rrangements have been made reby the Department of Agri-ure and the C.S.I.R. will make uiries into the disease. The artment is providing all the essary laboratory equipment accommodation, and has se-d a departmental officer, Mr. netts, B.V.Sc. to the Council, arry out the work. The Coun-s paying this officer's salary wo years.

ustralia is under a deep debt ratitude to science, and the will grow. It is to be noticed the Prime Minister, in his ic utterances, is alluding more more to the great part being ed by science in the develop-t and the salvage of Austra-industries.

ock Garden Acquitted

ARGES OF INTIMIDATION NOT SUSTAINED.

r. Perry, P.M., at the Sydney ral Police Court on Monday dismissed two charges of at-pted intimidation against Jock len.

r. Perry, who reserved his de-n last week so that he could w the case, said: "Since Thursday I have carefully idered the whole of the facts I have read the depositions exhibits once again. I was essed by the sincerity of the esses for the defence and, in opinion, I have before me a conception of the scene when tatement by the defendant made. I believe the evidence itnesses for the defence and ne circumstances in which statement was made, and I rdingly hold that the prosecu-has not satisfied me that de-ant did, to follow the words of nformation, attempt by writ-ntimidation directed to cer-persons, whose names to the rmant are unknown, to pre-persons from accepting em ment in connection with the sport of goods in trade among States."

arden was acquitted.

Paddys Market.

e annual effort in connection Parkerville Home, organised rs. Sid Blechynden, was well re-d on Saturday last. A happy d kept on the move, visiting the ent stalls and good business was result. The stalls were Cakes, uce, Sweets, Flowers, Afternoon besides a Housewives' Dip and ola, etc. The organiser asks us xpress her grateful thanks to all in any way assisted, without ioning any names. The takings the day were £50 and after the nses, which amounted to about are paid, the very satisfactory ice of £44 will be paid over to Sister in charge at Parkerville e.

Wubin Appeal.

ie following donations have been ved towards the above :—

s. Adamson, " Haisthorpe," £1.
rs. J. Wansbrough, 5s.
rs. A. Draper, 5s
s. J. T. Willey, Hunt Rd, 10/-

Church Notices.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 30th, 1928.

METHODIST CHURCH.

Sunday School.

RIFLE NOTES.

(By "Peepsight")

On Sunday last the trophy presented by Mr. G. L. Weaver was fired for over the 500yd range. The targets were left in the air for 45 seconds, during which period the rifleman fired as many shots as possible. M. Miller was declared the winner with a total of 35, whilst Naismith came next with 33 and D. Miller (24), G. Holman (21), Mattiske (21), and P. Holman (11) filled the other positions in that order.

During the morning Mr. E. E. Shackles presented Mr. Mattiske with a silver cup which his firm had donated. This trophy had been fired over three stages and the finish had been very close, Mattiske winning from Naismith by one-third.

Following are the scores of the last stage of this shoot :—

	300yds	600yds	H'cap	Total
W Brown ...	42	42	12	96
D Miller ...	44	43	8	95
Naismith ...	46	40	8	94
A Mattiske ...	43	42	8	93
H Brandy ...	45	35	12	92
B Holman ...	44	39	8	91
L Brandy ...	39	38	14	91
S Krinks ...	35	42	13	90
M Miller ...	36	41	10	87
E Edwards ...	40	35	9	84

The aggregates were as follows :—

Mattiske, 279⅓ ; Naismith, 279; W. Brown, 273 ; S. Krinks, 270; B. Holman, 266 ; L. Brandy, 265; M Miller, 256

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The weekly shoot on Sunday morning next will be for a trophy presented by the Beverley Farmers Co-Op, for which only members who have joined within the last two years and have not yet won a prize will be eligible.

The Beverley Show

With only three weeks to go it behoves all who have the welfare of the Agricultural Society, and a pride in their district at heart, to get busy preparing their entries for the Beverley Show which takes place on Tuesday October 16th. If you have anything worth exhibiting in any class give the Society a help along by entering it, remembering that the annual Show is a reflex of the districts activities and capabilities, and duly impresses strangers as such.

If you have not already received a schedule, same can be had free of cost from the Secretary, who is now located at the Road Board office (in the absence of Miss J. Hunter) and will conduct any necessary show business from there. In office hours ring telephone 25.

We have been asked to dispel the rumor which has somehow gained ground that there will be no Show Ball this year. The organiser, Mrs. Frank Lodge, advises that it will take place as usual on Show Night in the Institute.

Motor Truck and Cart Collide.

A nasty collision occurred on Saturday last on the Main Camp Road between a spring cart and horse and a motor lorry loaded with oil. The cart was loaded with wood which Mr. Will Ferguson was bringing home, intending to stay over the week-end. The motor lorry was en route to

Avondale State Farm.

The Superintendent of Wheat Farms (Mr. I. Thomas) has made available the following report from the manager of the Avondale State Farm for the month of August, 1928 :

"During the month good rains were experienced, the total of 320 points falling on thirteen different days The average total for August over a period of forty-two years, as recorded at Beverley 4 miles distant, is 246 points.

The crops generally are looking well, especially the oat crops sown early for hay. These crops are all coming into ear. The Baroota Wonder Early wheat is looking particularly well. The Yandilla King wheat crop is showing signs of too much rain.

Subterranean Clover is coming along well in Water Hatch Paddock and is very thick. This land had been top dressed with superphosphate during March.

Approximately 380 acres of land have been fallowed up to the present this season.

All stock are looking well, including the consignment of 400 sheep which were purchased this month.

During the month 76 heifers and 8 bulls held on behalf of the Group Settlement Department were despatched from the Farm.

Madrid Holocaust.

FIRE IN THEATRE.

MADDENED MEN FIGHT.

The Madrid Correspondent of the "Daily Express" says it is feared that at least 400 people have been killed in a holocaust at Novedades Theatre, which was built of wood and was the largest and oldest in Madrid.

The fire broke out at the end of the second act of a topical comedy. There was an immediate panic and the doors were quickly jammed with dead bodies

At least 1,000 members of the audience, chiefly in six tiers of balcony seats, were completely cut off from safety.

Maddened men tried to hack their way through a living wall of bodies with knives and other weapons. Then a terrific explosion behind the stage added to the panic.

The orchestra bravely kept on playing, until another explosion killed several musicians. They were then forced to fly.

Royal Show.

SUCCESSFUL TENDERERS.

Tenders were recently received for various catering rights on the Royal Show Grounds at Claremont, and the following were those accepted by the Council. The figures are of interest :—

Publicans Bar: A. D. Connolly, £505.

Members Stand Tea Room: Children's Protection Society, £75.

Public Stand Tea Room: Mrs. Weir, £75.

Waterhall Tea Room: Presbyterian Women's Mission, £52.

Buffet Site, near Cattle Stalls: J. Thomas £23 10s.

Confectionery, Soft Drinks etc., near public stand site only: S. B. Thomas, £43 10s.

Confectionery, Soft Drinks etc., near State Implement Works stand: C. R Thomas, £33 10s.

Bananas: Kailis & Bloomfield, £15.

Fruit Barrows (4) bananas excluded: E. Oberman, £3.

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The Lakes Overflow

On September 11, Mr. C. P. Wansbrough received the following from Mr. C. A. Munt, Under Secretary for Works and Labour :—

"I have, by direction, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th instant, in connection with the Lakes overflow into the Avon River.

On the 18th February, 1927, the Hon. Mr. Cunningham authorised expenditure on surveys and investigations, and the Chief Engineer for Water Supply has now been asked whether his report is ready. When it comes to hand the Hon Minister will further communicate with you."

Regarding the same matter a correspondent writes :—

"On Friday September 21st a Busy Bee met at Qualenderry, and after a couple of hours work succeeded in effectively stopping the flow of water from the lakes into the river. The method adopted was old super bags filled with earth and damped into the stream, two bags wide and several high, thus preventing the contamination of all pools below the inlet. It will be interesting to note the effect. In the writer's opinion, all pools should be much fresher this year. The lakes are a lovely sight at present and will, if the bank holds, be from 18 inches to 2 feet deeper at the new year than previously."

The thanks of a large section of the sporting community are due to Mr. Wansbrough for the interest he has taken in the above project, and also to those residents of the Bally Bally district who comprised the working bee last Friday. The lakes after a wet season are generally a sportsmen's paradise and attract visitors from near and far when the shooting season commences in December. They also constitute an ideal picnicing resort, and will naturally become more popular if the water can be made to last out longer into the summer, which it should do providing the dam holds. The advantages to those farmers whose properties adjoin the Avon River and who use the water for stock purposes need no stressing.

Royal Show Sales.

An alteration to the arrangements in regard to the sales of Show Stock on the Show Grounds has been decided on by the selling agents of the Royal Agricultural Society, Elder, Smith & Co., Limited, Dalgety and Company Limited, Goldsbrough Mort & Co., Ltd., and the Westralian Farmers Ltd. The following are the arrangements decided upon :—

Thursday, October 11th at 9 a.m., sales of exhibition sheep only in the sale ring in the exhibition sheep pens.

Merino rams and ewes will first be offered and as soon as this is completed the sales of exhibition British Breed Sheep will be held in the same place. It is important to note that no sales of any rams in these pens will be made at less than the minimum price of £5 5s and only sheep which have been entered for competition in the Show Schedule will be submitted to auction.

Thursday afternoon at 2 30 p.m., sales of stud Merino rams in covered pens on the hill. This year this sale will be conducted on the Thursday afternoon and will be restricted to stud Merino rams only, which will be offered in the covered-in portion of the sale pens. Selling agents have agreed that none of these rams are to be started by any bid at auction at less than £18 18s with a minimum reserve price of 20 guineas, at which rams will be sold.

Sales of cattle will be held at the Show Grounds as usual on Thursday October 11th at 12 noon to be fol-

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WAR COMRADES MEET

Re-Union After 39 Years

Mr Adam Murray has just returned from an enjoyable trip to Mingenew and the surrounding areas where he took the opportunity of seeing developmental work on Mr Smart's properties where he saw some wonderful crops of lupins. Many of the share farmers in the district are doing well.

A highlight of the trip was his meeting with old first world war comrades in Jack Healand and Frank Wick. Both are of the Mingenew district.

The last time the three concerned were together was when they went into action at Gaza during the Palestine campaign on the 17th April 1917. All were attached to the Third Imperial Camel Corps.

In the action Adam was wounded and he was later invalided home, losing touch completely with his former comrades. A few weeks ago he heard that Jack Healand was at Mingenew and got in touch with him and through the correspondence with Frank Wick.

As a result of the meeting a dinner was held at Jack Healand's home in Mingenew and needless to say those concerned spent a very happy night in good talk and reminiscences of the ofd campaigning days.

RSL STATE PRESIDENT

Visit to Beverley

State president of the Returned Soldiers League, Mr R Lonie, is to visit Beverley on Friday, July 27th, and will attend the monthly meeting of the Beverley branch.

We understand that this is Mr Lonie's first visit to Beverley in his official capacity and special arrangements are being made by officials of the Beverley RSL to entertain him.

Refreshments will be served and all members of the branch are requested to attend the meeting.

HIGH CLASS RAM

Local Purchase

A further high price introduction into the already well established pure Peppin Blood Stud, of Mr Ken Doncon, of "Timaru," Beverley was made last week, by the purchase of a Stud Ram from the Estate of the Late F E Bode, of "Bundemar," N.S.W.

This is an exceptionally well woolled ram, carrying a dense fleece of soft handling medium wool, and will certainly be an acquisition to an already high class stud.

Mr Doncon is to be congratulated upon his efforts, involving considerable expense, in founding a stud on pure "Bundemar" lines which should be of great benefit to the district.

LOYALTY DINNER

ANGLICANS GATHER IN STRENGTH

About 300 parishioners and adherents of the Anglican faith in Beverley district were present at the Loyalty Dinner held at the Town Hall on Thursday night of last week.

Organised as a "get togeth er" in connection with the current 1956 Budget Canvass of St Mary's Anglican Parish it was possibly the biggest gathering of Church folk ever seen in Beverley and was no doubt most hearten ing to those responsible for the arrangements.

Many churches in Aust ralia have in the past two years availed themselves of the service offered by an or ganisation which undertakes the task of awakening folk to a sense of their responsib ilities to their church. Re ports indicate that the re sults achieved have been most valuable despite the costs involved and the indi cations are that this will be the case in connection with the Beverley effort.

St Mary's is budgeting for an income of £100 per week to meet current and future needs of the church.

Sacrificial giving is the keynote of the campaign and the aim is to put church support on a business like basis with regular weekly contributors through the use of pledge cards.

For the local Loyalty Din ner Mrs Schleicher was the caterer and the repast pro vided by her and staff left nothing to be desired. It was one of the biggest cater ing jobs ever undertaken locally.

Mr J I Mann presided at the Dinner and the agenda included an opening and closing prayer by the Rector the Rev T Wright, and speeches by several of those who have become actively associated with the Canvass these including Mr Mann, Mr L Barrett Lennard, Dr E D Cullen, Mr Ron Simmons, and Mr Roy Abbey. The Canvass committee members were introduced to the assem blage by the chairman. Dr Cullen spoke on plans for meeting the needs of the Church and Mr Mann gave a resume of Church history

TAXATION

An Officer of the Taxation Department will be in attendance at

BEVERLEY Town Hall (Social Room) on Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th July 1956.

The public is invited to consult him for advice on general taxation procedure

PROBLEMS FOR ZONE COUNCIL

Several matters of importance to the area were discussed by the Avon Valley Development Committee in the Northam council chambers last Friday afternoon, particular attention being given to the Avon Valley flood problem.

The chairman (Mr. R. J. Bond) presided over members representing Northam, York, Toodyay and Beverley.

The meeting supported a proposal to desnag and train the Avon River, commencing in a section between Toodyay and Northam.

Speakers said that the proposal should contribute substantially to reducing the salt content of the river and also reduce the risk of flooding.

The Public Works Department was interested in the project and would give further consideration to it when the allocation of Loan moneys was known.

The chairman reported that he had forwarded to the Central Executive a resolution urging the appointment of a veterinary surgeon in the Avon Valley Zone.

Members felt it was essential that professional advice should always be available in a Zone which contributed so much to the State's productivity.

A report from the Conservator of Forests relating to Forestry matters of interest particularly to the Toodyay district was tabled and listed for further discussion at the next meeting.

SALT LAKES

Mr. F. Bremner outlined a visit of inspection which had been made by the chairman of the Beverley Road Board and Departmental representatives, to a point on the southern boundary of Beverley, where salt water from the Lakes flowed into the Avon River.

At times when the river was in flood water actually flowed from the River into the Lakes and then as the river level fell the water ran back into the river taking with it salt and silt.

The road board would shortly construct a crossing at this point and cooperation between the local authority and the Public Works Department would enable cover plates to be placed over the pipes enabling the flow of water to be controlled, Mr. Bremner said.

The Beverley delegates felt that the experiment would be well worth while in an endeavour to control the salinity of the Avon.

RESEARCH STATION

All members paid a visit to the Avondale Research Station last month, when opportunity was taken to view the work of the station and to discuss matters of mutual interest with the Director of Agriculture, Mr. G. K. Baron Hay. Beverley delegates reported that some of the committee's suggestions were being acted upon. Members appreciated Mr. Baron Hay's co-operation and the prompt action he had taken.

The secretary (Mr. F. G. Logue) reported that a complete survey of the Zone was being prepared by the Government Statistician and Departmental officers with a view to considering a suggestion by one of the committee members that steps be taken to investigate the possibility of increasing production generally in the Zone. It was expected that an informative report would shortly be available which could be used as a basis for further investigation.

RUN OF SUCCESSES

Mrs A Winfield is enjoying an extraordinary run of successes in open golf competitions this year—a run in fact which amounts almost to a "clean up" of the big events to date.

To-date this season she has won the Prior Cup at Beverley, the open day main event at Brookton, and a similar award at Quairading. In addition she has had success in local club competitions.

Her wins in the open events amounts to a record in these parts and she admits to feeling slightly embarrassed at the continued success.

She is still entitled to a fairly substantial handicap and could meet with further success before her handicap catches up with her game. She has qualified for the women's championship at Beverley, filling fifth place.

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P.M.G. OFFICIALS VISIT BEVERLEY

Road Board Request

On Thursday of last week Beverley had a visit from Mr C. W. Davidson, O.B.E., M.P., the Postmaster General who was accompanied by Sir Giles Chippendale. C.B.E Director General of Posts and Telegraphs, Mr C G Friend, Director of Posts and Tele graphs in W.A.; Mr L W Hamilton, Member for Can ning in the House of Repre sentatives and Mr Broughton private secretary to the Post master General.

The party arrived late in the day and in the unavoidable absence of the chairman of the Beverley Road Board, Mr A W Miles, Mr L P Swan of the Central Ward represen ted the district in extending a welcome at the Board office Also present were Mr C Mc-Kenna, acting postmaster, and the Road Board secret ary, Mr D Rigoll.

The Board's thanks was conveyed to Mr Hamilton and to Mr Friend for assis tance given in restoring the Morbinning exchange.

In answer to a request from the Board for the stat ioning of telephone technic ian at Beverley and improve ments to the exchange Mr Davidson stated that both matters were in hand. It was hoped, he said, in the near future to have a man stationed in Beverley and to have alterations and improve ments made to the post office and exchange.

The party left Beverley for York and Northam, the Postmaster-General having to catch a plane at 11.45 for Adelaide.

"HURRAH! FOR LIVING"

Y.A.L. Successful Variety Show

A party of 40 YAL boys will be visiting Beverley on Friday 7th Sept and Brook-ton Sat Sept 8th with their Concert Party presenting a bright musical revue, "Hur rah! for Living," at the Town Hall during the evening.

The Show, will provide bright entertainment of a very high order. Miss Clif ford who hails from London has produced a number of shows in Perth.

The variety of the Show lends itself to good entertain ment with its brilliant and colourful ensembles which have a very pleasing affect, and the ballet numbers as well as the comedy contrib ute to the success of the pre sentation.

A feature is the brilliance of the female impersonations. The compere Danny Cuth-bert, who has accompanied many Y.A.L. Concert Part-ies will introduce the various young artists, including Ash-ley Arbuckle, the 13 year old virtuoso of the violin, who has succeeded in winning the under 16 year old violin solos at the Musical Festival for the past five years. Others providing the entertainment include Basil Brown, Jeffrey Aaranson, Adrian Lynch and Philip Mulcahy.

The frocking throughout is perfect and the lighting spec-tacular. The production is in the capable hands of Miss Colleen Clifford whilst Sam-my Sharp, has charge of the orchestra. The whole party will be under the personal direction of Y.A.L. Director,

EXPERIMENT WITH SALT LAKES

An interesting experiment, being conducted by the Beverley Road Board, may result in reducing the salinity of the Avon River.

A report on the matter was made to the last meet-ing of the Avon Valley Zone Development Comm-ittee by its chairman (Mr. R. J. Bond).

Mr. Bond said that, in company with Mr. Bryden, he visited Beverley, where they were met by Mr. Bremner and Mr. Miles (chairman of the road board) and taken to a point on the southern boundary of the board's district, where a chain of salt lakes connected with the Avon River.

"The local problem—and one of local Zone interest —was that the saline water from the Lakes found its way into the Avon," said Mr. Bond. "The contamin-ation was not so bad in the full winter when the river was in flood, and the sur-face water got away quickly, but in September and October the level of the lakes dropped and a lesser quantity of highly saline water found its way into the river.

"Local residents felt that if this could be stopped there would be a consider-able improvement in the salinity of the Avon waters. The water in the Avon was infinitely more saline below the lakes en-trance than above it. A sand-bag wall put across some years ago was very effective.

CROSSING

"The road board was about to construct a cross-ing at this point and local residents felt that if some means could be found to close the pipes under the crossing when flood waters subsided in September-October then much salt could be prevented from getting into the river. No good purpose would be served by closing them earlier because in any case flood waters would flow over the crossing.

"At the time of our visit water was flowing from the Avon River into the lakes. This was due to the high level of the river. Those present explained that within twenty-four hours the position could be reversed. The level of the water over the road was approximately 15 inches.

"Mr. Bryden felt that there was merit in the pro-posal although in his opinion the real remedy lay in the de-snagging and training of the Avon itself so the water could get away. However, as a step towards the eventual cleansing of the Avon it was well worthwhile. Covers for the pipes (7) could be obtained for about £75 each. There would be necessity to ob-tain the agreement of land owners in the vicin-ity of the lakes, which Mr. McLean offered to do.

SAMPLES

"In addition there would be need to take regular samples of the Avon for salinity tests. The Depart-ment would do this. The road board would accept the responsibility for the closing and opening of the covers."

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GOLF

Nick Broun's Fine Round

Nick Broun was respons ible for one of the best rounds of golf noted at Bev erley for a long time when on Sunday he had a 6 up card in a bogey event in which, ironically enough, he was the trophy donor. From a handicap of 14 he had a stroke round in the mid seventies, this being his best yet. Naturally, trophy don ours do not take their own trophies, and the feat brought no reward except the person al satisfaction of giving the "Colonel" a walloping and of earning a substantial reduc tion of handicap. Club mates can hope that he can produce the same brand of golf in a future competition as a reward for a particularly honest and sportsmanlike performance.

The next best and the trophy winner was Dud Rat cliffe who is making a come-back to the game. Off a 17 handicap he was 1 up, just shading Jack Coote who had an all-square card. Ratcliffe had considerable success at golf soms years ago, his wins including the Barnsley Cup.

Broun's excellent scoring on Sunday had a portent the previous afternoon when he was in fine form and partner ed by A L Oliver won the 4-ball bogey event for a club trophy. The pair were 6 up.

King's Park Players Visit

Beverley was pleased to welcome golfers from the King's Park Tennis Club over the week-end. The par ty which numbered about 14 were last in Beverley two seasons ago. They enjoyed play over the course on Sat urday afternoon and all day on Sunday, conducting their own competitions.

The winning pair in Satur day's 4-ball comprised B Lane and D Furze who were 3 up. A Eckersley, 2 down, won Sundays event.

President of the local club, Charles McGlew, welcomed them to Beverley and a spokesman for the party ex pressed the pleasure the visit gave and returned thanks to the host club.

This Week-end

The E T K Barrett Len nard trophy will be played for on Sunday morning. It is a stroke event. In the afternoon there will be a 9 holes 4 ball for a club trophy.

The Barnsley Cup contest takes place on September 2nd.

Paterson's Curse On Roads

Amongst recommenda-tions from the works com-mittee adopted by the Northam Road Board at its meeting on Friday was one that the board should supply the necessary chemical free to farmers and property holders who were willing to spray Paterson's Curse on the roads adjoining their pro-perties, in addition to spraying the land inside the fences.

Other recommendations were that a charge of £2/15/0 per property should be made for rubbish collection at Wundowie, and a charge of 3/6 per

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LCL CONFERENCE

The inaugural meeting of the Canning Divisional Conference of the Liberal and Country League was held at Armadale on December 1st

The meeting, which was attended by some 60 delegates representing all L.C.L. Branches in the Canning Division, elected Mr L Barrett-Lennard of Beverley as its first Divisional President, and Mr A V Tunstill of Harvey as Secretary.

Sir Ross McLarty addressed the delegates on current legislation before the State Parliament, and he pointed out that, with the Hawke Government determined to implement a full programme of Socialistic legislation, the uncompromising stand on matters of vital principals by the Liberal Parliamentary Party was proving an embarrassment to the Socialists.

"We are the bulwark against Socialism and Communism and we must never let the people forget that fact", said Sir Ross.

Visitors to the Conference included Mr R B Goode, State President of the L.C.L. Mr V L Ockerby, General Secretary, Messrs C P Bird and Q Stow, Senator Malcolm Scott, Hon J Murray, M.L.C., Hon F Willmott M.L.C. Mr G P Wild MLA Mr I Manning, M.L.A.

Mrs J McCooke, Aldersyde and Mr A W Miles were appointed Executive members representing the Avon electorate within the Canning Division.

AVON RIVER SALT POLLUTION

Flood Gates Completed at Lakes Entrance

All district residents interested in the problems associated with the Avon River in flood periods and the increasing salinity and deterioration of the streamlover recent years as a result of the flow of lakes water into the channel will be pleased to know that the Beverley Road Board has recently carried out an experiment which to a greater or lesser degree may improve the present situation.

The Board in providing a crossing at Boyagarra for those using the road took the opportunity of fitting flood gates to the large Hume pipe through which the Avon waters flow into the lake system before reversing direction and flowing back into the Avon stream as the river level falls.

The water will be allowed to flow into and fill the lake system at which stage the flood gates will be closed to prevent the return of salt impregnated water back into the river.

An inspection on Sunday revealed that Board workmen have done an excellent job, providing a cement faced crossing which should last for many years and should withstand any big surge of water which may occur in flood times. The road and approaches to the crossing have also been cleared and gravel surfaced.

Junior Farmers'

Russell Hastings was in the chair in the absence of David Gors at the Junior Farmers' meeting held on Thursday, December 6th and presided over about forty members.

A large gathering from the newly formed Brookton club was welcomed. It was pleasing to see so many and we hope they can keep up their attendance.

A letter was received from Walter McShane, the Tasmanian boy, who recently visited this State. He thanked his hosts in Beverley.

Brian Sims gave a report of the Council meeting held at Quairading on November 5th. It was decided to hold next years' Achievement Day at York.

The clubs of Brookton and Northam were welcomed into the council.

Sally Lodge of York is to represent the Avon Valley Council in the competition for the trip to America.

After a short meeting a social was held. We hope the members from Brookton thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

The last meeting for the year will be held at the CWA on December 20th.

—Lois Draper, club reporter.

MAMMOTH BOYAGARRA DAM

For those using the Boyagarra road in the County Peak area a stop and inspection of the mammoth dam which has been constructed on the property is a must. It is situated on the right hand side of the road leading to Qualandarry crossing and has excited much interest here and elsewhere.

Of the turkey nest type the island in the centre represents ground level. Earth excavated around the island has been pushed out to form the retaining wall. Adjacent is the holding dam into which water will flow before being pumped into the main receptacle. The dam when full will hold 12,000,000 gallons of water which will be used for irrigation purposes. The method of construction enables six or seven cubic feet of water to be conserved for every cubic yard of excavation.

Standing on the dam wall one is immediately impressed with the immensity of the undertaking. Thousands of tons of earth must have been moved in the process. It was completed after the winter rains had ceased and should excite even more interest when filled.

The work here and elsewhere is indicative of the increasing water consciousness of the farming community. The latent possibilities of irrigation should within a few years it seems be fully tested in the Avon Valley areas.

B O W L S

Pennant Fixtures

Beverley Reds were at home to Northam Reds last Saturday afternoon and were soundly beaten although two of their fours had the edge on the visitors. Details:

Hutchinson, R Edwards, G Gors and I Petchell lost to R Harrison, S Read, Stratton and Matthews 21/29.

M Rogers, Turner, C Williams and W Brown lost to Andrews, du Boulay Sones and Drabble 17/36.

Oliver, H T Edwards, O Sims and Donaldson beat Fox, Baynes, Raven and W Smith 26/25.

Alex Murray, J Safe, H Doncon and R Strange beat Fenniport, Wood, Grafton and Way 20/15.

Blacks v Northam Gold

Beverley Blacks travelled to Northam on Saturday for an engagement against that club's Gold faction and were beaten by a comfortable margin.

Details:

Miller, Reynolds, Abbey and G L Weaver lost to Ferguson, H Brew, R Hitchcock and Rodwell 13/32.

Les Sims, C Smith, G Savage and A Cooper beat Field, Stapleton, L Smith and Broomhall 32/18.

G Ferguson, L Weaver, R Edwards and Len Sims lost to A Hitchcock, Forward, Chidlow and H Hitchcock 24/26.

Fowler, N Smith, Bremner and F Blechynden lost to Cocking, Wood James 24/31.

Law Sommer Pty Ltd who have been leading seed merchants in Melbourne for over 100 years, have blended a special lawn mixture to suit the Beverley climate conditions. The mixture which contains Bermuda Couch, Drylands Brown Top Kentucky Blue Grass and Pacey's Perennial Rye Grass is obtainable from Barrow & Co at 12/6 per lb.

Gun Licenses

With the early advent of the new year the time for the renewal of gun licenses has come around again and all owners of firearms are asked to attend to this very necessary matter without delay. The fee is 1/- and payment should be made to Police Constable E Whitney who is anxious to finalize renewals as speedily as possible. Failure to take out licenses in respect to fierarms (whether such are used or not) can have serious results as heavy penalties are provided under the Act. Licenses can be renewed as from today.

NINETY-THREE LAST TUESDAY

One of the district's oldest residents in the person of Mr Jim Carr passed his 93rd milestone on Tuesday last and we know that all local residents will join with us in extending congratulations and good wishes to the veteran who has led a most useful life and is still remarkably active for his age. At the moment he is staying with friends in the Gosnells area.

Another very old resident of the district is Mr George Heggie who has not enjoyed good health of late and has been an inmate of the hospital for some time past.

Barrow's have an excellent range of junior cricket bats faced, oiled and ready to make your boy a future "Test Player". They also have some junior tennis racqets still available at special prices.

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The Rooms of the Beverley Branch of the CWA presented a very delightful sight with their gay Xmas decorations and masses of beautiful flowers including some wonderful gladioli, when the final meeting of the year was held on Dec 1st.

Over a hundred members filled the room to capacity.

The President (Mrs Eynon) a charming figure in pastel pink with black hat and accessories, in opening the meeting paid high tribute to the splendid work which all officers and members had done during the past year which had done so much to help the Branch both financially and socially and had helped to spread abroad the helpful Christian Spirit of the CWA.

She took the opportunity of farewelling with much regret Mrs T Wright who will shortly be leaving the district.

In presenting her with a fragrant spray of pink carnations she wished her well in her new life and assured her that she would forever hold a firm place in the esteem of all Beverley members.

Mrs Wright very charmingly thanked the President and members.

Mrs Doncon then presented a very comprehensive and interesting report of the Executive meeting recently held at Brookton for which she was warmly thanked on behalf of the Branch by Miss M McDonald.

This revealed that there are now over 1000 members in the Avon Valley. The report also spoke of the beautiful handicrafts done in the recent exhibition and it is to be hoped that Beverley members will give more attention to this branch of CWA activity when it is re-organised in the new year.

It also contained a suggestion from Miss McGuire that each Branch contact a pen friend from oversees to spread abroad the spirit of understanding, love and co-operation. Nominations for the office-bearers Annual Divisional meeting were discussed. Mrs Fisher was asked to stand but preferred to do so at a later date.

The matter of the use of Rest Rooms in various towns was also fully discussed and it was decided to leave the key of the Beverley Room at the clinic where it could easily be obtained.

The question of the formation of drama and singing groups was raised and Beverley Branch will give this much consideration in the new year. It is suggested that a skit be staged at Northam on Feb 27th.

After the conclusion of the meeting a very happy Xmas party was enjoyed by the members.

Mrs A Potts gave a very beautiful and appropriate rendering of "Bless This House," accompanied by Mrs A Miles.

A humourous skit, "The Bait," played by Mrs Chandler and Mrs K Doncon, and Mrs J Lupton caused quite a bit of hilarity. Xmas carols led by Mrs Chandler and Mrs Potts and played by Mrs Edwards were sung by the members.

Two amusing competitions were followed by a delightful afternoon tea.

Finally the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and the National Anthem bronght a very enjovable afternoon to a close for which the President warmly thanked the social committee, and all for all their efforts in the past year; also the sterling work of the town secretary (Mrs Richardson) who unfortunately was not able to be presnt owing to the serious illness of her father. All members joined with the president in expressing a sincere wish for his speedy recovery.

XMAS AND NEW YEAR

Holiday Arrangements

Xmas and New Year holidays as agreed upon by local business houses will comprise Tuesday December 25 and Wednesday December 26 next week and Tuesday January 1 Wednesday January 2 of the following week.

The Banks

The Banks will be closed on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week and on Monday December 31 and Tuesday January 1 of the following week.

Post Office

The post office will be closed all day next Tuesday and will open from 9 till 10 a.m. on Wednesday when there will be a letter delivery.

The office will be open from 9 till 10 only on December 31st (letter delivery) and and again from 9 till 10 on Tuesday, January 1 (no delivery).

Butcher's Shop

Messrs Shackles & Sons butchering establishment will be closed on Tuesday and Wednesday of each week in line with other business houses.

Baker's Arrangements

Housewives should secure enough bread on Monday next to see them through until Thursday morning as Agnew's Bakery will be closed on Tuesday and Wednesday.

The following week the Bakery will be closed on Tuesday but bread will be available at the shop on Wednesday afternoon.

Mailed bread will be delivered on Monday in lieu of Tuesday next week.

A very large quantity of shot gun cartridges was damaged in the recent fire in a Perth shipping agent's ware house. Fortunately, however, Barrow's have fairly good supplies available for the opening of the duck shooting

FATHER XMAS TO VISIT

The Beverley Volunteer Fire Brigade has been in contact with Father Xmas and have made arrangements for the benevolent figure to again appear in Beverley on Xmas morning when he will do a round of the town on the fire tender accompanied by members of the Brigade. He will distribute sweets to the children and may make other calls.

This will be the fourth year that a visit has been arranged and the children will look forward with zest to his appearance.

GOOD PROSPECTS FOR DUCK SHOOTING

Shooters who will be participating in the opening shoot of the duck shooting season at 5 o'clock to-morrow (Saturday) morning have the best prospects of obtaining their bag limit of 15 than has been the case for many years past in this district.

A survey of the lakes area last week revealed that these haunts are particularly well stocked with wildfowl this year. Great flocks of teal and black duck were noted in the lower lakes area whilst at Rocky Lake and the adjacent Mud Lake an immense flock of mountain duck was noted.

Mear's lake has a big quota of duck and this resort is likely to be crowded with guns as it is popular with shooters in areas East of the Beverley district.

A surprise of the year is the quantity of water in the County Peak lakes area despite the early cessation of winter rains. There is no water however in the channels and lakes just east of Rocky Lake.

The River

It seems that shooters who frequent the river pools at Jurakine and elsewhere will have far better sport than was anticipated. A few weeks ago duck was very scarce in this area but with in the past fortnight they have appeared in great numbers. The same remarks apply to Ridgway's swamp where there is a particularly large concentration of game at the moment.

COLLIE COAL AND FIRE RISKS

Concern Aroused

Following the passing of a train last week a fire occured in the grass at the rear of a house in Forrest street, Beverley. Brigade members quickly turned out and the blaze was soon subdued.

Chief fire officer for the district and chairman of the Road Board Mr A W Miles promply instituted inquiries as to the type of coal being used in the engine and on being advised that it was the Collie product he sent wires to the Minister of Railways and other interested bodies protesting against the use of this type of coal.

Assurance had previously been given that in fire hazard areas during the summer Newcastle coal would be used by the railways. Some weeks ago Collie miners sought the use of Collie coal in preference to the imported product.

The claim made that Collie coal was no more dangerous than that from Newcastle is not borne out by by experience in this and other districts.

The fire officer's concern is shared by farmers through out the agricultural areas who were relieved of great anxiety when Newcastle coal was introduced last year

XMAS PUBLISHING

This will be the last issue of the Beverley Times for 1956. In accordance with the custom of some years past staff and management will take annual holidays and the office will be closed as from to-day until Monday January 7th. The first issue of the paper in the new year will appear on January 11th.

Once again we tender to all advertisers, contributors and readers our appreciation and readers our appreciation of support over the year and our best wishes to all for the festive season.

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APPRECIATION

The Beverley Hospital Auxiliary thanks all public organisations which assisted in so many ways to make the Monster Carnival the success it was. It is impossible to mention by name all the individuals who gave so much of their time on the 11th May but the Carnival Committee appreciated greatly all the help which was so willingly given by so many people. The Auxiliary is very pleased with the total raised and realise that without the whole hearted co-operation of all concerned this would have been impossible, We now hope to improve the lot of patients and staff alike for some time to come.

DANCE & CARD EVENING
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DAM PROJECT AROUSES INTEREST

Many people have visited the Butler property at Bally Bally during the past week to watch water being pumped at the rate of 1000 gallons a minute into the enormous turkey-nest type of dam constructed on the property last summer.

Mrs Butler has found the flow of water into the adjacent holding dam more than adequate to meet the pump's demands, and experience suggests that a larger holding dam is warranted to prevent water running to waste.

It was estimated that by last week-end about three million gallons had been pumped into the turkey nest dam. Water was beginning to creep up to the top of the "island" centre, representing normal ground level, which is a feature of this type of dam.

SCOUT NEWS

A Building Committee comprising Messrs W Eayres, J Wright Bob Shackles and Steve Edwards was elected at the usual monthly meeting on June 24th.

Another social is planned soon, watch for the announcement. Also a concert is in the offing.

"Bob a Job" week comes off next August. The boys would welcome any offers of jobs.

Mr Colin McLean and Mr Bob Shackles were invited to see if they could augment funds by collecting a few fleeces, so please let them know when you are shearing.

Parents—Owing to a bereavement at the Scout Shop all orders are temporarily held up.

Women's Hockey

On their home ground last Sunday, Kookaburras were defeated by Brookton.

From the centre bully Brookton's forwards scored a quick goal. Beverley girls did not play their best standard of hockey but managed to hold the visitors at 1-nil until half time.

Beverley forwards could not goal but Brookton scored once more to win 2-0.

Best players for the local team were: W Batchelor, V Johns; a newcomer who showed promise is P Sims.

We are hoping to be visited by York next Sunday.

For easy fencing see the Farm-Master, the King of Post Borers, now available from Barrow & Richardson. The Farm-Master is priced at only £43/15/- and has all the features of other makes costing nearly twice as much.

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Church Notices

METHODIST CHURCH
Sunday, June 30th
Beverley
No Service
Circuit Rally at Brookton 5 p.m, Basket Tea. Speaker Mr R Cleaver M.H.R. Subject "The General Conference",
7.30 p.m. Rally in the Church Preacher: W R Cleaver M.H.R.

Rev. T Cook,

ANGLICAN CHURCH
Sun. June 30th Trinity II
Beverley
8 a.m. Holy Communion
7 30 p.m. Evensong
West Dale
11 a.m. Holy Communion with Hymns etc.
Edward's Crossing
3 p.m. Evensong for St. Paul's day.

Rev'd. Paul Atkins.

AVON FLOWING STRONGLY

Under the influence of the heavy rains experienced over the river's watershed last week-end the Avon River this week reached its highest level to-date for the present winter and with a continuation of rains as forecast on Wednesday may continue to rise.

Rains in the Bally Bally-County Peak-East Beverley area this year filled the lakes before the river had reached a high enough level to flow into them.

Crossing Floodgates

Last year the Road Board installed flood gates at the Qualanderry crossing with a veiw to preventing the salt impregnated lake waters from reaching the river and contaminating the fresher river water.

These will no doubt be closed at the appropriate time. Many residents will watch the experiment with interest.

GOLF DRAW

The championship draw will take place at 9.30 a.m. on Sunday.

June 28, 1957

AVON RIVER ODYSSEY

"It was really worthwhile—if only to have heard Gordon Houston urging on his crew—that was an education in itself." This was how Neil Bartlett, skipper of the "Sanisybi," one of the three craft which made the voyage down the Avon River from Northam to Perth last week-end, summed up the trip.

Scheduled to start at 6.30 on Saturday morning, dense fog and other difficulties delayed the four boats slightly, but finally at 7 o'clock they were off.

Almost immediately one of the boats, carrying a crew of two ran into trouble negotiating the weir, capsized and had to abandon the trip.

The other three, Neil Bartlett's "Sanisybi", Colin Arcus's "Bwap" and Gordon Houston's "Rusty Bucket" got away to a good start, but after covering about 1½ miles, the "Bucket" ran into trouble and capsized.

It was at this point that Gordon Houston gave his first display of vehement invective under the stimulus of which his crew finally righted their craft and carried on, to catch up with the other two boats at Toodyay, which they reached about half an hour late.

At Toodyay a halt was made for lunch, and here, Neil Bartlett, who had had to leave his boat about ten miles from the start and return to Northam to attend to his business, again rejoined his crew.

Carrying on after lunch the three boats made good progress until at obout 4.30 when some fifteen miles from Toodyay the "Bwap" ran into trouble. It was running between the "Sanisybi" and the bank when a lone tree loomed up. projecting out over the stream almost horizontally and only about two and a half feet above the water.

Colin Arcus sighted it and Neil Bartlett heard him say "This could be dangerous"—a statement which almost qualified for inclusion in the book of "Famous Last Words". However, by means of strenuous activity on the part of the crew, with the assistance of the air tanks with which "Bwap" alone of the boat was equipped, they struggled through.

At about 5.30 Jimperding Swing Bridge, a -three cable suspension structure, installed and maintained for his own use bv Mr. Markey, who came down to meet the voyagers, was reached.

Here the Northamites tied up their boats and returned to town for the night whilst the "Bwap's" crew camped in a trailer caravan that had followed them downstream.

PORTAGES

At 8.15 on Sunday morning the Argonauts started off again in a fog so dense as to make the previous morning appear clear by comparison. They immediately found themselves running into really rough water for about 6 or 8 miles, in the course of which they had to make four portages around rocks and rapids.

An interesting side issue along this section of the route was provided by a number of youngsters from Toodyay who had ridden along the bank on horses. They came across a small kangaroo which, finding itself cut off from the bank by the riders, took to the water, where it soon found itself unable to move very fast. The youngsters made a lasso with a piece of rope and were able to drop it over Joey's head and lead him away captive.

Beyond the rough section conditions improved. There were several longish stretches of smooth water, with rapids at either end, and across these pools the boats were able to make good time.

WELCOME LUNCH

Arriving at South Chittering at about 1.30 p.m. they were met Mrs. Oliver, of Burlong, and her son Lester, with a very welcome meal of hot curry and rice.

This landfall was made short of the scene of the disasterous end of last year's attempted navigation of the river.

The voyagers were informed by a local farmer that there were only two falls to be negotiated in the next stretch, but found this was fallacious. However, the rock which terminated last year's voyage was negotiated easily because of the greater depth of water over it, and they went ahead with "Bwap" in the lead.

NEAR DISASTER

Two miles of smooth water, were expected but instead it was found that two falls, each of at least 50 feet, had to be descended with only a quarter of a mile between them.

Whilst lowering the Sanisybi" down one of these falls with ropes something slipped and for a few tense moments the crew thought they had lost her. The boat filled with water, and only by extreme effort was she eventually hauled clear.

This rough section passed the craft approached Upper Swan Bridge and "Bwap", trying to steal a march upon the others, entered a side stream, only to become entangled in trees growing down in the water.

NIGHT IN CARAVAN

Landing in due course at the Bridge, all the crews spent the night in the caravan. It may be mentioned here that on Sunday Sam Oliver, of the "Sanisybi's" crew, was not feeling too good, and after about two and half hours left the boat, which carried on with only three men. He rejoined them on Monday morning.

From Upper Swan to Barrack street jetty, said Neil Bartlett was definitely the worst, and most frightening section of the trip. Crossing the open stretches of the Swan white-topped waves three feet high had to be met. The fact that it was equipped with oars gave the "Bwap" a decided advantage over the "Sanisybi" which had only paddles to propel it through this stretch.

Approaching the Causeway the crews had to get out of the boats and manhandle them over half a mile, working up to their waists in slimy mud and water.

Eventually "B w a p" reached the finish at 3 p.m. with "Rusty Bucket" only 9 minutes behind, and "Sanisybi" checked in at 3.30.

"It was a wonderful experience" concluded Neil Bartlett "Looking back we can see the humour of many situations which did not strike us as particularly funny at the time.

"One outstanding moment was when Gordon Houston, standing on a rock clear of the water, was urging his crew to geater effort in portaging the boat. One of them asked him why he did not come down and give a hand himself 'Oh' he said, 'I haven't any boots on.' 'Well, neither have I' retorted the other 'No, but you've got your socks on!' responded Gordon—and it was concluded there was no adequate answer to this one.

QUALANDERRY CROSSING

Washout Reported

Mr John McLean reported on Monday that a washout had occnrred at Qualanderry crossing at tbe junction of the lakes and the Avon River. It will be remembered that the crossing was built up and surfaced last summer and flood gates installed with the idea of preventing the salt impregnated lake waters from flowing back into the river.

Evidently the crossing was not strong enough to with stand the pressure of the water flowing through from the upper reaches of the lakes system.

Mr Colin McLean attempted to drive his car through the washout at the week-end but became stranded and had to leave the vehicle which was later pulled out by trac tor.

Another road user who was about to use the cross ing to reach Beverley from the South side had to return and continue the journey via Brookton.

Residents in the area should note that any crossing under present conditions is hazardous.

The Road Board has been advised of the washout and it is considered that possibly something can be done to prevent all the lake water from escaping back into the Avon.

There will be general re gret at the occurrence as many people were very inter ested in the lakes-river pro ject and were looking for ward to the summer to see the results of the experiment.

MEN'S HOCKEY

[By "Off Side"]

Sunday last we met Pin gelly in a hard game and were fortunate to win 1—0. Two players retired injured though it is expected they will be able to play in the Great Southern Carnival to be held at Narrogin next week end.

The weather was ideal and Pingelly, fielding one of their strongest teams for the sea son, appeared to be a form idable apponent. Play was rough and no score was made till after the changeover when H McDonald netted the only goal of the match. Both teams had several shots for goals but tbe forwards were off the target and the ball went astray. It was pleasing to note even with three of the regular forward line out the vacancies were adequately filled by the re serve players.

Beverley second team has now been admitted to the Association and will play it's first Association match in two weeks time. With the younger players coming on it is expected that next sea son this team will give a good account of itself in the As sociation fixtures.

As previously mentioned we look forward to the Great Southern Carnival this coming weekend. This will be the first occasion on which Beverley has entered a team for this fixture and to fore cast the results would be im possible. However it is felt that if a team approaching full strength can be fielded Beverley should give a good account of itself. Individ ually the boys have the abil ity and combining well should be a team to be

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MUCH WATER IN LOCAL LAKES

Good Shooting Prospects

In a year with a rainfall total about 4 inches below average it is surprising to see such a large volume of water still contained in the Bally Bally-County Peak lakes,

Since June only 286 points of rain have fallen at Beverley and normally under such conditions the lakes would be practically dry at this stage.

Actually they now contain more water than many people have ever noted in them in December and the only explanation of the puzzle is that the small dam and floodgates which the Road Board put in at Qualanderry crossing to prevent the salt impregnated lake water from reaching the Avon River has served its purpose.

This has occurred when most lakes and catchments eastwards have completely dried out, these including Lake Mears, a favourite resort of shooters.

The lakes which are filled extend from Qualanderry crossing to the Channels, an area perhaps twelve miles in length. Over the whole distances the fall must amount only to inches to account for the impoundage.

In many places on the lower levels there is still water in the channels connecting the lakes. Vantage points from which shooters have operated in previous years are under water in many cases.

Ducks Plentiful

Wildfowl is very plentiful at Rocky Lake, Ossig's Lake and in the surrounding catchments and also at the Channel Lakes so that good shooting should be available to sportsmen at the opening of the shooting season on Sunday December 22.

A Dale shooter who inspected the area last Sunday stated the number noted at Rocky Lake in the afternoon reminded him of the seasons of 20 and 30 years ago. They rose in thousands when disturbed and comprised mostly teal and mountain duck.

In these areas last year there was an instance of a farmer's fence being cut by a shooting party. Shooters should remember that they are in many cases on private property in the shooting area. They are there on sufferance and should respect property rights.

Generally speaking sports men in these parts have built up a good reputation among farmers and for the sake of the sport this must be guarded

All are asked also to be extremely careful of their camp fires.

Inspectors of the Fisheries Department are expected to be in the area this week-end and will deal stringently with any breaches of the game laws. Shooting is not legal until 5 a.m. on the 22nd.

Lake Gundaring Promising

A "prospecting" party which set out from Beverley on Sunday found Lake Gundaring, 10 miles east of Wagin, is holding plenty of water and shooting prospects in this big sweep of water are perhaps the best in the State providing plenty of guns are present.

A number of local shooters who normally shoot east of Narrogin will no doubt go on to Wagin this year.

Have you seen the range of new season's tennis racquets now on display at Barrow's? Many racquets are available at special low prices. New season's Cricket material and Bowls equipment may also be purchased now from Barrow & Co.

SUMMONSES ISSUED FOR RATES

Road Board Action

Summonses were recently issued against a number of prominent district citizens by the Beverley Road Board. They had failed to pay their rates by the due date.

It is unlikely that any actions will come to court.

The Board has been concerned with the number of residents who do not meet their obligations until the last possible moment. The trouble occurs year after year and the Board's patience had become exhausted. In all cases final notices had been issued followed by another personal note from the secretary.

The tardiness in paying is probably due to plain cussedness.

In one of the cases the person concerned tells us that he has been "trying the Board out" for years past!

He will probably be a good boy in future!

RIFLE RANGE RESERVE

Surveys Completed

Back in 1915 the Beverley Rifle Club moved from its shooting site on reserve land near Roesland farm to a new range which had been established closer to Beverley on commonage land. The club has continued to operate from this range ever since.

However, it was not until a week ago that a survey of the present range site was completed, making it possible to finalise the various legal processes for permanent acquisation of the land for rifle shooting purposes.

Land east of the shooting reserve is to be sold to adjoining farmers Messrs E W Edwards & Son, portion of whose property was acquired by the Commonwealth during the war years as an aerodrome site.

The west side of the range on which the sanitary site is situated will continue to be used as commonage.

BIGGEST TROUT TO-DATE

Landed Last Sunday

Although larger ones have been seen in the Dale River the biggest trout actually grassed was hooked last Sunday afternoon by Stewart Shaw, a member of the local Trout Club, who was fishing a small pool below Milepool bridge.

The occasion was the annual picnic and barbecue of the Club which was attended by many members, their wives, children and friends and took place at Milepool, on Mr Henry Norris's property.

Mr Shaw's fish was over 12 inches in length and was easily the best of those landed during the afternoon. It was officially logged and will qualify for the trophy which has been presented for the biggest trout landed for the season.

Possibly the luckiest catch to-date was noted last week when a local girl who was endeavouring to catch minnows suddenly felt something heavy on her line and on pulling it in found she had jagged a fair sized trout, the hook being embedded in the fish's body.

Trout have now been noted in pools over many miles of the river and it seems certain that they are now well established.

CANCER APPEAL

Latest donations to the Cancer appeal are as follows:

Previously acknowledged	£573	9	4
L S Bennett	5	0	0
Dale Ladies Guild	7	6	5
A D McCallum	3	0	0
Bertie Poyser	1	0	0
W F Noonan	2	2	0
R W Bartram		18	0
Mr & Mrs George Negus	5	0	0
Estate of H D Smith	2	2	0
W R Gillespie	5	5	0
Total to 9/12/57	£605	2	9

BALLAST FOR RAILWAY DEPARTMENT

New Quarry at Edwards Crossing

We understand that arrangements have now been completed for the opening shortly of a quarry site on Mr Tom Barrett Lennard's Drumolyer property at Edwards Crossing.

The quarry will supply crushed metal to the Railway Department for the re ballasting of the railway line between Beverley and Albany

The job is a lengthy one and it is expected that at least 30 men will be employed at the site.

The Railway Department is to put in a loop line through Mr Lennard's land to the site and the survey for this has been completed,

A big crushing plant is to be moved to the site shortly. Private contractors will work the plant.

SCOUT NEWS

Arrangements are well in hand for a midnight hike on the 14th inst. and also for the eight-day camp starting on January 25. Both events are eagerly awaited by the boys.

No recess will be held over Xmas but any scout on holidays will be automatically excused.

The Xmas social was a pronounced success despite several counter attractions. Mrs Miles, the usual volunteer at the piano, was unavoidably absent but Mrs G Barrett-Lennard ably filled the vacancy, Our thanks are due to both these kind citizens.

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BROOKTON SHEEP SALE

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CAROL SERVICE

A carol service will be held at St Mary's on December 29.

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Croquet Club Celebrates Jubilee

What was probably the happiest occasion in the 50 year old history of the Beverley Croquet Club took place last Saturday evening when a big gathering of players, visitors, bowlers and friends celebrated the Club's jubilee at the bowling pavilion and later on the lawn.

The club has weathered many difficulties but the vicissitudes of the long years were forgotten as tribute was paid to the pioneers of the game in Beverley and thanks expressed to the many who have helped to keep the club functioning.

The ladies had provided a delightful buffet tea to which full justice was done by the big assemblage.

Early History

Unlike many local organisations the Croquet Club's records are intact and Mr H E Blechynden, who was introduced to the assemblage by the president of the Club, Mrs R C Smith, drew liberally from the records and from his own knowledge of the club in recounting the early history of the game in Beverley.

Mr Blechynden said that the club was formed at a meeting held on August 24, 1907, the late Mr W W Chipper occupying the chair. It was decided on a motion moved by Mr Townley that a club be formed here. Mrs Clarke seconded and the motion was carried.

The first president was Mrs Townley with Mrs Chipper and Mrs Slater as vice presidents. Miss R Sewell was the first secretary and Mrs J Wansbrongh, Mrs E Langsford and Mrs H Hunter were elected to the committee.

Mr Blechynden said that of the original members only one, Mrs Una Wansbrough, was present that night to join in the jubilee celebration Another old member present was Mrs C Broun who joined in 1908, acted as secretary for a time, and was president in 1912, later being elected patron when the late Mr F T Broun entered parliament.

Other early members in attendance were Mrs S Blechynden and Mrs J Mann who joined in 1912, and Mrs H E Blechynden, who joined in 1914. The latter was secretary for a time and was president in 1948. She is the oldest playing member and with Mrs Broun is now an honorary life member of the club.

The club first played on a dirt court in the school grounds but moved to the recreation ground where a lawn had been established in 1909 and to the present lawn in 1930. Messrs E Ford and the late W Fisher did much of the work in establishing the present lawn.

Many men played the game in its early years in Beverley these including Dr Butler, Dr. Hodgson, Mr Trotman, Mr Clarke, Mr Townley, Mr Tregurtha and others whilst the late Canon Groser took a very prominent part in the conduct of the Club's affairs.

Mr Blechynden read telegrams of congratulation from Miss Butcher and Mrs Muriel Sutherland. Present to extend her congratulations in person was a member and office bearer of more recent years in Mrs B Field-Martell.

Horse and Buggy Days

In supporting Mr Blechynden's remarks the member for the district Mr J I Mann, said that he could look back to the time when croquet players came to the court per horse and buggy but enjoyed the game and played with the same keeness as do today's members. He paid tribute to the pioneers of the district's organisations and said he prayed that the fears and problems which so beset the world to day might be resolved without resort to wars and that members of the club might continue to enjoy their recreation.

The chairman of the Road Board, Mr A W Miles, extended congratulations to the club on behalf of his Board and the ratepayers generally.

Perth Visitors

Present to extend congratulations on behalf of sister clubs in the city was Mrs E Gordon, president of the W A Croquet Association, who gave interesting information regarding the growth of the game in popularity in recent years. She was accompanied by Mrs Maskew (vice-president), Mrs Thorpe (assistant secretary) who represented W A at the last Victorian Carnival, and Mrs Klemm.

Other speakers were Mrs E Hobbs (Brookton) Mrs Jones (Northam) and Mrs Inkpen (York).

At the invitation of Mrs R C Smith foundation member Mrs U Wansbrough then lit the candles on the special birthday cake which had been made and decorated as a gift to the club by Mrs G Grigson. The gathering joined in the singing of "Happy Birthday" and the cake was then cut by Mrs Wansbrough and sampled by all present.

This concluded the official portion of a most successful celebration and a move was then made to the lawn, where after much amusement had been caused by a parade of players dressed in old time play clothes, social croquet was enjoyed. Supper was served later in the evening.

Congratulations go to the present office bearers who arranged the fixture and especially to Mrs E McGrath, the Club's hon secretary, in whose hands was much of the organising.

Fire Losses Mark Hea

The searing heat which made last week one trying pre Christmas periods on record stepped up ards to abnormal levels and the district did not go unscathed although excellent organisations of the fire fighting service which has kept damage to a minimum.

At Mr L R Weaver s Arlington property on the 12th inst a fire started in a wheat crop where harvesting was in progress and due to the heavily grassed pasture lands and crops extending in all directions threatened a major disaster.

The blaze was attacked by the central fire fighting unit and with equipment manned by neighbouring farmers and in quick time was brought under control in heavy stubble land after the flames had swept over about 160 acres. The firefighters were assisted by the absence of strong winds.

Mr Weaver lost 290 bags of wheat and 50 acres of standing crop as well as 45 acres of stubble, whilst his neighbour, Mr J Aiken, lost approximately 60 acres of pasture. A few acres of grass were also lost on Messrs Miller & Son's property. Some fencing was destroyed.

Local fire officers noted with satisfaction that Arlington farm was well provided with firebreaks. This has been the exception rather than the rule at outbreaks attended to date this year.

Saturday Afternoon Blaze

On Saturday afternoon a call was received to Mr L S Bennett's property at Deep Pool. Fire had broken out in a crop where work was in progress. There was an excellent response from all quarters and the blaze was brought under control after about 25 acres of crop and some 100 acres of feed had been lost

The outbreak occurred on the southern portion of the property and was stopped on a gully on which flames had encroached during the big blaze which occured in that area last year.

Lightning Starts Fire

Lightning started a fire at the Research Station on Sunday night but the blaze was extinguished after it had burnt over about an acre.

GAME OFFICER INSPECTS SHOOTING AREAS

Mr S Bowler, an inspector of the Fisheries and Game Department was in Beverley last week-end and in company with one of the district's honorary wardens and two other interested residents inspected the lakes and river areas on Sunday.

A fortnight ago he apprehended two offendors against the game laws at Bindoon but as far as this district was concerned on Sunday everything was quiet on the shooting front and there was no evidence of recent illegal activity on either lakes or river.

The party noted exceptionally big concentrations of teal and mountain duck in the lakes area and particularly in the Rocky Lake and Ossig's Lake area where excellent sport will be offering when the season opens next Sunday morning.

Most amazing feature noted is the great amount of water contained in the lakes system due undoubtedly to the damming back of the lakes water at Qualandorry crossing.

In almost all cases the water extends into the timber lines and in many places around Rocky and Ossig's lake there are well filled lakes and channels which have never previously held water at this time of the year.

The river area also seems well stocked with wildfowl this year and shooters should get full quotas of birds although the higher lakes offer the best prospects.

We have been asked to advise that owing to the fire risks involved shooting on any of the dams on Butler's Boyagarra property is prohibited. This includes the big "turkey nest" catchment.

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NEW BOWLING CLUB SECRETARY

Mr Con Smith was elected hon secretary of the Beverley Bowling Club, Inc., at a meeting of the Club committee held last Saturday night.

He succeeds Mr Jack Donaldson, who has filled the office for the past three years.

Mr Donaldson, who is leaving Beverley shortly, submitted his resignation during the course of the meeting and it was accepted with regret. Several of those present referred to his honorary service to the Club since accepting office and to his keeness and ability as a player. He has been extremely popular in club circles.

Watering Facilities

The meeting agreed to go on with the proposal to install a 10,000 gallon cement tank at the green. This will be fitted with an electrically driven pump and irrigation type sprinklers and will be used for the watering of the greens.

Under the present system water is taken from the mains and the poor pressure available makes the watering of the grass a long process. The work is done by volunteers who are tied up for hours on end before the job is completed. With the new [illegible] be completed in a short time.

Handicap [illegible]

There will be no further pennant fixtures until February and the break will allow the completion of various local competitions.

The Club's handicap singles event commences next Sunday. Play starts at 10 a.m.

CANCER APPEAL

The Cancer Appeal in this district has been closed. The target set at the first meeting was not reached but district residents, by direct giving, have subscribed a total of £630/3/9, and this, taking into account the numerous other appeals during the year to which generous response was made, represents a very handsome contribution from the district community. The chairman of the appeal committee, Mr A W Miles, and all others associated with the effort tenders thanks to all donors and to the organisations which helped in the effort. The final donations received were as follows:

Previously acknowledged	£620	19	9
C S Weaver	3	3	0
Bev Junior Farmers	1	1	0
J R Edwards	5	0	0
Final Total	£630	3	9

FREEMASONS HOTEL CHANGES HANDS

The Freemasons Hotel at Beverley, one of the best known hostelries on the Great Southern is about to change hands, the freehold of the property having been purchased by Mr Mick Trott, formerly of York, and more recently of the city where he owns several butchering establishments. The property was formerly owned by the McManus estate.

