), and Brian Dann and Douglas Nicholson (fourth pair).

The first match at Box Hill was a bit one-sided and we won comfortably, the score being 40-11. The first pair won 10-1, the second pair 10-2, the third pair 10-6 and the fourth pair 10-2.

The next match against University at home was very exciting, but we were very unlucky not to win. The score was 36-27. The first pair won 10-9, the second pair 10-7, the third pair lost 5-10, and the fourth pair lost 2-10.

Not disheartened by our defeat we faced the strong Northcote team at home, and like the Box Hill match it was a bit one-sided and Northcote ran out winners 40-24. The first pair lost 1-10, the second pair lost 9-10, the third pair lost 6-10, and the fourth pair lost 8-10.

The next week we travelled to Essendon. We started off very well, but finished badly,

but we were beaten by only two games, the score being 33-31. The first pair won 10-4, the second pair lost 5-10, the third pair won 10-9 and the fourth pair lost 6-10.

With three defeats in a row you might think we'd be downhearted, but it only made us more determined. So we went to Coburg with our minds made up to win the last match. The first and second pairs gave us a good start and we led by 10 games and the third and fourth pair managed to maintain that lead. The score was 35-28. The first pair won 10-4, the second pair won 10-6, the third pair lost 5-10 and the fourth pair won 10-8.

On the whole we had a rather successful season and we finished up with a fine total of 157 games to 148. Special mention is due to the first pair, who lost only one set.

DOUG NICHOLSON, Form IV A.

### BASEBALL NOTES

When the baseball season opened the W.H.S. baseball team seemed very "raw" with so many new and inexperienced players.

Our first of the social matches was against Footscray Technical School, in which Williamstown surprised Footscray by winning 18-6.

Confident over our first win we defeated Hampton 4-2. The next week we played and defeated University High, 9-6. We then played Essendon and, although we defeated them 5-1, we did not show our usual form.

In the competition our first game was against Essendon, who defeated us 12-9. Again we were defeated, this time by Melbourne, the scores being 12-6. The team, determined to have another win, played University High. This game was umpired by Fitzroy and Interstate player Neil Harvey. The match was very even, and every run was well carried. Although the team tried hard we were defeated, 6-5. The last match of the season we played the top team, Northcote; after a very close game Northcote ran ahead to win 6-3.

Although our form throughout the year was inconsistent all players did a fine job.

Our coach, Mr. Bradshaw, is to be congratulated on developing a good team from a group of novices.

LEE KISLER, Form III.



#### SENIOR FOOTBALL

Standing — A. Carter, M. Wainstein, R. Minns, N. David, W. Dagg, N. Armstrong, A. Strachan, W. Hodge, R. Plumb, I. Shinn, W. Hocking.

Sitting — N. McKinnon, A. Hewett, L. East, C. Ritchie, I. Porter, Mr. Keogh (coach), D. Henderson (capt.), D. Rawson, R. Amor, S. Marshall, K. Green.

#### THE CROSS-COUNTRY RUN

The day for the cross-country had arrived! The most popular (?) boys' event of the year was to take place that afternoon, Friday, 19th September. There were some hopes that the big event would have to be postponed, for it had rained heavily over the past few days—but alas, no such luck. The run was still going to be held.

After the boys had made their way to the Williamstown Rifle Range, and had changed, everyone awaited the start of the junior section. When these were finally mustered and started off some of the intermediate group began to get the "jitters". They were to run next.

The juniors' winner, J. Heriot, of Possum House, came in in grand style. J. Coleman, also of Possums, was second, with R. Garnsworthy, of Koalas, a close third. Heriot's time was 7 minutes, 55 seconds—23 seconds faster than last year's.

By this time the intermediates were under way. In a short while, the leaders could be seen coming round the last mound. When the winner, J. Johnson, who completed the course in 9 minutes, 43 seconds, had finished, boys were still coming round the same mound "miles behind". G. Mayne was second, with J. Hughes filling third place. The three place-getters were all from Possum House.

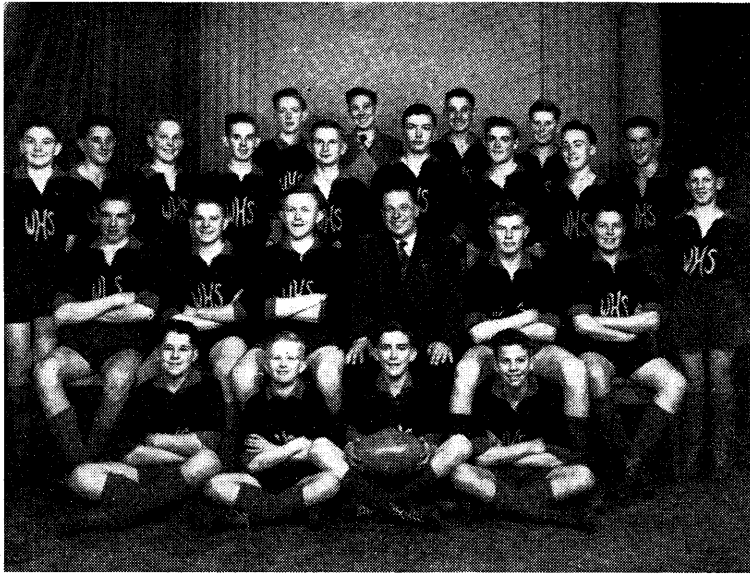
Finally, but by far the most important event—the senior group's run—was about to begin. There were many hot favourites, their prices ranging from 200/1 to 2/1. This last bunch of boys eventually left with two and a quarter miles to run.

The finish of this race must have been spectacular (I had not reached that vicinity then) for I am told that the two boys, Neil David, Possums, and Paul Dine, Dingoes, who were fighting it out for first place, both tripped over when on the finishing line. The result was a draw—a fine effort for both, for they had put in a great deal of time in preparing for the race. The time was 10 minutes, 21 seconds. Graeme Smith, of Possums ran in next to fill third place.

In all, it was a triumph for the Possums, for in the aggregate, they totalled 41.9 points, Dingoes 42.3 came second, Koalas 51.4 third, with Wombats 51.8 in fourth position. (The house championship was based on a calculation of the average finishing position, in which each boys' place was taken into account.)

The cross-country had again passed off successfully, and now many weary-legged boys made their way to the railway station, thankful that the cross-country was over, and realising "it wasn't so bad after all"—was it? UGH.

ALAN BUCHER, Form V



### JUNIOR FOOTBALL

Front Row — K. Pattern,  
R. Dyson, J. Heriot, D.  
Ward.

Second Row — G. Mayne,  
K. Jones, D. O'Meara  
(capt.), Mr. Walsh (coach),  
T. Barnes, I. Fordham.

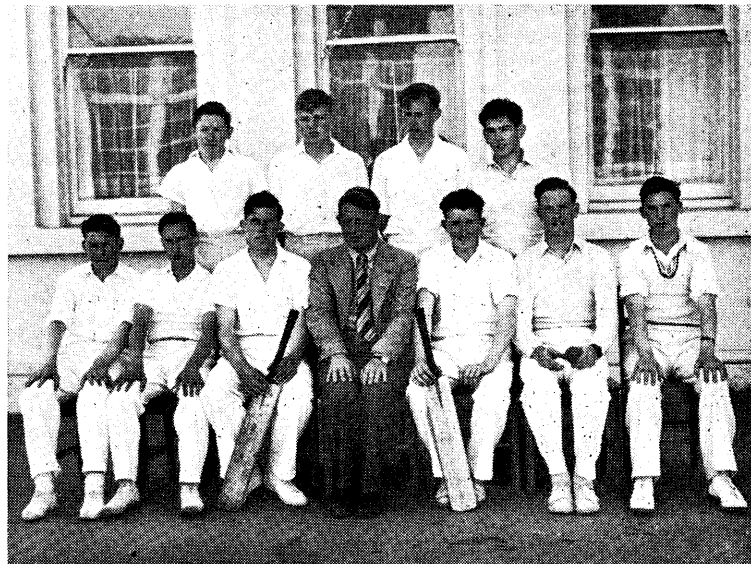
Third Row—R. Anderson,  
P. Wilson, N. Bucher, J.  
Murdoch, G. Romanski, S.  
Urbonas, R. May, J. John-  
son, A. Hutchinson, R.  
Coleman.

Back Row — M. Bouchier,  
G. Strachan, R. Elliott, P.  
Lauler.

### SENIOR CRICKET

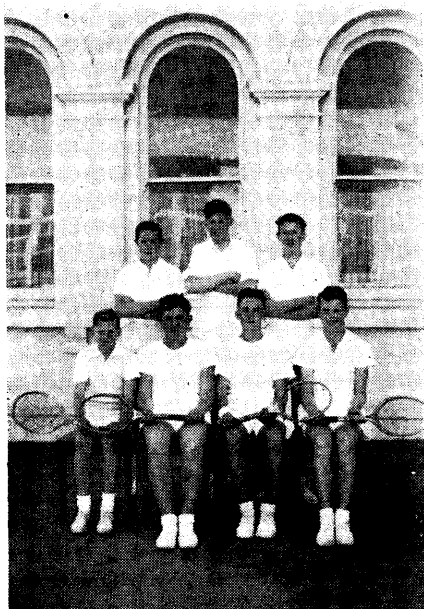
Standing — A. Strachan,  
D. MacLeod, W. Hodge,  
G. Smith.

Sitting — N. McKinnon,  
A. Carter, D. Henderson,  
Mr. Keogh, D. Rawson  
(capt.), N. David, I. Porter.





**JUNIOR CRICKET  
TEAM**



**BOYS' TENNIS**

Standing — G. Nicoll, N. Armstrong, R. Coram.

Sitting—K. Green, B. Dann, J. Johnson, D. Nicholson

### **BOYS' HOCKEY TEAM**

Our team this year was a great improvement on last year's, and as a result we lost only four games out of twelve. The most interesting of these were the two in which we played the girls' school team. The games were too fast for the girls, resulting in victories for the boys in both.

In the whole season we scored 23 goals, the scorers being P. Dine 13, A. Howes 7, K. Smith 1, B. Webb 1, and H. Libovsky 1.

The captain this year was Brian Hogan, and Paul Dine vice-captain, with Mr. Cowban as coach. At the beginning of the season we had an exceptionally large number of applicants for the team, but after much intensive training the weaker players were disregarded until the group was narrowed down to 16, most of these being new players without experience. Practices were held at lunch times on Mondays and Tuesdays.

Another set of high scores can be recorded by Paul Dine, the "terror" of the team; these are high scores in the mortality rate of the other schools. He has scored an average of four per match, his highest single



match total being against University High School, injuring more than half their team, and in the second half he was a marked man, with all the University High team after his blood, but the "terror" managed to get away with only a limp.

H. LIBOVSKY, Form V.

### CRICKET NOTES

This year the W.H.S. Junior Cricket Team is having a very successful season. Our wins have been mainly due to the all-round strength of our team and the brilliant leadership of our captain, Ted Barnes.

The first match was played at Box Hill, where we won comfortably. Batting honors went to Stewart 19 and Paton 12. Best bowler was Barnes, four for 12.

Second match University visited Williamstown, but we were soundly beaten. Highlight of the match was the bowling of Anderson, 4 for 5, including the hat-trick. Barnes, 3 for 8, and Harkess 2 for 5 also bowled well. Barnes also brilliantly made 32, with help from Stewart 19 not out.

Third match we were defeated by Northcote, narrowly. Batting well, Barnes made 24.

Fourth match we went to Essendon, where the brilliant partnership between Stewart 25 and Paton 24 was completed. Hughes 2 for 8 and Harkess 2 for 7 were the best bowlers.

Last match for first term was at the Pent-

ridge Oval, where Mayne put all his strength into hitting three sixers and a four in a fast 26, and Murdock provided amusement by hitting Mr. Walsh in the chest with a beautiful straight drive. Murdock made 28. Barnes took all the bowling show with 5 for 20, including the hat-trick.

Trophy winners were:

T. Barnes, all-rounder.

G. Murdock, batting.

R. Anderson, bowling.

There is still the grand final to be played in third term, but all the boys are very confident of retaining the pennant.

The boys appreciate the grand coaching by Mr. "Doc" Walsh. Training list is as follows: T. Barnes (capt.), R. Anderson (vice-capt.), T. Ferris, A. O'Meara, G. Murdock, K. Stewart, J. Hughes, J. Harkess, K. Paton, D. Ward, G. Brunnen, M. Bouchier, G. Mayne, J. Heriot, R. Morgan, R. Dyson, R. May, N. Michael.

R. ANDERSON.

### JUNIOR FOOTBALL TEAM

The junior football team had a very successful year, runners-up to Northcote. The first game of the season was against Northcote and we were soundly beaten, scores being 5-7 to 10-3.

