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OUR COVER

The cover drawing this year is the work of Bob Richard Alderson, 23, of the Staff Mess, Woomera.

A clerk in the Supply Section, Technical Area, Mr. Alderson has been Plant Officer here for six months. He accepted the position while employed at the Salisbury Weapons Research Establ'shment because he thought it would give him good experience



ARTIST ALDERSON

For some time Mr. Alderson was a student of abstract and detailed landscapes at the Adelaide University, and he expects to keep on painting in oils as a hobby.

Modestly, he says: "I can only hope to paint as a hobby because I am not good enough to do it full-time."

Mr. Alderson favours the abstract forms of art with emphasis on symbolism.

Our cover depicts the desolation of the Woomera country, its stark beauty and local scientific endeavours.

The arms are symbolic of a closed community bound together for the common good, and the gentle hands reflect the calibre of the town's population. The message includes the all embracing nature of the significance of Christmas and the fact that the townspeople are served each week by Gibber Gabber weekly.

CHRISTMAS, 1965

Christmas Message from the Superintendent, W.R.E., Woomera

During the past 12 months, we in Woomera have experienced a number of ups and downs with regard to the future of our town and I know this has reflected in our own personal feelings and outlook. However, at this stage it is obvious that 1966 is going to be remembered as an outstanding year both with regard to actual projects in the space and missile field as well as the preparatory effort for those projects to follow in subsequent years.

Although the population in the Woomera area has stabilised at about 5,000 I am hopeful that the improvement to facilities and the replacement of the older buildings will continue.

My wife and I would like to wish you all a happy and safe holiday, a happy Christmas, and a profitable and prosperous New

COLONEL J. D. HONEYSETT, Superintendent, W.R.E., Woomera.



Christmas Message from the Chairman of the Woomera Board

As the end of 1965 draws near, it is pleasing to record that members of the Woomera Board have worked successfully in the interests of local people.

Among the projects started this year, and with which the Board has been associated are the new swimming pool, squash courts and club room complex.

If present negotiations concerning many other amenities are successful, it is hoped Woomera residents will receive the benefit of

I offer my personal thanks to members of the Board for their freely given time, energies and co-operation in making 1965 a satisfying year of quiet achievements for the Board.

On their behalf, I extend to all residents hope of a Happy Christmas and a Bright New Year.

> A. W. REILLY, Chairman, Woomera Board.

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IT HAPPENED IN 1965

Woomera's first Community Store, which used to stand opposite the Junior Staff Club, was demolished in February.

At the time of demolition, the building was an eight-bedroom, single quarters residence, but it served as the town's store from 1952 to 1954. Staffed by a manager, four men and three casuals, the original store was one big room in which groceries and women's wear were sold

The site has since been used for a block of single quarters' flats.

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Later in the month there was a spectacular robbery in Woomera. The offices of Arunta Dry Cleaners Pty. Ltd. were broken into, and about £200 in cash was stolen. The money was in a locked, four-drawer filing cabinet. The crime has not yet been solved.

Also in February, a cricket "first" was recorded on the Claypan Oval. In a match between R.A.A.F. and Asco/Postal three batsmen scored centuries. They were Mick Clough (103), Jim Harvey (106) and Des Bailey (109). The first two were not out, and bright play saw 439 runs knocked up in as many minutes.

A lady's marcasite watch, which had been mislaid two years earlier by the tenant of a married quarters' flat, was found in the flat by a Department of Works maintenance plumber, Mr. B. Rowden. The Department of the interior, which is landlord of all Woomera residences, located the tenant, who had since vacated the flat, and returned the watch.

Two youths with no money between them arrived at Woomera in March in the hope of getting employment. They did not know Woomera was a closed area, and were charged by State police with having no lawful means of support. The hearing of the case against the 16 and 17-year-olds was adjourned while police sought financial help for the youths. The Woomera Sub-branch of the Sportsmen's Association of Australia provided money to get the boys back to their homes in Victoria. They were released without conviction on entering into a good behaviour £10 bond for three months. One of the boys later wrote to the Sportsmen's Association expressing gratitude.

Mr. M. R. Flint left Woomera in March after four years as assistant administrative officer. He became an executive officer in the State Controller's office. On March 18, a meeting in the United Church Hall decided to inaugurate the Woomera Natural History Society. Objects are to promote local interest in geology, gemology, artifacts and zoology.

The third firing of the British first stage Eldo satellite launcher, Blue Streak, was a complete success on March 22. Technicians had a four-hour slot in which to launch the giant space vehicle and got it away just 38 minutes after the first opportunity at 8 a.m. Previous successful firings were in 1964, on June 5 and October 19.

It was in March, too, that the local manager of the Bank of New South Wales, Mr. Arthur Moore, announced that the bank's temporary premises would be given to the Woomera Thrift Shop Committee when bank staff moved into new £20,000 premises on April 5.

Early in April, local resident Mrs. I. M. Skowronski started to organise a petition to the Federal Parliament seeking to have the Port Augusta to Wirrappa Road sealed. Signed by 1,750 petitioners from Woomera and Andamooka, the petition was presented to Parliament in the first 10 minutes of the Budget Session on August 17, by the member for Grey, Jack Mortimer. The outcome of the petition is still unknown although the Minister for Shipping and Transport, Mr. Freeth, has said it would depend on the South Australian Government.



A sedan entering a pool of water on the Port Road after rain.

About the same time the Woomera Board received advice from the Premier's Office that improvements would be made to the road, such as the erection of "Soft Edge" warning signs, the widening of cattle grids and the raising of about seven miles of the road above the surrounding sandy country. The advice followed action by the board in November, 1964.

Aided by a booster atop a 54 ft. tower, a clear television picture was received at the Woomera Electrical, Radio and Television Store on Saturday, April 10. It was a telecast of the opening of the new A.B.C. channel at Port Pirie. Within a matter of hours seven television sets were sold at the

Gordon Leslie Richardson died suddenly in the Woomera Hospital on April 29. He was manager of the Commonwealth Bank, aged 42 years.

The next night Miss Jan Wood-cock, 18-year-old winner of the Miss Woomera Sub-branch and the Miss Woomera charity titles, was named Miss Charity Queen in Adelaide. Miss Woodcock was backed in the judging by £1,908 from local fund raising activities whereas the other seven contestants had raised only £1,182 between them. Her prize money from the contest was £225.

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In May the Community Store introduced a new programme of grocery "specials" which offered 20 items each week at a penny or so within city "specials" prices.

The Joint Project Board met at Woomera on May 19. Members also inspected the range as part of the annual meeting at Woomera.

The Buffalo Lodge Hall was opened officially by the chief officer of South Australia, Mr. F. J. Thomas, on May 14. The hall was re-named the Sir Rex Pepper of Woomera Lodge in honour of Mr. R. Pepper, a local resident of many years, for his services to the organisation.

CHRISTMAS, 1965

In the week ended May 29, Woomera audiences were treated to two cultural feasts - one was a performance in the Woomera Theatre by 55 R.A.A.F. bandsmen, the other a ballet programme by the Elizabeth Dalman Ballet Company. Not quite so cultural, but good fun for all, was the earlier annual picnic of the Combined Council of Trade Unions at Woomera West.



Popular Scottish tenor, F/Sqt. James Stryker, who sang with the R.A.A.F. Band.

After inactivity by the Woomera Town Band for about 18 months, and in the face of a threat by the Woomera Board that unless someone came forward to form a band the idle instruments might be sold, Mr. Dick Garnaut got busy in May and rounded up old bandsmen and recruited new ones. The group has been actively practising ever since and gave their first public performance at the 1965 Carols night.

Local children went on a rampage of theft and destruction during May. Four buildings were broken into and thefts were made from some, while £140 damage was maliciously done to two buildings. The buildings were the R.A.O.B. Hall, the R.S.L. Hall, the Pistol Club house and the St. Barbara's

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Mr. J. M. Allan left Woomera for Penfield on June 9, after eight years as supply officer here. He now holds a senior position in the Supply section at Salisbury.

Baskets at the check-out at the Community Store's grocery department were in short supply during June. Customers had used the wire containers to take home purchases with the result that one day there were only two available to other customers. There had been 36 the week before and 18 a few days after. The manager hastily erected a hand-written sign which read: "There were over 36 wire baskets in this store last week. Would the persons who removed them please return and refrain from taking them home in future! Thank you."

The biggest boat ever built at Woomera was successfully launched at Port Augusta West on June 11. It is a 26 ft., all-steel hulled cabin cruiser. weighing four and a half tons with a 9 ft. 11 in. beam. It was built by Mr. R. M. Selby at his home, 19 Kennella Street, with the help of Mr. C. Rogers. Between them the men worked 3,000 manhours.

Memories of war-time deliveries by postwomen were brought to the fore in June when Marilyn Brennan became a postie at the Woomera post office. The arduous job was returned to boys not long after.

The Anglican Bishop of Polynesia, Rt. Rev. John Vockler, gave the first lecture, in a South Australia-wide lecture tour on the work of his diocese. in St. Barbara's Hall, on June 21.

The Chief Scout Commissioner for South Australia, Mr. Henry Rymill, C.B.E., attended the annual meeting of the District Scouts Association at the Eldo Mess late in June.

The same week saw the start of ballroom dancing lessons for Woomera youth. The classes closed with a graduation ball-cum-cabaret in the United Church Hall in September.

It was Monday, June 21, that Woomera was assulted by cold, strong gusts of wind up to 66 m.p.h. at 2.20 p.m. Considerable damage was done to some houses, an industrial building on the Technical Area Road and to television antennae.

Lieutenant-General Sir Alan Jolly, G.O.C. Far East Land Forces, visited Woomera on July 1. The distinguished visitor was accompanied on the twoday visit by Lady Jolly, his A.D.C., Major MacFarlane, and Mr. M. Jolly.

On July 7, the local panel of Justices of the Peace farewelled Sergeant K. R. Sweeney (State Police) and Mrs. Sweeney at a buffet dinner in the Senior Mess. Twenty-two days later the couple set off for England where the police officer is undergoing special training at Scotland Yard and elsewhere on a planned exchange scheme between the two police forces.

* * * Also early in July, chairman H. R. Zehender of the Woomera Entertainment and Recreation Committee announced there would be four live shows brought to Woomera by his committee in the next four months. The shows were a variety concert by leading television personalities (July 24 and 25), two Shakespearean plays, "Macbeth" and "Julius Caesar" (July 19), the Elizabethan Trust's rollicking comedy, "West of the Black Stump" (August 14 and 15) and a Port Augusta group's presentation of "Naughty Marietta" (October 23). On June 10, the committee brought the Peter O'Shaughnessy, one-man

* Woomera Board elections were held on July 10, after a quiet campaign by six married quarters and two single quarters candidates. They were fighting for two M.Q. seats and one S.Q. seat. Sitting member for married quarters, J. J. Malone was returned with 303 votes - 48.7 per cent of all votes cast for the ward. Returned with him was T. O. Fegan who defeated sitting member P. R. G. Beattie. Chaplain J. W. Henderson was returned with a landslide victory to the single quarters'

show to the Woomera Theatre.

In spite of a change of press emphasis in space tracking from Island Lagoon to the newer tracking stations around Canberra, the initial part of the historic first picture of Mars, taken by the American Mariner IV spacecraft, was received at Island Lagoon while the Canberra station was still trying to lock on to the explorer. The picture was received here at 10.30 p.m., July 15.

* * * The State Minister for Education, Mr. R. Loveday, announced about the same time that there would be a fifth secondary year class at the Woomera Area School in 1966. .. The class would enable students to meet the requirements of new matriculation arrangements for Adelaide University without leaving Woomera.

The same month the Woomera Board reached an all-time high in prestige when State ministers took time out from a visit to Woomera of parliamentarians to confer with the Board on the Port Augusta to Woomera Road.

Woomera joined a State-wide general freeze on July 19, when the minimum temperature was 35 degrees just before 6 a.m. Motor cars left outside over night were frosted over and frost was visible on some lawns until 9 o'clock.

Constable First Class E. C. Rhodes, of the State Police left Woomera for Coober Pedy to establish a police station, after the opal mining town had been without one for 40 years, on July 27.

It was in July, too, that medical superintendent, J. J. O'Grady, of the Woomera Hospital, announced that medical services might be curtailed until two vacancies for medical officers were filled. Dr. O'Grady was the only doctor in the town for some weeks.

On July 30, Sergeant W. J. Day took over as officer in charge of the Woomera State Police. He replaced Sergeant K. R. Sweeney.

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Figures released by the S.A. Libraries Board early in August showed that 1,865 local borrowers from the Woomera Public Library, who borrowed a total of 61,928 books for the year, were the most prolific readers in the State.

In the same week the vestry of St. Barbara's Church of England was gutted by fire. Chaplain K. S. Chittleborough was left without a single veststationed in Adelaide, for relief vest-

Village footballer and captain, Bill Hooker was named as winner of the Australian Rules Area Medal on August 8. He won also the Mail Medal, both for best and fairest. Bill later led his team to a premiership victory.

* * * During the same week the Woomera Arts and Drama Group scored a "first" with the production of John Dole's "Cat On The Fiddle. It had never before been produced in Australia, and it was the first amateur production

Mr. F. S. Lines gave the Woomera Entertainment and Recreation Committee notice of his intention to quit as secretary-treasurer at a committee meeting on August 19. He had held the honorary position for four years but said it had grown too big for a part-time officer. Mr. Lines finished up with the Department of Works as stores manager on November 30, and next day became general manager of the Woomera West Welfare Club.

Later in August, work started on the construction of new premises for the local branch of the National Bank of Australasia Ltd., which had been workment for Sunday services, and had to ing in temporary premises. Manager, send to his brother, also a clergyman, Milton Afflick said he expected the staff would move into the new building before Christmas.

August 28 brought the Moderator-General of the Presbyterian Church, Rt. Rev. William Young, to Woomera, as part of a tour of the United Church in Australia. He was given a civic and church reception in the United Church Hall.

On September 2, the Community Store was flooded after a flash fall of 77 points of rain. Water lay up to an inch deep throughout the store but little damage was done to stocks.

Skydiver Laurie Trotter, of Woomera, preluded the Australian Rules grand final match between Village and Works by jumping from an aircraft at 9,000 feet, free falling to 2,500 feet, descending the rest of the way by parachute, and landing on the centre of Newman Oval.



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Woomera's only boy to fight in the Vietnam war, Private Errol Weatherall. 19, arrived at Woomera for home leave on September 14. He was wounded on June 17 in war zone D, during a clash with seven Viet Cong. He was hit by a bullet which broke his jaw. furrowed through his neck and broke his shoulder. After his home leave, Private Weatherall joined an army unit in New South Wales.



Pte. Weatherall

On September 16, a public meeting was held in the Woomera Theatre to discuss youth problems and whether to build a youth centre. The steering committee was given the green light to continue its planning. The ultimate proposals were to be put to the superintendent, Woomera (Colonel J. D. Honeysett) who would decide whether the youth centre would be built.

Mr. Frederick George Heather, proprietor of the Woomera Electrical. Radio and Television Service, died suddenly at his home on Monday, September 20. He was 68 years of age.

In October the Koolymilka Australian Rules Football Club decided to change its colloquial name from Sandhill Savages to Magpies.

The new bowling season was opened officially by Colonel J. D. Honeysett, Superintendent.

A former resident, Des Flanegan, 23, who was working at cane cutting in Queensland, sent his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. Flanegan, of Woomera, a coconut. It was not wrapped. Des had simply addressed the nut, added a message, and posted it.

The range road was thrown open to local residents on October 22 and 23 to make it easier for them to attend the Kingoonya two-day race meeting and gymkhana.

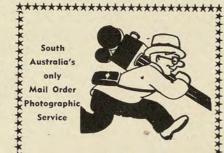
It was in October that the only naturalisation ceremony for the year was held in the Community Hall. Twelve migrants received certificates of Australian citizenship. They included a mother and daughter from Woomera and a married couple from the Andamooka Opal Fields.

More than 2,000 residents left Woomera for the Labor Day long week-

The United Kingdom Minister for Aviation, the Hon. Roy Jenkins, visited Woomera on October 8. His press statements around Australia confused the future of Woomera as a space town of consequence. However he gave the town three years of work, and added that planning never extended beyond three years at a time. On the other hand, Australian Supply Minister, Mr. Fairhall, earlier said in Paris that there would be work for Woomera for the next decade and some years beyond.