Mr Trott intends to become licensee of the premises. The deal involves the departure within the next few weeks of the present licensee, Mr Tony Haddad, who has held the license for the past three years

Mr and Mrs Haddad will carry on for the time being and on leaving the district where they have made hosts of friends will holiday for a few weeks in Melbourne. They will be missed as they have been actively associated with district activities, particularly, bowls, golf, tennis and the Horsemen's Association.

Mr Mick Trott's first venture into business was in the sister town of York where he established ice works and a rabbit freezing establishment some years ago. Business [illegible] later acquired butchering interests in Perth.

He is a notable golfer who has been successful in a number of cup and open events in the Avon Valley Association and elsewhere.

NO MORE BRICK AREAS

No further brick zones would be proclaimed in residential areas, West Australian Director of the Timber Development Association Mr Keith Murray said yesterday.

This decision had been made by Cabinet as the result of a recommendation by [illegible]

Mr Murray said that he had been advised of the resolution by the Minister for Forests and Housing Mr H E Graham.

The sub committee had been reluctant to abolish existing brick areas, but Mr Graham had suggested the limited recommendation on future zoning as being better than no action at all.

Mr Murray said the decision would be [illegible] only the timber in [illegible] would assure [illegible] would be [illegible] ing lar[illegible] ure [illegible] b[illegible]

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DUCK SHOOTING

Scores of shooters from this and surrounding districts attended the opening of the duck shooting season on December 23rd. Lakes and river venues were particularly popular and one large party from Beverley went to Lake Gundaring in the Wagin district.

The river shooting in some localities was particularly good and at the lakes some good bags were noted; one party of nine averaged 10 per gun.

The old problem of the trigger happy sportsman who cannot forego the chance of potting a bird in the dark is still apparent and at Qualanderry the first shot was fired well before 4 a.m. Scores followed suit on the lakes and river and consequently by the time the light had improved sufficiently to make accurate shooting possible the birds were flying high and wide.

The ducks were found to be in particularly good condition this year.

At Lake Gundaring shooters were crowded over the available water and sport was not as good as is usual at this resort. One Beverley sportsman had the bad luck to collect a few stray shots in the legs. The injury was a very minor one and he carried on with his shooting.

Local sportsmen were out in force again at the new year. Some good shooting was reported from the lakes

Mr and Mrs W Clifton are spending a holiday at Applecross and will later visit Geraldton.

Mr and Mrs Cyril Wes[illegible] and family [illegible] Mandu[illegible]re holidaying at [illegible]. At Bunbury are Mr and Mrs J Ferguson, of the Dale whilst the Ratcliffe family is at Scarborough

Mr and Mrs George Price had their son Jim and daughter Esther home for the

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DAM SHOOTING BANNED

A thoughtless disregard for private property rights has led to the banning of shooting on the dams situated on Mr C G McLean's property at County Peak.

Since the opening of the season shooting on the dams has been an almost nightly occurrence and on one night recently every dam on the property was manned with shooters.

Three "dead marines" were found floating on one dam the other day but the patience of the owner of the property really became exhausted one morning this week when he found that shooters had cleaned their ducks in the waters of the dam on which they had been shooting the previous night.

Mr McLean feels that the line has to be drawn some where and by advt in this issue he announces that further dam shooting on the property is prohibited.

TENNIS CLUB

Owing to the extreme heat during the past two week ends, things have been rather dull at the courts. But we are hoping for a better attendance and cooler conditions after the holiday makers return.

The club championships are progressing satisfactorily and all finals will be played on Sunday March 9th. If any visitors are interested they will be most welcome.

Our annual match against Greenhills was played away from home on January 5th. Everyone enjoyed the day's tennis but under terrific heat conditions. Greenhills just managed to carry off the day and won by 2 sets.

There will be several teams entered in the Country Week Carnival. If any member is interested please get in touch with either myself or the Ladies Captain. Country Week is on from the 24th to 28th February

Hoping to see more interested players at the courts in the near future.

—Norma Blechynden (club reporter.)

CRICKET

Easy Win for Country

Country had little difficulty in disposing of York Imperials when the two teams met in an Association fixture at York last Sunday.

Country batted first and although Vallentine was dismissed without scoring opener K Dix went on to score 31. Three were down for 44 when Les Woods was caught off Duperouzel after scoring 9 but with Roy Woods at the wicket the scoring rate quickened and the latter batsman went on to score 87, becoming associated in a profitable partnership with Jack Thomas (33) and later with E Strange (60) Woods and Strange were both not out when the innings was declared closed with five wickets down for 225.

Imperials began well enough openers W Reimers and N Wilson scoring 36 before a seperation was effected Thereafter wickets fell cheaply and the side was all out for 90. Reimers 23 was the best effort whilst K Willey made 16.

Of the Country bowlers L Woods was easily the most impressive and gained the excellent figures of five for 12 off 12 overs five of which were maidens. A Willey obtained 2/15.

Details:

Country	
K Dix c K Willey b L Duperouzel	31
O Vallentine b K Willey	0
L Woods c G Gault b L Duperouzel	9
R Woods not out	87
R Broun c and b L Duperouzel	2
J. Thomas c W Reimers b N Wilson	33
E Strange not out	60
Sundries	3
5 wickets declared	225

Bowling—N Wilson 1/44, K Willey 1/38, G Gault 0/22 L Duperouzel 3/67, C Ashworth 0/51.

Imperials	
W Reimers c E Strange b A Willey	23
N Wilson run out	10
G Hughes b L Woods	10
E Duperouzel b L Woods	9
G Gault c K Dix b L Woods	3
K Willey b L Woods	16
J Allen c J Thomas b R Broun	3
C Ashworth c and b L Woods	0
A Ashworth run out	1
M Reynolds not out	5
K Gault b A Willey	6
Sundries	4
Total	90

Bowling—R Woods 0/15 E Strange 0/6. L Woods 5/12, A Willey 2/15, R Broun 1/31.

DUCK SHOOT ARRANGED

The Sporting Gun and Game Club has arranged a duck shoot for Sunday next and invites all members and friends to participate.

It will be held at the lakes where there is a very large concentration of wildfowl.

The occasion should provide an excellent outing and providing plenty of shooters are about good sport should result.

It is planned to start shooting at 4.45 a.m. and those who intend to participate are asked not to commence shooting before this time.

Shooters in the Quairading York and Brookton areas are being advised of the arrangements with the hope that they also will participate.

Those participating should make their own arrangements regarding venue but it is hoped that shooters will spread out over the whole of the lakes area to ensure good sport. Concentration of the guns in one area offers little hope of success.

MOORA SHOOT

Mr Hart Prior participated in a big shoot at Moora last week-end when 65 guns bagged about 1000 ducks. The outing took place on the lakes on Mr G Cook's property where three or four shoots are arranged each year. The owner of the property takes a very keen interest in fauna matters and makes a close study of the breeding habits of wildfowl, practically every type of which is to be found on the chain of salt and fresh water lakes where the shooting takes place.

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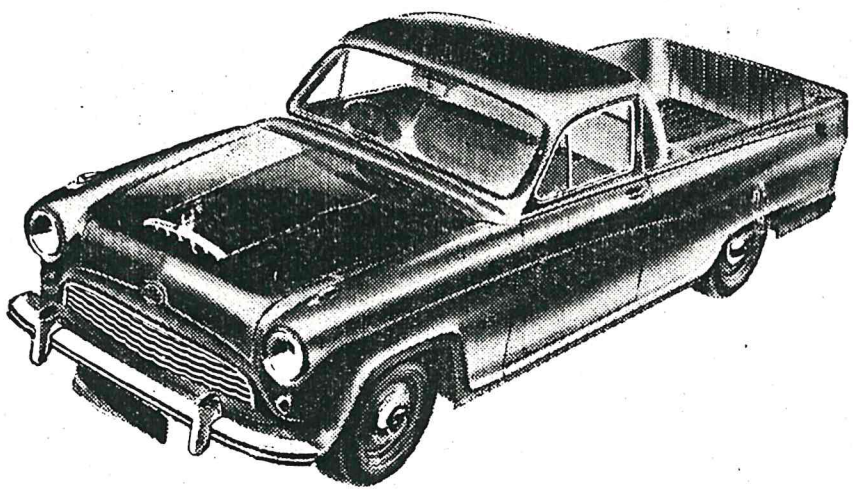

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SMALL BAGS AT DUCK SHOOT

The keen shooters who left Beverley at 3 a.m. last Sunday morning to participate in the shoot arranged by the Sporting Gun and Game Club found the ducks rather uncooperative and small bags were the order.

There has been a lot of shooting in the area since the season opened and the birds are now very gun shy and fly at safe altitudes for most of the time.

And by 7 a.m. there was sitting room only at the turkey-nest dam where the birds flocked in thousands to escape the guns. The dam is out of bounds to shooters.

Possibly the best results of the morning were obtained by Bill Fairhead's quartette who bagged 17.

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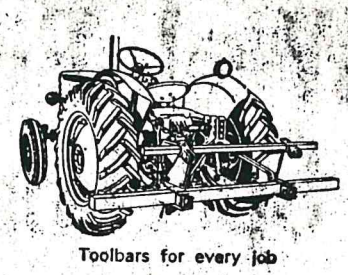
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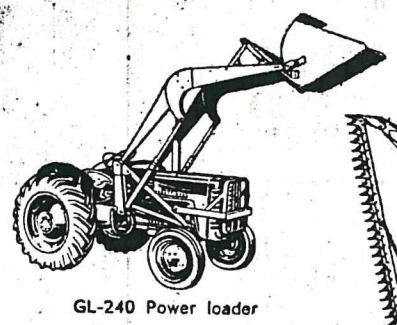
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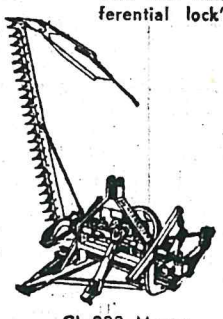
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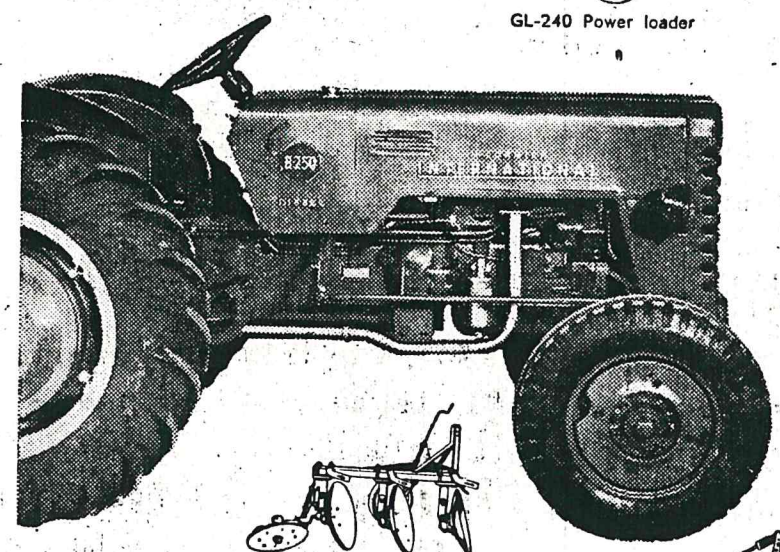

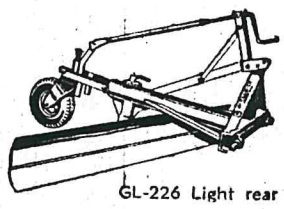
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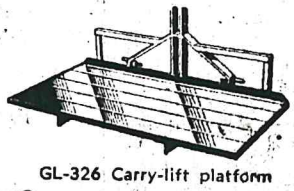
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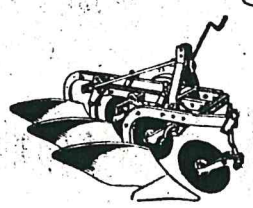
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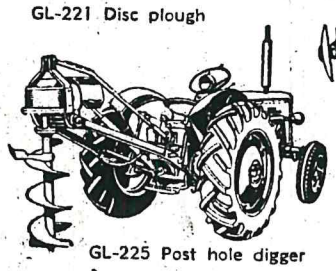
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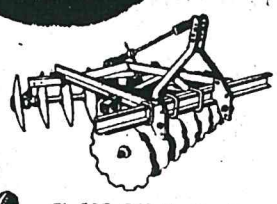
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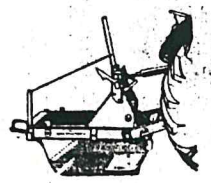
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Record Life Insurance Figures

Record investment in life insurance in 1957 indicated continued prosperity and progress for Australia, the General Manager of the A.M.P. Society (Mr. M. C. Buttfield) said last week.

Mr. Buttfield announced that the A.M.P. last year wrote the sum of £183.3 million in new business—an all-time record for an Australian insurance company. This was one-third of all life insurance business written by all offices in Australia.

Mr. Buttfield said 1957 was the 14th successive year in which the A.M.P. had written increasing records for new business.

The figure of £183.3 million was a 20 per cent increase on the previous year. Of the total of 153,982 policies, 98,791, amounting to £172,123,711 (including £14,963,570) group term insurance) were written in the Ordinary Department and 55,191 amounting to £11,238,033 in the Industrial Department.

Addressing the annual conference of members of the Society's New South Wales Field Organisation today, Mr. Buttfield said, "Investment in life insurance, being the savings of millions of individuals, is an excellent barometer of prosperity.

"Another indication of prosperity is that the Society's superannuation business has risen substantially during a year in which general wage and salary levels have remained fairly stable.

"Despite drought conditions and the recent fall in wool prices, there is good reason for believing that 1958 will be another year of progress for both the life insurance industry and the nation.

"Despite the various serious international financial arrangements which affect the financing of the wool trade.

"The most disturbing of these were the significant rise in the British Bank Rate and the complicated devaluation of the French franc.

"There appears to be little or no evidence to suggest that the fall in prices has been due to any fundamental change in the supply and demand.

"Wool stocks in many of the important wool-consuming countries have fallen to low levels.

"There is every hope that these potential buyers will be forced very soon to re-enter the market in order to replenish their stocks with consequent benefit to the level of wool prices.

"In the final December sales the downward trend of prices was reversed, suggesting that this process has already begun.

"Regarding the present dry conditions, there is still hope that good autumn rains may transform the picture.

"In any case the economy is in a very sound position to withstand any possible setbacks.

"In the last two years we have been able to attain greater stability in our economic life than at any stage in the postwar period of expansion and a degree of prosperity unrivalled in our history.

"This stability and this prosperity have been reflected in our external position which has so improved that there has been a progressive easing of import restrictions and new trade agreements have been entered into.

"Our overseas reserves have been rising steadily. Two years ago they had fallen to about £350 million, today they are probably in the region of £550 million.

"This means that even if falling prices for our primary products results in a reduction in our export income, we should still be in a position to maintain an inflow of essential requirements for industry and commerce.

"There is also every indication that the inflow of overseas capital will continue.

"The recent action of the Central Bank in calling for an easing of bank credit is welcome evidence that the authorities have a vigilant eye on the level of business activity and are keeping their policies flexible in order to be in a position to smooth out any of the ups and downs which inevitably arise in any modern economy".

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"The recent statement that the present rate of world population increase is outstripping the rate of food production, although perhaps not of immediate concern, does nevertheless give us cause to stop and think," said Farmers' Union General Secretary (Mr. A. G. Traine).

"Why we should worry about what will happen in 600 years may seem to be somewhat obscure, but it does point to the need—if we who enjoy the fruits of the earth today have any concern for posterity—to at least give consideration to the creation of economic machinery which will reach as far as possible into the future in effectively preserving the proper balance.

"There are probably very great sources of natural food, such as the sea will provide, which although offering a monotonous but sustaining diet can yet be developed.

"One immediate thought which is provoked by consideration for future generations, is the part that science will play in producing better foodstuffs and although the productive area of the earth's surface may not be much greater than today, the food produced from it could easily be of very much greater life sustaining value.

"This, and a realisation that we hold the land in trust for the future and the part that nature will take anyway, could preserve the human race for longer than we think. None of us will know, but as we are inescapably linked with the future as with the past, we should play our part in the preservation nevertheless".

FURTHER RAINFALL REGISTRATIONS

Heavy rain fell over the district last Tuesday morning to further augment the already high July readings.

To 9 a.m. 32 points had been guaged at the post office bringing the month's total to 520 points and further showers during the day added 69 points to the tally.

As a result of the latest falls the levels of both the Avon and Dale rivers rose sharply on Wednesday although in neither case were flood levels reached.

The rains should help fill the lakes in the Bally Bally-County Peak area which up to last week held less water than is normal for this period of the year.

A thunderstorm with some hail and gale force winds passed over the district on Tuesday night but fortunately was of short duration. Thereafter there were intermittent showers which were still being experienced on Wednesday.

So far this month there has only been six days without showers.

Ninety eight points were gauged at Redlands, Dale, to Wednesday morning to bring the month's total to 764 points. Approximately another inch of rain is required to break the July record at the farm.

At Bally Bally Hall 108 pts were gauged to Wednesday morning to make the July total to that date 658 points.

Gullies were running strongly on Wednesday in the area and the Morbinning Gully was at a high level.

Owing to a telephonic breakdown no East Beverley reports were available.

DEPUTATION TO ROAD BOARD

A deputation from the Beverley Football Club waited on the July meeting of the Road Board last Friday. The deputation comprised Messrs W Swan, W Edwards and G Kilpatrick and was introduced by Mr J Wansbrough who stated that the purpose of the visit was to discuss with Board members plans for the proposed new club rooms at the recreation ground.

Mr Swan said that the plans submitted by the architect are not acceptable to the Football Club as they are out of proportion to the requirements for the cost. The club room is too small for a change room for two teams and too much room has been taken up for toilets and showers, equal to two thirds of the floor space.

Mr Simmons had estimated the original building would cost £4000. The architect estimated £7000 for a grandstand yet the proposed building is to cost £4,500.

Mr Wansbrough stated that the main complaint is that the floor space is too small for the number of players requiring the use of the building.

Considerable discussion followed on various aspects of the Club's requirements and for the public generally. At the conclusion of the discussion it was resolved that the chairman and vice-chairman together with two representatives of the Football Club meet the architect (Mr Johnson) to discuss the draw

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(b) who, being in Australia on **23rd August, 1957,** but not then being British subjects, attained the age of **18 years** between **1st July, 1957** and **31st December, 1957** (inclusive).

NEW AUSTRALIANS

(NOT BEING BRITISH SUBJECTS)

who attained the age of **18 years** between **1st July, 1957** and **31st December, 1957** (inclusive) and who were in Australia on **23rd August, 1957.**

A person who intends to make his home in Australia is regarded as ordinarily resident in Australia as from the time of his arrival. A person who is absent from Australia during the period within which he is required to register, must register within 14 days after his return.

EXEMPTIONS:
The ONLY persons exempt from the liability to register are certain diplomatic personnel, aboriginal natives of Australia, and full-time serving members of the Permanent Defence Forces. All others in the above age groups must register.

HOW TO REGISTER:
Registration forms may be obtained from Post Offices and District Employment Offices of the Department of Labour and National Service. Detailed instructions are given in these forms.

WHEN TO REGISTER:
Registration forms must be completed and forwarded to the Registrar for National Service by 4th August, 1958, even though the person required to register may not actually turn 18 until after that date.

BALLOT:
A Ballot will be held in September to select those registrants who are to be considered for call-up. A person who does not register by 4th August may lose his right to take part in the ballot and may be called up for training regardless of the ballot result.

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WEEK-END GOLF

A bogey event for the O R Vallentine trophy will be played next Sunday morning.

For those not engaged in match play events last Sunday a stroke competition for the R Campbell-Richardson (Bob for short) trophy was held and this was won by Dacre Barrett-Lennard with nett 68. Don Efford was in second place with 69.

Women's Championship

The women's championship has reached the semi-final stage. Joyce Oliver is to meet Brenda Broun and Marj. Cooper will play Norma Blechynden on Thursday next. There will be a stroke event for other players.

Golfer of the Year

In the Golfer of the Year competition for the 'Beverley Times'' trophy points scored to date are as follows:

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Beverley Road Board July Meeting

With the exception of Mr L P Swan from whom an apology was received for unavoidable absence through ill ness all members attended the meeting of the Beverley Road Board held on July 18, Mr A W Miles presiding. The most important items of business have already been re ported through these columns and other matters dealt were as follows:

Brookton Regional Traffic Committee

The Secretary advised that a conference will be held at Brookton on July 30th. It was also reported that scales for checking vehicle weights were almost unprocurable. It was agreed to leave the matter of scales to the con ference for discussion.

Housing for Pensioners

Decided that Reserve 3652 Lot 95 be released to the State Housing for the above housing provided no other suitable land is obtainable.

Health Dept.

The Dept. advised having received a complaint from a ratepayer re the offensive ness of animals adjacent to the complaintant's property. It was agreed to advise the Dept. that the matter would be investigated as soon as the Health Inspector arrived.

Crosswalks

The Dale Progress Assoc. requested the Board to give consideration to providing crosswalks in Vincent Street. It was agreed to consider the matter when the construc tion of the street is completed

Beverley to Perth Cycle Race

Permission was granted the W.A. League of Wheel man to conduct the above race. A donation of £2/2/0 will be made to the League.

Extra Police for Beverley

A letter was received from Minister of Police agreeing to arrangements of additional police in Beverley.

Brigades and Officers

It was agreed that Brigade Control Officers be requested to call meetings for the elec tion of Officers for the com ing season. These names to be available for submission to a Bushfire Brigade meeting to be held in August.

Reserve 5265

It was resolved that the Minister for Lands offer to increase the leasing period of the above Reserve from ten years to twenty-one years be accepted and the Vesting Order be returned to the Min ister for amendment.

Decided that tenders be called for the leasing of the Commonage as follows:

1. Cleared and uncleared land East of the main road and West of the river.
2. West of the road.
3. East of the River.

Tenders be invited for offers for one or all of the

sanctioned. Agreed that money already refunded be reclaimed.

Traffic Inspector's Uniform

Decided that uniform be purchased to conform with the new regulations.

Loans £7,000

Decided that the Coal Mines Workers Pension Tri bunal's offer to finance the above loans to the Board be accepted. The Tribunal to be advised accordingly.

Overdraft

Decided that the Board's Bank be asked to make avail able an amount of £3000 as overdaft for 1958/59.

Water Pipes Under Road

Decided that permission be granted to Mr Williams to lay pipes under the road provided the Board's regulat ions are observed.

Firebreaks W.A.G.R.

Agreed that this Board tender £5 per mile for grad ing firebreaks.

Bremner Road Extension

Decided that the work re quired on this road by Mr Sutherland be inspected by the Secretary and Kokeby Ward members and necess ary action taken.

Grid, Pike's Road

Agreed that Vellnagels be granted permission to erect grid and gates provided they conform with the Board's by-law and the Road Dist ricts Act.

Brookton Armadale Road

Decided that this Board raise no objection to Main Roads Dept. carrying out work of bringing the road to the primed stage between 60.37m. and 62.5m, at a cost of £7000.

Building Permits

Agreed that the following permits be granted provided they comply with the Board's by-laws:-

O O Sims (dwelling), B Ford (dwelling), R G Prior (additions, garage)

Septic Tanks

Agreed that subject to com pliance with the Health Act the following permits be ap proved; B Ford; L R Sims

Dale No. 2 Road

Agreed that the new sur vey as agreed upon by the

Respite from Flood Conditions

The finer conditions which set in on Monday morning brought relief from the flood conditions which had resulted in the Avon Valley and in many centres in the South West following unprecedented July rains. For the seven days ending on Monday 341 points of rain were guaged at Beverley bringing the July total to 829 points—the wettest July on record in these parts.

The Avon River reached its highest level on Sunday night and on Monday began to slowly recede. It is likely to remain at a dangerously high level for some time however as great volumes of water are reaching the stream through the lakes system which drains an immense area of country stretching through Dangin and to the vicinity of Kellerberrin. Subsidiary streams along the Avon will also bring big quantities of water to the river for some time as flood ed fields drain out.

Damage has occurred throughout the district to roads, culverts and bridges and Board employees have been busy on repair work this week. In the town the low levels of Bartram street were several feet under water at the peak of the flood and the waters were lapping the walls of Mr J Ryan's resi dence—a common occurrence whenever flood conditions prevail. At the golf links several fairways were flooded The old bridge at Jurakine near Kokeby was feet under water on Sunday. Through out the area crops and pas tures have sufferred through the inundation and a long period of fine weather will be needed if they are to over come the setback.

Mr O R Vallentine of Red lands, Dale, reports 1011 points of rain for July to Monday last. This broke all but one record—the fall for June 1945 when 1223 points were measured at the farm.

YOUNG FARMER IN ROAD ACCIDENT

John Miller (30) well-known young farmer of Ken jocketty, Beverley, is in the St John of God Hospital at Subiaco as a result of injur ies sustained last Saturday morning when his Landrover vehicle overturned whilst he was on his way to a rendez vous with a shooting party at the Dale. The accident happened near Mr "Boy" Strange's property and was witnessed by the latter who was quickly on the scene.

The injured man was brought to Beverley where he received attention and he was then conveyed to Perth by the Beverley ambulance.

Injuries sustained includ ed a fractured leg and a head laceration in which eight stitches were inserted. He lost considerable quantities of blood and was given a blood transfusion.

INSPECTOR APPOINTED

For Newly Formed Health Region

All nine member Road Boards of the newly-formed Pingelly and Districts Health Region (Beverley, Williams, Brookton, Marradong, Wand ering, Corrigin, Wickepin, Cuballing and Pingelly) where represented at a con ference at Pingelly on Tues day of last week, called for the purpose of considering a number of applicants for the position of inspector to the region, and making an ap pointment.

The conference decided on Mr G W McCormish, of Alice Springs.

Advised of his appoint ment, Mr McComish has since notified acceptance and that he is prepared to com mence duties on September 1st.

A married man, Mr Mc Comish is expected to take up residence at Pingelly.

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These rams have been inspected and classed by our Stud Stock Department, and can be thoroughly recommended.

Further entries are invited

Refreshments will be available at the saleyards.

Further particulars from the Auctioneers Beverley or Perth.

Beverley Ram Sale

Friday, August 15
at 1 p.m. sharp

141 MERINO RAMS 141
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These rams will be penned ready for inspection by 11.30 a.m.

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Friday August 8

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Friday, August 8

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Friday August 8

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The annual general meeting of the above Club will be held at the town hall lounge on Tuesday, August 5 at 8 p.m.

Election of officers, reports etc.

Roma Kilpatrick, hon sec

DALE HALL

A general public meeting will be held in Dale Hall on Monday, 18th August at 8 p.m.

Business:— Election of officers and General.

C Hobbs, hon sec.

Dale River Tennis Club

The annual general meeting of the above club will be held at the courts on Sunday August 10th at 3 p.m.

Business — Election of Officers and General.

G Hutchinson, hon sec

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Friday, August 8

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Dale Ladies Guild

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OF SPRING and SUMMER MILLINERY

Wednesday, Aug. 27
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at the Lesser Hall

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APPRECIATION

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Sports Ground

Sunday, August 3

10.30 a.m.

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Bereavement Notice

The sons and daughters of the late Mr S C Chester desire to tender their sincere thanks to Dr. E D Cullen and the Matron and Staff of the Beverley Hospital for the care and attention and unfailing kindness to their late father throughout his last illness.

Church Notices

METHODIST CHURCH
Sunday, August 3
7 30 p.m. Evening Service
Rev. P L Sullivan

ANGLICAN CHURCH
Beverley
Sunday, August 3
TRINITY IX
8 a.m. Holy Communion
9 45 a.m. Sunday School
7 30 p.m. Evensong
Bally Bally
11 a.m. Matins
No service on Wednesday
Rev. Paul Atkins

July's Rainfall

A fall of 22 points of rain registered for yesterday morning brought July's rainfall total at the post office to 851 points. Finer weather is forecast.

FLOOD DAMAGE INSPECTION

Road Board secretary-engineer Mr Dave Rigoll made an inspection of the district this week and reports that the damage resulting from the abnormal rains is less than was to be expected. Repair work, in many cases, however, will be held up for a time owing to boggey soil and strong flowing creeks.

Mr Rigoll stated that at at Qualanderry crossing the lake waters are running into the Avon over the whole width of the crossing, the roadway being entirely submerged.

A cockeyed bob is reported to have swept over an area of country on a narrow front near Mr Len Doncon's property last week-end. Trees were uprooted and stout branches strewn about by the violent disturbance.

Morbinning Badminton

Beverley met Morbinning in a return match, at the latter's Hall recently. Morbinning again defeated Beverley by a narrow margin—Beverley 12 set, 264 pts, Morbinning 12 set, 298 pts.

There were some keenly fought sets, and good badminton was witnessed between top players.

Morbinning is arranging to meet Quairading in the near future.

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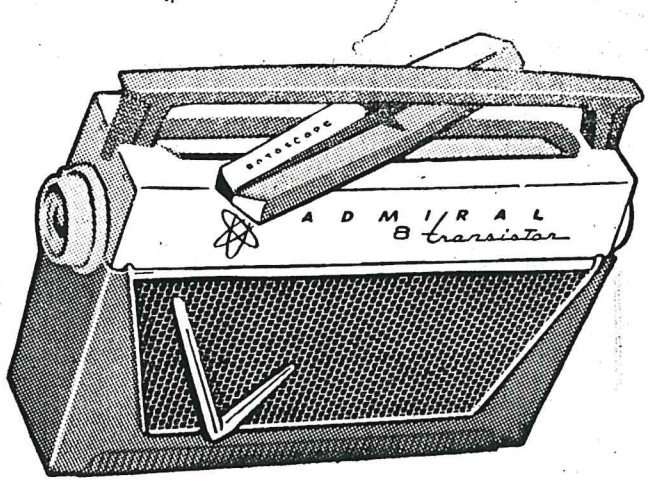

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Notice to Creditors and Claimants

Re SHACKLES, Dorothy Isobel Macdonald (also known as SHACKLES Dorothy Isobel McDonald) late of "Allawah" Beverley Married Woman deceased intestate.

All persons having claims or demands against the estate of the abovementioned are required to send particulars thereof in writing to the Public Trustee, 184 St George's Terrace, Perth, before the 8th day of September 1958, otherwise they will be excluded from participating in the distribution of the assets.

Dated this 6th day of August 1958.

J Glover,
Acting Public Trustee

Beverley Agricultural Society

Tenders are invited and will be received not later than Saturday 16th August, 1958, for rights of provision of Afternoon Tea at the Society's Annual Show on Thursday 18th September 1958.

D Ratcliffe
Secretary.

Adult Education Box Group

The next meeting of the Tuesday afternoon box group will be held on the 19th August.

D Barnsley, hon sec

THANKS

The Members of the Methodist Guild wish to extend their sincere thanks to all who helped to make such a success of their recent fete.

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Church Notices

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, August 17

7.30 p.m. Evening Service

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ANGLICAN CHURCH

Beverley

Sunday August 17

8 a.m. Holy Communion
9.45 Children's Eucharist
11 a.m. Matins

Rev. Paul Atkins

DALE GUILD BARN DANCE

Shades of Steele Rudd!

Remember Dad and Dave and Mum and Mabel too! Well they were all there on Friday night August 9th at the Dale Barn Dance.

And who says there's no feed on the Dale! There was enough hay stacked round the hall to feed (as one cynical old timer remarked) "all the goats around the [illegible]."

The Dale Hall had been transformed by the willing hands of an energetic group of young Dale people into a real barn.

There were saddles the "bridles hanging on the wall" the rabbit traps and even the old time lanterns.

Remember Dad, back in the 20's, that old lantern which invariably went out when you were driving Mum home in the buggy. Maybe it was because you forgot to fill it.

Mrs Miles (in very fetching "barn" ensemble) dispersed lively music with Mr M Rogers' able assistance to a happy crowd which made the "Barn fairly bulge at the seams."

Costumes were decidedly informal—noticed one lass from the East side in a "real sack look," and that "butcher's boy" outfit was decidely original.

All the old family hats were much in evidence, including one particularly fine specimen worn by the son of an old Dale family—yes it had been chewed by a cow.

"Belle of the Barn" was undoubtedly Mrs Hobbs who was awarded a special prize. Even members of the learned profession unbent on this occasion. Noticed several looking decidedly "sticky" as they munched their toffee apples.

Mrs Bennett, the president of the Dale Ladies Guild, in thanking the crowd for their attendance also sincerely thanked Mrs Miles and Mr Rogers for their assistance She also (as do all Guild members) thanked all the young Dale folk to who's work and enthusiasm the success of the evening was so largely due.

Guild funds will benefit by the sum of £31.

MOSTLY PERSONAL

Mr Dean Brown, who is a brother of Mrs E W Edwards. of Beverley and spent his school days here had the misfortune to lose his pearling lugger by fire at Broome on Monday night. He has been associated with various enterprises in the North for some years past but this was his first season of pearl fishing. The lugger which was burnt to the water line was insured but it is reported that the compressor and diving gear were not. Mr Brown owns another lugger with which no doubt he will be able to continue operations.

Mr and Mrs Wally Retallack are home again after a trip to Tully, just South of Cairns, in Queensland, where they stayed with friends in Mr and Mrs Dalziel. The latter was a bridesmaid at the Retallack wedding. They travelled by train and contacted friends at each capital city en route. At Tully they had the oppertunity of visiting the hydroelectrical installations and saw many beauty spots although their activities were somewhat curtailed through the indisposition of Mr Retallack who was under medical attention for a time Friends will be pleased to know that he is now fully recovered but will not be resuming duty at the railway station until September 30, as he is on long service leave Mr Hathaway is the relieving officer.

In the car trial conducted recently by the Brookton Car Club there were 21 teams and the winning pair comprised R Haendel and J Matthews who showed their consistency by this success having been the winners of the previous trial conducted by the Club. In second place were Beverley entrants Messrs E Morgan and R Somerville, whilst Pingelly entrants took third place.

THE WEEK'S RAIN

Farmers who were hoping for a few weeks of fine weather were disappointed when after four rainless days a disturbance brought further showers last week-end.

At Beverley Monday and Tuesday recordings totalled 51 points and the ground in many areas became waterlogged to the deterioration of crop prospects.

The falls also caused the cancellation of the races scheduled for Wednesday.

Crops in low lying areas are showing the effects of the prolonged period of wet weather which commenced in the first week of July and shearing schedules have been upset throughout the district.

Creeks ran strongly again on Monday and the Avon river level rose although flooding did not occur. At Qualanderry crossing the lake waters are still pouring into the Avon over a wide area and keeping the river at a high level.

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Patron's Day

Our Patron's Day was run last Sunday and proved very successful. The winners of the Patron's trophies were Miss Cynthia House and Andy Thompson who played very well to beat Miss Pat Ferguson and Brian Simpson. Miss Norma Blechynden and George Holman won the Consolation Plate after defeating Miss Jill Lennard and John McIntosh. Nevil Sutherland and Graham Boyle won the boy's doubles.

Grand Dance

Don't forget to come along, bring your friends and enjoy the Grand Dance to be held on Friday November 21st. Miss Anne Vallentine will be in charge of the supper and it will be appreciated if members will contact her regarding this feature. Fruit salad and ice cream will be on the menu and members are asked to donate a tin of fruit.

Subscriptions

Your subs are now due and they must be paid by 15th December or you are not entitled to play on the courts and you will not be selected to play in any match or the club championships. The subs are: Men £5; Ladies £4; Juniors £2. A Junior must be under 16 years.

—Club Reporter.

Blue Lupins Halt Drifting Sands

Recent trials, carried out by the New Zealand Department of Agriculture, have proved that the agricultural blue lupin can effectively stabilise sand drifts. Drilled in loose, wind-blown sand of any depth, blue lupins grow vigorously without the need for fertilisation.

Commenting on the results of the trials, Mr. J. A. Crowe, Dalgety's Agricultural Seeds Officer in Sydney, said that the discovery could be particularly valuable to Australian graziers. Besides preventing wind erosion in sandy country, blue lupins provide additional fodder for stock.

An autumn sowing has brought most satisfactory results. The area to be drilled should be wet, enabling the lupins to become established before summer winds have the opportunity of damaging the dried out sand. Mr. Crowe said that it is important to drill across the direction of the prevailing wind to prevent the developement of wind funnels along the rows, causing blow-outs. To ensure adequate cover during the critical early stages, at least three bushels of lupin seed per acre should be sown. It is advisable to retain some extra seed so that weak areas can be redrilled to prevent windblow.

Lupins flower in early summer and, if left, the stubble gives protection during the hot months. Autumn rains will germinate the fallen seed amongst the litter but better results have been achieved by discing in.

After discing in, the area may be immediately sown to a pasture such as Unarlee Perennial Velct Grass, which has proved to be an outstanding perennial for sandy and loose soils. Unarlee has a very strong resistance to drought, in fact Mr. Crowe says that "Unarlee thrives on unthriftiness."

Sheep should be turned on to the sown area to accomplish the dual task of feeding off the new lupin crop and, at the same time, tramping in the Unarlee seeds. (Dalgety's News Service—31/10/58).

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Pleasant Evening

Selections from the Nutcracker suite played by Mesdames Hodgson and Weaver opened an evening of pleasant entertainment at last Thursday's Repertory Club Social. Other items included a humorous sketch produced by Miss Margaret Gentile (and very well received) a pleasing duet (guitar and vocal) by Messrs Geoff Smith and Charlie Goodridge, and a bracket of songs beautifully sung by Mrs. Ratcliffe.

The President, Mrs. Efford, then took the opportunity of welcoming Graham Ford back to the Club. Graham then took over and held the large audience spellbound while he showed a film of his travels accompanying it with a witty and instructive commentary.

The evening concluded on a valedictory note when Mrs. Efford, on behalf of the Club, said farewell to Mr. Ken Eatt.

She said that Mr. Eatt had become a member of the Club soon after his arrival in Beverley, and although he was never in the limelight he was always to be found working behind the scenes with the set when production was taking place. He was also an excellent committee member whose sound advice and unfailing sense of humour will be sadly missed.

Mr. Brian Sims, on behalf of the Junior Farmers, who were present in large numbers in honour of Mr. Eatt, said that as an Advisor, Mr. Eatt would be hard to replace. His enthusiasm had encouraged the boys and girls and the many hours he had given in coaching them in debating and other projects would leave their mark.

Suitable presentations were then made by the Repertory Club and the Junior Farmers.

Mr. Eatt in thanking them said that as far as Repertory was concerned he thought it much easier to work behind the scenes than in front of them. He had never yet been called upon to produce a Taj Mahal, and had derived a great deal of pleasure from both organisations. He hoped they would progress and prosper. and he would watch the Junior Farmer movement with interest. He reminded them that an organization would only give what you put into it.

Supper was served and this brought the evening to a close.

The Lake Country

Recent visitors to the lakes area in the County Peak district report that much of the country between the established lakes is still under water and it is still impossible to reach Rocky Lake from the Beverley side.

Water was flowing in parts of this terrain a fortnight ago and every depression throughout the area was filled.

Normally at this time of the year the water is rapidly drying back making the area a popular place for picnic outings.

Wild ducks appear to be rather scarce but possibly they are present in normal numbers but spread over a greater area of the waterlogged countryside.

If no alteration is made to the normal arrangements for the shooting season the opening duck shoot is only five weeks away in which case it cannot be said that prospects are very bright.

Watercourses and catchments over a great part of Western Australia are filled for the first time in many seasons and wildlife may this season have ranged far afield for the breeding.

It is of interest to note that some recent visitors to the local lakes found several duck nests containing eggs which would indicate that late or second clutches are common this year.

Many farmers report having noted clutches of young ducks on their dams this year and Mane Geese which first appeared in these parts about ten years ago, are very prevalent.

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Conflicting Reports:

Conflicting reports regarding the prevalence of wild ducks have been coming to hand, and it would seem that although the birds may be present in large numbers they are well dispersed so that bags may be smaller than is usual.

Reports from residents in the lakes area are to the effect that rarely if ever has there been so much water in the lakes area than is the case this year. The late July rains and subsequent falls flooded the areas and mild weather has prevented it drying out. Another factor affecting the situation is the establishment of flood gates at Quadarup to keep the salt lake waters from the Avon River. These appear to be serving the purpose for which they were constructed.

Road Flooded

Shooters making for Rocky Gully area at County Peat are warned that the road into the lake is impassable because of a flooded flat. They should make the journey via the Brookton – Quairading road over the T5 bridge.

Practically every depression in the lakes country area contains water this year offering scores of new vantage points for shooters, but it is a safe bet that the old haunts will be favoured by sportsmen. The nine tees will have its full quota of shooters.

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Keen Play in Championship Singles

Exceptionally keen play is being witnessed in this year's singles championship commenced on the Beverley green on Sunday the 4th inst. As was the case last year the players were drawn in sections, each to play each, the winners of each section to meet in a knock-out event to decide the title holder for 1958-59.

There were seven sections in the A grade event and the winners were: C. Rogers (last year's champion) H. C. Doncon, R. Abbey, E. Boyle, R. Bremner, R. J. Strange and O. T. Broun.

For the knock out play among the section winners Rogers drew the bye and Bremner had a walk over against Strange who withdrew from the event owing to illness.

Last Sunday the event was continued. In a very close and interesting match Abbey defeated Broun and then went on to beat Boyle (who had eliminated Doncon) in another game which produced most accurate play on the part of both contestants. Abbey has now reached the final. Rogers was on the sick list on Sunday and was not able to attend. He is to meet Bremner and the winner of this match will meet Abbey in the final.

B Section

For the players on a longer handicap a "B" section championship is under way. Contestants were drawn in three sections the winners of which were J. Woods, B. Turner and C. Weaver. The "B" players were also eligible for the Club championship and a number entered in both sections and put up a very good showing against their more experienced opponents before being eliminated.

For the "B" section event knock-out Jack Woods drew the bye and Weaver beat Turner and will meet Woods in the final.

Social Game at Pingelly

With the new green established the game of bowls is flourishing at Pingelly where a number of visiting teams have recently been entertained. Last Saturday several teams of Beverley bowlers who were not engaged in Pennant play visited the centre and were very hospitably received. Most enjoyable matches were played with Pingelly in the ascendant in each case. Heavy rain fell as the play ended.

Pennant Games

This year's series of Pennant matches for the Avon Valley League premiership were continued on Saturday last with Beverley Blacks engaged at York against that Club's Gold faction.

The Beverley side was weakened by the absence of of a number of their leading players and it was not surprising that they failed against the home side, meeting defeat on each rink. The closest match was that between Savage's four and Davies combination which was won by the York four by 1 point.

Details (Beverley players mentioned first) :

E. Wood, G. Reynolds, N. Smith and G. Savage lost to Blakiston, Tanner, Fricker and Davies 24/25.

O. Vallentine, W. Retallack G. Ferguson and W. Stockins lost to R. Morse, Webb, Burns and Dennis 23/26.

C. McGlew, Fr. Duffy, C. Smith and R. Abbey lost to Leach, Reynolds, Davey and McGlinn 25/27.

M. Miller, F. McDonald, Len Sims and F. Blechynden lost to McCloy, Twaddle, Stacy and Ashworth 19/38.

Beverley 91, York Gold 116

Beverley Red v York Brown

Beverley Red were engaged against York Brown at Beverley and ran out easy winners to assume the lead in the League contest, having only suffered one defeat to-date.

Details (Beverley players mentioned first) :

Doncon, Safe, Edwards and Brown beat Tomlinson, Marshall, Bulloch and Glass 39/11.

Alex Murray, Oliver, O. Sims and Petchell beat Springbett, Parker, Wolfe and Pyke 24/15.

Weaver, Adam Murray, Gors and Williams drew with Admini, Mills, Blakiston and Rose 26/26.

Boyle, H. Edwards, Hutchinson and O. Broun lost to Jenkinson, Linto, Kirkwood and T. Morse 28/31.

Beverley Red 117, York Gold 83.

York Club Jubilee

The York Club is this year celebrating its Jubilee and to mark the occasion a special Jubilee Four contest open to all players in the Avon Valley League has been arranged for to-morrow (Saturday) play commencing at 9 a.m.

Beverley Club will be well represented at the sister Club's celebration, several teams having nominated.

Country Week Team Selected

The local Cricket Association is to be represented in this year's annual Country Week contest to be held in the city from February 4 to 11.

Country Week is the highlight of the year among cricketers from all country areas of the State and this year's entries may be a record.

The local Association has entered the contest for many years past and of late has performed creditably without, however, recording a championship success.

This year's team is a strong one and should be able to give

Those who will make the trip are :

C. Ashworth, N. Blechynden, R. Broun, J. Denton, A. Denton, K. Dix, B. Gault, N. Johnson, A. McGlew, W. Rule, T. Rule, A. Stade, J. Strange, G. Smith, J. Thomas, H. Wansbrough, K. Willey, R. Woods, L. Woods, N. Wilson, D. Weaver.

Northam Carnival

For the Northam cricket carnival to be held on the 24th 25th and 26th inst the following team has been selected :

Ashworth, Broun, Stade, Strange, Denton (A. and J.),

Trying Weather

MANY CENTURIES RECORDED

With a total of thirteen centuries recorded in December and exceptionally hot and humid conditions over the first eleven days of January the summer to-date has been a trying one for district residents and those who have not already left for the coast are no doubt looking forward to holidays where sea breezes can offer some respite from the heat.

Overcast skies prevailed for the latter days of last week and some very heavy thunder showers were noted in some localities. They fell only over restricted areas, a case in point being a fall of over 70 points in a very sharp downpour at Mr. J. I. Mann's property on Friday.

On Saturday afternoon there were further isolated showers in the West Brookton, Dale and Pingelly districts. The falls of November and December and the occasional falls due to thunderstorms have had a deletrious affect on pastures and have been most unwelcome

On Friday afternoon a fierce windstorm swept through County Peak area on a restricted front. The area was enveloped in dust and limbs were blown from trees but no damage has been reported from properties in the path of the blow.

Firemen Prepare for Demo

Local firemen are busy preparing to participate in the annual demonstration of Great Southern Volunteer Fire Brigades which this year will be held at Wagin over the January holiday week-end (January 25 and 26).

The local Brigade hopes to take 15 firemen to the demonstration which will be conducted on the new Colas surfaced running track which the Wagin Brigade has put down with the assistance of the Wagin Council.

Beverley participants are training on a similarly prepared track at Beverley and will have the advantage of this experience. Most of the participating Brigades have grassed or dirt tracks.

The demonstration is the forerunner to the annual State demonstration which will be held at Kalgoorlie at Easter (March 27, 28, 29 and 30).

Avon Flows Out of Season

As a result of heavy rains experienced over the catchment area in the Wickepin area the Avon River has been flowing for the past fortnight over a large part of its course. At one stage it was running about a chain wide.

Old residents state that there was a similar out-of-season flow back in December 1914 and January 1915. Strangely enough 1914 was a drought year with only five inches of rain during the growing period.

The latest phenomenon is in keeping with the crazy pattern of this year's weather. Recent storms throughout the agricultural areas have resulted in very heavy falls in some areas and in addition there was a widespread general rain in November and again in December.

It is unlikely that enough rain has fallen to cause the river to run throughout its entire length and on Sunday the stream had decreased to a trickle in these parts.

Hotel Improvements

Hotel Beverley Work

Work is under way at the Hotel Beverley with a view to improving the facilities in the saloon bar. Since the 5th inst Mr. P. De Rossi and his workmen have been engaged in removing a wall which seperated the bar from what was formerly the lounge and creating a more spacious and better lit surroundings for the hotel clients.

The door to the bar from Queen street has been built in and entry will now be made through the wide door which formerly opened into the lounge.

Rapid progress is being made with the work.

Dart boards will be provided on the south end of the spacious new saloon bar room and provision has been left for two fireplaces to warm the interior in the winter months.

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Beverley Four Wins Ford Shield

Barely surviving the sectional games a Beverley four skippered by Owen Broun who had with him; Hubert Doncon, John Coats and Jack Safe won the Ford Shield for 1959 at the local green on Monday night. In the final they defeated a York four skippered by V. Fairhead who was assisted by R. Davies, J. Wright and R. Linto. The final match did not end until 2.30 a.m. Tuesday morning.

There was an entry of 36 teams in the event, these coming from York, Brookton, Pingelly, Quairading, Yealering, Corrigin, Bassendean, Cunderdin and Osborne Park and contestants played in sections of four for the preliminary games, the section winners meeting in a knock-out competition at night.

Broun won only two of his sectional matches but scraped through on percentages to win his section, whilst Fairhead who defeated Petchell's strong combination in his first sectional game had two wins and a tie toenter the finals.

Very even play ensued in the final with the result in doubt right up to the last bowl. For Broun and those associated with him it was the most important bowling success to-date.

Section Winners

Those to succeed as winners of their section and to enter the final stages of the contest were Dick Strange (three wins) Jim Young (whose team of "new chums" won each of the three preliminaries) Ross Brem ner (three wins), O. T. Broun (two wins), P. Connolly (Corrigin) (three wins), Roy Abbey (three wins), V. Fairhead (two wins and a tie), Bert Wass of Quairading (three wins) Frank Blechynden (one win and two ties).

The Knock-out

The knock-out competition produced some excellent match es and a big crowd lining the bank were treated to a good display with a number of surprise results.

Strange met Young to win rather easily and then was elim inated by Bremner's four, whilst Broun accounted for Connolly.

Fairhead's four was in fine form against Abbey's team to win comfortably and Wass defeated Frank Blechynden.

In the semi-finals Broun's four after trailing badly over the first half of the game came to light with a match winning run to defeat Bremner's four and Fairhead's four accounted for Wass by a very wide margin..

Despite the lateness of the hour there was still about fifty players of both sexes present to watch the final which commenced shortly before 1 a.m. It was a close contest throughout. At the last end Fairhead was counting sufficient to give him the victory when Broun came in firm to cut the count down to 1 and give the locals a winning margin.

Tribute to Donor

Donor of the Shield, the late Mr. Ernst Ford, who died a few weeks ago, was remembered by all bowlers present when at the request of the president of Beverley Club, Mr. Frank Blechynden, play stopped during the morning sessions and all stood in silence as a tribute of respect.

The Catering

The ladies were faced with a big catering task in providing refreshments throughout the day for such a large gathering of players but they rose to the occasion and provided excellent meals and teas etc., to earn the praise of all engaged.

The club took out a provisional license for the day and thanks is expressed to those who looked after this department and also to Mr. Dud did an excellent job.

A word of praise is due also to those responsible for the drawing up of the sheet—a very big task when sectional play is the order.

To these, to the greenkeepers, who had the sward in good order, and to all others who assisted in any way with the day's arrangements the club's best thanks is extended.

Presentation of Trophies

Presentation of travelling rugs to each members of the winning team and awards to the runners up concluded a successful fixture.

Consolation

A consolation event for those teams which did not reach the finals was bonducted

Storms Bring Heavy Rains

Severe electrical disturbances last week brought very heavy rain to various parts of the State and in some districts to the North heavy winds caused much damage.

In the Beverley area the disturbances were fortunately unaccompanied by wind but they brought exceptional falls of rain to various parts of the district and some floodings occurred.

In the Boyagarra area 270 points of rain fell as the result of storms during the week with further gaugings on Saturday. At Mr. F. R. Blechynden's property over four inches of rain have been recorded for the past month.

Gaugings in parts of the East Beverley area have totalled over two inches.

The heaviest rain recorded in the town fell on Saturday afternoon when in a little over half an hour 70 points fell, causing creeks to run a banker and the flooding of town drains. At the bowling green the sward was completely immersed. A member with a mathematical turn of mind worked it out that there was 40,000 gallons of water on the green.

Morbinning Gully Floods

Rain in the upper reaches of the country drained by the Morbinning Gully brought the stream down in full flood and Mr. Roy McLean states that in his area near the lakes the flood waters spread over paddocks to the width of a mile.

He was concerned as to the fate of a big flock of sheep depastured in the area but investigation revealed that they had made their way to higher ground before the flood waters reached them.

Shooters Baulked

Several car loads of shooters who had planned a shoot at the lakes in the County Peak area last Sunday morning received a shock when they discovered the road to the lakes impassable.

Mud Lake, nearly dry before the rain, was completely filled by waters coming down the Morbinning Gully and these had also covered the flats at the approach to the lake. It is thought that it will now be impossible to use this road to the lakes until next summer.

The shooters whose arrangements had gone awry then returned to the Avon River at Qualanderry but were again completely out of luck as they found the River running strongly at full winter level. They gave the game away at this stage.

This is the second occasion this summer that the river has flowed and this is believed to consititute a record.

Mostly light falls of rain have occurred in the Dale area.

COUNTRY PARTY

Meeting at Brookton

Between thirty and forty people attended a meeting of the Country Party held in the Memorial Hall, Brookton, on Thursday night of last week to hear addresses by Mr. Ralph Minchin, endorsed Country Party candidate for the Avon Valley electorate in the forthcoming State General Election. and Mr. L. C. Diver. M.L.C.

Opening the meeting the chair man, Mr. H. S. Whittington, said that it had originally been called as a Branch meeting but as there was no Branch business to be dealt with except a report on the last meeting held, which could well be deferred to a later date he would with their permission, declare this a special meeting to hear the two visiting speakers, Mr. Ralph Minchin and Mr. L. C. Diver. This proposal received unanimous consent.

Reasons

After giving a few brief biographical details to support his claim to consideration for the position of representative of the Avon Valley electorate in the Legislative Assembly, Mr. Minchin explained why a Country Party is necessary in this State.

Whilst, for most purposes, the requirements of all people in the State were identical, he said, there were occasions when the needs of city and country were divergent, and it was on these occasions that it was essential to have representatives of the country people to speak for them. In South Australia where there were only two Parties, three-fifths of the seats in the Legislature represented rural areas, and only two-fifths were city electorates. In this State the position was reversed —metropolitan electorates beng in the majority, so that it was essential there should be a Country Party to safe-guard the interests of the country people.

Mr. Minchin then referred to the matters which, if he is elected will receive his close attention, namely water supply for rural areas, transport facilities, and education. Whilst making no promises to achieve miracles, he would pledge himself to devote his full time, energy and ability to the improvement of these three services in the Avon Valley District.

Balance of Trade

Mr. L. C. Diver opened his remarks by explaining the Country Party's reasons for endorsing a candidate to oppose the sitting member for the Avon Vallye electorate. and for its selection of Ralph Minchin for endorsement. There was, said Mr. Diver in Mr. Minchin's own town of Quairading, ample evidence of his active and effective interest in public affairs. This, together with the esteem in which he was held by all who knew him, justified the belief that he would be equally satisfactory as the representative of the district in the State Legislature.

Mr. Diver then dealt at some length with the action taken by the Parliamentary Country Party on various important matters which had come before the Legislature recently, including the closure of railways and the formation of the Perth Metropolitan Passenger Transport Trust. In connection with these matters, he said, completely false reports had been circulated seekng to show that the Country Party had acted contrary to its policy, but there was indisputable evidence to prove the falsity of such reports.

Mr. Diver then indicated the line which would be followed to achieve a reduction in the cost of installation of State Electricity Commission services and a consequent expansion in its availability in rural areas, should a change of administration result from the coming election.

He also referred to the complaints emanating principally from Victoria regarding the large share of money derived from Petrol Tax awarded to Western Australia for road construction and maintenance. The Victorians, he said, conveniently overlooked the huge adverse trade balance which had occurred in Victoria's favour over the years since Federation.

Vote of Thanks

A vote of thanks to the speakers for most interesting and informative addresses was moved by Mr. R. A. Overheu and passed with acclamation before the meeting closed at about 10 p.m.

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To-Morrow's Election

The State general elections for the Legislative Assembly will take place to-morrow, the voting hours being between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. Voting is compulsory.

At Beverley there is a straight out contest between the sitting member Mr. J. I. Mann, representing the Liberal and Country League, who after 29 years in parliament has announced his intention of retiring after the next term of office should he be re-elected on Saturday, and Mr. Ralph Minchin, who appears for the Country and Democratic League and whose record of public service in his home district of Quairading includes chairmanship of the Road Board at that centre. It is Mr. Minchin's first appearance as a political candidate.

The candidates have concluded their campaigns which have included meetings at the main centres in the Avon Valley electorate. Mr Minchin spoke at Beverley on Monday night and Mr. Mann addressed the electors last night. Good attendances have been recorded and considerable interest will be taken in the result of the contest.

The chief polling place for the electorate is York. For the Beverley area of the electorate the main voting centre will be the Court House where Mr. Kevin Gartland will be in charge. Among other centres in the electorate where voting facilities will be provided are: Dale, Dale River, East Beverley, Bally Bally, Kokeby, Jelcobine and Brookton.

After the voting ceases tomorrow counting of the Beverley and adjacent boxes will commence and figures relayed to York, the chief counting centre. Unless a very close count is recorded the result should be known on Sunday.

Firemen Leaving For Kalgoorlie

The annual demonstration of the West Australian Fire Brigades will this year be held at Kalgoorlie and will commence on Easter Saturday and conclude on Easter Monday.

In common with volunteer firemen throughout the State, Beverley firefighters will be participating in the annual carnival competing in the B grade section of the competitions. They have been training for the fixture for some weeks past.

The annual "Demo" is the highlight of the firemen's year and provides the only opportunity for an annual get together for renewal of friendships between firemen from far scattered towns throughout Western Australia.

Keen competition with hose and reel will mark the carnival The intense rivalry of competing teams makes for clean and exciting sport. It is many years since the goldfields staged the carnival and big crowds will no doubt witness the contests.

The local Brigade wil travel to Kalgoorlie by car on Friday morning and those who intend to make the trip are:

Captain—W. Swan.
Foreman—J. Grigson.
App.-Officer—R. Fairhead.
Firemen
R. Grigson.
T. Boyle.
G. Prideaux.
J. Musso.
M. Rigoll.
D. Edwards.
E. Bryan.
M. Bailey.

Mother's Concern at Telephone Delay

A recent case reported in the press where the lengthy conversations carried on by telephone subscribers on a party line prevented an urgent call to a doctor from going through and the subsquent death of the person for whom help was being sought is recalled by an incident in these areas a few days ago.

Fortunately in the local case there was not the same tragic aftermath and the conversations were not being carried on a party line but through an automatic exchange serving the area concerned.

A young housewife had to make repeated efforts over a lengthy period before she found the line clear and was enabled to get in touch with the family's medical adviser in regard to the illness of her young son whom she later brought into town for attention

The youngster was in extreme pain and the long delay before she could contact the doctor produced near distraction (not to mention exasperation) in the mother.

From our enquiries it would seem that where a number of conversations are going on between subscribers to a country automatic exchange an overloading of the system occurs with the result that the exchange (in this case, Beverley) cannot be contacted.

Fortunately the child recovered after the treatment and the incident ended happily enough but circumstances could be envisaged where such long delay in cases of extreme illness or following an accident might have tragic consequences.

Subscribers are, of course, perfectly justified in making full use of the facility provided by the automatic exchange, but inordinately long conversations between farm residents, can, as pointed out, be of considerable concern to others in an emergency. They are also frowned on by the Department.

Repertory Club Elects Officers

Owing to the resignation of Mrs. Efford, a general meeting has been held and Mr. W. O'Callaghan was elected as President.

In thanking Mrs. Efford for the wonderful job she had done as President, Mrs. Weaver said Mrs. Efford had lifted the Repertory Club out of the doldrums and had inspired all members with her enthusiasm. First class plays were being produced and the membership although small, was keen. The club is in a healthy state. All this was due to her untiring efforts.

A three act play "For Every Mary" is now in production and a social evening consisting of sketches, musical items, etc., will take place next month. We hope that al old members will come and encourage the many young and new members taking part.

Any young people interested in becoming members and willing to take part in socials, kindly hand their names into Miss Margaret Bateman (Barrows')

Barrow's store has become Beverley's Gardening Centre where an excellent selection of trees, shrubs, seedlings, etc., is always available. They also stock a full range of insecticides and fertilizers, garden tools, power and hand

Polio Immunisation

Normally a quiet day in town, Monday last proved particularly busy for shopkeepers and business folk by reason of the fact that officials of the Public Health Department were conducting a polio immunisation clinic for adults at the Lesser Hall. They were assisted by the Regional Health Inspector (Mr. McComish).

There was a steady flow of district citizens during the afternoon but during the evening session a crowd was in attendance and seating was provided by the Road Board for people awaiting their turn to receive injections.