The next match we found our true form and comfortably beat Coburg at Newport. Playing in wet conditions, the team showed great promise. Scores were 12-6 to 4-5.



### BASEBALL

Standing: B. Smith, G. Smith, D. McLeod, P. Dessent, B. Taylor

Sitting: R. Conron, L. Kisler, Mr. Bradshaw, B. Anderson, W. Burns

Front: K. Robertson

The third match was at University's home ground. The play was marred by the muddy ground and strong wind, but we managed to scrape home by five points. Scores, 7-11 to 7-6.

The last match was our greatest triumph when we soundly trounced Essendon on their home ground. Scores, 17-13 to 1-6.

Special thanks to our coach, Mr. Walsh, who worked hard to maintain our high position.

L.F.

### AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLBOYS' AND SCHOOLGIRLS' ATHLETIC CHAMPIONSHIPS

As last year was the Commonwealth Jubilee Celebrations, it was decided that there should be staged the first all-Australian schoolboys' and schoolgirls' athletic championships and the site chosen was the capital of Tasmania. The famous cyclist and M.P., Mr. Hubert Opperman, was selected as the chairman of the carnival, and Mr. Ivo Gibson became the secretary. The Victorian team was selected very late, and because of the lack of finance was unfortunately cut to a minimum. Tests were held for the girls at Royal Park, whilst the tests for the boys were held at Olympic Park.

The team comprising five girls and eleven boys under the supervision of Mrs. Davies, the president of the Victorian Women's Amateur Athletic Association, and the late Mr. Miller, who was the secretary of the High Schools' Association, left by plane on Wednesday, 12th December. Two students from Williamstown, Beverley Dodds and I, were fortunate in being selected to represent the State at the championships.

The first impression that the team received as they came from the airport to Hobart, was that they were coming into a large Victorian town. The city is situated on the beautiful Derwent River, with Mt. Wellington looming over the capital. On arrival, the team met the representatives from other States (except for those from Queensland, who unfortunately could not attend the sports because of an outbreak of polio in that State). The enthusiasm of the Tasmanian people was shown as they billeted all the teams, which numbered well over a hundred. The hospitality was exceptionally

good, and the hosts gave the teams a wonderful week's entertainment in Hobart, showing them the beauty spots. The most impressive was the trip to the top of Mt. Wellington. We were fortunate in having the trip on a cloudless day, and the view obtained was very good. We were able to see how well Hobart was planned to a definite pattern. Another interesting trip was the tour around Hobart, with lunch at Seven Mile Beach.

On the day before the sports the teams were given a civic reception by the Mayor of Hobart at the Town Hall. The manager thanked the Mayor and the people for their hospitality and also expressed the opinion that these athletic meetings should be held regularly.

We were able to have a training run on the North Hobart oval and also to get an indication of the state of running tracks. The ground is extremely bad and it could not be compared with any of the main Victorian ovals. Saturday was the big day for which all the States were waiting. The carnival began with all the teams parading around the ground before a reasonably large crowd. The oath of amateurism was read by the captain of the Tasmanian girls, then the sports were officially opened by the Governor of Tasmania, Sir Ronald Cross, who expressed the same opinion as the managers that the athletic carnival was a wonderful idea and it should be held annually. The first event, the senior boys' 880 yards, was held in sunshine, but unfortunately clouds were coming overhead and it was not long before we had a heavy downpour. After a time of anxious waiting, the chairman called a meeting of managers and chaperons to discuss the possibility of postponing the events for the day and having them later. However, it was decided to continue the sports, even though there were puddles of water all over the oval.

The strong N.S.W. team immediately took charge and won nearly every event. The competitors looked a sorry sight as the colours in the singlets started running into their white shorts. Unfortunately Victoria was successful in only one event. Marlene Smith won the girls' senior 75 yards in the good time of nine seconds, considering the conditions. We had a few second placings, but the majority of the team gained third placings. Beverley Dodds was third in the

100 yards under 14, and I was third in the boys' under 16 880 yards. There were some extremely good performances and it all goes well for Australia's future in amateur athletics. Probably the best performance was that of a South Australian girl, Norma Austin, who won the girls' under 16 100 yards and 75 yards. This girl later on ran second to Shirley Strickland (Olympic winner) in the Australian 80-metre hurdles championship. Other good performances were in the boys' senior 100 yards, won by a Tasmanian in 10 seconds, and in the boys' senior high jump, a West Australian boy jumping 5ft. 10in. There was plenty of talent shown, but because of the extremely bad conditions it was practically impossible to record excellent times.

The Victorians left Hobart on Wednesday, 19th December, after a very interesting seven days. Everybody was pleased at having seen part of Tasmania and thrilled at having represented their State.

DOUG HENDERSON, Form V.

### COMBINED ATHLETIC SPORTS

This year we were competing against different schools than we were in previous

years, in a section combining the top schools from different sections.

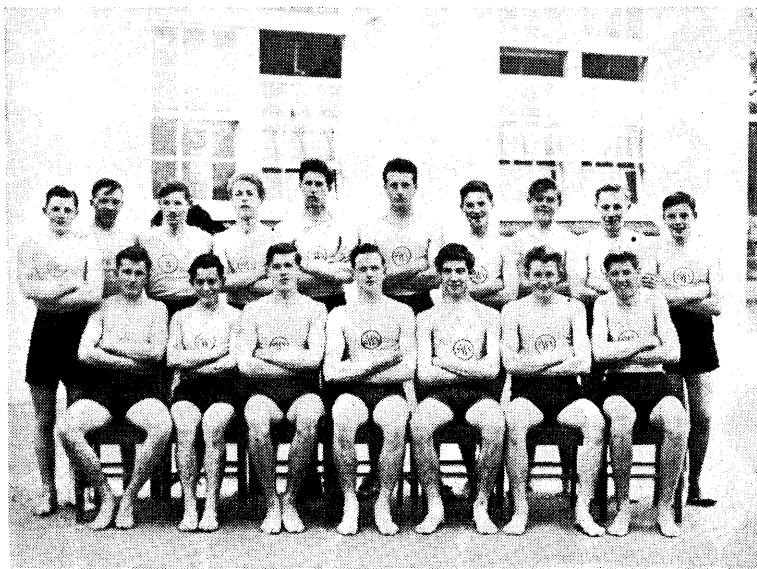
From the outset it was evident that our keenest rivals were Dandenong, who had won C section in the previous years.

In individual races we were well placed. The most outstanding girl was Evelyn Barclay, who won both the 75 yards and 100 yards, over 14. Unfortunately, our "hope" for the boys' events broke down after brilliantly defeating the field in the senior 880 yards. The emergencies in the other events were not disgraced.

The boys' aggregate was won by Dandenong High and the girls' aggregate by Warragul High, who deserved it more than other schools, as they had nearly all risen at 5 o'clock that morning. Although both boys' and girls' aggregates were not won by Williamstown, we beat Dandenong High School by one point in the grand aggregate.

Final results were:—

	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
Williamstown	86	64	150
Dandenong	90	59	149
Frankston	46	41	87
Warragul	30	71	101
Coburg	55	70	125
Geelong	53	59	112



### BOYS' ATHLETICS

Standing — H. Caswell, G. Mayne, D. McConville, A. Bucher, J. McCarty, C. Ritchie, I. Porter, R. May, R. Amor, D. Munro.

Sitting — S. Marshall, B. Hogan, D. Henderson (capt.), N. David, D. Massey, D. Rawson, N. Armstrong.



### JUNIOR BASKETBALL TEAM

This year the Junior Basketball Team was not quite as successful as last year's team. Although the team played well during the year their play was not as good as it could have been in some matches. Our first match was played at Essendon on 2nd July. We were unfortunate to lose the match by four goals, the scores being 12-8. The next match was played at MacRobertson, but once more we were outclassed by a faster team. The third match was played at home against University High on 30th July. Each team was evenly matched, although the score, which was 30-7, does not show it. Our last match, in which we were victorious, was played at home against Coburg. We won by one goal, which was thrown by Valmai Robinson a second before the last whistle. During the past season, although it has not been very successful, every girl played her best. The whole team would like to join together in thanking Miss Bryan for her co-operation during the past year.

A. RICHARDSON.

### JUNIOR BASKETBALL

Standing: L. Day, V. Robinson, A. Richardson (capt.)

Sitting — R. Harris, R. Mahr, M. Stewart, F. Parr.

### SENIOR BASKETBALL

At the beginning of the season we played an unofficial match against Hampton. During this game we were able to see the playing standard of different girls, for selection for the inter-school competition. Two of our girls, Beth Halbert and Noel Clark, umpired during the game.

Our second match on 2nd July was against Essendon at Essendon. The game was very even, but owing to the strong wind, the score was fairly low, the final score being 16-12 in favour of Essendon.

The following week we played MacRobertson G.H.S. Although the girls co-operated splendidly, especially in the last quarter, we were outclassed by the more experienced players, and were defeated 47-21.

On 23rd July, we met Coburg High School at home. The game was very even and at three-quarter time the score was ten all. However, Coburg outplayed us in the last quarter and went on to win, with the score 15-11.

Our last match was against University at home. The game was very uneven, and the visitors more than doubled our score; final score 16-6.

All girls of the senior basketball team would like to thank Miss Bryan for the excellent coaching received throughout the season.

J. GREEN

### SECOND HOCKEY TEAM

The season for 1952 opened with a match away against Essendon High. The players were considerably hampered by the wind,

but Williamstown was able to open the series successfully, the score being 1-0.

The team then played MacRobertson High School away and although we were beaten we were not disgraced, their team being more experienced. The final score was Williamstown 0, to MacRobertson 1.

The last match for the season was against University High at home. Here the score really indicated the play, as the visitors proved too strong, the final score being 8-0 in their favour.

This year's team consisted mainly of fourth form girls, and the experience gained and the promise shown, may gain some of the members promotion next season.

All concerned would like to thank Miss Abbott for devoting her time to coaching the team and giving its members her helpful advice.



## COMBINED SWIMMING SPORTS

On 21st March, Williamstown competed with Geelong, Hampton and Essendon, at the Olympic Pool, in the B Section of the Metropolitan High Schools' Combined Swimming Sports. The program commenced at noon, and although rain fell during the afternoon, all the events were contested keenly. Many of the placings were close, and we had cause to be proud of all our representatives.

Outstanding swimmers for Williamstown were John Peckham, who gained a senior treble in winning the over 15 50-metre backstroke, 50-metre freestyle and 100-metre freestyle; and Judy DeLacy, who broke a record for the over 14 20-metre backstroke (13.8 seconds - 13.1 seconds).

Highlight of the afternoon was the diving exhibition given by the women's junior diving champion, Miss Betty Price. Her performance was enthusiastically received by everyone.

A number of ex-students were present at the sports, the most notable being Harrow Morgan, who had been an outstanding swimming representative some years ago.

Although second in the girls' section, Williamstown finally gained fourth place in the grand aggregate.

### *Girls' Aggregate*

Essendon	87
Williamstown	63
Geelong	59
Hampton	53

### *Boys' Aggregate*

Hampton	93
Geelong	65
Williamstown	53

### *Grand Aggregate*

Hampton	146
Essendon	123
Geelong	124
Williamstown	116

## SENIOR BASKETBALL

Standing — D. Atkinson, V. Bray, L. Morris.  
Sitting — Y. Livermore, J. Green (capt.), J. Lee, B. Foxcroft.

**FIRST HOCKEY**

Standing — M. Howard,  
T. Hope, I. McVean, E.  
Kelly, M. Elliott, B. Russell.

Sitting — H. Taylor, Y.  
Rollison, M. Wegener  
(capt.), W. Bock, B. Swal-  
well, S. Tunnecliffe.

**SECOND SOFTBALL TEAM**

The first match of the season, which we won convincingly, was played at Essendon High School. This win gave us confidence for the match against MacRobertson the following week. The team put up a fine effort

to draw, the scores being 13 each. After one week's break we played University High at home. We managed to come out on top, the final scores being 25-19.

We should like to thank Miss Craig for organising the second softball team, which was formed this season.

J. YATES

**GIRLS' TENNIS**

Standing — M. Elliott, J.  
Lee, B. Fraser, M. Tyson.

Sitting — B. Phillips, P.  
Burgess, W. Bock, J.  
Becroft, L. Floate.







#### SECOND HOCKEY

Standing — M. Neilson,  
C. Bates, B. Hampton, J.  
Kent, J. Stone, G.  
Monaghan.

Sitting — J. Collins, S.  
Tunnecliffe (capt.), L. Hen-  
derson, R. Mitchell, F.  
Moyes, V. Neilson.