The Woomera Natural History Society held an exhibition in the Baden Powell Hall on October 29 and 30. Valuable exhibits were locked under glass, and a guard was on duty throughout the exhibition.

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CHRISTMAS, 1965

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AIRLINES OF WOOMERA

It seems that if we carry many more passengers up and down the range we will qualify for a take-over bid and become not the Royal Australian but the other R.A. Air Force! In the last twelve months the Otters have conveved 2.191 passengers and the Alouettes problems associated with its develophave moved 638—we don't have glamorous hostesses but are prepared to consider the idea if there are any volunteers

TARGET AIRCRAFT SQUADRON

Target Aircraft Squadron of No. 1 Air Trials Unit has recently become one of the very few target units in the world capable of operating unmanned target aircraft flying in formation.

The system, developed by the scientists and technicians of the Weapons Research Establishment and test-flown by Target Aircraft Squadron, has enabled operators to achieve an accuracy of control and positioning which approaches that possible with manned aircraft. Although it has taken over a year to develop, a period marked in the early stages by many frustrations and disappointments, the system is now very reliable, in spite of the complexities of the equipment used.

Each aircraft is fitted with the automatic pilot and radio-controlled equipment normally used for drone flying, with one aircraft being selected as the "Master" and the other as the "Slave." The Master aircraft is fitted with a streamlined pod under one wing, this pod containing a small television camera and a radar ranging device of extreme accuracy. The Slave aircraft is fitted with a similar pod, containing a transponder unit for the radar ranging equipment.

The technique used calls for the two aircraft to be positioned initially by reference to radar plots, flying on parallel tracks, with one aircraft behind the other and out to one side. The speeds are adjusted to give a slow overtaking rate and as the aircraft come into the line-abreast position, the image of the Slave aircraft appears on a television screen in the control centre. The lateral separation between the two aircraft is measured by the radar ranging equipment, transmitted back to the control centre and presented on a dial graduated in feet.

When an image appears on the TV screen, the speed of the Slave aircraft is adjusted to keep it in the picture and lateral separation is adjusted by means of "low banked" turns to the

figure required for the particular trial in progress.

Although the system, described in this brief manner seems relatively simple, many months of unremitting effort, near-ulcers and incipient heart failure were spent in ironing out the ment. Meteor target aircraft, flown by radio control, but with safety pilots aboard, were used in the initial evaluation trials of the equipment. Once the equipment became sufficiently reliable, and the operators gained familiarity with it, successful application to Jindivik aircraft was achieved.

A number of operational sorties have now been flown, justifying the labours of those members of Target Aircraft Squadron and the Weapons Research Establishment who were involved in the project.

SPORTING NEWS

In spite of our diminishing numbers the R.A.A.F. still managed to field a side on all of the sporting fields this past year and secure a fair share of the laurels.

RUGBY LEAGUE

The team finished third in the minor round but entered the grand final when they beat Army in the first semi-final. Plagued with injuries early in the season and losing Alec Garrett with a broken ankle, the coach, Graham Beckman, had the job in front of him. However, he showed what could be done with a team of triers and some lusty supporters and it was only later in the game that Jazza got on top in a worthy grand final. Congratulations to Graham Beckman, John Higham, Tex Heuston, John Gould and Alec Phin, for gaining selection in the South Australian team against the visiting Western Australian Colts team.

CRICKET

The R.A.A.F. team headed the minor round premiership for 1965 to win the shield, a most creditable performance, but was beaten by ASCO/Postal in the first semi-final. All-round it was a most successful season under the leadership of first Corporal Tom McMutrie and then Corporal Mick Salkeld. Individual performances worthy of note were the long, accurate spells of bowling by Pete Evans; Nobby Noblett's feat of 51 wickets for the season and some fine batting by Des Bailey, the Lazy Army Craftsmen (LAC) seconded to the R.A.A.F. when the Army side

BASKETBALL

R.A.A.F. finished third on the ladder this year and were beaten by Village in the first semi-final 34 to 31. The team enjoyed the season and takes this opportunity to thank the other teams for the sporting spirit displayed throughout. An outstanding performance by Danny O'Neill deserves mention. He won the club and association's best and fairest trophies and finished third in the individual point scores with 157, congratulations Paddy.



R.A.A.F. RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB

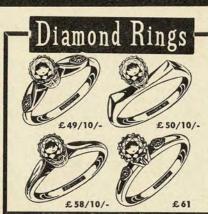
Back row: L.A.C. R. Heaslip, L.A.C. A. McLain, J/T J. Moore, Cpl. M. Salkeld (vice-captain), Cpl. J. Greenhalgh (secretary), S.A.C. J. Ford, J/T A. Phin, Cpl. Gould, L.A.C. B. Heuston. Centre row: Flg. Off. C. MacDonald, L.A.C. B. Smith, Sgt. G. Beckman (captain/coach), W/Off. D. Sanders (president), L.A.C. T. Wood, S.A.C. B. Webber, L.A.C. K. Doyle. Front row: R. Heaslip (mascot), K. Ritchings (ball boy).

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A.T.U. ROVERS SOCCER CLUB

April will be remembered by the members of A.T.U. Rovers Soccer Club as the month in which our trainermanager, Corporal Terry Hughes, ruthlessly set about the task of ensuring a fit team for the start of the season. Despite many heart rending appeals and loudly voiced protests, the training programme continued and the resulting fitness paid dividends when at the halfway mark of the season maximum points had been collected from the six games played.

Postings back to the U.K. then deprived the team of five regular players in the space of two weeks and there was a struggle to maintain a team to the end of the season. All hopes rested. on the last game of the league fixtures and a convincing win over J.R.C. gave us the championship by a margin of one point.

Dreams of the "double" rapidly disappeared when we were soundly defeated by a much improved J.R.C. in the semi-final of the cup.

WATER POLO

The water polo team was again successful in carrying off the grand final against Dolphins. They also splashed their way to wins in the inter-club 7 x 55 yard relay and the 4 x 55 yards, Pither Shield relay. A real team effort, congratulations.

AUSTRALIAN RULES

A trip to Williamtown and winning, completed a most successful and enjoyable season. At home in the mud they won the first semi-final against Centrals by a point in what proved to

be a real thriller. Works put an end to their grand final chances in a good preliminary. Due to some ex-rugby players, who saw the light, we were able to field a full side each Sunday, and only hope it can be done next season. The selection committee when asked to choose the most improved player came up with twelve names of Air Vice-Marshall E. Hey, C.B.E., which gives some appreciation of the team effort. Some anonymous female critic was heard to say, "If they played as well as they ate, they'd be champions."

SPORTING AWARDS

BEST AND FAIREST

Cricket, R. Noblett; Basketball, D. O'Neill: Rugby League, B. Heuston: Soccer, C. Martin; Australian Rules, D. O'Neill.

COMMANDING OFFICER

After running Target Aircraft Squadron during 1964, Wing Commander L. M. Bird assumed command of No. 1 Air Trials Unit in 1965 and takes this opportunity to thank all residents of Woomera who have co-operated so well with the R.A.A.F. in many ways -

PRAYERS ON PARADE AND COMMEMORATION SERVICE

A feature of the Commandisg Officer's Monthly Parades has been prayers read by the respective Chaplains during the parade on the first Monday of each month. Those participating have been Chaplain K. Chittleborough (Church of England; Chaplain G. Carmody (Roman Catholic) and Chaplain J. W. Henderson (United Church).

At the Commemoration of the Battle of Britain, services were held in the three community churches.

In connection with the Battle of Britain we were honoured by the visit the representative of the R.A.A.F. in South Australia for Air Force Week. It was regretted that we could not conduct an "open day" this year but we hope to make amends in 1966.



BATTLE OF BRITAIN SERVICE AT UNITED CHURCH

The official party listen to Mr. Vern Freak, president Woomera R.S.L. (extreme right). Left to right: Padre J. Henderson, Sqn. Ldr. L. Johnston, Mrs. Johnston. Flt. Lt. W. White, Mrs. White, Mrs. Middlebrook, Plt. Off. J. Middlebrook, Mrs. I. Strachan, Cpl. I. Strachan (R.A.F.).

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A YEAR OF SERVICE AT THE COMMUNITY STORE

SQUEEZE-The most out of our service for this is your privilege. However, you do not really need to do so because of one of the sweeter aspects of our operations is that it is established on co-operative principles - we work for the community whereas the trader must necessarily work for himself. Service is our job and we certainly try to give it.

Your patronage indicates we are doing so. The surprise of visitors when they see the store also indicates we are on the ball. Results, of course, do not come from sitting on one's laurels, for change is a fact of life. Survival depends on improvement and results and we certainly saw some progress in

The liquor department was quite inadequate and its removal to its present "corner position" has enabled a better range and presentation of stock - second to none. The new department started on a good footing with a wine tasting in June which featured the trophy winning Glenloth wines.

The face lifting of the coffee lounge co-incided with the completion of the beautification project. The kids are also entitled to something better and the installation of the latest dispensing equipment seems to have been acclaimed by the children. We could not but help marvel at their capacity during the free drink period at the time of the introduction of the Coca-Cola pre-mix dispenser.

Life can be downright boring without news at the right time and Woomera now has one of the most advanced delivery services in Australia - motor van delivery

Closer to the ladies' hearts was the growing interest of manufacturers in

the potential of Woomera. We were able to arrange both summer and winter fashion parades giving our lady customers advanced previews. Attendances at the parades indicated approval and we would particularly like to thank the local mannequins who modelled the fashions with poise and grace. Promotional visits by foundation garment consultant and wool specialist gave the wives an opportunity to bring themselves up to date on the latest trends and their interest was appreciated by the manufacturers in Adelaide and we expect to see further visits during the

The sporting clubs were not forgotten and no doubt appreciated the change in our pricing policy. The clubs play a vital part in our community and we certainly wish them every success.

We really believe that policy must be responsive to change, so when the writing appeared on the wall about cigarette prices, we did the right thing pronto. We all like a bargain and our discounting of electrical appliances gave our patrons plenty of opportunity to save a lot of money and we have some bright ideas for the future.

The change to decimal currency is now imminent and a lot of planning has had to go into the major areas of equipment, pricing, staff training, accounting practices and customer relations. In the latter regard we have been advertising with dollar/cent prices for some months and a "converter" has been situated at our self-service checkout points for some time. The Decimal Currency Board will complete the programme just before conversion day when they will distribute millions of folders on this subject to householders. In the meantime a continuous programme of staff training is being conducted. If you have any questions about the effect on prices, the new currency or cash matters, we would be pleased to provide the answers.

Our Prime Minister said in a recent address - "Change is a fact, it cannot be ignored - it must not be disposed of by wishful thinking." This we believe and we enter into the new year with no doubt that you will see further changes in the coming months - for the better. We have the experience, the vigor and the interest



in your needs.

"Discounted Electrical Goods on sale during 1965"

The management and staff of the Community Store wish you:

A Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year

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Well, what is the Woomera Board?

Quite often the Woomera Board analogous to a local government couneil-is talked about, particularly at election times, but the works of the Board remain a mystery to the average citizen

Because of the special circumstances of Woomera, quite a few of the Board's discussions must remain confidential, but a recent policy decision by the Superintendent means that more and more of the Board's decisions will be made known in the local press.

The Woomera Board is a body of six elected and three appointed members who devote a lot of their leisure time to Board matters.

The Board was created by the Minister for Supply originally to advise the Superintendent, Woomera, on all local government matters affecting the residents of the town.

However, with the passing of the years since its inception in 1951, the Board has gradually been invested with more responsibilities. Perhaps the main function these days is to make recommendations to the Superintendent on the disbursement of Community Store profits.

Some of the bigger items of proposed expenditure on the current budget are:

- Breen Park improvements-£1,000;
- Tennis Club House-£2,500: • Basketball Courts-£3.500.

In a long-term financial programme the Board has committed itself to provide more than £22,000 towards the new swimming pool amenities building and clubroom; squash courts, and dressing sheds on the Aboretum Oval.

Other expenditures are the annual grants to the Woomera Entertainment and Recreation Committee (£3,000) and the Woomera Public Library (£2,000).

The W.E.R.C. is a sub-committee of the Board and has the main task of bringing suitable recreational facilities to the public, whether in the form of live shows, films, or maintenance on and reduces expensive peaks in demand

been provided, it is under the care of the W.E.R.C. on behalf of the Board.

Another sub-committee is the Store Advisory Committee which advises on some aspects of shopping services.

The Woomera Board also plays its part, jointly with the Public Library of South Australia, in running the Woomera Public Library.

Other matters dealt with by the Board are the granting of part-time franchises for private enterprise undertakings, and the payment of subsidies to residents who carry out beautification works at their homes.

The Woomera Board has no direct executive powers but most of the advice which it gives to the Superintendent is accepted by him. The few rejected recommendations are usually

sporting grounds. Once a facility has I based on some legal or policy consideration which had been unknown at the time the Board made its decision.

Current Boardmen are: Mr. A. W. Reilly, chairman (married quarters ward): Mr. G. B. Wheaton, deputy chairman (married quarters); Mr. J. J. Malone, chairman Store Advisory Committee (married quarters); Mr. T. O. Fegan, library officer (married quarters); Mr. W. F. Robinson, member Store Advisory Committee (single quarters); Chaplain J. W. Henderson (single quarters); Mr. T. Lynch (appointed); Mr. G. A. Beckman (appointed) and Mr. H. R. Zehender (appointed because he is chairman, W.E.R.C.).

The secretary is Mr. P. Donnelly, whose office is in the Civic Building, Dewrang Avenue.

The Fault Report Centre operated by the Engineering Group, Woomera, is open 24 hours a day for seven days a week. When you ring 05 266 your message is relayed to people who will arrange the necessary repairs.

In some cases the message may go directly to a radio controlled maintenance van, for example, if it is a breakdown of your washing machine or

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The day the Governor-General dropped in

Some children had not known much

about their Governor-General before

his visit, but they will never forget the

Queen's representative, who addressed

them in rolled up shirt sleeves, and

gave them a public holiday.



"His enthusiastic audience."

Woomera people turned out in strength on February 28, to welcome Australia's then Governor-General, Lord de L'Isle, who was on a farewell tour of the country before leaving for England after his term as Governor-General.

It was the first time that a Governor-General had visited Woomera's range and tracking facilities.

Lord de L'Isle was accompanied by the Honourable Anne Sidney and the Honourable Philip Sidney.

The vice-regal visitors spent three days in Woomera and were enthusiastically welcomed at the Woomera Area School by all the pupils of both local schools.



Lord De L'isle talks to schoolchildren.

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children used mats and newspapers to sit on the hot, outdoor surface of bitumen.

But when the vice-regal party arrived

It was 104 degrees that day, and the

But when the vice-regal party arrived the children stood as one and excitedly sang the national anthem.

A guard of honour, made up of children from both schools, stood rigidly to attention in the boiling sunshine until Lord de L'Isle interrupted the proceedings of his welcome to the school to direct the boys and girls into the shade behind his own chair.

The visitors also saw the range instrumentation building, Range E, Island Lagoon tracking station, the Googona Street Kindergarten and the Woomera Hospital.

One night was devoted to meeting local citizens in the senior mess, and there was ample opportunity for everyone to see the high family during their many trips through the town.

Through the year

by PAULA FELKIS

From the pages of this annual you may be surprised to find, How much went on in Woomera's square mile,

And within the boundary limits where the golf and karting kind, Enjoy their sports for just a little while —

There's cricket, soccer, footie, bowls — to name only a few,

And which keep the population fit and busy, With much hard work and worry (if you only knew),

For committees who slave until they're dizzy.

And let's not forget the workers (though we must not speak of what Takes place in a prohibited area),

Lest we risk the displeasure of Security, who are hot Upon the trail, and might grow even warier.

There's a little section here, and a little section there,

So maddening when doing the "Mad Mile" — Perhaps roller skates might make this easier to bear.

And replace each tired expression with a smile!

There are lads from Woomera West we must surely mention too,

Whose labours keep our houses neat and tidy, Taking care of all repairs and ably getting through

Taking care of all repairs and ably getting through Many jobs from Monday until Friday.

As no matter what the job, it is very clear to me

As no matter what the job, it is very clear to me

That each one is important in its way

That each one is important in its way,

For without each vital link no chain will work efficiently, And there would be no Woomera today.

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The Church of St. Barbara, 1965

The interior of St. Barbara's Church of England.