The officials dealt most expeditiously with all seeking immunisation and for those who had their cards ready to hand in the injection took hardly a minute of time.

Duck Shoot Arranged

A vast congregation of wild duck is reported from the lakes area at County Peak and local sportsmen have arranged a shoot to commence at 6 a.m. next Sunday morning (March 22).

Efforts are being made to advise all shooters of the arrangement so that plenty of guns will be available to man the area from the channel lakes to Qualanderry.

The co-operation of York, Quairading and Brookton shooters is also being sought.

Ducks have been plentiful in the area throughout the season but their numbers have greatly increased during the past three weeks and with the cooperation of all concerned excellent sport should eventuate and will compensate in a measure for the poor shooting which eventuated for so many when rain marred the opening fixture of the season in December.

Since the opening individual shooters have been visiting the lakes but lack of organisation has nullified their efforts to obtain a bag although wild fowl have been plentiful.

This could possibly be the last organised outing of the season and all possible are asked to avail themselves of the opportunity of enjoying good sport.

A lone shooter who visited the area last Sunday stated on his return that he had rarely seen so many ducks at the lakes. Also surprising was the number of flocks of the rare black ducks which he disturbed. His reports verified other reports received over the past fortnight.

Fifty Years Ago

Extracts From Our Files

March 20, 1909

An extraordinary election on Saturday to fill the vacancy on the Dale Ward of the Beverley Road Board caused by the resignation of Mr. J. E. Fleay resulted in a victory for Mr. R. C. Doncon who defeated Mr. Andrew Strange, senr., by 72 votes to 33.

One of the party which accompanied the Minister for Works on his trip through the Dale district tells us that Mr. Prior considers the district one of the best in the State for the raising of turkeys, a good supply of which he was banquetted with in the course of his trip. No wonder he has promised another visit soon.

The annual St. Patrick's Day sports held on Wednesday was attended by one of the largest crowds ever seen on the recreation ground. The only unpleasant incident occurred in the Sheffield Handicap in which the second prize was awarded to the third man (Pyke) as it was considered that the second man (Cahill) was not a trier.

The visit of the Minister for Works to the Dale district took place last week-end. the Minister being accompanied by Mr. F. T. Broun (chairman of the Road Board) Messrs G. L. Broun and Fred Rodda, and the Mayor of Beverley (Mr. W W. Chipper) and Councillor W. J. Cooper. In the course of the two-day tour the party was entertained by Mr. Andrew Strange, Mr. Bechtel, Mr. Hutchinson, and Mr. and Mrs. Doncon. Mr. Price said he was impressed at the large amount of development which had occurred since his last visit. He thought the Dale district would be one of the first to receive consideration when funds were available for railway construction.

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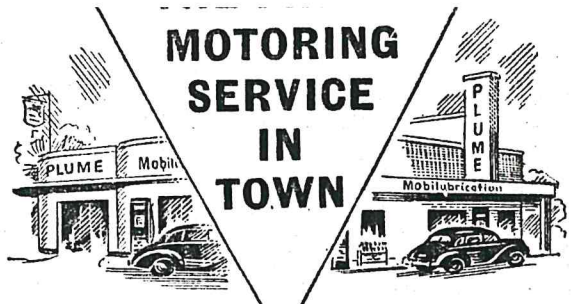

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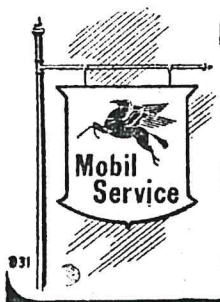

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Northam Reds last Saturday afternoon defeated Beverley Reds for top honours in this year's Avon Valley contest. By courtesy of the York Club the match was played on the green at that centre. The sward had been given excellent preparation and played fast and true reflecting credit on those responsible. A number of enthusiasts from the clubs involved watched the game which held interest right up to the last count which gave Northam Red the victory by three points.

Beverley won on two of the four rinks, O. T. Broun's four defeating Smith's four by 25 to 17 after holding the ascendancy almost from the start, whilst Petchell's four beat Drabble's combination as the result of a most accurate (if somewhat lucky) last bowl by the Beverley skipper which forced out a Northam bowl to give Beverley a count of four and a win by one point—22 to 21.

Dick Strange's four began badly against Beer's team going down the limit of 8 points in the first end when a Beverley "saver" was forced into the ditch. Thereafter the Beverley four held its own to be ultimately defeated by 8 points —22 points to 30. For many bowlers it was the first occasion they had seen an eight scored in a pennant game and it was most unfortunate for Beverley, seeing that the final winning margin for the Northam side was only three points.

Bill Brown's four made a great fight back for Beverley. Play was very even in the early ends and at the 12th end the score was 10 all. Thereafter the Northam side (skippered by Matthews) went ahead to lead 25/12 at the 20th end and Beverley seemed well out of it but with counts of 3, 1, 3, 1 and 1 over the concluding five ends they closed the gap to be ultimately beaten 21/25, making the final over-all tallies for the game: Northam Red 93, Beverley Red 90.

Details (Beverley players mentioned first):

J. Safe, H. Doncon, S. Hutchinson and O. T. Broun beat Gibbons, Ridgway, Stapleton and Smith 25/17.

A. Oliver, S. Murray, G. Gors and I. Petchell beat Green away, Soloman, Willams and Drabble 22/21.

E. Boyle, H. Edwards, C. Williams and W. Brown lost to Chidlow, O'Brien, Grafton and Matthews 21/25.

Alex Murray, O. Sims, R. Edwards and R. Strange lost to Raven, Tyndall, Brown and Beer 22/30.

Following the match Frank Drabble (Northam) and Hubert Doncon (Beverley) extended felicitations on behalf of those engaged and thanked the York Club for making its green available as well as the ladies for a most appreciated afternoon tea.

EASTER TOURNAMENT

Several teams of Beverley bowlers will be participating in the bowling carnival in the city over Easter and fellow players will wish them well.

MIXED FOURS

A very pleasant afternoon was spent at the local green on Sunday when the club held a mixed fours afternoon, lady skippers taking over after the afternoon tea adjournment.

THE FILMS

Double Attraction

Two first grade films will be presented at the Summer Gardens on Easter Saturday night. Perhaps the most outstanding will be "The Desperate Hours" a William Wyler production in which Fredric March and the late Humphrey Bogart have oustanding roles. Both have won top acting awards.

"The Desperate Hours" is the story of 48 hours of terror of a family whose home is invaded by a trio of escaped convicts Its relentless tension and the brilliance of the performances of its stars have tabbed it as a really great film which has earned criticalacclaim wherever shown.

The film has repeated the success of the book and the stage version.

The other attraction is "The Vagabond King," in which sensational European tenor, Oreste, makes his movie cebut. The rousing musical adventure drama, set to the immortal music of Rudolf Friml, stars Oreste, Kathryn Grayson, Rita Moreno, Sir Cedric Hardwicke and Walter Hampden.

A large and notable supporting cast is featured, along with hundreds of extras, in the lavishly produced story of the poet-rogue, Francois Villon, whose pen and sword led an army of ragamuffins against beseigers of 15th Century Paris.

To-Night (Thursday) "The Malta Story" and "The Lyons in Paris" will be screened.

Successful Duck Shoot

A big crowd of local shooters were out and about early on Sunday morning last when a very successful duck shoot took place on the County Peak lakes.

An estimated hundred guns were in action from Qualanderry to the channel lakes, the shooters engaged including parties from Brookton, Quairading and York.

Ducks were very plentiful and good bags were noted, practically all parties engaged having success although averages were not unduly high.

Ideal weather favoured the sportsmen and the fixture was voted a most pleasant one.

Mountain duck and teal predominated in the bags and the wildfowl were found to be in excellent condition providing a much appreciated change of menu in many homes this week

There is no chance of the lakes drying out this year. All contain big volumes of water. For the present generation of sportsmen this is the first occasion noted when water has remained in the lakes system throughout the summer.

Recent storms in the area have been partly responsible but the main factor appears to be the installation of the flood gates at Qualanderry, preventing the lake waters from draining into the Avon.

Another Shoot Arranged

Preparations are being made to hold another shoot in the same locality on Sunday, April 5th. Shooters in neighbouring towns are being contacted and another successful outing should result. Shooting will commence at 6 a.m.

Another Loan Success

Subscriptions totalling £60 million were received to the Commonweath Cash Loan which closed last month. This was an over-subscription of £35 million compared with the target of £25 million.

As usual the Beverley district which with Wagin leads the State in the number of occasions it has filled its Loan quota (it has failed only twice to meet commitments) again pulled its weight by oversubscribing its quota and will receive another pennant—this time a dark blue with one star.

Beverley with a population of 2,211 was asked to raise £3,500 and actually raised £3,700 representing a per capita subscription of £1/13/6

The Loan was notable for the number of districts in W.A. which on this occasion raised their quotas after failing in all recent loans.

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A. Husking b J. Bartram	45
A. Ware b E. Beecroft	3
R. Falkingham lbw b Beecroft	6
Brian Grover c Rogers b Beecroft	0
Fred Sing c and b Beecroft	11
D. Lhpton b A. Strange	20
Bruce Grover c Woods b A. Strange	4
J. Tobin b J. Bartram	0
N. Beecroft c and b F. Woods	10
D. Ware b Beecroft	1
J. Ferguson b Beecroft	0
Sundries	16
Total	123

Bowling—E. Beecroft 6/37, J. Bartram 2/20, A. Strange 2/5, G. Rogers 0/16, A. Ferguson 0/7, N. Gartrell 0/6, E. Bartram 0/20, A. Gartrell 0/6

Dale

E. Woods run out	8
A. Ferguson c and b B. Grover	4
I. Butcher lbw b Bruce Grover	5
N. Gartrell b D. Lupton	33
E. Beecroft retired	53
A. Gartrell run out	7
A. Strange c Ware b Sing	26
E. Bartram c Falkingham b Lupton	0
G. Rogers not out	22
N. Rogers b Beecroft	3
J. Bartram b B. Grover	27
Sundries	21
Total	210

Bowling—Falkingham 0/19, Bruce Grover 2/59, Brian Grover 1/30. A. Ware 0/29, D. Lupton 2/24, J. Emery 0/9, F. Sing 1/11, N. Beecroft 0/8.

doubt ensure a very close interest for many years to come.

Ossie made his last appearance as a player in Association cricket in the grand final won by Country Club last Sunday.

As a player of ability and one with a second-to-none knowledge of the game's history and rules he can be expected to take a very keen interest in the fortunes of the local clubs.

To mark his retirement a match has been arranged to be held commencing at 1 p.m. on Easter Monday next. It will be a social fixture and teams will be arranged on the ground.

Present and past players are asked to be present to participate. Veterans of the game will be particularly welcome.

Afterwards refreshments will be available and no doubt under their mellowing influence many anecdotes of past matches and incidents will be related.

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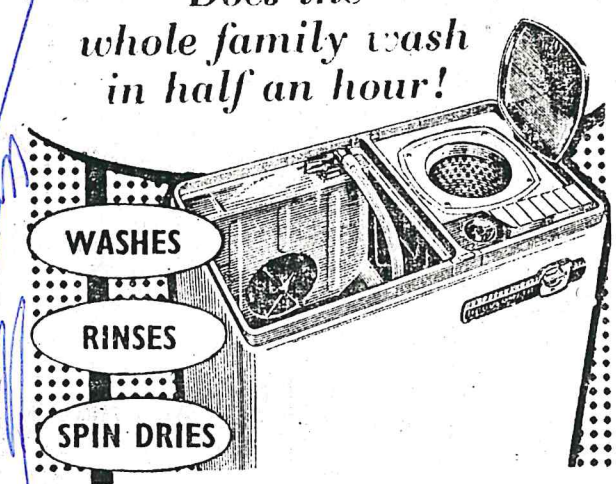

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Water Supply Possibilities

Following the advice to the Beverley Road Board from the Water Supply Department that water cannot be made available from the Mundaring scheme for the grassing of country sporting ovals there has been some interesting speculations as to whether alternative sources of supply could be found to make the turfing project possible locally. Beverley Football Club officials are very anxious that the local oval should be grassed in order that the town may keep pace with developments elsewhere and their enthusiasm for such a facility is no doubt shared with other bodies which make use of the local oval.

One possible source of supply lies just westward of the town in a fold of the hills on land owned by Mr. Marsh Young. This contains a permanent soak of beautifully fresh water. The soak has never been known to dry out, is largely unused, and is one of a number of other soaks in that area of the district providing water for sheep depastured on the property.

The site of the soakage is ideally suited to the construction of an earth dam as it is estimated that besides the underground supply there would be about 50 to 60 acres of catchment area from the surrounding hills. The type of soil in the vicinity, it is thought, would be suitable for such a dam the construction of which would not cost very much.

Mr. A. W. Miles, chairman of the Road Board, has long considered the area as a most promising one from the standpoint of a reserve water supply for Beverley townsite in years such as that present when abnormally low winter falls have created a shortage in Mundaring and other catchments. He considers it possible that water conserved in the area could be fed into established town mains to the benefit of consumers here and elsewhere. In years of normal falls water from the overflow at Mundaring could be fed into the dam if necessary to all round advantage.

The Football Club officials main interest in such a project would be to make water available for the local oval and we understand that the proposals they have discussed informally to date involves feeding the water from the source to the gravel pits situated on the high ground to the rear of the late Mr. Barrett-Lennard's residence from where it could be reticulated to the oval.

Mr. Miles, Mr. D. Rigoll, and Mr. Marsh Young, who is a very keen football supporter, inspected the area on Monday morning last and are most interested in the possibilities of its development. We understand officials of the Football Club will carry out an inspection this week-end.

All this is purely in the speculative stage as yet but it opens up most interesting possibilties. Before anything tangible could result investigatiaons into every aspect of the suggestion would need to be carried out.

Action Pending

The Road Board is concerned at the number of ratepayers who have not yet paid their rates. Instructions have been issued to the secretary to issue summonses against those who have not met their committments, so those who have failed in this regard are advised to do so immediately to avoid unpleasantaces.

NAMATJIRA

The tribute to the late aboriginal artist, Albert Namatjira, which is published below is from the pen of Oscar Michael Burke, examples of whose work has appeared in these columns.

In forwarding the tribute, Mr. Burke writes: "Albert Namatjira to me was a man who erased that invisible barrier between the dusky and the pale-skinned races with every stroke of his guided brush."

The poem is as follows:—

NAMATJIRA

He lifted high that dusky race,
With gifted hand to leave its trace,
Of art expressed from deep within
That purifies the human skin

His work will live forever more
To bring the Outback to our door,
And although my skin is pale and white
I feel so dull beside his light

The world will miss this Artist kind,
Whose magic brush the Lord designed
To paint the pictures of His plan
And elevate the Soul of Man.

Export Meat Trade

More meat moved across National frontiers and over high seas last year than in 1957, despite generally higher prices of beef and pork.

Preliminary estimates are contained in a note on world meat trade in 1958 in a recent Bulletin of Agricultural and Economic statistics, published by the Food and Agricultural Organisation. An outstanding feature of the trade in the past year, says the note, was a heavy increase in United States imports, which went up to 378,000 tons.

In a general statement yesterday, the general secretary of the Farmers' Union of W.A. (Mr. A. G. Traine) said, that since the lifting of the limitation on export of beef to countries other than the United Kingdom, Australia and New Zealand had developed a market in America, but they were not the only countries in that picture.

"Shipments of beef from South Africa to the United States is definitely on the increase", said Mr. Traine. "For the first ten months of 1958-59, South Africa placed 31,300 tons valued at £11,200,000 on that market, which is eight times the volume of the corresponding period of the previous year when exports were 3,800 tons valued at £1 million. The beef being shipped is of the boneless manufacturing typt."

"It is clear", said Mr. Traine "that markets are not to be won wihtout keen competition."

Game Wardens Meet

With two exceptions all district game wardens were in attendance at a meeting held at the lounge of the Town Hall last Saturday night. The meeting had been convened in order to present a unified protest against any alteration to the present arrangements in connection with the opening of the duck shooting season in these districts. Suggestion that the opening be held at 2 p.m. on the Saturday preceding Christmas had been made to the Fisheries Department by an "organised body of sportsmen" who had pointed out that this would enable sportsmen to enjoy a two days outing.

Mr. A. L. Oliver was voted to the chair and in opening the meeting drew attention to the many difficulties associated with such a move, including the impossibility of policing it, the added fire hazards insep erable from an alteration of the shoot and its general unsuitability as far as farmers and country residents are concerned. At the same time appreciation was expressed that the Department had on this occasion sought the views of its wardens.

The chairman said he had contacted Mr. J. I. Mann, M.L.A., early in the week and the latter had seen the Hon. Roy Abbey, M.L.C., and had later interviewed the Hon. Minister, Mr. Ross Hutchinson, expressing the concern felt in the Beverley district less any alteration be made to the opening arrangements.

In a letter forwarded on November 4th, Mr. Mann was able to report as follows:—

"I have discussed with the Minister Game and Fisheries re proposals which have been put forward regarding the duck shooting season and the following are his comments:

"'Following the requests for a change, the views of wardens were sought. This is a perfectly legitimate and eminently suitable procedure without prejudice and I would like to say that at present there does not appear to be any likelihood of a change'".

The letter was read to the meeting and was received with much satisfaction but at the same time the wardens felt that constant vigilance is needed on their part to assure that country interests are safeguarded.

After general discussion in which there was unanimous agreement that the present arrangements are the best the following motion moved by Mr. F. R. Blechynden and seconded by Mr. Tom Denton was carried:—

"That this meeting of honorary wardens of the Beverley district unanimously protests against any alteration to the present admirable arrangements in connection with the opening of the duck shooting season. We believe that the Sunday morning opening (with the special concession to the dairy farmer sportsmen of the South-West) is in the best interests of the farmer and the great majority of shooters throughout the State"

Fire Hazards

The additional fire hazards inseperable to the opening time which has been suggested to the Department came in for considerable discussion.

It was stated that some farmers had made it known that they would close their gates against traffickings through their paddocks in the heat of the day by shooters proceeding to lakes and river.

The district's chief fire control officer, Mr. Geoff Barrett-Lennard, was present at the meeting and he stated that he would write the Hon. Minister drawing attention to the alarm which would be occasioned should a 2 p.m. opening be allowed.

Curtailment of Season

There was further discussion regarding the increased volume of shooting and resulting destruction of duck throughout the southern half of the State in recent years.

The wardens felt that the future of the sport in this State is jeopardised by the destruction of birds in such numbers as has been occuring in recent years. It was felt that inevitably the season (now of four months duration and the longest in Australia) must be reduced in the intersets of conservation of wildfowl.

Mr. Barrett-Lennard said that with the increase of the State's population the volume of shooting must inevitably increase.

It was thought that a limited curtailment now would be preferable to a possibly drastic curtailment later and Mr. Barrett-Lennard's motion (seconded by Mr. Ron. Smith) that the Department be asked to close the season on March 31 each year was carried with one dissentient.

Closing of Flood Gates at Lakes

The meeting discussed the matter of the opening and closing of the flood gates at the junction of the river and lakes at Qualanderry, and on the motion of Mr. M. J. McKellar, seconded by Mr. E. C. Boyle it was decided to approach the Road Board through the medium of Mr. J. M. Wansbrough re a suggestion that the key to the gates be left in charge of some responsible person resident in the area.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the chair.

In the course of the meeting Mr. Frank Blechynden stated that the Beverley concern at the proposal to change the opening date was shared by the Pingelly wardens who were making vigorous protests.

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p1 "Shooting Season Opens On Sunday"

Ducks Plentiful:

A visit to the shooting areas in this district last Sunday revealed that wild fowl is fairly plentiful on lakes and river. The lakes do not hold as much water as was the case at this time last year. Mearc's Lake is dry and the Channels hold only an inch or two of water which will probably be dried out by Sunday. A big lake at the rear of Rocky Lake has water but few ducks were seen in the area. Rocky and the adjacent lake is holding plenty of water with a big congregation of birds and the lower lakes are also filled with good quotas of wild fowl.

The fact that there is less water East of Rocky this season will be ~~disadvantageous~~ to the advantage of sportsmen.

The Avon River pools from Quelandening towards Bentley are all filled and flocks of duck appear to be frequenting these.

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.. Local hotels are booked out for the week-end when there will be a big influx of volunteer firemen from Great Southern centres to participate in the twelfth annual Great Southern Fire Brigades' Demonstration to be held on the Beverley Brigade's running track on the recreation ground. The demonstration commences on Sunday after lunch and will conclude on Monday afternoon. The event is the most important sports fixture to be held here for a very long period.

The visiting volunteers and officials will pe welcomed to Beverley by the chairman of the Road Board (Mr. A. W. Miles) and members at a civic reception to be held at the Lesser Town Hall on Sunday at 11 a.m. Six officials of the W.A.F.B.B. and the Volunteers Association will be attending the demonstration.

The Demonstration programme commences with a March to the ground by the competing brigades at 1.45 on Sunday from the Beverley Fire Station. The men will march in their running apparel and with reels and appliances. Points gained in the March will count in the championship aggregate.

Immediately after the judging the Demonstration programme will commence. The programme over the two days (together with the time records for the various contests) is as follows:—

Sunday, January 31st

Reel march commencing from Fire Station 1.45 p.m. (Demonstration conditions to apply to running apparel).

1.—Two Man Marshall. Record 17.2 Kat.

2.—Four Man "Y". Record 8.7 Wgn.

3.—Hose and Ladder Fives. Record 23.0 York.

4.—Hose and Ladder Fights Record 24.0 Wgn.

5.—Second Hose Fours. Record 19.9 Ktg.

6.—"Y" Eights. Record 35.8 Ktg.

7.—Blue Ribbon Eights. Record 31.8 Ktg.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1st Commencing 10 a.m.

8.—Disabled Sixes. Record 33.5 Ktg.

9.—Champion Hose Fours. Record 19.0 Ktg.

10.—Straight Sixes. Record 31.9 York.

11.—Hydrant Race. One Man. Record 11.9 Wgn.

12.—Ladder Straight. One Man. Record 6.4 Ngn.

13.—Hose and Ladder. One Man. Record 13.9 Alb.

14.—One Man "Y". Record 16.6 Bev.

15.—Reel Race. Two Men. Record 14.8 York.

16.—Fireman's 100 Yards. Record 10.8 Alb.

Last year the Demonstration was held at Wagin and the championship was won by Albany.

All the Great Southern Brigades will be represented at the Demonstration. Their running numbers are:—

York (9), Albany (17), Beverley (21), Wagin (22), Katanning (25), Narrogin (26) Brookton (28), Pingelly (?). Flugge will give commentary

Messrs. P. Bremner and R. Flugge will give a commentary on all events and Mr. R. Holland (of Wagin)will be the starter.

Combined Lakes Shoot

The County Peak- Bally Bally lakes system is again well stocked with duck, individual shooters and small parties of sportsmen who have visited the area having noted flocks numbering many thousands over the past fortnight. The big rains of the holiday period replenished the waterways and it is expected that as was the case last year the lakes will hold water through out the present summer. ..

Good sport is offering in the locality but to take full advantage of the opportunities provided it is necessary to man all the waterways. With this in view a combined shoot has been arranged to be held next Sunday morning. Sportsmen in adjacent districts are being advised of the outing and it is expected that with a big gathering of shooters the best shooting since the opening of the season will be available.

Those participating are asked not to commence shooting before the light is good enough to ensure results.

Sportsmen should note that Mud Lake (near Rocky) holds plenty of water since the rains and good shooting should be offering in this locality. There is also reported to be some water in the Channels.

It is hoped, however, that sportsmen will spread out over the length of the Lakes system rather than congregate in one or two areas.

The first organised shoot held under similar circumstances last year was most successful and next Sundays' outing should also provide good bags.

Blood Transfusion Service

The local branch of the Red Cross Society has received the following letter from head office and has asked that we publish same for the information of the public and particularly of those who are prepared to help the Society's blood transfusion service:—

"As you know, the Red Cross Blood Transfusion Service is always in need of blood donations from the country, and our mobile unit cannot visit every town as often as we would like. Thus any member of your organisation who would care to call and give blood while visiting Perth would be most welcome and would be doing a valuable service to the public. May I ask your co-operation in bringing this to their notice?

"New and old donors will be equaly welcome. Anyone in good health, between 18 and 60, who has not given in the preceding three months can give a donation. It is painless and does not affect the health, and it takes only about half-an-hour.

"The new Blood Transfusion Centre is in Wellington Street, almost opposite the Royal Perth Hospital but a little nearer the middle of town. There is parking at the rear of the building for those giving blood. It is open in ordinary business hours, including Saturday mornings.

"We shall be most grateful for any help you are able to give us."

Yours faithfully,
Peter Brain, M.D.,
Director.

Police Advice On Firearms

The W. A. Police Department, in a Press release, warns that all possessors and users of firearms (including air rifles) must hold a current license.

Licenses expired on December 31 and should be renewed immediately if the holder has not already done so..

Licenses are issued only to persons of good character who have good reasons for requiring firearms. The license must be produced to a police officer on demand. It therefore follows that a person entrusted with a firearm should be careful to abide by the laws governing its use and should take all precautions to ensure that no person is injured or suffers damage by any neglect on his part.

The license to possess and use a firearm is individual and not transferable, and firearms must not be loaned or delivered to any unauthorised person. The penalty for so doing is a fine of £100 or imprisonment for six months. Therefore before a firearm is delivered to another person, the deliverer should insist on seeing the permit issued by the police to the person wishing to take possession.

OFFENCES

Other offences relating to firearms—and penalties attached—are set out in the release as follows:—

Shooting or discharging a firearm on a roadway (penalty £20); shooting on the property of another person without his consent (£10); shooting or discharging a firearm in a sanctuary for fauna (£50); shooting birds, animals or reptiles which are protected by the Fauna Protection Act (£50); shooting wild ducks with the aid of a spotlight, electric torch or lantern of any kind or with decoys (£50); pointing a firearm at another person (£25), being in possession of a firearm while intoxicated or excited by liquor (£20 and three months imprisonment). Such offences can also lead to the cancellation or revocation of the license.

TWELVE RULES

The police have issued a set of 12 rules of gun safety which are as follows:—

* Treat every gun with the respect due to a loaded gun.

* Do not pull the trigger unless you want the gun to go off.

* Never carry loaded guns into your car, camp or home.

* Always be sure that the barrel and action are clear of obstructions.

* Always carry your gun so that it is safe even if you stumble.

* Be sure of the target before you pull the trigger.

* Never point your gun at anything you do not wish to shoot.

* Never leave your gun unattended unless you unload it first.

* Never shoot at a flat hard surface or the surface of water.

* Never climb a tree or a fence with a loaded gun.

* Guns or beer in your car —never both.

* Under no circumstances attempt to adjust the mechanism or sight equipment of your firearm until you have assured yourself that the chamber is empty and the breech open.

New Commonwealth Cash Loan

SPECIAL BONDS (SERIES C) NOW ON SALE

From Canberra the Treasurer (Mr. Harold Holt) has given details of a new £45,000,000 Commonwealth cash loan which will be open for subscription from February 2 to 17. He announced also a new issue of Special Bonds — (Series C) — which will remain on issue until further notice.

Three new securities for short, medium and long term subscription will be offered in the cash loan. Each will have a somewhat later maturity date than the three corresponding securities issued in the September, 1959 loan. The new securities will be:—

Four per cent February, 1963, securities issued at £99/12/6 to yield approximately £4/2/8 per cent;

Four and threequarter per cent September, 1969 securities issued at £99/10/- to yield approximately £4/16/4 per cent;

Five pre cent November, 1981 securities issued at par.

Terms and conditions for Special Bonds—Series C—will be similar to those for Series B, but it has been decided to increase from £5,000 to £10,000 the amount of Special Bonds which may be held by any one person. From now on, the limitation on holdings of Special Bonds will be £10,000 for Series A, B and C combined.

Interest rates for the new Special Bonds will be 4 per cent per annum until May 31, 1963; then 4½ per cent per annum until May 31, 1964; then 5 per cent per annum until maturity. The Bonds will be finally redeemable at a price of 103 per cent on June 1, 1967, but holders will again have the option of being able to cash their securities at par or better, subject to one month's notice, at any time after the date of the first interest payment—in this case December 1, 1960. The price at which this option will be available for Series C will be 100 per cent between December 1, 1960 and May 31, 1963; 101 per cent between June 1, 1963 and May 31, 1965; and 102 per cent between June 1, 1965 and May 31, 1967.

Mr. Holt said that there were now approximately £63 million Special Bonds outstanding as a result of cash and conversion subscriptions since these securities were first issued in October, 1958. Cash subscriptions to Series B so far this year, net of redemptions of Series A, already exceeded £12 million.

The usual income tax rebate of 2/- in the £ will apply to all Commonwealth Loan interest included in taxable incomes. In the vast majority of cases, the premiums received on redemption of Special Bonds, ranging up to 3 per cent, would not be subject to income tax. Thus other fixed-interest securities would need to offer considerably higher nominal rates of interest to provide net yields comparable with those available from the new Commonwealth securities.

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"BURNSIDE" RAM BRINGS 280 GUINEAS

....A Bungaree blood ram bred by Messrs. B. E. D. Blechynden & Sons, of "Burnside", Mt. Kokeby, realised top price of 280 guineas at the second annual ram sale held at Beverley on Friday last. The purchaser was Mr. L. J. Harvey, of 14 mile brook via Willians and the ram was sold through Messrs. Westralian Farmers Ltd. Messrs. Blechynden & Sons team of 20 rams averaged 70⅞ guineas. ..

There was a large attendance of buyers from Dalwallinu, Buntine, Koolanooka, Wyalcatchem, Bruce Rock, Quairading, York, Northam, Pingelly and Aldersyde and rams offered met with a keen demand practically a total clearance being effected. The presentation was considered as being somewhat better than was the case last year.

Agents offered a total of 155 Merino rams, 17 Southdown rams and 3 Corriedale rams and the sale was under the auspices of the Beverley and Districts Stud Sheepbreeders Association.

Messrs. Westralian Farmers Ltd., report the following averages obtained by them on behalf of clients :—

J. L. Thomas & Son, "Springdell", Beverley, 15 Collinsville blood rams; average 32½ guineas.

L. F. & E. Sims, "Mt. Pleasant,,' Beverley, 18 Collinsville blood rams; average 68 one third guineas.

I. H. & J. F. Butcher, "Rocklea", Mt. Kokeby, 4 Collinsville blood rams; average 40 guineas.

V. & J. Mills, "Miarunging", Brookton, 5 Collinsville blood rams; average 56 guineas.

B. E. D. Blechynden & Sons, "Burnside", Mt. Kokeby, 20 Bungaree blood rams; average 70¾ guineas.

E. H. Hobbs & Son, "Ingle", Brookton, 6 Bungaree blood rams; average 33 two thirds guineas.

T. E. Barrett-Lennard & Co., "Drumclyer", Beverley, 2 Murray blood rams; average 40 guineas.

K. S. Eva, "Fairbank", Brookton, 6 Southdown rams; average 32 guineas.

Broadlands Pastoral Co., York, 3 Corriedale rams; average 18 guineas. Three Southdown rams; average 35 guineas.

ELDER'S REPORT ..

K. Doncon's Good Average

Elders' report on their portion of the Catalogue of Beverley and District Stud Sheep Breeders Association, 2nd Annual Ram Sale held on Friday, 19 August.

To a good attendance of buyers from local and surrounding areas, Elder's sold 26 Merino rams for an average of £46/5/6. Top Price in our catalogue of 85 guineas was obtained by K. H. Doncon, "Timaru", Beverley. This breeder, selling by auction for the first time, also secured Elder's top team average of £75/12/- for his good team of 5 Peppin blood Merino rams.

I. H. & J. F. Butcher, 'Rocklea", Mt. Kokeby, sold 6 Collinsville blood rams to 75 guineas averaging £51/3/9.

E. H. Hobbs & Son, "Ingle", Brookton, had a total clearance selling all their Bungaree blood rams, which numbered 10 rams to 50 guineas averaging £35/3/6.

B. E. D. Blechynden & Sons, Mount Kokeby, sold 4 Bungaree rams at an average of £33/9/6 and T. E. Barrett-Lennard & Co., of Beverley, 1 Murray ram at 30 guineas.

Elder's Beverley Bungaree ram sale, held on August 4th where 64 Bungaree Rams sold at an average of £77/16/8, has previously been recorded.

Championship Boards Unveiled

An interesting ceremony was observed at the Beverley Golf House on Sunday afternoon when at the invitation of the Club President, Mr. J. W. Woods, Mrs. R. Chester, a daughter of the founder of the Beverley Golf Club, the late George Broun, unveiled two championship honour boards listing the names of all winners of the title among both members and associates since the foundation of the club. . . .

The club was formed in 1905 and was among the very earliest in the State but the first championship was not conducted until 1910| George Broun was the first to win the title and he dominated the game in this respect for the next three years. His name again appeared as club champion sixteen years later at which stage he was 56 years of age. He was the oldest competitor ever to win the event.

The boards replace the original championship boards destroyed a few years ago in the disastrous fire which swept through the club house. Fortunately the Beverley Golf Club has complete records of all past champions (as well as much historical data) and it was possible, to have new boards made.

Mounted in the social room the new boards are beautiful examples of modern craftsmanship and are a distinctive and very handsome addition to the club house fittings. The lettering is carried out in gold against a black background with polished wood as a base and the boards are so made that addition of the new names each season can be simply carried out.

The latest purchases were inspected with much interest by those present on Sunday, and among the older members of the club particularly, revived memories and discussion on past memorable encounters.

Following George Broun's early sequence of wins the next name to appear on the men's board with frequency is the late G. M. Wansbrough who had a lengthy series of successes. Top honours, however, go to his son, R. M. Wansbrough (now the club patron) who won the title on seventeen occasions before withdrawing from the event some years ago. The last four names on the Board mark R. T. Broun's present series of successes.

The Associates board shows that Mrs. Voules Brown was the winner of the first women's championship to be held here. Further Wansbrough family successes are here commemorated by the names of daughters of early champion G. M. Wansbrough in Barbara and Una, but the biggest sequence of wins among the Associates was that of Mrs. J. L. McGowan, now of Kalgoorlie.

President, Jack Woods, in introducing Mrs. Chester referred to the debt owed to her late father and to his record in local golf and expressed the pleasure all felt in having her present to carry out the unveiling of the boards.

RIFLE SHOOTING .

E. D. Meeting at Northam

One of the largest representations from Beverley ever to compete in an Eastern Districts Rifle Club union prize meeting will be present at Northam over the week-end when the annual contests will be held. ..

No less than fourteen members of the Beverley Club have signified their intention of participating in the programme which commences on Saturday morning and will end on Sunday evening.

In addition to the individual matches team events will be contested over the two days.

Several Beverley marksmen have been displaying admirable form of late and are hopeful of success. We wish our representatives the best of good fortune.

BACKMARKER'S . . . SUCCESS . . . . . .

There was a smaller attendance than usual at the range last Sunday morning when shooting took place over the 600 and 700 yards ranges for the Jim Mann trophy.

Frank Blechynden, who from his low handicap has to shoot particularly well to figure in the winning lists nowadays was in good form for a 47 and a 49. With handicap he reached 99 to win the event from M. Bowron, who since joining up with Beverley has shot better than at any time since he took up the sport. Only a fraction of a point separated first, second and third places. Jack Manuel filled the minor place.

F. Blechynden's 47 was the best recorded at the first range. On 46 were B. Blechynden and M. Bowron.

Blechynden dropped a point with his last shot at 700 yards and shared top honours with Jack Manuel who dropped a point in the middle stages of his shoot. Bowron and Ed Wood each scored 45.

River Levels Fall

The level of the Avon River is now falling rapidly from the high winter level it reached following the big rains of some weeks ago.

The Avon reached its highest level not so much from local falls but because of the big flow of water from Eastern areas following flood conditions at Merredin and elsewhere.

These were entering the river through the lakes system at Qualanderry crossing before the advent of the local falls.

At the height of the flow the water was entering the river across the whole width of the built up crossing and some damage to the road surface is sure to have resulted.

It was far too big a flow for the flood gates at Qualanderry to cope with.

Heavier Clips

Heavier clips are reported by most district farmers this season. The shearing, earlier held up by inclement weather, is in full swing in these areas.

The heavier yields will help offset the lower prices now ruling although much dissatisfaction is felt at the trend of the market.

Buyers have been scouting the district but latest prices offering are not attracting sellers. However, a few who sold earlier for up to 54d. are feeling happy.

Borough of Beverley

Last week the secretary of the Beverley Road Board, Mr. D. Rigoll, received a letter from the Town Clerk of the Borough of Beverley, England, Mr. Ernest Bailey, expressing the pleasure felt at the visit of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Miles to that centre. The letter read as follows:—

Dear Sir,

As you will know we were delighted in Beverley to have a visit from Mr. Miles the Chairman of your Road Board and Mrs. Miles. My Council were very pleased indeed to receive from Mr. Miles on behalf of the Road Board a handsome gavel and block which will be regularly on view at our Meetings. I say 'on view' because I hope that the Council will not become so unruly as to cause the gavel to be used too often.

As a memento of this occasion I have pleasure in enclosing a photograph showing the handing over of the gavel and block by Mr. Miles to His W orship the Mayor (Councillor Albert Meadley).

We have not forgotten the happy visit of Mr. and Mrs. Vallentine a year or two ago, and it is a source of great pleasurer to have these close contacts between the Beverleys of Australia and England.

Your sincerely,

Ernest Bailey,
Town Clerk

Field Days

A comprehensive programme for farmers' field days conducted by Pasture Improvement Groups and other farmers' organisations has been arranged for the spring round of such days which is now a feature of Departmental extension work. . .

In making the programme details available, the Director of Agriculture, (Mr. G. K. Baron Hay), said he was very pleased to note that interest in the conduct of these days by farmers' organisations was being very well maintained. During this spring period, nearly 60 such days will be conducted and at which personnel from the Department's district offices would attend and assist in their conduct. Where it was possible, specialist officers from Head Office would also be present but with the heavy demand for their services in the research programmes, it was often difficult to accede to all requests.

In addition to these purely farmer days, there would be 10 field days at the Wheat and Sheep Division research stations, the dates for which have already been published, but are included in the present publicity so that those interested could better fit in attendance at the various days.

These days, continued Mr. Baron Hay, not only enable farmers to see what is happening on other properties, but provide a ready means for them to get together and discuss their problems not only with the Departmental officers, but amongst themselves. Their attendance also showed that they were anxious to obtain the latest information on the scientific work being carried out in agriculture.

The extensive programme, which actually commenced last week, will carry through to late October or early November. Further details for the individual days will be published in the Press and broadcasts as is the usual practice. Some times, due to unforeseen circumstances, it is necessary to make some amendments to the programme and these also will be advised through the same channels.

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Shooting Season Opens Dec. 18

Sportsmen throughout these areas will be pleased to note that following the practice of several years past the opening of the duck shooting season will take place on the Sunday preceding Xmas Day. Last year there was much concern regarding a move by city interests to have the opening brought forward to the Saturday afternoon preceding Xmas leading to concerted opposition from the country areas. Ultimately no alteration to the established procedure was made.

This year the opening takes place as far ahead of Xmas (Sunday, December 18) as is possible under the present arrangements. As has been the custom for many years, the season will open in the dairying areas of the South-West on the Saturday before Xmas (December 17th) at 6 p.m. This is a concession to the farmers of the area who would not be able to participate in an early morning shoot.

Field Officer in Beverley

Mr. Neil McLaughlan, an inspector of the Fisheries and Game Department, was in Beverley in the course of his field duties on Thursday last. He reports that the lakes in the Dowerin area are rapidly drying out.

Recently he was in the Northern areas of the State and banded 500 ducks at Hamelin Pool in furtherance of the Department's investigations into the movements of the State's game birds.

Mr. McLaughlan and another officer of the Department will pay further visits to Beverley before the season opens. So far this season there have been no reports of out-of-season shooting.

Local Prospects

Interest is quickening in the forthcoming opening and parties are already planning this year's outing. It would seem that quite a number of district sportsmen will travel to Narrogin, Yealering and other resorts for the first shoot.

The Bally Bally-County Peak chain of lakes are at an exceptionally high level for this season of the year, although there are reports that some of the lake water is escaping to the Avon River through a break-away beneath the retaining wall at Qualanderry Crossing. However, it seems certain that there will be plenty of water in the area until late in the season and the sport offering should be equal to, or better, than average.

No Marron for Christmas

Fisheries Minister, Ross Hutchinson, last week issued a warning against the taking of marron before New Year's Day.

It had become obvious, he said, that marron can't stand up to unrestricted fishing pressure on the one hand and alterations to the original character of the streams in the South-West following agricultural development on the other.

"If the popular sport of marron fishing is to remain part of the outdoor scene," the Minister continued, "the close season must be respected."

He went on to explain that the close season continued until midnight on December 31. It was being strictly enforced, he said, and concluded with the warning that offendors would render themselves liable to prosecution.

Transport of Dale Grain

The Hon. Roy Abbey, M.L.C., advises that tenders for the transport of grain from the newly established bin at the Dale have been accepted. The Dale bin is intended to serve the producers in the area beyond a line 10 miles due West of the Great Southern railway in the Beverley and Brookton districts.

Official advice is awaited in regard to the date of the opening of the bin and the defined area it is intended to serve.

Mr. Abbey advised that he had rceeived the following letter from Mr. F. J. Meadows, assistant secretary of the W.A. Transport Board:—

Hon. C. R. Abbey, M.L.C.,
Parliament House,
PERTH.

Dear Sir,

Further to your enquiry relative to the transport of grains from the Dale-West Brookton bin to Fremantle, I have pleasure in supplying the following information:

Successful tenderers—L. Aitken, Ferguson Bros., F. & D. L. De Bondi, H. B. Price, Farinosi & Sons.

Tendered rates—Wheat 5d. per ton per mile; Oats 5¼d. per ton per mile; Barley 5d. per ton per mile.

The successful tenderers are holders of licences to operate between the Dale-Wandering Area and Perth. Since the acceptance of tenders, Mr. H. B. Price has disposed of his carrying business to the Woolfitt family, trading as Rural Transport Service.

Yours faithfully,

F. J. Meadows,
Asst. Secretary W.A. Transport Board.

PENNANT BOWLS

Local Factions Win

Engaged against Quairading Reds and White on Saturday afternoon both Red and Black factions of the Beverley Bowling Club recorded victories, Blacks at Beverley and Red at Quairading. Details:—

Beverley Red v. Quairading Red at Quairading

Eckersley, Miles, H. T. Edwards and Broun beat Black, A. Smith, D. Black and Carter 40/16.

Oliver, Simmons, Rigoll and Broun beat Hadlow, Shenton, Glover and Minchin 27/14.

Alex. Murray, A. H. Murray and Petchell lost to Macdonal Zalaiskalns, Argus and Parnell 15/19.

Weaver, Young, O. Sims and Doncon lost to Illvess, Comely, Bond and Cornwall 29/30.

Beverley Black v. Quairading White at Beverley

Savage, Gill, Ferguson and F. Blechynden beat Lindoff, L. Adamson, Wills and Wass 27/21.

McGlew, Reynolds, Weaver and Bremner beat Walker, Bond, Allan and L. Hadlow 20/18.

N. Smith, Carr, Cooper and Abbey beat Fr. Regan's four 32/21.

McDonald, Vallentine, Les Sims and Len Sims lost to N. Smith, Cowill, Stone and Burrell 18/28.

MODERN PRINTING reflects the progress of your business. Do not defer. Let our representative discuss it with you.

The Junior Farmers Year

At the recent annual meeting of the Beverley Junior Farmers Club, a report of which appeared in our last issue, the retiring President, Mr. Don Sutherland, reviewed the past years' activities in the course of his annual report, which was adopted by the meeting. The report read as follows:—

Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is with great pleasure that I submit to you a report on the year's activities of the Club.

The membership of the club was on par with other years but with a great increase of male membership and large decrease of female members, hence the social side of the club was very much restricted. For the forthcoming year I would like to suggest that a drive for more members be held, as a lot of work falls on the few girls there are.

The main aspect of any club is the social side of it. Let me touch on what I consider, a few main events of the year. Firstly on January 7th our club was host to the P. and O. exchange, Miss May Wilson, for a week, before she journeyed on to the Quairading club. During this time she was shown over many of the stud breeders' properties and was taken on a sightseeing tour, which went as far afield as Harvey. A successful evening was also held on her behalf. I'd like to extend a humble thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Robins and Maxine for acting host and the time given in showing May around the district.

I am very pleased to report that our Annual J.F. Ball, held on June 10th, was as usual a success both socially and financially. My congratulations go to the ball committee, and especially the girls, who put a whole mornings work making the necessary arrangements which made our ball run smoothly. Also I would like to thank those who gave their very much appreciated help in the kitchen during the evening.

I would like to take this opportunity of congratulating the club members for the wonderful effort which they put into Achievement Day. The way new members have proved their readiness to join in the club competitions and judging events is very heartening to one who feels that too much has been left to too few. Although our club gained fourth position on the day, I feel it was truly a wonderful effort by one and all concerned.

More than usual interest was centred on those who gained a position in the Council Judging teams for Judging events at the Royal Show. I am proud to report that a member in Bob Hall, gained fourth position in the State woolclassing competition being ousted by a very small margin.

The J.F. exhibits at the local show again attracted its share of interest among showgoers. Although exhibits were plentiful and of high standard there were no more than nine entrants. It was pleasing to note this year, that there were some sheep exhibits.

The G. D. Gors trophy, which is a three year trophy, was again won by Miss Lois Draper for the second year in sucecssion. My congratulations to you, Lois, on a very fine effort, also to other trophy winners. At this stage I would like to thank all trophy donors for their fine gesture.

A club visit to Tambellup was enjoyed by all participating. It seems that it would create a lot more interest in the club if more social outings were organised.

Our annual parents and friends evening saw a large attendance of members with their parents and friends. After a short meeting, show trophies were presented by Mr. Cedric Smith, after which an enjoyable and successful evening was had by all.

The club debating team broke even on wins and losses this year which I consider was a good try knowing that the team consisted of new and practically inexperienced speakers.

In passing I would like to congratulate our treasurer, Miss Gwyneth Eynon, and thank her for the work she has put into keeping the books when she replaced John McIntosh, who was transfered at the middle of the year. Gwyneth reports that we have a credit balance of £51/9/11. This figure is far below last year's due mainly to heavier club and Council expenses.

The Adult advisors, all of whom have attended meetings regularly with welcome advice and suggestions, also deserve my thanks as do my two vice-presidents, Miss Ann Vallentine and Mr. John Morrell.

Last, but by no means least, I come to our secretary, Miss Maxine Robins. What a tower of strength she has been to me throughout the year. She has to be admired for the way she has kept the minutes in perfect order. I would like to offer a special thanks to her and remind her that the success of any club depends largely on its secretary. Thank you Maxine.

During the year the club was very sorry to lose Norma Blechynden, a girl who has been one of the mainstays of the club for a long time. I trust she will find great happiness in her married life. Also best wishes to Frank McDonold, who has reached the retiring age. My best wishes go to the other members of our club who have decided to settle down.

In conclusion I would extend my thanks to anybody and everybody who has helped the club in any shape or form during by term of office. My best wishes to you all for a continued, enjoyable and successful year of Junior Farmers. To achieve any success we must aim high.

D. M. Sutherland,
President.

CROQUET

Sheila McDonald's Success

Sheila McDonald, top-ranking player of the Beverley Club, has just returned from competing in the Australian Croquet Carnival held over the last three weeks in Perth.

Playing for the first time on the reduced handicap of 5 bisques, our player received praise for her play from top officials and was successful in bringing home the beautiful Brady Trophy, a lovely silver salver. This trophy is awarded and inscribed "To the most outstanding player of the carnival in the 5 to 2½ bisque class, 1960 Australian Croquet Carnival."

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Concern Over Dirty Water

A matter of complaint by Beverley housewives of late is the discoloured water which so frequently issues from household taps in various parts of the town.

This and other water supply matters will be discussed with the Minister for Water Supplies in Perth this week by the Member for the District, Mr. J. I. Mann, M.L.A., the Chairman of the Beverley Road Board, Mr. A. W. Miles, and the Secretary of the Board, Mr. Dave Rigoll.

Another item for discussion is the possibility of obtaining water from the Mundaring scheme for the establishment of a grassed oval at Beverley. Local sporting bodies are seeking this facility and the Football Club is particularly anxious to see this improvement effected in order to bring the local oval into line with others in the Association.

Muresk Request

Although replies to former resuests for water for the grassing of the local oval have been far from encouraging, it is of interest to note that Muresk College is seeking a properly grassed oval (reported on page 8) and the Minister for Agriculture has promised to put the case to the Hon. Treasurer.

Dirty Water at York

The dirty water problem has also been manifest at York and the Council at the centre at its last meeting had before it a letter received by Mr. J. I. Mann, M.L.A., from the Minister for Water Supplies in regard to the problem.

Letter stated that the cause of the dirty water was the scraping of unlined pipes. These pipes will be replaced with concrete pipes, but unfortunately the department will not be able to complete this in the present financial year.

It is anticipated that the replacing of pipes at present under way will be completed by Christmas, and this will leave 2.7 miles to be done. However, this section will have to be left until the 1961/-62 financial year.

Holiday Arrangements

Shops and business houses in Beverley have agreed to observe the following holidays at Christmas and New Year:

Closed Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, December 26, 27 and 28 and on Monday, January 2.

The butchers' shops will open on Wednesday morning, December 28, for the convenience of housewives.

Bread supplies will be available on Xmas eve and the bakery will then be closed until Wednesday morning, December 28.

The public is asked to note these arrangements.

Bank Holidays

Bank holidays will differ somewhat from those to be observed by the local business houses.

Banks will be closed from the usual hour on Saturday, December 24, until Wednesday, December 28 and will be closed all day on Saturday, December 31 and on Monday, January 2.

Post Office

The post office will close at noon on December 24 as usual and will be closed all day on the 26th. On Tuesday, 27th the office will be open only from 9 till 10 a.m. and there will be no letter delivery.

The office will close at noon again as usual on December 31 and on Monday, January 2 will be open only from 9 till 10 a.m. and there will be no letter delivery.

Game Inspectors' Visit

Field inspectors Messrs. S. Bowler and N. McLaughlan, of the Fisheries and Game Department, were in Beverley in the course of their duties at the week-end and on Sunday, accompanied by two local wardens, made an inspection of the lakes area. ..

The officers have covered most of the shooting areas in the Southern half of the State over the past few weeks and they report that generally duck is not as plentiful as usual. They believe that the exceptional concentration of game they noted earlier in the Northern areas is responsible. Sportsmen in these latter districts expect the best shooting they have experienced in years.

The best concentration of duck they have seen over the past three weeks is on the series of lakes 17 miles southwest of Wagin where they noted many thousands of birds. Gundaring lake east of Wagin is very full this year and here hundreds of young birds hardly out of the flapper stage were noted. The late breeding at this location is puzzling.

Lakes East of Narrogin are rather low. These popular shooting areas are not as well stocked as usual.

County Peak-Bally Bally lakes inspected, all had a quota of ducks but the best concentrations seen were at the channels and at Mears. Honorary Game Warden, Henry Hall, who lives in the lakes area and who takes a very keen interest in his honorary duties reported that the build-up in the local duck population normal to this period of the year is not as pronounced as usual.

It was noted that several lakse to the north west of the channels normally dry by this time are still holding big volumes of water.

The Avon River at Jurakine and southwards holds out the best promise this season and those who always favour this locality for the opening shoot should have good sport.

The visiting inspectors, stated that their reports indicate that there has been little or no out of season shooting this year. Sportsmen are appearing to realise that it is in their best interests to strictly observe the close season.

The season opens at 5 o'clock next Sunday morning.

Xmas Shopping

Over the past fortnight local shops and business premises have been made bright with lights and decorations for the Xmas shopping season. This and the fact that most of the local business houses now have fluorescent lights in the windows which are connected to the street lighting system and are operated on the same circuit from the power house has resulted in a much brighter main street. It is to be noted that much "window" shopping now goes on during the evening.

The shops are well stocked with all seasonal lines and the toy sections appear more diversified than ever before. Some wonderfully ingenious creations are available this year and the battery operated toy is becoming a feature.

There are ample stocks of seasonal specialties in the food line at all the stores and a very wide diversity of gift lines so that residents have every encouragement to shop in their own town.

Native Housing

We understand that the Controller of Native Welfare, Mr. Middleton, has advised the chairman of the Beverley Road Board, Mr. A. W. Miles, that arrangements are in hand for the construtcion of two native (type 5) houses on the housing reserve fronting the Brookton Road.

The work is to be put in hand early in the new year.

Material is to hand for the construction of three Geraldton type huts for native families on the camping reserve but no notification of when these are to be erected has been made. No doubt the work will be put in hand shortly.

Present Departmental policy in regard to the housing of natives is the construction of Geraldton type huts as the first step towards improved homes for the native population.

Later as those using the huts reveal aptitude for improved living conditions they will be provided with better type dwellings.

The news that improved facilities are being provided for local natives will be received with pleasure by Beverley residents.

Cricket

Cricketers had a respite from Association matches last week-end and the break will continue until January 8th due to the duck shoot this week-end and the Xmas-New Year holidays.

A social match was to have been played last Sunday against Cunderdin but these arrangements were later cancelled. A few enthusiasts practiced at the nets at the oval during the afternoon.

No social matches are listed as yet for the Xmas and New Year periods.

PENNANT BOWLS

Saturday's Matches

Red and Black factions of the Beverley Bowling Club were engaged in Pennant fixtures on Saturday afternoon and both registered successes—the latter after a very close contest. Details: ..

Beverley Red v. Quairading White at Quairading

Weaver, Simmons, O. Sims and Doncon beat. Smith, E. Shenton, Stone and Burrell 32/20.

Rigoll, Safe, Hutchinson and Broun beat Walker, Bond, Ellen and Hadlow 30/15.

Alex Murray, S. Murray, E. Boyle and Petchell beat Lindoff, Adamson, Wills and Wass 19/18.

A. H. Murray, Miles, H. Edwards and Brown lost to Haythornthwaite, Pritchard, Hinkley and Fr. Regan 17/21.

Beverley Black v. Brookton at Beverley

Minchin, Gill, Ferguson and Savage beat Jefferson, Whittington, Betts and Dicker 24/23.

Carr, Coats, McGlew and Cooper beat Biggins, Whitington, Brechin and Fidge 19/17.

Les Sims, Wansbrough, Len Sims and F. Blechynden beat Langley, Walters, Marsh and Whittington 26/24.

Smith, Reynolds, Weaver and Bremner lost to Chittleborough, E. White, Rushton and Hobbs 21/23.

Secretary's Resignation

Mr. Lyn Eynon has resigned the secretaryship of the Beverley Golf Club, as a result of the pressure of other duties associated with his accountancy business. ..

He has filled the office with outstanding ability and to the advantage of the club for the past eight years.

The period has witnessed many difficulties including the disruption causel by two fires but the overall picture has been one of extraordinary progress as indicated by a membership which now totals 300.

The interest and enthusiasm he has brought to his duties has had much to do with this satisfactory state of affairs.

Tennis Notes

Last week-end Beverley met York in the first round of their annual match. Beverley A Grade, playing on their home courts, defeated York A Grade 48 to 16 whilst B Grade defeated York at York 42 to 22. The return match will be played in March. ..

A general meeting will be held on January 3rd to discuss the construction of hard courts or alternatively a watering system. All members are requested to attend as it is very important. Further information can be obtained if required from the secretary or any member of the committee.

Members are reminded that all subs must be paid by December 15th.

There will be no faction tennis next Sunday owing to the opening of the duck shooting season.

Dale Hall Lighting

Arrangements have been completed for the installation of a Kleen Heat gas lighting system at the Dale Hall and the work is about to be put in hand. It will replace the electric lighting previously supplied by Mr. Gartrell who with the building of a new home is unable to provide the amenity.

The Hall Committee and others have been working to raise funds for the new lighting system and their efforts have met with a gratifying measure of success. Mrs. Forbes Woods, hon. secretary of the committee, informs us that about £42 was raised at a stall in the main street last Saturday. There were several donations. In another column thanks to all who helped is expressed.

The turkey which was raffled was won by Mr. Jack Manuel.

Helicopter Service

Australian commercial aviation history was made last week when a T.A.A. Hiller helicopter landed for the first time on a city heliport. ..

Piloted by Captain Ray Hudson, T.A.A. helicopter operations superintendent, the helicopter landed on the new £18,000 floating heliport on the Yarra opposite Queen Street, Melbourne.

T.A.A. expects to start regular services between the heliport and Esendon airport—a seven minute trip—by December 21.

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Wool Promotion

Australia's consumption of wool had recovered 25 per cent in the past 12 months, the Chairman of the Australian Wool Bureau, Sir William Gunn said last week.

Sir William was speaking in conjunction with the Bureau's plan to provide growers with impartial facts on the world wool situation during the present levy campaign.

Sir William went on to say that a vigorous nation-wide wool promotion campaign in the face of strong competition from other fibres had greatly helped wool's recovery.

The total Australian consumption represented only about 5 per cent of the Australian wool clip. The rest was sold overseas.

Until the Australian Wool Bureau's promotion was greatly expanded a little over 18 months ago, local consumption was dropping.

In 1947-48 wool represented 33 per cent of the total fibre consumption in Australia, or an 8.3 lb per capita consumption.

In 1957-58 wool's share of the Australian textile market had fallen to 20 per cent, and the per capita consumption to 4.4 lb.

"That was a disastrous record—it was even worse than the story in the United States, and this is the leading wool nation of the world"

Sir William said wool's great advantage over all its competitors was that it was the most efficient textile fibre in the world today.

"In spite of all that has happened with all the 'miracle' fibres, wool is still THE miracle fibre and there are no propsects in the immediate future of wool losing that position", he said.

"For these reasons alone, Australians should not be pessimistic about the future of wool. But we should not be complacent about its future either".

He said the success of the Australian wool promotion campaign had shown that it was possible to increase the demand for wool through education by publicity.

He was convinced that the same wool promotion job could be tackled effectively and successfully in wool-buying countries overseas if Australia provided enough money for the job.

"If we put enough money in, we will get a dividend," Sir William Gunn said.

New Address

The Minister for Agriculture, (Mr. C. D. Nalder), has announced that the balance of the staff of the Department of Agriculture which remained in the old building in St. George's Terrace has been moved to South Perth, and the old address ceased to operate for any purpose on January 31.

The offices of the Minister and of the Director of Agriculture would remain in the Treasury Building, Cathedral Avenue, but the address of the Department for general purposes becomes Jarrah Road, South Perth.

To ensure that the public is not inconvenienced a temporary general enquiries counter has been established in the Cathedral Avenue entrance to the Treasury Building, where general enquiries, specimens and fees will be received for transmission to South Perth. A permanent provision will be made for this facility in some alterations to the Director's office which will shortly commence.

Mr. Nalder said the new Administrative Block at South Perth is not yet ready for occupation but the temporary arrangements are necessary to release the old Agriculture Building to the Perth City Council as part of the site for the new Town Hall. This was required by January 31.

Death of West Brookton Pioneer

A pioneering identity of the West Brookton-South Dale area in the person of Mr. Thomas Eustace Gartrell passed away in Perth on January 25th. Aged 87 years he had been associated with the districts mentioned since the turn of the century.

The late Thomas Gartrell was born at Callington, South Australia, in 1873, the third of four brothers. He came to the West in the early 90's at a time when the sensational gold discoveries were attracting the attention of men in all parts of the world and travelled from Albany on the newly-opened Great Southern railway.

Proceeding to the goldfields he prospected for a period before going into a grocery business in company with his brothers Frank and Archie, at Boulder.

Land development was proceeding apace and the brothers decided that farming had a greater future for them than the business in which they were engaged. They thereupon sold their Boulder interests and Thomas and Archie came to Beverley arriving at Xmas 1902. Shortly afterwards they selected virgin land on the Dale, then an isolated area, and began the long task of developing the property. As an outlet to Brookton they axe-tracked part of the track which later was to become the Brookton-Armadale road.

In 1911 the late Mr. Gartrell married Miss Lillian Bechel whose father was one of the first settlers to be identified with Romilly Station.

Thomas Gartrell battled hard in the interests of the West Brookton and Dale areas playing a prominent part in moves for better communications and facilities. He was closely associated with early public affairs at the Dale.

The deceased continued his active association with the farm for the greater part of his lifetime until ill-health and failing eyesight forced him to relinquish his activties in favour of his sons who continue to farm the original property.