#### SATURDAY BASKETBALL

Anchors, whose second season playing in the Victorian Women's Basketball Association, was a successful one, finished runners-up in "C" Grade. Last year we were in "E" Grade, five grades lower than this year. On Saturday, 26th August, we played Highett in the semi-final, and after a strenuous game, we succeeded in defeating them, the

scores being Anchors 20 to Highett 17. A week later we played Cactus in the grand final. The match was played on a grass court at Royal Park; it was very windy, making it hard to throw accurately. It was an even game, but Cactus proved too strong for us, defeating us by three goals. The team played particularly well and we all thank Joyce Green for umpiring for us.

YVONNE LIVERMORE, Form III.

#### FIRST SOFTBALL

Standing — R. O'Neil, V.  
Foreman, J. Becroft, R.  
MacLeod.

Sitting — T. Pavloff, E.  
Barclay (capt.), A. Schutt,  
C. McIntyre.





#### SECOND SOFTBALL

Standing — M. Perry, M. Colquhoun, M. Rourke, G. Robinson.

Sitting — J. Rourke, C. Rolfe, G. Rolfe, J. Brown, J. Yates (capt.).

#### GIRLS' TENNIS

Although our team was unfortunate not to win a match this year, each girl played to the best of her ability and upheld the school's reputation for good sportsmanship. With Wilma Bock as captain, and Beth Fraser as vice-captain, our first match at Essendon proved to be close. Our first pair lost 10-6, our second won 10-7, our third won 10-5, whilst our fourth pair lost 10-5, the final results being 32-31 in Essendon's favour.

Our second match was against University at home, and here the final scores, 38-20, did not indicate the closeness of the games. The individual scores were, first pair lost 10-3, second pair won 10-8, third pair lost 10-4, and fourth pair lost 10-3.

Our next match at Coburg again proved to be close, but the home court advantage helped Coburg, and they won by three games. Our first pair lost 10-5, our second won 10-7, third pair won 10-7, and fourth pair lost 10-6.

Our final match was at MacRobertson and as their girls were older and more experienced, they were not troubled to win, final scores being 40-8.

Our regular pairs for the season were: first, Lola Floate and Beth Fraser; second,

Jean Becroft and Wilma Bock; third, Margot Elliott and Pat Burgess; and fourth, Barbara Phillips and Maureen Tyson.

All the team join in thanking Mrs. Stanton, who gave up so much of her time to coach us, also Miss Orr, who travelled with us and helped to lighten our defeats.

#### FIRST HOCKEY NOTES

The season for 1952 was one of great interest to all members of the first hockey team.

We opened the series of competitive games (having previously played Hampton in a friendly match), with a rather unexpected loss to Essendon. The game, which was played at Essendon, was a rather uneventful one, with both teams playing inexperienced hockey, and it was this factor that chiefly caused the defeat. The final score was 4-0 in Essendon's favour.

Our second match, against MacRobertson, was again played away. This game proved that the girls had only needed match practice, for, although we were defeated, we proved that we really could combine as a team. Towards the end, however, MacRobertson showed a slight superiority, which resulted in our being defeated 2-0.

We met Coburg in the third round and, as we were on our own ground, we felt much happier. Our play had improved considerably by this time and, with every girl playing at her best, we registered our first win, defeating Coburg three goals to nil. This match was highlighted by Margot Elliot, for, owing to her good play, she was responsible for recording our three goals.

Our final match was a hard and fast game in which we were defeated by a very strong team of University High School girls. Their play was much more purposeful than ours, the final scores telling their own story—University seven to Williamstown one. Our only goal was, once again, shot by Margot Elliot.

The team would like to join with me in giving special thanks to Miss Abbot for her helpful coaching and advice throughout the season.

MARGARET WEGENER, Form V.

### FINAL SPORTS RESULTS

As the scores given in the House Notes concern only the Seniors, the final results, including Juniors, are as follows:—

Softball—

1. Wombats
2. Koalas
3. Dingoes
4. Possums

Hockey—

1. Possums and Wombats
3. Dingoes
4. Koalas

Basketball—

1. Possums
2. Koalas
3. Wombats
4. Dingoes

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To Mr. Kent we are again indebted, for all School photographs in this issue were taken and prepared by him.

Form IVB also must receive great credit in assisting in the production of this issue. To them fell the job of typing and copying the articles.



### GIRLS' ATHLETICS

Standing — E. Barclay, E. McCoubrie, V. Bray, E. Kelly, Y. Livermore, B. Mathias, J. De Lacy, V. Foreman, P. Tolliday, J. Clem.

Sitting — Y. Rollison, J. Finley, M. Moore, W. Wegener, J. Green (capt.), H. Taylor, M. Elliott, D. Atkinson.

Front — V. Robinson, B. Barclay, G. Monaghan, B. John, J. Johnson, D. Shegwin, A. Richardson, P. Burgess.



### IT TAKES SOME DOING

It was a peaceful scene. The sun shining through the lacing of gum branches, set shadows dancing on the dusty, winding, mountain track. Shadows also danced on the backs of the small mob of cattle, which we were driving along the track. I've always felt a certain respect for cattle. It sort of grows on you when you make the saddle your life. I also admire those lean bronzed mates who can keep a mob of individual cattle together. It requires skill to do that. I know because I've tried and make an awful hash of it. Perhaps it was as well for my mate and I that our cattle were inclined to exhibit mob feelings and keep together. My mate on this job was definitely new to the job. I knew by the way he handled his horse, but, like all youngsters he thought he knew everything. When I suggested that it required skill to keep a mob of individual cattle intact, he replied scornfully that there was not a thing to it. I did not reply because, at the moment, one of our mob decided to leave us. I set off in one direction, leaving the rest of the mob plodding slowly along in the opposite direction.

My mate savagely muttered a few words under his breath to relieve his feelings or to tell the cow just what he thought of it and yanked his horse's head round, a proceeding, by the way, which the horse regarded with anything but pleasure, and set off in pursuit of the deserter. Cattle are either very stupid or very clever. That one

will cause him more trouble than the whole or the mob put together. Still he thought he'd be all right, or he had a good dog, or good horse and he said he was an ace in the art of using the stockwhip. Right, I thought, go ahead. See if you can get that cow back in the mob.

"She's over there, grazing," I called to my mate. "Good luck, mate. She's all yours."

My mate swivelled round in the saddle. "Phoohey. There's nothing to it. All you have to do it to approach quietly, go round behind her, give her a gentle but purposeful flick on the rump and move her slowly back to the others. I've seen it done hundreds of times. It's awfully easy. Well, here goes. So long."

First he looked at the animal in question. The cow was contentedly grazing, looking as if she'd fall asleep on her feet or should I say hooves. It looked easy enough; strange, but it always does. Then my mate dug his heels into his faithful steed, which was taking forty winks on the quiet, and the horse, startled by my mate's sudden and unjust onslaught on his ribs, bounded forward into space.

He hastily (but not with dignity) regained his seat, to find that he was hurtling toward his quarry, which was still peacefully munching the grass. He hurriedly brought his horse to a sudden stop, with an equally sudden disappearance of the saddle, which he again found in an undignified manner, and paused to consider his method of

attack. He decided on the direct approach and moved slowly and cautiously towards the cow. His horse started to pull away. Evidently he thought it was scared of the cow, because he gave it a powerful jab in the ribs and it started trotting towards the cow. The dill, I thought, he doesn't know that the horse knows more about the business than he does. After all, the horse has done it before and he ought to know the procedure. My mate, however, thought he knew best. He was now within five yards of the cow, which showed no inclination to move. He raised his stockwhip ready to start the cow moving.

"Oh! What a pity! It must have realised that you meant business," I yelled scornfully from the other end of the paddock, where I'd driven the mob. The cow kicked up its heels and galloped to the other end of the paddock. Furious, my mate pursued it. I cantered down after him.

"You've learnt that you don't go straight up to a cow," I called cheerfully as I came up, "are you going to try the indirect method?"

He nodded sullenly.

"Good. Never say die. You're determined to bring the cow back, aren't you?" You are. Thought so. Let me give you some advice. Let your horse do the thinking. It does this kind of thing often and it's a clever animal. Let him have his head," I advised.

The horse set off at a canter, making a wide detour, semi-circle, to bring it behind the cow. But the cow is startled now and it is not waiting to be caught, so it headed towards the scrub at the lower end of the paddock. "You'll have a tough job if it reaches that scrub," I called.

The horse quickened its pace and this time, however, my mate didn't part company. The horse didn't make it. The cow crashed into the scrub. Oh, well! Just have to make the best of a bad job, I suppose. My mate brought his heeler into the battle. The dog raced in and gave the cow a sharp nip on the leg, swiftly dropping on his haunches to avoid the kick the infuriated cow aimed at him. The horse quickly followed up the advantage and plunged through a gap between two trees, trampling the undergrowth as it went.

"Hey!" I yelled on concentration, "How did you get those cuts and grazes on your

knees? Here, here, old man, I'm sorry, but how was I to know that the horse would dive through the gap and that it was not wide enough for both of you. Anyway, the cow is out in the open again. Go on after it, man. It will be easy from now on. The animal is tired."

"I'm giving up," said my mate. I agree that it takes some skill. I've made a beautiful mess and now you'll have to fix it up."

"Now, look here, there's the cow just waiting to be driven back and you're not going to do it. You can't give up now, you just can't. Tell you what, we'll do it together."

We split up and I approached the cow with the caution one employs when opposed by a cunning creature. My mate, rather subdued from his recent affectionate encounter with the trees, came toward the cow from the other side. This time we had the cow really puzzled. If it turned one way, it found a rider coming toward it, and, on turning back, there was another one approaching it. I swung my stockwhip. It snaked out and cracked in the cow's ear. That was what she needed. She started ambling off towards the others, which were grazing at the other end of the paddock. She joined the mob and we ordered the dogs to start them moving and we moved off again along the track. My mate didn't say anything for a while. I fancy his pride had come a cropper. Still, youngsters learn by experience. Suddenly he turned toward me, "You know, mate, you were right. It does take a bit of doing."

JEANETTE BROWN, Form V.

#### IMPROMPTU VERSE

They said to me, "You can write some poetry.

I know it's a drag, but then, it's for the mag".

I started thinking really hard,  
Who knows? I might be an undiscovered bard,

Another Shakespeare or a Milton,  
Even a Burns with his bonnie kilt on.

But, however hard I tried,  
Words would not get into their stride,

Everything came in reverse,  
It could have been worse, still it's only  
Impromptu Verse.

BUDDING SHAKESPEARE.

## CHINA

In the ancient cities of China, such as Peiping, there are many ancient and beautiful palaces where emperors used to live, and temples. In the temples there are many statues of their gods. Some are fierce looking and terrible. Near Peiping you would see the Great Wall of China. It is very high and wide at the top.

Chinese are very superstitious people. They believe in evil spirits. They build screens before doors and villages. They built zig-zag bridges because the spirits cannot go round corners.

In China, there are two big events, the wedding and the funeral. When a girl is born, Chinese think it is a great misfortune. When a girl grows up, her parents fix up her wedding day. She is not allowed to see her future husband until the wedding. If they are poor, the bride and groom are carried in sedan-chairs. If they are rich, they ride in a car. The car is decorated with small bells, garlands of flowers, and colourful ribbons. Where the wedding is held, the husband receives the guests, not the wife, because she has to sit all day without laughing and talking.

Chinese women have very small feet. When they are born, their parents bandage their feet, so they are about six or seven inches in length. If the strong wind blows, it blows them off their feet. Men do all the housework. The women are very good at sewing and fancy work.

TATIANA PAVLOFF, Form III C.

## THE SPORTS

In two weeks' time the sports are due,  
Much to our great delight,  
And boys and girls excel themselves  
At practice, day and night.

The girls are wielding hockey sticks,  
The boys, the shot putt ball,  
And down the bottom of the yard  
There's high jump thrills for all.

The cross-ball teams, they practise hard,  
The relays run with fervour,  
And just as far as I can see  
They'll be the best sports ever.

P. BURGESS, Form V.

THE GIRL WITH THE SWOLLEN  
HEAD

A footfall sounded on the floor  
At lunchtime in the corridor.  
A junior girl (no rule adorer)  
Crept up the stairs and no one saw her.  
Into the typing room she went,  
But who should be coming but Mr. Kent.  
She dare not be caught loitering there,  
For 'twould be worse than the electric chair.  
Not once she gave a backward glance,  
Down the boys' stairs—her only chance.  
But as she ran she kicked her toe  
And fell down head first, with a sickening  
blow.

Where would this end She began to wonder.  
"You naughty, bad girl", said a voice like  
thunder.

For the teacher had seen her as she landed,  
And now she was caught, well and truly,  
red-handed.

The result of this prank was six weeks in  
bed

With a bandage bound tightly around her  
head.

So a warning to those who have offended,  
Make sure that you're not the next to be  
mended.

DOROTHY ATKINSON.

## SMOKEY

He is the strangest kitten  
Of all the ones I've seen,  
I know not where he came from,  
I know not where he's been,  
But he's the funniest little thing that  
I have seen.