A SPECIAL KIND OF GROWTH

During 1965, as in every year, the Church has grown. But 1965 can be looked upon as a year in which the Church has noticeably developed and grown.

GROWTH BRINGS CHANGES

The study series known as Toronto Advance, designed for the people of Anglican Churches throughout Australia, was held during Lent in the month of March. This study through discussion following Bible reading, taught the great value of "speaking the truth in love."

At weekly meetings, attendants became more and more prepared to share their honest opinions and true thoughts. Through these discussions, they became increasingly aware of the need for changes within themselves as individuals and within the structure of the Church as a whole.

To facilitate communication and coordination between the various groups within the church, it was agreed that the structure of the central, directing body of the parish, the Parish Council, must be changed. At the Annual Vestry meeting on April 25, representatives for the Ladies' Guild, Youth, Adult Education, Sunday School, Evangelism and Missions and entertainments were elected, together with three general councillors. The result of this change has been greater mutual support in the various activities of the church, and a more effective means of bringing essential concerns before the central body which directs the total life of the Church

New developments in Adult Education were also the outcome of the Toronto Advance Study Series. At the Annual Vestry Meeting, an Adult Education Committee was formed with Mrs. J. Taylor as its representative on the Council. Together with the Chap-

lain, this group joined in a series of eight study sessions with Adult Confirmation Candidates.

The series proved an exciting and successful experiment in learning together. The series was repeated in October.

VISITORS

On June 21, the Bishop in Polynesia, the Right Rev'd J. C. Vockler came for one brief day and evening in Woomera. A film, "Fire in the Islands" was shown in the Church Hall. The Bishop spoke of the progress and work of Christianity in his diocese.

The Bishop celebrated Holy Communion in St. Barbara's Church on the morning of his departure. All were extremely grateful for the privilege of this visit from one whose engagements while in Australia were so demanding.



The Bishop of Polynesia, Rt. Rev. J. C. Vockler, enters a vehicle during his busy rounds at Woomera last June.

From August 20 to 23, the new Arch-Deacon, the Rev'd L. E. W. Renfrey (representing the Bishop's Home Mission Society) and his son Edward, Miss Joy McLennan and Miss Pat Church (Anglican Social Welfare Department) and the Rev'd Christopher Grey (Australian Board of Missions) and Mrs. Grey, came to Woomera as a team. During this week-end, an open meeting for all members of the community was held at which both Miss McLennan and Miss Church spoke on the work of social welfare. General discussion followed. The Arch-Deacon addressed the congregation at the Parish Communion on Sunday morning telling of the development and work of the Bishop's Home Mission Society. After Evensong at 7.30 p.m., a film on missionary work in Melenesia was shown. Following this, a panel, formed by the Arch-Deacon, Miss McLennan, Miss Church, and the Rev'd C. Grey, dealt with questions relating to their particular sphere of work. This week-end did much to widen thought and increase interest in the total life and work of the church both in this community and far beyond its houndaries

During week-ends when the Chaplain had to leave Woomera to minister at Maralinga, visiting Chaplains, B. R. Jones and H. A. J. Witt left their own parishes to come to Woomera. We appreciated the interest they showed and the news and information they brought from other parts of the Adelaide Diocese.

THE TEACHING MINISTRY

The responsibility for Anglican Religious Instruction at the Area School has been lightened for the Chaplain by the faithful support of a team of religious instructors. Mesdames M. Bottroff, M. Gardner, L. Wilson, M. Fussell, E. Tipping, S. Pantsios, M. Hanlon, J. Bear, M. Draper and D. Simons, have all taken part in this task during the year.

In February, the Parish Council appointed Miss Y. Myers as Parish Assistant to work at the direction of the Chaplain. Her duties include help in the work of religious instruction. She has found the willingness and support of religious instructors, who are all people with numerous other responsibilities and duties, most helpful and encouraging.

The underlying unity with fellow Christians in the work of Religious Instruction was expressed in representation on a panel which answered the questions of secondary school students on various topical matters which particularly concern them. This panel was described by the headmaster, Mr. M. Hunkin, as an adjunct to Religious Instruction, and comprised of leaders in the community as well as representatives of all three churches.

Sunday School: Parents are indebted to the Sunday School Superintendent, Mr. O. Cowled and the Sunday School staff, Mr. and Mrs. L. West, Mrs. R. Blunt, Miss C. Bowden, Mr. P. Bear, Misses J. Lukin, D. Beath, R. Roberts, S. Till, J. Bancroft, L. McMahon and Mrs. L. Williams and W. Kershaw, for the work they are doing for the children of the Sunday School.

THE PARISH FAMILY

The family life of our Parish, summed up each week in the 10 a.m. Parish Communion Service on Sunday morning, was also expressed in a delightful Parish Picnic held at "The Pines" on July 25. The day owed its success to able organisation by the Sunday School Superintendent and the help of a number of others who assisted with races and other activities throughout the day. Unlimited refreshments for the children added to the delights of the day for them.

Several Parish socials were again held during the year. Mr. R. Blunt and his assistants ensured enjoyment with plenty of novel ideas and the Ladies'

In February, the Parish Council staff, Mr. and Mrs. L. West, Mrs. R. Guild saw that expended energy was pointed Miss Y. Myers as Parish Blunt, Miss C. Bowden, Mr. P. Bear, replaced with delicious suppers.

THANKS

There is much to be thankful for in life as members of the Church. Sometimes it appears that those who can always be relied upon to carry out the various duties which must be attended to are overlooked. Sincere thanks are due to the Church Wardens, Messrs. P. Sowden and W. D. Kave, members of the Parish Council, organists, Mesdames Chittleborough and Makeham and Messrs. B. Price and J. Gale. choir members, C.E.B.S. leaders P. Fredericks and B. Price, and the many people who have committed themselves on rosters as sidesmen, church cleaners and members of the Ladies' Guild on the Creche, flower arranging and brass cleaning rosters.

NEW DIOCESAN BOUNDARIES

During the last annual meeting of Synod in Adelaide, a motion for the alteration of the boundaries of the Willochra and Adelaide dioceses was passed. This means that eventually Woomera's church will belong to the Diocese of Willochra and come under the jurisdiction of the bishop of that diocese.

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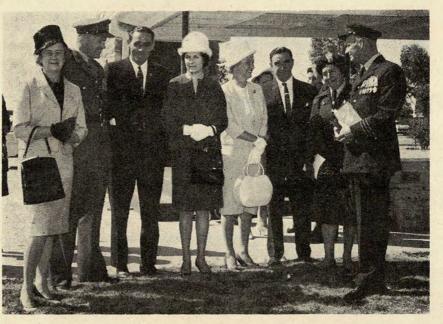
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THE UNITED CHURCH Christian Outreach Programme

The most cordial Christmas greetings of the United Church are extended to people in all sections of the community. It is our prayerful wish that the season of goodwill may enhance

and enrich the lives of all who are privileged to live and work in Woomera.

Well into his third year of ministry, Padre Jim Henderson, relishes the high morale of the missile village, its co-operative spirit and the out-going attitude of leaders in the mission of the church.



COMMUNITY LEADERS COMMEMORATE NATIONAL DAYS

Anzac Day and Battle of Britain services have been attended by service and community leaders. Mrs. J. D. Honeysett, Colonel J. D. Honeysett (superintendent), Mr. V. Freak (president, R.S.L.), Mrs. V. Freak, Mrs. L. Bird, Mr. T. Lynch (P.A.O.), Mrs. G. Beckman (commissioner of Girl Guides), Wing Commander L R. Bird (Comhanding Officer R.A.A.F.).

ANDAMOOKA HOSPITAL OUTPOST

The Rt. Rev. William Young, B.A., Moderator-General, Presbyterian Church of Australia, Padre J. Henderson, Sister M. Burrows, Sister M. Howden, Rev. Arthur Cottrell. The official opening of the Outpost Hospital at the Andamooka Opal Fields. Built by the Australian Inland Mission and assisted as an outreach project by the ladies' fellowship and men's fellowship.

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YOUTH PAND CHURCH

THE "UNITEDS" SCINTILLATED IN BASKETBALL FINAL

After a successful season in women's basketball the "Uniteds" defeated the premier team (Village) in the first semi-final but were outplayed by the brilliance of the Village premiers in the grand final, losing by five goals. Front row: Judy Smith (captain), Sandra Morley, Margaret Trench, Merryl Jarvis; back row: John James (coach), Jill White, Joan Zajicek, Judy Brinkworth, Heather James (vicecaptain); absent: Beth Abbott. Judy Smith won the trophy for best and fairest and Sandra Morley best goal thrower in the association, and five of the girls made the representative team for Whyalla.



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A PRACTICAL APPROACH TO YOUTH WELFARE

The "Any Questions Panel," was part of the research programme of the church council's concern for Woomera youth. Twenty-two, out of 80 questions submitted were attempted by Dr. Arthur De Bruin, Miss Deidre Brown (vouth club), Mrs. G. Beckman (ladies' fellowship), and Mrs. Paul Neil (youth club compere).

The church sponsored the formation of the Woomera Youth Welfare Committee which is now working toward a youth centre for the young people of the community.

"WHAT IN THE WORLD" ARE WE DOING?

Church leaders this year set themselves the task of making the witness and work of the church more outgoing in scope. Some of the council and management committee who planned the "Church at Work in the World Programme" of service to others outside the church. Front row: Mrs. D. Brinkworth, honorary secretary; ladies' fellowship, Mrs. T. Lynch (president); Mrs. E. Kenny (committee); back row: Mr. David Grice (assistant minister); Mr. Milton Hunkin (music director, research tutor); Padre J. Henderson, Mr. D. Brinkworth (honorary secretary management committee); Mr. E. W. Kenny (council clerk, Primary Sunday School superintendent). Twenty "outside" interests were supported during the year, and participation in community leadership has been widened.

COMBINED CHURCHES CULTURE GROUP TERMINATION SOCIAL

Considerable interest was shown by a class of 50 teenagers in ballroom dancing instruction. Conducted over 15 weeks by voluntary instructors, students and parents combined for the graduation night in the United Hall.

The United Youth Club under the direction of David Grice and Paul Neal's committee continued a programme of teenage socials and entertainment, alternating with the Church of England Youth Club.

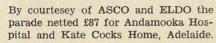


WINTER FASHION PARADE AT ELDO PROVIDES FUNDS FOR UNITED CHURCH CHARITIES



Rehearsing at ASCO Frock Shop are Miss Lorraine Woodcock and Mr. David Grice.

Displaying garments at the parade, Miss Roslyn Leverington.





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THE UNITED CHURCH - "WORSHIP RESEARCH ESTABLISHMENT"

In a sincere attempt to make its message and mission more relevant to contemporary society the church has experimented in communication and attempted research in depth. The teaching techniques have been tried of Public Open Forum, Panel Discussion, a Teach-In, Youth Services in the Modern Idiom, Celluloid Sermons, Tableau, and Truth through Personality talks. National Leaders of the three Uniting Churches have paid official visits, Social welfare work has been undertaken, Junior Church has been incorporated in the morning worship and Lay leadership has been the keynote this year.

It is a source of great delight to the United church that such a wholesome relationship with the other churches exists, splendid backing is given by the Administration at all levels, and work among the Services is so rewarding.

We wish you all a worthwhile year in 1966, with prosperity and a deepening of your personal faith.

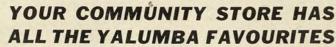


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Area School Report

By M. P. HUNKIN

Headmaster inspects Grade III under Miss Alm.

The school is also a centre for junior basketballers and softballers and when the oval becomes fully ready and able to stand up to constant wear we hope that other codes of sport will be able to use the facility.

Children at this school lead a very full life with many extras provided. There have been two swimming carnivals - one for primary and one for secondary; sports day; secondary socials; sports trips; special sports matches, one of which, in which the male staff played the girls at basketball proved a very happy occasion. A group of senior girls played in the women's basketball association with success.

Public examinations results were above State average and very pleasing. Eight scholarships resulted from them.

The parent bodies have been most interested in and worked well for the school. The committee piggery still brings a good return and the welfare club has staged some money raising functions. Parents are to be thanked for donating £250 by voluntary contribution. The welfare club requested that parents make much greater use of school uniform and a noticeable increase is noted.

As headmaster I would like to express great satisfaction at the keenness of the staff to do all they can to perform their duties well and the co-operation of the staff has been exemplary. With this attitude we hope that the school will be able to continue to serve the district well in the days ahead,

and thoughtfulness of the administration and workmen have been much steadily with numbers standing at 870 appreciated.

There have been many visitors to our school during the year, notably the Governor-General last March, but also by individuals and groups who have given talks to the children and by other school groups who have come to play sport in competition with us. These have come from Andamooka. Port Augusta and Quorn. Our children have had trips away to Port Augusta Adelaide and Orroroo and in April our scholars brought back the Handicap Athletic Shield from the Northern mal currency has started the ball rolling Secondary Schools sports. Whilst in Adelaide several gained medals in the State swimming titles.

The library is growing in strength and usefulness under a keen and zealous

The tuck shop is now achieving a full purpose with an increased menu and faithful supervisors.

teristic of the town — that of many changes in personnel. Both teachers and children shuttle to and fro. This year nearly 150 children have left the school and others have taken their

The school here acts also as a centre for adult learning. Classes under the Adult Education scheme and those organised by the South Australian Institute of Technology are held here, tions of the area and the co-operation

The school is continuing to grow in September, 1965. Next year Woomera has been awarded the privilege of a fifth year matriculation class which will allow young people to remain at school to prepare for university. This will both raise the status of the school and make it a more useful entity to the

Courses of study are changing rapidly in our schools and in the next few years parents will be aware of extreme changes. This will be particularly noticeable in mathematics where decibut interesting new kinds of mathematics such as estimation, sets and graphs are now being enjoyed by primary children.

In the high school section, the specialisation to physics and chemistry will not begin till the leaving - all science to intermediate standard will be general in character involving some of at least five branches of the sciences as we know them today. The new Our school suffers from a charac- creative art and craft course in primary grades has developed extremely well in our school with interesting results.

> The time for the provision of a new building to house the secondary part of the school is apparently near. This building is urgently needed to house the growing number attending our school.

> As in past years the school has been well cared for by the various work sec

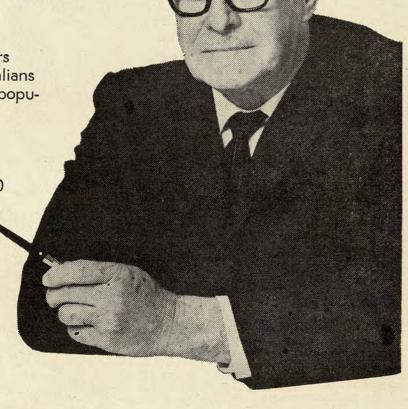
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12th year of operation proved to be a was sponsored by the American "CQ" very interesting and useful one for its radio magazine. members.

In this time, 455 other amateurs were contacted; 260 in Australia, and 195 overseas, with 193 QSL cards sent out.

The club made a special effort to play a useful part in the international "Project Oscar" scheme. The equipment used included a 144 Mc band transmitter (built by the club especially for the task), two receiving systems, a recorder and a steerable antenna. The effectiveness of the project was reduced by a malfunction of the spacecraft, but the initiating group was still able to obtain valuable data for future efforts.

In the world-wide "CQ" DX contest, single band CW section, the club station VK5WC, operated by member Bruce Wheeler, was the highest scoring South Australian station. Bruce contacted 30 countries in 22 zones, despite the fact that he only worked 28 of the 48 hours allowed. This effort brought him a total of 12,324 points. which is more than twice the 5,811 points gained by the club when it won

VK5WC took part in the last Australian Remembrance Day contest, and was on the air for the 24 hours. 174 contacts were made, making a score of 439 points for South Australia. The station was operated mainly by Bruce VK5BV, with George Clayton and Gerry Albeck BCRS1141 keeping the

The club, since its inception has received 1,717 QSL cards, with 112 countries confirmed in 40 zones.

At the 1965 annual general meeting the following officers were elected and appointed:

Committee: President, Mr. J. J. Mount; secretary, Mr. I. Strachan; treasurer, Mr. G. Clayton; fourth member, Mr. R. Thrum; fifth member, Mr. B. Wheeler.

Appointees: W.E.R.C. delegate, Mr. I. Strachan; QSL manager, Mr. G. Albeck; librarian, Mr. B. Wheeler; disposals officer, L. Schwartzner; technical officer, Mr. R. Thrum; publicity officer, Mr. J. Cooper.