He knew the rigors of early life in the area when farming was a hard slogging match against great difficulties. A trip to Perth on what was then known as the "back track" occupied days by horse and sulky. Later he was to be one of the first in the area to acquire a car (a Dodge) and even then the trip was always an adventure with punctures and breakdowns a constant threat. Fortunately he had a fine sense of humour which was always evident in and about the home to the delight of the family.

He was last of the family, among the brothers to predecease him being Archie, very well-known in Beverley.

There were five children of his marriage: Frank (West Brookton), Freda—Mrs. Griffin—(Tweed Heads, N.S.W.), Marjorie—Mrs. Blee—(Rivervale), Joyce—Mrs. Ron Simmons—(Beverley) and Kenneth (West Brookton). To his widow and children the sympathy of a wide circle of friends in Beverley, Brookton, and adjacent areas is extended. Grandchildren number 15.

The funeral took place in the Methodist portion of the Karrakatta cemetery on Saturday morning.

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Good Bags of Ducks

A shooting party from Beverley found good sport on the lakes South of Beverley at the week-end, returning on Sunday after a very pleasant outing. . .

The party comprised eight sportsmen and they bagged a total of 64 teal, mountain duck and main geese—a satisfactory average per gun. The game was in splendid condition.

The weather could not have ben improved on and had much to do with the pleasure of the outing.

Another outing is being arranged for later this month.

The Dale Fire

Mr. H. A. Noonan, who lives on the fringe of the forest country West of Beverley, reports that at the height of the big fire, which swept through a big acreage of bushland and threatened large areas of developed country at South Dale and West Brookton last week, it was possible to read a paper at night at his homestead by the reflection of the blaze which was on a thirty mile front.

The closest the fire approached to the Noonan farm was about five miles. The eerie effect was heightened by the light reflected from the stubble and grass paddocks.

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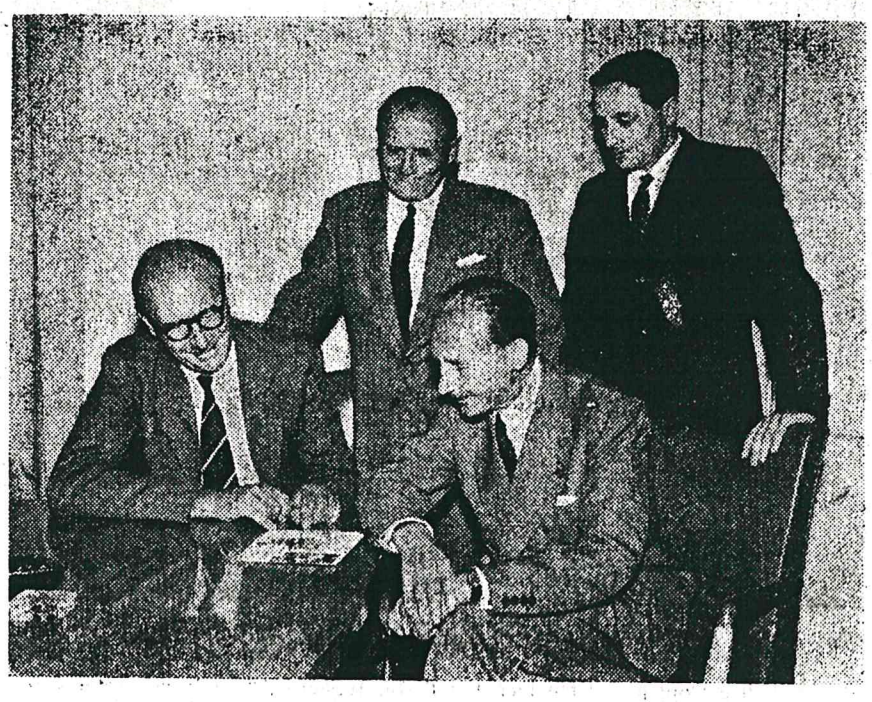

THE "FOUR MUSKETEERS" ARE STILL FIRM FRIENDS
but, now, mainly on the administrative side.

M. Jean Borotra, idol of the tennis world a generation ago, is still very active in it

As president of the International Lawn Tennis Federation, he recently came to Sydney for the Davis Cup and during his Australian stay came to Melbourne. Whilst here he visited BP's Head Office because he has been, for many years, closely associated with the BP Group by reason of his directorial position in the Avery Hardoll/SATAM Group of companies who manufacture kerbside pumps and other equipment for the oil industry.

Here, M. Borotra (seated right) shows BP's Managing Director, Mr. N. R. Seddon (also seated) photographs of the "Four Musketeers"—Crochet, Lacoste, Brugnon and Borotra—taken in the first instance when these four men won the Davis Cup for France and, 21 years later in 1946 and again last year. The four have maintained a firm friendship over the years and hold frequent reunions. Also viewing with interest are BP Australia's Assistant General Manager (Mr. H. L. Swan) and Manager—Distribution Department (Mr. M. de Verteuil.

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Council Business in Breif

The President of the Shire Council, Mr. A. W. Miles, was in the chair for the August meeting of the Council on the 14th ultimo. There was a full attendance comprising Messrs. W. E. A. Heal (Deputy President), L. P. Swan, J. E. Lupton, J. D. McLean, A. W. Edwards, C. R. Abbey, M.L.C., O. O. Sims and the secretary (Mr. D. Rigoll). Items dealt with by Councillors (excluding those which have been reported in these columns), were as follows:

"Swearing In" of Cr. Lupton

Before the commencement of the business of the meeting the President administrated the Oath of Allegiance to Cr. Lupton.

Education Dept.

The Department forwarded a booklet setting out proposals for the formation of School Bus Advisory Committees.

It was agreed that Council advise the P. & C. Association and the Headmaster that this Council recommends the appointment of an advisory committee and that it will give its full support.

Title Deeds Change of Name

The Dept. of Local Govt. advistd that it will not be necessary to change the name on the Title Deeds unless Council wishes to sell, lease or othewise deal with the land. Letter received.

C.B.H. Transference of Bulk Bins

The Manager of C.B.H., in reply to Council's letter, advised that his Company had not promised to transfer the bins to a new site this year. However a member of the Company would visit Beverley in the near future to discuss the matter with the Council. Resolved that letter be received and that Mr. Carr be invited to attend when the representative visits Beverley.

Shire Councils Assoc.

Associate forwarded a small number of booklets entitled "Local Government talks to the people".

It was resolved to endeavour to obtain more copies and distribute same among the various organisations in the Municipality.

R.S.P.C.A.

The above Society forwarded a copy of its annual report together with a request for the appointment of a honorary inspector. It was agreed to hold the matter over until a later date.

Permits to Set Fire to Bush

Agreed that it be plainly stated on each permit issued in future that it is the duty of the person receiving the permit to advise the Control Officer of his area of his intention to burn, together with the date it is intended to burn.

Hall Curtain

The Repertory Club wrote seeking information re the installation of the track for the Hall Curtain.

The Clerk advised that he had arranged for a builder to do the work but it had not yet been put in hand. The Clerk instructed to make further endeavours to have the work completed at an early date.

Saturday Half Holiday

The Chief Inspector of Factories advised that the recent poll having resulted in a majority vote in favour of Saturday half holiday for shops. A notice to this effect would be published in the Govt. Gazette and the change would be operative as from August 12th.

National Heart Campaign

The State Secretary wrote congratulating the Local Committee on their excellent effort in raising the sum of £911/7/7.

Agreed that a copy of the above letter together with a letter of thanks from the Council be forwarded to each member of the Committee.

Overdraft

Decided that Council request the Bank of New South Wales to provide if required an overdraft of £4000 for the year ending June 30th, 1962, and that the President and Clerk discuss with the Bank manager the Overdraft Service fee.

Shire Clerk's Report

The Clerk was requested to compliment the outside staff on the excellent job they made of re slabbing the footpath.

Greyhound Grader

Resolved machine be repaired sufficiently to keep it running for another year.

Fire Unit

Resolved that tyres be changed and cross rib tyres fitted all round. Endeavour to be made to exchange tyres as done last year.

Capacity of Trucks

Agreed that Council investigate advisability of using bigger trucks in future in view of the expected longer haulage distance for road materials.

Firebreaks

Resolved that the notice requiring provision of firebreaks be gazetted and that the requirements be the same as last year.

Rabbit Symposium

Cr. Heal reported having attended a very interesting symposium on rabbit control. Copies of addresses were distributed among Councillors to be read and returned to the office.

Tre President thanked Crs. Heal and McLean for having represented Council at the Symposium.

Bus Route Extension

Agreed that extension of service from V. Butchers to G. Woods be approved.

Caltex Bulk Depot

Agreed that Caltex Co. be granted permission to erect a bulk depot on the Railway Reserve opposite Elizabeth Street.

Hockey Ground Building

The President's action of permitting windows to be added to the building, the cost of which will be met by the Hockey Club was endorsed.

C.B.H. Sanitary Removals

Letter re above be received.

W.A. Livestock Salesman's Assoc.

Agreed that sanitary removals from saleyards be at cost and that Assoc. be advised that septic tanks should be provided regardless of whether pig sales are discontinued or not.

Horsemen's Assoc. Toilet

Agreed that tenders be called for the erection of a toilet block at the above ground. Council to provide material. Acceptance of tender and auothrity to carry out work to be left with the President and Clerk.

Tenders for Shed

Tender of £15 for shed at Horsemen's Assoc ground submitted by A. R. Boyle was accepted.

Lukin Street

Decided that work requested by Parents and Friends Assoc. be inspected by the Shire Clerk and if necessary put in hand as soon as practicable.

Building Permit

Agreed that permit to erect fowl house be granted to W. Ashby.

Forrest Street Bridge

Agreed that the above bridge be replaced by a new structure and that construction be financed by one of the following means:

1. Specific Grant MRD.
2. General Allocation MRD.
3. General Revenue if neither of above funds available.

FOOTBALL

Prospects Enhanced

With the finals of Avon Valley Football only a few weeks away it is pleasing to note that Beverley continues at the head of the Premiership table and is assured of a place in the final four.

Supporters were delighted with the showing of the locals in last Sunday's A Grade fixture at Cunderdin. They overcame the big ground complex to record a very meritorious win and enhanced their prospects of notching their second consecutive Premiership victory.

Sunday's performance was all the more meritorious in view of the fact that two stalwarts of the side in Dale Edwards and John Denton were missing from the side.

John's absence was brought about through injuries, whilst Dale was a flu victim. The latter should soon be fit again.

Beverley will be opposed to Kellerberrin at Beverley next Sunday and unless there is a big reversal of form on the part of the visitors, should record another win.

Welcome Rains

Although the rains which fell over the district at the beginning of the week were not as copious as could have been wished, they were extremely valuable to the farming community.

At Beverley 34 points were gauged to 9 a.m. on Tuesday and this brought the registration for five days to 53 points. Heavier falls were reported from the Dale areas and West of Brookton where heavy rain fell on Monday night.

The season is developing very favourably and with a return to warmer conditions crops and pastures are again making fast growth.

Main worry of farmers East of Beverely are the low dam levels and absence of sub soil reserves, most falls experienced to date this winter having been too light to provide much run off.

This factor has been reflected in the low level of the Avon River which has so far failed to reach normal winter levels. The lakes in the Qualanderry area are not holding as much water as normal although it was reported last week that water was flowing out of Rocky Lake, situated further East.

Manager Appointed

Mr. W. G. Cruickshank, of Croyden St., Dianella, has been appointed by the Shire Council as manager of Pingelly's swimming pool and it is expected that he will take up his duties some time during September.

Mr. Cruickshank's application for the position was one of seventeen received by the Council, mainly from the metropolitan area with three local applicants. This number was reduced to four by the August meeting of the Council and three of these gentlemen visited Pingelly for an interview on Saturday morning before the selection was made.

Mr. Cruickshank has had thorough training in administration and operation of pools together with experience of actual control with pools at Horsham (Victoria) and Bulfinch. He holds life saving certificates to gold standard, possesses elementary first aid knowledge and is an active swimming club instructor. He is twenty-seven years of age.

—Pingelly "Leader".

GOLF

The Craig Cup

One of the features of th present golfing season has bee the success of many junio players who have been makin things interesting for the olde and more experienced, playe in club and open event Many have shown great abili and the trend was demon strated once again at York o Sunday when fifteen-year-o Colin Lawrence played ou standing golf from his 1 (stroke) handicap, to annex th Craig Cup from a field of 11 representatives of country an metropolitan clubs. Aided, n doubt, by the fact that he wa playing his own course, Col finished 4 up over the 27 hol of bogey play. It was a ver fine performance on the youn ster's part.

Ken Doncon, of Beverle who has been showing ver good form of late, was runn up to the youngster. He wa 1 down in the morning eigh een and 2 up for the afternoo nine to be 1 up for the da The ex-Beverley footballer vindicating the promise he ha always shown in the occasion games he played whilst en gaged in the more active spor and more will be heard of hi now that he is concentratin on golf.

Colin Lawrence was also th winner of the gross scor award but could not receiv this trophy as winner of th major event. It went to a M Lawley representative. Mic Boyle, of York, won the morn ing round with a 3 up scor Another of the subsidiar awards went to a Brookto player in N. Sudholz, whilst Tassle of Quairdaing, who on a 5 handicap in the cit also shared in the awards.

The list of trophy winne was as follows:

Craig Cup: C. Lawrance.
Runner-up: K. Doncon.
Morning Round: M. Boyl
Afternoon Rounds: I. Tass and N. Sudholz.
Veteran's Award: Dave Alle
Gross Score: L. Sangster.

Saturday Afternoon

Two Beverley pairs in Bar Winfield and Don Efford an Ken Doncon and Andrew M Glew tied with 6 up in th Saturday afternoon fourba event and in the subseque draw the former pair was su cessful.

AT HOME

Leon Smith, from his lo mark, continues to play cons tently and on Sunday morni at Beverley in stroke event f the stay-at-homes he return a nett 69 to take the honou

THE WEEK-END

A Stableford event for th A. Eckersley trophy will played at Beverley on Saturd afternoon (to-morrow) and Sunday the Club will condu its annuel Charity Day with th J. N. Broun trophy contest by the menfolk in the morni and mixed foursomes for th A. L. Oliver award in the p.m In the latter contest, contes ants should arrange their ow partners and opponents.

Over the years the Club h raised a considerable sum o this annual occasion to th benefit of numerous worthwhi causes and it is hoped th there will be again a good ro up of players and associates.

For most of those engage it will be a picnic occasio with hamper lunch at the Clu House.

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Improved Water Service

The efforts which have been made by the Shire Council over the past few years to improve the water service at Beverley is bearing fruit with the gradual replacement of the old pipes with new and larger mains.

Latest information regarding the work is contained in a letter read at the September meeting of the Council. It was as follows:

P.W.W.S. 1033/58
7th September, 1961

Shire Clerk,
P.O. Box 20,
BEVERLEY.

Dear Sir,

On the 20th June this year I wrote to you advising that I would endeavour to replace further unlined sections of the Northam-Beverley Main from funds which would become available in the financial year 1961/62. I am now pleased to say that the renewal and enlargement of the Main from West Northam to York will be completed and in commission by the first week in October and this should remove all problems associated with dirty water supply at York.

On the York-Beverley section already one mile of 10" C.L. piping has been laid and linked in. Two miles of 8" C.I. pipes will be laid and linked in by October. This work should considerably improve conditions in Beverley for the forthcoming summer.

Yours faithfully,
G. P. WILD,
Minister for Works and Water Supplies.

New Agency at Mt. Kokeby

Pursuing its Policy of providing banking services wherever they are needed, the Commonwaleth Savinys Bank has opened a new agency at Mt. Kokeby. The new agency is situated in C. R. H. and V. J. Price's Store and Mrs. Price, the agent will attend to all banking needs.

Residents in the area may open new accounts at the agency, deposit money to accounts already open and make arrangements to withdraw at this new agency or any other of the 7,600 offices of the Commonwealth Savings Bank spread throughout Australia.

New Bridge Job

Working under very difficult and uncomfortable conditions due to the heavy flow of water occasioned by the rains, Beverley Shire Council workmen under foreman Bob Isbister, have succeeded in having the bridge in Forrest Street trafficalbe for show day.

Few people a fortnight ago, viewing the scene of the work, could have been optimistic regarding completion of the job on time.

It was necessary to keep a pump working twenty-four hours a day to allow the work to proceed and one of the least enviable tasks of the foreman was to visit the job site in the early hours of the morning to replenish the fuel supply.

The job, seen in the near completion stage, is a very sturdy one. Wooden piles supported the bridge timbers in the old structure but stone and cement work replace these on the new bridge which will no doubt outlast all present residents of the district.

The Lakes as a District Asset

Doubtless many residents of the Beverley district, on viewing the big expanse of water contained in the lakes system of the Bally Bally-County Peak area, have wondered whether greater use could not be made of the asset by country residents from a recreational angle. Excepting for the frequent visits by shooters in the open season of the year, the waterways are largely deserted, although in the spring period some picnic parties can be found at Rocky Lake, the biggest single sheet of water in the chain.

These thoughts have been engendered by reports we have received this week that Mr. Jack McLean, a resident of County Peak, has invested in a 14ft. fibre glass boat, complete with a powerful engine, which was given its first outing in these parts last Sunday.

This season, due to the light rainfall and lack of run-off, the lower lakes stretching from Qualanderry, at the junction of the lakes system and the Avon River, to the vicinity of Mr. Eric McLean's property, have not filled and the water here was not of sufficient depth to allow the boat to be tried out. However, it was taken to Rocky Lake where there was quite an assemblage of people of the area who were interested in the experiment.

The lake is holding about four feet of water which was ample for the boat, which has of draught of two feet, and Mr. McLean was kept busy throughout the afternoon taking parties for a run comprising a 2½ miles circuit of the area. A speed of 30 miles per hour was maintained making water ski-ing possible. Mr. McLean has also acquired one of these outfits but it was too cold on Sunday for a try-out.

The lower lakes, however, offer the greatest potentialities in regard to boating and water ski-ing as from Qualanderry to Ossig's lake there is about five miles of water in a normal season. It comprises big open stretches joined by deeper channels.

To fully exploit this asset however, a rise in the lake level is needed. At present the retaining wall built some years ago at Qualanderry keeps about two feet of water in the system. The fall of the land in the area averages about 1 inch to the mile and the present dam was consequently constructed comparatively cheaply with the aid of a bulldozer. Two concrete flood gates which are closed to retain the water at the end of the winter were provided.

It is considered that if the retaining wall could be raised another two feet it would ensure plenty of water for boating and ski-ing over a large part of the summer, providing a unique recreational and weekend resort which would be appreciated by residents over a very wide area. Such a project it is thought, would also tend to raise the level of the water at Rocky Lake by preventing the drain-off to the lower lakes which now occurs.

Another boat owner in the lakes area is Mr. Henry Hall, who farms the property between Rocky and Mears Lake which was formerly owned by Mr. Jack Forrest. He uses it on lakes in his area. At Mears Lake work has been carried out to ensure a permanent sheet of water and boat owners in that part of the Quairading district have snagged the lake area to improve the facilities. However the rainfall there this season has not been sufficient to put water in the lake.

Mr. McLean brought forward the matter of the development of the lakes area at the meeting of the Shire Council held on Friday last. The Council is to make further investigations of the possibilities of such a project and if it is considered feasible an approach will be made for assistance from the Tourist Development Association, from the funds of which grants have been made to many districts over the past few years.

Top Price For Beverley Stud

Messrs. C. R. and A. J. McGlew, of Seaton Ross Stud, Beverley, were doubtless very pleased with results achieved at last week's annual British Breeds stud and flock ram sale conducted by Messrs. Elder, Smith & Co., at Northam.

The sale is recognised as one of the biggest of the British Breed sales held annually in Australia.

There was a very large attendance of buyers from all parts of the State. Messrs. McGlew & Son topped the sale with a 1960 drop stud Border Leicester ram which brought 180 guineas.

The second top price was also obtained by the Seaton Ross Stud–115 guineas–whilst another stud ram made 85 guineas. Both were 1960 drop.

Further successes were gained in the ewe section with seven special Border Leicester stud ewes, 1960 drop, which brought 40 guineas. This was easily the best price obtained.

Incidentally this year marks the 30th anniversary of the establishment of the Seaton Ross stud.

Repertory Club Scoops Pool

Remarkable success attended the Beverley Repertory Club players when they went to Narrogin on Saturday last to compete in the Great Southern Drama Festival in which clubs from three other centres (Narrogin, Williams and Pingelly) competed.

The plays were presented before a packed audience at the Narrogin Town Hall.

Beverley scooped the pool, winning all awards.

The play presented, Jean Laurence's "Pity, My Betrayer", was adjudged the best offering of the night, and Mrs. E. Efford won the award for the best production.

The best acress award was shared by Mrs. T. Safe and Miss Pauline Safe (daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Safe) and the best actor was Mr. Brian Pearse.

It is unusual for one Club to take all awards at such gatherings and is a striking testimony to the high level of the talent available in Beverley.

Torchbearers For Legacy

The annual meeting of the Beverley Branch of Torchbearers for Legacy was held on the 5th inst., with the retiring president, Mr. J. E. Lupton, in the chair.

Office bearers for the ensuing twelve months were elected as follows:

President: Mr. O. T. Broun.
Senior Vice President: Mr. R. G. C. Prior.
Junior Vice President: Mr. A. W. Miles.
Secretary-Treasurer: Mr. J. J. Gordon.

A committee was also appointed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The following report on the past twelve months activities was submitted by Mr. Lupton and was adopted by the meeting:

Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is very pleasing to see you all here and to know that an active interest is being maintained in this Branch of Torch Bearers for Legacy.

As you all are aware this is a very worthy organiszation comprised of people like yourselves who are acting in an honorary capacity and giving freely of their time so that the children whose fathers gave their all might have a better chance in life.

I think there are a lot of people who are ignorant of the work Legacy does and it is for us to educate them so they also can have the privilege of helping these children whose fathers sacrificed everything for us.

We had another satisfactory year, thanks to the generous support of our donors including local organizations namely the Golf Club, Dale Ladies Guild, Beverley Shire Council and C.W.A.

Our secretary, Mr. Peter Watt left the district during the year and although he is not here I would like to thank him in absentia for the valuable work he did for the Branch.

Mr. Peter Gordon kindly agreed to take over the secretary's job and I wish to thank him for the efficient manner in which he carries out his duties.

To the Vice-Presidents and the Immediate Past President I would like to say thank you in appreciation of the help they have given me during the year especially during the time I was absent from the district.

With the presentation of this report and the election of your new President my work as President will cease but I will always be willing and happy to help in any way possible.

In conclusion I would like to thank one and all who have in any way helped us to fulfil our obligations and to express our gratitude to the memory of those men whose children we seek to serve.

J. E. LUPTON.

RIFLE SHOOTING

Roy Wood Wins

Shooting at the Beverley range over the 300, 500 and 600 yards ranges (seven shots at each) Roy Wood on Sunday morning annexed the Beverley Farmers Co-Operative trophy, reaching 102 out of the possible 105 after handicaps were added.

There was a much smaller attendance than usual at the range. Of the absentees Jack Manuel and Frank Blechynden were at Merredin for a Union shoot.

Wood and Bob Eyre top scored with 33 at the first range. At 500 yards Eyre, E. Wood and D. Watson were the best with 33's Wood scoring 32.

From the 600 yards mound Watson was the best with 33, Wood notching 32. His total of 102 (with handicap) shaded E. Wood and Eyre, each 101, whilst Watson's tally was 100.

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Lakes Area Visited

President of the Beverley Shire Council, Mr. A. W. Miles, accompanied by Council Member, Mr. J. E. Lupton, Shire Clerk, Mr. Dave Rigoll, and a Press representative, visited the lakes area on Wednesday afternoon of last week at the invitation of Mr. Jack McLean, of County Peak.

As stated in this newspaper last week Mr. McLean is very interested in the potentialities of the lakes area as a boating and water ski-ing centre, the main work involved being the lifting of the retaining wall at Qualanderry on the lower lakes and adjacent the Avon River by a further two feet to provide a sufficient depth of water in a six miles stretch of lakes to make the use of boats possible.

Mr. McLean considers that the work could be carried out with a minimum of trouble and expense and application is being made to the Tourist Development Association to ascertain whether funds could be made available for such a project.

It was stated that if the work was authorised Mr. Peter Koeman was prepared to bulldoze a four feet high retaining wall on portion of Boyagarra property to prevent any erosion which might occur just south of the retaining wall should the wall be raised.

There was some conjecture among the visitors about just how much strengthening the retaining wall would need to hold back the lake waters and expert advice would be needed on this point.

After inspecting this area the party proceeded to Rocky Lake via the Boyagarra property and there sampled the pleasures of speed boating in Mr. McLean's fibre glass and powerfully engined craft. At full throttle the boat lifts almost clear of the water and sends out wide swathes of spray. It covered the two and a half miles circuit of the lake in a few minutes and quickly scattered the few Mountain duck which were present. The craft is extremely manoeuverable and safe showing no tendency to overturn when swung into sharp turns at high speed.

The party enjoyed refreshments provided by the McLean family.

Afterwards attention was given by the visitors to suggestions that certain access roads be opened to allow the public access to the lakes system. For years it has been necessary to trespass on private lands to reach the shores of the lakes and although the farming community have been most co-operative it is felt that some more satisfactory arrangement could be made.

Lithos covering that portion of the district show a surveyed road running through the Boyagarra property. This at present is not usuable when the property gates are closed as can happen during the shooting season to the inconvenience of sportsmen wishing to gain access to the Brookton-Quairading road from the Lake Mears road. Indeed from the Jurakine turn off to the end of the Lake Mears road there is no public access to the Quairading - Brookton road. All routes involve travelling over private land—a most unsatisfactory situation which the epening of a road through Boyagarra would obviate. We understand the Butler family would not be opposed to the opening up of the surveyed route. It would quite possibly be welcomed as solving an existing problem which could cause unpleasantness to develop.

The present position at the lakes does not apply to the Avon River where at regular intervals public access to the pools has been provided in the original surveys and have been preserved.

Another old road shown on the lithos and used twenty odd years ago by sportsmen but now overgrown with tamar thickets skirts the south fringe of the lower lakes for about two miles. This was inspected by the party and the Council representatives agreed that it would be a very minor job to clear this. No forming would be required. It would be a great convenience to those visiting this area.

On the North side of the lakes it was stated that one farmer is prepared to make a strip of land available as a public thoroughfare to obviate the disadavantages of present traffic through his property.

It was a most interesting afternoon for those concerned, most of whom rarely visit the portion of the district covered, and the matters discussed will no doubt be further aired by the Council.

REPERTORY

City Appearance Cancelled

Not only Club members but residents of the district in general were disappointed that the illness of one of the principal players in Therese Safe prevented the Beverley Repertory Club from participating in the State Drama Festival held in the city last week-end.

Esther Efford's production of the Jean Laurence play "Pity, My Betrayer" had won all awards at the recent Great Southern Drama Festival at Narrogin. It was later presented with much success on Show Night at Beverley and was to have been seen at the Assembly Hall in Perth on Saturday night.

Mrs. Safe was taken ill on Thursday and plans had to be abandoned. Her many friends hope that she will soon be fully recovered.

"Pity, My Betrayer" was presented with such polish at Narrogin and Beverley that it stood a good chance of high ranking in the State Festival.

Junior Farmers' Notes

The President (Mr. G. Draper) welcomed one adult advisor, 29 members and one more new member (Chris Rogers) to the meeting last Wednesday.

Mr. Draper began the meeting by thanking Vice President, Mr. D. Sutherland) for acting as President while he was away and congratulated him on his organisation of the Junior Farmers Section of the Show.

It was decided to write and inform Quairading Junior Farmers that Beverley members would be unable to attend their "Grand Dance" on October 21st as they will be entertaining Tambellup Junior Farmers at a Dance here organised by the R.S.L.

An invitation was received from Tammin Junior Farmers inviting any interested person to join them on a tour of Mr. Eric Smart's property on the 14th October.

A letter containing a donation of one-guinea will be forwarded to the Infant Health Centre.

At the conclusion of the next meeting on October 11th, we will have a film evening. The slides will be shown by Mrs. J. Lupton and Mr. G. Draper.

—Club Reporter,
D. Kilpatrick.

FOOTBALL

Locals Reach Grand Final

A big crowd of local football followers were thrilled with the performances of Beverley A. Grade and A. Reserve team at Northam on Sunday when both teams put up spendid performances to reach the grand finals to be played at Cunderdin on Sunday next.

The A. Grade match against Tammin was the most exhilarating game witnessed in these parts in many years and produced a fine brand of football. With the lead see-sawing in the final stages excitement was at fever pitch. Patrons certainly got their money's worth.

The side demonstrated that it possesses the qualities needed to win it's second successive Avon Valley Association premiership, despite the handicap of being without the services of several of last year's stars, and the drawback of having one or two players not at their top through previous injuries.

Testimony to the over-all strength of the Club was also forthcoming in the fine win recorded by the A. Reserve eighteen against Quairading which was very confident of success on Sunday.

It was the first time that A. Reserve has reached a grand final and full credit goes to all the players concerned.

One of the happiest features of A. Reserve's success is its promise for the future of the Club. A good crop of very able exponents of the game is coming along as replacements as they are needed for the top eighteen.

All roads will lead to Cunderdin on Sunday and the good wishes of every sport lover in the Beverley district is extended to our representatives. If they can again produce the same ability and will to win as was evident at Northam, both sides will be very hard to beat.

Bowls Opening Sunday Week

Beverley bowlers are preparing for the opening of the new season on Sunday, October 15th at 2 p.m. when competitions will be held.

Much work has been done in recent weeks in preparing the swards for the new season and the old green is looking very healthy, being well covered with a growth of new grass.

The second green (formerly the croquet lawn) however, does not look as if it will be in a playable condition for some time yet. The greenkeeper (Mr. Petchell, who has succeeded Mr. Bert Simmons) has re-sown parts of the area.

A busy bee has been arranged for October 11th at 10 a.m. and a good attendance is requested.

It is planned to install new lighting this season to facilitate night play.

Associates Golf

On Thursday the 28th ult. R. McIntosh, V. Safe and D. Barrett - Lennard tied with scores of 2 up, for Miss Wansbrough's trophy, in a bisque bogey competition. In the play off on Sunday, V. Safe and D. Barrett-Lennard again tied with 4 up. T sihosiptfh
4 up. This is to played off on Saturday.

B. Broun with 31 points won the play off with E. McGrath for Mrs. Wright's trophy.

The Stableford on Sunday for Mrs. D. Barrett-Lennard's trophy was won by U. Wansbrocgh who made 33¾ points.

E. McGrath won Mrs. Miles' trophy for non winners to this date, with 28 points, and A. Fisher won Mrs. Vallentine's trophy for the limit marker non winner with 30¼ points.

Football Awards

A jubilant crowd of players in the dressing rooms at Northam on Sunday applauded the winners of special awards made by Beverley Club supporters for those considered to have contributed most to victory in the final against Tammin.

Reg Zeuner won the top award, Dale Edwards was second and Abe Denton was third. They were popular choices but every man in the team is to be congratulated on giving his very best towards a notable victory. It was a fine all round team effort.

Jack Mourish won a special award in A. Reserve.

A local follower has given up making football wagers. He had a modest 2/- on Quairading in the A. Reserve game—to lose. Given a chance to recoup the loss in the A. Grade game he waited until Tammin had hit the front towards the close of the game before clinching the bet, only to lose again. However, he had no regrets, regarding the match as the best he had ever witnessed.

More heavily involved was a supporter who offered a pound note to the coloured players of A. Reserve if their side should win. Estimated outlay was £4 but when a reserve was called for in the closing stages he happened to be a native and the expenditure was thus increased by a further pound.

Both trophies for Sunday's eclectic were won by M. Cooper with scores of 50 nett with whole handicap deducted and 64 nett with ½ handicap. Her off the stick score was 78.

Mrs. F. McDonald's trophy for the most improved player was won by Mary Spaven.

Council Matters in Brief

The Beverley Shire Council held its September meeting on the 15th ult. and several of the more important items on the agenda have been reported through these columns. Other items dealth with were as follows:

Fire Brigade Board Representative

Agreed that Mr. S. J. Prunster be nominated by this Council.

Bulk Grain Installation

Letter received from Mr. Carr re proposed installation at Beverley. Agreed that nothing could be done in the matter until after the visit of the officer from C.B.H.

Bergin's Property

Hon. A. R. G. Hawke wrote re housing for W. C. Bergin. Clerk advised that Mr. Bergin had for some time been accomodated in a S.H.C. house.

Chamber of Commerce

Chamber advised that lectures on the result of soil tests in the metropolitan area would be held in Perth.

Infant Health Clinic

Clinic Secretary wrote re Council assistance toward maintenance of Clinic gardens. It was agreed that this is not a Council problem and it was suggested that the Clinic Committee should approach town gardeners or advertise for a man to do the work required.

Firebreaks

St. Jack and Sons wrote requesting permission to construct firebreaks in an alternative position on Loc. 2982 to preserve contour banks. Permission was granted provided adequate breaks are provided.

Dale-Mawson Road

The Main Roads Dept. advised that a Departmental Engineer would attend to discuss certain aspects of the above road.

W.A. Fire Brigade Board

Letter from above Board re "Merit Payments" received.

Health/Traffic Inspector

The appointment of Mr. J. Croft to the position of Health-Traffic Inspector was confirmed.

Avon Midland Ward Conference

Resolved that Councillors Heal and Edwards together with the Clerk attend the Conference to be held at Gingin on October 26th.

Post Office Cup Day Holiday

Resolved that approval be granted for a half day holiday on Tuesday, November 7th (Beverley Cup Day).

Water Supply

The Hon. Minister advised that the main from Northam to York would be completed prior to October 1st, 1961, and that 3 miles of main between York and Beverley would be renewed before October also.

The Department to be thanked for the work completed and the wish to be expressed that the whole of the main between York and Beverley would be renewed before the 1962-63 summer.

Auditor's Report

Agreed that Auditor's report on General Account and the Vermin Account be received.

Ratepayers' Meeting

Resolved that President and Clerk arrange meeting when convenient.

Arrears of Rates K. V. Willey

Decided that offer of K. V. Willey of payment of 10/- per week be accepted.

Valuations

Agreed that the following Annual Values be adopted:

S25 104/5 House £60.

Loc. 181 Lot 10 House £40.

S3 50 of Hope St. valuation be reduced to £4.

Westralian Farmers Proposed Right of Way

Agreed that the President, Cr. Swan and the Clerk arrange to meet the property officer of the above Company to discuss the siting of the proposed R.O.W. together with the purchase of lot 23 and transfer of pound reserve.

P.M.G. Dept. Acquisition of Land

Decided that land as requested by the P.M.G. be made available to the Department conditionally upon the Dept. paying any expenses involved.

Road Closure

J. Manuel — Agreed that Council approve of the closure of the following roads:

A. From the south west cor. of Loc 10062 northwards through Loc 24420 thence in a Nor westerly through Loc. 8080 the south west corner of Loc. 9236.

B. From the south east corner of Loc. 9962 to the North East corner of the same location.

S. A. Murray—Agreed that Council approve of the closure of the road from the north west corner of Lot 589 westerly to the north west corner of Lot 863 in a south easterly direction to the south east corner of Lot 25.

Bus Route Kokeby East

Agreed that alteration of route as requested by the Education Dept. be approved but Dept. also be advised that the route selected is not an all weather route and that the route previously used will be sealed under the Council C.B.S. plan.

Permits

The following permits were granted subject to compliance with the requisite Acts:

Building:—R. W. Grover (Garage), P. Pollard (Garage and Stable).

Septic Tank:—L. Kemp.

Swimming Pool Manager

Agreed that Mr. D. Ratcliffe be appointed, subject to his acceptance, on a salary of £20 per week with 8 weeks annual holiday. Conditions of employment to be agreed upon by both parties.

Forrest St. Bridge

Agreed the outside staff be congratulated on the excellent job of work done on the above bridge.

Finsbury Pump

The Clerk's action in purchasing above pump for £73 was endorsed.

Poultry Pens

Agreed that account for £212 for above work be passed for payment.

Lukin St. House

Decided above house be made available to P. T. Murphy Pty. Ltd. during construction of the pool.

Tourist Development

Agreed that an approach be made to the Tourist Development Committee for assistance for the development of the lakes area south of Bally Bally as a Caravan Park and Aquatic Centre.

Good Wishes From Broome

Mr. A. L. O'Brien, former Clerk of Courts at Beverley and now a Magistrate at Broome, and Mrs. O'Brien, in a letter to this office this week tender congratulations to Dale Edwards on his performance in winning the Fairest and Best award for the 1961 football season, and to Paul Oliver on his golfing successes.

They add: Perhaps you would also tell the footballers that we expect them to repeat last year's effort."

They send regards to all old friends.

Valuable Rains

Nearly half an inch of rain fell over most parts of the district as a result of the showers experienced last week-end. They were of a steady soaking nature falling to the immense advantage of the farming community which had been looking for rain for some time past. Crops and pastures showed almost immediate response and the visitation greatly enhanced harvest prospects.

Pick of the district as far as the immediate outlook is concerned is the Dale which has experienced one of the best seasons to-date on record. Splendid crops and luxurious pastures are evident everywhere and the countryside is a picture.

Dale River Transport

(R. & B. Ferguson, Props)

PERTH DEPOT

ALL CLASSES OF CARRYING UNDERTAKEN

Phones:

Beverley 63

B. Ferguson 69-1327

BEVERLEY ROAD BOARD

SUMMARY OF RECIPTS AND PAYMENTS

RECEIPTS

	1959/60	1960/61
Rates: General and Lighting	12895 8 7	13000 11 1
Loan	7393 19 8	6721 5 1
Payments in Lieu of Rates	22 16 0	18 17 11
Traffic:		
Licenses	11655 8 3	9930 5 4
Transport	37 0 0	28 0 0
Sundry Fees	3 1 0	2 8 0
Other Licenses	23 0 0	23 2 6
Income from Property:		
Cemetery		106 19 5
Halls and Picture Gardens	1014 19 2	1047 18 8
Reserves	328 6 0	402 10 0
House Rents	834 6 9	851 5 10
Income from Plant Hire:		
Receipts	655 11 3	751 9 0
Contributions to Works:		
Crossings	40 0 0	15 5 0
Fines and Penalties	10 0 0	79 0 0
Interest:		
L. & G. a/c–Plant Res. a/c	26 3 4	108 6 10
Sundry Revenue:		
Third Party Commission	28 14 0	29 10 0
Other	19 12 0	37 13 4
Government Grants	9800 0 0	11937 15 0
Loans Raised	5000 0 0	10000 0 0
Sale of Capital Assets:		
Plant	81 10 5	1301 7 0
Gravel and Sundries	191 4 0	111 10 6
Total Available for Works	50061 0 5	56505 0 6
Health Account	1959 2 8	2145 11 3
Vermin Account	736 0 2	976 11 3
Trust Items:		
Number Plate and License Holders	109 5 4	77 19 0
Deposits	93 3 6	2600 10 0
Group Taxation	1341 11 4	1581 15 9
Third Party Insurance	3879 4 1	3535 10 9
Workers Compensation	19 10 2	165 16 10
Legal Costs	25 9 6	22 14 6
Other	25 5 0	503 6 3
Refunds and Transfers:		
Stock on Hand 1st July	615 16 8	763 0 0
Sundry Refunds	289 11 9	367 4 5
DC to AC Conversion	3267 3 6	363 11 10
Sale of Materials, Trees	186 12 5	89 6 10
Transfers	2016 0 0	8091 4 0
Refund on Insurance	77 19 10	109 12 6
Private Works	752 0 9	381 3 3
TOTAL RECEIPTS	£65454 17 1	£78279 18 11

EXPENDITURE

	1959/60	1960/61
Office Administration:		
Salaries	3179 13 0	3467 4 9
Adverts, Sty., Printing, etc.	600 5 9	718 12 3
Audit	75 0 0	81 0 0
Miscellaneous	41 15 0	19 4 10
Other Administration:		
Legal Expenses	39 17 3	18 18 6
Election Expenses	11 0 6	
Members Travelling and Conference Expenses	30 16 0	30 1 6
Three Per Cent Account	347 17 1	378 6 0
Loan Charges:		
Interest	2025 18 8	2050 8 1
Repayments	5193 11 4	4780 15 10
Eng.: Roads-Bridges-Footpaths:		
Wages	8918 5 8	8605 13 6
Materials	1371 12 7	1318 7 8
Fuel	2563 8 9	2401 2 7
Contracts	1681 10 10	2048 7 6
Engineering Overhead:		
Salaries	1160 14 2	1166 13 4
Holiday and Sick Pay	879 2 1	1005 14 11
Pay Roll Tax	223 7 6	258 18 8
Petrol	130 18 0	131 18 10
Insurance	709 7 2	818 6 5
Plant Repairs	5109 14 2	6219 2 7
New Purchases:		
Plant	3036 14 6	28171 19 6
Tools	273 4 5	387 18 7
Furniture	389 16 8	
Land	21 18 7	
Parks and Reserves:		
Maintenance	345 16 11	665 1 6
Additions	394 15 3	27 2 8
Halls and Buildings:		
Maintenance	1118 0 1	1730 14 9
Additions	213 3 6	487 4 6
Library		472 7 10
Street Lights:		
Electricity Purchased	453 10 0	425 13 2
Statutory Payments:		
Fire Brigade	161 5 6	194 5 1
Argentine Ant Control	30 9 11	
Noxious Weed Control	64 17 4	33 0 0
Traffic Control	572 2 10	856 19 11
Interest on Overdraft	6 14 0	20 2 0
L/SL; Gratuity; Superanuation	752 5 3	857 12 10
Cemetery		311 2 8
TOTAL ORDINARY A/C.	42128 10 3	44860 2 9
Health Account	2302 7 11	2175 0 3
Vermin Account	1138 16 1	1089 11 9
TOTAL EXPENDITURE FROM REVENUE, ETC.	45569 14 3	48124 14 9
Loan Expenditure:		
Works and Buildings	6790 18 9	7625 17 8
TOTAL EXPENDITURE REVENUE AND LOANS	52360 13 0	55750 12 5
Trust Items:		
Plates, Holders, Discs, Etc.	65 15 4	85 12 8
Legal Costs—Recoverable	29 0 6	27 10 0
Group Taxation	1341 11 4	1581 15 9
Third Party Insurance	3879 4 1	3535 10 9
Workers Compensation	20 14 11	165 16 10
Deposits	104 3 6	23 10 0
Matching Monies Depos'd	2565 0 0	857 0 0
Other	25 5 0	913 9 5
Refunds and Transfers:		
Materials etc Sold	513 19 10	514 13 8
Bank Transfers	2016 0 0	8091 4 0
Private Works	752 16 9	392 11 3
DC to AC Conversion	3271 10 4	404 5 0
Stock on Hand:		
Fuel	187 16 10	130 17 1
Materials	575 3 2	375 13 0
TOTAL PAYMENTS	£67708 14 7	£72850 1 10

CASH SUMMARY

	£	s.	d.
Credit Balance 1/7/60	299	11	0
Add Receipts	78279	18	11
	78579	9	11
Deduct Payments	72850	1	10
Credit Balance 30/6/61	5729	8	1
Cash in Hand	61	13	0
Credit Leave & Gratuity a/c	760	13	6
Credit Plant Reserve a/c	3263	12	6
Credit Loan a/c	2374	2	4
	6460	1	4
Debit General a/c	730	13	3
	5729	8	1

LIABILITIES AND ASSETS YE AR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1961

LIABILITIES

Debit Balance at Bank	730 13 3
Rates owing which cannot be collected	31 0 10
Loan Liability	47579 18 10
Outstanding Accounts	480 1 0
Due to Loan Rates Account	45 6 0
Picture Rights Deposits	50 0 0
Picture Shop Rights Deposit	10 0 0
Library Deposit	1 0 0
Reserve Fund: L.S.L. and Gratuity	760 13 6
Reserve Fund: Plant	3263 12 6
Sale of Land for Rates	27 12 3
Swimming Pool Donation	10 10 0
Empire Games Appeal: Donation	4 1 0
G. W. Reynolds: Change Rooms Contract	2480 0 0
Balance of Assets over Liabilities	17145 7 11
TOTAL	£72619 17 1

ASSETS

Cash on Hand	61 13 0
Credit Balance L. and G. Account	760 13 6
Credit Balance Plant Reserve Account	3263 12 6
Fixed Deposit at Bank of N.S.W.	60 0 0
Matching Money Deposited with M.R.D.	857 0 0
Loan Capital Bank Account	2374 2 1
Rates Outstanding	281 5 5
Estimated Current Value of Property owned by Council:—	
Library Books and Equipment	510 3 8
Furniture	683 17 0
Plant	17366 11 0
Tools	167 0 3
Buildings	43154 6 7
Fire Unit	709 9 6
Workshop Equipment	1065 8 9
Sundry Debtors	478 10 9
Summons Costs outstanding	5 19 6
Due by Health Board	93 19 8
Due by Vermin Board	100 7 7
Loan Rates Contra Account	45 6 0
Fuel Stocks	130 17 1
Materials	375 13 0
Equipment — Nat. Fitness	5 0 0
C.I.G. Deposit	11 0 0
Electric Meter Deposits	3 0 0
Beverley Co-Op Gas Cylinder Deposit	10 0 0
S.E.C. Refund Costs A.C. Changeover	45 0 0
TOTAL	£72619 17 1

We hereby certify that the figures and particulars above are correct. (Signed)— A. W. MILES, Chairman 17/7/1961
D. RIGOLL, Secretary

I certify having examined the Books and Accounts of the Beverley Road Board; also compared Statements of Receipts and Payments, Assets and Liabilities, also supporting Statements, and found same to be correct, in accordance with the Books, Accounts, and Documents produced. (Signed) O. G. MALLEY, Government Auditor and Inspector, Dated 17th July, 1961.

I certify that the above summaries are a true copy of the Annual Statement of the Beverley Road Board.

D. RIGOLL, Secretary.

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and

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Beverley

Minister Opens Native Cottages

"Provision of housing is part of my Department's policy of fostering assimilation with the rest of the community and of enabling the native people to live the same type of life as others," said the Hon. Minister for Native Affairs, Mr. C. C. Perkins when officiating at the opening of two new cottages built just off the Brookton road about three quarters of a mile from Beverley township on Friday morning last.

The Minister was accompanied by Mr. C. R. W. Webster, officer in charge of the Southern Districts of the Department. A press representative from the city and a Channel 2 employee were also in attendance the ceremony being recorded for Television.

The visitors were entertained to morning tea at the Shire Council rooms upon arrival. In attendance was the Shire President, Mr. A. W. Miles, and Shire Councillors, the secretary of the local Coloured Peoples' Welfare Committee (Mr. A. Fordham), Mr. Bert Kelly (secretary of the P. and C. Association) and a few others.

The party was somewhat late in arriving and very shortly after morning tea had been served a move was made to the site of the new homes which are occupied by the Jack Mourish and Eric Parfitt families, respectively.

The Cottages

The wood and iron cottages, each of which cost £1350 to construct, are set back a short distance from the Brookton Road. Each comprises a vestibule three rooms, kitchen and conveniences including laundry and shower. A wood stove is installed as well as a septic system. There is a verandah frontage and the premises are enclosed by a fence, which was additional to the buildings costs. Cement floors are provided throughout. Although wiring for electric light has been completed the premises are not yet connected to the mains which in that portion of the townsite were privately erected. Scheme water is provided.

The premises have been in use for some weeks and presented a very cleanly appearance. A few flowers added a touch of brightness to the immediate surroundings. It was to be noted that a refrigerator was in use in one of the homes.

The rental is 25/- per week.

President's Welcome

The occasion had not been widely publicised and there was not a large attendance of the public present. However a number of interested citizens including several ladies and members of the local Coloured Peoples' Welfare Committee came along to witness the proceedings.

Shire President, Mr. A. W. Miles, in extending a welcome said they were all pleased to note the very keen interest the Minister took in his Department. It was appreciated by all concerned with native welfare in this district.

Recently, said Mr. Miles, a Coloured Peoples' Welfare Committee had ben formed here. It was not formed to give things away but rather to assist the coloured folk in any problems of adjustment which may arise. Its members were willing to help solve difficulties of any description and he invited the coloured people to bring their problems to the attention of the members. At the same time the committee did not wish to meddle in their affairs.

The Department, said Mr. Miles, had been most helpful. In addition to the homes they were opening that day it had provided living quarters and an ablution block on the native reserve. He understood a third cottage was planned. All this was greatly appreciated.

In concluding Mr. Miles said he thought the problem re the electric light installation at the homes would soon be overcome.

Progress at Narrogin

Mr. Webster, after saying that he was very proud to be associated with the function, said that the Minister's enthusiasm was responsible for overcoming many difficulties. In a recent instance lack of funds was holding up important work but Mr. Perkins had found the money needed.

Evidence of the progress being made in the provision of homes for natives was very evident at Narrogin where in the last twelve months 36 cottages had been completed.

In Beverley until quite recently, said Mr. Webster, there was no provision for the natives. Now there was not only the two homes they were opening that day but also the huts provided on the reserve. He hoped the Minister would be able to secure more funds to allow the work to continue.

Mr. Miles, said the speaker, although sometimes a strong critic of the Department, had always been constructive, and he wished to thank him and his Council for the help they had given, and also the local welfare committee for its co-operation.

The Minister

The Hon. Minister said he appreciated the co-operation received from the President and Councillors of the Shire of Beverley which had made possible what they were witnessing that day. Not all districts had shown the incentive Beverley had and which had enabled the Department to go ahead in regard to its plans for the improvement of the lot of the natives. Beverley had assisted even further by appointing a committee to help in improving the living standards of the natives.

Conditions vary from district to district over the State, continued the Minister. What is possible in one district is not possible in another when it comes to assisting the natives. Flexibility is needed in the department to meet the situation. He would like to emphasise that without help they could not do all that they could wish to meet the problem. Provision of homes is part of the policy of assimilation.

Regarding the native children it was the policy of the Education Department to give them as good an education as possible with the idea of fitting them to enter trades and even professions where real talent was evident.

He would like to thank the officers of the Department for their co-operation at all times.

'We are all citizens of W.A." said the speaker, "and talk of citizenship rights leaves me cold. All are helping to develop our district and State and it is up to us to give all the assistance we can in housing and education to raise the living standards of people like Mr. and Mrs. Mourish and Mr. and Mrs. Parfitt and their families."

The government, he said, was doing all it could to help and he had pleasure in declaring the cottages open.

Presentation to Jack Mourish

Jack Mourish, who with his family now occupies one of the new cottages, has been a leading footballer with the Beverley Club over several seasons and it was a very nice gesture on the Club's part to take advantage of the occasion to make him a presentation in appreciation of his services.

The presentation was made on the Club's behalf by Patron Dave Rigoll, who spoke in most appreciative terms of Jack's prowess as a player in A. Grade formerly and in A. Reserve this season.

"Apart from his ability as a player," said Mr. Rigoll, "Jack is a gentleman both on and off the field and his clubmates have great admiration for him." He set an excellent example to all players .

Jack seemed somewhat overcome by the occasion and his reply was a model of brevity.

Following the speech-making those present took the opportunity of inspecting the homes and conversing with the inmates, whilst the T.V. representative and city pressman visited the John Street school.

The visitors were the guests of the Shire President and Councillors at a delightful luncheon served by Mr. and Mrs. Hayes of the Freemasons Hotel.

Beverley Cup

The fourth and last of the Beverley Race Club's seasonal fixtures takes place on Tuesday, November 7th (Melbourne Cup day). Main race on the programme is the Beverley Cup of £125 including a £25 trophy donated by Messrs Caris Bros, of the city. A trophy will also be presented to the rider of the winning horse.

The fixture has always been the most popular of the Beverley Club meetings each year and it is expected that this will again be the case. Good nominations are expected for the six event programme and bookmakers and the Tote will operate as usual on the Melbourne Cup race.

Luncheon will be served from an early hour on Cup day for the benefit of the many who will wish to have an interest in the Melbourne Cup, a running commentary on which will be broadcast at the course.

Local banks will be closed all day on Cup Day, whilst the post office will close at midday and local business premises at 11 a.m.

RIFLE SHOOTING

Win for Jack Manuel

The consistent Jack Manuel shot well under rather difficult conditions at the Beverley range on Sunday morning and with a 33, 34 and 32 over the 300, 500 and 600 yards ranges reached 103 to win the E. B. Barnsley trophy.

He is leading for the Club championship.

Notable absentee on Sunday was Frank Blechynden, the title holder who is suffering from a leg injury.

Manuel was hotly pressed by others in the trophy shoot. Only a point away after handicap adjustments was T. Ridgway who scored a 31, 34 and 32 off the rifle.

In third place a further point in arrears was Roy Wood whose off the rifle tallies were 33, 34 and 31.

Best effort at the first range came from B. Blechynden who dropped only one point for a 34. There were several 34's at 500 yards. Bob Eyre was at his most accurate at 600 yards where he led the field with a 34.

There was again only a small attendance of marksmen.

Next Sunday shooting will take place over 700 and 800 yards for the S. H. Edward's trophy.

Inter-School Sports To-day

To-day (Friday) should prove a very busy day in the town as the annual inter-school sports commence at 10.30 a.m. and there should be many visitors for the occasion.

The Central Great Southern District comprises the schools at Beverley, Brookton and Pingelly and all will be strongly represented in the 58 event programme.

Beverley has an outstanding record in the competitions and it is expected the local representatives will be again hard to beat although Pingelly's chances are reported to be brighter than for some years past. They finished second to Beverley in last year's competition.

Watershed Area Land

At the October meeting of the Beverley Shire Council held on the 13th inst Councillor C. R. Abbey reported that he had discussed the proposed opening for selection of land bordering the watershed boundary with the Hon. Minister for Lands.

The Minister had advised that the Forestry Department was opposed to the move as it wishes to preserve the trees and to reserve the area for the cutting of fence posts.

The Beekeepers Association was also concerned that the area should be preserved for honey production, and Tannin Extracts wanted the area reserved for tannin production.

On the motion of Mr. Lupton it was agreed that the Council should approach the York and Brookton Shire Councils with a view to arranging a deputation to the Hon. Minister to discuss the matter, the deputation to be arranged by the respective districts' parliamentary representatives.

Activity at the Lakes

Boating and water ski-ing were popular activities at Rocky Lake, 25 miles from Beverley, on Sunday afternoon when four speed boats were in operation, including two from the Quairading-Brookton area, a new craft recently purchased by Mr. Cecil Bateman, of Balkuling, and Mr. Jack McLean's recent purchase which has been in use at the lake for three weeks past.

The level of the lake is falling rapidly and it is expected that boating will only be possible for the next fortnight or three weeks at the most.

Altogether there were about 100 people at Rocky on Sunday from the Beverley, Quairading, Dangin and Brookton districts.

The attendance included the members of the Tambellup Junior Farmers Club who were in Beverley as the guests of the local Club. The picnic occasion was much enjoyed by all concerned and there was much discussion re the possibility of having the retaining wall at Qualanderry raised in order to retain more water in the lakes system.

Sportsmen who enjoy shooting in season on the lakes have been rather concerned regarding the possibility that boating enthusiasts might move to have shooting stopped on the lakes should tourist development occur in the area, but those behind the latter move give assurance that such is not their intention.

They point out that those behind the move are themselves sportsmen who enjoy the shooting provided by the wide expanse of lake waters.

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Council Business in Brief

The October meeting of the Beverely Shire Council was held on the 13th inst. with the President, Mr. A. W. Miles, in the chair and Councillors W. E. Heal, C. R. Abbey, J. E. Lupton, J. D. McLean, O. O. Sims, A. W. Edwards, L. P. Swan and Shire Clerk, Dave Rigoll, in attendance

Several matters of business attended to are reported in other columns of this issue. Also items dealt with were as follows:—

Shones Fibrona

Agreed that Council support the Geraldton Council in their move to prevent the introduction of the above among bush rabbits.

Arboreta Establishement

The Forest Dept. advised that a trial plot of trees has been established at the Avondale Research station in an endeavour to find trees most suitable to this district.

Swimming Pool Manager

Mr. Ratcliffe advised Council of his acceptance of the position of manager.

Group Vermin Inspection

In answer to a letter received from the Agriculture Protection Board re the Group Inspector it was resolved that the Board be advised that to date Council has had no cause for complaint regarding the performance by the Inspector of his duties. This district is at present particularly free from Vermin.

Rabbits on Shire Boundary

Councillors reported that rabbits have been seen on properties in the Brookton Shire bordering the Beverley Shire. The Shire Clerk was instructed to draw attention to the Inspector re this matter.

Regional Control Officer

The Agriculture Protection Board advised of the appointment of Mr. Teasdale as Regional Control Officer for this area.

P.M.G. "Urgent Phones"

The Superintendent of Telephones advised that it would make available its Urgent Service Repair Service for telephones of key members of the Bush Fire Brigade.

It was resolved that a list of all control officers in order of priority be submitted to the Superintendent.

Birds Declared Vermin

The Agriculture Protection Board wrote enquiring if this Council wished to have "twenty eight" Parrots and W.A. Rosella's retained as Vermin as the list of birds declared "Vermin" is being revised.

It was agreed that "Twenty Eights" should remain as Vermin but it was felt that Rosella's were no longer vermin in this area.

P.M.G. Private Letter Boxes

The Beverley Post Master advised that a new set of letter boxes has been installed at the local post office which should cater for the needs of Beverley for some time to come.

"Fuel State" Reports

In response to a request from the Weather Bureau it was agreed that the Shire Clerk should submit fuel state reports of this district as done in previous years.

Coloured People's Committee

The above Committee wrote asking Council to consider making available to them the building at the Vincent St. school that has been used as a Science room. It is the intention of the Committee to use the building as a hall if it is made available.

It was agreed that when available the biulding be made available to the Committee provided the Committee remove and re-erect the building on an approved site.

Bush Fire School

Agreed that a nomination be submitted for the above schooi if any Brigade members are available to attend.

Water Supply

The Hon. Minister for Water Supplies advised that every endeavour will be made to complete renewal of the main between York and Beverley during 1962-63.

Hall Curtains

The Repertory Club to be advised that with the present fittings installed their request re the curtain overlap cannot be acceeded to.

Poppy Day

Agreed that Council purchase a wreath for Poppy Day.

Horsemen's Assoc. Building

Decided that Council contribute £35 toward the cost of erecting the verandah on the above building. The cost to be me from Trust fund £15 General Account £20.

Librarian's Log of Claims

The President's action in referring the above matter to the Employers Federation was endorsed.

Road Construction Programme

Engineer Gregson met the Council to discuss road works generally throughout the district.

The President put before Mr. Gregson the Council's future plans for sealing roads under the C.B. Scheme.

Mr. Gregson stated that the portion of the East Road (Ellis Hill) would be resealed during this year and a small grant could probably be made available next year to improve the corner opposite Sub. Lot 126. The Correring Brook Bridge on the East Beverley Road would be replaced when it is considered necessary. With regard the crossing of the Dale river at Hobbs', Mr. Gregson suggested that a sum of money from general allocation be allocated to the work in 1961-62.

After some discussion on the connecting road from the Kokeby East Road to Lake Mears Road (continuation from Bremner Road). It was agreed to again approach the Main Roads Dept. for assistance in view of the fact that Jurakine Bridge could not be replaced.

The President thanked Mr. Gregson for the information he had given Council.

Gates (D. M. Strange)

Agreed that permission be granted to D. M. Strange to erect gates across road at South East Corner of Loc. 10506 and South East Corner of Loc. 23840.

The annual fee to be 2/6. Swing gates must be erected in compliance with requirements of the Act.

Right of Way Wesfarmers

Wesfarmers advised that a representative would visit Beverley to discuss the proposed right-of-way with the Council at a date suitable to both parties. The President agreed to endeavour to fix a suitable date.

Bridge Maintenance

Maintenance work required on bridges is to be put in hand as it becomes necessary.

Building Permits

The following permits were granted subject to compliance with by-laws:

Bowling Club (Store Shed), Modern Tillage (Workshop), Boy Scouts (Kitchen and verandah).

Cartage of Metal

Agreed that Council trucks be employed to cart the metal for sealing town streets and C.B.S. work.

Road Priming 1961-62

Decided that the constructed section of Kokeby East Road be primed during 1961-62 plus 21 chains of road from the York-Quairading Road to the Balkuling Siding. In the latter case the Quairading Council to be requested to do the work.