He is a smokey Persian cat,  
Aged a month or so,  
But when he sees you coming  
He very soon can go.  
He plays upon the little mat we have on  
Our back step.

But now they say they'll give him to  
Someone I don't know,  
I hope they'll love my Smokey as much as  
I do now,  
But somehow that's impossible, the chance  
is very slim,  
That they will love my Smokey as much as  
I do him.

RONDA BURKE, Form I B.



### HORRORS

Have you ever felt as though your spine had turned to jelly, and all the small hairs on your back were marching up and down like an army on parade? Well I felt just like that when I saw "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" at the local cinema a few weeks ago. Believe me it was horrifying enough to take the curl out of your hair! The supporting film was a comedy and the management, with the great foresight of theatre managements, screened it first so that we could go home with the gruesome memories of "Dr. Jekyll and Mr Hyde".

After interval the crowd settled back into their seats, the lights dimmed, and the show—and the film—began. To add to the creepy atmosphere the words "This is a horror film" were flashed across the screen in large bold letters. Dead silence fell and patrons settled further back into their seats. My companion, who had already seen this little "comedy", sat with a grim countenance throughout, remarking cheerfully now and then, "You'll hit the roof when the worst bit comes". As the time went on I began to realise the truth in this statement and only the thought of a nasty bump on the head, and an angry theatre manager demanding recompense for a large hole in the theatre roof, kept me glued to my seat.

I glanced around me to see if the other patrons were affected also and found to my surprise that the man sitting two seats away was sound asleep. Evidence of this came when at a tense moment he let out a loud contented snore, causing the women around him to utter little shrieks. At this interesting stage my companion whispered, "Look now, this is where you get the biggest shock". I turned my attention back to the screen just as our heroine gazed up into the hideous face of "Dr. Jekyll" alias "Mr. Hyde", and I admit that I joined in the chorus of screams which that unfortunate lady emitted. We got through Dr. Jekyll's, or rather Mr. Hyde's, next two murders without a squeak—not through any natural hardheartedness in us, but because by that time we were incapable of even squeaking. Then came the end, when Dr. Jekyll, driven at last into a corner, attacked his best friend, who responded into a most ungentlemanly fashion by promptly shooting him. Thus Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde ended their peaceful (?) lives and Dr. Jekyll's man servant closed

the episode by repeating the 23rd Psalm.

The audience rose shakily, smiled around weakly, and gathering themselves together, made their way home. I wonder how many of them slept an untroubled sleep that night? Here's one who didn't!

MABEL PATTERSON, Form V.

### THE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY.

When one comes to school on Monday morn  
one feels a trifle trembly,  
For at Williamstown it's customary to hold  
a School assembly.  
Students fall in, in Houses four, amidst a  
great confusion,  
When suddenly through the corridor Mr. K.  
makes an intrusion.  
With whistle shrill and rapped command he  
brings the throng to order,  
Until at last he leaves the stand for some  
rebel on the border.  
Then Mr. B. makes an entrance grand, with  
prefects self-assured,  
Though I must admist that during assemblies  
they look quite dense and bored.  
Miss T. leads "God Save the Queen," with  
grave and solemn air.  
Some bawl forth like a cross-bow saw, but  
the majority just stare.  
The headmaster mounts the platform worn  
with tone both stern and weary,  
To speak of girls wearing "new look" tunics  
and boys who call them "dearie."  
Then at the end of this welcome address  
one needs some imagination.  
For a bellow doth sound like a merry-  
go-round—some claim it's the  
"Declaration."  
And then, the flag is stately unfurled for  
some form of salutation.  
But the response is slow, arms bend like a  
bow and the timing lacks concentration.  
A cry is heard, "Dismiss the boys." Some  
make a form of pivot;  
But patriots of our motto grand, "Hold  
Fast," as if by rivet.  
Then the final day when one wends one's  
way  
From the School which has been one's call;  
One understands that assemblies are held  
To keep ours the "Best School of All."

B. HOGAN.

## ADVENTURE IN SPEAR FISHING

It was on a lovely Saturday morning in January, 1952, that my pals and I strolled along the little bit of beach, looking like men from another planet in our goggles, snorkels, and flippers, and armed with a knife and spear gun. Slowly and carefully, as it was a bit nippy, we entered the water, which was as calm as a millpond, and swam with ease to the deeper water where our prey lived. We stopped, separated in pairs and, taking a big breath, dived below the surface.

As I swam over a rock I saw a big butterflyfish swimming towards me, unaware of his doom. I took aim and fired, then grabbing it, rose to the surface for a much needed breath of air.

I was soon joined by others who had had luck, too, as I saw them grin and pat their jumpers where they kept their fish.

We then spread out again and went on looking for more fish. As Rod and I stopped on the edge of a clearing, I saw a nice big flathead, and went down after him, but he had enough sense to know when there was danger around and was soon out of sight, much to my disgust. Then Rod got a nice big butterflyfish, his second. Spying another one near a gap between two rocks, I was soon after him and had it in my jumper. Then I went and joined my mate, who was having a bit of trouble with his catch, and the water was stained with blood.

Thinking we might meet a shark if we stayed here much longer, as the blood would attract one if he was about, we made for the beach. And so were soon pulling ourselves out of the water and displaying our catch to some of the boys who had done very poorly.

After cleaning our fish, we decided to go in off the wall. Here we got a few good shocks when one of the boys treading water nearly stood on a big stingray which he could not see (these brutes cover themselves with sand, with only parts of their body showing; their stings are deadly poisonous), but soon shot to the surface again as there was a flurry of sand underneath him. After half an hour we started out for something to eat. I had managed to bag three fish.

After we had eaten lunch and had a long rest, we decided to go to the other end of the beach. From there we entered the water, admiring the beautiful seaweed, and

small, darting fish. By this time the water had become choppy, and the fish had retired to their holes, so only a few of the boys speared any fish.

Then we called it a day, and made our way back to the original stopping place. There we exchanged many tales of our experiences. Much later we decided, rather reluctantly, it was time to leave, so, hoisting up our tackle and the day's catch, we trudged homeward.

BARRIE TAYLOR, III B.

## NOISE!

There is one section of the school  
Which holds a record long,  
A record for a dreadful noise  
Of laughter, talk and song.

Now one may ask—"Where is this room  
From which this noise emits?"  
"Oh, you mean the junior part",  
Reply our senior wits.

But, no, I am afraid to say,  
This isn't quite the case;  
The guilt lies on the senior girls,  
So this we have to face.

Yes, it is the locker room,  
The senior's one retreat;  
(And to equal the unholy din  
Would be a brilliant feat).

P.V.B., Form V.

## PREFECT'S MOTTO

These are the girls who, so we're told,  
Come from a line all brave and bold,  
One look at us and then they scold—  
"Put your hats on, please."

When in the street and walking out,  
They stare at us and we all pout,  
So cold a stare, but still they shout—  
"Put your hats on, please!"

And as we run for the train each morn,  
We wish that pre's. had never been born,  
Hats from our heads, the wind has torn,  
But "Put your hats on, please."

Though we do help them all we can,  
And try to keep both spick and span,  
No words are heard more frequent than—  
"Put your hats on, please."

N.C., Form IV B.

## 19??

The narrow streets of Melbourne hummed with the soft throb of automobile engines, people hurried to and from the tall skyscrapers, all busily intent upon their errands. I am sitting on a seat in one of the many garden squares that crowd the streets. On my knee rests a piece of fluttering sketch paper, in my hand a pencil; across the street is a milk-bar equipped with television sets. This is the topic of my sketch, as all types of people come here. A blurred outline of an automobile passes at a terrific speed, and far above the outline of the buildings, pokes the cap of a rocket ship, which is being built.

A flash of colour on the sidewalk attracts my attention, then I see that it is an exquisite gown of satin skirt and silk bodice with velvet sleeves; it is worn knee high by the model in a shop. I lift my eyes from the book I have been reading and come back to reality, for I am only a student of 1952.

RONDA BURKE, Form 1B.

## PARENTS' DAY

The twenty-first of August was

A most important day because,  
'Twas on that day the parents came;

But was the High School brought to  
shame?

Fear not! The pupils did their best,

The day before they did not rest,  
But with their dusters, tags and brooms  
They cleaned each window, swept the  
rooms.

The parents' joy was not concealed

When to them, proudly, we revealed  
A fine display of school-work here,  
In fact, the best for many a year.

The afternoon Cadet Parade

Was with most strict attention paid,  
For with their style and orders loud,  
They soon had gathered quite a crowd.

A group of girls played basketball,

And unlike boys, they did not brawl,  
But gave the adults quite a show  
And made them sad that they must go.

To tell the truth, the day went well,

Right up until the final bell  
Announced the parents cease their roam,  
And, satisfied, they all went home.

N. DAVID, Form V

## EXPERIMENT XG-1B1

The jet whined in a long de-crescendo as the turbine slowed down after touch-down in my Sabre jet fighter. It was now three years since I got "my wings" at Point Cook, and for the last eighteen months I had been stationed at Woomera Rocket Range, doing routine tests and flights in special high-speed jet fighters.

Walking across the apron in front of "B" hangar, I was called by Brian Whittle, a young nephew of Sir Frank Whittle, the man who designed and built the first jet propulsion engine that worked. Brian told me that I was wanted by the C.O., Wing Commander Caldwell, in his office immediately, and, wondering what it was about, I took my parachute and flying gear off, put them in my locker, and walked down to the administrative block.

"Flight Lieutenant Earnshaw reporting, sir", I said, giving a snappy salute as I stopped inside the commanding officer's office door.

"Oh! Good!" he replied. "I've been waiting for your return. Now, to get to the point, Earnshaw, I suppose you know we have been working on an ultra-sonic rocket fighter here at Woomera?"

"Yes, sir."

"Well, the plane is nearly complete, and we should have it ready for ground trials, and perhaps test flights, next Saturday. Our latest long distance rocket motors are being fitted and they should give about 60,000 lb. thrust between them, but, of course, she won't be able to stand that much power full on. However, it is estimated that she will take a mach number of about 3.5 without any strain."

"You mean to say that it will fly three and a half times the speed of sound, over two thousand three hundred miles per hour, near sea level?" I interrupted.

"I do, and more. But there is one question: Who will fly it? We have three pilots capable of doing it—you, Baker, and Croft. But I would like to recommend you for the job. Would you be willing to take it, and can you recommend a suitable navigator?"

"I'd jump at the chance, sir. And would Flying Officer Whittle be suitable? He and I have flown many times together now."

"Yes, very suitable. And, last of all, would you come down to hangar 1A on

Friday afternoon and we'll go over the controls?"

Returning along the road to the barracks I shared with Brian Whittle, right through me I felt a strange kind of excitement, but I realized that there was a deal of danger in my forthcoming duty.

The days seemed to pass slowly until Friday, when, in the afternoon, I had my first look at her. Designated the XB1131, it was a delta-wing, single-seater fighter, powered by two electro-sonic rocket motors. The blue and red paintwork shone brightly in the afternoon sun, but I noticed that a number of parts of the plane were painted dull black. On further investigation I saw that these were the parts where the shine was likely to reflect into the pilot's eyes.

Inside the cockpit I glanced over the instruments. "Gosh," I thought, "the speedometer covers up to 3000 m.p.h., and the altimeter is marked as far as 250,000 feet!"

Wing Commander Caldwell had a long talk to me about the controls and special capabilities of the "SkiClipper," named in the "SkiRaider" and "SkiLark" fashion. He said goodnight, and suggested an early night because of the tiring nature of the next day.

My alarm clock rang and, switching it off, I sat up and looked around. I was in my own bedroom at home, and I heard my mother say: "Hurry up, Jim. I want you to get the bread before you go to school."

"Oh, well," I thought; "even if it was only a dream, I'll be entering R.A.A.F. College in another two years' time. Perhaps it will come true some day."

I. G. PETHRICK.

### TEN WILLIE HIGH SCHOOLGIRLS

Ten Willie High Schoolgirls  
Went out to dine,  
One girl choked herself,  
And then there was nine.

Nine Willie High Schoolgirls  
Stayed out very late,  
One girl lost herself,  
And then there was eight.

Eight Willie High Schoolgirls  
Stayed out till eleven,  
One girl was kidnapped,  
And then there was seven.

Seven Willie High Schoolgirls  
Reading from the "Pix",  
A girl tried to ballet dance,  
And then there was six.

Six Willie High Schoolgirls  
Started to jive,  
One girl met a bodgie,  
And then there was five.

Five Willie High Schoolgirls  
Went to study law,  
One girl was put in jail,  
And then there was four.

Four Willie High Schoolgirls  
Went out to sea,  
One girl saw a sailor,  
And then there was three.