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Foundation of Sportsmen's

Association

The Sportsmen's Association of Australia emanated from the Cancer Appeal conducted in Victoria during 1958, when the whole community was divided into various groups for the purpose of fund raising and each was allotted a target designed to help raise a total of £1,000,000.

The late Walter Lindrum was asked to form a sporting committee of prominent sportsmen with an allotted target of £15,000 to raise.

On Tuesday, February 25, 1958, a meeting was held following invitations from Walter Lindrum and a committee formed with Walter Lindrum as president.. Jack Sturrock and Doug Bachli as vice-presidents. When the appeal closed on June 30, 1958, the Sportsmen's committee had contributed £57 000

FORMATION

With many new friendships established through the efforts of the committee it seemed a pity to disband such prolific fund raising potential. Walter Lindrum suggested that the Sportsmen should form an association for this

So on August 13, 1958, the Sportsmen's Association of Australia was formed with Walter Lindrum as president and duly registered in all States.

On June 19, 1960, the South Australian division was formed by a group of sportsmen who met at the home of Colin Hayes, a well known sportsman. John Marriott was elected president, Sir Donald Bradman, Ossie O'Grady and Wyndham Hill-Smith as vicepresidents, with Reg Blythman as secretary and Tom Wigley as treasurer.

Divisions are now in operation also in Western Australia, Tasmania, Queensland with New Guinea just forming.

The South Australian division has purchased a property in Adelaide and it is intended to build a clubhouse in five stages at a final cost of £200,000.

Facilities provided will be kitchen, dining room, bar, sheltered car park, gymnasium, sauna bath, conference rooms, lounges, administrative offices, heated swimming pool and a 32 double room residential area.

WOOMERA SUB-BRANCH

The inaugural meeting was held in the theatre annexe on Tuesday, June 30, 1964, and the 30 members present were addressed by Reg Blythman, State and Federal secretary. After it had been agreed that a sub-branch be formed the following officers were elected: Patron, Group Captain J. R. Perrin; chairman, Dick Zehender; secretary, Bill Cox; treasurer, Eric Richard; committee, Roy Ellin, Dick Garnaut, Maurie Mackay, Bill Mole and Dave Sando.

Shortly afterwards Eric Richards resigned owing to an overseas trip and Bill Mole was elected to the position of treasurer, his place on the committee was taken by Harry Stapleton and John Wells was seconded as publicity officer. Due to the posting of Group Captain Perrin the committee approached Colonel J. D. Honeysett who agreed to accept the position of patron.

SPORTSMEN AND SPORTSWOMEN

AWARDS

A general meeting on August 18, 1964. endorsed a recommendation from the committee that trophies, to be known as the "Woomera Lindy Award," be presented to an outstanding sportsman and sportswoman nominated by each sport affiliated with the Woomera Entertainment and Recreation Committee. The name "Lindy" is derived from the name of the association's founder, the late Walter Lindrum.

The points taken into consideration in the the selection of each of these award winners by each governing body are: (1) Impact on sport generally; (2) Ability; (3) Other awards won during the season; (4) Interest in club activities and administration; (5) Number of years engaged in active sport: (6) Any other salient points.

From these "Woomera Lindy Award" winners the sub-branch committee chooses the sportsman and sportswoman of the year. Further awards were also agreed upon for the junior sportsman and junior sportswoman of the year. These are to be chosen from juniors under 21 years of age playing their first season in senior competition.

The unanimous choice of Sportsman of 1964 was C. (Blue) Waller, the Australian Rules Lindy Award winner and Sportswoman of 1964 was Mrs. R. Kuhne, the Women's Basketball Lindy Award winner.

Other winners of the Woomera Lindy Award for 1964 were: Golf, Mr. A. Cook and Mrs. M. Cooke; rugby, Mr. H. Gerrard; bowls, Mr. L. Vine and Mrs. G. Mitchell; soccer, Mr. N. Stidolph; tennis, Mr. T. Nestor; swimming, Mr. L. Rogers and Miss D. West; table tennis, Mr. P. Nottage and Miss J. Lee; judo, Mr. N. Pennington; badminton, Mr. W. Tape; pistol, Mr. R.

Junior Sportsman of 1964 was S. Wright, Australian Rules and Junior Sportswoman, J. Radford, Women's Baskethall

These trophies were all presented at a "Lindy" cabaret, held in the Community Hall, on Friday, October 30, 1964, by the patron, Group Captain Perrin, State and Federal secretary, Mr. Reg Blythman and Miss Sportsmen's Association, 1964, Jan Ferrier. The night was voted a success by the big crowd that attended and it was unanimously decided to make the awards and "Lindy" cabaret an annual

For 1965, there was a further trophy, presented by Montgomery's and valued at approximately £30. This is presented for the most outstanding achievement by a Woomera sportsman or sportswoman on or off the area.

The Lindy Award winners for 1965 are: Golf, L. M. Bird and Mrs. J. Flanegan; bowls, Mr. I. Roberts and Mrs. G. Mitchell; table tennis, Mr. D. Zeliff and Mrs. M. Kirkpatrick; tennis, Mr. R. Foster and Mrs. S. Gerrard, soccer, Mr. N. Stidolph; basketball, Mr. M. Green and Mrs. N. Smith; cricket, Mr. G. Noblett; go-karts, Mr. S. Fairfield; Australian Rules, Mr. W. Hooker; rugby, Mr. R. Kopp; swimming, Mr. F. Corcoran.

The five main awards went to Bill Hooker (Sportsman of the Year), Mrs. Gen Mitchell (Sportswoman of the Year), Trevor Overall (Junior Sportsman of the Year), Robyn Roberts (Junior Sportswoman of the Year), and Margaret McGuire (Montgomery trophy for outstanding sporting achieve-

MEMBERS

On Friday, September 3, 1965, Jack Mansfield was signed up as the 100th member of the sub-branch. It is hoped to conduct a membership drive and give each member a target to sign up one new member.

The committee decided to start a 200 Club as a steady source of revenue. Over a period of 20 weeks £650 was paid out in 160 prizes and £350 profit was absorbed into sub-branch funds.

MISS WOOMERA SUB-BRANCH QUEST

At the end of February, 1965, the committee decided to organise a local quest in order to choose a Miss Woomera Sub-branch who would be entered by the sub-branch in the Miss Sportswomen's Association of 1965 quest. It was decided to donate £100 to the winner and a further £50 to the girl who raised the most money, the

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prizes to come from sub-branch funds and not from money raised in the quest.

Three girls entered in the quest, Miss Pauline Daley, Miss Staff Mess; Miss Diedre Brown, Miss Pistol Club; and Miss Jan Woodcock, Miss Junior Staff Club.

Energetic committees supported these girls with the result that a large sum of money was raised for the Spastic Centre in less than six weeks. With the assistance of A.S.C.O. and the choral society a fashion parade-variety concert was staged for the judging on Tuesday, April 13. The judges, Mrs. J. D. Honeysett, Mrs. K. Sweeney and Mr. M. P. Hunkin chose Miss Jan Woodcock as Miss Woomera Subbranch. Jan also won the Miss Woomera Charity title and was able to attend the Adelaide judging of Miss Sportsmen's Association with a credit of £1,910, which amount easily won the title of Charity Queen.



Miss Jan Woodcock coming on stage at the Woomera Theatre to be crowned Miss Woomera Sub-branch at the judging night in April.

The grateful thanks of the subbranch and the Spastic Centre must go to these girls and their committees for the wonderful job they did at such short notice and in such a short time.

ANZAC DAY BOOTH

The committee agreed to run the refreshment booth at the Newman Oval for the Anzac Day sports meeting and donate all profits to the R.S.L. for their charities. A successful day was had and resulted in a cheque for £29/3/4 being handed to the R.S.L.

An evening of sporting films was held in the Woomera Theatre, the proceeds being in aid of the Home for Incurables. Although an interesting programme was provided the response was very poor and resulted in only a small sum being

During the year sums of money were donated to various charities, viz., Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal, £5/5/-; Churchill Fund, £5/5/-; Kate Cocks Home, £10/10/-; and £20 to two youths who would have been charged by the State Police if money had not been made available to get them back to their homes in Victoria.

The committee with the assistance of Reg Blythman, booked 30 seats for the preliminary football final in Adelaide on September 25, 1965, and 30 seats for the grand final on October 2,

The Woomera Board bus was booked to take members to the preliminary final and to the association picnic at the Virginia Oval on Sunday, September 26.

It was agreed at the annual general meeting held on Friday, September 10, 1965, that the sub-branch should seek affiliation with the W.E.R.C. as many of their aims are parallel to those of the association.

FUTURE PLANS

The committee has suggested to the South Australian division that serious thought be given to the sponsoring of visits between sub-branches for the purpose of engaging in various sports and getting to know other members. It is also hoped to bring top line sportsmen to Woomera from time to time in the interest of assisting Woomera clubs.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, 1965

The outgoing committee felt that perhaps something special should be held for this year's annual general meeting. It was decided, therefore, that a members' dinner be held at 7 p.m., followed by the meeting at 8.30 p.m.

A good gathering attended and enby Mr. Don Kirkpatrick. Distinguished perous and sporting New Year.

guests present were the patron. Colonel J. D. Honeysett, principle administrative officer, Mr. T. Lynch, secretary Woomera Board and editor, Gibber Gabber, Mr. P. Donnelly. From Adelaide came State and Federal secretary, Mr. Reg Blythman, chairman of the building appeal committee, Mr. John Burton, and International cricketer. Barry Jarman.



International cricketer, Barry Jarman. chats with chairman, Dick Zehender, at the association's annual general meeting on September 10.

The new committee elected for the coming year consisted of Dick Zehender, chairman; Nick Goodall, secretary; Bill Mole, treasurer, Bernie Ritchings, John Wells, Jack Flanegan, Bob Mitchell, Snow Radford, Dick Garnaut, Harry Stapleton.

The treasurer's statement of receipts and expenditure showed that the income for the first 12 months of operation was £4,391/5/6, which was reduced to £216/8/1 after prize money and contributions

After the meeting Barry Jarman gave a very interesting talk on his overseas tours with the Australian cricketers.

On Saturday morning he and John Burton conducted a cricket clinic for juniors at the school oval. A bat donated by Barry and competed for by the boys was won by Ashley Malone.

GENERAL

The committee feels that the Woomera Sub-branch of the Sportsmen's Association of Australia has found its feet during its first 12 months of existence and is now a permanent fixture in the life of Woomera. They also consider that they are fast gaining the confidence of the people of Woomera and are now in a position to concentrate on giving more assistance within the area and doing more for their own members.

The sub-branch wishes all residents joyed an excellent dinner catered for a Merry Christmas and a very pros-

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Registered swimmers a record

The Woomera Amateur Swimming Club completed the 1964-65 season with a record membership and with many creditable performances from individual members

Membership during the year comprised some 200 juniors and 30 seniors.

The objects of the club included the encouraging and teaching of swimming and diving, and life saving methods. To facilitate these, classes were conducted:

- Learn to Swim to overcome fear of water and learn to swim.
- Advance Learn to Swim to improve style and stroking.
- · Life saving.

Those wishing to join "Learn to Swim" classes were not required to join the club and all lessons were free. In all, 46 children learned to swim properly and about 100 others either swam their first couple of strokes or overcame all fear of water. Thanks to Monty Park and Babs Norton who conducted these classes.

The advanced swimming classes were introduced late in the season. A more concentrated effort will be placed into these classes this season.

Individual coaching in both swimming and diving was available to members from club coaches, Dick Parker and Jim Ruddy.

Twelve members earned certificates for life saving as a result of classes held on Monday nights throughout the season. Thanks to Don Gray and Jerry Tipping for their time and efforts in this regard.



Wing Commander L. M. Bird presenting most improved trophy to Robert Beare (right) and runner-up trophy to Leigh Chamberlain.

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Marathon swims were continued in an effort to increase the swimmers' endurances, 74 members received Blue Badges for swimming 160 lengths, two received Red Badges for 750 lengths and six were presented with Gold Badges for 1.500 lengths.

Of particular interest is the fact that Mrs. P. Hawkins and son Russell both earned a Gold Badge, whilst sevenyear-old Elspeth swam 265 lengths for a Blue Badge.

On Sunday mornings, handicap races were conduced to improve the four styles and endurance and to provide competitive spirit The season began with 12 races being held between



Padre J. Henderson presenting trophies to Frank Corcoran (left), Rosslyn Leverington and Robert Leverington for diving championship.

Ladies diving (14 years and over): First Rosslyn Leverington. Men's diving (14 years and over), First, Frank Corcoran, second, Robert Leverington.

11 a.m. and 12.30 p.m. and came to a close with 28 races being held in just over the same period of time.

Jan Whittle (four years) was the youngest to swim in races, whilst club coach Dick Parker was the eldest, at many years older!

On February 28, the club conducted the Shell Age Group Championships for this area. Events were open to all school children under 14 years of age. All 16 Woomera Area representatives, Adelaide on March 27, were memebrs of the W.A.S.C.

The Woomera Club carnival was held



Wing Commander L. M. Bird presenting most improved trophy to Margaret McGuire (right) and equal runners-up Jenny Beare and Elspeth Hawkins (front).

swimmer in each style over an appropriate distance. Highlight of the day was perhaps the diving championship, which included Rosslyn Leverington and Frank Corcoran, who are the current holders of the South Australian Country Diving ladies' and men's titles respectively. Rosslyn eventually won the "Collins" trophy for this event. The carnival provided excellent entertainment for all those who attended.

A group of life savers, under the leadership of Mr. Keith Fulton, from Adelaide, provided excellent examples of life saving, swimming styles and water skills on Sunday, March 21. Woomera Entertainment and Recreational Committee are to be thanked for their financial aid which made possible

The following members receive special mention for outstanding performances: Chris Anderson, Geoffrey Beare, Jenny Beare, Robert Beare, Malcolm Bell, Geraldine Bird, Leigh Chamberlain, Peter Chamberlain, Frank Corcoran, John Corcoran, Mary-Anne Corcoran, Jane Drake-Brockman, Lindy Ettridge. Cheryl Evans, Robyn Ginnane, Philip who competed in the finals held at Hall, Deborah Handley, Mark Hanisch, Elspeth Hawkins, Russell Hawkins, David Higgins, Rosslyn Leverington, Marianne Lloyd, Tom Lloyd, Jerome on March 14. Championship races McGuire, Margaret McGuire, Julie were contested in order to find the best Mitchell, Scott Mitchell, Brian Parker,

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Jane Parker, Susan Parker, Ann Roselt, tions. To Mr. R. Zehender, Wing- contact a committee member, who will Tullett

The club committee wish to thank all volunteer helpers — their assistance has been most appreciated. A special Henderson, thanks for sparing valuable

It is the aim of the club to advance In conclusion, the W.A.S.C. wish word of thanks to donors of trophies its activities in all fields - there are readers a happy "Stand-Down" period who provide the sole means of finance, many improvements that can be made. and look forward to a bigger, brighter

Helen Roselt, Robin Sweeney, Kathryn Commander L. M. Bird and Padre be only too happy to pass forward the idea at the next meeting. The club time to present trophies and awards at values opinions and constructive criticisms.

excepting club membership subscrip- If readers have any suggestions please and better 1965/66 swimming season.

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WOOMERA FOOTBALL LEAGUE

1965 Football in retropsect

At the annual general meeting in were awarded to Mr. Harry Stapleton March the following were elected to and Mr. Reg Fishwick. Congratulations the league for 1965:

Patron, Mr. P. Bell; chairman, Mr. W. Leverington; vice-chairman, Mr. H. Shattock; secretary treasurer, Mr. G. Overall: assistant secretary, Mr. S. Inches; auditor, Mr. F. Lines.

Commissioners: Mr. H. Zehender. Mr. S. Gilliver, Mr. F. Lines, Mr. D. Jones, Mr. P. Beattie, Mr. G. Beckmar.

PREMIERS

Congratulations to the Village Football Club on winning the flag for 1965. Their percentage of 73.61 at the end of the minor round was a creditable performance. To lose only two matches in 12 is no mean effort.

Although the Tigers did not take it out, congratulations are in order for their valiant effort right throughout the season. As everyone knows a tiger is dangerous when wounded, as Village found out on August 8.