Petrol Bowser

Agreed that tenders be called for the installation of a petrol bowser in the Council Depot in return for the right to supply petrol to the Council for 12 months.

Firebreak Inspector

Applications to be called for the above position at £20 per week with vehicle provided.

Beverley Siwimming Pool By-Laws

Agreed that the pool be known as the "Beverley Pioneers Memorial Pool". Admission charges will be as follows:

Adults 2/- per session.

Children 6d. per session.

Season Tickets: Adults £4, Children £2.

The by-laws as presented to be adopted as the by-laws of the Beverley Pioneers Memorial Pool.

Agreed that the annual charges be reduced by 25% for 1961-62.

The Swimming Pool Committee was given authority to complete the pool without further reference to Council.

Access Roads to Lakes

Further to the recent inspection of the lakes area at Bally Bally by the President (Mr. A. W. Miles) and others of the Beverley Shire Council, the matter of roads in the area was further discussed at the Council meeting on the 13th inst.

On the motion of Cr. J. D. McLean it was decided that a road be opened on the road survey through Butler's property at Boyagarra to the Brookton boundary.

The co-operation of the Brookton Council is to be sought in the matter and on Cr. J. McLean's motion it was agreed that a meeting should be arranged with that body and with Mrs. Butler re this road and also regarding a proposed access road into the lakes.

Qualanderry Crossing

Mr. Henry Hall wrote the Council supporting a suggestion that the crossing at Qualanderry be raised a further two feet that more water might be retained in the lakes system.

This matter was held over pending further inquiries.

Access on North Side

Mr. Eric McLean met the Council to discuss the provision of an access road to the lakes on the North side of the system. He offered to give a strip of land along the Western boundary of Loc. 4436 from the Lake Mears Road to the lake. The offer was contingent on the Council fencing the road off.

It was decided to make application to the Lands Department for resumption of a strip of land one chain wide as suggested. The roadway to be fenced and graded to provide an access to the lakes.

Summer's Advent

There has been more than a hint of summer in the weather this week. Temperatures have risen sharply and on Wednesday reading of over 96 degrees were common in local homes. The weather bureau reports indicated that no change was imminent.

MOSTLY PERSONAL

The very interesting series of articles we have been privileged to publish from the descriptive pen of Mrs. Jeanne Lupton ended with the last instalment reporting experiences in Darwin. Shortly we expect to receive a further series of articles from Mrs. Lupton entitled "Ambling Down to Alice" in which she describes scenes on the trip from Darwin southwards to Alice Springs.

Mr. Geoff Eaton, formerly associated with the Esperance district, has taken up an appointment with Elder, Smith & Co., Limited, at Beverley. He succeeded Mr. Gerry Rees.

Mr. Gerry Rees, who left Beverley on Monday last was entertained by friends at a barbecue evening arranged by Mr. Bill Shackles and held at the latter's residence last Friday night.

The Pingelly swimming pool is to be opened by the Premier the Hon. David Brand, M.L.A., on Friday, November 4th. It has been constructed on the Greater Sports Ground and is of Olympic length. The Appeal for funds to assist the project has met with a fine response from district residents, over £1000 being donated within a fortnight.

The member for the District, Mr. J. I. Mann, M.L.A., is home again after a very lengthy stay in hospital in the city. He is very appreciative of the many kindly messages received during his illness and looks forward to renewing contacts with all friends.

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BEVERLEY

Beverley's 12th Success in School Inters

Beverley school continued on its unbeaten way when the annual inter-school sports of the Central Great Southern District were held on the greater sports ground on Friday last and recorded its twelfth consecutive success. The meeting was one of the most interesting of the series to-date, as contrary to the experience of recent years the issue was in doubt right up to the final stages. With only the relay races to go Brookton was only 1½ points behind Beverley and it looked as if they might record a victory. Their representatives, however, could not match it in these events with Pingelly and Beverley and the latter ran out winners with a grand total of 281½ points to Brookton's 257 and Pingelly's 220½.

Many Records Made

With fine warm weather prevailing and a fast track the occasion was made for record breaking performances on the part of the young athletes and no less than 21 records were established in the course of the 58 event programme. Many of these are likely to stand for a long time. One of the best noted was that of Garry Sargent (of Pingelly) who ran the 220 in 25 seconds to break Ron McLean's record of 26 seconds.

The Handicaps

The same handicapping system as in all previous years was used. Pingelly occupied the scratch mark, with Beverley receiving 49 points and Brookton 107.

In view of Beverley's long ascendancy in the sports it is often asked why the system of handicapping is not altered but the method used, which is based on school enrolments, is standard throughout the State and cannot be altered for individual areas.

THE MARCH

There was a very large crowd in attendance at the fixture and it gave the young athletes of the various schools a fine hand in the march that heralded the commencement of the sports programme. To music supplied through Mr. Ford's amplifying system the teams marched behind their school banners, creating a colourful spectacle. Brookton reprsentatives were seen to advantage in the March and they were afterwards declared the winners, with Pingelly second and Beverley third.

Good Starting

Mr. A. McGrath was again the official starter and he got his young charges away in good style in practically all the running events. The children, and particularly the younger group, appeared to have had more schooling this year in getting off their marks and they finished on better. This played its part, no doubt, in the establishing of so many new records.

Mr. Peter Bremner's commentary was again a feature of the day's activities. He kept the public well informed regarding the old and new records, the progress tallies, and many other details and information which undoubtedly did much to maintain interest in the proceedings.

Many Helpers

There were many helpers present to assist with the arrangements. Ladies of the P. and C. Association served morning and afternoon teas and lunches and ice creams and cool drinks were served by male helpers of the Association. With judges, timekeepers, committeemen, the school staff (including Mr. Andy Thomson as secretary) and others all collaborating efficiently, the meeting went through without hitch and to the credit of all concerned.

As has been the case on previous occasions Mrs. Fred Bremner catered for the luncheon for the visiting officials and the gesture was much appreciated. A special word of praise is also due to Messrs Ford & Sons for the use of their amplifying system once again. It is invariably made available for occasions of this type and the community is indebted to them for the co-operation and help they have given over many years.

Sportsmanship Very Evident

During the speechmaking, which concluded the day, Mr. W. O'Callaghan, headmaster of Beverley School, congratulated the children of the various schools on the very good performances they had put up and more importantly, on the very evident degree of good sportsmanship which had been displayed throughout the day.

Mr. Tom Barrett-Lennard, President of the P. and C. Association, expressed that organisation's thanks to all who had assisted throughout the day.

He also announced that the Hon. Roy Abbey, M.L.C., had generously donated a Shield for competition among the schools early next year at a swimming carnival which would be arranged. By that time all three towns would have the benefit of swimming facilities through the provision of pools.

Mr. William Bridson, who represented the W.A. State Schools Amateur Sports Association at the meeting, said he had a special interest in Beverley as in 1919 he had taught at the East Beverley school for a few months.

He congratulated the boys and girls on the very fine performances registered and all concerned on the splendid organisation evident throughout the day.

Mr. Bridson then presented the scratch score and handicap Shields to the Beverley School captains followed by the individual awards to successful contestants. As was the case throughout the day the winners and second and third place getters were presented as they mounted the dais which had been provided this year and which was a welcome innovation.

The individual championship awards were won as follows:

GIRLS

8-9 years: M. Jones, Bev. (19pts); P. Frizzell, Pin. (9); B. Treasure, Pin. (8).

10-11 years: K. Bowron, Bev. (19); H. Chittleborough, Brook. (10); V. Bennell, Brook. (8).

12-13 years: L. Brown, Pin. (16); F. Barrett-Lennard, Bev. (15); I. Collard, Pin. (6).

14 and over: J. Mourish Bev. (23); R. Mitchell, Pin. (15); C. Mourish, Bev. (7).

BOYS

8-9 years: J. Barrow, Bev. (10); C. Franklin, Pin. (8); R. McCloy, Bev. (6½).

10-11 years: A. Garlett, Brook. (15); B. Mann, Bev. (7); D. Hitzert, Brook. (5).

12-13 years: J. Hitzert, Brook. (20); P. Denton, Bev. (9); P. Rushton, Brook. (6).

14 and over: G. Sargent, Pin. (23), L. Eyre, Bev. (9½); G. Parsons, Pin. (9).

(Results continued page 3)

Golf Associates Annual Meeting

At the well attended annual meeting of the Beverley Golf Associates the following office bearers were elected:

President: G. Spaven (re-elected).
Vice-President: N. Woods (re-elected).
Captain: B. Winfield (re-elected).
Vice-Captain: S. Miles.
Hcp. Manager: P. Wansbrough, (re-elected).
Secretary: V. Safe (re-elected).
Treasurer: M. Aiken.
Tea Secretary: D. Wright (re-elected).
Committee: E. Sims (9 holes representative), M. Cooper, E. McGrath, D. Lennard, T. Broun.
Social Committee: P. Sewell, and P. Weaver.

Flower arrangement s for next season are in the hands of: M. McGlew, D. Blackmore, J. Broun, G. Raven, B. Broun, S. Doncon, D. Eynon.

The President (Mrs. G. Spaven) presented the following report which was adopted by the meeting:

Ladies,

It gives me much pleasure to welcome you all to the annuel general meeting, and to present my report on our activities during the past twelve months.

Opening Day was on 23rd April, and we were again fortunate to have grassed fairways from the beginning of the season. I'm sure you'll agree the course has been in excellent condition, and that we have not found golf quite as difficult as last year.

Club days have been very well attended, and it is encouraging to find the new players so enthusiastic.

We gained seven new Associates this season.

Congratulations to Mrs. Eckersley on winning the championship, and to Mrs. B. M. Broun as runner-up.

At Open Days our Associates have figured prominently in the list of trophy winners (excluding myself—I go along to increase the numbers).

Congratulations to Mrs. Winfield our Captain, who won the Brookton Cup, and to Mrs. Blechynden, runner-up.

We had 66 entries for the Prior Cup which proved a great success, socially and financially. My congratnlations to Mrs. Keith Barrett-Lennard who won this event.

Bolgart was the host club for the Avon Valley meeting this year, and great credit is due for their wonderful effort. The A.V. Cup was won by Mrs. L. Shenton, of Quairading, with Mrs. B. M. Broun as runner-up. Eight of our players took part in this fixture.

Our financial statement shows a crelit balance of £28/6/6.

On Thursday, 12th October we held a one stick competition, for our closing day, which was very popular. Our thanks are due to the ladies who entertained us so well during the evening. Never a dull moment.

Thanks must be extended for the generosity shown by trophy donors.

On behalf of the Associates I would like to thank the President, his committee and members of the Club, for their willing help and co-operation at all times.

To all Associates, particularly my committee and social committee I'd like to express my appreciation for your loyal support and splendid efforts shown throughout the year. Especially do I owe my thanks to Virge Safe, our secretary, for her conscientious work.

My best wishes to the incoming office-bearers for a successful and pleasant season in 1962.

GWEN SPAVEN.

Pool Charges

[To the Editor]

Sir,

As a ratepayer of this community and a mother of a large family, I think the cost of seasonal tickets for the new swimming pool far above the heads of the working man with a large family; £4 for adults and £2 for children means a nice sum of £20 for this family. If Narrogin can supply seasonal tickets for families for £3/3/- surely Beverley can act similarly. Unless something can be done many people will be denied the pool who helped vote for it because they cannot afford to enter. One needs to swim daily, if possible, not once a month.

Mother of Six

Junior Farmers Visit Beverley

On the week-end of the 20th and 21st of October, the President of the Beverley Junior Farmers Club together with many other members welcomed 14 Tambellup Junior Farmers who came on a return visit to Beverley.

The first organised entertainment was a dance held in the R.S.L. Hall on Saturday night arranged by the R.S.L. Auxiliary. This was well attended and we were entertained in turn by several Tambellup Members who mimed to the music of three records they played.

Sunday morning (not too early) we began a tour of part of the Beverley district.

The first stop was at the Avondale Research Station. After various sheds and machinery had been inspected we were taken around the farm to see the different varieties of crops growing.

Tim Barrett-Lennard's lupins were the next crop we inspected. Tim also took us to see a mob of ewes with their spring lambs.

From Tim's we journeyed out to Dale Edward's block where we stopped to have lunch seated on some of the Dale's best clover.

After lunch we packed up, and decided to make our way out to the Lakes at Bally Bally via the York Williams Road, through Kokeby and so out to Bally Bally.

A short diversion was made to the turkey nest dam which looked very cool and inviting to all the hot dusty people viewing it.

At the lakes we found four boats in the water, two of which were towing water skiers. Most people enjoyed their afternoon tea while watching the boats and ski-ers skim over the water.

We left the lakes a little after 4 o'clock and made our way back to County Peak which we stopped to climb. After this effort we decided to head back for Beverley via the East Beverley Hall. Everyone arrived back in Beverley very hot and dusty but all declared they had thoroughly enjoyed the trip.

—Club Reporter,
D. Kilpatrick.

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are invited for the Auction Sale to be Conducted Account Mr P Pollard on Wednesday 20th December

Full details of Goods to be offered will be advertised in next week's "Beverley Times"

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AUCTIONEERS

Peter Bremner New A.S. President

Mr. Peter Bremner, well-known young farmer of the district who has been prominent in Agricultural Society affairs for years past and has been a popular commentator at shows and sporting fixtures, has been elected president of the Society in succession to Mr. Cedric Smith, whose term of office has expired. Mr. Bremner was formerly a vice president.

The appointment was made at the annual meeting of the Society held at the Lesser Hall on November 25th at which there was an attendance of 19 with the retiring president in the chair.

All the retiring committeemen were re-elected with the exception of Mr. Conrad Smith who retired after fifty years of service, tribute to which was paid in the President's report. Mr. K. W. Smith was elected to the vacancy. The committee now comprises:

Messrs E. T. K. Barrett-Lennard, P. R. Bremner, E. D. Cullen, E. J. Miller, R. C. Prior, B. G. Sims, and K. W. Smith.

Messrs. A. W. Cooper, F. E. Bremner, W. H. Broun, K. H. Doncon, E. W. Edwards, C. R. McGlew, and H. G. Spaven.

Messrs. A. L. Barrett-Lennard, G. Barrett-Lennard, E. Blackmore, F. R. Blechynden, M. Miller, M. S. Murray, L. F. Sims, D. I. Sutherland.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President's report, which was adopted by the meeting was as follows:

Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is my pleasant duty to render to the Beverley Agricultural Society members an account of the committee's stewardship for the last financial year.

Our membership this year is one hundred and forty two which is three less than last year, and I am sure that this number could be enlarged considerably, but I feel while we cannot offer a great lot to members in the way of privileges it will remain static.

In the last year or so the Shire Council have done much to improve the recreation ground so far as the Society is concerned. The resiting of the Oval and placing it further away from Forrest Street side has given us much more room for parking, side shows, bigger space for industrial exhibits and free movement for the public.

This year a new Poultry Pavilion has been constructed at the Northern end of the ground thus enabling us to have all live stock exhibits to be situated together. The expense of the Pavilion which was £424 was shared by your Society and the Shire Council on a £ for £ basis.

After serving on the Committee of the Society for 50 years, Mr. R. C. Smith has announced his intention of retiring. During his service to the Society both as President for two terms and as committee man, he has worked unceasingly for the Society and I would like to thank him personally for his wise counsel and warm friendliness. He has given generously of his time in the interests of the district and his record of service will long be remembered.

It is with regret that I have to record the death of Mr. F. Lodge, an old member of the Society and a pioneer of this district. In his many years of association with this district he will long be remembered for his generosity, both with his time and knowledge.

This year the Repertory Club provided us with our entertainment on Show Night, before a capacity house which was treated to a night of first class entertainment. The financial arrangements for the night worked out very satisfactorily for both parties and I would like to thank the Club personally on their very fine efforts.

This year our annual show was conducted in fine weather with a very large gathering present to enjoy the day. The overall number of entries were about the same as last year, but several section were down, namely sheep, produce, and needlework. The ring was well up to previous standards set and provided good entertainment throughout the day. I would like to thank the Horsemen's Association for the use of their jumps etc., on Show Day.

The exhibition shed looked very attractive throughout and all exhibits were of a high standard. The cooking section this year had an increase of about forty per cent in numbers making competition strong in most sections. The wool display also had an increase in number and made it one of the best exhibitions for a number of years. The sheep and poultry sections were poorly patronised this year.

The industrial Space this year was divided into two sections. The northern end catered for the farm machinery and on the western portion cars etc. A grand parade was also conducted this year.

The Junior Farmers once again provided a very interesting display and added extra colour and variety to the shed display. I would also like to say here how pleasing it is to see the Junior Farmers sending along two representatives to our Committee meetings.

The Ladies' Committee once again provided a first class luncheon and our thanks go to them for a splendid effort. Also the Dale Ladies' Guild is to be commended for the way in which they catered for the afternoon tea.

To Mr. Selby Ford we owe thanks for making his public address system available on Show Day. I would also like to extend the Society's thanks to all donors, judges, stewards, exhibitors and anyone who contributed in any way towards our 85th Show.

Finally gentlemen, as my term of office expires this year I would like to record my deep sense of satisfaction, that I have been privileged to serve members in some small way. I would also like to convey my thanks to the Committee for the way in which they have helped me during my term and to my successor I know you will give the same support.

C. D. SMITH,
President.

Brigade Helps

Taking advantage of the extended period for the clearing up of town allotments and areas which offered a fire hazard many local residents have been busy on recent evenings with rakes, shovels and extinguishers in making their properties safe. Clearing up fires have bene noted in many parts of the town.

The Fire Brigade members have been busy assisting widows, pensioners and others in the work and their generous action in this regard, which comes outside their official duties, is greatly appreciated and is to be commended.

New Bulk Storage Facilities

New bulk storage facilities for dieselene and power kerosene are being installed at the South End of Queen Street, Beverley, by the Caltex Company.

When in operation they will be serviced by the local Caltex Co. representative, Mr. W. R. Gillespie, from his Vincent Street premises.

Xmas Shopping

The pulse of business in Beverley has quickened in recent weeks with the approach of the festive season. Business appears to be spread over the week more than was the case in the old days but Saturday mornings have been very busy and last Saturday morning there was a particularly large crowd about despite the fact that banks have entered the new era and are now closed all day on Saturday.

Business houses are well prepared and are stocked with all those lines which are a feature of the season. There is a wide selection of toys and presentation lines and many customers are taking advantage of the lay-by facilities available.

Shooting Season Opens Dec. 17

With the duck shooting season due to open in a fortnight's time—December 17 at 5 a.m.—a question engaging the attention of sportsmen in this district is whether the lakes around Qualanderry, which are always a popular shooting locale, will hold out until that time.

They are at a low level at present due to the lack of winter run-off rains and much will depend on the weather as to whether they will be holding water on opening day.

Further East there is sure to be water in Ossig's, Rocky and Mud Lake at which points fair numbers of ducks are reported to have congregated in recent weeks.

The Avon River pools will be well manned on the 17th as they will probably offer the best shooting available in these areas this season. At Jurakine there has been an average breeding and large flocks of waterfowl were recently noted there.

Annual Inspection

Inspectors of the Fisheries Department are expected in Beverley this weekend to carry out their annual inspection of the shooting areas and to apprehend offendors against the game laws.

Blaze at Annbrook

A fire which broke out last Sunday afternoon in a field where harvesting operations had been in progress at Mr. Tom Edwards' Annbrook property, destroyed 500 bags of wheat and swept over about 70 acres of standing crop and stubble before being brought under control.

The blaze was fanned by a stiff south-easterly breeze and originated, we believe, close to where an extensive fire break had been prepared to protect the area.

There was a big roll up of fire fighters, including a contingent with the bush fire fighting unit from Beverley. They succeeded in preventing the spread of the fire to adjoining properties.

CRICKET

Towns Batting Fails Against Royals

Royals again proved too strong for Towns at York on Sunday, winning by 83 runs on the first innings.

Seed won the toss and asked Royals to bat, and when both openers had been dismissed, caught behind with the score at only 29, it looked as if his decision had been the right one. However, Duperouzel and Johnston added 49 runs for the third wicket. Lockyer was bowled for nil and then Duperouzel and Ashworth added 25 for the fifth. When McGlew bowled Duperouzel for 74 the score was 142 for 6 wickets and when the ninth fell at 163 Towns were back in command. However, D. McDonald and B. Duperouzel, batting like veterans added 55 runs for the last wicket and Towns were set 218 to win.

Despite the loss of Bill Wansbrough and Melrose for only 20 runs, Smith and Bert Wansbrough, the latter making a welcome return to the side, set out as if they meant to score the necessary runs before tea. Unfortunately, with the score at 32 Wansbrough played right over one to give Lockyer his third wicket. McGlew folowed soon after and then Smith and Denton added 72 for the fifth wicket. However, when both were out at the same score Towns hopes died and it was soon all over—the last wicket falling at 135.

ROYALS

M. McLochlan c. Seed b. McGlew	9
C. Endersby c. Seed b. Smith	13
G. Duperouzel b. McGlew	74
N. Johnston c. McGlew b. Smith	16
D. Lockyer l.b.w. b. Smith	9
S. Landquist l.b.w. b. H. Wansbrough	19
A. Morgan b. McGlew	16
C. Carter c. Grover b. McGlew	0
D. McDonald not out	28
B. Duperouzel c. McGlew b. Gill	23
Sundries 11b.	11
TOTAL	218

Fall: 19, 29, 78, 79, 104, 142, 152, 153, 163, 218.

Bowling: Denton 0/23, Smith 3/63, McGlew 4/60, Grover 1/23, H. Wansbrough 1/31, N. Gill 1/7.

TOWNS

W. Wansbrough l.b.w. b. Lockyer	10
I. Melrose b. Lockyer	3
G. Smith l.b.w. b. Duperouzel	42
H. Wansbrough, b. Lockyer	10
A. McGlew c. Carter b. Duperouzel	0
T. Denton stpd. Carter b. Morgan	52
C. Grover stpd. Carter b. Morgan	0
M. Seed not out	12
P. Gordon b. Morgan	3
R. Dixon b. Duperouzel	4
N. Gill stpd. Carter b. Duperouzel	0
TOTAL	135

Fall: 5, 20, 32, 43, 115, 115, 116, 123, 130, 135.

Bowling: Lockyer 3/12, Ashworth 1/43, Johnston 0/34, McDonald 0/15, Endersby 0/4, Morgan 3/17, G. Duperouzel 3/9.

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Before Your Holidays

It's a Good Idea to Replace Worn Tyres and Wonky Batteries with new

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We'll Fit the New Ones

We"ll Trade the Old Ones

Christmas Carols 1961

[From a Correspondent]

"Ding-dong! merrily on high
the Christmas bells are ringing.
Ding-dong! verily the sky
is riv'n with angel singing
Gloria: hosanna in excelsis."

So again we hail the festival of the birth of Jesus Christ with Carols, and presents, and good-cheer of every kind. And while, perhaps, we may detect a note of the irony of Tom Lehrer—and irony by no means undeserved when he sings,

"Hark the Herald-Tribune sings
Advertising wondrous things."
or again,
"God rest ye, merry merchants all,
Let's make the Christmas pay"
—the fact remains

that the true note of Christmas simply cannot be ever entirely quelled. Above all the bally-hoo and the phoney sentiment the true hymn rings out,

"Unto us a child is born,
Lord of all creation:
Came he to a world-forlorn
The king of every nation.

The whole story of Christmas is written for us in familiar rhymes we all know, and love to sing. From the very moment of man's first disobedience God determined that the child of a woman should bruise the serpent's head: that a Virgin should conceive and bear a Son and that he should be Immanuel——that is, God dwelling with us: that he should be born in Bethlehem because that is the city of David, and the Shepherd of Israel must be of the line of David who was Israel's shepherd king, that he should be called Jesus, which is a form of Joshua, because, like Joshua the ancient servant of God, he too should save his people: but, unlike Joshua, that he should save them from sin, and the power of Satan himself, and bring them through a spiritual Jordan out of the wilderness of sin and death into the land of everlasting life.

"Behold," said the Angel to the shepherds, "I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, **Gloria in excelsis Deo et in terra pax** (Luke 2, 10-14).

Perhaps this sudden slip into Latin, in the style of so many of the old carols, may serve to remind us of the underlying unity which still exists in an outwardly divided Christendom. We shall, alas! be keeping the festival of Christ's birth in ways so diverse that some people might even suppose that we worship a different God, or celebrate a different event. It is then that the once universal language of Christendom may serve to remind that whether we now worship according to the glorious ceremonial of the Latin rite, or in the splendid language of Cranmer's English Prayer Book, or with the simpler forms of the Churches of the Reformation, it remains Christ's Mass that we are celebrating. The ancient, familiar Latin words of the carol remain our motto:

Gloria in excelsis Deo : Glory be to God on high,
Et in terra pax : and on earth peace,
Hominibus bonae voluntatis : to men of goodwill.

And, in the spirit of that good-will, what joy to sing, gaily and with spirit, in this new South Land of the Holy Spirit, a purely Australian Carol:—*

Across the plains one Christmas night
Three drovers riding blythe and gay
Looked up and saw a starry light
More radiant than the milky way;
And on their hearts such wonder fell,
They sang with joy, "Nowell, Nowell-"

The air was dry with summer heat,
And smoke was on the yellow moon;
But from the heavens, faint and sweet,
Came floating down a wondrous tune.
And as they heard they sang full well,
Those drovers three, "Nowell, Nowell!"

The black swans flew across the sky,
The wild-dog called across the plain,
The starry lustre blazed on high,
Still echoed on the heavenly strain;
And still they sang, "Nowell, Nowell!"
Those drovers three, "Nowell, Nowell!"

* Australian Carol quoted with acknowledgements to John Wheeler and William Jan's, and to the Publishers, Chappell and Co. Ltd., of Sydney and London.

The Holidays

Christmas holidays for business houses in Beverley comprise December 25 and 26 (Monday and Tuesday next) and at the New Year, Monday, January 1st.

THE POST OFFICE

The post office will be closed all day on December 25th and will be open only from 9 till 10 a.m. on Boxing Day (December 26) when there will be no letter delivery.

The office will open from 9 till 10 a.m. on January 1st (no letter delivery).

THE BANKS

The banks will close to-night (Friday) and will re-open on Wednesday December 27th, whilst at the New Year they will observe January 1st only.

Trophies Presented

Trophies won by riflemen over the just concluded season were presented at a gathering of members of the club held at the Freemasons Hotel on Thursday evening of last week. A number of the donors and their wives also attended the function by invitation.

President of the Club, Mr. Ernest W. Edwards, presided and the trophies were presented by the Hon. Roy Abbey, M.L.C.

Congratulations were extended to Jack Manuel, who this season won the Club championship for the second occasion since taking up rifle shooting, and to all who had met with success during the year.

Winners and donors were as follows:

J. Manuel: Championship (President's Trophy), F. Blechynden Trophy, Eastern Districts Trading Co. Trophy, Barnsley Motors Trophy L. V. Wood Trophy.

R. Eyre: Runner-up Championship (Avon Trading Co. Trophy), Freemasons Hotel Trophy, C: G. and M. Webb Trophy.

F. Blechynden: Hotel Beverley Trophy, M. O'Shea Trophy, Hon. Roy Abbey Trophy.

R. Wood: Beverley Farmers' Co-Op Trophy, R. Eyre Trophy.

B. Blechynden: Porter and Efford Trophy, Mrs. Fairhead Trophy, Bert Kelly Trophy.

D. Blechynden: J. Jacoumis Trophy, R. Wood Trophy.

G. Holman: Barrow & Co. Trophy, A. W. Miles Trophy.

R. Edwards: Bruce Blechynden Trophy, E. and E. Schleicher Trophy.

R. Fairhead: W. R. Gillespie Trophy, Reg and Nora Trophy.

V. Carr: Beverley Newsagency Trophy.

E. W. Edwards: S. H. Edwards Trophy.

T. Ridgway: Farm Service Co. Trophy, Century Spoon for first 100.

C. Watson: E. A. Wood Trophy.

Late Shopping To-Night

Local shops will remain open to-night until 8.30 to allow district residents extra time for their Xmas shopping. The same facilities will be provided in a number of country centres and the experiment will be watched with some interest as night shopping has been "out" since the war years.

Business houses are well stocked with a great variety of seasonal lines and there is no need for residents to go out of town for their needs.

To-morrow (Saturday) business premises will close at midday for the Xmas break reopening on Wednesday morning next. The only holiday at the New Year will be Monday, January 1st.

Poor Opening Shoot

Among many of the older generation of shooters of the district last Sunday's opening of the duck shooting season was the poorest in memory. Scores of participants scored only one or two ducks and some had a clean sheet firing fewer shots than they could ever remember at such a fixture.

The lake shooters in this district fared worse than those on the Avon River. The low level of the watercourse in the area and a general absence of game throughout the system was most disappointing. A big accumulation of ducks noted the previous week-end at Rocky Lake were missing when shooting opened on Sunday.

Along the bank between Rocky and Mud Lake there were more shooters than ever but there were no good bags and indeed one party did not average a duck per gun.

At Mud Lake one participant fired only two shots for the morning.

RIVER RESULTS

Results on the Avon River pools were much better than at the Lakes although in this area also there were many disappointed sportsmen.

At Jurakine the previous evening early arrivals were most optimistic as there seemed to be more wildfowl about than has been seen there in years but the birds quickly made themselves scarce when shooting started and bags here were below normal.

One party averaged eight per gun at the southern end of Jurakine whilst further upstream a small party averaged just over six.

The best average we have heard of was recorded by Bob Kempton's quartette on McCooke's swamp. They had this small area of water to themselves and recorded over 10 per gun.

FURTHER AFIELD

For those who travelled further afield for the opening shoot results were also very poor. A party which shot at Narrogin reported very poor bags, ducks being scarce and the lake overcrowded with sportsmen.

At Brown Lake and an adjoining lake East of Yealering the best bag recorded was seven. The birds were not present in expected numbers and the vantage points were overgunned to an extent never before noted.

POORER PROSPECTS

The lack of water in the usual haunts spells very poor prospects for the remainder of the shooting season in these areas.

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Cyclonic Disturbances Hits Farm Home

A disturbance of cyclonic ferocity struck the Morbinning home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Edwards on Monday evening last and in a moment the roof of the residence was torn off the sheets of iron being scattered over a radius of 15 chains.

Torrential rain accompanied the blow and 98 points were gauged in five minutes. Water 6 to 8 inches deep flooded the rooms of the home, ruining carpets, soaking the beds, and damaging furniture.

Mr. Edwards stated on Tuesday morning that it was the most extraordinary phenomenon he had ever experienced. Two big and angry looking clouds, one moving from the East and one from the North-West, appeared to meet right over the property. The family had seen what appeared to be heavy rain approaching and was hoping that the farm water supplies, which have been short in the area this year, would be replenished.

The disturbance, said Mr. Edwards seemed to suddenly explode over the home and with a roar the roof disappeared as the iron was torn away.

He thought it possible that a vacuum had been created causing the sudden disintegration of the roof.

The hurricance force wind snapped off the telephone posts in the area and native trees were torn, twisted and levelled. Sheets of iron became wrapped around obstructions and bent into grotesque shapes.

Stubble whipped from the paddocks was piled against the farm fencing, becoming interlaced with the wires.

There was very little thunder or lightning accompanying the disturbance which ended as suddenly as it had begun.

Two old sheds on the property were blown down.

Mr. Edwards was in town early on Tuesday making arrangements with a local contractor for repairs to the home. The damage could possibly amount to £1,000.

Dams on the property were filled but so much debris from the paddocks was washed down that much work will be involved in clearing them.

Damage at Timaru

Mr. Ken Doncon, of Timaru, reported that at his property a cloudburst occured and water flowed in sheets over the property filling catchments. It was the heaviest rain he had ever experienced but as the gauge was blown over there is no record of the amount received. On this property also much work will have to be carried out in clearing the dams of the accumulated debris carried down by the flood.

The storm was on a very narrow front and other properties in the area appear to have escaped its fury.

In the Town

In the town area heavy rain preceded by a fairly strong wind was experienced towards evening. Fourteen points were recorded at the post office. The disturbance followed a fairly warm day but following the rain cool winds prevailed ensuring a very pleasant night.

Planes en route to Perth which were flying over the district at the time the storm broke could be seen skirting the edge of the disturbed area.

Bally Bally Downpour

Torrential rain fell in the Bally Bally-County Peak area. In this locality also hurricane force winds accompanied the disturbance and telephone communications with Beverley were interrupted for some hours.

The storm lasted for about twenty minutes and at Mr. Eric McLean's property 170 points of rain were recorded. Other gaugings noted were 160 points at Colin McLean's, 80 points at Richards' property, and 75 points at the Bally Bally Hall.



BEVERLEY PAIR IN STATE BOWLS

Our Perth representative was on the green at Cottesloe

Quiet Holiday Period

A very quiet holiday period was spent by the district residents over Christmas and New Year, there being no major sporting attractions to engage attention. Many families were engaged in preparation for the annual visit to the coast and the exodus is now well under way.

The Dale community as usual heralded the new year with entertainment, this taking the form on this occasion of a car trial and dance on December 30th in lieu of new year's eve which fell on Sunday. The car trial was won by well-known young driver Pat Ferguson. A large gathering of district folk, including many from the town area, celebrated the occasion with their Dale friends.

NO SERIOUS FIRES

Despite the hazardous conditions created by the heat wave which prevailed, no serious fires occurred in the district over the holiday period.

The only call received by the Beverley Brigade was to a grass fire near the native reserve. The flames were quickly brought under control.

FATHER CHRISTMAS VISITS

Arranged by members of the Volunteer Fire Brigade, Father Christmas made his usual round of the town streets on the morning of Christmas Day distributing sweets to the children and good cheer to all. The visit has become a regular feature of the Xmas festivities in the town and is looked forward to.

BUSINESS BRISK

Local business houses appeared to enjoy a successful trading period, business being brisk up to the Xmas holiday. Shoppers for the first time in many years had the facility provided by night shopping on Xmas Eve and this was freely availed of.

THE RACING CARNIVAL

The annual racing carnival at Ascot attracted a quota of local residents to the course but the weather which prevailed in the city was not conducive to big attendances and the crowds watching the Railway Stakes, Derby, Perth Cup and Imperial Stakes were noticeably smaller. Many regulars from Beverley did not attend any of the fixtures this year. The leading candidates in the feature races of the carnival ran up to their best form and favourites won all main events in contrast to the patchy performances of many horses at Eastern States fixtures.

THE WEATHER

The holiday period produced one of the worst heat waves ever recorded in this State and in the city conditions were most enervating, a high degree of humidity being present together with a lack of the normal afternoon sea breeze. People in the country areas generally had more bearable conditions than was the case in the metropolitan area, a dryer heat prevailing whilst southerly breezes made the nights enjoyable for most of the period.

CHILDREN'S FREE PICTURES

The first Sunday night film screening in these areas occurred on Sunday evening, December 24th, and the management of the local pictures, Messrs Ford & Sons provided

Charges for Electric Current

The finance committee of the Beverley Shire Council recently met representatives of the Beverley Electricity Supply to review the charges made in Beverley for electric current.

President Alex Miles reported on the discussions at the December meeting of the Council.

After consideration of the report the Council, on the motion of Cr. Sims, seconded by Cr. Edwards, decided that the following charges be agreed to, to take effect from January 1st, 1962:—

Domestic Rate

		s.	d.	
1-12	units . .	1	4	p.u.
13-24	units . .		10	p.u.
25-50	units . .		9	p.u.
51-75	units . .		8	p.u.
over 75	units . .		6	p.u.

No. 1 Commercial Rate

		s.	d.	
1-12	units . .	1	4	p.u.
13-500	units . .		10	p.u.
501-1000	units . .		9	p.u.
over 1000	units . .		8	p.u.

No. 2 Commercial Rate (Hospital, W.A.G.R., P.M.G., Hotels)

		s.	d.	
1-200	units . .	1	4	p.u.
201-500	units . .		10	p.u.
501-1000	units . .		9	p.u.
over 1000	units . .		8	p.u.

Shop Window Lighting (40 w. Fluorescent) £3/12/- per annum per light.

Industrial Rate (Min. 3000 units per month) 6d. per unit.

Swimming Pool

1-1000 units .	10d.	p.u.
over 1000 units .	6d.	p.u.

Kiosk Rate: Moved Cr. Heal seconded Cr. Edwards that all current supplied to Kiosk for power be 8d. per unit.

Hall Rewiring: It was agreed that account for £471/17/5 be paid to Beverley Electricity Supply for above work.

Crayfishing Tragedy

Latest of the tragic series of accidents which has beset the crayfishing industry off the W.A. coast involved the Kerry Lee, owned by George Vladich, a brother of Mr. Bert Vladich, of the Hotel Beverley.

The Kerry Lee disappeared a fortnight ago and despite long search no trace of the boat, the owner, or crew of two has been found. The boat was known to be operating in water to a depth of 150 feet.

George Vladich was the youngest son of the Vladich family and has been interested in fishing since his youth. He entered the industry with a small boat many years ago and built up his business, acquiring the 30ft. Kerry Lee some three years ago.

George Vladich lived at Mosman Park and was married with a family of three.

Magistrate's Transfer

Magistrate O'Sullivan, who has presided over many local courts over the past few years was recently transferred from Narrogin to Northam.

He wrote the December meeting of the Beverley Shire Council thanking Councillors for the friendly co-operation extended to him during his term as Stipendiary Magistrate for the district.

Shire Clerk Dave Rigoll, was

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NEW KOKEBY-BORN COUNTRY PARTY SENATOR

Edgar Prowse, the new Country Party Senator for Western Australia, is a farmer and stud stock breeder at Darkan. He will succeed on July 1 next Senator Agnes Robertson, who had retired.

Mr. Prowse has been farming at Darkan for 10 years. Prior to that he had been on the land at Doodlakine for 20 years. He now has a beef shorthorn stud and a Corriedale sheep stud as well as running flock Merinos. One of his hobbies is breeding ponies whose sires are Arab and Welsh stallions.

For the past 30 years Mr. Prowse has been a lay reader of the Methodist Church.

Mr. Prowse was born at Mt. Kokeby, near Beverley in 1905.

He gained his Bachelor of Science in Agriculture at the University of W.A. in 1928.

Married, he has a son and five daughters.

His uncle, the late J. H. Prowse, M.H.R., represented Forrest as a C.P. members for 19 years.

As a matter of interest Edgar Prowse was the second candidate to meet with success in the election who was born at Kokeby. Fred Collard, who won the Kalgoorlie House of Representatives seat for Labor, was also born at that centre.

A Medal for the "Anzacs"?

How many people who witness the Anzac Day March realise that, as the remnants of the 1st World War Divisions pass aolng the streets of our cities and towns, not one of the "Anzacs" can be singled out?

This has gone unnoticed over the years because the people of Australia have never been adequately advised on the subject. For the first time in its history, our Organisation now presents its case to the public in the hope that it will provoke continent-wide comments.

The British War Office considered the provision of awards to service personnel in World War I, but the idea of granting a special medal to all troops who served in the Dardenelles Campaign was abandoned **because of the time and cost involved in checking records of the British forces employed there!**

The Imperial Authorities decided the 1914-15 Star was sufficient to cover all battle fronts up to the end of 1915, and issued it to all who left their homelands before the end of that year. Thousands of men who were never on the Gallipoli Peninsula therefore received the medal, and that is why the men who served there cannot be distinguished from those who did not.

The Australian and New Zealand Governments then requested that their troops be awarded a commemorative medal. The late King George V gave his assent to this proposal. A special medal was designed, and a ribbon indicating the two countries was actually woven. Some sections of the British press very much disapproved of this award, and the War Office withdrew its agreement on the additional ground that **"it would be unfair to the British troops who served there".** This astounding reversal of its earlier decision was accepted by the Australian and New Zealand Governments.

As a compiete about-face with regard to medals for various battle grounds, the British War Office in the 2nd World War authorised and issued the Atlantic Star, African Star, Pacific Star, Burma Star, Italy Star, France and Germany Star and the Defence Medal.

Continual attempts have been made by the Returned Service men's League to have the award gazetted, but to no avail. The excuse given last year by the Minister for the Army (Mr. Cramer), when refusing to grant the request was, in part ..."to seek such approval some 40 years after the Landing...is not in keeping with the dignity which is associated with the granting of medals.." This is an extraordinary statement in view of the precedents created by British Governments which have awarded medals 50 years or more after the first event concerned!

As sovereign States, the Australian and New Zealand Governments have the power to recommend awards to citizens for services rendered to their countries. As a case in point, the Australian Government authorised the 1939-45 Service Medal.

In a statement to the House of Commons on 15th November, 1918, Mr. J. I. Macpherson, then Parliamentary Secretary to the War Office, when notifying the approval of the 1914-15 Star, concluded by—"recalling the fact that it **was proposed and sanctioned** that the Governments of Australia and New Zealand should present their troops with a special medal for the operations on Gallipoli."

That is our story, without any frills, and if the people of Australia who read this are astonished by the information provided, we won't be surprised!

Your comments will be appreciated.

(From the **Gallipoli Legion of Anzacs of Australia.** Headquarters: 12-14, Loftus Street, Sydney).

Council Items in Brief

Items of business dealt with by the Beverley Shire Council at its December meeting (and not previously reported) are printed below. Those in attendance were Messrs A. W. Miles (President), and Councillors W. E. A. Heal, L. P. Swan, J. E. Lupton, J. D. McLean, A. W. Edwards, O. O. Sims and Shire Clerk Dave Rigoll. An apology for unavoidable absence was received from Councillor Abbey.

Education

Letter was received from Director of Education re opening of new school and advising of willingness of Dept. to make available surplus equipment to Coloured Peoples Welfare Committee.

Agricultural Protection Board

The A.P.B. advised that Inspector Hicks had resigned and that Mr. McWilliams had been appointed to replace him

Complaint re Road

Mrs. Grover wrote complaininy of the condition of the Kokeby-Dale Road. Mrs. Grover to be advised that this road has now been graded.

Boyagarra Road

Agreed that a road be constructed through Butler's property on the existing survey in the 1962/63 financial year. Finance to be arranged for 1962/63.

Resolved that Brookton Shire Council be advised that this Council proposes to apply for a Specific Grant or alternatively use funds from General Allocation Grant.

Land for Selection

The Brookton and York Shire Councils to be advised that the Hon. Minister for Lands is not yet ready to receive a deputation. The respective Councils to be advised when the deputation is finally arranged.

P. C. Rollo

Decided that a letter of thanks be sent to Const. Rollo in appreciation of a job well done.

Bush Fire Board, Advisory Committee

Agreed that an Advisory Committee be composed of Control Officers providing they are all prepared to Act. Copy of letter to be sent to chief Fire Control Officer.

Agriculture Protection Board

Board advised that where possible Group Inspectors are supplied with coloured plates for identification of Noxious Weeds.

Freemasons Hotel, Waste Water

Resolved that Council accept Health Officer's recommendation that a sump be provided at the above premises and that the waste water be disposed of py carting away.

Repertory Club—Rights of J. Jacoumis

Club to be advised that Mr. Jacoumis has the right to provide drinks, etc., at picture screenings only.

Mr. Jacoumis to be advised of the conditions of his contract and permission will only be granted to sell at other functions provided the agreement of both the Council and hirer of the Hall has been received.

Boyagarra Crossing

Messrs McLean and Sons wrote advising that they supported the raising of the wall by 2ft. and considered that such raising would not effect any surrounding country. The letter was received.

Staff Telephones

Agreed that telephones be installed at the Health Inspector's and Foreman's residences.

Rates—Millars Timber & Trading Co.

The above Company claimed their timber cutting concession is not rateable. Shire Clerk requested to obtain ruling from Dept. of Local Government.

Horsemen's Assoc.

Agreed that Association be advised that Council will purchase on their behalf the slabs required for paving the verandah floor and that the provision of an additional toilet will be carried out as soon as practicable.

Jurakine Bridge

Main Roads Dept. advised that it will give consideration to repairing the above Bridge at an estimated cost of £1,400 during 1962/63.

Agreed that the Commissioner for Main Roads be thanked for his consideration to the matter.

Access Road Reserve 25662

The Lessee to be advised that under the terms of his lease an access road cannot be provided. However a grader would be made available to do the work required at cost.

Road Closure—Manuel

The Shire Clerk was requested to obtain more information on the above matter from surveyor Nelligan when he visits Beverley.

Agreed that if the Surveyors report is favourable Council proceed with closure.

Road Closure—McCallum

Mr. McCallum to be advised that land cannot be made available from closed road where road abuts Crown Land. Mr. McCallum's only course now is to claim compensation from the Council if he is not satisfied with the exchange of land.

Swimming Pool

Agreed action of President in arranging to purchase materials for the swimming pool, to be charged aainst P. T. Murphy Pty., Ltd., subject to approval of receiver manager be endorsed.

Fierce Willy Willy

What must have been a most severe willy willy (or cock-eyed bob) struck Messrs Miller & Son's Kenjocketty property at some time on Saturday afternoon last.

The families were away at the time attending a wedding in the city and first intimation that anything was amiss came when Mr. and Mrs. John Miller returned home from Perth.

They found that the 60 by 20 machinery shed had been lifted bodily from the ground and turned upside down.

The cement bases to the posts of the shed had been lifted cleanly from the ground and the whole edifice turned over.

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League Championship to Beverley Four

Beverely Club continued its good record in the Avon Valley Bowling League's Fours Championship when on Saturday last a local combination skippered by Frank Blachynden, who had with him Ivan Petchell as third, Bill Gill as second, and Sam Efford as leader, defeated Sadler's Goomalling combination in the final of this year's contest. It was the third year in succession that the title has come to Beverley.

Twenty eight teams representative of the League entered in the event which was played under rather threatening conditions. The rain, however, held off and with the greens playing well a good day's bowling was enjoyed by contestants, most of whom it was to be noted, were wearing pullovers as protection against the cold breeze which prevailed for most of the day.

Sectional play was the order and those to win through to participate in the finals were fours skippered by O. T. Broun (Beverley), E. Saddler (Goomalling), Bert Wass (Quairading), Bill Brown (Beverley), N. Smith (Beverley) N. Hitchcock (Meckering), F. Blechynden (Beverley) and Roy Abbey (Beverley).

It will be noted that Beverley held a strong hand at the end of the sectional play with five fours successful.

In the first round of play in the finals Sadler beat Broun, Brown beat Wass, Smith beat Hitchcock and Blechynden beat Abbey.

The semi-finals produced wins for Sadler who beat Brown, and Blechynden who beat Smith.

In the final under the lights in the evening a good match was witnessed between Blechynden's and Sadler's opposing fours. The Beverley quartette ran to an early lead and with six ends to go held a lead of nine points. Sadler's team won each of the last six ends but counted only one on each thus giving Blechynden's combination a margin of 3 at the finish.

CONSOLATION

Gib Gors' four was successful in the final of the Consolation event for those eliminated in the sectional play of the major event.

The ladies catered in their usual good style throughout the day and earned the thanks of the Club. At the conclusion the trophies won were presented by the Club president, Mr. Mat Miller.

CRICKET

Premiership to York

York Royals, as was expected, won the 1961/62 Premiership of the Beverley-York Cricket Association when the grand final was concluded on Sunday last

In defeating Dale, which has been the foremost team in local cricket for a long period, the York side has given the game a shot in the arm and their success will make for greater interest in the competitions next season.

Local cricket lovers will not begrudge the team its victory, least of all their Dale opponents, who were quick to congratulate the winners on their success.

Right up to the finish of the match the final was played in the best traditions of the game. Dale, who could have won on the first innings if they managed to play out time, went for the runs and prevented dullness from intruding.

It was the first success of a York side since the Association was formed.

New Service

The Postmaster General (Mr. C. W. Davidson) has given information to Mr. N. McNeil, M.P., concerning new telephone facilities which will be introduced shortly.

A rural automatic telephone exchange, which will give continuous day and night service on an unattended basis, will be brought into operation at Beverley West (near Waterhatch) on Wednesday, the 2nd May, 1962. This will be the means of replacing both exclusive and multi-party line service which are at present connected to the Beverley Exchange. It will also allow services to be provided for five new applicants in the area.

Initially, fourteen subscribers will be given exclusive services. They will be able to call each other by dialling the required number direct, and wil obtain the parent exchange, Beverley, which is about 8 miles away by dialling "O".

A single-channel carrier telephone circuit between Beverley and Beverley East will be brought into service on Thursday, the 26th April. On the same day, a two-channel carrier telephone system will be brought into operation between Beverley, Dale Hall and Dale River.

J.F. Friday

Friday, April 6th, was the Junior Farmers' biggest day (so far) for this year. We conducted a Street Stall in the afternoon and a Debate during the evening—both events being highly sucecssful!

Situated at the 'vantage point' outside the Post Office was the usual trestle table laden with goods for which numerous people must be thanked. By four o'clock most of the stock had been sold and the remainder "disappeared" soon after five. I am sure that Mrs. Alan Cooper was delighted with the Monster Hamper she received from the Stall.

The girls who worked at the stall did a wonderful job and particular thanks must go to Mrs. Young, who assisted the girls all the afternoon, and to Mrs. Doncon, for supplying a set of scales and for her welcome advice beforehand.

At eight o'clock the Club Members met again to support their Debating Tea (Nola Godinovich, Bob Naylor and Don Sutherland) in its battle of wits against the York team over the fact "That Resources used in Space Development are Wasted". The atmosphere was tense because everyone knew that York has a strong Debating Team. Nola opened the Debate on a serious note then the York leader provided a most forceful opening speech for the negative side. Bob Naylor must be congratulated on a fine effort in his first debate when he took the floor as second speaker for Beverley. After York's second speaker had finished the tension in the minds of the Beverley supporters eased. It looked a cinch—if their third speaker was not too dangerous! Don then spoke in his most brilliant form yet and pushed up Beverley's score no end. Congratulations, Don! Nola completed the Debate with an excellent criticism and summing-up — dealing with York's "Martians" and pyrex plate in no uncertain manner!

By this time Beverley supporters had relaxed and it was no surprise when the adjudicators announced that our team had won.

So ended a busy, eventful, and successful (with regard to money and morale) though rather exhaustive day for Beverley Junior Farmers—which proves that if we want any fun we must be prepared to work for it!

—Jo Saunders, Club Reporter.

Salinity of Avon River

The Beverley Shire Council last week received a detailed map of the Avon River from its source to a point beyond Northam showing the results of salinity tests which have been carried out in recent years at various pools.

Most surprising feature of the tests is the great variation which has occurred in the degree of salinity at various times of the year.

There was no report accompanying the map and in the absence of any explanation it can only be conjectured that sudden rain storms and local floodings have caused a rush of fresh water into the pools thus reducing the amount of salt grains to the gallon.

The retaining wall built at Qualanderry in this district some years ago was in the nature of an experiment. It was hoped that prevention of the Lakes water, which is highly impregnated with salt late in the season, from entering the river system would tend to reduce the salinty of the Avon pools.

It is too early yet to ascertain what the long range effect of the experiment will be.

The Avon Valley Development authority is interested in the project and it is through its good offices that the present map has been forwarded to the local Council.

As is well-known work is proceeding along the bed of the Avon between Northam and York where a bulldozer is in use clearing the river of the debris which has accumulated over the years and which tends to prevent the quick get-away of the water in times of flood.

A Dangerous Crossing

An accident at the John Street-Forrest Street intersection on Tuesday morning last, when children were going to morning school again draws attention to this crossing which is one of the busiest and the most dangerous in the town. A year ago the P. & C. Association asked for signs to be placed at this crossing but nothing has yet been done. At its last meeting the P. & C. Association again discussed the matter and still awaits action. What the crossing needs is a complete set of "Stop" or "Give Way" signs, and four properly marked pedestrian crossings. The matter is an urgent priority. We do not wish to wait for a child to be killed before it is done.

Presentation to ex-MLA

There was a good attendance at a dinner tendered to Mr. J. I. Mann, retired member for Avon by the Brookton Shire Council and held at the Club Hotel on Saturday night last.

The deputy chairman of the Shire, Mr. Jack Bond, officiated at the function.

Mr. Bond extolled the good service Mr. Mann had given to the Brookton area in the course of his long representation of Avon, calling to mind in particular the provision of a water scheme for the town and the new school, projects for the provision of which Mr. Mann had striven long and arduously.

A presentation of an inscribed tray was made and Mr. Mann feelingly responded, thanking the Shire and people of Brookton for the gesture and the many expressions of goodwill he had received from all quarters.

NATURALISATION CEREMONY

Following the dinner a Naturalisation ceremony was held at which citizenship was granted to six new Australians now members of the Brookton community.

Mr. Mann had the honour of presenting the citizenship certificates.

Among those present was Mr. Neil McNeil, M.P., who was the successful candidate for Canning in the last Federal elections. In supporting Mr. Bond he made a most impressive speech.

FIRST AID CLASSES

The Beverley Branch of the Red Cross Society which has been endeavouring to interest local residents in first aid work has had some success and by advt. on page 2 of this issue it is announced that classes will commence at the C.W.A. Rest Room on Monday, April 30th, at 7.30 p.m.

All interested in such activities will be made very welcome. Details can be obtained from the branch secretary Mrs. M. Blechynden.

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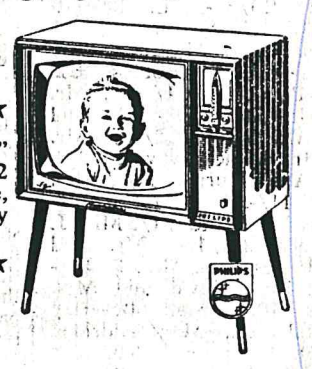

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Shooting Season Closes

The duck shooting season closed at midnight last Monday and from now on until the new season opens in December next it will be unlawful to take duck by any means in the Southern half of the State.

It has been a most unsatisfactory season for sportsmen. Due to the sparse winter rains the opening of the season, when duck is usually plentiful, was most disappointing, bags being the poorest noted i n many years.

The local lakes dried out early and until recent weeks game has also been very scarce on the river. The drying out of many pools as the summer advanced, has resulted recently in the gathering of some large flights in what water remains at Jurakine where some good shooting has been enjoyed.

Shooters who have travelled far afiield in search of game have had poor returns for their trouble although one party which went to Kendenup some weeks ago averaged nine birds per gun.

Some nice black duck were taken on the Dale river pools late in the season.

Dennis Moulton

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A rather small crowd witnessed a grand game of football at Tammin on Sunday in the opening round of the season. Conditions were hot and trying and although the standard of football was not always high, the spirit that both sides displayed, and the closeness of the scores throughout made it a great crowd pleaser. Despite the vigour with which players threw themselves into the fray, there was no spitefulness or unnecessary vigour displayed and both sides are to be commended for this. It was a clean, hard game and it was only in the second half of the final term that Beverley got on top, and with a mighty all-out effort took the game right away from the home side to win comfortably by 34 points

It was Tammin on top in the first term, turning on some fast systematic teamwork to score quickly with a goal from Caffel. Beverley found it hard to get going and it wasn't until the quarter was well under way that they began to function as a team. Blechynden was giving sterling service on the ball and Dale Edwards was dominating the centre position. All day Edwards was in grand form at the pivot and far too active and alert for his opponent Burton, and the drive received from the centre throughout played a big part in Beverley's success.

The second term saw Beverley draw level with a goal from full forward Denton, and then as the quarter drew towards a close they went away to lead by 16 pts at half time. With the match half gone, Beverley appeared to have a slight edge over Tammin, but there was very little between them. Caffel had been in great form at centre half forward proving a bit of a handful for Edwards, and Patmore, a newcomer to the Tammin side had flashed into prominence several times. For Beverley Burgess was proving a real opportunist, and already had 3 goals to his credit, while Les Woods kept out many Tammin attacks with well judged marks and dashing clearances.

Tammin made a great effort in the third quarter to take back the lead from last year's premiers. Beverley's backs were continuously under fire, as Tamminfi playing grandly went away to a 14 point lead. Youngman was delighting with well-judged marks and was in everything as were Patmore and Aitkenhead also. It was at this stage that back-pocketman Collard of Beverley, slipped on the grass and dislocated his knee, and had to be carried from the ground. Beverley had several opportunities down forward, but kicked badly, and the quarter was nearly done as they drew to within a few points of Tammin. A lovely running drop kick from Youngman deserved a better fate than the one flag it raised, and shortly afterwards centreman Edwards for Beverley moving forward of the centre, accepted a pass and with a kick reminiscent of Youngman's a little earlier, sent the ball right through the middle to take Beverley to a 3 point lead at 'lemons'. So the game was in a most interesting stage as t he players changed ends for the last time.

Beverley started badly in the final term, being continuously in attack but unable to score, except several points. Tammin went forward and with the utmost ease, scored a goal to take back the lead. Both sides went in with a will, but it was Beverley gradually gaining the ascendancy as the quarter progressed. Tammin made a gallant effort to get back into the game, but the visitors, sensing victory, redoubled their efforts and finished on strongly.

Scores were:—

First Quarter

	goals	points
Beverley	1	4
Tammin	2	3

Second Quarter

	goals	points
Beverley	6	9
Tammin	4	5

Third Quarter

	goals	points
Beverley	9	13
Tammin	9	10

Final Quarter

	goals	points
Beverley	15	22
Tammin	11	12

Umpire was G. McCormish.

Free Kicks:—

Beverley: 3, 4, 3, 6,—16.
Tammin: 7, 8, 6, 2—23.

Goal Kickers:—

Beverley: Burgess 5.3; Denton 2.5; Moir 2.4; Hall 2.2; Grover 1.4; Ugle 1.2; D. Edwards 1.0; Collard 1.0; Rigoll 0.2.

Tammin: Youngman 2.3; Marinich 2.1; Caffel 1.1; Patmore 1.3; Nugent 1.1; Tremlett 1.1; Lippiatt 1.0; Read 1.0; Aitkenhead 1.0; forced 2 pts.

Beverley had no better player than Dale Edwards who turned in another great performance at centre and was the pick of the thirty-six; Most effective when roving and when spelling in a pocket was Burgess, and Les Woods turned in a great performance at full back and centre half-back, and consistently urged his side on; Little behind them came Blechynden who gave of his utmost in the ruck; Grover who marked well at half forward, and gave his best performance yet for Beverley; and L. Collard who played well as ruck rover.

For Tammin Youngman takes top place, Patmore, who proved a clever and elusive footballer Caffel, his first half play was a mighty effort as he drove Tammin forward time and again; Aitkenhead went well on a wing and Nugent did everything to try and keep his side moving, he was unfortunate in having to leave the field during the third term; Gangell outmarked his opponent at centre half back in the first half and kept out many attacks.

Points for this week:—

A GRADE

3. D. Edwards.
2. P. Burgess.
1. L. Woods.

A. RESERVE

3. P. Ugle.
2. G. Robinson.
1. P. Edwards.

WASTED OPPORTUNITIES COST BEVERLEY A. RESERVE MATCH

Bad forward play, and lack of concentration when kicking for goals resulted in Beverley losing to Tammin by 17 points. The sides were fairly even, but Beverley had 3 more scoring shots than their opponents and lost the game. In the third quarter they had seven shots at goals for seven points, and could have had a handy lead at three quarter time, because they kept Tammin down to two scoring shots for the term, and yet were still behind. Although Beverley drew to within 4 pts at one stage in the last term, Tammin went away again to win.

Tammin played the better football of the two teams; on occasions opening up the play by playing on and showing some good team-work. That was the difference between the two sides. Tammin's goals resulted from a quick transference of play into open forward lines, while Beverley's goals resulted from a dogged forcing of the ball forward on most occasion.

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Third Quarter

	goals	points
Beverley	3	11
Tammin	5	5

Final Quarter

	goals	points
Beverley	5	12
Tammin	9	5

Umpire: R. Scott.

Free Kicks:—
Tammin: 13.
Beverley: 17.

Best for Tammin were: Chamberlain, Kickett, Read, Garlett and Chatfield.

Best for Beverley were: Ugle, Robinson, P. Edwards, Willey, Sutherland and Holman.

Goal Kickers:—

Tammin: McLeod 3; Garlett 3; Kicket 1; Chatfield 1; Wilkins 1.

Beverley: Robinson 2; Willey 1; Clements 1; Hansen 1.

Meckering Outplay Towns in Both Grades

The Meckering A. and A. Reserve sides both proved too good for their opposite numbers of Towns club in the opening matches of the 1962 season at Jubilee Oval, Northam on Sunday.

Meckering drew first blood in the form of a single point about eight minutes after the first bounce in the senior game, but no particular significance was attached to this as the sides seemed to be evenly matched.