Three Willie High Schoolgirls  
Tried to walk to Kew,  
One girl was run over,  
And then there was two.

Two Willie High Schoolgirls  
Wanted some fun,  
So one girl went with Trevor,  
And then there was one.

One Willie High Schoolgirl  
Ate a currant bun,  
But the crumbs choked her  
And then there was none.

### THE END.

MARJORY ANSTEE.	JANICE HOLMES.
JUDITH BENNETS.	MARY HOSKIN.
BEVERLEY BEST.	WILMA SUTHERLAND.
GERALDINE FRASER.	JOAN SWIFT.
GLORIA DAVIES.	ELAINE TILLOTSON.

### RUSTY

One of the most popular pupils of Williamstown High School is a male, of uncertain age, who is the fortunate(?) possessor of luxuriant red hair, thus gaining the nickname of "RUSTY". He is not always attentive in class, for Mr. Brook has informed us that he did not gain his Proficiency Certificate last year. However, this year he has been promoted from III E to III C, and has a good chance of gaining his certificate.

He has no telephone number, and no-one is sure of his address, although it is known

that he lives somewhere behind the Williamstown Hospital.

Naturally I do not refer to the common species of male animal (with two legs), but to our friend RUSTY, the cocker spaniel.

A few teachers are noticeably "anti-Rusty", and there have been many threats of reports to the R.S.P.C.A. by some pupils. Many a dull period has been enlivened by (in most cases) half-hearted attempts to remove Rusty from the class-room.

Rusty is notorious for being a nuisance at Monday morning assemblies. Inevitably he is chased out the quadrangle (he usually leaves through the "sacred" Staff Corridor!) with Mr. Brook saying things under his breath, fit for the staff's ears alone.

As a disposer of unwanted lunches, Rusty has no parallel. The mournful gaze he turns upon you, whilst you eat your lunch, tempts many to share lunches with him. Sometimes he has even been known to forage for himself in bags left under the lockers.

Recently Rusty was gaoled for vagrancy (in other words — he was taken to the pound). It was some time before he was "bailed out". When at last he returned to school he wore a very subdued look.

In spite of all his misdemeanours, Rusty is a favourite of everyone, and we hope that he will always attend school regularly so that he might eventually pass his Proficiency, and perhaps even his Intermediate at some far distant time.

B.S., Form IV A

### CRICKET

In the best of all Sport  
That I have been taught,  
We all play the game  
For fun or for fame.

The ball on the wicket,  
Ah Yes! That's cricket;  
It gives you a thrill  
And many a spill.

The fieldsmen do shout!  
The batsman is out;  
He goes back in shame  
With nought to his name.

Then after the match  
They talk of that catch,  
And all give a cheer  
For the sport of the year.

J. MORTON.

### MAG. FEVER

Will you write something for the mag?  
You hear the plaintive cry  
Each Mag. Committee member makes,  
And you try to hurry by.  
Because to write is such a task,  
And you really haven't time,  
You're sure you couldn't write a story  
And your poems never rhyme.

But before you turn your mind away  
From this distasteful task,  
"Do you really want a magazine?"  
Is the question I would ask.  
Because it is by your own work  
That *High Tide* will shine,  
As a really interesting magazine  
In the Catalogue of Time.

MABEL PATERSON, Form V

### EARLY DAYS OF THE W.H.S.

When the Education Department purchased, near the end of 1914, the property known as the Williamstown Grammar School, the only building thereon was the concrete portion, now used as Staff Room, Locker Room, Rest Room, and Room No. 1. This consisted of one large class-room and two smaller rooms, one being the Headmaster's Office and the other the Staff Room. There was no passage through it in those days. Behind this building the Department erected three pavilions and these were used as class-rooms when the High School was opened in February, 1915, under the Headmastership of Mr. F. W. Johnson. The Classes, not "Forms", were at first known as "A", "B" and "C", but the following year were altered to "C", "D", "E" and "F", the "C" class being Intermediate, "D" Sub-Intermediate (Proficiency).

On the staff were Mr. D. F. Gherity, who had been Headmaster of the Grammar, and Miss A. Ghilotti, who had previously conducted a private school at Footscray — pupils from both these schools came to the High School. Miss McGarvin, who was Headmistress for a short time in 1951, was a Student Teacher.

During 1915-16 two brick class-rooms (Rooms 2 and 3) were added to the concrete portion. The school uniform, the colors, and the school song were chosen by popular vote, and the badge designed. The "Red.

Yellow and Black" were the colors of our ally, Belgium, in the 1914-18 war, and the badge, which was then one and a quarter inches square, showed the colors, anchor, and the motto "Hold Fast".

Even in the first year, the standard, both in scholarship and sport, was high. Swimming, which was compulsory for all, was held in the old Williamstown Baths. One of the outstanding pupils was Gladys Conabere, who later obtained her B.Sc. degree at the Melbourne University, and went to England, where she did research work on leather for the British Government. She became a Fellow of the Royal Institute of Chemistry.

ANITA BRIDGE

### EDUCATION IN HOLLAND

Many people from overseas, who have come to Australia, will have noticed many differences in systems and standards of education. This is the case in Holland, where education differs greatly from that of Australia. The standard is high, even considering the loss of time during the war, when schools were closed for quite a while. It can be imagined what damage was done to school buildings, which had to be rebuilt after the war. During the early stages of the war sixty-nine schools were destroyed by German bombing raids in Rotterdam alone.

There are institutions like kindergartens to which all children go before entering the primary schools. On completing the primary course, pupils can choose between three kinds of schools. There are technical schools, a V.L.O. or M.U.L.D. schools (rating with a high school) or a H.B.S. school. The letters, of course, represent Dutch words, but in English they would be translated as Extended Primary Education, More Extended Primary Education, and so on, respectively. More than a third of the students leave school altogether on completing the primary school to start work. Not much help is offered to the poorer class in sending their children to another school. There are no scholarships or any means of enabling boys and girls to study without the necessary money.

The second group of mentioned schools has a four-year course. Although it only goes to fourth form, it is still equal to high school, as the system helps to improve the

standard and so achieve more work in less time.

The third group is a five-year course, three years of which are equivalent to the four-year course in the second group and five years in a high school. This is indicated by the fact that pupils wishing to leave school as early as possible, and prepared to do more work, are presented with a second-group diploma on successfully completing three years.

No sports are played in any group to a great extent. All the time is spent in learning, rather than sporting activities.

H. THEUNISSEN, Form IV A.

### SEASONS

Christmas and the New Year gone,  
Spring is on the way.  
Flowers and trees will blossom then  
In their fine array.

July is a pleasant month,  
Seaside walks and swims.  
Donkey rides upon the sand  
And races you can win.

Autumn leaves are falling  
All upon the ground.  
All their radiant colours  
Are easy to be found.

Winter is the coldest season  
But snow is such great fun.  
Although the winds are big and strong,  
You're always on the run.

(Seasons apply to those in England.)

MARION HOMES, Form II.

### A WORRY

Without a scientific brain  
I worry over gases,  
And weighing is another pain,  
Not excluding masses.

Chem. always is a worry,  
'Tis hard to give the reason why,  
But I am always in a hurry  
To smile and not to cry.

BRENDA CORSTORPHINE, Form V.



# ACTIVITIES

## SENIOR SOCIALS

Rooms 11 and 12 were gaily decorated in the school colours on 16th May for the first term senior social. We were very pleased to note the presence of a good number of last year's senior prefects. Also welcomed were Miss Croke, last year's senior mistress, and many members of this year's staff.

The band struck up at 7.30 and almost everybody present danced right from the start.

A novelty was provided by the hilarious "Broom Dance". We didn't know the boys could move so quickly.

After a very enjoyable supper, which was handed around by the prefects, last year's head prefects, Gwenda Stephenson and Frank Hindley, began the Snowball Fox Trot. Eileen Wandel, one of the finalists in the "musical knees", was congratulated on the spectacular leap that brought her victory. An unusual "Elimination Dance" was won by Dorothy Atkinson and Grant Nicholl.

At 10.30, Doug. Henderson, who was a capable M.C., reluctantly ended the dance.

## TERM II

On 25th August, Rooms 11 and 12 were again gaily decorated for the second term social. Despite the fact that the presence of some flowers gave promise to Spring, the night was cold and wet. But undaunted, a good crowd had gathered by 7.30 when the band struck up for the first dance, which was a Snowball Fox Trot, started by Graeme Smith and Hilda Taylor. I've heard it said that some of the girls had hardly shed their coats when they were led into this dance. The first Monte Carlo was won by Rae Mitchell and Alan Hogg. The supper was again handed around by the prefects.

After supper the dance started again with the Jolly Miller Fox Trot. This term a new game was introduced, namely "Jumping the Broom". Despite one teacher's remarks that you weren't in long enough, the game con-

tinued for some time until Beth Halbert and Clark Bryant finally won.

In the second Monte Carlo the M.C. had a novel idea to decide the winners. This was a form of "Skittles" in which the girls had to bowl over pegs with a tennis ball. After a very fierce struggle, when the ball either bounced over or just missed the pegs, Jean Green and Stanley Marshall came out victors.

The floor shook when the band struck up for the Mexican Hat Dance. Another favourite was the Evening Three-Step. After a fast Fox Trot, which replaced a seemingly unpopular Modern Waltz, we left the hall, some of us never to attend another social at the school.

This term many members of the staff again attended; in fact one member had to blow up a balloon in the Monte Carlo. The balloon wouldn't even start, so she gave up in disgust. The M.C., Doug Henderson, is to be congratulated on the novel ideas he used in the Monte Carlos.

## JUNIOR BALL

The junior ball, held on July 24th in the Williamstown Hall, again did great credit to Madame Bindley's excellent tuition, and we take this opportunity to thank her for her enthusiasm in greatly assisting to carry off one of the most exciting nights in the lives of our juniors.

Also the mothers, who were worked into dangerous states of nervous exhaustion over newly-pressed suits and hastily-purchased dresses in the anxious days before the big event, deserve the praise and admiration of those haughty seniors, who, in their condescending way, agreed to attend.

The bouquets were presented to the Mayoress, Miss Boardman and Madame Bindley in the usual elegant style, this year by Joy Adams, Tatiana Perelazna and Lynette Barton.

The entire junior school took part in the opening chorus and the finale, which were

even more spectacular than in past years. Brian Dann was again soloist for the opening chorus, which was "The King's Highway." The soloist for the finale, Rayma Mayer, was a new star for our stage, but, with the help of the junior school chorus, she succeeded in bringing the performance to a good close in "Beyond the Blue Horizon." The most popular dances were again the rumba and the progressive barn dance.

The most colourful and dramatic solo, second only in popularity to our golden-voiced young "3DB Hit Parade" personality, Ern Sigley, was a gipsy dance by Tationa Periloizno, dressed in traditional gipsy costume. The ballet, presented by a dozen specially-trained junior girls, with soloist Shirley Johnson, was another of the grand items, including a piano solo by Dianne Samuel, tap solos by Yvonne Partridge, Lorraine Harvey and Judith Hall; an Irish reel by Beverley Best, a banjo solo by Jim Daley, and a vocal item by Janet Griffen.

In his address, Mr. Brook thanked the audience for the attendance and the trouble put into the preparation of the children's clothes. A vote of thanks was also passed to Mr. Green, our capable M.C., and to an unnamed group of senior boys who acted as ticket collectors, and distributed programmes.

### W.H.S. EISTEDDFOD CHOIR, 1952

Early this year Miss Tierney started training senior girls as a choral group to enter in the Footscray West End Eisteddfod in which a similar group from the school sang last year, gaining second place. We were joined by some very enthusiastic juniors and practising began in earnest. Beautiful (?) echoes of "From the Green Heart of the Waters" could be heard at lunch times, recesses and even after school on certain nights. Astonished girls outside the music room were amazed at the way we contorted our mouths whilst saying "Fee-gar-irro" and "Vay-oh-lets"! So the hard work went on.

At last the glorious 21st July arrived and an excited group, with the best wishes of the school, met at the Federal Hall, Footscray. First there was a Primary Schools'

Junior Contest and Boys' Vocal Solo, 14 years and under; but at last the A Grade Junior Choral Contest came and we mounted the stage. Miss Tierney signalled to June, our pianist, and we started with the test piece, "Hark, Hark the Lark", by Schubert. The next piece was of our own choice, "From the Green Heart of the Waters", by Cole-ridge-Taylor, and the third was the round "Pastorale", by Miss Tierney. Coming off the stage we all felt we had done well and Miss Tierney was quite hopeful as to our chances of gaining a place. We returned to our seats and listened carefully to the other choirs, but very soon we realised that our only dangerous opponents were St. Joseph's C.B. School from North Melbourne, who sang "Brahms' Hungarian Dance No. 6" beautifully. As this was the choir which had beaten us the previous year, we waited anxiously for the adjudicator—Mr. Leslie Curnow—to announce the results. At last he mounted the stage and announced that the Williamstown High School Choir were the winners, St. Joseph's C.B. School second, and Hyde Street Central School third.