To R.A.A.F., Centrals and Koolymilka, congratulations on your determined effort. We all know that only two teams can play in a grand final, so now is the time to plan for 1966.

AREA AND MAIL MEDALS

Congratulations to Bill Hooker of the Village Club in winning the coveted Area and Mail Medals for the fairest and most brilliant player during 1965. Bill has given a lot to football in Woomera both on and off the field and his win was a popular one. Thanks to Peter Bell, league patron, for donating the Area Medal, and also to the News and Mail for their medal.

The league extends its thanks to the commissioners for their efforts during the season. They have not an easy task to perform, but they carried out their duties in an able manner.

Without a bank of umpires, the league would not be able to function, so thanks for a job well done is extended to them. Under the coaching of Sid McKieg they did an excellent job even though at times some supporters did not see eye to eye with their decisions but this is a barrackers' perogative.

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

It was with great pleasure that the league presented two life memberships for excellent services rendered. These

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to you both and thank you for your sterling service.

LINDY AWARDS

The league's nominations for this coveted award were Bill Hooker for the senior trophy and Trevor Overall for the junior. Both of these players are from Village Club. Thanks to the Woomera Sub-branch of the Sportsmen's Association for making the Lindy Award possible.

Well, that winds up season 1965, and we are already planning for the next one as it will not be long before it is

In conclusion, the Woomera Football League extends to all Woomera residents the compliments of the season and a very prosperous 1966.



Bill Hooker receives a congratulatory handshake from Mr. P. Bell, who had presented the Area Medal for best and fairest in 1965. Mr. Bell, patron of the Woomera Football League, donated the medal. Bill also won the Mail Medal and the Senior Lindy Award.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

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Village -	-	-	-	-	12	10	
Works -	-	-	-	-	12	8	
Centrals -	-	-	-	-	12	6	
R.A.A.F	-	-	-	-	12	4	
Koolymilka	-	-	-	-	12	2	

MATCH RESULTS, 1965

May 2: Village 15.24 defeated Centrals 5.12; R.A.A.F. 12.11 d. Works 6.17.

May 9: Village 17.15 d. Kooly 3.5: Works 15.17 d. Centrals 13.17.

May 16: Village 17.24 d. R.A.A.F. 4.3; Kooly 7.6 d. Centrals 3.6.

May 23: Works 13.8 d. Kooly 10.10; Centrals 7.10 d. R.A.A.F. 4.11.

May 30: Village 9.15 d. Works 2.1; R.A.A.F. 8.15 d. Kooly 5.8.

June 6: Village 13.5 d. Centrals 3.11; Works 13.20 d. R.A.A.F. 6.13.

June 13: Village 18.16 d. Kooly 5.8; Works 14.16 d. Centrals 8.10.

June 20: Centrals 10.18 d. Kooly 4.8: Village 19.25 d. R.A.A.F. 4.4.

June 27: Centrals 12.10 d. R.A.A.F. 10.6; Works 14.10 d. Kooly 2.3.

July 4: Village 19.13 d. Works 5.17; R.A.A.F. 12.12 d. Kooly 10.7.

July 11: Centrals 6.10 d. Village 5.9; Works 10.14 d. R.A.A.F. 6.12.

July 18: Village 21.16 d. Kooly 7.8; Works 14.12 d. Centrals 4.11.

July 25: Village 20.19 d. R.A.A.F. 8.8: Centrals 17.10 d. Kooly 6.11.

August 1: Kooly 12.15 d. Works 11.13: Centrals 14.19 d. R.A.A.F. 7.10.

August 8: Works 12.19 d. Village 10.15; R.A.A.F. 11.4 d. Kooly 8.12.

First semi-final: R.A.A.F. 6.5 d. Centrals 5.10.

Second semi-final: Village 10.14 d. Works 5.7.

Preliminary final: Works 13.19 d. R.A.A.F. 2.12.

Grand final: Village 11.15 d. Works

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F.	Wernert (Centrals)	-	-	-	-	33
T.	Beckman (Village)	-	-	-	-	30
T.	Overall (Village) -	-	-	-	-	28
B.	Dempsey (Village)	-	-	-	-	27
D.	O'Neil (R.A.A.F.)	-	-	-	-	26

(End of minor round)

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llage	-	-	-	-	-	12	10	2	1314	471	26	73.61
orks ·		-	-	-	-	12	8	4	928	811	22	53.36
ntrals	-	-	-	-	-	12	6	6	756	829	18	47.69
A.A.F.	-	-	-	-	-	12	4	8	661	1031	14	39.06
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WORKS FOOTBALL CLUB - "TIGER TALK"

Another "silly season" finished. another "runner-up" in the pennant. A rather disappointing finish to a comparatively good year-more "ups" than "downs" and consequently an overall improvement in club functions and activities

The pre-season activities involved a

considerable amount of voluntary the club must first acknowledge the labour from club members in preparation of the new club rooms and the preparation for next season's battle.

R.A.A.F. FOOTBALL

ball Club takes the opportunity to not on the posting list next season. extend to the residents of Woomera the the 1965 season.

though not winning any of the major awards, compensations were numerous. Much can be attributed to coaches Bob job was not made any easier by the

The R.A.A.F. Australian Rules Foot- it is to be hoped their husbands are

After many setbacks the much disheartiest of the season's greetings, and cussed and planned trip away eventhanks them for their support during tuated, and 19 players boarded the aircraft on Friday, September 10, for The season proved to be one of the R.A.A.F. Base, Williamstown. The team most successful for some time, and was well received, but the work of the subtle saboteurs on Friday night was of no avail, when R.A.A.F. Woomera emerged victors the following after-Anderson and Peter Beare for their noon, 9.10 to 7.12. It is sincerely hoped strenuous efforts throughout. Their that R.A.A.F. can reciprocate the hospitality shown to players by William-



R.A.A.F. FOOTBALL CLUB

Back Row: D. Martin, G. Benthein, B. Woodrow, R. Bessen, P. Beare (vicecaptain), K. Kerwin, D. O'Neill, B. Hewston, N. Durand.

Centre Row: G. Day, T. Rix, A. Hull, R. Penno, R. Anderson (captain), G. Russell, N. Ashman, B. Donnon, D. Wray.

Front Row: A. Russell, K. Tipping, A. Phillip, B. Parker, R. Sanderson, P. Fredericks, A. Howard.

numerous postings, especially those of some of the key players.

The club rooms this year were redecorated, and were the scene of many enjoyable after-match socials, and it was pleasing to see so many visitors from other clubs. The successful functioning of any organisation depends on . its voluntary workers and supporters, and in this respect the Two Blues have been extremely fortunate. Not to distract from any of the encouragement given by our supporters, a special vote of thanks, however, goes to the members of the club's ladies' auxiliary for both their vocal and culinary support. Players' teas were a resounding success

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town during the 1966 season,

September 17 saw the end-of-season presentation night held in the Community Hall. It was a memorable evening enjoyed by all who attended. One notable absentee was past president Norm Durand, who proceeded on posting before the end of the season. The floor show, ably directed and produced by Doug Martin, was one of the highlights of the evening.

Squadron Leader Johnstone presented trophies to: (Best and Fairest), D. O'Neill; (Most Consistent), R. Bessen; (Best Utility), K. Tipping: (Consolation Prizes), A. Phillip, A. Hull, P. Beare, R. Anderson; (First Semi-final), P. mainly due to the women's efforts, and Beare; (Preliminary Final), A. Hull.

wonderful efforts of the "Tigresses" in the club rooms-Dawn Davidson, Loreffort was not in vain-pleasant rooms raine Gottwald, Pat Gebler, Joanne and and adequate facilities which will be Joan Collins, Judy Smith, Sue Bell, Bev maintained and further improved in Simpson, and many others - sincere thanks for the preparation of meals. Being a polite and considerate crew, cleaning up, help on "games nights"!

> Whilst plaudits are being made, a big "thank you" to everybody who assisted in any way at all-no matter how small your contribution, be assured that it was gratefully received as a help to the countless man hours required each year to keep a club functioning.

> The Tigers can never make any end of season report without reference and praise to the executive body of the Woomera Football League-congratulations and thanks for another smooth, efficient year of football administration.

The 1965 season had one feature which could have a bearing on future performances of the Tigers, the particular feature being the appearance of no less than seven juniors, viz., John Bell (13 games), Klause Wagnitz (13), Dick Turpin (10), Bob Spooner (8), Rod McFarlane (3), Peter Stone (1), and Trevor Harding (1). Each lad showed considerable ability and surprising courage.

Well done, fellers! We hope that we have you along for many seasons to come.

Life membership of the Works Football Club was conferred this year on Leo Gottwald and Ken Smith and all club members must be pleased at the choice of these two stalwarts. Congratulations and thanks, Leo and Ken, for your many years of unselfish service to the Tigers.

The club is also proud of the life membership of Woomera Football League granted to Reg Fishwick and Harry Stapleton for their various activities connected with the league over the past years. To Reg, in particular, this is a great honour-16 years of football administration and assistance which. unfortunately, for both the league and Works, culminated this year upon retirement. In only a few short months after this publication, we lose not only Reg, but also Frank "Dobber" Leefootball seasons for years to come will somehow seem barren and devoid of a lot of colour provided by these two "pirated" as gatekeepers alone-their other contributions every year to the Tigers will be sadly missed. To Reg and Dobber, a sad farewell, for you are leaving a gap in our ranks hard to fill. We all wish you a happy contented retirement for many years to come. You will go, but you will not be forgotten

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The 1965 Woomera football season will be recorded as one of the most successful ever for the Village Football Club.

The team, capably led by Bill Hooker. and coached by Ken Rau, were a strong combination throughout the season, and hit top form during the major round to take out the coveted premiership. The grand final success of the Blue and Whites gave them their seventh premiership pennant since the club's entry into the W.F.L. competition in 1952.

For a team consistently to produce such good form throughout the long winter season, deserves full praise to all players who participated.

The big factor in the Village team's success was the coaching effort given by Ken Rau. In his second year as coach, Ken earned the respect of all players in his charge, and set a fine example for young and old players alike by the conscientious and dedicated manner in which he carried out his coaching duties.

Further success went to the Blue and Whites when the captain, A. W. (Bill) Hooker, won the two top awards in the Woomera Football League, the Mail Medal and Area Medal. Bill has been one of Woomera's leading footballers over the past eight years, and this success in winning these awards and leading his team to victory in the grand final was a great personal achievement. Bill, who is a life member of the V.F.C. also won his club's best and fairest trophy, and was a nominee for the 1965 Lindy award donated by the Sportsmen's Association

After the tension and excitement of the grand final was over, a party of 40 players and officials journeyed to Berri for an end of season trip. An old Village identity and past president, Mr. Dean Lambert, arranged for the visit and a good time was had by all under his and the Berri Football Club's sponsorship.

Also in the dying weeks of the football season, the V.F.C. was host to the Cowell Football Club, who were very welcome guests. It was a return visit by the Cowell boys who sponsored the Village Club on a trip in 1957.

The success of the club does not depend on the efforts of its players alone, and the management committee of the V.F.C. would like to take this opportunity of thanking all our donors, supporters and ladies who gave so much to make the 1965 season a successful and indeed memorable one.

Christmas wishes and happy new year greetings are extended to all old and new Village supporters wherever they may be, and in 1966, it's on again!

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VILLAGE FOOTBALL CLUB'S SUCCESSFUL YEAR



1965 PREMIERSHIP TEAM

BACK ROW (left to right): B. Dempsey, M. Godfrey, P. Hardy, B. Farrant, W. Hunkin, B. Rumble, B. Ellis.

Centre Row: A. Fox, C. Chynoweth, K. Rau, M. Park, A. W. Hooker, R. Roper, J. McKay, M. Bormann.

Front Row: J. Kozlowski, J. De Favari, T. Overall, Darryl Smith (mascot), B. M. Jenkins, P. Durand. Absent: T. Beckman.

CENTRALS FOOTBALL CLUB

The club started off activities for the season a hive of activity looking for players old and new.

With Harry Glasson as president, the wheels were soon functioning with quizzes and social functions under way.

Fred Wernert was elected captaincoach with Terry Lavender filling the position of vice-captain.

Don Lahey held physical training, and soon had muscles aching and complaints of his being a slave driver were heard. Gradually smiles replaced complaints, and addicts were looking forward to their Monday night's exercises.

Fred Wernert took over from Don on oval training nights, and started the moulding of a solid team. Disappointment at times was apparent when there were only a few training, but occasionally surprise showed when Terry Lavender popped up with his boots.

July 1 saw farewell to Harry Glasson, who was adjourning to Adelaide. The club was sad to see the Glassons leave

took over the chair, and after a few reminders the lads decided it was best to go training than stand up to the president's bawling out.

Friday night games nights by this time were settled down, and some smooth calling was carried out by Mick Green and Joe Morton.

With players teas and a good "earbashing" the team was starting to shape up. Flashes of good football were seen, and hopes were soaring as the final series drew close.

Sitting in third position, Centrals had a chance to take off the flag. All hopes went crashing in the first semi, a wet day. Good play by the R.A.A.F., and Centrals went out of the final series for the first time since 1957. R.A.A.F. was the team to do it that year in a dust storm on the Woomera West Oval.

Congratulations to Fred Wernert for being the leading goalkicker for the Woomera Football League for the 1965

Congratulations must also go to Fred. Don Lahey and Peter Holness, for showing up so well in the voting for

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the two main medals.

Voting for the club's main trophies was close, with the following taking off the main prizes: Best and fairest, P. Holness; most consistent, D. Lahey; most improved, R. Heather; best backman, M. Green; best utility, F. Brown; best team man, T. Lavender; best club man, J. Morton; best forward, E. Moika; leading goalkicker, F. Wernert; most attentive at training, T. Ginnane; president's trophy, R. Hutchinson; coaches' trophy, W. Harvey; club trophy, F. Branson.

These trophies were presented on the night of September 18.

To finalise the season the team visited Streaky Bay on the long week-end in October

The president and committee of the club wish to thank those people who made up the many donations received during the season, also thanks to the willing workers and supporters.







Woomera Junior Football League

At the annual general meeting held third successive season when they Trophy for best under 13, Brendan in April, the following were elected to scored 12.6 (78 points) to a fighting the committee for 1965: president, Mr. Demon score of 10.8 (68 points). This D. W. Bowden; vice-president, Mr. R. match was originally scheduled to be Blunt; minute secretary, Mr. B. Cham- played as a curtain-raiser to the Senior berlain; secretary and treasurer, Mr. grand final on September 5, but, owing L. S. Davidson; publicity officer, Mr. R. Blunt; coaches, Mr. R. Dempsey (Demons), Mr. W. McFarlane (Magpies), Mr. P. Durand (Eagles), Mr. L. Jervis (Roosters).

The start of the season was a bit of a rush and there was no opportunity to play the customary trial games before the final allocation of boys to the teams for the 1965 season. There were, unavoidably, a few cross-postings early in the season in order to even up the teams. However, the final selections were firm by the end of the first minor round and teams continued as such for the remainder of the season.

The weather could not be faulted and rain only interfered with matches on two occasions — the second semi-final which was an all-wet affair and one other Saturday causing the complete abandonment of both matches for that

The premiership table at the end of the minor rounds was:

P. W. L. F. A. % Pts. Demons - 12 8 4 543 328 62.3 16 Eagles - - 12 7 5 492 459 51.7 14 Magpies - 12 5 7 447 480 48.2 10

by winning the Curnow Shield for the up, Keith Vine (Eagles). Mick Clough

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to the school holidays, the date had to be brought forward.

The game was fast right from the start and a record attendance of spectators were treated to clean fighting football right to the final siren. Both coaches, Joe Savage (Magpies) and Reg Dempsey (Demons), and the two opposing captains, Trevor Harding of the Magpies and Garry Hele of the Demons, are to be congratulated for their efforts in helping to put on what has proved to be the best grand final of the W.J.F.L. since the foundation of junior league football in Woomera in

The 1965 trophy presentation was held in the Baden-Powell hall, and Ron Kitchen, secretary of the S.A.F.L., was presented to the boys and distributed medallions to the winning Magpies.

Dick Zehender represented the Woomera Board and gave the Curnow Shield to the winning team while the president of the W.F.L. (Bill Leverington) presented the W.F.L. Trophy for the best and fairest.