The score at the end of the first quarter was—Towns 4 goals 2 behinds, Meckering 4 goals 2 behinds.

Soon after the second quarter started it became evident that Towns would have to improve their play if they were to hold their opponents.

Individual Towns players performed well from time to time, but the team work of the visitors was consistent throughout.

Accurate marking by the Meckering players was particularly noticeable and the home team appeared to play into their hands by failing to keep the ball down.

Although by half-time the position had changed very much to Towns' disadvantage, the situation was not at that stage by any means hopeless. The second quarter ended with the score Towns 5 goals 4 behinds; Meckering 10 goals 8 behinds.

From the bounce in the third quarter the visitors proceeded to smother the opposition. By their positional play they gave the impression that they must have had at least twice as many men on the field as their opponents.

When an occasional foray was made towards the Meckering goal the forward line was seldom in position to back it up and Towns were completely outplayed.

The story of the third quarter is best told by the scores, which were Towns 5 goals 6 behinds; Meckering 16 goals 11 behinds.

Towns played with more cohesion in the final term. There were several good rallies but most of them petered out before anything could be achieved.

Despite their last-minute effort the home team were able to add only three goals to their score while Meckering put through five goals. The final scores were Towns 8 goals 6 behinds; Meckering 21 goals 14 behinds.

Goal kickers were—Meckering: W. Cox (4), P. Ridley (3), G. Kerr, G. Rothnie, L. Jinman, K. Snooke, K. Hill (2 each), J. Crapp, R. Whissen, L. Partridge, D. Snooke. Towns F. Doyle (3), R. Friessbourg (2), F. Leeder, A. Williams, R. Sertorini.

Best players—Meckering: L. Partridge, L. Jinman. P. Ridley. Towns: A. Williams, M. Pelich, G. Teasdale, M. Danielson.

A. RESERVE

Final scores in the A. Reserve match were:—

Meckering 11 goals 13 behinds; Towns 9 goals 7 behinds.

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Jim Aiken Dies Suddenly

"In the midst of life we are in death". The words of the scriptural injunction intoned by the Rev'd Simmonds, of Quairading, as the mortal remains of the late Jim Aiken were laid to rest in brilliant sunshine at the Anglican cemetery on Tuesday morning had special significance for the big gathering of local residents gathered together to pay their last tribute of respect. To all, his suddent passing at an early hour on Monday morning, had come as a great shock and a reminder once again of the uncertainties of earthly life.

Stanley James Aiken (Jim to everyone) had appeared as well and as jovial as ever among friends the previous evening and it was difficult for them to realise that death had struck so suddenly and inexorably within a few hours when they learnt of his passing the following morning. There was a district wide outpouring of sympathy to the bereaved in their great loss.

He was born in the East Beverley district 55 years ago, the first of the children of the late Walter and Mrs. Aiken, who had come from South Australia to take up farming activities in this district. Educated here he began farming on his own account as a young man when he acquired the 2,200 acres property formerly controlled by Messrs. Wood and Board. Subsequently named "Merrylin" this had been his home up to a fortnight ago when as a result of a heart ailment he was advised to curtail his activities. He then bought a home in Forrest Street, Beverley, where with his wife and two daughters he has resided for the past fortnight.

He was taken ill at about 2 o'clock on Monday morning and received medical attention after which he seemed much improved, but relapsed shortly afterwards and had soon passed away.

Mrs. Aiken was formerly Mena Draper and the couple were married in Beverley over twenty years ago. The family comprises daughters Merryl and Valerie. Jim's aged mother Mrs. Ann Aiken, still resides at Balkuling and others who mourn his untimely demise are sisters Ethel (Mrs. Ashworth) and Dorris (Mrs. Mitchell) both of whom reside in Perth, and brother, Hugh, of Balkuling.

Quiet and unassuming Jim was a well-liked member of the Beverley community. He was a great supporter of the Beverley Football Club as well as most other sporting organisations ,incldng the golf club with members of which he spent many happy hours, although he did not himself play. A year or two ago he took up bowls and last season made considerable progress in the game.

The funeral was one of the largest seen here in years. Due to the renovations being carried out at St. Mary's Anglican Church the whole of the service was held at the cemetery, the Rev'd Simmonds of Quairading, officiating in the absence of a resident Rector. The cortege moved from the assembly point at the church at 11 a.m.

Good Rains

. . A total of 131 points of rain which fell in soaking showers on Saturday and Sunday last substantially reduced the district's July rainfall leeway. It brought the week's registrations to over 1¼ inches and the month's total to Monday last to 227 points.

Good falls were noted throughout the whole of the district and a pleasing feature was the good intake in farm dams and catchments, which in many cases had been at lower than normal levels.

The Avon and Dale rivers rose sharply and lake waters are now reported to be flowing back to the river at Qualanderry srossing.

Future of Trout Club

The Beverley Trout Club which has not been active for some time is to hold a meeting at Beverley on August 3. Despite the planting of many thousands of fingerlings and fry in the Dale River the trout have apparently failed to flourish and the meeting will decide the future of the club.

As advertised elsewhere in this issue the meeting will be held at the Hotel Beverley at 3 p.m.

Carrier's Long Trip

What may constitute a record trip for a local carrier was embarked on on Tuesday last by Eric Boyle who left with a load of rams from Messrs. C. R. McGlew & Son's "Seaton Ross" property bound for Peter Joy's "Kooline" station, about 300 miles out from Carnarvon. The station has been making purchases of "Seaton Ross" rams for some years past.

Mr. Boyle estimates that he will have covered some 2000 miles before reaching home again.

The rams will be off-loaded at Carnarvon for a period before the journey from that point to the station is continued.

Anxious to see some of the Northern country which is stated to be looking its best just now Messrs. "Digger" Fisher and Norm Smith will accompany the contractor and act as relief drivers.

CHAMPIONSHIP GOLF

Minchin and Oliver for Final

Played under wretched conditions on Sunday the elimination rounds of the Beverley Golf Club's 1962 championship and associated events has reduced the fields to the finalists in all divisions. It was the worst golfing weather encountered for several years at Beverley, nearly one and a half inches of rain falling over the course from Saturday to mid-afternoon on Sunday and it says something for the enthusiastic approach to the game here that few players cancelled their engagements. Fairways and greens were completely waterlogged at times and although most contestants were attired as if for the arctic, conditions were most uncomfortable.

THE TITLE EVENT

The day saw the eclipse of Dick Broun, the club captain and champion for the past five years. His run of successes ended when he was beaten in the semifinal by Jim Minchin (who had previously beaten David Weaver) 5 and 4 in the afternoon. In the quarter final he had beaten past champion Alf Winfield 4 and 3 but could not match it with Minchin who led early and was never headed although his opponent held his own over the final stages of the match.

Paul Oliver the 17-year-old junior defeated Tom Barrett-Lennard 5 and 4 in the morning, playing fine golf to be only 3 over the card despite the conditions when the match ended at the fourteenth green. Ron Strange was beaten by another of the Club's outstanding junior in Terry Winfield to the tune of 2 and 1 in the morning. Neither players were at their best but Terry improved greatly in his semi-final against Oliver after lunch and led 1 up at the turn. However the latter's play improved under pressure and he ultimately won a great match 2 and 1.

Minchin is in great form, having recently won the Balkuling Cup and the Avon Valley championship, whilst his recent games at Beverley has produced a par 72 round. Three years ago he was beaten in a championship final against Broun whilst last year he was beaten 2 and 1 by Paul Oliver in a semi-final match. Oliver is also playing consistent golf and his record is a good one. At 14 he won a third division final and in his second year of golf he qualified to be beaten in a quarter final by Broun whilst last year he played off in the final against Broun to be beaten 2 and 1. He thus appears in the final for the second successive season.

Both finalists are smooth-swinging and polished stroke makers who could produce a very fine brand of golf when they meet in the final on Sunday week.

FOOTBALLERS TUSSLE

Two ex-League footballers met in the semi-final of the Plate in the afternoon. They were Bert Wansbrough (who has also played for the State) and who had beaten J. C. Weaver 2/1 in the morning and Dave McIntosh, conqueror of Jack Thomas in the quarter final. The ex-Perth star won a 1 up decision over East Perth and he will meet Dacre Barrett-Lennard in the final. Dacre had beaten Barry Winfield in the morning 4 and 3 and met Fred Bremner junior who had defeated O. R. Vallentine in the quarter-final. The semi-final went to the 19th hole.

OTHER DIVISIONS

Semi-final matches in the other division resulted as follows:—

Consolation Plate: R. C. Richardson defeated C. D. Smith 3/2; H. Norris defeated R. Jones, 1 up at the 19th.

Saucer: R. K. Smith defeated P. Gordon 3/2; J. B. Barnsley w.o. E. B. Barsnley.

Consolation Saucer: P. Bremner defeated D. Paramor 3/1; R. Kempton defeated G. Gillespie 2 up.

Flying Saucer: C. Carr w.o. E. Boyle; K. Blechynden 8/7 v. J. Fleay. Blechynden scored the two easiest wins of the day as he had won his quarter final 8/6.

It should be noted that in all matches excepting the championship matches were off handicaps.

New Bowling League Suggested

One of the most interesting items of discussion at the annual meeting of members of the Beverley Bowling Club held at the Lesser Hall last Friday night concerned a suggestion that a new bowling League comprising factions from Beverley, Brookton, York and Quairading Club be formed. All the clubs concerned at present are associated with the Avon Valley League centred at Northam and also embracing Cunderdin, Meckering, Goomalling and other centres.

In supporting such a move Mr. Les Weaver, M r. Dave Rigoll, and others present spoke of the present unwieldy Association and pointed out that as the Clubs concerned in the proposed new League at present play in the Southern section of the Avon Association there would be little disruption and players would continue to meet fellow bowlers with whom they are at present competing.

In regard to support which could be expected on the occasion of the Ford Carnival and other fixtures Mr. Weaver thought that those clubs who over the years have been supporting Beverley would continue to do so under the suggested new set up.

There appeared to be general agreement with the idea presented and secretary Jess Tudor was asked to write the Clubs concerned to obtain their views on the proposal.

BUILDING FUND PROPOSAL

Contained in Treasurer Kevin Gartland's report to the meeting was a suggestion that the Club establish a building account, funds to be put aside for future expansion and improvement of Club facilities.

This led, during general business, to a motion from Mr. Con Smith that such a fund be established and that £150 of the present credit be used to establish same.

Mr. Jess Tudor pointed out that this involved some difficulties as it was impossible to say at this stage what the club's committments in regard to the coming season would be. There could be greater expenditure on wages, and other items.

After Mr. Tudor had spoken Mr. Smith withdrew his motion.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Club subscriptions are to remain as last year.

Riding School

As advertised in an earlier issue the Beverley Horsemen's Association have again been fortunate to secure the services of that very capable instructress, Mrs. Hope Russell, for their Riding School to be conducted from 26th August to 1st September, inclusive. All intending pupils should send their names in to the Secretary, Mrs. E. D. Cullen, not later than 10th August. It is with regret that the Committee finds it impossible this year to arrange for the loan of horses, ponies or gear. Mrs. Russell has again agreed to run a class for Adults (or anyone unable to attend during the day) from 5-6 p.m. Fees: Full tuition, 3 gns per child for the week. Tuition from 5-6 p.m. 2 gns for the week.

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The Lakes as a Recreational Area

The survey of a new access road to the lakes in the County Peak area south-east of Beverely has been completed and the road will shortly be available for use by the public. It runs along the boundary fence between Mr. Eric McLean and Mr. Colin McLean's properties and reaches the lakes at a point between McLean's Lake and Racecourse Lake. For the time being it will not be fenced off.

This facility which has been brought about by the generous action of Mr. Eric McLean, who made the land available will be appreciated by picnicers, boating enthusiasts, sightsee-ers and later by the shooting fraternity who in the past have had to trespass on private land to reach this portion of the lakes system. Farmers in the area have been most cooperative over the years but the provision of a public access road creates a much more satisfactory situation for all concerned and especially in the shooting season.

Until the road is fenced off gates will be in use at the turn-off and at the lakes end. Visitors to the lakes via the road should see that they are closed after use.

A survey is also being undertaken in regard to the provision of a road through Butler's Boyagarra property from off the Lake Mear's road adjoining up with the Brookton East road to Lakeside and other areas. This road has always been shown as a public thoroughfare on district maps and lithos but over the years has been in disuse and fenced across at several points. It will pass over Qualanderry Crossing and through the Boyagarra farming lands shortening the journey from Beverley to that portion of the East Brookton district. Sportsmen will find it most convenient.

DEVELOPING THE LAKES

As was announced through these columns recently the government has approved (with certain provision re non-liability for salt encroachment on lakeside properties) a plan to raise the retaining wall at Qualanderry crossing another two feet to ensure at all times sufficient water in the lower lakes to facilitate boating, water ski-ing and other recreational activities. The work is estimated to cost £1200 and the additional benefits which could accrue would be the lessening of the volume of salt impregnated lake water reaching the Avon and which is believed to contribute in large degree to the deterioration of the Avon River water, which at one time was comparatively fresh.

Mr. Jack McLean, who has been an enthusiastic advocate for development of the lakes as a recreational centre, informs us that only one signature is now required in regard to the necessary indemnification of the government and Shire Council against any future claims by landholders in the area following the raising of the retaining wall.

FIVE FEET OF WATER

Due to the good rains received earlier this year in the Morbinning Gully basin, to the inflow from the Avon when it was at peak level, and to the drainage from the lakes system further eastwards the County Peak lakes at the river end now contain much more water than was the cast at any period last season. Water is still flowing over the present retaining wall at Qualanderry and there is almost five feet of water in McLean's, Racecourse and other lakes in the area. By adding another two feet to the wall it seems certain water would be retained throughout the summer months, during which they normally dry out.

Mr. Jack McLean is a speed boat enthusiast, having purchased a boat and ski-ing equipment last year. Unfortunately Rocky Lake was the only lake containing sufficient water to float the craft last summer but Jack has early taken advantage of the conditions prevailing this year and a week ago he gave his boat a run on the lower lakes opposite the property.

OVER THREE MILES SPIN

From the river end he was able to drive the craft at speed for between three and four miles to the eastern end of Racecourse lake before returning to the starting point. Son Ron had the honour of being the first person to mount a pair of skis behind a speedboat on this part of the lakes system.

Access to each of the lakes travelled over is obtained through narrow channels which are carrying plenty of water in which to maneouvre the boat.

It is believed that access will also be possible through a connecting channel to another large area of water in Ossig's Lake which could add another two miles to the run.

LAUNCHING SITE

Mr. McLean has prepared a launching site for the benefit of speed boat owners and this is a much more satisfactory facility than was the case with the one prepared last season at Rocky Lake.

The site is siuated at the south end of the new access road and is very convenient for those visiting the area.

Incidently, Mr. McLean reports that large numbers of wild duck and other waterfowl were seen from the boat during its recent trial run in the area. Sportsmen in the district who were at first somewhat concerned regarding the affects speed boating would have on the lake wild fowl and the shooting in the area have now mostly come around to the opinion that it will not greatly affect their seasonal activities. A number consider that if the lakes level is raised beneficial affects could follow in that a larger wooded area would be water covered affording more vantage points.

Speed boating and its accompanying activities have been coming into their own on inland waterways in recent years, often through government assistance. Championship meetings at a number of which coastal owned boats competed were held last summer at Norring Lake in the Wagin district. Wherever boating facilities can be provided it provides a pleasant form of recreation and can add to the pleasures of life in the country. That its popularity in these areas is on the increase is evident by the number of farmers in the Beverley-Quairading districts who acquired boats last summer, using them on local waters and taking them to the coast when annual holidays came around.

FOOTBALL

Players Stood Down

Under the rules governing the Avon Valley Football Association players from the various clubs who are selected for an Association team must appear unless they have excuses that the Association is prepared to accept (illness, etc.)

That the rule is to be enforced is evident from the action of delegates to an Association meeting held at Meckering on Monday night when eight players from various clubs who had been selected for Association teams in the recent carnival and who did not make themselves available were stood down for one playing date.

Players and clubs affected were:—

Bransby and Ashworth (York).
Lane (Federals).
Carr (Towns).
Clarke and Wright (Quairading).
Goddard and Aitkenhead (Tammin).

Traffic Offences

At Beverley on August 10, Allan Lewis Moore, of Greenbushes, was fined £5, with 8/- costs, for riding an unlicensed motor-cycle on the 19th of January, 1962. This charge arose out of an accident at Edwards Crossing, when the rider failed to negotiate the bend.

Lindsay Robert Sturges, of Katanning was fined £10, with 8/- costs and license suspended for 2 months, for speeding. This was the driver's first offence, but evidence was given that after driving through Beverley at 45 m.p.h. he did not stop when called upon, and accelerated to 65 m.p.h.

Ronald Claude Fairhead, of Beverley was fined £2, with 8/- costs, on each of two charges: Driving a tractor and scarifier more than 8 feet wide without displaying warning signs at front and rear; and driving a tractor and scarifier which was likely to be unsafe. This charge arose out of an accident in which the railings of a bridge at Mt. Kokeby were damaged.

Robert Donald Shackles, of Beverley was fined £2, with 8/- costs, for failing to stop at the Stop sign at the intersection of Vincent St and Hunt Road.

The Gordon's Departure

A round of farewell gatherings has marked the impending departure from the district of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Gordon. Formerly of the A.N.Z. Bank staff at Beverley, Peter is entering the service of a private firm and first item of the new agenda is a trip to Melbourne where he will stay for about three months in perparation for his new duties.

The family leaves Beverley this week-end.

As secretary of the Towns Cricket Club he has been honoured by a gathering held at Mr. and Mrs. Bill Smith's "Chosen" property at the Dale, at which thanks was expressed to him for the help he has rendered the club in that office. A presentation as a memento of his Beverley days was made. In returning thanks Peter wished the Club every success for the future.

Other gatherings have been of a private nature arranged by friends of the family who have extended best wishes.

Dale Property Deal

The sale has been effected through Messrs Barrow & Richardson, acting on behalf of Dalgety's of Mr. "Chubby" Strange's 900 acre property at the Dale and some 17 miles from Beverley.

Mr. Strange has been connected with the property for many years past. It is typical Dale clover country but has not been fully developed.

The purchaser is Mr. Archie Boyle, well-known local carrier, and the price paid was £10 per acre. Mr. Strange will continue to live in Beverley where his home has been situated for years past.

IMPENDING DEAL

We understand that one of the district's historic properties is about to change hands but finality in the negotiations has not yet been announced.

Bowls Enthusiasts Busy

Although the bowling season is many weeks away a few of the Club's enthusiasts are putting in much work on the local green in an endeavour to improve the playing surface for coming games.

Using a special type of fork-like implement made specially for the job they are perforating the playing surface with hundreds of thousands of half inch diameter holes. Each of the implements has three hollow prongs through which a core of earth is forced to the surface and afterwards carted away. The holes are four inches apart.

The coring operation is necessary to off-set the compacting of the surface that has occurred over many playing years and to aerate the roots of the grass.

The holes made do not affect the playing qualities of the green and will be filled in during the sanding and top dressing operations which will follow.

The work has been regarded as very necessary for years past. It involves a tremendous amount of tedious labour and the rank and file of members must be appreciative of the enthusiasm of the volunteers who have undertaken the task.

Local Identity Leaves

Mr. William (Billy) Bergin is to live in future at Clackline. He has been something of a local identity for the past 54 years, residing for a very long time on a small porperty not far from the race course. For a period at one time he was domiciled at Kokeby.

Billy was born at Roebourne in the North West from which centre he came to this district.

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The Advertisers Were Generous

Some local business folk were generous this week when a stranger to the town sought advertising on 2000 score cards which were to be printed and given to the local Bowling Club.

The newcomer, quite legitimately, sought four advertisements for the cards which were to be printed in the city (at a very cheap rate it was stated).

Although there were several refusals support was forthcoming from four businesses.

The cost for each advertiser was £8/8/-.

If our arithmetic is correct this works out at £33/12/- paid by the four concerned for the 2000 cards.

The printing of bowling score cards is a simple job. Any office could turn them out. The price indicated above, however, is something managements might dream about but never realise.

As witness the following facts:

Last year among the score cards used at Beverley were hundreds executed at this office to the order of one of Australia's leading oil firms, which uses all types of advertising media. The firm, because it was prepared to support country industry, sought a quote for 2000 cards carrying advertisements.

The price was £12/10/- including sales tax and the order was duly executed and delivered to the club as a gift from the firm. There were no complaints and apparently everyone was happy.

Verification of this can be obtained from the Shell Co. of Australia and also from BP Australia Limited for whom we had earlier executed a similar order.

The eight guineas paid by each local businessman represented a guinea more than the annual subscription to the club would have entailed.

Bowling Clubs very rarely pay for score cards. They are supplied gratis by advertisers. There is no guarantee that the card used will carry a local firm's advt. They are just as likely to carry the advts of business in other towns, of bowl manufacturers, banks, or any of a score of organisations.

The club itself had nothing to do with the latest move in regard to its score cards. Secretary Jess Tudor had explained that such matters were outside his province and of no concern to members. It was purely a matter for those who sought to supply the cards as an advertising medium.

It seems we came in at the wrong end of the printing game. We should have chosen the promotional angle.

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LOCAL ENTERPRISE

Factory Prepares for Summer Rush

Despite the strong competition exerted by city-owned factories it is pleasing to see that local enterprise in the shape of Messrs. L. P. Swan & Son's Blue Crown aerated water factory continues each year to turn out thousands of dozens of bottles of cool drinks which find a ready sale in these areas. Consignments are regularly crated for all adjoining towns where the drinks have an established reputation for purity and flavour and consequently find much favour.

The Blue Crown factory in Queen Street has been established for many years and by frequent purchases of new equipment the production of drinks of all flavours and including cordials has been streamlined.

A visit by a representative of this paper to the factory this week revealed operations in full swing as the staff of four prepare for the coming summer by building up a stock of four thousand dozen drinks.

Absolute cleanliness in the preparation of the receptacles is assured. Outside the main building an oil fired boiler supplies boiling water to the washing machine through which the bottles are fed on an endless chain. The machine is completely automatic, subjecting the bottles to jets of hot water and caustic solutions both inside and out and then rinsing with cold water before it delivers them to an operator who examines them thoroughly before a strong light. Those that do not pass the inspection are re-treated. The washing process in addition to thoroughly cleaning the inside of the bottles also removes all traces of the old labels. The machine handles 120 dozen bottles an hour.

In another part of the factory pure water is mixed with CO_2 gas (obtained in cylinders from the city) in a special machine driven by a 3 h.p. motor, the end result of the process being the "sparkle" which is a feature of all the Blue Crown products. This is an important part of the drink-making process, it being necessary that the water and gas be mixed with the water at the right temperature. A chilling process is used in the summer months to ensure this.

After the required quantity of gas has been injected the treated water (soda water) is pumped to the bottling machine which, fed with the cleaned empties, places the required quantity of the flavouring syrup into each bottle. The bottle moves on a further stage and a partial vacuum is created in the receptacle before it is filled with the soda water. The last process is the sealing of the bottles with Crown corks and the packing into cases containing two dozen drinks. The machine delivers a bottle of the finished product every five seconds.

The factory uses over 12 tons of refined sugar each season and large quantities of flavouring syrups of all types. These latter are stored in an upstairs portion of the factory where the mixture which gives each type of drink its distinctive flavour is prepared.

Thousands of cases are used in the packing and despatch of the drinks to clients and these are made on the premises. The staff has recently been busy making two thousand cases for the new season. They are cut by motor driven saws from new jarrah sleepers, painted and stencilled with the name of the factory.

To take care of the increasing demand for Blue Crown products another filling machine has been purchased and will be installed within the next few weeks.

There is inevitably a big loss of bottles each year despite the premium on the return of empties and this week 1200 dozen new bottles from the Perth makers were received at the factory.

The call for drinks naturally falls off in the winter months but the management reports that there is a steady call from hotels here and elsewhere for lemonade and for Blue Crown Dry Ginger Ale which has a deservedly high reputation among all sections of the community.

The Blue Crown factory is one of the few aerated water factories left in the country areas where at one time almost every town had its local drink-making plant.

That it continues to operate at a time when country industry is faced with many diverse problems is a tribute to its product and its management. As an employer of labour its continued operation means additional spending power in the hands of the community and it is worth your support.

Tribute to York Farmer

..One of the biggest attendances ever noted at a York funeral was present to pay tribute to one of York's best known farming personalities in the late Mr. Thomas William Boyle when his mortal remains were laid to rest in the Anglican cemetery at that centre on August 20.

The late Mr. Boyle, who was 77 years of age, was born in the York district and had lived there all his life.

Engaged in farming pursuits since leaving school, Mr. Boyle was a man of original ideas and pioneered a new era of agriculture in the Avon Valley.

Taught as a young man to grow wheat, he was one of the first to realise the effect continual cropping had on the soil, and his grass farming, pea growing and fat-lamb raising set a high standard, which, followed by others, aided in keeping the Avon Valley the prosperous area it is today.

Mr. Boyle is survived by his widow, seven sons and a daughter. A brother, Mr. Jack Boyle resides at Beverley.

Interesting Lakes Run

Further to the story we ran on this page a fortnight ago regarding the use of the County Peaks lakes as a recreational reserve and Mr. Jack McLean's inaugural run in his speed boat we are now in receipt of an interesting items of news from Mr. Henry Hall, well-known boating enthusiast and keen honorary game warden who lives in the Dangin area.

The information is culled from a letter he wrote to Mr. McLean and tells of a much lengthier trip he undertook with success from Mud Lake (adjacent Rocky Lake) to the river crossing at Qualanderry. That he was able to negotiate this successfully is indication that there is a very big volume of water in the area this season. Few who know the Lakes country woud have thought it would be possible to cruise through the narrow channels which connect the lakes in the region. We found his letter of such interest that we have sought and obtained Henry's permission to publish same. The letter reads:—

Dear Jack,

We've been skiing most week-ends at the Rockies since the lakes ran. I suppose the older we get, the sillier we are, but when we heard your name being thrown around on the wireless we thought we'd better have a look down stream a bit.

We put the boats in on Mud Lake and found we had to push them for a couple of hundred yards; then we were floating and we never touched bottom till we got down to the river crossing.

I've done a few runs on Norring, Dumbleyung, Gundaring and Lake Muir, but for a real scenic cruise this takes some beating. And the simple job it would be to raise the crossing two feet made my eyes bug out. In fact, I nearly got onto a shovel straight away.

It looks as though a two foot rise would give 7 feet of water over most of the lakes up to the Mud Lake, which would just about do over the whole summer.

We did a ski run all the way back to the entrance to Mud Lake and kept the boat at a steady 30 m.p.h. It took 12½ minutes so it looked as though there is about 5 miles of water straight through not counting the bends.

We must have this job done somehow, and any help I can give is just waiting the word.

Hope the season is treating you well.

Yours faithfully,

Henry Hall.

Repertory Aids Good Causes

(Contributed)

Great credit is due to the Repertory Club for the presentation of the revue "Merry-go-Round" to assist the Spastic Welfare and Legacy.

The large audience was treated to some novel entertainment and many thanks must be extended to Mrs. Bailey, her talented family and other local artists with a special mention for Biddy Bailey, who came from Perth to assist. Her polished performance showed no sign of the fatigue and anxiety she must have felt when her scooter broke down on the journey. Mrs. Bailey extracts the best from her too small band of musical artists, not forgetting her sweet-voiced youngest daughter, and a great deal of energy and time obviously went into the revue "Merry-go-Round".

The one-act-play "A Husband for Breakfast" was a pleasant "pipe opener" for the Show to follow. It was pleasing to see Margaret Grigson again taking part and two newcomers in Mrs. Gronow and Tim Barrett-Lennard.

Mrs. Miles did an excellent job at the piano, and we are indeed fortunate in having in our community a member who so graciously gives her time and service to so many good causes.

The Spastic Welfare and Legacy will benefit to the tune of some £40 Well done, Repertory!

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Bright Seasonal Outlook

The rains which marked the first week of October has compensated for the much below average falls of September, when only 60 points were guaged at Beverley and the harvest prospects in this district are now very bright.

The falls in a few cases came rather late for pastures which had wilted under warm conditions but crops have benefitted enormously and good yields are forecasted. It was a very timely fall and ended a period of anxiety for the farming community.

The registrations at the Beverley post office for the first week of the month totalled 121 points and falls of up to 1½ inches were reported from many properties.

Up to the end of August only 978 points had been guaged at Beverley representing below average registrations for this area.

Crow Suspect

A crow shot at the Dale a few days ago is suspected to be of the "Ceylon" type which caused concern in this State when discovered in the Fremantle area a couple of years ago.

The bird was shot by Bill Nicholls near his fowl run. He states that it was not of the type common to this State and he believes it is a Ceylon crow.

He has been in touch with the Agricultural Department and a departmental officer is coming over from Northam to identify the bird.

The Ceylon crow is somewhat smaller than the Australian type.

Sunday's Exodus

The district population must have been enormously depleted for a time on Sunday last when there was a general exodus to Northam by football followers to witness the Avon Valley Association grand finals.

There was a continuous stream of cars along York Road from an early hour on Sunday, the local contingent of enthusiasts being augmented by followers from Brookton, Pingelly and other centres.

Earliest arrivals at the Northam ground were from Beverley and comprised the Clarrie Mitting family who arrived before 9 a.m. Clarrie who is a trainer with Beverley is so wrapped up in the game that he finds it difficult to sleep before a big fixture.

A crowd of thousands from all districts embraced in the Association watched the matches and car space was at a premium from an early hour. Beverley teams involved had a very big following among the crowd and it was not lack of encouragement from the sidelines that prevented a double success.

Disappointment that Beverley failed to record its third consecutive premiership success in A grade was offset by the win recorded by A Reserve—in itself a splendid augury for the future of the local club.

VISIT TO THE LAKES

Visiting the district this week-end will be the Commissioner of Main Roads, Mr. J. D. Leach. It is not an official visit. Mr. Leach is a friend of Mr. F. R. Bremner and is coming to Beverley at the latter's invitation to spend a day here and inspect the lakes system in the County Peak-Bally Bally area. The development of the lakes as a recreational area has been occupying the attention of a number of enthusiasts in recent months and as the lakes are now filled, opportunity has been taken to invite Mr. Leach in order to show him what is envisaged for the future. He has evinced interest in the project for some time past.

That keen enthusiast for lakes development, Mr. Jack McLean, is making his speedboat available and Mr. Leach will be taken for a run over the lakes system from the Qualanderry crossing to Ossig's Lake. It is expected that a number of other boating enthusiasts from surrounding districts will be present including Mr. Henry Hall, of Dangin, who recently made a boat trip from near Rocky Lake right through to the river.

Mr. McLean recently reported that he had prepared a new launching site for boats near the Eastern end of Racecourse Lake. This offered better facilities than the site which had at first been prepared at McLean's Lake. Those taking boats to the lake can reach the site along the new access road along the boundary fence between Colin and Eric McLean's properties, turning left when the lakes area is reached and proceeding along a bush track.

SURVEY UNDER WAY

As was announced through these columns recently an amount of £1200 is being made available for the raising of the retaining wall at Qualanderry Crossing in order to contain another two feet of water over the Lakes system. No objections to the project have been raised by farmers in the area.

It is considered that the increased volume of impounded water will assure that water remains in the lakes throughout the summer months and will substantially increase the area over which boating, skiing and similar summer-time activities will be possible.

Departmental surveyors are now busy at the site as a preliminary to the raising of the retaining wall.

The flood gates at Qualanderry were closed many weeks ago and the water level at present is two or three inches below the top of the present retaining wall.

FOOTBALL

The Sequence Ends

Beverley's attempt to win its third consecutive Avon Valley Football Association Premiership ended with its defeat by Quairading at Northam on Sunday last but the side's prestige suffered little in the process for they played valiantly throughout the season and to have again figured in the grand final against the best that a far-flung Association could muster against them, is itself a first rate achievement.

Beverley failed against a team that was superior on the day and congratulations must go to the representatives of our sister town on taking out their first premiership. They are physically endowed to play a very rugged type of football and they exploited the advantage with success. Although it is vain to make excuses there is no doubt that Quairading were greatly advantaged by the absence of two such notable exponents of the game as Les Woods and Johnny Denton from the opposition ranks.

Although it did not compensate fully for the loss of the Premiership, the success of Beverley A. Reserve against Tammin was an achievement of much merit and in keeping with the steady progress Beverley has made in this division. A Reserve constitutes a reservoir of football talent from which our representatives in future premiership tussles will be largely drawn and it was heartening to the club and to all followers of the national game here to see them win through to the top honours to which their performances in the preliminary games had entitled them.

The game's big following of local followers have been given their money's worth throughout the season and although entitled to suffer a tinge of regret regarding the grand final outcome, will look back with pleasure to the many thrilling expositions of good football that have been provided week by week. The season's performances have been such as to indicate that Beverley will continue to be a force to be reckoned with in Assocsociation football.

Country Party Appointment

The Hon. H. W. Gayfer, M. L. A., has been appointed to the Executive Committee of the Road Safety Division of the National Safety Council of Western Australia. He will represent the Country Party on the Committee.

Ted Board's Demise

The death occurred on September 28th of Mr. John Edward (Ted) Board a former resident of this district who has been ailing for many months past. He was 74 years of age. The funeral took place at Karrakatta on October 1st.

Ted Board's association with Beverley began with his arrival from South Australia with Frank Wood, the two in partnership, conducting farming operations here for some years.

When the partnership was dissolved Mr. Board went to Kalgoorlie where he lived for many years. Whilst in Beverley he had married Miss Pearl Smith member of a well-known district family who has many relatives here.

TURF ASSOCIATIONS

Messrs. Wood and Board were keenly interested in the turf and whilst in partnership brought over from South Australia two horses which raced in Western Australia for a few seasons with a measure of success.

The most notable was Brilliant Queen, a mare by Pistol out of a South Australian mare. Pistol carried the blood of the most famous horse in Australian turf history—Carbine—and the importation was later to have a profound effect on the Western Australian and Australian turf being responsible for the ultimate emergence of Aquinita, now adjudged the best horse in the Commonwealth and the current favourite for the Caulfield Cup to be run on Saturday week.

Brilliant Queen became the property of the late Dr. R. P. Hodgson and put to the stud produced notable performers. First mated with Yodelist she produced Jongleur which as a two year old held a record with six consecutive wins on Perth tracks. Jongleur broke down on a wet track at headquarters and under a heavy weight but later produced a number of winners as a sire.

Another of Brilliant Queen's get was Echoiste a moderate, performer, who was later to become the dam of Reinita, which at one time held a Western Australian record. Mated with Wateringbury, an English sire Reinita got Aquinita the ruling champion whose latest performances have been watched with intense interest by all local turf followers aware of its breeding lines and their association with this district.

No one, however, could have watched Aquinita's emergence as a champion of the Australian turf with greater interest than Ted Board did over the concluding months of his life.

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RIFLE SHOOTING

Bruce Blechynden Club Champion

Bruce Blechynden became champion of the Beverley Rifle Club for the 1961-62 season after the final title shoot on the local range last Sunday. He finished with a grand total of 280 for the several shoots of the competition and with this tally staved off a challenge by a much younger shooter in George Holman, who scored 278 points. Close up in third place were Frank Blechynden, Bob Eyre and Jack Manuel, each with 276, whilst Dick Watson tallied 275.

Bruce is one of the Club's most enthusiastic members and a regular attendant at the weekly shoots but this is the first season that he has met with success in the campionship. In past years he has been overshadowed by his brother Frank who has an outstanding record in the title event.

George Holman's performance in finishing second to Blechynden was a very good one and in keeping with the steady progress he has made in the sport since takin it up a few years ago. When on a liberal handicap he had a remarkably successful season two years ago but is now one of the club's short markers.

SUNDAY'S SHOOT

Sunday's final of the championship was fired in association with a competition over the 600 and 700 yards ranges for the Steve Edwards trophy.

The winner was George Holman who laid strong claim to the prize at the first mound when he top scored with a 47. He was also the best at 700 yards when he again dropped only three points and he finished a fraction better than 99 (with handicap added) to beat G. Edwards (97) whilst Jack Manuel and R. Edwards tied for third place with 94's.

Conditions on Sunday were difficult as the warm conditions were creating a troublesome mirage for shooters and scores generally were not up to the usual standard.

Holman's 47 at the first range was followed by 45's from Bruce Blechynden, and G. Edwards whilst at the longer range the best, excluding Holman, was Jack Manuel's 46. Frank Blechynden had a 44.

SEASON DRAWING TO A CLOSE

With the hot weather at hand the season is drawing to a close but there are still a few trophies to be shot for before the wind-up.

Next Sunday morning members will compete over the 600 and 700 yards ranges for the Fowler & Kelly trophy.

BEVERLEY CUP

The Beverley Race Club will conduct its fourth and last meeting of the season on Tuesday, November 6th (Melbourne Cup Day). The usual holiday will be observed for the meeting by the business community.

Fixtures to-date this year have met with fair success and have been aided by good weather but the Race Club regards its Melbourne Cup day outing as its most important meeting and looks for good patronage by local residents.

The meeting has grown in popularity with city racegoers and last year there were more visitors than on any previous occasion. The same measure of interest is again expected.

The main race of the six event programme is the Beverley Cup of £100 including a £25 trophy for the owner of the winning horse and a £5 trophy for the successful jockey.

Tote will operate on the Melbourne Cup, a description of which will be broadcast on the course. Bookmakers will also bet on the Melbourne meeting. Race patrons may enjoy a special early luncheon on the course

Use Them Carefully

Envelopes wtih red, white and blue borders and a "By Airmail" insignia, which are on sale at all stationers, are causing the postal authorities in Perth some trouble because they are being used for mail intended for surface transmission.

Posts and Telegraphs Director J. A. Cousens says that these envelopes should be used only when airmail fees are prepaid. This is particularly important in the case of letters addressed to the United States, where the authorities will not accept such envelopes in surface mail. A large volume of these envelopes are being detected continually in the G.P.O. sorting room.

BIG GATHERING AT LAKES

Something in the nature of a boating regatta transpired at the County Peak-Bally Bally lakes on Sunday last when there was a very big gathering of residents of Beverley, Quairading, Dangin and York. Most of these made the day a picnic one.

Present was the Commissioner of Main Roads, Mr. J. D. Leach who is interested in the efforts being made to develop the lakes as a recreational area. He was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Bremner for the day. Lake areas in other parts of the State and notably in the Wagin district have been popularised as a result of boating activities.

The owners of seven speed boats with ski-ing equipment attended at the local gathering, and they were representative of the Quairading, Dangin, York and Beverley districts. Their craft were brought to the scene on trailers and the new access road between Colin and Eric McLean's properties was used to get to the launching site prepared at the Eastern end of Racecourse Lake.

The sight of all these speed boats skimming the surface of our lakes is something new for the district and much interest was taken in the activities which continued throughout the afternoon.

Most of those in attendance were given the opportunity of having a ride in the boats over the lakes system which extends for several miles and provides a greater variety of maneouvres than is possible on most of inland lakes.

Ski-ing was a very popular diversity. A number of those participating in this activity had very obviously had previous experience but spills were common.

It was noticeable that the lake's wild duck population did not appear to be unduly disturbed by the unaccustomed activity. Mountain duck were often noted flying only a few yards ahead of the speeding craft.

Biggest of the boats noted at the gathering was that belonging to newcomer Norm Charleson. It is a 17-footer and is driven by an 80 horse power motor.

Representative of the latest type of propulsion is the boat owned by Mr. Dennis Kemp, of Kokeby. It works on the jet principle, using water instead of air.

BOWLERS OPEN SEASON

Although the attendance did not seem as big as usual there were sufficient players present to occupy all rinks on the A. green at the opening of the bowling season at Beverley last Sunday afternoon. The weather was all that could be desired and a pleasant social roll-up was enjoyed followed by a delightful afternoon tea served by the ladies.

The playing surface on A. Green has been given a tremendous amount of attention during the winter months, this including the aerating of the whole surface, and it is showing the benefit. The grass has come through well and there appears to be a more even coverage than is usual. It played very even on Sunday. The B green is backward and will not be ready for play for some time yet.

The official opening of the green for the season was entrusted to the Club patron and former member for the district Mr. J. I. Mann who referred to the value of the recreational facilities provided and congratulated the club on its progress wishing members another successful season.

Other speakers at the ceremony were the Club President, Mr. Mat Miller and the Captain, Mr. Bill Brown, who made a number of announcements regarding seasonal arrangements.

Thanks was expressed to the Club's volunteer workers and officials who have done so much in the interests of the game in Beverley.

The attendance of local bowlers at the fixture was augmented by visitors from York and Brookton clubs, these including former residents Charlie Williams and Bill Kirkwood both of whom are residents of York and very keen bowls enthusiasts.

A notable absentee on Sunday was Alex Murray, a keen worker in the club's interests and able bowler despite his 80 odd years. It was the first opening he has missed in fifteen years association with the club and was occasioned by illness. Fellow players will be pleased to hear he is making good progress.

Record Field at Golf Wind-up

The biggest field of players ever noted at a golf wind-up fixture at Beverley attended the closing event of the 1962 season on Saturday last, when nearly 80 members and associates competed in the foursomes competition over nine holes for the Co-Operative Co. trophies. The weather was on the warm side but not unpleasantly so and the outing was most enjoyable from every angle.

This is the first year that a wind-up has been held on Saturday and the move was so successful that it will no doubt become the rule for the future. A social evening followed the afternoon play and many of the participants enjoyed tea at the club house.

Because of the large field the contestants were split into two sections, playing over different nines. The winners were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kempton and Mr. and Mrs. Dave McIntosh.

PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES

Following completion of the afternoon competition the trophies won by members over the season were presented.

Captain of the Club, Dick Broun, introduced President Jack Woods, who officiated for the ceremony, and congratulated the successful contestants.

The speakers in the course of their remarks took the opportunity of thanking the Associates for their co-operation and assistance throughout the year, the members who have assisted at working bees, the volunteers who have helped in the club bar and all others who in various ways have helped to make the 1962 season a success.

A special word of praise to the club's greenkeeper (Alan Husking) for his good service was incluled in the acknowledgements.

IN RETROSPECT

The grass is getting long on the course, the grass seeds are prevalent and the weather will shortly be too hot for enjoyment, but all who have participated in the Club's very full season of activity will look back with pleasure on the outings and the fellowship which the game has provided.

The season closed with a record membership as there has been a steady inflow of new players.

Among those present on Saturday were former players Mr. and Mrs. Ted Blackmore and Mr. and Mrs. John Coats who came up from the city for the fixture and renewed acquaintance with old friends.

Club secretary, Alf Winfield, was able to assemble a number of photographs, many of which were of historical interest and these were displayed during the afternoon. A number had been salvaged from the club house fire. Golf's humble beginnings in Beverley, were reflected in pictures of the old club house and officials

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Harry Lodge's Demise

Taken ill many weeks ago and since then under treatment at Beverley and Perth Hospitals and at his East Yangedine home Mr. Harry Lodge passed away in Perth on Sunday last. He was a very well-known and highly respected member of the Beverley district community with which he had been associated throughout his life. He was 61 years of age.

He was the only son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lodge and has from infancy been connected with East Yangedine a property which his father acquired as a young man. His mother died many years ago and his father more recently.

Both forebears had been prominent in district affairs and particularly in Agricultural Society and Anglian Church activities and the son had largely followed in their footsteps in regard to his interest in these organisations. He has been a vestryman and church warden of St. Mary's Church. During the war he served in the local unit of the VDC.

Mr. Lodge's interests in the East Yangedine property took a more responsible turn when he took over the farm on the retirement of his father, extracts from whose journal covering many years of life in the Beverley district were recently read with much interest though these columns.

The late citizen had been married twice: His first wife passed away at a comparatively early age. Of this union a daughter, Allison, was born. In later years he married again and of this marriage there were two more daughters, Mary and Christine. In addition to the widow and children three sisters, Barbara (Mrs. Reynolds, of Tambellup), Annette (Mrs. Patterson, of Cottesloe) and Ruth (of Beverley) are left to mourn the passing of a good husband and father and a fond brother.

News of Mr. Lodge's demise although it was not unexpected in view of the serious nature of his illness, was received with great regret by the many in this district who had the pleasure of his aquaintance over many years and were aware of his many fine qualities as a citizen, neighbour and friend.

The funeral took place at the Anglican cemetery following a service at St. Mary's Church on Tuesday afternoon. There was a large gathering at church and graveside.

Shooters Good Bags

Local sportsmen had their best opening shoot of the season experienced in many years on December 23rd. last. Lakes and river were well stocked with wildfowl and more shooters obtained their bag limit of fifteen than has been the case for a very long time past.

Every vantage point was manned by local and visiting shooters, there being more of the latter than is usual because of the shortage of water in other districts.

Grey teal predominated the tallies with other species scarce except in the Rocky Lake area where many mountain ducks were shot.

One young shooter attending his first opening obtained his bag limit between Ossig's and Rocky Lake.

For the first time locally an official of the Fauna department attended the shoot in the lakes region and had occasion to warn some shooters regarding a too early start.

Local sportsmen who travelled south to other shooting areas also had good bags to report. Both here and elsewhere a number of banded ducks were taken and the bands have been forwarded to the department for identification as to point of release.

Havoc in Fowl Run

Foxes played havoc in the fowl run at the East Beverley home of Mr. and Mrs. Cedric Smith on Xmas night, a total of thirty-seven laying fowls being destroyed during the absence of the householders.

First intimation of the visit of the marauders came when Mr. and Mrs. Smith returned home after attending a church service in Beverley.

Dead fowls were scattered about the run which was enclosed with a six feet netting fence. Young fowls which were roosting in trees in the vicinity had apparently been unmolested and none of these were killed.

Tracks visible next morning indicated that one of the foxes had scaled the fence. Some of the fowls had had their heads eaten but otherwise it appeared the animals had been on a killing rampage as is so often the case with this type of marauder.

Some of the dead fowls were baited and as two of these were later found to have been removed it is hoped that the animals responsible for this serious loss have been accounted for.

Foxes, generally speaking, do not appear to be as prevalent in the district lately as was the case a few years ago and not so many instances of their nocturnal activities are reported.

However, there is some evidence, including the latest destruction, to indicate that their numbers are on the increase again.

Bowling Notes

Several competitions were completed during Xmas and New Year. The Patron's Fours were won by — Cooper, Les Sims, W. Robins, and S. Price and the Miles and Cooper trophy went to R. Abbey, H. Simmons and J. Fleay.

Sunday 13th at 2p.m. "Mixed Fours".

Wednesday, 16th — Brookton will visit Beverley and play Mixed Fours under light. Play to commence at 7.30p.m. All players a plate please.

Seven Beverley teams are journeying to York on Saturday 12th Jan. to play in the Stacy Fours. Beverley won this event last year.

Dale Ladies' Guild

The Dale Ladies' Guild completed their year's activities with a Xmas Party in the Dale River Hall for the womenfolk of the Dale. There are quite a number of newcomers to the Dale and it was thought that this would give them an opportunity to meet.

Uufortunately a fire and a bereavement, as well as much sickness among the invited guests prevented many from attending.

In spite of all the adverse circumstances however the President, Mrs. V. N. Butcher, welcomed some forty ladies who proceeded to enjoy games, a musical competition, mystery parcels, afternoon tea and much pleasant chit-chat.

The honours in the musical competition went to Mrs. V. Williams, Mrs. M. Simonds won the mystery parcel and the other went to Mrs. J. Lupton.

The Guild is urgently in need of new members and the opportunity was taken to invite any of the ladies present to join. This invitation is warmly extended to any one who would care to help the Guild in its work for district needs, the Churches of all denominations and many deserving Charities in all parts of the State.

In its eleven years of existaance the Guild has raised over £2,000 and distributed it.

Office-bearers for the coming year are:

Mrs. V. N. Butcher President.

Mrs. O. Vallentine Vice President.

Mrs. R. Abbey Treaasurer.
Mrs. I. Butcher Secretary.

The Guild meets monthly on the 3rd. Tuesday at 2.30pm at the homes of the various members, and if any one interested in joining would care to get in touch with the Secretary she would gladly supply them with all necessary details. A warm welcome awaits them from all Guild members.

Boating Season Ending

A new recreational activity which made its appearance in this district for the first time this summer — speed boating on the local lakes system — is ending with the rapid decline of the water levels of the various lakes.

Up to eight boats have been seen on the lakes at some week-ends. They represent an odtlay of many thousands of pounds by the enthusiasts who will no doubt be taking them to beach resorts when they take annual holidays.

Water skiing has been a most enjoyable feature of the spead boat season.

Should plans to repair the retaining wall at Qualanderry crossing be realised it is expected that boating on our lakes would be possible until far into the summer.

Drawing the Shot

(with apologies to Dave and Bill)

The Siamese twins they all call us,
Out names are David and Bill,
You never see Dave without William,
You never see Bill without Dave.
Whatever the weather they both bowl together,
Drawing the shot at their will.

They burn up the greens in the evening,
Trying all the shots in the book,
The "draw", the firm shot, the block and the drive.
It's moments like these that keep men alive.

When at last its too dark to bowl any more,
They wend their way home weary and sore,
Their good wives are waiting, "Say where have you been ?"
"Oh" Just drawing the shot down at the green".

They have played on the "good greens" at Brookton,
On the rugged York greens by the creek.
In Northam's hot town their fame is renown.
At home they are hard men to beat.

They train on squash and cold water,
Strong drink was never their aim.
They pass the two pubs with their heads in the air,
With never a look, with never a stare;
Onward they go to their favourite spot.
To beat each other at drawing the shot.

The twins play in Pennants with the Black and the Red,
Dave's victories are seldom so it has been said,
Bill looks at poor Dave with a smile on his face,
To beat us at Pennants you're not in the race.

They may talk of the new fashion bowling,
Seen at the last Empire Games,
We will stick to our rules as laid down in the book,
And not follow the bowl to have a last look.

Good luck to the twins may "they" condescend,
To teach others to play this fine game to the end.
When the time comes to leave this old mother earth.
These two good bowlers will get a new birth,
Skippering the angels, those dear litte things,
Drawing the shot with the tips of their wings.

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Severe Earth Tremor Alarms Residents

What was conceded to be the most pronounced earth tremor ever to be experienced in the Beverley district alarmed residents over a large area and particularly in the County Peak—Bally Bally—Kokeby area a few minutes before 2p.m. on Friday last.

The district has been partial to these visitations over many years. Often they have been of a localised nature and not felt in other parts of the State, but the degree of disturbance on this occasion was illustrated by the widespread area affected—it was felt from Goomalling to Busselton and was recorded in the city where buildings swayed and furniture shook. The tremor was of sufficient intensity to be recorded at the Mundaring Geophysical Laboratory as the biggest local "quake" since the instruments were installed in 1959. The Assistant Government Astronomer said the movement was probably the strongest to hit Perth since 1955.

It was believed that the centre of the tremor was the Beverley-Brookton area. It was probably caused by a rock fracture below the surface.

Inquiries from this office immediately following the disturbance revealed that every part of the Beverley district had experience of the shock. Residents in the Bally Bally-County Peak area who have had so much experience of this type of earth movement that they tend to become somewhat blase, classed it as the worst they have experienced.

At Mrs. Butler's Boyagarra home the inmates had an alarming few seconds as the house shook, under the influence of the tremor. Walls were cracked, plaster fell from ceilings and walls, soot fell from the chimney and the inmates ran from the house fearing the worst.

Mrs. Butler senr. said the disturbance was definitely the most alarming she had experienced in many years of residence there.

Reports were received that a wall at Mr. Roy McLean's home was cracked and a similar occurence was reported from Mr. Colin McLean's home. In both cases plaster was dislodged. At Mr. Bob Kilpatrick's home a crack which had appeared during a previous visitation was opened up.

Mrs. Laurie Kemp reported from Kokeby that the tremor was the worst they have experienced at the home. However there were no reports of damage from this quarter.

From the Dale Mr. Henry Norris reported a distinct earth movement although he did not consider it was as severe in his area as that noted a few years ago. At East and North Beverley homes trembled and doors and windows rattled.

At Beverley town the tremor was experienced as a distinct earth movement. Buildings shook and at one shop some goods fell from a shelf. Mrs. S. Efford of John Street was surprised to find the wall pictures in the home were out of alignment after the disturbance had passed.

In all cases the tremor was accompanied by the low rumbling sound which is common to most of these visitations.

The following night tremors and the familiar rumbling sound was again noted in many parts of the district but none of these were anywhere near as pronounced as was the case with the first visitation. If the disturbance runs to the familiar pattern more minor movements may be noted.

Many district householders are away on holidays and there may be cases where cracks have appeared in walls in the most disturbed area of the district without owners being aware.

FROM KOKEBY

From Kokeby Mr. Inglis Sutherland writes:

The earth tremor at 1.45 p.m. last Friday was the worst experienced in our 6½ years here. It began suddenly as a heavy peal of thunder, and we outside were able to take a reasonably accurate "sighting" on the sound as it died away, and was followed by lesser peals at intervals.

Plotting the course afterwards on our large scale map we formed a line from Kokeby through Butler's Boyagarra property, south of the Lakes, and possibly on to a point East of Brookton where a fault in the earth's crust is known to exist. We would place the centre of the disturbance well south of County Peak.

Lake Shooting

Although the drop in the levels in the Bally Bally and County Peak lakes has curtailed boating activities at the resort the system still contains much more water than is usual at this period of the summer.

Despite much shooting in the area at the opening of the season in December and subsequently there is still a very large congregation of wild duck to be seen. With water in other districts very short they are remaining in far larger numbers than usual and shooters are reaping the benefit, some good sport having been reported by several parties who have been out of late.

Teal still predominate, but the number of mountain duck to be seen appears to be increasing.

RIVER SHOOTING

Those who have been visiting the Avon River shooting resorts of late ase also reporting satisfactory outings.

One local sportsman who was at Jurakine recently bagged two ducks of a now-rare type. They were Widgeons and thirty years ago were fairly plentiful in these areas but have become very scarce. They are perhaps the fastest flyers of all the duck species.

We understand local sportsmen are arranging a shoot for the coming holiday week-end. Meanwhile another party of locals is travelling south for an outing.

Report on Avon River

Advice has been received by the York Town Council that the results of a hydraulic engineer's survey of the Avon River in York will be available shortly.

Hon. C. R. Abbey, M.L.C., in a letter to the Council stated that the survey is completed and that the report is being prepared and should be in the Council's hands not later than in February.

The report was requested originally with a view to possible improvements to the river area.

Councillor Edwards Ill

Shire Councillor Athol W. Edwards, member for Kokeby Ward, is on the sick list and was due to be transferred from Northam Hospital to St. John of God's in the city on Monday last.

He has been ailing for a considerable time but his medica advisers have not been able to pinpoint the trouble.

Admitted to Northam Hospital for an appendicitis operation, which he under-went, it was decided to transfer him to Perth for specialist attention. The journey was to be undertaken by ambulance.

Councillor Edwards was, just prior to Xmas, honoured by fellow councillors with a dinner marking fifteen years of service to the ratepayers of the district. Presentation of a long service certificate was made during the evening.

Pool Popular

The week-end burst of excessive heat made the Pioneers Memorial Pool at Beverley the most popular of local recreational resorts and big crowds were in attendance on Saturday and Sunday, far more adults than usual being noted enjoying the facility whilst swarms of children disported in the water.

We understand that receipts were among the best noted for a week-end since the present summer began and pool manager Ron Cooper was looking very happy and hoping that the heat would continue.

Many strangers were to be seen at the pool, the majority attending from the York area.

Much cooler weather on Monday was very acceptable to the majority of residents but spelt the inevitable drop in pool attendances.

Australia Day Holiday

Monday next is Australia Day and will be observed as a close public holiday, all shops, banks and business houses being closed throughout the day.

For bowlers and cricketers important fixtures are listed.

The Bowling League Champion Pairs contest is to be played on the Northam greens and there is sure to be a big entry from affiliated clubs.

Beverley will be represented by at least four and possibly more pairs.

CARNIVAL CRICKET

Always a leading fixture the Northam Cricket Carnival will take place over the long week-end.

Beverley-York Association will be represented at the Carnival as usual. Teams have been entered in the A and B Section.

However last week-end it was announced that there is a possibility that the B section contest in the Carnival may be cancelled due to the withdrawal of Mt. Marshall. Northam had already put in a No. 2 team to replace Toodyay and further withdrawal may make it necessary to eliminate the section altogether. Every effort was being made to secure a team to replace Mt. Marshall.

Local Bowlers in City

Two local bowling enthusiasts in Dave Rigoll and Bill Gill visited Perth at the week-end to participate in the [illegible] tournament played on the Metropolitan greens and in which there was a large entry of leading pairs from all parts of the State.

The local pair played very well to get into the final 16 of this important fixture, being narrowly beaten in their third match after assuming an early lead. Shortly after taking the lead in this game they held five to have them cut out by the skipper of the opposing pair with his last bowl of the end. They were ultimately beaten 17 to 20, their opponents being Iles and Green.

In their first match Rigoll and Gill beat Pearson and Cox 14—13, and in their second match defeated Nills and Barker 15—12.

Considering the class of the opposition the locals are to be commended on their display.

BOWLS

Local Event

Very hot weather caused the withdrawal of a number of local bowlers from the seeded fours competition held for the Ford & Sons and Barnsley Motors trophies at the Beverley green on Saturday and Sunday.

Six teams of four ultimately participated in the event—a somewhat disappointing number.

The event was won by a team skippered by Ross Bremner who had with, him Len Sims, Stan Raven and Les Sims who defeated Bill Brown, Stan Minchin, Kevin Gartland and Bert Simmons in the final.

Unusual circumstances attended the event as Bremner's four went into the final after winning one game.

A points event will be held at Beverley commencing at 2 p.m. next Sunday afternoon.

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BOWLERS TO BEGIN SEASON

Members of the Beverley Bowling Club will begin their season on Sunday next when the greens will be officially opened for 1963/64 at 3.30 pm

Most of those in attendance will no doubt enjoy social games prior to and after the opening ceremony which will take place during the afternoon tea interval. All members are asked to bring a plate of refreshments and it is asked that correct bowling attire be worn.

The swards are in good order for play after winter which has been notable for its absence of frost, albeit there was no lack of rain .

Under these conditions the grass did not deteriorate to the same extent as in most years and there is a very good coverage of the playing surfaces which have been receiving close attention from the greenkeeper and the several enthusiasts who year in and year out perform yeoman voluntary service in the club's interests.

A good season is anticipated Bowlers will no doubt soon be come accustomed to the use of the smaller mats which are to become standard on Australian greens.

A full programme of club events for which trophies have been donated has been prepared The President's pairs will be played on November 17 and the Patrons fours a week later.

The Champion pairs commence on December 1st. and the Handicap singles on the 8th.

The singles championship is listed for February 16th.

The usual programme of Pennant fixtures will be played against sister clubs, and the Ford Shield Carnival, (an open fixture) on March 1 and2 this being preceded by the G. L. Weaver pairs (open) on February 29th. ,,

A fixture card of local events is being prepared for the convenience of members.

LADIES' BOWLS

The Ladies of the Club will begin their season on Tuesday next at 2pm and an invitation is extended to all intending members to come along.

There will be social bowls and afternoon tea. Ladies a plate please.

The Season

There has been more than a hint of summer in the weather of late and the change from the damp and drab conditions which were a feature of the 1963 winter is appreciated albeit it has quickly dried the surfaces of crops and pasture lands so that most farmers would now appreciate a shower or two. Pastures and crops have been making rapid growth and the harvest could be much better than anticipated.

The Avon River is still running very strongly as a result of the big volumes of water which continues to flow over the retaining wall at Qualanderry Crossing from the lakes country further East.

It would not surprise if water this year is still running into the Avon in late December. The river has never flowed at such a high level for so long as has been the case this year.

Boating and ski-ing enthusiasts have had conditions made to order for them and the sport should be very popular within a few weeks. The larger stretch of water available will enable longer runs than normal.

There are reports of a plentitude of wild duck on the river and lakes after a breeding season that has been more favourable than for many years past.

One Bally Bally farmer the 40 acre lake on whose property rarely fills reports many varieties of wild fowl as having made their home in the area this year. There is even a pair of the now rare Widgeon duck to be seen each day.

School Repairs

Following requests put forward to the Minister for Education through the Member for Avon, Mr. H. W. Gayfer, the latter has this week been able to advise P. and C. Associations at Kweda and Aldersyde of impending work at the schools at each centre.