To say we were very wild with delight would be putting it mildly.

As winners of this competition we were invited to sing at a Winner's Concert and collect our prize money of £15 and a silver cup.

We attended this concert and enjoyed a good night of variety as all the winners of the numerous sections of this annual Eisteddfod were present. The choir sang again that night and the Head Prefect, Margaret Wegener, received the prize on behalf of the choir. All the members wish to thank Miss Tierney for her patience and encouragement while training us, and special thanks go to June Radford for the time she gave up to help us by being a splendid accompanist.

M. PATERSON, Form V.

### ORCHESTRA REPORT

Were you one of those lucky people who attended the Williamstown Town Hall to hear the first public performance of the Williamstown High School orchestra? If so,

then you will realise what a treat is in store for you, when we really get into our "swing".

Thanks to the great patronage received, we were able, after our expenses were paid, to purchase new music, and two new violins for the violin classes.

Our guest artists were the University High School orchestra, and the Williamstown High School Eisteddfod choir. The U.H.S. orchestra has been established for some time, and really showed us by their skilled performance, what can be done under expert tutorship, which we certainly have with Miss Boardman as our conductress.

The practice for our first show meant the usual amount of hard work in shifting desks and music stands for the setting up. Then came the tuning. Some of our performers being more highly strung than their instruments, found that they had forgotten them altogether, and I am sure that the weird noises issuing from the various strings, saxes and trumpets, will long be remembered by most of us, and it says much for Miss Boardman's skill, that she was able to weld this succession of strange sounds, into something resembling Mozart, and other great masters.

We have a musical treat in view for Speech Night, having gained two new members since the concert. We now have four cellists, five violinists, and three flautists being trained, the violins being in the capable hands of Miss Langgern, and the flautists ably tutored by Mr. Tonge.

The success of our first performance has naturally put us "on our toes" and given us a great incentive to go on and to do better, and I think we can promise our school some excellent instrumental music in the near future.

J. McPHERSON, Form V

### THE GIRL GUIDE COMPANY

The Guides of the school are very thankful to Miss Boardman for her help in founding the W.H.S. Girl Guides. Our Captain, Mrs. Trist, has kindly given up her time to instruct us. We have three patrols into which the girls are evenly divided. The patrol leaders are Red Robin, Noelle Calderwood; Blue Wren, Pauline Barrow;

and Kingfisher, Carol McIntyre. Our first enrolment was held on Thursday, 21st August, and about seven girls were enrolled. We wish to thank Mr. Brook, who kindly donated to us the money to buy the Company Colours. The Guides wish to extend their sincere thanks to all those who helped to make the Company a happy one.

MARGARET STUBBS

### CADET NOTES

The W.H.S. Cadet Corps has completed yet another successful year under our C.O. Captain Keogh, who received his promotion last January. The three Cadet-Lieutenants who received their commissions this year are Cadet-Lieutenants David, Porter and Massey. Head Cadet-Lieutenant Dagg, who also held this position last year, is a "Duntroon prospect", and we wish him all the best in his endeavours.

Our activities during the year were brightened by several range practices, held at the Williamstown Rifle Range. These included a "field day", on 14th August, when the cadets fired both the Bren gun and the rifle. On these occasions, and also at our school parades, we give our sincere thanks to W.O. Condon for all his assistance.

Our annual cadet dance, held last September, was acclaimed a great success, and the attendance of pupils was the largest ever to be present at a social evening held at the school. The entertainment was also enjoyed by a group of Tasmanian school-boys whom we invited.

Cadet/Lieut. N. DAVID

### BANDIANA CADET CAMP

On the morning of 9th June about 75 Williamstown High Cadets left Spencer Street station by train, bound for Bandiana Military Camp in Northern Victoria. After stopping at Seymour for lunch and passing through Benalla and Wangaratta, the train, full of cadets from six schools, steamed into Bandiana.

From the arrival at 4 p.m. the camp sprang into life as the task of issuing pillows, blankets and working-dress was begun. As

usual these W.D.'s followed typical Army fashion, being either too big or too small.

At 5.30 (1730 hours to the cadets), a fanfare of trumpets signalled mess parade—the first for most of the cadets. When the time came for “lights out”, it was found that many of the camp stretchers, which were supplied as beds, were in a state of collapse and many cadets had to sleep with only a mattress between them and the floor. The daily routine of the cadets began with the unwelcome task of pulling themselves out of bed or being pulled out. This occurred at 6.30—reveille, as the Army calls it. After a sprint up to the showers and back the cadets had to industriously begin cleaning up their brass, webbing and rifle.

After mess at 7.30, each hut was thoroughly swept out and lemonade bottles hidden for the daily inspection at 8 a.m. Each platoon worked four periods in the morning, the first beginning at 8.30 and (after a morning break) the fourth ending just before midday mess at 12.15.

Most of the early mornings were cold, dark and misty and sometimes the cadets were taken on a march in order to warm them.

Beginning at 1.30, four afternoon periods followed, ending (after another recess) at 4.30, when the cadets gladly laid down their rifles. Some of the more energetic cadets played football, while others invaded the canteen before the evening mess at 5.30.

Throughout the camp the food was very good. Many cadets were given practice in peeling “spuds”, which was only one of the various mess duties which the cadets alternately had to perform.

The evening hours were usually spent watching films—some military and others musicals—a very popular one being “Take Me Out to the Ball Game”, starring Esther Williams.

“Lights Out” was at 10 p.m., when each cadet piled as much clothing as possible on his bed to keep out the bitter cold.

Behind Bandiana, which was only a few miles south of Albury and the River Murray, is a prominent hill from which can be seen fine views of Albury, Mt. Bogong, the Hume Weir, the flooded Murray River Valley and the camp itself. This hill, which is about 700 feet high, provided a great attraction for those boys who relished hill-climbing. The

slopes of this hill were used for manoeuvres.

During the camp each of our platoons spent half a day on the rifle range, each cadet firing the rifle and the Bren, while a dozen cadets fired the Vickers machine gun.

Early in the camp the C.O.'s of the different units agreed to stage a Lightning Premiership between football teams made up from six schools. All the 400 cadets of the camp either watched or participated in the premiership. The Williamstown High team played grandly, beating Mordialloc, Warragul and Northcote to win the premiership.

On the Sunday a bus tour was arranged for all those interested. The cadets were driven across the border into New South Wales, visiting the Hume Weir and Albury, before returning through Wodonga to the camp.

On Sunday night the camp was drenched with rain, which made conditions very muddy for the returning of stores and departure on Monday morning.

The train pulled into Spencer Street at 3 p.m. on Monday, and, although the cadets were a little weary after their adventure, they were unanimous that it was really a worthwhile and enjoyable experience.

Cadet/Lieut. I. E. PORTER

## THE LIBRARY CLUB

The Library Club, now in its third year, has made much progress under the careful supervision of Mr. Treacey. The aim of the club, as in past years, is to educate pupils in the running of a school library. The club, although including both boys and girls in past years, consists this year solely of boys, the five members being from Forms IVA and V.

Over £120 has been spent on new volumes this year. The new books consisted of all branches of knowledge and many were for recreational purposes. These books have been carefully catalogued, shelf-listed, and covered by Mr. Treacey and the club members. Many other changes and improvements have been made in books already in the library. Cheap monthly magazines have been bound and covered and made into attractive volumes. The form

libraries are now efficiently conducted, for the full control of these books has now been taken over by the reference library.

In recent months new cupboards and chairs have been added to the furnishings, consisting of comparatively new tables.

The floral decorations were provided by the girl members of IVA and a special tribute should be paid for the great work done(?).

In conclusion, on behalf of the members of the Library Club, I should like to express our sincere thanks to Mr. Treacey for providing this extra education for members of the club, and also for the great work done by him in running the school library.

### JUNIOR DRAMATIC CLUB

(Miss Orr)

The Junior Dramatic Club is divided into groups ranging in number from five to seven. Each week a different group acts a play, and sometimes we have a period of charades, which means acting a word of two or more syllables. One week we had a poetry reading competition, the winner of which was Pam McKeown.

Our marks for judging the plays are: Acting, 10; voice, 6; properties, 4; dress, 4; the total being 24. But if the play is original, two more marks are added.

For this year our secretary has been Margaret Stewart, who wrote the minutes of every meeting, and read them to the club the following Thursday.

Some of our best actresses this year have been: Kay Fitzgerald, Beverley Meathem, Irene Conway, Margaret Woodward, Patricia Taggart, and Dorothy Philips.

B.M., Form II B.

### SEWING CLUB

The Sewing Club worked steadily throughout the year and completed articles such as tray-cloths, many knitted garments, and embroidered articles. Some of the articles have been handed to the Social Service Club for distribution. This year the club had many members, but we hope there will be more next year.

### MUSICAL APPRECIATION CLUB

During the year, our club functioned under the capable leadership of Mr. Cauchi. Several girls contributed by bringing their records, ranging from pops to classical masterpieces, to be played.

The highlight of the first term was a musical quiz, in which each girl who had brought records at some time or other, was eligible to compete. The prize was a sum of money, and this was won by Dorothy Hope, who successfully answered all the questions.

Last term we conducted a debate. Two of the girls entered on the classical side. As no one opposed their views, their "victory" was unchallenged. During the last week of the quarter, we visited the Savoy Theatre, where we saw Pagliacci, a screen version of the famous opera by Leoncavallo. Tito Gobbi, baritone, was the most important figure in the film, as regards singing and acting.

Through the year we have heard music from such masters as Wagner, Chopin, Mozart, Liszt, and Bach; various opera recordings, French folk songs and many records of modern music.

Our thanks go to Mr. Cauchi and to those who co-operated by bringing along records every Thursday afternoon for our listening enjoyment.

B. HAMPTON, Form V.

### JUNIOR DRAMATIC CLUB

Under the guidance of Mr. Walsh, the Junior Dramatic Group has had a quiet, yet interesting year.

Throughout the year, many of the members (numbered approximately thirty) have successfully acted various one-act plays, *e.g.*, Shivering Shocks, Louis Vasteur, Doctor Livingstone, etc., and parts of longer plays. Some members have prepared and entertained us with such items as the life stories of Bing Crosby (Mr. Music), and Johnny Ray (Shiek of Shriek), whilst an account of "South Pacific" was also related. It had been intended for the group to take part in the "Schools Drama Festival", but owing to unforeseen circumstances this did not occur. The group would sincerely like to thank Mr. Walsh for his able assistance throughout the year.

G. MURDOCH, Form III A



W.H.S. EISTEDDFOD  
CHOIR

### CHOIR CLUB

This year the choir club has 75 members and is under the patient guidance of Miss Tierney, who is slowly changing our untuneful screeching into singing. At the beginning of the year we occupied Room 2, and we were trying to learn the "Nuns' Chorus" in two parts, when an unwanted third part joined us. (Yes, the Cadets.) As a result of this Room 7 is filled with our singing. (Well, noise anyway.) The choir girls look forward to each Thursday afternoon, for there is always something interesting and new to learn. Though there are few senior girls in the choir this year, this does not hamper the progress it is making. At the present we are preparing for Speech Night, where we will sing four songs and hope to be the background of a ballet.

A group of girls entered, and won the Footstray Eisteddfod. Ten of the fifth form girls (although not in the Choir Club) supplied the alto part to this choir. The girls sang three songs, "Hark, Hark the Lark", which was the set song; "From the Green Heart of the Waters", a three-part song, to which our success was mainly due; and "The Pastorale", a round, which our conductress, Miss Tierney, composed and arranged. The choir wishes to congratulate our pianist, June Radford, who did a

marvellous job and gave up much of her own time. Our thanks also go to Miss Tierney. But for her untiring efforts the choir feels they could never have done so well. As a prize we received a cup and fifteen pounds, which we presented to the school.

DOROTHY ATKINSON.

### FILM CLUB NOTES

The Film Club, newly formed this year, has made a good start under the guidance of Miss Killeen. The office-bearers are: President, Flora McIvor; Secretary, Helen Stevens; Treasurer, Beverly Dodds. Our objective has been to see educational films, mostly of foreign countries. Also some of us have learnt to work the school's small projector. This will be very useful in later years. Now we have almost exhausted our supply of films. We would like to thank Mr. Treacey for the use of the films, Mr. Brooks for the use of the projector and the projection room, and finally Miss Killeen for her willing help during the year.

FLORA McIVOR, Form III.