Awards were as follows: W.J.F.L. Curnow Shield Premiers 1965, Magpies: Roosters - 12 4 8 502 662 41.9 8 runners-up, Demons. W.F.L. Trophy The grand final, played on August 28, for best and fairest. John Trigge saw the Magpies complete the hat-trick (Roosters). Tigers Trophy for runner-

Dempsey (Demons), Highest goalkicker, E. Moika (Demons, 32 goals).

Team Awards - Best and Fairest: R. McFarlane (Magpies), G. Hele (Demons), K. Vine (Eagles), M. Bowden (Roosters). Most Consistent: T. Harding (Magpies), M. Ryan (Demons), B. Parker (Eagles), J. Trigge (Roosters). Best Utility: W. Fox (Magpies), R. Davidson (Demons), M. Balshaw (Eagles), P. Stone (Roosters). Most Improved: T. Lloyd (Magpies), P. Dempsey (Demons), K. Corcoran (Eagles), D. Worthy (Roosters). Best Under 13: G. Thompson (Magpies), B. Dempsey (Demons), G. Beath (Eagles), R. Scholz (Roosters).

Early in the season an appeal was circulated to the messes in the area and sufficient capital was raised to purchase a set of guernseys for the Demons, while the W.E.R.C. very kindly came forward with a donation to cover the cost of another set for the Roosters.

Various money-raising schemes were introduced to the public, resulting in the financial position of the W.J.F.L. being the best ever at the end of a season

This season saw the departure of the popular Magpie coach, Bill McFarlane, for greener pastures and his place was ably filled by Joe Savage, of the Tigers. However, Bill is to be congratulated for the spadework he did in making the Magpies the premiers for the third successive season and Joe Savage for continuing the good work with such admirable results. One man's meat is another man's poison so - it will be very interesting to see who will be the premiers for 1966.

In conclusion, with the end of the junior football season in Woomera, the committee and lads of the W.J.F.L. wish to tender thanks to all parents and those interested members of the public who gave their unstinted support and helped make the 1965 season a memorable one. In particular thanks is offered to Messrs. McKeig, Matthews, Clough, Grindlay, Schaeffer, Perrin, Zehender, Park, Corcoran, Park and Simmons for umpire chores; the W.F.L. duties supplied gratis; the W.F.L. for assistance and guidance throughout the 1965 season; the Works Football Club for being our back-stop and their ability for meeting unstintingly, our many and varied pecuniary troubles; the Sportsmen's Association for offers of help and the various organisations, clubs and individuals who donated generously toward our various appeals thus helping to keep the wolf from the door.



THE MAGPIES - Winners of the W.J.F.L. Curnow Challenge Shield for 1965 Back Row: M. Turpin, J. Pryzbela, W. Fox, T. Carson, R. McFarlane (vicecaptain), N. Beck, J. Holcroft.

Centre Row: W. Lloyd, C. Anderson, I. Pryzbela, J. Savage (coach), T. Harding. (captain), T. Lloyd, R. Moika, P. Beck.

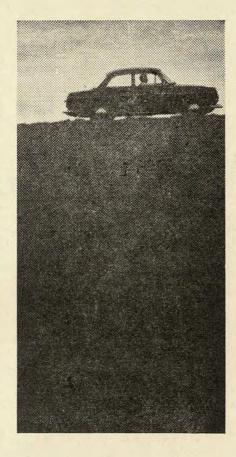
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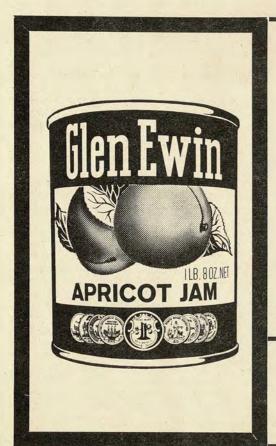
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WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Fewer teams in '65 Basketball Competition

A successful 1965 season has come to a close. Only seven teams competed this season, two fewer than the 1964 season.

Matches were held each Monday and Wednesday with the season starting in early May and finishing in September, with a break of two weeks in August when trainings were held for the combined teams going to Whyalla.

The two Woomera teams, although not bringing home any team trophies won three out of their seven matches, which was an excellent effort. Maxinne Ostermann (captain of Woomera 2 team) brought home the best and fairest country player. Woomera 1 won both of their matches on the Saturday but also lost on Sunday. Whyalla 1 once again took out the cup honours. Special mention must be made of Peter Box who coached both teams.

The weekly competitions continued with hard determined basketball played by all teams. The four teams to enter the major round were Village, United, Centrals and J.S.C. The other three teams School, Trotters and Kooly cannot be overlooked, as they helped to make the season a success.

VILLAGE LOST

One of the highlights of the season was the defeat of Village for the first time in four seasons, when United won the second semi-final. Village, however, came out on top as premiers in the grand final held on Saturday, September 11. An estimated crowd of 300 went to watch Village take out their fifth consecutive premiership. This match, played under excellent basketball conditions, was some of the best basketball ever witnessed at Woomera. with clean, hard basketball being played under the umpiring of Mrs. Eckerdt. Three State umpires were brought up to Woomera to umpire the final matches.

At the end of the grand final, the patroness (Mrs. J. D. Honeysett) presented the shield and medallions to Village captain Norma Thrower and to the Village team. Runner-up trophies were presented to the United team. Trophies for the best player in each team went to Roma Khune (Village) and Sandra Morley (United).

The presentation and wind-up dance was held in the Community Hall on

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Saturday, September 18. Mrs. Honeysett presented the association trophies to the following: Judy Smith, best and fairest; Sandra Morley, goal throwing; Robyn Stapleton, most consistent; Anne Sabolich, most improved junior.

The highlight was the presenting to Mrs. Yvonne Grace of a well-earned life membership. Mrs. Grace, during her ten years with the association, has filled the president's position for six seasons, vice-president's position for two years, and has been a delegate to the committee, player and coach for the Centrals basketball team. She has also represented Woomera at the Whyalla carnival. This is a most popular choice and all the girls thank

Yvonne for all the wonderful service she has given to the association.

Congratulations are also extended to Norma Smith and Robyn Roberts who were nominated by the committee for the Lindy Award being run by the Sportsmen's Association Woomera Sub-Branch.

The association once again extends sincere thanks to Mrs. T. Stocks and Mrs. B. Roads, the two umpires for the season, Mr. B. Bishop for driving the bus to Whyalla and "putting up with 30 odd girls," and to all the players and non-players who helped make the season a success. Special thanks to the W.E.R.C. for all the help they have given and to other trophy donors.

J.S.C. Basketballers not disgraced

At the start of the 1965 season there were only three of the original J.S.C. girls in the team, with most of the girls from he previous years leaving the area or retiring from the game.

It was very disappointing to see these girls leave as it does help immensely in the playing of basketball to have consistency in teamwork and to have system. However, along with the three original girls and others with basketball experience, a team was formed which was by no means disgraced in results and play throughout the season. All played as a team and although not the team to win all the time, it was a very happy and contented bunch of girls, inspired by the captain who never let them down.

Coach Neil Ashman, who unfortunately was not available throughout the whole season, gave encouragement and put players through their training with great enthusiasm, learning the game along with the team.

There were many moments through the season when members questioned "was it worth it?" but having the team spirit and the will to play fair, they battled on to reach the semi-finals in the major round, being the fourth top team. Disappointingly at the last moment there were only six girls to play in the semi-final, but each one of those girls went out with the spirit that is rarely seen, to have a good clean, hard game of basketball, knowing that they would almost be certain to lose. It was a hard battle and the better team won.

Although finishing the season with six girls, players were very proud that one of their girls, Robyn Roberts, was chosen as the Junior Lindy Award nominee for the association, and Ann Sabolich the most improved junior.

Another honour was bestowed upon the team by Di Riley and Chris Freak's being chosen to represent Woomera in the combined teams for Whyalla. It was playing at Whyalla that put captain Di Riley out of the semi-final of the association. She had the misfortune to injure a finger, but Di still came down to encourage and lead her girls in play from the side lines.

The season ended with a very enjoyable dinner and presentation night at ELDO Mess. Trophies for J.S.C. team went to: Bev Simpson (best and fairest), Robyn Roberts (most consistent), Gay White (best utility) and to Di Riley a trophy for the inspiration and leadership she gave throughout the 1965 season.

Maybe in the 1966 season a lot more of the original girls will stay with J.S.C. to come up and take off the premiership.



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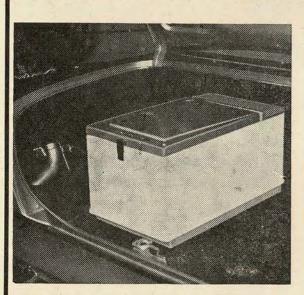
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Village Basketballers Premiers

Well, the 1965 basketball season has drawn to a close and Village team are once again happy and proud to have won the premiership shield.

This is the fifth consecutive win and during those five years Village has only been defeated in two matches.

Under the enthusiastic training of coach, Mal Phillips, players completed the minor round undefeated, despite the loss of two players, Marlene Heffernan and Maureen Revell.

Members extended a warm welcome to Rhonda Thamm from Adelaide, who joined for the closing matches of the minor round and helped through to the grand final.

The rest of the 1965 line-up included the "old Village girls" who have been with the team since its inception in 1961. These were Norma Smith, Jan Hooker and Elaine Powell.

The team was capably led this year by captain, Norma Thrower and vicecaptain, Roma Kuhne.

Lorna Easterbrook, who joined the Village ranks last season and Margaret Stidolph, who has played several seasons, completed the line-up.

Several close matches were played during the year, including the grand final when Village battled it out with United for top honours. This match was a crowd thriller as in the first term, United was ahead 7 goals to 1. By playing superior basketball, however, and using unselfish team play, Village girls fought back and proved to be the better team by winning the grand final by 5 goals.

The umpire's vote for best and fairest in this game went to defence player, Roma Kuhne.

After the big game, the girls and supporters retired to the Kuhne house to replay the match and to unwind taut nerves. At this get-together, congratulations were given to goal shooter, Norma Smith, who was nominated by the association for this year's Lindy award. This is the second year that this award has been made, and the second year that it has gone to a member of the Village team.

Also at this social gathering, the football club presented a trophy to their choice of the best and fairest for the grand final. This was capably won by attack wing, Margaret Stidolph. Margaret's display of fine basketball, which she kept up throughout the match, was a pleasure to watch.

The patron's trophy, awarded to best and fairest for the year, was won in fine style by centre player, Jan Hooker.

Throughout the year, Jan consistently gave of her best and through her determined efforts and unselfish team

play, was a worthy recipient

The year concluded with a premiership dinner, which was a wonderful success. It was here that sincere thanks were said to coach, Mal, and goodbyes to defence player, Lorna Easterbrook. Lorna has left Woomera to set up home in Carnarvon, W.A. Perhaps she will set up a new Village team there, too! Thanks, too, to the members of the association, all other teams and loyal supporters who have helped to make this year another successful one.

Special thanks to the staff of Gibber Gabber for the space allotted to us weekly.

Last but by no means least, the team's grateful thanks to their very patient husbands who have given such moral support and without whose baby sitting efforts, the girls could never have managed.



Back row: E. Powell, N. Smith, M. Revell, M. Stidolph, R. Thamm. Front row: L. Easterbrook, N. Thrower (captain), R. Kuhne (vice-captain), J. Hooker. Absent: M. Heffernan.

Centrals Women's Basketball Clubs, 1965

Centrals commenced their season under the expert coaching of Mr. Peter Box, ably assisted by Bev Morton, who was again selected as captain, and Rosslyn Leverington as vice-captain.

Although the team did not reach the grand final, some fine basketball was played, earning third position.

Goal scores throughout the season were exceptionally high, and full credit is given to Dot Ogilvie and Ros Leverington for their excellent goal shooting. Dot scored 309 goals, gaining second position in the association aggregate, and Ros with 239 goals gained third position.

Seven Centrals players were chosen for the training squad to represent Woomera at the Whyalla Carnival, with Peter Box being selected as coach of the squad. The highlight of the carnival was the winning of the Fairest and Best Country Player trophy, which was won by Centrals player Maxine Ostermann, who as vice-captain, played con-

sistently well to gain these honours.

To wind up the season, a presentation dinner was held at the E.L.D.O. Mess, where trophies were presented by Mr. L. Barnes, president of the Centrals Football Club, and Mrs. G. Grace, president of the W.W.B.B.A. Appreciation is given to both for coming along to help make the night a success. Trophy winners for the season were: Fairest and Best, won by Bev Morton; Most Consistent, won by Maxine Ostermann; Outstanding Goal Shooting, won by Dot Ogilvie; Best Team Girl, won by Ros Leverington; Most Enthusiastic. won by Ailsa Dixon; Most Improved, won by Annette Mayger.

Tokens of appreciation were presented to Pam Truswell, Margaret Hearn and Sue Westward. Thanks go to each girl for her efforts throughout the season, and to Centrals Football Club for assistance, to faithful trophy donors, and last, but not least, to Centrals coach for his inspiration and a job well done.

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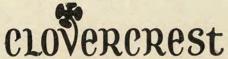
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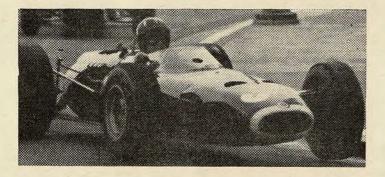


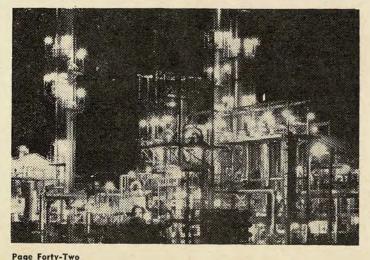
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Woomera Junior Soccer Association Has A Constitution

The Junior Soccer Association has further teams in the coming season, had a most successful season. Al- particularly in the younger age groups. though only formed in July, 1964, there It has been the ruling of the associawere 10 teams playing competitive tion not to turn any boy away who soccer on Saturday mornings during the season

This rapid expansion has required a high degree of effort on the part of the committee, and there has been considerable support from the boys themselves by their assistance in selling tickets to assist in fund raising.

A constitution was adopted during the year, and a new committee replaced the inaugural one formed in 1964. The superintendent honoured the association by becoming its patron.

Teams were separated into two divisions, namely, the Juniors and the Sub-Juniors. A very broad age group from six to 16 was catered for with the largest group of players being under 11. All boys playing were supplied with a team shirt and sox to match. As the season progressed it became evident that it would be necessary to hold stocks of soccer boots, white shorts, etc., for sale and these are now available from the secretary. A cloth club badge was also adopted during the season, and nearly 50 of these were sold to the boys.

Owing to the very large enrolment last season the committee has purchased more equipment and it is hoped to field wants to play irrespective of his age group.

siderably during the season which comlowed by a knock-out cup.

SUB-JUNIORS

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt	
Woomera Wolves	10	1	1	30	3	21	
Kooly Kubs	7	1	4	19	9	15	
E.L.D.O. Rovers	4	2	6	11	14	10	
Eyre Rangers	3	3	6	10	19	9	
Woomera							
Wanderers	3	3	6	8	23	9	
Stuart							
Hotspurs	2	4	6	7	17	8	
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The standard of play has risen conmenced with an exhibition match between the Desert Rats and the Tobruk Scorpions on Anzac Day. The competition proper started the week afterwards with a league programme fol-

The final league tables were as follows:

Woomera

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WOOMERA UNDER II TEAM

G. INCHES, R. McGOWAN, P. SARGEANT, P. SKOWRONSKI, C. CULLINAN AND G. BEARE.

J. HAYTER, S. THOMAS, J. QUILTER, B. SCHOLLAR, P. MALONE.

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The leading goal scorers were:

Sub-juniors: M. Bell (8), B. Carter (8), S. Ryan (7), D. Zasillo (7), K. Ritchings (6), K. Hodder (5).

Juniors: M. Hodder (21), D. Wright (16) D. Brooks (14), S. Westwood (14), P. Kirkpatrick (7).

In the knockout cup:

Kooly Kubs defeated Eyre Rangers 1 goal to nil.

Forrest Rovers defeated Giles City 4 goals to nil.

The Woomera Board chairman, Mr. A. W. Reilly, presented the trophies.