In both cases the jobs have been marked "most urgent."

At Kweda external repairs and renovations estimated to cost £1,207 will be carried out the work to commence before December.

At Aldersyde approximately £782 will be expanded on interior renovations. This job is also to be started before December.

Slaughtering Times

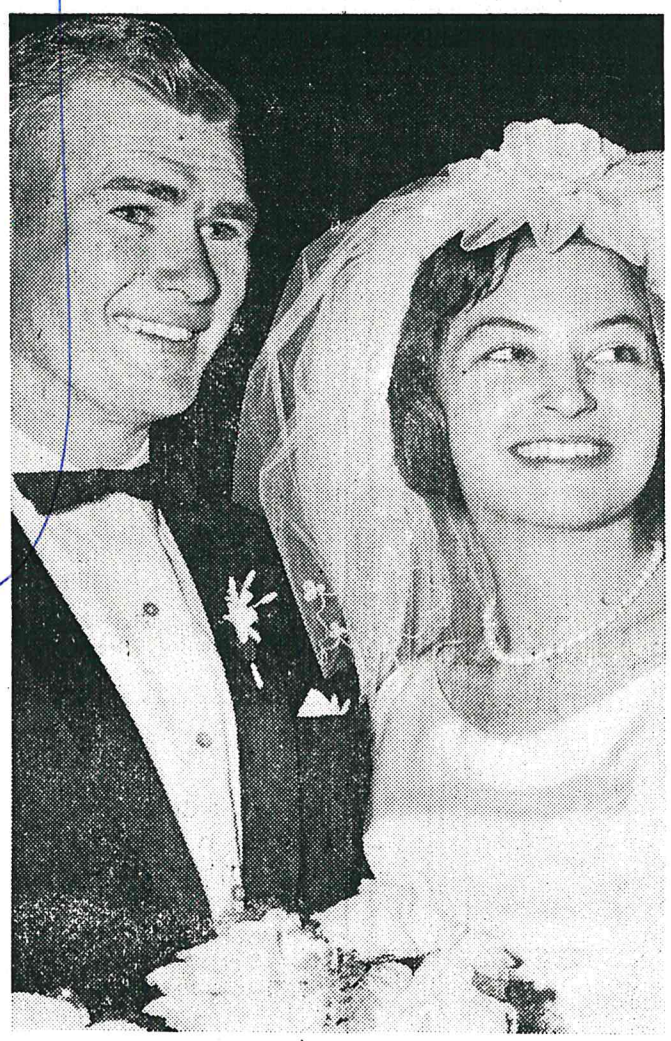
At the invitation of the Shire Council Mr. W. E. Shackles met the Council on September 20th to discuss proposed slaughtering times to apply to E. E. Shackles & Sons' slaughterhouse.

The President outlined what the Council considered were reasonable requirements and said that the Council felt it was not getting the co-operation it should be getting from the firm or the matter may not have arisen.

Mr. Shackles said that set times for killing would cause them considerable inconvenience but if it was insisted on then he would consider the matter and submit proposals for the Councils consideration.

A general discussion followed in an endeavour to obtain improved relationhsip between the Health Inspector and members of the above firm and to obtain improved conditions generally. Councillors being of the opinion that in many instances health requirements were not being met.

Beverley Couple Wed



Pictured above is Perth League footballer Ian Shackles of Beverley and his bride, formerly, Sue Young, also of Beverley, after their wedding at Ross Memorial Church West Perth, on October 3rd. After a honey moon in the Eastern States the couple will reside at Beverley. A report of the wedding will appear in these columns later.

Tennis Season

The official opening of the tennis club will be held on Sunday afternoon, October 13. A clock tournament will commence at 1.45 and there will be a general meeting following afternoon tea. Ladies please bring a plate for tea.

Members interested in playing pennants should not delay in signing up for a team. Play will start on Saturday. October 26th. The courts are in excellent conditions so forget about golf and football, tie up the loose strings in your tennis racquet, and join the crowd this Sunday afternoon. See advt. re meeting.

Young Athletes

The district has been well represented at inter-school faction sports held over the past fortnight.

Felicity Barrett-Lennard won the 100 yards race in her age group at the inter-school sports for girls held at Perry Lakes Stadium on September 28th. It was the first inter-school sports for girls held since the war and Felicity's win was in keeping with the good performances of her and her sisters in past sports fixtures at Beverley

Kobeelya (Katanning) Girls School was represented at the gathering at Perry Lakes and among those who had distinction of appearing for the school were Glenys McLean, Alison Pyke, Jill Mann, Michele Smith and Marlene Kilpatrick all of the Beverley district

Felicity was representative of St. Hilda's in the city and she will now appear in the 15 years group at the forthcoming State championships.

Good Performances at Northam

Since the Perry Lakes fixtures Northam High School has held its sports fixture and two of those who were successful in breaking records for the meeting were Richard McKellar who won his division of the hurdles and Bruce Mann who was successful in the 100 yds flat race.

Ian Ratcliffe, making his first run in competitive sports gained 3rd. place in the under 13 years 100 yards, which also gained him third place in the boys under 13 championship.

Bruce Mann also ran an outstanding last lap of the under 14 relay.

C.W.A. Notes

Several important events to be held in the near future were discussed at the CWA meeting held last Friday.

A conference commenced by the Aboriginal Advancement Council will be held at Northam at 9 a.m. on Saturday Oct 12.

At 8 p.m. on Wednesday Oct 16th. Mr Rowland Robinson, the well - known Australian author, poet and literary critic will give an address sponsored by the Adult Education Board.

All members are invited to the Birthday party of the Brookton Branch on Thursday October 31st.

The annual general meeting and election of officers of the local branch will be held on Friday 8th November at 3.15 p.m.

This will follow the ordinary Monthly meeting which will commence at 2.30 p.m.

Nominations must be lodged with the secretary by Friday November 1st.

Other business included a decision that fees for the hire of the CWA Hall be reduced to £1 for entertainments and 5/- for meetings. These fees are payable in advance.

TEA ROSTER

Oct 11th. Mesdames A Cooper and K Barrett Lenard.

Oct 18th. Mesdames J. W. Woods and L F Bailey.

Nov. 1st. R K Smith and J Thomas.

Nov. 8th. Members a plate.

Nov 23nd. V Butcher and L Bennett.

Nov. 29th. P H Smith and K Petchell.

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CLAUDE BAILEY DIES IN N.S.W.

Death claimed a very well-known resident of this district in Claude Frederick Bailey whilst he was holidaying with Mrs Bailey at Cooma in New South Wales on the 10th inst. We understand that he had shown no prior signs of illness but was suddenly stricken by a heart seizure which within a few minutes had brought to a close a long and active life the last 54 years of which had been spent at "Nuckering," Dale River.

Born at Walsal, Staffordshire England, eighty years ago he was educated at Bourne College where he distinguished himself in science but later joined his father's firm of architects. During these years he was an active sportsman and became one of the earliest of motoring enthusiasts in the shire where he resided.

Married in 1907 to Miss Marguerite Dey the couple came to Australia in that year and after two years in business in Sydney transferred to the West where they purchased the "Nuckering" property at the Dale which was to become their home for the remainder of Mr. Bailey's life span.

At "Nuckering" Claude Bailey found an avocation that appealed to him. The development of his acquisition was to take years of earnest and active endeavour. He cleared the property and taking advantage of research and agricultural development made a great success of his enterprise. Hard work in the pioneering spirit and enthusiasm for the tasks in hand spelt success and time verified his faith in the future of agriculture in the Dale district.

In the early days he found horse breeding a profitable venture but this later gave way to sheep breeding when early in his life on the land he changed over to Merino sheep and then took advantage of the great transformation which the development of clover pastures in these areas made possible.

He found time to be a helpmate of many during his long years of residence at the Dale and his interests were widespread. He had a grand assistant in all his enterprises in the life partner of his choice and the couple were blessed with a family of two sons and four daughters in whom they took the greatest pride.

To the widow and family the sympathy of a big circle of friends and acquaintances has been extended in their sudden bereavement.

The Funeral

The mortal remains of the late citizen were flown home and were laid to rest in the Roman Catholic cemetery at Beverley on Tuesday morning last.

Prior to the interment there was a service at the Church of the Sacred Heart. The Bailey family has had very close association with the church throughout their years of residence here and a very large assemblage was present to pay their last tributes of respect to the departed.

Also present were Frs. Nolan, O'Dwyer, Farrelly, O'Callaghan, Gavin, Reilly, Duffy and Monsignor Giles. Most of these are well-known here through previous service in the Parish.

The pall bearers comprised four grandsons in Michael, David, Phillip and Anthony Bailey.

Hall Tender Accepted

The East Beverely Hall committee has accepted a tender of £35 from Mr Frank McDonald for the timber and iron of the old building which is to be removed now that it has fallen into disuse.

We understand that the Shire Council has offered to remove the stone walls the materials in which will be used as filling for the approaches of the new bridge which is to be built accross the nearby creek.

The committee expects to have a sum in the vicinity of £180 in hand after the hall affairs are cleaned up. It has been suggested it be used as a contribution towards the completion of the new school tennis courts for which funds are urgently needed. The foundation stone of the old hall, it is thought, could be erected at the courts (with suitable addition to the wording) indicating the source of the contribution.

This seems to be an eminently suitable way to dispose of the funds to the advantage of district children and those who will follow as pupils of the school.

However the matter is to be discussed at a meeting of East Beverley residents which is called for October 25th at the CWA hall at 4 p.m.

Lakes Access Road

The road into the boat launching site at the County Peak lakes is now open, the flood waters which inundated that portion of the terrain having now receeded sufficiently to allow access.

There is still a lot of water going through the lakes system into the Avon and boating and ski-ing activity which is now getting under way with the warmer weather will no doubt continue far into the summer. Many boat owners are expected to be at the locality this week-end.

Recently Jack McLean was able to make a trip from the lower lakes into Mud Lake opposite the McCooke lakeside property at East Brookton. This represents a journey of several miles over an area normally inaccessible and was made possible by the big stream of water which now links the lakes.

Another Property Deal

Latest property deal in this district involves the Glenorchy farm of D. I. Sutherland & Co at Kokeby ten miles south-east of Beverley which has been sold to Mr. J. A. Brown, of Doubleview, Perth who has a number of farming interests in this State.

Glenorchy which comprises 1745 acres is well improved, but the purchase price has not been disclosed. The transaction was effected through Dalgety-New Zealand Loan Ltd's. local agents Messrs. Barrow & Richardson.

Bowlers Launch Season

In made - to - order weather Beverley bowlers commenced their season auspiciously last Sunday afternoon. Greens were in very good order and about sixty players enjoyed social games, most of the rinks being occupied.

Speakers at the official opening which took place at the afternoon tea interval included the President Mr M Miller Captain Mr. W. Brown and Mr. J. I. Mann ex-member for the district who has officiated for opening ceremonies for many years past.

The ladies and club volunteer workers were thanked for the assistance they give at all times.

Mr. Brown spoke of the changes which have been affected re handicaps this season and the reshuffling of the club membership into new factions —Gold and Green, which replace the old black and red factions in the forthcoming Pennant fixtures.

In opening the greens for season Mr. Mann spoke of the pleasure enjoyed by so many through the fellowship which bowls provides and the assets which the district possesses in its playing and recreational areas. He wished bowlers many hours of happiness during the coming months and the Club a successful season and had much pleasure in declaring the greens open for play.

First Club Fixture

The first club fiixture of the new season commences on Sunday with a handicap pairs event for the Barrow and Richardson trophy.

Club Membership

Figures released this week reveal that Beverley Club has a membership of 82 (last season 88); Brookton 35 (31); York 64 (55)); Quairading 55 (58). Northam 165 (163);. For the whole State there is 90 country clubs with a membership of 6,012. Last year there were 84 country clubs with a membership of 5,609. The met

GOLFERS WIND-UP SEASON

Under very pleasant conditions members and associates of the Beverley Golf Club wound up a successful season at the club house on Saturday afternoon with a mixd foursomes competition for which there was a good entry. The play was over the first and second nines and the winners of the Co-operative Co. trophies were Chart Prior and daughter June (Mrs L. Hahn) and C. R. McGlew and Mrs S. Raven. It was a notable and surprisingly good performance on the part of Chart and June as the latter had just arrived home from America and was playing her first game of golf in many years.

The main feature of the afternoon was the presentation of the season's trophies. Displayed on tables in the social room these awards were greatly admired by all in attendance In the majority of cases the donors had found prizes com-

captain David Weaver gave credit and expressed appreciation to all those who had in devious ways assisted the club in its seasonal activities, not forgetting the associates for their help on all occasions.

Both he and Ossie paid tribute to the achievement of Jim Minchin and Paul Oliver in winning the State foursomes title a few weeks ago. This was a performance which gave great pleasure to all club mates Jim's 2nd successive success in winning the Avon Valley title this year was also praised and Ron Strange's notable performance in winning this season's championship after appearing to be in an impossible position after 27 holes. Joe Wansbrough was also complimented on his return to good form.

The president had a few words of congratulation, good advice and sage encouragement for all the winners involved

iasm for the job in hand had helped to make the work of the club officers and committee less onerous than could be the case.

Despite the flood bound condition of the course for many weeks the season had been a successful one. The President in closing the official part of the proceedings wished all happy golfiing once again when the new season comes around.

As a winner but not a donor Peter Bremner expressed the member's apprciation to all those who had made such a lovely array of trophies available for competition.

Apologies were read from a number unable to attend and the associates provided a delightful afternoon tea.

VISITORS

Among visitors for the day were Mr and Mrs Ted Black-

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THE LAKES POPULAR

The County Peak lakes are again proving a popular week-end resort for boating and skiing enthusasts from this district, Brookton, Quairading and Dangin who have been attending in some force since the warmer weather arrived.

Eight or nine boats have been present on occasions and the number is likely to increase as other farming families from the area named take up the sport.

Last Sunday through the courtesy of Mr. Jack McLean we were able to take a trip over the waterways now available for navigation. They ambrace an area some eight miles in length, access from one lake to another being possible through channels which are not normally available, being almost dry at this season in most years. They are at present holding plenty of water following the exceptionally severe winter.

It is an interesting trip, particularly for those whose experience of the terrain has in the past only been gained on shooting outings through walking along the banks. In the high speed boats travelling up to thirty five miles an hour more can be seen in a few minutes than could have been encompassed in hours of tramping.

The series of lakes which can now be entered through the connecting channels should provide an excellent course for the races which are planned by the enthusiasts to be held later as the newly formed Beverley Ski Club becomes fully established.

The landing stage built last year at Racecourse Lake survived the big flow of flood waters with only minor damage and this was rectified by enthusiasts last Sunday. It is ideally situated at a small sandy beach, with some shade trees in the vicinity.

Seating and other amenities have been provided. These are of a makeshift type but serve their purpose. All have been provided by volunteer labour.

From the record 11 ft. of water in the lakes at the height of the winter flood the level of the larger lakes has now fallen to an average 5 or 6 ft. level but this depth shoud ensure water being retained in the lakes system for most of the summer, although the connecting channels will no doubt dry out rather quickly when the really hot weather arrives.

The great volume of water coming down from the eastern areas this year inundated a great area of surrounding country which is only rarely subject to flooding. Water covered normally dry timbered country adjacent the lakes and has provided ideal breeding areas for wild duck and other waterfowl. This together with the early start to the wet season has resulted almost certainly in more than one hatching this year and there is an abundance of birds to be seen in various stages of growth along the fringes of the lakes.

Unusual visitors are a number of sea gulls which seem to have settled in far from the sea which nurtures them and is their normal habitat. What they find to subsist on is anybody's guess as the lakes contain no apparent fish life.

One would have thought that the big flushing that has occurred in recent months would have removed years of salt encrustation and filled the depressions with much fresher water than normal. However this is not the case, the waters are still as briny as the ocean.

Members of the ski club will hold a working bee on Sunday to effect further improvements to the amenities.

School Tennis Courts

Work on the surfacing of the new Junior High School tennis courts has been under way and is expected to be completed this week. The provision of these amenities has been held up through lack of funds and it was not until assistance was promised from the Department that the P and C Association felt justified in calling tenders for the work.

The P and C is making a drive to secure the balance of the funds needed and to meet other needs and is seeking the help of parents and all others interested for their co-operation in the interests of the district's children.

East Beverley Help

Last week we published an article re disposal of funds which are in hand and will accrue from the disposal of the old East Beverley Hall. In the article it was stated that one of the suggestions put forward was to donate the amount in hand to the school tennis court fund to enable completion of the preparation of the courts.

Some concern has been expressed that this statement may have created the impression that no further help would be needed. This was not meant to be implied as the amount which could be forthcoming should the meeting of East Beverley folk approve of the suggestion would not be sufficient to complete the whole of the work and some further funds will be needed.

Sheep Grazing Trial at Avondale

Extensive sheep grazing trials are being run by the Department of Agriculture in several districts in Western Australia's farming areas.

The trials are aimed at finding out potential stock carrying capacities and the best stocking rates for sheep on improved pasture.

The latest in the series of trials is on the Avondale Research Station at Beverley. This trial is being carried out to determine the effects of stocking rates and rates of superphosphate application on pasture growth and production of wool and lambs per acre.

Four different stocking rates of superphosphate will be used on the trial area which covers 24 specially laid out paddocks.

The effect of higher stocking rates and changes in pasture composition on clover disease

maiden two - tooth Merino ewes will be used in the trial which will continue through their breeding life. The ewes will be shorn and mated to Southdown rams in mid-February for a mid-July lambing.

The Director of Agriculture (Dr. T. C. Dunne) said this week that there was still much to learn about higher stocking rates, and the Departments trials had been designed to gather as much information as possible.

The trials would provide a lot of valuable information on stocking rates in respective districts and would give farmers some idea of the capabilities of their own improved pasture.

Trials are now under way at the Department's Wongan Hills Chapman, Esperance and Avondale Research stations. There were others at Northam, Mt. Barker and Bargebup and dem-

District Dental Service

Further to propsals to etsablish a dental service in the Beverley-Brookton district the Beverley Shire Council is in receipt of the following letter from the Hon C. R. Abbey, MLC;

10th. October 1963

The Shire Clerk,
Shire of Beverley,
Beverley.
Dear Sir,

I have received advice from the Under-Treasurer that the loan required by your Council to purchase buildings and land and renovate the building for a dental surgery and quarters has now been approved.

It is, indeed good news for the community of Beverley that by the completion of negotiation for the purchase of the property concerned and the availability of finance we can now expect a firmly established dental service for the district.

I regard this as a great step forward in ensuring the better health of our community, and would like to convey my sincere congratulations to your President, Mr A.W. Miles and members of the Shire Council and yourself for the implementation of this very worthwhile project.

It is well in keeping with district progress.

Yours faithfully.

Rust Appears Locally

Although it may not be on the scale of the outbreak affecting crops in the wheatbelt areas, rust has appeared in some crops in the Beverley district this season. One particularly promising crop in the Bally Bally area appears to be rather badly affected and it is also apparent on some other farms.

In the wheatbelt areas the disease is causing considerable concern judging by recent press reports emanating from respon sible sources. The abnormal winter is held to be responsible for the outbreak.

Top Price For Local Stud

A Romney Marsh sire bred by J. C. W. and M. M. Weaver of 'Sugar Gum' stud, Beverley, which took a championship award at the recent Royal Show was sold at the sales which followed for a record price for this breed of 140 guineas. The animal was purchased through Messrs. Westralian Farmers Ltd. by R. H. Rose & Son, of Williams.

The same Beverley stud was in the news again when they purchased a Poll Dorset ram from the stud of L. A. Stuart, Whitemore, Tasmania for a top price of 400 guineas. A compact and beautifully proportioned animal, the ram was greatly admired by all in attendance at the sale.

Lady Bowlers Open Season

On Tuesday, October 15th the Beverley ladies bowlin season was opened by the Pat roness (Mrs. R. Bremner) wh very capably sent down th first bowl. This was followe by a 'Spider' in which eve lady bowler present participa ed. The trophy for this eve was won by Mrs Weben Northam club.

Among those present we representatives of Northa York, Brookton and Quai ding. It was pleasing to n many new members in att dance and we welcome th and wish them a very ha and enjoyable season .

The rest of the aftern was devoted to the playing fours. This event was won a team skippered by Mrs an (Northam), and compri Mesdames S. Smith, L. Bar Lennard and E. Blechyn (Beverley). Two of the tro for this event were kindly ated by C. G. & M. Webl

Mrs. Hunt of York wa winner of a trophy for a number.

At the conclusion of p dainty afternoon tea was ed at the club house was beautifully decorated spring flowers.

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HUNDREDS ATTEND LAKES GALA DAY

Comparatively neglected. with its recreational potential unrealised except by the shooting fraternity, the district, lakes system extending east from Qualanderry Crossing, have this year come into their own as a pleasant week-end resort for residents of Beverley and adjacent districts.

The rise in popularity is an off-shoot of the enormous increase in boating, ski-ing, and allied activities which has been a world wide development since the war ended. Lacking these light-weight craft and auxiliary equipment it is unlikely that the State's inland lakes and waterways would ever have attained any degree of popularity.

On Sunday the recently formed Beverley Ski-Club held its first Gala Day at the resort and as was anticipated it attracted a very large gathering to the grounds prepared at the launching site on Racecourse Lake. About 400 adults and children were assembled and the majority treated the occasion as a picnic. The weather was made for speed boating, and ski-ing, as scarcly a ripple disturbed the surface of the water.

Twelve boats were brought to the scene. and they were kept in full use throughout the afternoon taking adults and children for round trips and providing opportunities for skiers and would-be skiers to try themselves out. There were of course many who discovered that the art is not as simple as it looks and there were many spills.

The largest boat involved in the operations, was Mr. Norm Charleson's 19ft. craft. The owner was kept particularly busy taking customers over a run of several miles in Racecourse and McLeans' Lakes. Other boat owners were just as busy and there was always a crowd queued up whenever the crafts returned to the landing stage.

Members of the Ski - Club have been working diligently to improve the grounds which comprise a sandy strip of lakeland which is favoured by a fair amount of shade. The latest amenity which was in use on Sunday, are new dressing sheds. Further improvements are planned, including barbecue facilities. Fresh water has been devined and a bore is to be put down.

Mr. Jack McLean, president of the Ski Club from whose enthusiasm all recent developments in the area stemmed, introduced the Hon. Roy Abbey, M.L.C. to the assemblage during the afternoon.

Mr. Abbey congratulated the Club on what is was doing to develop a district asset. He referred to the possibility of raising the retaining wall at Qualanderry Crossing to ensure a greater depth of water in the lakes.

The ladies of the Club ran an afternoon tea, sweets, ice-cream and soft drinks stall, and all fund raising activities were well supported. Including the donations at the gate, over £92 was grossed, and of this sum it is expected that about £76 will be available to further improve the area. One of the first jobs will be to raise a low lying portion of the road skirting the lakes.

Meeting Approves Suggested Memorial

With the Shire Clerk, D. Rigoll acting as secretary, Shire President Alex Miles, welcomed 22 people to a meeting at Town Hall last Friday. The majority of those present came as representatives of various organizations. contacted earlier by Mrs Shirley Negus, who had first suggested a Selby Ford Memorial.

Mr Miles outlined the purpose of the meeting. He observed that all would recall innumerable times Mr. Ford had given service gratis, willingly forgone a picture night, and operated his public address system for many district organisations. The Shire Council was in full agreement with Mrs Negus's suggestion that some material acknowledement should be made of the debt owed by this community to Selby Ford.

He tendered apologies from Messrs Robins and Oliver and Mrs Ratcliffe, and read a telegram applauding the idea from Mr B. Carson of Warragul Victoria. Mr Oliver, who had already received a donation of £5 from Mr Norm Gray, was willing to acknowledge donations in the press free of charge

To start the business of the meeting, Mr E.W. Edwards moved and Mr G Negus second ed "that this meeting is in full accord with suggestion of a memorial to the late Selby Ford'.

With this carried, discussion centred on the form a memorial should take. Mr Miles said that as a result of a suggestion received by the Council he had made inquiries regarding a clock. An electric double-faced clock with a 30 inch base, which mounted on the Town Hall, would be visible in Vincent St. from Forrest St. Hunt Rd. would cost £450. He stress house the clock.

Several speakers were strongly in favour of a clock because it would be of considerable use to the town as well as a fitting memorial.

Other ideas to come forward at the meeting were seating accommodation, some electrical equipment at the Hospital and a fountain.

A previous suggestion of dis play housing of the Silver Centenary was not considered because of costs and also Mr. Ford himself had made provision for this.

Finally the meeting decided that the memorial should be a suitable clock and launched an appeal for funds with a target of £600.

Mrs Negus and Mr Miles pointed out that such was Mr. Ford's renown, many people from other districts would wish to sub-scribe.

A committee to deal with all further matters re the proposed memorial was appointed as follows: Messrs A. W. Miles, (President), D Rigoll (Sec/Trs.) G Negus, E.W. Edwards, J. McLean, P. Bremner, O Vallentine, K. Doncon, W Wansbrough, L Barrett-Lennard, L. Doncon, J. Woods, the last three being subject to their approval.

The meeting authorised the Shire Clerk to receive fund monies and approved the opening of a special Trust Account by the Shire Council for the purpose of the appeal.

It also recommended to the committee that its first meeting should appoint an executive to inquire fully into types and and prices of suitable clocks and all matters regarding the erection and housing of same.

Thus an appeal for funds for a Selby Ford memorial is

Special Honours to J.F. Club

Beverley Club had the honour this year of being judged the Most Progressive Club for 1963. The prize for winning this competition is £100/0/0.

Also this year the Club raised the most money for the Memorial Building Fund and this entitles all the members to a free week-end at the headquarters.

Ten members from the Club attended the State Conference held at the Dalkeith Hall last Monday.

The incoming office Bearers for the club in 1964 have been announced and are as follows:

President Neville McLean.

Vice President Tim Barrett-Lennard.

Secretary: Elizabeth Woods.

Treasurer Margaret Boyle.

Public Relations Officer Lyn Smith.

Project Officers Lindsay Smith and Topsy Hough.

Girls Leader Maxine Robins

New social and Programme committees were also elected.

Following the meeting a very interesting lecture was given by Mr M. Ward on the value of insurance.

The next meeting will be held on Nov. 21st. and is also Parents and Friends night. Trophies won during the year will be

Attention! R. S. L. Members

Officers of the local Branch of the R.S.L. are concerned at the existing situation regarding the Branch's Membership.

Bev. Branch has never been numerically strong although the Membership in the past has been sufficient to keep the Branch functioning, and even to allow the provision of amenities, Club rooms, etc, which were in many cases superior to other country Branches in the State.

For this the whole-souled devotion to the aims and ideals of the movement by past officers and enthusiasts of the Branch has been responsible. It overcame the lethargy prevalent at many periods by run-of-the-mill Members.

At the moment a revival of enthusiasm is called for as the Branch is being carried on by a few devoted members. They are concerned with the present position, as a considerable volume of assets in which the Branch has a vital interest at stake.

The position is, that through lack of interest Branch, should fold up, of the Branch's assets acc over the years will be lo under the Constitution would be taken over by State Executive. Action is led for if this is to be avo and the work of so many past Members and Auxiliaries preserved.

A meeting of the Branch is to be held at the Club rooms this Friday evening, and urgent appeal is made to all members to attend.

Bowlers' Success at Corrigin

A Beverley four, skippered by Alan Cooper and with Ross Bremner (forsaking his usual skipper's role) as leader, Jack Woods second and Hubert Doncon third, had success in the major event at the Carnival conducted by the Corrigin club over the long week-end. They won the Corrigin Shield which commenced on Saturday morning and was concluded on Sunday night.

It was a notable succes gainst strong opposition various centres. Their h match was against a Kal four in the semi-final was anyone's game th In the final against quartette they in their keepi way, and wo gin.

Competing Monday, Beve not fare so we eliminated.

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Two teams Beverley Club Shield held on green last Mond

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Football Club Has New Secretary

Long time secretary of the Beverley Football Club, Gordon Kilpatrick has resigned the office in view of the calls made upon his time by his appointment last year as President of the Avon Valley Football Association and by reason of his coaching duties with the club.

He has given a tremendous volume of service to the game and will no doubt continue to do so in the wider fields incumbent in the new office to which he was elected last season.

At the Football Club's annual meeting held on the 29th ult. thanks was expressed to him for the enthusiasm he has always brought to his tasks in the club's interests and in the furtherance of football in general.

The office of secretary was filled by the appointment of Mr. Don Shackles.

There were many re-appoint ments to office at the meeting among these being that of Mr. J. M. Wansbrough as President. His years of service in this position are mounting and his re-election is a tribute to his undiminished enthusiasm for the game.

The appointments made at the meeting were as follows:

Patron: D. Rigoll.
President: J. M. Wansbrough
Secretary: D. Shackles.
Treasurer: L. McDonald.
Vice-President: W. Gill.
Vice-President: G. L. Kilpatrick (ex T. J. Edwards).
Auditor: S. Raven (subject to acceptance). Auditor previous years.
Delegates: L. McDonald and B. Schleicher.
Proxy delegates: D. Shackles and W. Gill.
Accident Fund committee:— (subject to acceptance): W R. Gillespie, W. Swan, G. D. Ratcliffe (same as '62).
Committee: R. A. McLean. D. Rigoll, A. Smith, B. Schleicher, N. Charleson, (each retiring 1964).
W. Blechynden, Dale Edwards, F. Hayes, I. Shackles (re-elected for 2 year term). T. J. Edwards (elected for 2 year term).

The new committee will meet early in January to make a start on the 1964 seasons plans.

Selby Ford Memorial Fund

The fund recently opened to provide a memorial to honour the memory of a former good citizen of this town in the late Selby Ford is approaching £100 as a result of donations made this week. Those wishing to make donations should do so through Shire Clerk Dave Rigoll, who is acting as treasurer for the committee which has the appeal in hand.

Latest donors are as follows:

Previously acknd gd....	£45/ 5/0
E. & K. Carr	4/ 4/0
T. J. Edwards & Co....	5/ 0/0
Sandovers Ltd....	5/ 5/0
J. D. & F. E. McLean	3/ 0/0
Forwood Down W.A. Pty. Ltd.....	2/ 2/0
Caltex Oil Aust. Pty Ltd.....	10/10/0
T. J. Burgess.	2/ 2/0
A. Dunlop	3/ 3/0
J. B. Jukes	3/ 3/0
Carlyle & Co Pty. Ltd	10/10/0
Total	£94/ 4/0

"Visitors" at the Lakes

The local lakes which have seen hundreds of visitors this year as a result of their development as a boating and skiing resort for district residents, saw newcomers of another type on Sunday evening last.

They came by air — and comprised a big flock of pelicans which came winging in at sundown from an easterly direction and settled in Race Course lake just as the last of the boating and picnicing fraternity were packing for home.

It was a large flock numbering at least 25 birds and their presense in the area was a surprise to most of those who saw them arrive.

However the species is not unique to the lakes scene although it is rare to see so many. Occasionally single birds and pairs are noted at the lakes and on the river, but usually they do not stay long—probably because of the lack of fish life in our waterways.

More Breaking and Entering

More cases of breaking and entering of business houses in the main street occurred on Friday night last. These offences have been fairly frequent over recent years, the last occuring some months ago. Prem ises in the latest thefts have all had previous attention from thieves and there have been convicitions recorded.

Shops entered on Friday night were Steve Edwards' drapery shop, Alan McGrath's premises, the Beverley Newsagency and the printing office.

As a result of previous thefts from his shop Mr. Edwards some time ago had bars built across the rear entrance to his shop but this did not frustrate the thieves on Friday — they forced the front door of the shop and took a small amount f cash from the till and a few items of clothing.

Entrance to Mr. Alan McGrath's premises was gained by smashing a rear door. The till was rifled but the amount involved was not large.

Mr. Nicholson, of the Newsagency, has been a prime target for attention on several occasions and he also has had the rear entrances of his premises strengthened and made more secure. Not to be outdone those involved in the latest nocturnal activities broke the window of a store room but were thwarted in attempts to force a door leading to the shop.

At the Printing Works a window was forced but nothing was stolen.

Cause of Concern

The continuance of offences of this type in this and other country centres is a matter of considerable concern to country communities. In towns such as Beverley where there is only one police officer it is too much to expect the policeman to be on duty night and day and those with an inclination to steal avail themselves of this fact.

After Friday night's offences endeavours were made to procure the services of a detective to investigate the thefts but no officer was available for the task presumably because the thefts involved only minor amounts.

We understand another move is to be made for the appointment of an additional police officer to Beverley following the latest offences.

Horsemen's Final Day

On Sunday. 24th November the Beverley Horsemen's Assn held their final day for the season. The heavy rains laid the dust but humid conditions prevailed until the Westerly came in just before the lunch break.

The judge was a newcomer to the district in Mr. Dick Avery who has a riding school in Fremantle and whose son, Murray, is a well-known figure in the "horsey" world. Mrs. Avery, it was discovered, was originally from Beverley—she was a Messenger—so she was doubly interested in her husband's visit.

An interesting addition to this years trophies was the beautiful Champion Hack award from the club's well-known patron Chart Prior, and a lovely cup for Champion Pony from Western Livestock. These were won by Archie Boyle's 'Thunder' and Bronwyn Cullen's 'Master Michael' respectively.

The club would like to thank all those who supported the final day and made it such a success, those who donated trophies, and those who came to look on as well as of course the enthusiastic riders.

Details appear in next issue.

Bowls Results

Results of Pennant Matches played last Sunday.

Beverley Gold v. York Gold at Beverley: I Petchell 28 beat R. Pemberton 17; J. Young 15 lost to W. Ashowrth 28; C Wea ver 53 beat W. Kirwood 14; H Don on 22 lost to R Ashworth 23.

Rink results: Bev. 2, York 2. Game results; Bev 6 pts. York 2 pts.

Beverley 118; York 82; Bev. won by 36.

Beverley Green v Brookton at Brookton: F. Blechynden 22 lost to R. Grameri 24; E. Boyle 17 lost to H. Rushton 24 D. Rigoll 25 lost to H. Whitt ington 27; A Cooper 25 bea A Whittington 19.

Rink results: Bev. 1; Brook 3; Game results; Brook. 7 pts Bev. 1.

Bev. 89; Brook. 94. Brook won by 5 pts.

LOCAL FIXTURE

1st December, Champic Pairs (C. R. Abbey trophy Entries 20 pairs.

Winner J. C. Weaver and Weaver v F. Blechynden a R. Strange match to play Boyle and E McLean in Fin

Plate- R. Bremner and M Glew to play E. Robins a Bill Edwards; Winners to pl Stan Murray and Bill Robi in Final.

THE SHOOTING SEASON

Although no date for the opening of the duck shooting season has been announced as yet it is anticipated locally that the season will officially begin on Sunday, December 22nd. This will be in line with the Department's policy in recent years of opening the season on the Sunday preceeding Christmas. Anticipations that this will be the date selected is indicated by the number of local sporting organisations which have no club fixtures listed for that day.

The breeding this year has been the best on record according to those who keep a close tag on the wild life scene in these parts. Wild duck paired off with the early rains and it is believed by the number of young birds to be seen on the local waterways and lakes that most of the birds have brought out two clutches.

The record flooding of the lakes area inundated thousands of acres of wooded countryside not normally subject to flooding and created ideal breeding sites which have apparently been fully availed of by the wild duck.

A feature of the season has been the far bigger than normal hatching of Mane geese on farm dams and catchments. Almost every farmer has reported a big number of the birds on their properties and although these will decrease as the summer advances the number available for the coming season will be greater than normal.

Biggest headache for the shooter this year will be the great number of lakes and waterways which will be holding water far into the summer.

These will provide the birds with havens not normally available.

An inspection of district wild life haunts is to be made this week-end by field officers of the Department in company with local wardens.

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Lightning Caused Fire Poses Serious Threat

A lightning caused fire West of Beverley kept volunteers busy for many hours from an early hour on Monday morning and threatened a big area of crop and pasture land.

The fire broke out when a lightning bolt struck and shattered a tree on Mr. Tom Barrett-Lennard's property and at the same time set the grass on fire on Mr. Marsh Young's farm at a point about a quarter mile away.

The blaze started at about 1 a.m. and despite the early hour volunteers soon assembled when the fire siren at Beverley summoned help. Neighbours in the area telephoned each other to notify of the threat when the fire was noticed.

The outbreak occurred in rough hilly country on the properties of the two farmers named and the firefighters managed to keep it confined to these areas. The Avondale Research Station farm lands were threatened as was also Mr. G. Barrett-Lennard's property.

The hills across which the fire raced at one time carried little grass but since aerial top dressing became a settled farming practice they have become valued pasture areas.

With much of the timber in the hills on fire the danger remained acute for some time, and volunteers patrolled the area until late on Monday.

DALE OUTBREAK

A fire on Mr. L. S. Bennett's Deep Pool property at the Dale river on Tuesday morning burnt about 70 acres of standing barley, together with 70 bags of oats and 70 acres of pasture before being brought under control by volunteers from Beverley and surrounding properties.

A Holden ute was slightly damaged. The outbreak occurred where harvesting operations were in progress.

Deputations To Council

A deputation representing the Beverley Kindergarten Committee and comprising Messrs P. R. Bremner, K. H. Doncon, and R. Fleay waited on the last meeting of the Beverley Shire Council to discuss alterations to the Kindergarten.

Mr. Bremner, supported by others, explained the proposals which were estimated to cost £1,200, of which total the committee would be able to finance £600 and sought the Council's support for the balance.

Later the Councillors considered this request. It was agreed that an architect be engaged to prepare and estimate costs of the proposed alterations and additions. Financing of the project will again be discussed when estimates are to hand.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY PROBLEMS

Mr. Bremner and Mr. K. H. Doncon represented the Agricultural Society at the same meeting of the Council. They explained the deteriorating financial position of the Society and asked for consideration of a reduction of the show day rental.

Councillors later expressed the view that the Society was of great benefit to the district and every endeavour should be made to keep it going. It was agreed that no ground rent should be charged for the use of the ground on show days.

Visit of Ski Experts

There should be examples of both plain and fancy ski-ing at the Beverley lakes next Sunday Performances in the second category will come from a number of experts in the art who will be visiting from the city.

It is primarily a club occasion but members of the public are invited to attend and witness the demonstration which will include some comic turns.

A late evening feature for the benefit of Ski Club members children will be the arrival of Father Christmas by speed boat.

Local Shooting Prospects

As is usual in this district hardly any of the local sporting organisations have fixtures listed for Sunday, December 22nd., the day of the opening of the shooting season. The 'opening' has precedence over all other sports on that day and this fact is indicative of the degree of enthusiasm engendered by the occasion locally.

A tour of local district game haunts by local wardens last Sunday revealed that conditions occasioned by winter flooding has materially altered the picture normally presented at this time of the year.

Although the position may alter before the date of the opening far fewer wildfowl was noted on the river on Sunday than is normal.

The biggest congregations of ducks seen was recorded on the lakes where the birds are favouring the smaller and shallower stretches of water rather than the big lakes. A great number of lake catchments normally dry by this season of the year will be holding water until after Xmas. There are patches of water right through the timbered country to Morrell Pool and many thousands of birds were seen right through the lake country to the channels.

There should be some satisfactory shooting at least for a time on opening morning but the big stretches of water available to the birds will provide havens and it will not surprise if the shooting does not last as long as usual.

ACCESS

Shooters from these parts wishing to gain access to the lakes through 'Lakeside' property are advised to seek permission from Mr. Alex McCooke at his farm home.

Visit to Lake Mears

The enthusiasm displayed by a group of farming residents of the Dangin-Brookton-Quairading area, led by Henry Hall, has resulted in the creation of an ideal inland recreational resort at Lake Mears which shows every indication of being permanent.

The lake, 31 miles south east of Beverley, has in the past only filled in very wet years when a nearby creek overflowed its banks. To-day as a result of the volunteer labour of farmers in the area water can reach the lake whenever the creek flows and (going on past rainfall records) only on rare occasions will the flow be insufficient to maintain the lake level.

Lake Mears contains over 7' of water at the moment and every week-end is visited by scores of people. Twelve speed boats are owned by residents in the area and these with water skis and swimming facilities provide happy and beneficial recreation.

Last Sunday through the generosity of Mr. Hall we were shown over the lakes area. Through the co-operation of the Brookton and Quairading Shire Councils gravelled access roads have been provided into the lake launching site and another roadway bulldozed for the benefit of shooters wishing to pursue their sport in that part of the lake reserved for their use. This is a wooded portion at the South end whilst there is another shooting area at the North end.

The greater part of the 750 acres contained in the lake has been de-snagged for the use of boats and skiers. A line of posts in the lake defines the shooting and boating areas.

The construction of a cement dam across the creek which feeds the lake was carried out by volunteers who also met the costs involved (£210). The dam diverts the water into the lake until the desired depth of water is reached at which stage it overflows the dam thus preventing flooding of the lake surroundings.

Shooters this year will be inconvenienced by the depth of water in the lake, except in the wooded area provided for their sport. In any event the ducks at Lake Mears are not favouring the deep water but rather the backwaters and a big area of shallow water at the North end of the lake near the Dangin road. There is an abundance of wildfowl in this area.

Ford Memorial Fund

There have been further handsome donations to the Selby Ford Memorial Fund this week and below acknowledgement is made to the latest donors:

Previously ackngd.	£94 4 0
Bev. Shire Council	25 0 0
F E Bremner & Son	5 0 0
Bev. Farmers Co-op	5 5 0
W. R. Gillespie	5 0 0
Dale Ladies Guild	2 0 0
R. Tuia	2 2 0
Country Women's Assn. Beverley branch	5 5 0
L W & E D Stalker	5 0 0
Bev Junior Farmers	1 1 0
	£149/17/-

Hall Disposal Funds

The Beverley Shire Council has accepted responsibility of setting up and administering a Trust Fund composed of assets of East Beverley Hall Committee. The Funds will be invested in Commonwealth loans.

In accordance with the wishes of the Committee each year the interest be allotted in rotation to the following institutions:— Beverley Parents and Citizens Association; Balkuling Parents and Citizens Association; Beverley Kindergarten Committee; Beverley Infant Health Clinic. The order to be decided by ballot.

If any of these bodies cease to function the money to be allotted to the remaining bodies and in the event of them all ceasing to exist the Council is empowered to allott the income to such charitable organisations as it deems fit.

Hall Foundation Stone

The Hall foundation stone will be installed in some suitable place in Beverley when practicable.

Appreciation

As a gesture of appreciation of services rendered by district fire services Mr. R. Cooke forwarded a letter of thanks to the last meeting of the Shire Council, together with a cheque for £20 towards Brigade expenses.

The Council thanked Mr. Cooke for his action and decided that the amount of the donation be paid into a trust ac. for the benefit of fire-fighters.

Burials Outside Public Cemeteries

The Shire Council at its last meeting was in receipt of advice from the secretary of local Government to the effect that a number of Beverley district residents had intimated their desire upon demise to be buried in the St. John in the Wilderness cemetery at the Dale and St. Paul's cemetery at Edwards Crossing.

The Council agreed that permission should be granted provided those concerned were agreeable to meeting any additional costs involved in the burials.

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Club Day at Ski Resort

About 200 residents of the district and visitors from the city and other centres spent a happy day at the lakes last Sunday when the local ski club organised a ski-ing exhibition and boating outing. Important visitors were members of the Dolphin Ski Club of Perth who put on a most entertaining exhibition which involved skill and many comedy turns which delighted onlookers.

The visitors were impressed with the set up at the local resort. They considered the Racecourse lake an ideal site for exhibition work. Brian Saggers, well-known on TV, who was one of the first water-skiing enthusiasts in this State and became active in the sport twelve years ago was present and he arranged the day's programme and acted as compere, giving a running commentary over the loudspeaker throughout the afternoon.

The Dolphins decorated the foreshore with pennants and club flags. They brought five boats from the city and altogether there were sixteen boats on the lake during the afternoon.

Visitors enjoyed a cruise through the various lakes before the programme commenced with a pyramid executed by Dolphin Club members with Mrs Beryl Saggers standing erect on a pyramid bar held by two men.

A member dresed as a clown performed cleverly on a bicycle reportedly having lost his way in the Beverley to Perth. The performer in this case was Johnny Severin who was seen in other good acts during the afternoon.

Much grace was evident in other events on the 12 act programme which kept the crowd very interested. Several members of the Beverley Club participated in some events.

The visiting experts gave much good advice to the Beverley enthusiasts who are sure to benefit in their ski-ing activities and also gave helpful hints regarding outboard motors.

Towards evening Father Christmas arrived by speedboat and was a very popular figure with the children of Club members. The day concluded with a barbecue.

The Holidays

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The Meaning of Christmas

[by Rev. Allan Rankine]

The world today is seething with personalities and powers all claiming to have the best or perfect 'Way of Life' for all mankind. There seems to be only one judge of these various 'ways' and that is TIME. In his wisdom Gamaliel said "If this thing be of man then it will come to nought....." Down through the ages great new powers and ways have arisen only to fall into the dust again.

It is interesting to note that Gamaliel's statement has proved true, the powers and movements that have fallen have all been 'of man,' which is by force of man's ingenuity. There is only one way which outlasts the old judge of time — and that is the way of love.

Jesus Christ came into the world about 1,963 years ago declaring He was the Way, the Truth and the Life. His claims were based on Love. God's love for Man. This is the meaning of Christmas— "That God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes on Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

Make the Way of Love your Way this Christmas.

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There will be only one holiday the following week—Wednesday, January 1st. These arrangements will we understand be the rule throughout the State. There will be no late shopping night.

BANKS

The banking fraternity will enjoy the same holidays this year as the business houses — December 25th and 26th and January 1st.

PUBLISHING

This will be the last issue of "The Beverley Times" for 1963 The Xmas and New Year issues will be omitted as usual and the first issue for 1964 will appear on January 10th.

POST OFFICE

The following arrangements will be observed at the Beverley Post Office:

Christmas Day 25/12/63 — Closed all day.

Boxing Day 27/12/63 — Open 9 a.m. – 10 a.m. All classes of business except Money Orders and Banking. No Letter Delivery. Outward mails close at 10 a.m.

New Year's Day: 1/1/64 — Closed all day. Inward mail will be sorted. Outward mails will close at 10 a.m. No Letter Delivery.

Roadside Services

Dale: Will run on normal days. (No alterations).

Bally Bally - Morbinning: The Service scheduled for Wednesday 25/12/63 (Xmas day) will run on Thursday 26/12/63 (Boxing Day).

The Service scheduled for Wednesday 1/1/64 (New Year's day) will run as usual

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Sunday's Opening Shoot

A field officer of the Fisheries and Game Department was in Beverley last week and took the opportunity of visiting the shooting resorts in the Bally Bally area.

As was the case last year officers of the Department will be in the district again on Sunday morning next when the duck shooting season will open.

They will be on the look out for infringements of the regulations, particularly regarding a too early start (official time 5 a.m.) and the taking of more than the permissible number of ducks (fifteen per person).

The inspectors seek the co-operation of all sportsmen in observance of the regulations to avoid unpleasantness.

ACCESS ROADS

Those visiting the Qualanderry end of the lakes system now have a public road they can travel (opposite Colin McLean's) and there is also a public road through Butler's Boyagarra property.

Those visiting the lakes from the South side are advised to seek permission from the owner, Mr. Alex McCooke before us[illegible] the roads on the Lake-si[illegible]operty. This is private [illegible]nd attention should be [illegible] to the closing of all gates

The greatest care should also be exercised with camp fires.

Hobbs' Crossing

An interesting experiment carried out on the Dale River near the Hobbs properties in connection with proposals that a new and improved crossing be provided will facilitate the work when it is put in hand.

About 1000 feet of the river bed at the site of the present crossing was bulldozed and cleared by Shire Council work men.

This gave flood water unimpeded flow and is in line with the Government sponsored work between Toodyay and Northam to obviate flooding of the Avon River in that quarter

Rail Fares Cut

Railway fares have been cut to enable country women and children to visit the coast during the summer months.

A railway spokesman said that 'cool off at the coast' excursion fares will operate on specified trains and railway buses until March 1964. Full details of these services have been published in coloured brochures which are available from any country railway station.

The concessions will apply to country women and children visiting the coastal points of Perth, Fremantle, Albany, Denmark, Bunbury, Busselton and Geraldton.

Women and children from the Eastern Goldfields may also travel to Esperance and those from the Northern districts may travel to Dongora.

Under the concesion, the first class return fare from Kalgoorlie to Perth will be reduced from £8/16/8 to £6/18/1 and the second class fare from £6/2/3 to £4/11/8.

Children between 5 years and 15 years of age travel at half rates.

District Works

Members of the Beverley Shire Council recently had long discussion with Mr. Button, of the Main Road Department regarding numerous district works and proposals, among the items discussed being completion of the Dale-Beverley-Mawson Road, completion of the present five years CBS scheme and the implementing of a new CBS Scheme to follow, Roadside Tree Planting, and the placing of dams across creeks, especially in proximity to roads.

QUALANDERY CROSSING

The floodgates in the retaining wall at Qualandery crossing were closed some weeks ago to retain as much water in the lakes as possible in the interests of the sporting fraternity and inspection of the depth posts wh. h have been erected each side of the crossing indicates that the wall is damming back approximately 2 feet of water over the lakes system.

Shire representatives recently met MRD representatives to discuss provision of a higher retaining wall to give a greater depth of water in the lakes over the summer months.

The matter will be further discussed at the meeting of the Shire Council to be held this week.

Already Moving

It is reported that things are moving in Brookton for an S.E.C. take-over. Recently the Engineer - in - charge of Country Power Stations, Mr. H. Barkle, visited the centre in connection with valuation of the Shire Council's undertaking, including mains. It is understood that other officers are to comence a survey of consumer installations.

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"SILVER CENTENARY" TO LEAVE BEVERLEY

A Beverley-built plane which brought a measure of fame to its builders, the late Selby Ford and the late Tom Shackles, and which for the past thirty years has been housed at the local power house where it has created much interest among hundreds of visitors to the town is in the near future to be crated and taken to the city. It will be kept in a government stores building until such time as space is found for it at the museum or in a building in which relics of early-day aviation history in the State will be displayed.

The plane is the "Silver Centenary" which has been making the headlines once again since the untimely death of its designer and co-builder Selby Ford who was killed in a motoring accident some months ago. Recently, noted 'West Australian' feature writer Athol Thomas paid tribute to Selby's inventive genius in a special article in the State's leading daily.

The same writer in company with Channel 7 camera men and a 'West Australian' photographer were in town on Monday morning when the plane was moved from the interior of the power house. The machine, after some delicate manoevring at the doors of the building was safely moved to the yard adjacent the power house.

The machine is in very good condition despite the period which has elapsed since it was placed in the power house for safe keeping. It will be cleaned and polished up before being crated for despatch to Perth.

Monday morning's activities were filmed and were shown on TV that night and featured in the city press on Tuesday. Proceedings on Monday were watched with great interest by a gathering of local residents present by invitation of Mr Ford's sons, Graham and Brian. All enjoyed morning tea.

Over the years many people with an interest in aviation have made special trips to Beverley to view the "Silver Centenary", and among the most recent of these were two pilots who visited as late as last Sunday. The measure of their interest was manifest in an expressed desire to fly the machine!

When all plans for the display of the "Silver Centenary" in the city are complete the degree of interest in the machine will be immensely broadened.

Boating and Ski-ing

The best of the boating and ski-ing on the local lakes is nearing an end as the water levels of the lakes fall under summer..s influence.

It is now necessary to push craft some distance from the bank at the launching site to find sufficient depths of water to float the boats.

There is still a good depth of water on the south side of Racecourse lake and access can be had to McLean's and Ossigs lakes but the falling levels will soon preclude this, thus diminishing the area of the water available for speeding.

The lakes have been particularly popular over the holiday period and local enthusiasts are sorry that the sport is now curtailed.

They will look forward to completion of the project whereby the retaining wall at Qualanderry crossing will be raised two feet to impound a bigger acreage of water throughout the system.

Boat owners will be making good use of their craft at the various holiday resorts where they will be staying during the coming weeks

Shooters Having Good Year

Following on the most successful opening to a duck shoot ing season experienced in these districts in many years local sportsmen have been getting good bags of duck on the river and lakes, although the takes have been nowhere near as big as was the case on the 22nd December, when most parties secured the bag limit or near limit scores of 15 per shooter. Evening shoots have been the most successful.

There are still many thousands of ducks to be seen on the Eastern section of the lakes system but short of an organised outing sportsmen are meeting with increasing difficulties as the birds are becoming more wary.

"The best shoot ever" was a frequent verdict among shooters when they returned from the opening shoot although the river sportsmen were disappointed this year.

ACCIDENT MARS OPENING

Use of a pea rifle resulted in an accident on the lower lakes on opening morning (December 22) the thirteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Colin McLean receiving a pea rifle wound in the wrist when he was struck by a bullet.

He was brought to Beverley where the bullet was extracted by Dr. Cullen

It is understood that some visiting youths were warned regarding the danger arising from their use of rifles but persisted until the accident occurred

The York police attended the scene and rifles for which no licences were held but the bullets were confiscated.

Under the game laws of this State wild ducks may only be taken by use of a shotgun All other methods are in contravention of the law

"Ging" Champ

For our money "Chubby" Strange, now living in a newly purchased home in Smith Street would be the champion "ging" shot in these parts. As a child he was an expert with this type of weapon and when the 'green eyes' began to invade the ripening fruit at the new home he got to work to such effect that the bag of 'greenies' in a few days amounted to 108.

Accident Victim

The death occurred last week as the result of an accident of Mrs Katina Samios, of Moora, and a former resident of Beverley where with her husband Archie she was associated with a local business for some years Mrs Samios was a passenger in a motor vehicle which was involved in a collision.

She was the mother of family of ... family mad... friends here and sympathy has been extended to the bereaved.

Effective Shots

There has been a prolific breeding of Mane Geese (or Wood Duck) on farm water catchments this year but nevertheless with one exception they did not appear to be plentiful at the usual wild life haunts at the opening of the shooting season.

The exception occurred at two pools between Beverley and Kokeby where an enormous flight of this breed of wild fowl suddenly appeared out of the blue.

A seasoned shooter estimated that there was almost 1,000 birds in the mob. In two shots as they passed over he bagged twelve. The birds disappeared as suddenly as they appeared.

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Youths' Wild Driving

In the absence of the local traffic inspector who is on holidays three young men in a York licensed vehicle engaged in a wild rampage in Beverley last Saturday.

They had with them some local girls and according to local residents who witnessed the escapades drove up and down the main street of the town at break-neck speed.

Later they clowned with reckless abandon, executing 'figures of eight' around ornamental trees on the recreation ground and in the vicinity of the swimming pool.

Dale Collision

Although both cars were damaged the occupants escaped injury when a collision occured between a Perth bound car and another travelling towards Beverley near the Dale Hall last week. District residents were involved. The accident occurred at a bend in the road and could easily have had more serious consequences.

Traffic authorities went to the scene from Beverley.

Association Cricket

A win and a loss in Beverley/York Association cricket was recorded on Sunday when the locals played their annual fixture against the Cunderdin Assn. at Cunderdin.

The scccessful side was the No. 2 team which dismissed the home side for 124 runs and then made 149 for the loss of seven wickets. Feature of the match were the performances of Colt players included in the Association side. They figured in dismissals of nine of the opposing batsmen.

David Weaver was in great form with the ball to take five wickets and was also responsible for a brilliant catch.

Cunnane was Beverley's top scorer with 29 retired.

No. 1 Side Loses

Beverley's No. 1 side made 146 for the loss of eight wickets when they batted first against Cunderdin's strong No. 1 side. The most successful batsman was Bert Wansbrough who made 35. Les Woods scored 32 and Smith retired at 28. Several Cunderdin bowlers shared the wickets.

In reply Cunderdin scored 168 for seven wickets, several batsmen retiring. Opener J Hutchinson was the top scorer with 44 (retired) and several others had tallies in the 20's.

Details of the No. 2 side's match are unavailable but the No 1 side scores are published on another page of this issue.

best performance [illegible] was by thirteen year old Greg Paramor when he swam the 110 yds free-style in 86.5 seconds.

There were some good times in the 55yds freestyle, the most notable being by P. Veryard, C. Anderson, G. Paramor and Margaret Jones.

A senior swimmer, Tim Gillespie, easily made the fastest time for the 55 yds breaststroke. Of the others swimming in this style, Lesley Philson and Chris Fowler gave most promising performances. Best efforts in the back stroke events were by Helen McIntosh, Ellen Murphy, Marg. Jones, Geoff Honess and Joe Murphy.

A special mention for all round improvement would go to Andrew Webster.

Club officials were encouraged by the improved attendance on Friday and are looking forward to bigger and better meetings. Swimmers please note that an Inter-Club carnival will be held at Beverley early in February — make it a win for Beverley.

Good Bags

A big party of local shooters who visited the Channel lakes at an early hour last Sunday morning enjoyed good sport.

They reported there are still thousands of duck in the area but plenty of guns are needed to keep the birds moving on the big expanse of water.

The party averaged 11 ducks per gun — a much better than normal tally for this time of the year.

Yields Down

The most disappointing wheat harvest experienced in this district in many seasons is about to end. Like the State averages the figures are well below those anticipated even as late as a few weeks before Xmas.

Crops throughout the area and particularly south east of the town which on appearances should have yielded well were most disappointing — some hardly worth the trouble and expense of stripping.

Rust affected many crops throughout these parts but the shrivelled nature of the grain following the very wet conditions earlier on and lack of finishing rains were perhaps the major factor in the poor returns recorded.

Some farmers experienced their worst wheat returns ever and the average over the whole district would be the lowest in many years.

An occasional crop yielded well enough to make the return worth-while but these were the exceptions.

Better wool returns of late have helped balance the picture following a disappointing year.

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Power Hold-up

A loose connection on a pole carrying current from the power house to the main street on Tuesday morning resulted in a reduction of power in parts of the town until the fault was located and repaired.

At the office of this paper insufficient power to heat the linotype metal resulted in a hold up until about 11 o'clock.

Minor Fire

An outbreak of fire on Mr. Don Young's property, south west of the town on Sunday last was promptly dealt with by volunteers who brought the outbreak under control after it had burnt over a small area of

Bad Smash at Edwards' Crossing

Three young men of the York district were involved when a car in which they were travelling from Beverley to York between five and six p.m. on Saturday last failed to negotiate the S bend at Edwards Crossing two miles from Beverley on the main road to York and crashed into a pole carrying a flashing light signal.

and Mrs. Bill Kirkwood who are well-known in Beverley, where the father was at one time assistant station master. He is now station master at York. The father was called from the York bowling green upon receipt of news of the accident.

The vehicle overturned several times and struck the light

promptly to install the signal light in the interests of the safety of the travelling public.

The York car was extensively damaged.

The S bend at Edwards Crossing is a potentially dangerous one although the hazards have been decreased since the installation of the flashing light signals.

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Wild Life in Profusion

Fisheries and Game Department Field Officer, Neil McLachlan, was in the district last week-end in furtherance of proposals to appoint two more honorary game wardens for these areas. The appointments are pending and will be announced as soon as officially confirmed.

Whilst here the inspector was taken to the lower lakes by County Peak resident Jack McLean.

He was amazed at the amount of wild life noted on the waterways and stated that in all his recent tours of inland game areas of the State he had never seen such a quantity and variety of wild life as he was able to note in the area.

He had just arrived in Beverley from the lakes East of Narrogin where wild life was in nothing like normal numbers, and he had also walked over the recently proclaimed sanctuary areas in the Pingelly district.

At the Bally Bally lakes he took a count of several varieties of birdlife. Over 150 pelicans were to be seen on the Race Course lake, headquarters of the local Ski-ing and boating club.

The birds were first noticed in the area some months ago. They have since increased greatly in numbers and appear to be becoming a permanent feature.

Normally living on fish and marine life there has been some puzzlement as to what they subsist on in these inland waters. However Jack McLean reports that the lakes this year contain millions of minnows, and this may be the pelicans' food source.

There are great numbers of the common grey crane, a sizeable flock of seagulls, and hundreds of black and white cormorants whilst banded stilt have congregated in hundreds.

Mr. McLachlan's estimate of the number of wild duck seen on Race Course lake was 2000.

The presence of minnows in such numbers in the lake waters this year is in itself an unusual feature as normally the water contains far too much salt for this form of life, normally seen in quantity only in the rivers and freshwater catchments.