### TASMANIAN TOUR, 1952

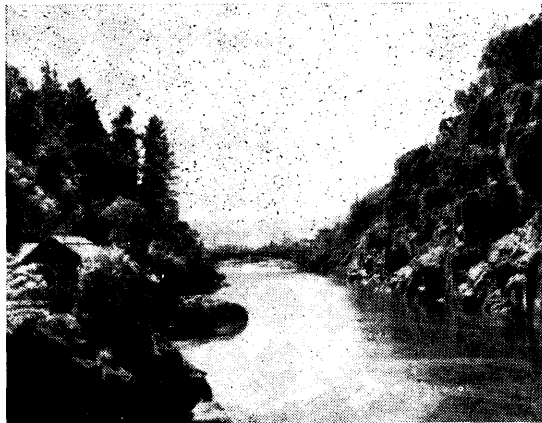
On Monday, the seventh of January, 1952, Port Melbourne was thrown into a state of confusion when a mass of berets, blazers and cases surged along the pier to board the "Taroona". Any person who is at all familiar with Williamstown should have realised that the "surging mass" marked the commencement of another tour conducted by Mr. Walsh. After a brief inspection of cabins, final farewells were exchanged and fourteen excited boys departed for Tasmania.

As we passed between the heads, we observed a general movement in the direction of the cabins. Cautiously we joined the throng, which to our satisfaction concluded abruptly at the dining cabin. However, once there feeling the full sway of the vessel, the smug smirks and expressions of content began to disappear. During the course of the meal, numerous hurried exits occurred, until finally the dining cabin had been deserted by the majority, who had retreated to the decks. There, a figure supporting the limp forms of a boy on each arm, could be seen pacing to and fro with an audience of pale boys stretched out on benches under heavy rugs. It was not long before the "figure", alias Mr. Walsh, had all the boys comfortable—well in bed!

The following morning, at the sight of the glorious sunrise over the rugged cliffs of Tasmania, those of us who were in fit condition to appreciate the view felt very grateful towards the sea. We soon reached Devonport and from there we were transported to Ulverstone, a town on the northern coast.

We found Ulverstone a fine agricultural and sheep farming town of great scenic beauty. Ulverstone also contained internal majesty at the "Weeping Rock Caves", which have electric lights placed in various positions to portray the full effect of the magnificent and weird formations. The beach was one of the most popular sights there during our stay.

The next step of the journey was to Queenstown, the land of the mines. During the course of our travel we were fortunate to see the Great Lake, a famous fishing and health resort, which captured the admiration of all the members of our company. Soon the journey reached a sharp contrast when our comparatively level travel changed to snake-like roads and tortuous bends around mountains, sparsely covered with dead, black



LAUNCESTON GORGE

vegetation and a grey-coloured rock which to one member of our company resembled snow. After a long journey through these novel surroundings we approached the large town of Queenstown. As we made our entrance we noticed that the streets were lined with people. With thoughts of public receptions we proudly alighted from the bus, only to be nearly knocked over by the fire brigade, which was training for competitions and proved to be the source of the crowd. During our visit we were courteously directed over the mines and the extensive connections. All that can be written without writing a whole volume is that everything is on a huge, massive scale and the whole concern is a magnificent spectacle. The Queenstown Primary School with its interior walls decorated with murals of nursery rhymes was indeed an excellent building for primary education. The novelty of a day trip to Strahan was the journey by an old miniature engine which relied on cogs when ascending a hill.

The graceful appearance of Mt. Wellington before us on our entrance to Hobart, our next stop, was one of the most magnificent and spectacular highlights of the tour. Then came the secondary sights, such as the narrow trams and trolley buses. While we were there some of us were taken on a fishing expedition in Hobart's deep, spacious, well-protected harbour. However, there was only one fish caught by our party, and honour of the best fisherman was bestowed upon Ian Shinn. The fish was poisonous! A trip to the summit of Mt. Wellington, an



event which we had eagerly awaited, occurred and we had an impressive view of the whole of Hobart, from that glorious tower of scenery. An escort over St. David's Anglican Cathedral where, after giving us a concise account of the art of bell-ringing, our courteous guide played on the bells, "There is a Green Hill", proved most beneficial. The Hobart Bridge, which stretched across the Derwent, was a popular sight.

A day trip from Hobart to the historical and scenically attractive Port Arthur proved most interesting. There, the convict days were vividly revived as we were escorted through the prison buildings, including cells which contained three or four doors to prevent light or sound penetrating to the solitary confined prisoners. The greatest attraction for some was to ring the ancient prison bell, which seemed to recall the moments and periods of the past. The coastline around Port Arthur, with freak formations such as the "Remarkable Cave", a cave which tunnels from the sea to an opening inland; and the "Devil's Kitchen", a steep-walled quarry, with channels of swishing water, attracts a great many tourists.

During our journey to Devonport we stayed overnight at Campbelltown, a small town, and then had a brief glance at the large city of Launceston. The "Cataract Gorge", surrounded by beautiful gardens where peacocks and other varieties of birds roamed freely, formed a type of sanctuary and was a tribute to nature, and its curators. The Olympic Pool, which branched off from the Gorge, formed a most natural and exquisite swimming paradise.

The great harbour, the Mersey River and the busy wharves were primary interests at Devonport, where the creeks, bridges and fields provided secondary and excellent and ample scenery and interest. The Devonport Waterfalls appeared as a series of minute waterfalls, travelling over the shiny surfaces of the rocks of the river. The large and modern shopping centre there was certainly kept in business by our enthusiastic souvenir hunters.

The large, famous paper-mills, the picturesque beaches and a shipping and trading centre of great importance made Burnie, our next stay, one of the most versatile towns we visited. A visit to the Wynyard Aerodrome to meet some parents who were join-

ing our party was a most enjoyable event.

Smithton, the concluding visit of our tour, is a tranquil, attractive town surrounded by large, green pasture lands and forests. Some of us were fortunate enough to be shown over the famous "Duck River Butter Factory" and a "Powdered Milk Factory". When we arrived centenary celebrations were in progress, so we had many events to see during our stay. We were taken to Stanley, a port on the north-west coast, where we saw a yacht race and also a very unique ceremony, "The Blessing of the Fleet". The "Nut", a large rectangular hill which towered above the wharves and level surroundings, and protruded out from the normal coastline, was a worthy concluding sight.

We left Smithton and departed from Burnie on the Taroona for Melbourne. On the trip Agatha Christie's "Ten Little Niggers", was played about nine times, raising £350 for Tasmanian charities. An interesting tennis doubles tournament had been held, resulting in Bill Gibson and Jack Piggot receiving individual trophies for the best pair.

The enjoyment and the excellent organisation of the tour was due to the producer of the play, manager of the trip, and personal friend and adviser to all, Mr. Walsh, to all the officials of the Electra Dramatic Group, especially those present on the tour, and the kind hospitable people of Tasmania. To these people every boy extends his deepest gratitude for the extensions of his educational and social life.

B. HOGAN, Form IVa.

### HOBBY CLUB NOTES

In the hobby club there are approximately thirty girls. At least half of these girls are doing canework with the help of Miss Craig. They make baskets for picnics, shopping and bikes. The others get in groups and knit, sketch or sometimes do tapestry. Miss Abbot assists these girls and takes a great interest in the tapestry work. Judith Bennetts is the most experienced at tapestry and has done some beautiful work. On parents' day a lot of the girls had baskets on show. The parents were greatly impressed and thought the girls were very clever to do such good work.

WILMA SUTHERLAND, Form III

### GARDENING CLUB

Under the careful and helpful guidance of Miss Turner, a gardening club for girls was commenced this year. At the beginning of Term I the club consisted of twelve members, but after a few months the girls were not as enthusiastic.

There is more to gardening than picking flowers, you know. Digging hard soil and pulling out stubborn weeds brought blisters to the palms and aches to our backs. But we were determined not to give in. After much strenuous effort by Miss Turner the soil was turned over and some seedlings were planted before her leaving. Before the end of Term II a few seedlings showed signs of growth above the soil. To our surprise, this term (Term III) we gathered some healthy blooms and gave them to Mrs. Whiting towards decoration of the Cookery centre.

The colour range (at present) varies from royal purple cinerarias to bright gold marigolds. Parsley was planted last term and small green shoots have sprung up here and there, but sad to say they don't look much like parsley plants. Poppies also proved a failure, because they could not suffer the trampling of feet on them each day. As for the tools . . . an old mutilated straw broom and a pick with half a handle may be borrowed to use in the garden some Thursdays.

Perhaps, if we work hard, we may be able to greet Miss Turner when she comes back, with a charming bouquet of blooms from OUR GARDEN.

Z.M., E.K., J.E., D.C.

### SHIP LOVERS' CLUB

The Ship Lovers' Club, which was formed at the beginning of the year, comprises about forty girls and boys, and is under the guidance of Mr. Farmer. As it is a large club, it has been divided up into groups, each having its own syllabus.

On Monday the 15th of September we went down to the Williamstown Docks to see the Flotta Hauro liner, *Sydney*. The ship, previously a light aircraft carrier, built in an American dockyard, had been purchased after the war by the Italians, who

had converted it into a modern luxury liner. One of the ship's officers showed us round. We went all over the ship, including the bridge, the kitchen, and other interesting parts. On our departure we were given cakes and postcards of the *Sydney*. The excursion lasted about two hours.

During club periods we have paid many visits to the docks to watch the shipping, but it was the first time we have been on a ship as a club.

A.W.H., Form III A.

### FOLK DANCING CLUB

This is Valerie Foreman reporting on behalf of the Folk Dancing Club.

In Term 1 our club started with a membership of 20 girls, but now in Term 3 only 14 girls are on the roll. Rain has often interfered with our dancing, which is done in the quadrangle. During second term we were able to do many and varied odd jobs on these wet club periods. It has been fun and we have enjoyed doing them.

The dances we have had include the Bavarian dance, Gipsy dance, German Clap, Tancey, Tantoli, Circassian Circle and Durham Reel.

Among our members are several who have special costumes. Helen Malios has a Greek costume, while Pat Reiger, Lesley Smith and Lynette Shaw possess Swiss costumes, and Valerie Foreman has a gipsy costume.

### FIRST-AID CLUB

The First-Aid Club, under the leadership of Mr. Cowban, consisted of about 20 boys, who meet in Room 3. During the year we have learned the theoretical and practical side of first-aid. We have been taught the causes and effects of common and uncommon diseases and also about the people who have discovered lifesaving drugs and serums. The knowledge we have gained will prove helpful in the future, especially in rendering first-aid to injured people.

Our thanks are due to Mr. Cowban, our instructor, who enabled us to further our knowledge of first-aid and enjoy our club period.

G. HARLAND.

## W.H.S. ACTS AS HOSTS TO THE DELORAINÉ AREA SCHOOL

Last August, we were approached by the Secretary of the Victorian High Schools Sports' Association, with the request that we billet a party of twenty-five boys and two masters from the Delorainé Area School. Their visit was approved by the Tasmanian Director of Education, and they left Western Junction Aerodrome on Tuesday, 23rd September, returning there on Monday, 29th. The party was in charge of their Headmaster, Mr. C. Paice, M.A., and their Sportsmaster, Mr. J. Priest. The boys came mainly from farms surrounding the Delorainé district.

As there are no secondary industries around Delorainé, the party's itinerary was arranged to include some of Victoria's secondary industries, such as the Naval Dockyards, the Bradford Cotton Mills, and the Geelong Ford Motor Works. Their evening entertainment included being guests at the Grand Theatre, Footscray, and a social arranged by the W.H.S. Cadet Corps.

To carry out another function of education by travel, the boys were given the opportunity of learning to mix with mighty and humble by receiving civic receptions from the Mayors of Williamstown and Footscray, and warm welcomes from the Geelong Football Club and the pupils from the W.H.S.

The Delorainé School team is a power in Tasmanian school football, and have not been defeated for twelve months. Their boys' ages compare with our Junior XVIII, so a match was arranged at the Footscray Reserve. After a most exciting game, W.H.S. emerged victorious, 6 goals 8 behinds, 44 points, to 6 goals 3 behinds, 39 points.

The other function of the trip was to arrange pleasure trips for our visitors. They attended the League grand final between Geelong and Collingwood, and had the time of their lives at both Luna Park and the Zoo. On Sunday afternoon, the day before their departure, the boys inspected the R.A.A.F. station at Laverton, and while there, were given a "jet-stunting exhibition" by a Flight-Lieutenant, recently returned from Korea.

At a farewell given to them at our school assembly on the Monday morning, their headmaster presented the school with the

money to enable us to buy a school pennant. He also presented a basketball for our girls' sport, and a trophy for our best and fairest junior footballer, Alan O'Meara, this trophy being donated by Delorainé Football Club. Mr. Walsh, the coach of the W.H.S. junior team, also presented a trophy to the best and fairest player in the Delorainé School team, Lindsay Jago.

The Delorainé boys were most appreciative, and have extended an invitation for a party of the W.H.S. to visit Tasmania next May.