In August a Woomera youth team travelled to Whyalla to play the Wanderers youth team, and two exhibition matches were played by the younger players. In September, an Under 10 and an Under 11 side travelled to Elizabeth, where they undertook a week's tour against some of the best boys' teams in South Australia. The competition was exceptionally tough, and it is to our boys' credit that they did as well as they did. Above all, their conduct on the field was a credit to the association. The best performance perhaps was put up by the Under 10 side, who were unlucky to lose by the only goal from an all combined Elizabeth side.

The following boys undertook the tour of Elizabeth:

Under 10: A. Sweeney, R. Dall, I. Barry, M. Bell, K. Hodder, N. Carter, D. Zasillo, T. Davenport, G. McGuiness, L. McMahon, R. Stidolph, R. McGowan, R. Butterworth, D. Ramsbottom, Ian Miller.

Under 11: B. Schollar, P. Malone, G. Inches S. Mitchell, P. Sargeant, M. McGowan, G. Beare, K. Ritchings, J. Hayter, C. Cullinan, M. Blanshard, P. Skowronski, S. Prosser, J. Quilter, S. Thomas

A short pennant competition was held during the September school holidays, the winning teams were Woomera Wanderers and Giles City.

At the time of writing, plans are in hand to entertain the Elizabeth Park teams later this year, and it is hoped to have more visits from such teams in the future. Next season there is the possiblity of a return trip to Elizabeth and Whyalla, and the committee will be examining the possibility of taking one or two teams to New South Wales on tour. An over 16 team may be formed next season if there is the demand with the object of representing Woomera in youth matches, and per-

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SUB-JUNIOR CUP WINNERS - KOOLY KUBS

P. DAVIES, N. CARTER, J. QUILTER, D. JAMIESON, T. DAVENPORT, D. RAMSBOTTOM, K. SALVAGE, B. SCHOLLAR, D. THOMAS, S. ADDISON, G. PRIOR. COACH: K. PEDERSEN.

haps playing in the Woomera senior competition. Mr. K. Pederson will be the team manager of this youth side.

Boys of all ages from six years of age upwards who wish to play in the 1966 season should enrol with Mr. K. Pederson, 26 Barakee Street; Mr. L. Blanshard, 25 Gilghi Street; or Mr. J. S. Bell, 26 Borral Street, as soon as possible prior to the commencement of the season. Tentative arrangements for the 1966 season are to have Under 11 and Under 16 competitions.

Committee members: President, J. S. Bell; vice-presidents, Padre K. Chittleborough, Father G. Carmody; treasurer, Mr. A. Moore; secretary, Mr. L. Blanshard; assistant secretary, Mrs. I. Skowronski; publicity, Mr. B. Ritchings; registrar, Mr. K. Pederson; ladies' representative, Mrs. J. Hodder; committeemen, Mr. F. Williams and Mr. H. D. K. Kirkpatrick; chief coach, Mr. N. Stidolph; property officer, Mrs. H.

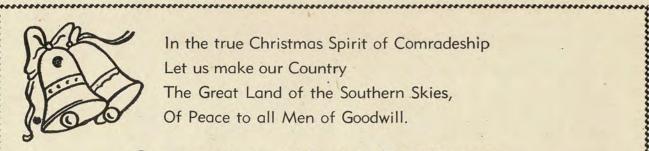
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Village took tennis final

once again won by the Village team, captained by Tom Nestor. This was one of the most closely fought tennis competitions seen for some time, with four teams-Village, Army, Glenmore and Dewmont-finishing with very few points between them. However, Village again finished on top by defeating Glenmore in the grand final.

The 1965 championships attracted less entries than in previous years, but competition was very keen. The results

Men's singles, Bill Coad; runner-up, John Wilson; men's singles plate, Des Bailey; men's doubles, Tom Nestor and Brian Dempsey; runner-up, Alan Christie and Colin Branch; ladies' singles, Iren Martens; runner-up, Barbara Anderson; ladies' singles plate, Shirley Gerrard; ladies' doubles, Irene Martens and Mary Gormly; runner-up Aino Nestor once again carried on the good

mixed doubles, Alan Christie and Mary Gormly; runner-up, Aino and Brian Dempsey; plate, Des Bailey and Mary Gardner.

COUNTRY CARNIVAL

Woomera once again entered two men's teams in the country carnival held in Adelaide during January of this year. Erik Hargreaves, Paul Dempsey and Shirley Gerrard entered the individual events, but although trying hard, Woomera could not capture any of the major events.

Two junior members, Paul Dempsey and Terry Ryan were selected to attend the Advertiser coaching class held prior to the country carnival.

Mr. Clem Teague, the Advertiser coach, again visited Woomera and coached the Area school children. This visit is sponsored by the W.E.R.C. Tom

The 1964-65 summer competition was Dempsey and Marlene Heffernan; work of coaching interested juniors on Saturday mornings.

The Unley Tennis Club team, which consisted of seven men and five ladies, visited Woomera again. An American tournament was held on the Saturday and the "big match" was played on the Sunday under very hot conditions. The final score was a draw, with both teams securing 7 sets 55 games each.

The visit of the Unley Club was coupled with a Christmas party held in the Newman Oval club rooms. This social was very well attended, and a very enjoyable time was had by all.

This year, the association nominated Russ Foster and Shirley Gerrard for the 1965 Lindy award.

Unfortunately, there was no winter competition this year owing to the lack of facilities, and the forthcoming summer competition also looks very doubtful. Consequently, the interest in tennis is sadly lacking, but it is hoped with better courts and facilities 1966 will see the association going on to bigger and better things.

SOCCER'S FUTURE ASSURED

The non-appearance of the Woomera United team in the senior soccer competition at the beginning of the season dealt the association a blow which it took most of the season to rocover

Neville Pierce, Terry Davies and Ron Erskine struggled to form another team, "The Wanderers," and it was only in the last match or two that this new team really got under way. It is hoped that the Woomera United team can be revived in time for next season. whilst at the same time retaining the newly formed Wanderers side. With the possible introduction of a Woomera youth team with Ken Pederson as manager into the competition this would give a total of six sides and hence a more interesting local competition. The season's activities have amply demonstrated the need for assistance in the running of the clubs; we have the players available, but it is essential also to have club organisers in the shape of committeemen, publicity officers and property officers to make the game a top rate attraction in Woomera.

The amended constitution and the extension of the association committee has resulted in the smoother running of the association, and it is felt that there now is a much better foundation upon which to build. Perhaps the most encouraging factor has been the appearance of some of the juniors into

the senior ranks. New association kit. including shorts, shirts, sox, balls and new goal net have been purchased during the season, and a new aura of confidence has been felt by the committee.

The league championship went to A.T.U Rovers with Caledonia in second place. In the cup final Caledonia defeated J.S.C. by three goals to nil.

Early in the season the association 11 travelled to Salisbury, where they beat the second division team Weapons Research Establishment Institute by four goals to three in an exciting match. It is hoped to entertain W.R.E.I. at Woomera next season. In the meanwhile, a visit to Port Pirie is planned to play in the first round of the revived Selway Cup. With the proposed formation of a soccer club in Andamooka, a number of very interesting matches are likely.

Summing up the season's activities it can be said that it has been one of consolidation and that there is now a distinct upward trend. How far and how fast this trend will go will depend not upon the players - and let it be said that the standard is surprisingly high in Woomera - but upon those people who have yet to come forward to assist in the organisation of the clubs and the association. The secretary, Len Blanshard, c/o P.O. Box 16, Woomera or phone 04 343 will be very pleased to hear from any potential players, administrators and supporters.

Badminton Club's interesting year

Nineteen sixty-five has been a very successful year for the Badminton Club. The activities have been varied and interesting and the results were energetic and keen competition. The club said goodbye to some keen members but was fortunate in getting additional strong players from other towns.

For the first time in three years a team's competition was held. Four teams competed every Tuesday night for a period of seven weeks.

Tournaments were held once a month. Spoons were presented to the winners of these tournaments. B. Fox was the gents' top scorer with three out of seven tournament wins. He was the junior nominee for the club's Lindy Award as the most improved junior and up and coming senior player.

The biggest event of the year, both socially and competitively, was the visit by a team from Port Augusta on May 8 and 9. Competition play was on the 9th with Woomera having a convincing win over the visitors by 9 sets to 3.

All members hope that 1966 is as successful and enjoyable as this year

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WHY DO IT THE HARD WAY?

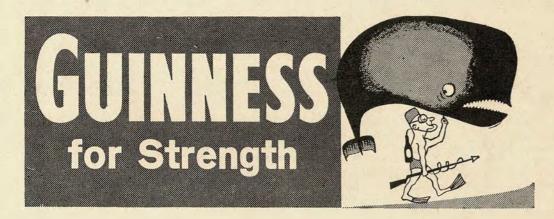
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Greens with clubrooms

The season at the Bowling Club has been a very successful one and members are sure everyone has appreciated the efforts of our greenkeeper, Mr. George Huxley.

The club started playing on September 5 and opening day was held on

Various reports received still maintain that the green surpasses any other in South Australia.

Mr. Ian Roberts and Mrs. Gen Mitchell were nominated for the 1965 Lindy Awards.

Extensions to the clubrooms are anticipated in this financial year; plans for the extensions are being prepared by Mr. Ken Carroll.

During the season, lightning competitions are held, also championship matches at the club, for single and pairs for ladies and gents.

Members of visiting clubs have been made very welcome and visits to other clubs by local members have been entertaining and thoroughly enjoyable. with many members bringing home some very handsome and valuable

The new committee for the 1965-66 season are: President, Mr. Bob Buckley; vice-president, Mr. Sam Harrison; secretary, Mr. Bob Hodge and treasurer, Mr. Ray Armstrong. Committee: Mrs. Eileen Hodge, Mr. M. E. Roads, Mr. E. Wood, Mr. C. McGuiness, Mr. G. Manokas and Mr. J. Worledge.

The president and committee of the Woomera Bowling Club take this opportunity of wishing all residents the Compliments of the Season.

Bowlers practise at Woomera greens.

The year 1965 has been one of ups and downs for the Army Club on the sporting field. An old strong point in Rugby League was found to be not so

Jazza and R.A.A.F. both beat Army in the minor rounds and the finals. Nevertheless, the team was always a very worthy opponent and won its share of matches.

Stars of the year in football were, without a doubt, Big Bob Anderson, Russell Kopp, Graeme Richardson along with Gary (Actor) Luscombe. "The Actor" didn't see the stretcher or the "medic" as much this year as he did in the previous season.

On the subject of football it would be a crime (in more ways than one) to forget about the Ladies versus Gents match. The ladies, especially Bev Kopp and Shirley Suckling, certainly and cheer for all. showed the men a thing or two about having the referee under control, and the men bamboozled with evasive tac- promises to be just as successful.

tics. A most amusing game of rugby

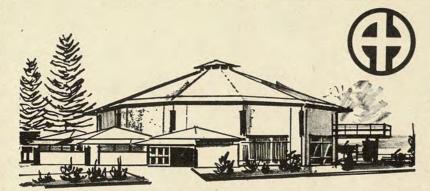
Still on the subject of sport, the Army tennis team did well throughout the season. The consistency of our ladies, Shirley Gerrard and Irene Martens and gents Bob Masiar, Des Bailey, Fred Walker and Paul Dempsey won the team's way to the second position after the two minor rounds. The eventual result was third in the com-

On the social side, the year's events were, as usual, extremely successful and of the usual rip-roaring nature, First big event was the farewell to members of 15 J.S.T.U. on their return to England. The second was the rugby presentation night which was a "screamer." These two, added to all the farewells to departing members and house parties attended by members, added up to plenty of laughter

All in all a most prosperous year was had by the club in 1965 and 1966

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WINING AND DINING IN ADELAIDE

Wining and dining in Adelaide has advanced rapidly in the past ten years, due to the influence of our European friends. One can take a light snack in a Bistro type cafe, or one of the many luxurious hotels that have been recently built in Adelaide. Whichever is your choice, choose a restaurant or hotel which suits your taste and perhaps your pocket. All the people in this industry, in Adelaide, are here to help you, and want to make your evening out a successful and indeed a memorable one, whether you be celebrating birthday, anniversary or just a get-together for the festive

With this range you can choose from the old Australian favourite of steak and eggs through to Chinese and other national restaurants that serve dishes peculiar to their own country: to the larger hotels whose dining rooms seem to specialise in the French style cooking. What ever you choose, what ever nationality or type of meal you choose. do not try and eat your way through the menu. Most of these places seem to offer far too much to eat.

Check this before you order, it is better to have four small dishes and enjoy them all than to overdo it on one. With these dishes of course, a full range of wines are available. Australia is making wine which is unequalled anywhere else in the world and some of our best has won prizes in open competition against wines from France, Germany, America and South Africa; so choose Australian because you can't better them.

While speaking of wines, please forget the old adage that you must drink white wine with certain dishes, and you must drink red wine with others. The right wine to drink is the one you like, and the temperature of wine, in South Australia, anyway, should always be pleasant to the palate. The question of room temperature for red wines applies mainly to England and Europe where the room temperature is about 65 degrees.

Are you dining out this Christmas?, the temperature is going to be higher than this, so never hesitate to ask for your red wine to be light chilled or in fact place an ice block in it. This

showing ignorance if you ask what this the proprietor, in restaurants and cafes are only too happy to air their to make sure that you order something that you will like. They don't want any wastage because it is a matter of pounds, shillings and pence to them and they certainly want satisfied

Nassi Goereng is one that you might strike, this is a Javanese dish, rice, fish, sometimes poultry and often served with little jars of what look like crushed up red ants or black ants. Beware of these because they are very hot. If you're tasting something for the first time, be a little bit moderate in serving yourself things that you are not sure of, because you may spoil the

Most cooks tend to under season with salt, but taste first, before you add salt, you can make the meal far too salty for your palate and the Chef has tried to please you, so give him a chance to show his creation before you drown it with the salt and pepper. If you order a spadgecock or a chicken in the basket, do not be surprised if a bowl of warm water is placed alongside the dish. This is not to be drunk nor in fact tipped over the dish but is for you to rinse your fingers after the

This of course is part and parcel of etiquette when eating a chicken in the basket. There is no disgrace in picking up a bone if you are really enjoying it, and the finger bowl is there for you to use. There are many other dishes of this nature which will perhaps surprise, and you will really enjoy. Do not hesitate to experiment but again take all things in moderation.

Your wines, and indeed the beers and spirits which are available in hotels and restaurants are usually served correctly, but again do not hesitate to comment to the waiter if they are not. If you can, be pleasant about these comments, and you will have his cooperation. If you have got his cooperation, you're going to have a wonderful night.

A word about the State Liquor Laws. won't spoil the wine, but will increase These of course are much more liberal that you can keep working.

your pleasure. A lot of menus are than they were many years ago, and listed in a foreign language. You're not you can now in most places, enjoy your meal until 11 o'clock with liquor. You or that dish is, because the waiter or may purchase in hotels, without a special permit, until 10.45 and still have half an hour to consume what you knowledge and help you if they can, have already purchased. Keep this in mind too because, there is nothing worse than perhaps wanting a liqueur with your coffee and forgetting to order it before 10.45

> Over the festive season of course, bookings in most of the larger and many of the smaller restaurants and hotels are essential, and if you don't book early you may be disappointed. Also of course, if you have booked and the number in your party changes, a telephone call to the hotel, prior to your arrival will save both you and the head waiter or management embarrassment when you arrive at your table. No hotel likes to have empty seats in its dining room over the festive season and if you have been asked to pay a deposit and your full party does not arrive you can expect to lose a portion of your deposit if there are empty seats. Alternately again, a phone call to the hotel ensures that you do not lose money, nor does the hotel keeper.

> It is general practice amongst the hotels who are members of the Australian Hotels Association, to ask for a deposit for a dinner booking over the six-week period prior to Christmas, and you should not be offended if you are asked to confirm a booking with a de-

Don't forget too, that wining and dining is not a thing which is only concerned with Christmas and the festive times, you may find difficulty in getting into a hotel or large restaurant at this time of the year because they seem to be booked out from year to year. Your party will probably get a little better service and enjoy yourselves just as much if you leave it until sometime later next year.

Wining and dining again, is one of the cultural things which Europe does so very well, and it is a tradition and almost part and parcel of the entertainment world overseas. Here, we are learning fast and the fact of going out for dinner now is an occasion rather than just a reason to stoke the fires so

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A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE WOOMERA GO-KART INC.

handful of motor happy enthusiasts when karting was in its early stages in Australia and when the lawn mower lost its motive power on Sunday afternoon.