N. DAVID, Form V.

## DELORAINÉ IN WILLIAMSTOWN

### Eleven Observations and Snippets

By a member of the party, Max C. "Still going strong" Walker

1. First impressions of Williamstown, formed by the Delorainé Area School party, and, even agreed to by our Headmaster, Mr. Paice, and the Sports Master, Mr. Priest, were that the fair city is a place of many churches, few public houses, and magnificently luxurious morticians' establishments.

2. The district has a large number of buildings which, in architectural design, are of two periods — the 19th and the 20th centuries.

3. The streets, particularly Douglas Parade, have a Tasmanian pattern. We wondered whether any of Williamstown's early settlers came from Wellington Street, Launceston.

4. How hard were the footpaths, and what a blessing to pavement pounding, foot-weary country folk, were your attractive "nature strips".

5. On arrival we heard a lot about the "Newport Power House dust menace". Our only encounters with it were at night, when certain members complained about the presence of "foreign bodies" or something, in their eyes, causing irritation.

6. Never shall we forget the hospitality and kindness received officially and privately from the people of Footscray. Before our visit we had been warned that all the perfumes of Araby would not cleanse our

nostrils of tannery odours. How untrue was this libel we learnt from the fact that all tanneries are located in Kensington.

7. Talking about hospitality, we must thank the Williamstown Council for all it did on our behalf. Our thanks are extended also to those wonderful parents in both municipalities who opened their homes to us and, in offering billets, conferred the freedom of their hospitality on us. Thanks a million to their boys Bill Dagg, Neil David, Ian Porter, Brian Hogan, Ralph Adams, Barry Wylie, Brian Dann, Trevor Williams, Ted Barnes, Don Macleod, Jack Piggott, Grant Nicol, Graeme Mayhew, Robert Morgan, Robin Dyson, Ray Cheasley, Graeme Smith, Don Jamieson, Ray Anderson, Laurie Fordham, Graeme Roberts, John Dundon, Alan O'Meara.

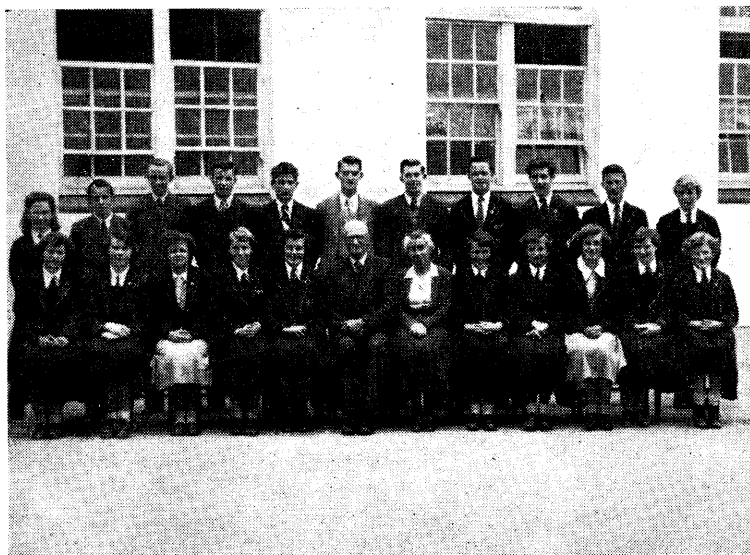
8. Congratulations to Alan O'Meara and the boys of his football team, who upset our proud record. It is said that experience is a hard taskmaster. We shall remember that advice next May, although we may not offer the sumptuous dinner, prepared for us by Mrs. Whiting and the Form II girls, after "Doc." had tried to emulate a Sandakan

slave-driver by walking us off our feet, prior to the match, and gathering more patients for himself.

9. Of the night life the outstanding highlight was the Cadet Social, organised by Captain Keogh, and Lieutenants Dagg, Porter, David and Massey. We shall not present, nor the hospitality extended to us forget the array of W.H.S. representatives by cadets and those participating.

10. We would like to offer our thanks to your Headmaster, Mr. Brook, the Headmistress, Miss Boardman, members of the staff, especially Mr. Walsh, who made this trip possible, together with the prefects—girls and boys—for all they did for us. It is a wonder that we returned to Tasmania intact, after such a strenuous week. The only loss reported by our party was an official notebook. It was lost by one of our "Sir Galahads" with almost sleight of hand suddenness.

11. Finally we trust that we have forged an educational link by which—if the pen does not prove mightier than the sword—then we shall still "Hold Fast".



#### PREFECTS

Standing — B. Swalwell, B. Hogan, W. Hodge, S. Marshall, G. Smith, W. Dagg, D. Henderson (Head Prefect), N. David, D. Massey, I. Porter, M. Elliott

Sitting — M. Williams, I. McLean, E. Phillips, A. Bridge, M. Wegener (Head Prefect), Mr. Brook, Miss Boardman, L. Trask, B. Halbert, W. Bock, H. Taylor, J. Yates.

## THE PREFECTS

From amongst the large number of girls at this High School one can easily detect the well-kept uniform of a prefect. Twelve in all, they are seen at assembly time gravely surveying the school as they stand with distinctive braid neatly trimming their blazers. These are the girls who have to be able to cope with all circumstances and who are chosen to police the rules laid down by their supervisors. Various duties fall to the girls' lot and, after glancing hastily at a watch, one or two may be seen scurrying in the direction of the stairs or hastily finishing their lunch before taking their turn at street duty or perhaps yard duty. To the juniors they appear as angels (?), but fellow seniors realize that they are human and can enjoy as much fun as anyone. This little group has a capable leader in Margaret Wegener.

On the other side of the School one can see the boy prefects. They do not have such distinctive clothing, for apparently they find their very presence conspicuous enough. This able body assisted the girl prefects in the preparation for the senior socials at the end of terms 1 and 2. Here their work really showed a profit, as the functions were both financial and unqualified successes. Earlier in the year the two groups were the guests of the Victorian High Schools' Association, where they met fellow prefects from other High Schools and enjoyed a musical evening. A few combined prefects' meetings were held this year, and at these meetings the improvement of School conditions and the fate of the students were discussed.

Douglas Henderson is the happy leader of the boys' little band. Its various members can be seen swooping like hawks on unsuspecting juniors for the purpose of cleaning up the yard and tidying the street. Before school and at various recess times the juniors show deep affection for these lordly seniors, as they use all methods of persuasion to gain temporary possession of the sports equipment from them.

## EXAMINATION RESULTS

1951

### INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATES

*Passed in nine subjects* — Wilma Bock, Anita Bridge, Jeanette Brown, Noel Clark,

Brenda Corstorphine, Beth Halbert, Judith MacLeod, Rubina MacLeod, Evelyn Phillips, Judith Stone, Hilda Taylor, Lenice Trask, Joan Vost; Neil David, Don McDade, Ian Porter.

*Passed in eight subjects*—Mabel Paterson, Beverley Jensen, Heather Mather, Lesley O'Brien, Nelsa O'Toole, Maureen Owens, Jocelyn Packman, Wilma Ross, Margaret Wegener, Janice Yates; John Barclay, Barry Barty, Alan Bucher, Douglas Henderson, Hymie Libovsky, Kenneth Mollison, James Morton, Thomas Radford, Alan Strachan, Michael Wainstein, Kenneth Peake.

*Passed in seven subjects* — Lois Cobbin, Joy Greenwood, Beverley Hampton, Joan Grose, Aileen Schuldt, Eileen Wandel; Edward Cameron, William Dagg, Gordon Horner, Gordon Johns, John Kellett, Trevor McBain, Stanley Marshall, John Milesi, John Peckham, Henry Trace.

*Passed in six subjects*—Patricia Burgess, Nola Carter, Thelma Foran, Joy McPherson, Denise Miller, Nola Moore, Jean Thomson; John Deacon, Paul Dine, Brian Merrett, Ian Stewart.

## LEAVING CERTIFICATES

1951

*Passed in seven subjects*—Donald Hewett, Frank Hindley, George Swalwell.

*Passed in six subjects*—Margaret Colley, Jacqueline Ewart, Beryl Jenkins, Shirley Jenkins, Barbara Parkinson, Gwenda Stephenson, Crystal Watt, Valerie Weate, June Williams, Eunice Williamson; Clive Bennetts, Clive Meddings, Royce Pepin, Donald Valentine.

*Passed in five subjects* — Judith Sippo, Margaret Strang; Barrie Brown, Barrie Knights, Alan Urban, Barry Watson.

*Passed in four subjects* — Pauline Beecroft, June Harris, Myrna McIntyre, Alan Porter, Graham Williams.

## SCHOLARSHIP HOLDERS

1952

*Junior Scholarships* — Anita Bridge, Jeanette Brown, Patricia Burgess, Irene Clark, Neil David, James Morton, Hilda Taylor, Kenneth Green, Ronald Gill, Isabel McVean, Ian Petherick, Beverley Russell, Beryl Swalwell, Sylvia Tunnecliffe, Marion Williams, Ron Amor, Evelyn Barclay,

Robbie Curtis, Wendy Cations, Jack Greig, Dorothy Gullock, Dorothy Hope, Thelma Hope, Jeanne Spencer.

*Free Places*—John Barclay, Wilma Bock, Brenda Corstorphine, John Deacon, Margaret Halbert, Donald McDade, Robin Wylie, Frances Innocent, Lorna Dickie, Margot Elliott, Joyce Green, John Hanson, Alan Howes, Marjory Morris, Jennifer Thompson, Robert Anderson, Judith Bailey, Jeffrey Bird, Judith Bridge, Beverley Dodds, Brian Dann, Francis Jones, Graeme Janes, Judith Kent, Graeme Murdoch, Wendy Ustick.

*Teaching Bursaries* — Matriculation: Donald Hewett, Eunice Williamson. Leaving: Wilma Bock, Anita Bridge, Jeanette Brown, Alan Bucher, Brenda Corstorphine, Margaret Halbert, Douglas Henderson, Donald McDade, Rubina McLeod, Mabel Paterson, Alan Strachan, Hilda Taylor, Lenice Trask.

*Nursing Bursaries* — Judith Stone, Noel Clark.

*Ex-Students* — Margaret Wegener, Janice Yates, Ian Porter.

*Australian Associated Industries*—Paul Dine, William Dagg.

*City of Williamstown* — Max Libovsky, Trevor McBain, Gwen Bissett, John Peckham, Thomas Radford, Henry Trace, Evelyn Phillips, William Hodge, Douglas Nicholson, Isabel McVean, Marion Williams, Lorna Dickie, Margaret Howard, Gloria Robertson, Yvonne Rollinson, Beverley Mallett, John Johnston, Richard Minns.

*City of Footscray* — Stanley Marshall, Kenneth Peake, Beverley Hampton, Aileen Schuldt, Eileen Wandel, Audrey Souter.

*Scholarships Received From Following Schools*: Williamstown S.S., North Williamstown S.S., Newport S.S., Altona S.S., Spotswood S.S., Yarraville (Powell Street) S.S., Geelong Road S.S.

## EX-STUDENTS' NEWS

It is very fitting that portion of *High Tide* should be reserved for ex-student news. Although we have left the school we still consider ourselves a part of her. To us, she still is, and always will be, "The Best School of All". Our objects are to foster good fellowship among the ex-students of

the W.H.S. and to promote the welfare of the school.

You who are leaving school this year, make sure you become a member of the Ex-Students' Association. Don't break those friendships you made at school, continue them as ex-students. Come along to our functions and enjoy yourselves with the pals you had at school. The association will welcome you.

The year 1952 was another successful year for us. In February, we held the first of our monthly dances at the Footscray Town Hall. Although we did not have very large attendances at these dances, all those who came enjoyed themselves.

Public holidays gave us an opportunity to go for hikes and picnics, and I can assure you, you can't say you've been on a good hike or picnic unless you've been on an ex-students' one. They are an education.

Once again the W.H.S.E.A. staged a revue, and as with our two previous revues, "Sackcloth and Ashes" proved an immense success. I think all members of the cast vote that we produce another one next year.

We want you and all your friends to come to the Williamstown Town Hall on 31st December. You will have an opportunity to join the association by coming to our New Year's Eve Dance.

The sub-groups were very active this year. At the end of August the Film Group organised a week-end away at Olinda. The object was primarily to produce a film "Rhonde de la Bende". This was processed on location and shown on the Sunday night. A similar type of week-end is being planned now for next year.

The film group hold screenings each month at the school.

Our sporting teams did well again this year. The girls' basketball team went through the season undefeated. The girls' hockey team made the four, but were beaten in their semi-final. A boys' basketball team was formed this year and entered in the winter competition. For their first year the boys did very well. Next year they hope to have two teams.

You can see that the Ex-Students' Association caters for all tastes. If you are leaving school this year we invite you to join us.

M. C. ALLEN