Karting has come a long way since then and although the Woomera Club has a small membership, it has man-time, a wire fence was erected round aged to form the track and surrounds to what it is today, one of the best tracks in S.A. or possibly Australia.

The club was formed in 1960 by a the A.T.O. where enthusiasts raced for several months in conjunction with the R.A.A.F. Go-Kart Club.

In 1961 the club formed its own dirt track on the existing site and not long after the surface was top dressed with limestone, making racing more enjoyable for all concerned. At the same the track to protect the spectators.

The next major step was the erection of the electric lights, thus making The first race meeting was held at karting an all-year round sport with the D.I.D. camp at the rear of the air- racing on Saturday nights in summer field, and the venue then changed to and Sunday afternoons in the winter.

BIGGEST MOBILE CRANE IN S.A.



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karters coming as far afield as Adelaide and Port Lincoln in return for the hospitality of other clubs towards visiting drivers from Woomera.

The bituminising of the track was the next improvement made to cope with the better machinery and faster motors, coming into the sport; and following this in 1963 the Rocket Range Championships were held, attracting over 90 of the State's fastest drivers and machines

During this time several successful

open meetings were conducted with

The track was then altered to bring it up to a standard length of 4 mile, making it more interesting for both drivers and spectators. After these improvements, another open meeting was held, winding up a most successful

At the start of the 1964/65 season a points trophy scheme was introduced to encourage regular competition attendance. This proved quite successful and after a hard fought night season the following trophies were awarded: Men's Section - J. Hancock 1st; S. Fairfield 2nd; R. Grover 3rd. Ladies' Section - L. Hancock 1st; L. Sargent 2nd; P. Hallis 3rd.

Following this season the club undertook its biggest venture in conducting the Central Australian Championships held at Port Augusta, June 12th and 13th, 1965. The meeting was very successful with quite a few of the blue ribbons going to Victoria. Although against superior machinery, Woomera drivers were still in the running with sashes brought home by: Men's - J. Johnson. Ladies' - B. Tulk, L. Sargent, J. Fairfield.

To finalise the 1964/65 season trophies were awarded for points over the last three meetings to Mrs. B. Tulk, Mr. K. Smith, Mr. S. J. Fairfield.

Three life memberships were awarded this year to three long-standing members, Mr. T. Martin, Mr. V. Pollard and Mr. A. Oliver for services rendered.

With loss of many of our staunch members the 1965/66 season started off slowly, but with the coming of quite a few men members and the restoring of some of the older machines, we were able to get back on a firm footing, and although fields are small at race meetings, the karting spirit is still there. Regular meeting are quite successful but even these take a fair amount of organisation.

You don't have to be a competitor to become a member. So come along and join in the fun.

The club would like to extend sincere thanks to all those who have given assistance in the past and wish everybody a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

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Colonel Honeysett Patron of Pistol Club

The year opened under the patron- Robins won three gold medals for his age of Col. J. D. Honeysett, and vicepatronage of Mr. R. Zehender. Members elected to the committee were: President, K. Angrave; vice-president, J. Carter; secretary, F. Fillmore; treasurer, R. Archer; captain, R. Ellin; vice-captain, A. Marsh; scorer, Mrs. K. Angrave; committee members, J. Cooke, A. Rimes, J. Bishop and W. Thomas.

During the year John Cooke returned to England, and A. Rimes resigned. These places were filled by J. Smith and J. Robins. Later Jess Smith returned to England, and Phil Marsh was posted to Malaya, so we had a varied committee this year.



Pistol Range Clubhouse in foreground. Rapid Fire Range (left). Right: 25 Metre and 50 Metre Range.

In March a 25 metre championship was held, and saw two very new shooters take off the B and C Grade trophies. Results:

A Grade, Roy Ellin 568; B Grade, Jim Robins, 499; C Grade Peter Dawe,

Also held during the year were the rapid fire and centre fire championships. Results:

Rapid fire, A Grade, Roy Ellin, 574: B Grade, Margaret Ford, 477; C Grade. Peter Nissen, also a new shooter, 382.

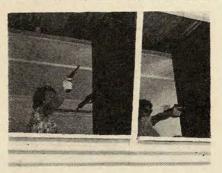
Centre fire, A Grade, Roy Ellin, 575; B Grade, Jess Smith, 498; C Grade, Max Erskine, 386.

The ladies' centre fire handicap trophy, donated by F. A. Fillmore, was won by Maxine Fillmore with 607. The runner-up was Cec Angrave, 568, and Pat Ellin, 551, third.

Over the Queen's birthday week-end shooters competed in the Adelaide open shoot. Competitors brought home five gold and two bronze medals. Pat Ellin was placed third in the ladies' centre fire, and Joe Fillmore won A for Mother's Day. Another wedding Grade centre fire and rapid fire. Jim was successfully catered for.

shooting of C and D Grade free pistol rapid fire and centre fire.

Two Woomera shooters were selected for the State team at the National championships in Melbourne. John Cooke and Roy Ellin shot well under



Women Shooters in booths erected last year.

wet conditions. John was placed fourth in the rapid fire championships with 572, five points behind the winner. This is excellent shooting for a person competing in his first big championship.

Working bees during the year have been attended by the usual few, and more improvements to the range have taken place. A brush fence was erected and the clubhouse painted inside, and the usual maintenance has been carried out.

The barbecue area, completed last year, has been the site of many happy evenings after novelty shoots.

Interclub shoots are proving very popular. Members attended meetings at Balaklava, Whyalla, Adelaide, and even as far as Millicent in the south east. Shooters' scores improve with keen competition from other clubs. There is a great need for more of this outside competition. Perhaps next year we will have more opportunity.

All in all, it has been a good year with plenty of competitions, improvement of scores and many new members.

We take this opportunity to wish all the season's greetings and a bright and happy new shooting year.

Country Women's Association

By A MEMBER

Our year commenced with a rush, as all our efforts were to be for raising money for the Country Woman of the

This quest had been organised to clear the debt for our headquarters building in Adelaide. Mrs. Bowden was Woomera's nomination.

Among the successful functions was a progressive luncheon which was organised by the St. Barbaras Ladies' Guild. A quiz for a dressed lamb and rabbits, donated by Mr. Norm Greenfield, were won by Mr. E. Richards and Mrs. M. Clarke, These, with other functions, brought the total raised to

A bus trip to Port Augusta was arranged, as the judging of the representatives for the branches in Flinders group, was to take place there. Whyallà branch's entrant was chosen as the winner and she went to Adelaide to represent Flinders group in the final judging. At a mannequin parade organised by Young and Gordon Ltd., we watched the winner crowned.

Garments were made by our members for the work stall at the fete for Filnders Home for the Aged, in March. Cards and handkerchiefs were sent to some lonely old ladies in Port Augusta

We enjoyed a talk about the R.A.A.F given by Padre Henderson, and a talk on decimal currency by Mr. Moore, manager of the Bank of New South

The school project this year was on Ireland, some very good entries were sent to Adelaide for judging. First prizes and commendations in a number of sections were won by Woomera school children.

A band of willing helpers has continued to operate the hospital trolley, supplying the day-to-day personal requirements of the patients.

Mrs. Davinia Watson and Mr. Robert Blackie entertained us with some delightful Scottish dances.

A successful progressive luncheon and hat parade were organised to assist branch funds, and also a most enjoyable barbecue was held at Purple Downs.

The bus trip to Port Pirie was well patronised and some of our members attended the birthday luncheon arranged by the Port Pirie branch.

Our fete was held in the U.P.D. Hall. The members made some lovely garments for sale at the work stall. A successful cake contest proved that we have many good cooks in our midst. The handicraft display showed the interesting work being done by our members.

The Country Women's Association wish all readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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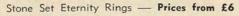


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CRICKET - LAST SEASON

by B. Ritchings

The Woomera Cricket Association had a good 1964-65 season. Nine teams started out when the competition commenced and half way through the season Army withdrew and their players went to different clubs.

Play got away to a late start owing to the pitches at Woomera West, Claypan and McCallum being treated with Flexemir. When play did start, two games had to be played on the same

Play was pretty even throughout the whole season. Half way through, R.A.A.F. lost two or three of their good players. J.S.C. also lost a player or two. After Christmas any one of six teams could have made the final four. Brian Hemming had a good season with both ball and bat for J.S.C. In one game he got the hat trick.

I think that Brian finished up with 50-odd wickets. Harry Stapleton, captain of Works, also bowled well and he took over 50 wickets; so did Nobby Noblett for the R.A.A.F. team. Ken Carroll, playing for A.S.C.O./Postal, was also well up with the other three wicket takers. Another to bowl well was Peter Evans for R.A.A.F.

Those who did well batting were Des Bailey for R.A.A.F., Mick Clough and Jim Harvey for A.S.C.O./Postal, Lucky Barnes for J.S.C. and Dick Willing for Senior Staff.

Of the juniors, Graham Overall was about the best. Graham played for Staff Mess. 'The highest number of runs scored in a day was at the Claypan in a game between R.A.A.F. and A.S.C.O./Postal. Some 430 runs were

R.AAF, batted first and knocked up 5 for 208, with Des Bailey getting a century A.S.C.O./Postal replied with 1 for 220, with Mick Clough 100-odd not out and Jim Harvey also scored a century and he, too, was not out. This to my mind was a first in Woomera Cricket with three centuries in one afternoon

R.A.A.F. finished up being minor premiers, next to come was J.S.C., A.S.C.O./Postal and Works, R.A.A.F. met A.S.C.O/Postal in the first semi and J.S.C. met Works. A.S.C.O./Postal defeated R.A.A.F. outright at the Newman Oal and J.S.C .won the battle against Works at the McCallum Oval

This means that A.S.C.O./Postal were to play J.S.C. in the final. J.S.C. won the final quite easily and it was the third time in a row that they had done this. The umpiring was good in the latter half of the season.

During the season a team from Woomera went to Kingoonya and there the Woomera boys were beaten, but by all accounts they had a good time. Port Augusta was also invited to play Woomera. The Woomera team put up a good show, but the Port boys were too good.

At the end of the season, Kingoonya played a return game at Woomera and this time the Woomera boys turned the tables on the Kingoonvaites.

During the season Nobby Noblett was given a life membership for his work for cricket with the R.A.A.F. Cricket Club, and at the association meeting was awarded a life membership of the Woomera Cricket Association. Well done Nobby!

originally inaugurated by Mrs. J. of goods was given last year to the Perrin, the wife of the previous Super- Hillcrest Hospital in Adelaide and prointendent, and opened on July 9, 1964, in a room lent by A.S.C.O.

It re-opened on June 3, 1965, under the presidency of Mrs. J. D. Honeysett. It is now operating in its own premises, donated by the Bank of New South Wales, and situated between the Bank of New South Wales and the Commonwealth Bank.

The Thrift Shop is open every Thursday for accepting goods for sale or for selling goods which are already on display in the shop. The purpose of this shop is to enable the people of Woomera to sell their unwanted goods, to buy articles at a reasonable cost and to give a helping hand to charity. The

The Woomera Thrift Shop was 10 per cent charged on the sale price vided a TV set for a ward of 44 bedridden men.

> The committee feels that the people of Woomera are glad to be able to help the ones who are less fortunate in life.

Mrs. J. D. Honeysett would like to express her thanks to all the committee members and their helpers who gave their time so freely. All these women are voluntary workers and without them the Thrift Shop could not operate.

For further information please contact the secretary (Mrs. C. Pugsley), telephone Woomera 516, 9 Burrimul Street, or come along to the shop any Thursday night.

Other awards won during the season were Jim Harvey (A.S.C.O./Postal). batting average and aggregate. Harry Stapleton (Works), bowling aggregate; Nobby Noblett (R.A.A.F.), bowling average. Davidson, of the R.S.L., won the fielding award. Major Harry Shattock and his committee must be commended for a job well done.

I must apologise for the lack of figures for the bowling and batting

WORKS CRICKET

The 1964-65 season was one of mixed fortune for Works. Although winning 10 out of a possible 13 minor round games, the team failed to make the grand final. Unfortunately, match points were lost in the "points" debacle midway through the season and the team failed to recover from this.

Congratulations to Jazza on again taking out the flag and to the runnersup, A.S.C.O./Postal, for their fine effort in the competition for the first year.

For the season, Harry Stapleton took out the bowling honours with 69 wickets for an average of 7.9, while Fred Wernert topped the batting average with 456 runs and Ken Smith the overage at 26 runs per innings.

To all teams in the 1965/66 competition go best wishes for the present season, but advises, too, to be on guard against the "Tigers" this season.

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CHILDREN ARE CONCERN OF KINDY SOCIETY

When writing a report, one is apt to age when a child is most able to absorb over a period of at least three years at quote statistics and try to convey a picture from figures. In this case Kindergarten Society Inc., figures account for very little. The only important ones being 21 to 51, for it is the children in this age group who are our main concern. The child, and the parent, too, for parents must realise that they play a very important role in the management of the kindergartens, by attending the meetings of the Parents' Auxiliaries and participating in the activities of such groups.

The age when a child is eligible to

and learn from those that set the example and show them the ways and speaking of the work of the Woomera means of creation through their own confidently undertake to guide, instruct mind and fingers. If it is true that the and understand the children in her early years are the impressionable years, then it must be faced that there is the risk of damaging rather than benefiting children if they are brought portant, and here in Woomera we have together under wrong conditions.

ten directors are thoroughly trained in all aspects of child development, viding, and interest in maintaining psychology, biology, speech training, these kindergartens. music and movement, English literature, current affairs, arts and crafts, be enrolled at a kindergarten is the etc. It is only by thorough training,

a training college, after receiving the Leaving Certificate, that a director can

The surroundings are almost as imthree kindergartens of exceptionally high standard and credit and thanks It is for this reason that kindergar- must be extended to Department of Supply for their forethought in pro-

> It must be remembered that a kindergarten is not a training period for school, but more an extension of the home. A child is free to express his thoughts with bold colour paints, to build or to knock down his "castle" made of blocks, to create as his mind dictates, or to use up energy in a host of ways in the outdoor playing section of the kindergarten.

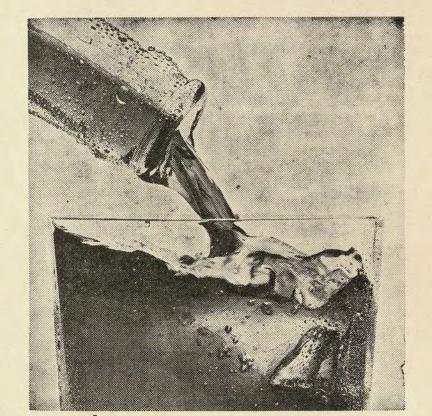
Respect and discipline are evident in a kindergarten, too, but these characteristics are necessary whenever and wherever two generations are in close contact with each other.

Whilst at kindergarten, a child learns to share and to play with other children, all in his own age group and usually with similar interests. He learns to co-ordinate movement of his body through games and music, to create and appreciate material things that will be of use to him through life.

On excursions from the kindergarten he learns of the wonders of nature, the reason "why" to his questions about things he sees, he learns the duties of the policeman and fireman. He becomes acquainted with the doctor and the dentist, in the familiar surroundings of the kindergarten which helps to abate any fear when requiring the services of these gentlemen in the consulting room or surgery.

Perhaps the best way to sum up the reason for, and the need of, pre-school centres, is to say that a kindergarten allows a child to be himself, and to learn and appreciate the value of freedom, whilst at the same time he realises that to enjoy this freedom he must respect the feelings and property of others.

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Formal training of Kindergarten teachers was begun in 1907 and as more and more people became absorbed and interested in the work of education for pre-school children so the facilities for training these people increased. At the present time the Kindergarten Training College, situated in 211 Childers Street, North Adelaide, can accommodate up to 75 diploma students, and the demand for trained teachers is increasing each year with the building of new homes in the suburbs and country centres and the erection of kindergartens to serve the residents of these areas.

Yes, there is a very real need for pre-school education, and we in Woomera are most fortunate that we have three units all fully equipped with material items to enable the free expression and creation of the children attending, and each with a fully trained Director in charge, and two devoted women employed as Assistants who willingly carry out the duties required of them.

So many people in Woomera have made the work of this Committee easier, in fact, possible, it would not be possible to single out and name a few, but to each and every one who has assisted us in any way we say "Thank

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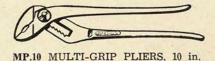
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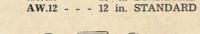


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