The lakes area at the moment is certainly a place of great interest to the nature lover. The water levels have fallen greatly in recent weeks, and boating has lost its attractiveness for local enthusiasts, but there is still a volume of water which obviously makes the area so attractive to wild life and this should be the case for some time to come. Indeed it would seem unlikely that the catchments will dry out comple tely this summer.

It is interesting to note that proposals to deepen the lakes by the raising of the retaining wall at Qualanderry by another two feet have not been lost sight of. PWD workmen have, in recent weeks, put down a number of test holes at the site.

FAMILY INVOLVEMENTS IN NAVAL DISASTER

This week's disaster involving the loss of 85 members of the complement of HMAS Voyager had intense personal implications for at least three Beverley families who have representatives in the crews involved in the tragic collision between the destroyer and the Navy flagship, HMAS Melbourne.

All were among the fortunate ones to escape death or injury in Australia's worst peace-time naval disaster.

One of the lucky ones to be rescued from the Voyager is A/B Kim Casas, second son of Mrs. Keith Butcher. Kim has been a member of the Voyager crew for six years. He has a wife and baby daughter residing in Melbourne.

The Butcher family was very happy to receive word from Kim that he was safe.

Des Honess, son of Mr and Mrs A. Honess, is a member of the crew of HMAS Melbourne which suffered no casualties in the collision. Des was recently home in Beverley whilst recuperating from burns suffered in a mishap in the course of his training.

Petty-officer Alex Webster has been associated with destroyers in the Navy for many years but is at present on the Melbourne and thus escaped injury in the disaster. His wife (formerly Betty Grimbly) and family reside at Beverley and Alex was home for a lengthy leave just prior to Xmas.

Power Cut

By public notice in another part of this issue residents are advised of a power cut to take place at 7 o'clock next Sunday morning.

It is expected that the power will be off for about half an hour whilst some switchboard alterations and repairs are under way.

Town Fire

The fire siren summoned volunteers to a blaze in the wash house of Mrs. Julie Weaver's residence in Forrest Street at about 3 p.m. on Monday last.

The shed was well ablaze when volunteers reached the scene and little could be done to save the structure which was practically destroyed.

Firemen took both the bush fire unit and the town engine to the fire but the latter equipment was not required.

There was very little in the shed of value and the damage was light.

A fire had been lit under a copper within the shed earlier in the day and the blaze apparently started from this source.

Swimming Carnival Competitors

The following swimmers have been selected to represent the Beverley Club in the 40 event inter-town carnival to be held at the local swimming pool this (Friday) night.

GIRLS

E Murphy, B Hodgkinson, L Anderson, T Anderson, D Kelly, B Ratcliffe, A Smith, M Jones, M Gill, L Webster, H McIntosh, J Kelly, K Jones, N Nicholson, K Butcher.

BOYS

C Anderson, G Paramor, S Webster, C Fowler, A Gillespie G Carr, M Cooper, D Smith, A Webster, J Murphy, R McCloy, G Brady, N Gill, B Mann, P Nicholson, K Fowler, J Kelly, T Gillespie, M Edwards, G Honess, P Veryard, R Wagner, B Ware, I Nicholson, T O'Callaghan.

All competitors should bring track suits or something warm.

Road Damage Brings Fine

Damage to the bitumen surfacing of the main street of the town when a steelwheeled harvester was driven along it by an employee of a local firm last month resulted in the appearance of the driver in the police court on Tuesday last.

Action was taken by the Beverley Shire Council which was represented by Mr. Iddison of York.

Magistrate A. L. O'Brien fined the offending driver £4. and £8/14/11 costs.

The transit of farm vehicles which have not been suitably adapted for travelling over surfaced roadways in the district has often been a matter of concern to the Council when damage has resulted and warnings have been issued from time to time.

Schools Resume

In common with all other schools throughout the State, Beverley Junior High re-opened after the annual holidays on Monday last. The school has achieved a new status and re-opened as a class 1 Junior High School.

Quite a number of district children are still holidaying with their parents and enrolment figures will be notified later.

Mr. M. Anderson is the new headmaster with Mr. C. Johnston as Deputy Headmaster — this latter office resulting from the upgrading of the school. Other new appointments to Beverley are Miss K. McDermott and Mr. K. McLean.

The new year has begun smoothly enough at the school and staff and pupils look forward to a happy 1964 marked by fruitful co-operation in all fields of school activity.

Satelite Seen

A satelite which appears to move slowly across the heavens in a Westerly to North - Easterly direction has been seen on a number of evenings this week by local residents.

It appears to fluctuate in brightness and move more slowly than normal.

PENNANT BOWLS

Locals Narrowly Beaten

In very close Pennant fixtures last Saturday both Beverley Gold and Beverley Green suffered narrow defeats. Rarely are such close decisions noted in Pennant fixtures.

Opposed to Northam Blue Beverley Gold was beaten 92 to 96, the Northam team gaining a valuable six points for their season aggregate to put them n a good position for ultimate honours in the Southern section of the competition.

Beverley Green lost to York Gold by the odd point, 92 to 93, York increasing their aggregate by four points whilst the Beverley section scored 2.

Details:

Beverley Gold v Northam Blue
(Beverley mentioned first)

S. Murray's four beat J Mullan's four 26 to 15.
H. Doncon's four lost to C. Rogers four 22 to 27.
W. Brown's four lost to T. Adams' four 17 to 26.
I. Petchell's four lost to F. Collin's four 27 to 28.
Beverley 92; Northam 96.
Beverley 1 point: Northam 6 points.

Beverley Green v York Gold
(Beverley mentioned first)

D. Rigoll's four lost to W Ashworth's four 17 to 23.
Bob Edwards four beat R. Ashworth's four 29 to 19.
A. Cooper's four beat J Blackiston's four 24 to 20.
W. Gill's four lost to R. Pemberton's four 22 to 31.
Beverley 92; York 93.
York 6 points; Beverley 2pts.

CLUB EVENTS

A mixed fours (hidden number) competition last week-end was won by H. Doncon's four comprising J. Boyle, J. McGowan and N. Husking.

The final of the Handicap Fours (Doncon and Weaver trophies) has been won by C. R. McGlew and W. Wright.

JUBILEE YEAR EVENT

To mark the Jubilee of the Beverley Bowling Club efforts are being made to attract a record entry for the G. L. Weaver pairs and the Ernest Ford fours on February 29 and March 1 and 2. The fixtures have been given wide publicity on the notice boards of clubs throughout the state .

Entries for both events close on February 26th.

The Ford fours was inaugurated eighteen years ago to commemorate a former great worker and Club champion in the late Ernst Ford whilst the Weaver Pairs launched more recently commemorates a former good club man in the late Bob Weaver.

The pairs events starts on February 29 and the fours on March 1 with the finals of both events on March 2.

Mixed bowls will be played at night during the Carnival and there will be consolation events for those eliminated in early rounds of major events.

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 28TH, 1964

Mostly Personal

: death occurred in the n February 22nd. of Mrs Mason, wife of the Rev. r Mason, one of the s best known Methodist ters who has served in parts of Western Austra- ıd was at one period in : of the Beverley circuit. was a sister of the late Norman of Albany and rthur and Ada Norman of Albany, but formerly s town.

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: farming community is :d that the next meeting : Beverley branch of the ers Union is to be held : CWA hall at 8 p.m. on ı 22nd.

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s Nita Ferguson and Mrs Draper were the winners : Beverley ladies bowling championship pairs event ed last week. The runners :re Mrs Syb Doncon and Shirley Smith, whilst Mes- s N Husking and A Corbett won the Plate event, with Mesdames Price and Ridgeway runner-up.

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Mrs. E. Dolan, who was formerly Mrs. J. Wilkinson, and lived in Beverley for some time at which period she was associated with her husband in the control of the Beverley refreshment rooms, still has interests in the town and was a visitor this week.

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Miss Muriel Carr, of Bally Bally is visiting Albany for a week or two, staying at a well-known guest house.

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Mr. and Mrs. Walter Carr are to stay at the Royal George Hotel, Albany for a fortnight.

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Among forthcoming weddings for which invitations have recently been prepared at this office is that of Ann Edwards, daughter of Mr and Mrs H. T. Edwards of Anbrook to Leonard James Bellman. The ceremony is to take place at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Nedlands, on Saturday March 21st. It will be a morning wedding.

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Miss Lois Corbett, nursing trainee of the city has been visiting her parents in Beverley this week.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ron Sewell left recently for Manduah where they are holidaying during Ron's annual leave.

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Doug Barrett-Lennard, who has been attached to a prominent New South Wales Stud property for some time past is home again. He is a son of Mr and Mrs Keith Barrett-Lennard of Woonderlin.

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A brilliant New Norcia student who gained five distinctions amongst his recent examination successes has gained three scholarships. He is Peter Barrow, son of Mr and Mrs Jack Barrow and he goes on to the University in March. His awards included a Commonwealth scholarship, the W. H. Vincent Scholarship and a R & I Bank scholarship. It is probable that he will only be able to take advantage of two of the awards.

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Prominent local businessman Bob Richardson was taken ill this week and admitted to hospital.

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Several committeemen of the Beverley Race Club were present by invitation at the February fixture of the Narrogin club on Wednesday last. The new starting gates which have been jointly purchased by the two clubs were used for the first time at the meeting. At the conclusion of Narrogin's series of summer meetings they will be brought to Beverley where they will remain for the winter. Beverley Club's annual meeting takes place tonight and the first race fixture of the new season will be held on April 15th.

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The Beverley CWA will hold its first meeting since going into recess before Xmas on Friday, March 6th. See advt.

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A particularly quiet summer period is drawing to a close as local organisations "come to life" with the reurn of residents from annual vacations.

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Beverley district residents who remember the Lindsay family which was at one time associated with the Bank of New South Wales in Beverley, where Mr. Lindsay was manager, learnt with regret of the death of a member of the family in son Barton who was among those lost in the recent naval disaster off the NSW coast. Barton attended the local school during the family's sojourn in Beverley.

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If the Red Cross is to continue its many humanitarian ser vices this year, it needs YOUR help. Support the £80,000 Jubilee Appeal by sending a donation to Red Cross House, Murray St. Perth, or you may prefer to send it to your nearest Red Cross branch secretary.

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carnival on the local green the club is rather disappointed at the response from some outside clubs. It seems that Beverley bowlers are not supporting outside fixtures to the same extent as was the case a few years ago and this has had repercussions as far as reciprocity is concerned. Another unfortunate feature is the large number of carnivals taking place over the week-end at other centres in the State.

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The Dean Parker family is home again at Jacobs Well after a pleasant holiday spent at Albany.

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Fish and Game Department field inspector Sam Bowler who is well-known hereabouts where he has often carried out inspect ions of the game areas had a big haul in the South West recently when he took action against ten shooters for infringements of the game laws. They were using spotlights and torch es in night shooting activities in contravention of the Act. Fines were imposed in each instance.

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A Mr. Birch was in Beverley this week in the interests of the Government Serum Laboratories. He was visiting the district to ascertain whether a cer tain type of snake (the Gwarda) is prevalent in the district and his enquiries took him to the home of Mr and Mrs H Paulsen who have taken a keen interest in local reptiles and have made quite a collection which are preserved in bottles at the home. The type of snake sought was represented in the collection and is evidently com mon to the district.

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We understand that Mr and Mrs Inglis Sutherland, late of Kokeby district have now acquired a property at Wickepin. Mr and Mrs Sutherland were in Beverley on Wednesday as was also son Neville who broke his journey here whilst engaged in driving a tractor from the city to the new property.

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Ray Blechynden of Fremantle has been visiting his parents and relatives in Beverley over the past week and has taken the opportunity to enjoy a spot of duck shooting — a sport which is very popular this year in view of the great numbers of birds which have congregated here. Ray like other members of the Blechynden family has always been a keen sportsmen and is an avid follower of League football.

Dental Clinic

A further step towards the provision of dental facilities in Brookton was taken at last Thursday's Council meeting, when it was decided to call tenders for the erection of the surgery.

Tenders will be considered at the next meeting and if a suitable tender is received it is hoped to have the dentist operating in Brookton before the end of the year.

Beverley anticipate that its facilities will be ready in April and it is possible that the dentist may be obtained by this

Football Association Re-Elects President

At the annual meeting of the Avon Valley Football Assn. held at Meckering on Monday night and at which all ten teams comprising the Association were represented, Mr Gordon Kilpatrick, of Beverley was re-elected to the office of President.

There were many re-appointments and this year's list of office bearers is as follows:

Patron — H. Caffell.
President — G. Kilpatrick.

Vice-Presidents — C McCauley (Senior), R Truelove (Junior)

Secretary/Treasures — A S Byfield.

Auditor — W N Opie

Carnival Delegates -- Messrs J Clancy, J Coleman, C McCauley, and A Williams

Proxies — Messrs J Morton, R Truelove, G Kilpatrick and R Aitkenhead

Fixtures and Permit Committee — Messrs C McCauley, J Coleman, A Williams, G Kilpatrick and the Secretary

Protests and Disputes

Election of a Protests and Disputes Board for the coming season was held over until the next meeting

The same arrangements as last year was agreed to regarding umpires and the admission charges to matches will also be as formerly, as also the provision of programmes

There will be an under 18 carnival during the season with a bye provided in order that followers of all Assn. teams may attend.

The New Season

The new season wil start on April 19 or 26, depending on whether a long week-end bye is wanted. The Grand Final will take place on October 11th

Dale Football

The annual general meeting of the Dale Football Club was held at the Dale Hall on Feb. 17th.

A good representative gathering of players and one time players elected the following officers to fill the necessary executive positions of the club:

President: Irvine Thompson.
Vice Presidents: Geo. Bailey and Alf Willey.
Secretary: Lyle Bennett.
Treasurer: Bob Hutchinson.
Committee: Messrs A Willey, O. Rogers, B. Hutchinson, F. Gillam, E. Beecroft, N. Beecroft, D Moir.
Goal umpires: Geof Hutchinson, Bob Thomson, Vic Buckingham, Frank Gartrell.
Time Keeper: Alan Pike.
Gateman: Owen Rogers.
Assn. Delegates: Irvine Thomson, Lyle Bennett,
Messers Laurie Lupton, Ernie Beecroft and Brian Williams are assuming the responsibility of property and First Aid men

Lake Shoot

Many local shooters were at the lakes last Sunday morning when an organised shoot was held. There were some excellent bags on the lower reaches of the lakes system and we understand many ducks were obtained at Qualen Downs and Mears Lake.

A lone shooter at Rocky Lake obtained his full quota of birds (15).

The unluckiest of those who went out from Beverley was a small party, members of which planted themselves at vantage points at the Channel lakes at 7 a.m. expecting a big influx of duck when shooting commenced at other points.

They remained in their plants till nearly 10 a.m. without sighting any game and then came out of the water for a delayed breakfast.

Hardly was the meal under way when ducks came winging into the channels from all quarters of the compass. They swept in in thousands and one of those present afterwards stated that even in the North West he had had never seen game in such numbers.

However in again proceeding to vantage points the birds were disturbed and the take was very small.

Cricket Teams

TOWNS

W Wansbrough; M Rigoll, H Wansbrough, E Gartner, G Smith, A Denton, D Moulton, H Ugle, P Burgess, M Seed, G Cunnane, C Grover.

B. GRADE

The following players have been selected to represent Beverley B. grade in the Semi-final against York on Sunday at No 2 wicket.:
I Nicholson (Capt.), B Young (V Capt.), F Woods, B Banks, N Gill, D McKellar, P Smith, M Falkingham, F McCloy, B Paulsen, R Petchell, P Denton.

Ford Memorial Fund

Prev. Ackndged.	£301	16	2
J. E .Lupton	2	0	0
Mr & Mrs T E Barret -. Lennard	6	6	0
Mr and Mrs P Smith	2	0	0
W G Fisher	1	1	0
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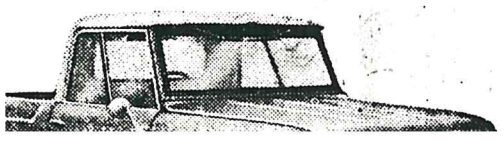

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Season Opens with Soaking Rains

Farmers are busy with tractors and tillage equipment throughout the district following the soaking rains which marked the opening of the season late last week.

The rains were among the best recorded in many years for so early in the year. They ranged from two inches in the town area to almost three inches in parts of the East Beverley, Morbinning and County Peak areas and to over five inches in parts of the Dale district. Some parts of the district experienced exceptional downfalls accompanied by lightning and thunder. There were isolated reports of recordings of an inch or more in less than half an hour on some properties.

East Beverley experienced some of these exceptional show ers and where they occurred the rush of water carried away fencing and caused erosion. Creeks throughout the East Beverley Bally - Bally country flowed to the lakes at flood level. At the McCooke family's "Lakeside" property there were winds of cyclonic intensity across a five chain strip, levelling trees on the farm but missing the farm buildings.

DALE DELUGE

The Dale experienced some of the heaviest gaugings noted in the Southern half of the State, over five inches being noted at Mr. Roy Abbey's farm and on other properties in the vicinity. There were some exceptionally heavy showers which caused severe flooding, and fence damage. At Mr. Ernie Beecroft's farm two dams failed to withstand the rush of water and carried away. Fencing was lost on a number of farms.

Big Sheep Loss

Perhaps the most serious loss resulting from the flood was reported from Mr. Les Barrett-Lennard's property near Dale Bridge, where 95 sheep, for which Mr. Lennard had paid £5 per head a day or two preuovisly were swept away in the waters of the Dale river. The sheep had been grazing along the river bed. Mr. Lennard made an inspection after the rain had started and decided the animals were safe enough as there were no indications at this time of the nature of the downfalls along the top reaches of the river.

He later left the property for a short time to find on his return that the river had come down in full flood following torrential rains to the south-westward. Efforts to save some of the animals were unavailing and practically the whole flock drowned.

Rivers Rise

The Dale River flowed at full flood level but dropped back quickly after the rains ceased. At Beverley the Avon began to flow again after a big rush of water had filled pools along the river course.

Close Contest in Inter-School Swimming

The Central Great Southern inter-school swimming carnival was held in very cool weather at the Beverley Pioneer Memorial Pool on Friday last and resulted in a close and interesting contest, with Pingelly in the ascendant at the close with a tally of 219½ points to Beverley's 207½, with Brookton third with 167. Many records were established in the course of the afternoon. For Beverley school it was their most successful showing to date in the annual contest and was in keeping with the greatly improved performance of the Beverley Swimming Club in winning the inter-club premiership a few weeks ago.

Presentation of Shield

Following the completion of the programme Mr. A. W. Miles, Shire President, presented the Rolf Allom Shield to the winning Pingelly School. He tendered his congratulations to Pingelly and complimented all competitors on the keen competition and good sportsmanship shown. Mr. Miles also referred to the great acquistion the swimming pools are proving to the youth of the districts concerned.

The Pingelly team boy and girl leaders accepted the awards on behalf of the school.

Mr Miles also presented trophies to the winners of the championships in the various age groups.

Champions

Champions in the various age groups were as follows:

Senior: Boys — Triple tie— G. Rayner - Pingelly; Neil Gill - Beverley; M Tyrer - Brookton each 7 points.
Girls —— 1 J. Chittleborough - Brookton 8 points; 2 G. Paul sen, Beverley and B. Hodgkinson, Beverley, each 5 points.

Intermediate: Boys — 1 Cliff Anderson - Beverley 8 points; 2 G. Honess - Beverley and B. Nottle - Pingelly each 5 points.
Girls — 1 S. Bennet - Pingelly 13 points; 2 M. Jones - Beverley 8 points.

Junior: Boys — 1 B. Coote - Brookton 11 points; 2 T Ferguson - Pingelly 10 points.
Girls —— 1 A. Whitbread -- Brookton 7 points; 2 M. Shand - Brookton 6 points.

Sub - Junior: Boys — 1 D. Wilkie - Pingelly 10 points; 2 Chris Fowler - Beverley 5 pts.
Girls — 1 Y Fox - Brookton 10 points; 2. L. Anderson -- Beverley 8 points.

Individual Results

In the following individual results times are shown only in cases where records were established:

Freestyle — 55 yards

Boys 15 — R. Pennington, Pin. 1; M. Sewell, Pin. 2; M Tyrer Bktn. 3. **Girls 15** — T. Simmons Bev. 1; C. Malley, Pin. 2; C. Treasure, Pin. 3. Time 44.8 record.

Boys 14 — N. Gill, Bev. 1; J Marshall, Pin. 2; M. Butcher, Bev. 3. Time 33.4 record
Girls 14 B. Hodgkinson, Bev. 1; N. Hathaway, Pin. 2; J. Chittleborough, Bktn. 2; Time 39.4 record.

Boys 13 — C Anderson, Bev 1; G. Brady, Bev. and B. Rayner, Pin. 2. **Girls 13** — S. Bennet, Pin. 1; M. Colebrook, Bktn. 2; S. Morris, Bktn. 3. 38.2 record.

Boys 12 — K. Munro, Pin. 1; G. Honess. Bev. 2; R. Shackles, Bev. 3. **Girls 12**— M. Jones, Bev. 1; N. Gilchrist Pin. 2; G. Coote, Bktn. 3. 35.8 record.

Boys 11 — B. Coote, Bktn. 1; T. Ferguson, Pin. 2; I. Howlett, Bktn. 3. 36.0 record.

—— Further results — page 3.

Women's Hockey

A meeting held at Beverley last Monday night revealed that only five teams will compete in the Association's matches this season. While Brookton Club are able to enter two teams, Dale Tigers have withdrawn because of lack of players and a revival of interest in York enables them to conduct their own competition with four teams from that town.

Mrs. Dawn Bryden and Mrs Lila Borbidge, both of Brookton, were re-elected to positions of President and Secretary respectively of the South Eastern Districts Women's Hockey Association.

A set of fixtures was drawn up, commencing Saturday, 18th April. There will be byes all round for Anzac Day, the long week-end in June, the second week-end of Country Week and Junior Farmers Achievement Day. There will be 3 rounds of matches with semi finals scheduled for 29th. August.

Club secretaries please note — it was decided that only leather covered balls be used for matches.

Fixture for April 18th. - home team mentioned first and match to commence at 2.30 p.m.
Brookton Red v Beverley Gold.
Beverley Blue v Quairading.
Brookton Navy — bye

BOWLS

Season Near End

With the weather prophets predicting an early winter the bowling season is nearing its end and there are few remaining fixture. Last Sunday a foursomes event was staged for tro phies presented by Messrs Price and Healy. Cool conditions pre vailed and there was not a large entry. The winners turned up in a quartette comprising Messrs. Gill, Minchin, J. Fleay and Bill Edwards, these defeating Messrs Boyle, Price, Raven and McGowan.

The Bowling Club has invited all old tennis players to a social game next Sunday at 10 a.m.

Races Next Wednesda

Good nominations have received for the first m of the Beverley Race C new season which takes next Wednesday. There w a six event programme wit main race of the afternoo A. T. Walker Memorial H cap of £105 including a trophy for the owner of winning horse and a £5 tr for the winning jockey.

The course has greatly b fitted from the recent rains there will be no dust nuis the track carrying a cove of clover which should m the going excellent. The u amenities will include lunch facilities on the course.

One change in the usual rangements which patrons quickly note is the provision an old style tote in lieu of usual mobile tote. It will staffed by local residents. T is a temporary arrangem pending arrangements be completed with a new orga sation which it is expected w undertake future tote servic with electronic equipment.

Club handicapper, Fra Cripps, has weighted the fo owing horses for the fixture:

Mt. Amy Sprint (1), 6f. le 60yds.: Lisolou 10.0; Mantis 8.8; Herbann 8.5; Ord 8.4; Re Ruler 7.13; Queen of the Da ids 7.12; Don's Hope 7.11; Au ken 7.7; Wydoom 7.5; Notr 7.3.

Country Maiden, 5f.: Spear fish 8.10; Channel's Double 8.8 Sweet Berry, Netflame 8.6 Bronze Circuit, Millfolly 8.3 Asterdin 8.2; Charming Star, Corraine 8.0; La Bonita 7.12; Fun and Games, Little Errand 7.11; Tirriki 7.10; Bright Petals 7.9; Villanova 7.7; Coin Spot 7.4; Copper Star, India's Pride, Royal Cirus, Minerup, Johnny Mac, Paris Rose 7.3.

Mt. Amy Sprint (2), 6f. less 60yards: Bojennie, Cranford, Bright Guardian 8.8; Julien May 8.7; Deep Red, Furwany 8.6; Black Bint, Miss Nyora 8.2 Mr List, Fun and Games, Fortescue Lad, Royal Finale 8.1.

Mt. Amy Sprint (3), 7f. less 17yards.: Pizzaro, Soft Tone, Sweet Myra 8.7; Lady Laloma, Bold Aster, Lord Fisher, Ross Castle 8.6; Cherrabun 8.5; Villanova, Niomine, Pen Chat, Wakeman 8.4; Morgenstern 8.3

A. T. Walker Memorial Handicap, 9f.: Mantisia 8.10; Miss Winkle 8.8; Loaming, Ord, Nardy Boy 8.6; Queen of the Davids 8.0; Sabre Dance 7.9; Wydoom 7.7; Mr Woo 7.3; Star Sir, Blanc Water, Deep Red 7.2; Lord Fisher, Del Rob, Lord Rule, Biddy Ribbons 7.0.

Mt. Amy Sprint (4), 6f less 60yds: Narryer, Solar King 8.7; Minalve 8.6; Pavonis 8.5; Del Rob 8.4; Johnny Mac, Channel Hostess 8.3; Red Reform, Book Review 8.2; Theone 8.1; Lord Rule, Paris Rose 8.0; Miss Beryl 7.12; Manzilla, Kitoni 7.11.

The starting gates recently purchased by the Beverley and Narrogin clubs will be in use for the first time and will remain here until next summer.

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Veteran's Bowls Fixture

The bowling season is dying hard in these parts as was evidenced last weekend when there were excellent entries (many from clubs far afield) in a pairs and fours event, extending over Saturday and Sunday, on the Beverley green. For the purpose of the competition veterans were adjudged as those over 55 years of age and consequently with this comparatively young minimum there were many very able exponents in attendance and with the greens playing rather better than for some time some excellent expositions of the game were seen.

Sectional play was the order for the preliminary games in both the pairs and the fours. Good weather favoured the fixture and the finals of both events took place in the evening.

The Pairs

The Pairs contest was played on Saturday with six sections of four engaged. The knockout games followed on and the finalists turned up in Glen and Lionel Cooke, of York, and C. Price and Ossie Sims, of Beverley. In a hard fought match the York pair was successful.

The Fours

Four sections contested the early rounds of the fours event on Sunday and those to win through and qualify for the knockout games were teams skippered by I. Petchell, N. Smith, Bert Simmons, and H. Rowe (Narrogin). Petchell's four created something of a record in one of its sectional matches when it defeated a strong side 27 to nil.

In the Semi-final Rowe's Narrogin four beat Bert Simmon's quartette and Petchell beat Norm Smith.

The final which did not conclude until about 8 p.m. produced some very fine bowls and close scoring. It was won by the Narrogin team by the odd point, final tallies being 13/12 in Rowe's favour. Petchell's four, holding 1, had the opportunity to equalise and force the playing of a deciding end if the skipper could draw another with his last two bowls on a full length end, but this he failed to do.

The week-end's activities concluded with the presentation of the trophies.

Shooting Season Ends on 30th.

The best shooting season experienced in this district for many years will end at midnight on the 30th. inst. and will not re-open until a date is set in December next. Although birds have been rather scarce on the Avon River the lakes have been well stocked since the opening shoot and satisfactory bags have been the order rather than the exception.

Latest rains have put much water into the lakes system and another great breeding season should be experienced. There will be many sportsmen out at the week-end for a final outing. One party of Dale shooters have arranged to go to Gundaring in the Wagin district.

Anzac

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Up to two years ago Anzac Day in this State was not marked by sporting fixtures of any description, but this has now changed, mainly through the desire of members of the R.S.L. themselves, and Saturday will see a number of sporting fixtures, here and in the city.

LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS

Local arrangements for the observance of the occasion will be as follows: There will be a dawn service. Those participating will fall in at 5.40 a.m. in Vincent Street and march to the memorial. Quiet homage to the fallen will mark the occasion and there will be no speeches.

A service will be held at 10.40 a.m. at the Memorial from where after a wreath laying ceremony the assemblage will move to the Town Hall for the main service at 11 a.m. The Rev. J. A. S. Philson will deliver the address and a choir of children's voices will assist in the singing.

Stars on Strings

A pathetically small audience had an evening of sheer delight when they assembled to witness the artistry of Anne, Angela, and Parry Marshall at the Beverley Town Hall on Monday evening.

The tour arranged by the Adult Education Board is the first of its kind to be presented to country audiences and lack of enthusiasm on the part of local residents is greatly to be deplored.

Puppets, once thought to be children's entertainment, have long since risen to the fore as a means of high artistic release for all age groups and Stars on Strings was an outstanding example of a perfect blending of music, setting, lighting, and brilliant story telling. The programme ranged from the lighthearted to the poignant and the dramatisation of Oscar Wilde's immortal short story "The Happy Prince" will have lasting memories.

At the conclusion of the show Repertory stalwarts, who endeavour to secure such shows for the Beverley community, had the pleasure of entertaining the charming Marshall family to an informal supper where tea, chatter, and exchange of ideas and theatrical news, rounded off a memorable evening.

The Marshalls will present a season at the Perth Playhouse at the concusion of their country tour.

Cricketers' Wind-up

Association cricketers wound up their season with a dinner at the Hotel Beverley last Friday night when all local teams were represented. York's ...o clubs sent apologies for unavoidable absence. Dick Broun presided and many toasts were honoured including one to the premiers for the season, Dale, and to the Association, the runners-up Towns, the B. grade premiers, Beverley, and to the Country Week representatives.

Mr. Broun spoke of the pleasure it gave to see a young Association player in Bruce Duperouzel of York selected in the State schoolboys side and also in the Australian schoolboys team.

The Association Patron, Mr. A. W. Miles in proposing a toast to the Association said the season had been a fairly satisfactory one although it was regrettable to see Beverley-York drop ut of the A Section at Country Week, after having held its position for the past 16 years. He congratulated Dale on its success.

A feature of the evening was the presentation of Association trophies (by Mr. Miles) for individual performances. These were awarded as follows:

Batting average:— Bert Wansbrough (101).
Batting aggregate: Bert Wansbrough (709).
Bowling av.: E. Gartner (12).
Bowling ag'gate: W Rule (24).
Most runs Country Week: Les Woods (189).
Most wickets Country week: B Banks (28).
Best Junior: Les Eyre.

Rain Needed

Rain is needed in the district if the full advantages of the early start to the season are to be gained.

This week there were early indications of a break in the fine weather but on Wednesday conditions were not so promising.

MUSHROOMS

Those residents who were out searching for mushrooms after the early rains were disappointed very few appearing although paddocks had received a thorough drenching.

It is expected the "mushies" will appear after the next rains.

Residents of Beverley have been responding in their usual generous fashion to the Red Cross Society's annual March appeal. The following list of donations of £1/-/- and over totals £359/10/3 and it is hoped that through donations still to come the Beverley branch will be enabled to forward to headquarters an amount in the vicinity of £500 which would approximate the amount usually donated from Beverley.

The Beverley branch extends its thanks to all who are helping and acknowledges the following donations:

sheep with barber's pole worm could occur at this time of the year. The Department of Agriculture's Chief Veterinary Surgeon (Mr C. R. Toop) said that the recent early rains which had been followed by warm cloudy weather had provided the right conditions for the development of barber's pole worm on pastures.

The barber's pole worm (Haemonchus contortus) attacked sheep of all ages and could cause very serious ill-effects if control measure were not taken.

He said that farmers in areas where this parasite was known over the past ... it came as a great disappointment to find so few people interested that the recent annual meeting of the Community Committee had to be abandoned. They can be excused a sense of frustration in these circumstances.

The Committee is calling another meeting for April 30th. at the Dale Hall. It feels that if there is not enough people in the area to form a committee to administer the amenities mentioned there is no alternative but to close both until such time as there are people willing to come forward. The committee feels that it is rather a sad state of affairs if a district that can provide two cricket and two football teams cannot find a dozen people willing to give a little time to look after amenities already provided. Please come along on the 30th. See advert. page 2.

Winter Sports Commence This Week-end

Two winter sports will ... under way this week-end with the opening of the golf season to-morrow (Saturday) afternoon and first round matches in Avon football due to be played on Sunday. As was the case last year Beverley's first football fixture will be on the Beverley oval and against Quairading, always a hard team to beat.

Beverley has a number of new faces in the line-up. The important ommission this year is sure to be Dale Edwards whose prominence in his last two appearances for Clare and in the city has precluded. We hope that this match will be available locally.

In a scratch match played in Beverley on Sunday, Beverley A. Reserve played well to defeat Maddington's likewise reserves but A. Grade was beaten a very close game. It was a good match to watch and football followers were pleased with the form displayed. Further football discussions are on another page of this issue.

GOLF FOURSOMES

Foursomes over nine holes will be played to-morrow afternoon at the golf course to mark the opening of the new season. All members, associate members and intending members are invited to come along and enjoy the occasion, which will be followed by a musical evening. Visitors are asked to provide. The Avon Trading Co. are providing the trophies for the coming fixtures.

Players, in the event of showers falling, will play always on the hard side as there is a covering of grass. Greens have been sanded. On Sunday next there is to be a start for the A. R. H. Murphy.

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Lakes Improvements Approved

Improvements at the district lakes situated in the Bally Bally area with a view to creating better sporting and recreational facilities are about to get under way as a result of the strong advocacy by the Shire Council and the Avon Valley Development Council. The plans envisage the spending of an estimated £2000 by the government in the raising of the retaining wall at the Qualanderry Crossing by another two feet thus ensuring an enlarged boating, ski-ing and shooting area.

It would seem certain that once the wall is raised water will be retained in the lakes from year to year. At present the catchments, in the absence of summer rains, tend to dry out.

The raising of the lakes level will create hundreds of acres of ideal breeding areas for wild fowl to the benefit of the shooting fraternity. The local skiing and Boating Club welcome the news of the project work.. They have plans for the improvement of the access road to their resort and to the amenities at the lake site. The work will bring into realisation a district asset, the potentials of which have long been recognised.

Home from England

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Smith of "Chosen," Dale, who went to England in October last and have been spending an extended holiday with relatives, returned home last week-end and report having spent a most enjoyable time. They travelled by the Scandinavian line ship, "Siena," which carried only 11 passengers and this proved an interesting experience and was in great contrast to their outward trip, which was made by air and completed in slightly under 24 hours — Perth to London.

The visitors found English industry flourishing and a tremendous amount of building under way. London's war time scars are fast disappearing as new buildings take shape and the city has, to a large degree, been modernised. The English winter was the driest experienced for 100 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith visited the Continent and sailed for home from Rotterdam. The latter city, which was almost obliterated under a rain of bombs in the early days of the war, is being re-made. Despite the happy and interesting time they have spent the couple are glad to be home again.

Rains were Patchy

Rains which fell over the district last week were patchy but none-the-less most valuable. Least favoured area was in and about the township where only a few points fell. At the Dale there were some generous registrations amounting in many cases to between half and one inch. East Beverley and Bally Bally had falls of up to 30 pts. and better and West Brookton gaugings of up to an inch. The falls in these areas revived pastures and enabled seasonal operations to proceed. Elsewhere pastures are browned off though it is expected that nightly dews will keep them from drying out entirely.

Expensive Poultry

Wild ducks often prove to be most expensive items by the time they reach the dinner table and after all the incidentals of the chase are added up, but perhaps the most expensive bird ever was bagged by the youths who recently faced a local magistrate on a number of charges.

There were three concerned in the charges. Between them they had bagged one duck. The total of the fines and costs imposed was approximately £150.

Health Prosecutions

A series of charges relating to unsatisfactory conditions at the slaughter - house operated by E. E. Shackles and Sons were heard before Magistrate Syme at the Beverley olice Court held on Friday last.

It was stated that the Health Inspector found human excreta deposited on the ground close to the building when slaughtering was in progress. Further away from the building, rotting bullocks' heads infested with fly larvae were found in a 44 gallon drum, whilst there were also deposits of blood and offal on the ground, and a bag containing the decomposing carcases of several fowls.

In the building itself a dog was found, which is an offence under the Health Act.

The four proprieters pleaded guilty to all charges, and fines totalling £32 were imposed. Costs amounted to £21/12/0.

Speeding Driver Fined

George Thomas Woods wa convicted on charges of speed ing and dangerous driving i the Beverley Police Court o Friday last, and was fined £1 with costs amounting £27/16/6.

Evidence was given that aft following Woods' car at 50m in the townsite, the Traffic I spector reached a speed of mph in order to overtake vehicle a mile from town. then followed the car close sounding the horn to attr the driver's attention, and s the car veer over double wh lines on two occasions. H ever, the driver failed to st

Prior to the chase, Wo reversed his car in Vincent and struck a man standing the street, drove off with making any enquiry, made a turn in the street without gi a signal, and then drove a car which was double-par and a man standing talkin the driver, at excessive sp

In defending the cha Woods stated that there no other vehicles on the r at the time, and that there no danger. Concerning th leged pursuit, Woods, cla that he had been elsewhe the time, and that the T Inspector had made a mi in identifying the vehicle.

TRAFFIC PROSECUTIONS

Alma Rhonda Bryson, Main St., Osborne Park fined £5 for failing to st a STOP sign. and Edwin J of 16 Bedale St., Bedford was fined a total of £ having driven a car and van in Beverley without

AN OPEN LETTER TO ELECTORS

The retiring President of the Beverley Shire Council, Mr. A. W. Miles, who has re-nominated for the vacancy occurring on the Central Ward of the Shire Council, the polling for which takes place on May 23, has addressed the following open letter to the electors of the Central Ward:

Dear Ratepayers,

I have again nominated for Central Ward in the forthcoming Shire Elections, with the object of furthering the progress of the town of Beverley and the District.

The Councillors of the Beverley Shire Council are striving for the sound development of: Roads; Streets; Facilities; and, Amenities for the people of the town and district. I will continue to support any progressive moves in the Council.

I am keen to see the completion of and to assist several projects now under way, togeth er with others being investigated.

The Dale / Mawson road is due for completion in 1965. The Government will have contributed £127,900 and the Shire Council £21,500 when this work is finished.

The Dental Surgery, asked for at a Ratepayers' meeting, will be completed shortly for approximately £6,000. We were fortunate to have been able to buy the old Union Bank building for this purpose or the cost would have been much higher — in the vicinity of £15,000.

Alterations to the Civic Cen- (Old school) building for will be borne by the Government.

The bitumen surfacing of Harper St., Lennard St. (along the west side of the Junior High School), Hopkins St. and Forrest St. to the new wheat bin, then out to Hunt Road, should be started before June.

Investigations have been going on for the last six years, and are still proceeding, on sites for the storage of water, so that the Oval can be grassed. Such progress has been made that I feel sure we will have water and the Ovan grassed by the end of 1965. Our first investigations suggested that this could cost £10,000. Now our estimate is between £5,000 and £6,000.

Your Council has already planned the roads to be constructed and bitumen surfaced under the contributary bitumen scheme on a £ for £ basis for the period 1965/70.

The following figures, achieved during my term of nine years as Chairman and President, will be of interest to rate payers:—

rates collected	£242,271
grants received from the govt.	£330,000

Figures published by the Australian Council of Local Government Associations in Nov. 1963, showed that, of the total revenue for Local Governments ordinary services in Australia, 61% is derived from rates. The above figures show that your Council has only derived about 40% of its income from rates.

the above figures, and achieve the great progress that has taken place over those year:

roads sealed in the district exclud. main roads..39 mls.

roads to be sealed '64....11 mls.

roads to be sealed '65....10 mls.

By virtue of my office, the Shire Council nominated me as one of your representatives on the Avon Valley Zone Developmental Council. The other representative appointed was Mr. F. E. Bremner. This Council is an advisory body to the Premier. The present embankment and roadway at Qualanderry Crossing was the result of our representations on this Council.

Another project we have advocated, is the snagging of the Avon River. From seven miles west of Toodyay to Northam has been completed. Lock gates for the Northam weir are now being investigated so that a free flow of the river can be maintained in times of flood and the further snagging of the river continued to Qualanderry Cros sing. I would like to continue as your representative on this body, and keep striving for the completion of this important work.

By this resume, I hope I have given you some indication of the development your Shire Council has achieved and is still striving for. This is the sort of progress I support. If you want this progress to continue, then I hope you will give me your vote on 23rd. May.

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"TIMARU" STUD'S OUTSTANDING PURCHASE

Shown above is Special Stud Merino Ram (Peppin 2.318), purchased by Ken. H. Doncon of "Timaru" Stud, Beverley from F. S. Falkiner & Sons Pty. Ltd., "Peppinella" Stud, New South Wales at recent Sydney Ram Sales for 2,500 guineas.

This outstanding sire is the highest price ram to come to West. Australia from Sydney this year and is considered by many as possibly one of the best Peppin Blood Rams to be imported into a W.A. Stud. The ram has great frame, strong bone, square plain body, with sire's head and front, coming out of the wool exceptionally well, and carrying a thick fleece of long stapled evenly grown, stud type 60's quality wool. Cutting 32 lb. of wool with only just over 12 minths' growth and a live weight of 247 lbs. at Sydney, indicates some of the top features this ram carries.

This special stud ram, having been joined to top special ewes on "Peppinella" prior to sale, is highly regarded by Mr. Basil Clapham and the vendors who were reluctant to sell at 2500 gns. The Grand Champion Strong Wool Ewe exhibited by "Peppinella" Stud and considered the best Ewe shown at Sydney this year, has been joined to the sire purchased by Mr. Doncon.

Mr. Ken Doncon made the trip to Sydney Sales, with his Stud classer Mr. Ken Broad, to acquire a top Stud Ram to further improve the high standard of the "Timaru" Merinos, and maintain a type of Sale Ram of Peppin Blood, suitable to W.A. conditions and as required by the many clients from most Great Southern and Agricultural areas. "Timaru" will be submitting quality teams of rams at Beverley on 24th July through Elder-GM, and at Bruce Rock on August 27th.

The sale teams have been inspected by Elders-GM Stud Stock Officers who thoroughly recommend buyers of Peppin Blood Merino Rams to firstly inspect the "Timaru" teams. The rams are wellgrown, with bulky quality fleeces of good style and thickness, being known to breed true to type under normal flock conditions.

The Merino Industry in West Australia will benefit through the latest addition to the "Timaru" Stud and its Studmaster, Mr. Ken Doncon, is to be congratulated on this purchase, which demonstrates his faith in the progress of Merino breeding in this State.

Avon at High Level

Following the big falls over the top reaches of the Avon River watershed last week-end the river reached the highest level for the present winter at Beverley on Monday last. It spread right across the flat area near the town bridge and backed up the town drain as far as Bartram Street before it began to recede on Monday night.

At no stage did it reach any where near peak flood level. Although much rain has fallen throughout the Avon Valley it has been intermitent, allowing a good get-away & precluding the danger of the conditions which prevailed for many weeks at this time last year. The most serious feaure of the flow is that as usual thousands of tons of good topsoil are disappearing towards the sea.

Accident Near Northam

Beverley resident Mrs Mollie Agnew, is home again recuperating after spending four days in the Northam Hospital as a result of an accident near that town.

She was motoring to Northam with Mrs Mavis Retallack as a passenger on Thursday of last week and when about three miles from her destination attempted to pass another vehicle. The vehicle got into rain-softened earth and left the road to hit a tree and finish in the adjacent paddock..

The vehicle was a just purchased Volkeswagon station wagon and it suffered severe damage.

Mrs Retallack was fortunate to escape injury but Mrs. Agnew's injuries included shock and laceration and stitches were inserted in a head wound. It is thought that she had been very fortunate to escape as lightly as she did.

Early Morning Blaze at Hospital

Although local volunteer firemen have on several occasions in the past been summoned to deal with potential fire threats to the Beverley hospital, Friday morning's call posed the most serious outbreak ever at the institution. The blaze was first noticed at about 4.30 a.m. and was centred in a toilet block at the rear of the main hospital buildings. It had apparently originated in the attached boiler room and had a good hold having spread between the roof and the ceiling across the whole area of the block.

The sounding of the fire siren brought surprisingly good response from the volunteers considering the very early hour and about fifteen were in attendance with the town unit pump and equipment within 10 minutes of the call going out. The firemen attacked the blaze from a roadside hydrant on the west side of the hospital. To get at the seat of the blaze they had to remove a number of sheets of roofiing iron but they had the fire under control in a short time although firemen were in attendance for about an hour.

Most threatened area of the buildings if the fire had spread any further was the maternity ward. However the good roll-up of firemen in quick time assured that there was no danger to inmates of the hospital and no alarm was apparent. Much damage resulted in the boiler room and this put the hospital hot water system out of commission for the time being. However a local builder, (Mr. Reynolds), was in attendance shortly after 9 a.m. and the system was operating again the same day.

Damage is estimated at some hundreds of pounds and estimates are being obtained for the necessary repairs. In the course of the day representatives of the State Insurance office with which company the buildings are covered, the Medical Department and the Public Works Department visited the hospital.

The Hospital Board Chairman, Mr. E. W. Edwards, discussing the outbreak said the blaze constituted a serious threat to the hospital and his Board was most appreciative of the quick response of the firemen and their very efficient handling of the emergency. The Board also appreciated the manner in which their secretary, Mr. Lyn Eynon, had immediately attended to all urgent matters. The Board will discuss the fire at its next meeting

Electricity Supply to Farms

The Beverley Shire Council has received the following letter from the Hon. Minister for Electricity.

Office of the Minister
for Agriculture,
PERTH.
5th. June, 1964.

The Shire Clerk,
Shire of Beverley,
P.O. Box 20,
BEVERLEY.

Dear Sir,

I acknowledge your letter of 29th. May, 1964 referring to Mr. Heal of Beverley.

My remarks about early application to the Commission applied to farmers who could be connected to the Commission's established supply mains. Mr. Heal obviously cannot be connected until after the line to Beverley has been constructed and the town supply system taken over by the Commission. To clarify this point and other matters connected with the Commission's extension policy, I have enclosed two copies of some notes entitled "Electricity Supply for Farms."

Yours faithfully,
C. D. Nalder.
Minister for Electricity.

By way of explanation the Hon. Minister gave a deputation from this Council to understand that applications by farmers should be submitted now. However as the above letter points out this is not so. Application forms are available at the Council office should farmers require same.

Lakes Commence to Fill

The lakes in the Bally Bally area of the district commenced to fill last week-end as a big volume of water from the upper reaches of the Avon River brought the river level to the top of the retaining wall at Qualanderry crossing from where it spills into the lakes sytsem, filling the despresions for several miles before it begins to flow back into the Avon channel.

By Monday midday the water was flowing a chain wide over the Qualanderry wall which at some time in the near future is scheduled to be raised another two feet.

There is no flow of water as yet from the upper reaches of the lakes system but with the big rains of recent weeks it is expected it will come through to meet up with the flow from the Avon. To assure that water from the Avon would get into the lakes a sand bag embankment placed in position last season by members of the Ski Club and which slightly topped the retaining wall were removed a few days ago by members of the ski club

The lower lakes did not entirely dry out over the past summer and the main ski-ing lake (Racecourse) held a considerable volume throughout but not enough to warrant members taking their boats to the site in the late months of the season.

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Cycocel Tests at Avondale

The drug cycocel — which is claimed to increase the drought tolerance of crop plants — is being tested in two trials planted earlier this year by the Department of Agriculture at its Avondale and Merredin research stations. Preliminary tests were carried out at Avondale in 1962 but no marked responses were recorded.

The Director of Agriculture (Dr. T. C. Dunne) said this week that the Department was testing cycocel on a small scale in co-operation with ICIANZ Ltd., who introduced the material from America in 1961. The Company had been testing the drug at its Merrindale Biological Research Station in Victoria and had approached the Department to arrange tests in W.A.

The 1962 trials at Avondale were inconclusive, the drug having no apparent affect except a tendency to restrict the height of wheat plants in the early growth stages. There was no effect on the yield of cereals under these conditions.

Rates of application in these tests were up to 4oz. active ingredient per acre; however, recent information indicated that higher rates may be needed for significant effects. Higher rates were being used in this years trials, in which cycocel was being applied as both seed and fertiliser on wheat crops. Dr. Dunne said that cycocel was first known as C.C.C. (or chemically 2 - chloroethyltrimethylammoniumchloride). The drug was claimed to bring about a shortening and thickening of the internodes. This "dwarfing" effect might stop plants from growing too tall and rank and so avoid losses from lodging (collapsing) of the straw. This was why the drug was first tested under fairly high rainfall conditions at Avondale Research Station, near Beverley. Recently it had also been claimed that cycocel may increase drought tolerance This was being investigated in this year's Merredin trials.

The trials would be watched with interest, said Dr. Dunne. However the potential use of the substance in agriculture would depend on the cost of application as well as its effect on plant growth.

St. Mary's Guild

What was voted a very pleasant afternoon was enjoyed by members and friends at an American afternoon held in conjunction with the last monthly meeting of St. Mary's Guild.

President, Mrs Geoff Barrett-Lennard welcomed all friends and asked them to join with members, who proceeded to discuss and make decisions on many items of domestic business.

After partaking of a sumptuous afternoon tea, all present mingled in social intercourse. They bought freely of the gifts brought along for the stall.

Applications For Electricity Supply

(To the Editor)

The Minister for Electricity, Hon. C. D. Nalder, writes as follows:

Sir,

Further to the letter published in the "Beverley Times" concerning electricity, and to the comments I made to Shire representatives at my office recently, it does appear that some misunderstanding has been brought about by various circumstances.

I wish to state that the State Electricity Commission appreciates the work being done to organise applications for electricity supply in the Beverley area, and the further information being gathered will be of great assistance in the future planning of Contributory Scheme extensions in the area.

I would be pleased to receive this information to pass on to the Commission when the York - Beverley line has been constructed and the Beverley town supply has been taken over by the Commission.

Your faithfully,
C. D. NALDER,
Minister for Electricity

Lakes Fill From Avon River

From Mr. Jack McLean, of County Peak, who is greatly interested in the development of the lakes in that area and has done much to popularise the sport of boating and ski-ing in the summer months over the extensive water-ways, we learn this week that the lakes are filled to a depth of about five feet, all the water having flowed in from the Avon River at the Qualanderry Crossing.

The water started to flow into the lakes from the river on June 20 the stream covering the present roadway to a depth of about 1 foot. By July 2nd. this flow had stopped and the river level had dropped sufficiently to allow the lake water to commence to flow back into the Avon through the flood gates.

An inch of rain on July 7. and 8 was responsible for another rise in the river level and water commenced to run into the lakes again over the crossing until the pressures on each side of the crossing were about equal.

No doubt this week's falls will create a big rush of water and flooding can be expected throughout the system. Water from the eastern areas which have been subjected to heavy falls of rain can be expected to flow through any day now, filling the lakes over a great stretch of country and meeting up with the already filled lower lakes.

This occurred last year when some of the lakes reached a record depth of 11ft.

Prosecution Under Bush Fires Act

At the Beverley Police Court on Friday last, Vernon Williams of the Dale, was fined £5 with £15/17/3 costs by Magistrate A. L. O'Brien for an offence under the Bush Fires Act.

The offence occurred last summer. Williams was charged with having set fire to the bush without having given the requisite notice of intention to burn to a neighbouring farmer We understand that this was the first prosecution launched in this district for an offence under this section of the Act.

£500 Nurses Scholarship Renewed

The scholarship for Nurses in W.A., valued at £500 has been made available for the second year in succession. The award will again entitle the winner to undertake a post graduate course for the Sister Tutor Diploma at the College of Nursing Australia in Melbourne. On successful completion of the course the winner will be expected to return to this State to join the tutorial staff of a local hospital.

Known as the "Bank of New South Wales Scholarship' the award will be administered by The Florence Nightingale Committee, (W.A. Branch) which will also supplement it by a similar amount. This will enable the winner to study for a full 12 months course.

Miss P. F. Lee who is president of The Florence Nightingale Committee and Principal Matron for W.A. said last week that she and her Committee were delighted to learn that the Bank had made the scholarship available again this year and her Committee will be glad to supplement it by a similar amount.

"It is a matter of real concern whithin the profesion to find enough fully qualified tutors to assist in training the growing intake of new nurses. This splendid public spirited gesture of providing encouragement for nurses to undertake studies at a higher level and in this particular field is greatly appreciated," said Miss Lee.

Mr. I. M. Suter, Chief Manager for the "Wales" in W.A. said that the first award made in 1963 was received so favourably by the administrators in the profession and generally that the Bank wishes to continue its interest this year. He said that the Nursing Profession performs a most important service for the welfare of the community. It is a specialist field requiring much concentrated study under the guidance of highly qualified tutors who must be trained. The Bank feels that it is performing a useful community service in sponsoring this award.

He added that last years winner, Miss Ulla Pederson is at present studying in Melbourne and is expected to return to Perth towards the end of the year to join the Tutoral

Farming Outlook Deteriorates

The farming outlook for the present season has further deteriorated in the Southern districts of the State as a result of the continued wet conditions over the past week.

The showers on Saturday last gave way on Sunday to a reasonably dry few hours, leading to the hope that the much needed fine spell might be in the offing, but this was only a brief respite as another of the long series of depressions appeared off the coast to bring further falls.

Since then rain has fallen daily producing flood conditions. These were aggravated by heavy registrations on Tuesday night.

To Wednesday morning 242 points had been registered at the post office to bring the total for July to that date to 243 points and for the year to 1001 points.

It would seem now that there is little hope of any further cropping being done in these parts. Paddocks were water-logged before the latest registrations and they present a sorry spectacle at the moment.

AVON IN FLOOD

The Avon River was in full flood on Wednesday morning although it had not reached the peak levels recorded last year.

In Bartram Street the water had crossed the roadway.

With the expected big flow of water from the lakes the river will no doubt remain at a high level for some time.

The Dale River is also in flood following big registrations in that area.

The Avon River was still rising at midday on Wednesday and waters were approaching the walls of a home situated between Bartram and Forrest Streets. There appeared to be no danger to a house near the town bridge which is normally threatened on these occasions as an earthen wall has been built during the past twelve months to prevent the enroachment of flood waters.

At the golf course, where the championship matches are due to be played on Sunday, the river's rise had put the ninth hole out of play. There is an emergency hole for such contingencies and this will no doubt be used.

River flats are flooded and the old bridge at Jurakine is submerged. The river would have to rise considerably from Wednesday's level to reach last year's record peak level.

Hockey Players Departure

A hockey player whose association with the Beverley club has been all too short, was farewelled by her teammates after the match at Brookton on Saturday. She is Jill Barrett-Lennard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Les Barrett-Lennard, who has commenced her nursing training at Princess Margaret Hospital.

A talented and speedy forward, Jill will be missed by the Club and particularly by Gold team for which she has play-

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August Opens Wet

The wet and dreary winter to which the State is being subjected has shown little sign of a let-up this week which began with falls on Sunday, with heavier registrations on Monday. At the Dale very heavy rain was experienced on Monday night, over an inch being recorded at a number of properties. This followed about half an inch the previous day. At Beverley 22 wet days were experienced in July for a total registration at the post office of 429 points. This followed an exceptionally wet June—20 wet days for a precipitation of 532 points. For August to Tuesday morning the post office had recorded 77 points and the total for seven months to July 30th. is 1188 points.

Crops are suffering under the continued flood conditions and are turning yellow on many properties. The most promising area is the Dale, which was favoured with better seeding conditions than other parts of the district.

Many farmers consider the outlook worse than was the case last year when excessive rains and rust diseases were experienced and the harvest was a poor one. However there must be many areas where the situation is more promising than is the case on the Great Southern as this week's city papers were still making optimistic prognostications.

River Flows Across Seaton Ross Bridge

The Avon River reached its highest level for the winter on Wednesday morning when following the heavy rains of the beginning of the week it flooded all riverside flats and by 9 a.m. was flowing over the decking of the Seaton Ross Bridge at Edwards Crossing.

At Beverley Bartram street was inundated the water level topping the fence posts on each side of the street whilst a home between that street and Forrest Street had its verandahs awash. Householders in premises at the South end of the street were unable to use the front entrance of their home.

Water is reaching the Avon from the flooded lakes to the Eastward in a vast torrent at Qualanderry Crossing and this will keep the Avon at a high level for some time.

ROAD DAMAGE

Although scouring is occurring to district roads under the continued adverse conditions there have been no reports of excessive damage and it would seem that to-date Beverley has escaped rather lightly. The Dale River and watercourses in that area are at a very high level but the bridge structures appear to be standing up to the strains to which they are being subjected.

'Woonderlin' Ram Brings 300 guineas

A large attendance of buyers from local, Northern, Eastern and Great Southern Districts were present at the Bungaree Ram Sale conducted by Elders - G.M. at Beverley on Friday last.

Bidding was brisk and overall team prices were well in excess of last years.

Top price realised was 300 gns. for a stud ram on account E.T.K. Barrett-Lennard & Co. of Woonderlin whilst the top team average (£171/17/-) was obtained by G. Barrett-Lennard & Co.

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G. Barrett-Lennard & Co., Annandale; 15 Rams to 250 gns, av. £171/17/-.

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C. R. McGlew & Co. Seaton Ross, 12 Rams to 110gns, av. £71/6/-.

Electricity for Farms

From the Member for the District, Mr. H. W. Gayfer, we have received a copy of a letter he has received from the Hon. Minister for Electricity, Mr. C. D. Nalder, further clarifying the positions regarding the supply of electricity to farmers in these areas. The letter reads:

Mr. H W Gayfer, M.L.A.,
Parliament House,
Perth.

Dear Mr. Gayfer,

I would like to clarify a point which was not made clear in my letter to the "Beverley Times" of the 17th. July, 1964. In that letter I stated that "I appreciated the work being done to organise applications for electricity in the Beverley area," and I hope this continues.

What I wished to convey was that, although intention could be expressed now by the ratepayer if electricity extension is required, the actual connection could not be made until the power was extended to the Beverley townsite.

Your faithfully,
C. D. NALDER,
Minister for Electricity

Vermin Control in Forestry Area

The Forestry Reserve dogging scheme is to be continued all parties having agreed to this effect. Writing to advise Shire Clerk, Dave Rigoll, of the arrangements, Mr. A. R. Tomlinson, chief Vermin Control Officer, states:

The Shire Clerk,
Shire Council,
BEVERLEY

Dear Sir,

Goldfields Water Supply Catchment Area and Forestry Reserve Dogging Scheme

All parties have now agreed and the Scheme will be continued.

The Australian Broadcasting Commission has now agreed to broadcast reports on dog activity after the Weather Reports in the morning. This would mean that the dog reports would be probably broadcast at approximately 3 or 4 minutes past 7 in the Country Breakfast Session over 6WA from Wagin.

The proceedure to be followed will be that any complaints regarding dog trouble should be made to the Shire Councils concerned and then forwarded direct to this Office. I think it would facilitate calls if they were made direct to Mr. B. J. Gorey, who is the Secretary of the Agriculture Protection Board. They will then be 'phoned through from this Office to the Bunbury Office of the A.B.C. for broadcast next day.

It will be realised that as these messages will be passing through several hands, it is absolutely essential that great

Dick Strange Dies at 77

The very earliest days of settlement at the Dale are recalled this week by the death at his Beverley home on Monday night of Mr. Richard James Strange at the age of 77 years and after an illness which had extended over several weeks.

Dick Strange represented the second generation of a family which has been associated with the district for over 100 years, his grandfather, James Strange, having settled on virgin land opposite where the Dale Hall was later built. The property "Hillside" afterwards was to be carried on by Dick's father, Andrew Strange, for many years and was later acquired by the subject of this notice.

Remnants of the rock and earth fences as built by the first owner bespeak the age of the property. Although "Hillside" is not now owned by the family fourth generations of the original Strange family are represented in farming ventures in the same district.

Dick's mother was also representative of a pioneering lineage, she having been a Miss Whittington who came from the Swan with her parents

Dale. As a young man he courted and in 1912 married at the Dale, Miss Dora Manuel who was a member of a family which originally hailed from Nhill in Victoria and whose brother Ernest carried out much road work as a contractor to the Beverley Road Board He carried on the "Hillside" property until about 18 years ago when he sold the holding to the present owner, Mr. Forbes Woods, and moved to another property nearer Beverley where a son ("Boy") now resides. Later still he moved to a home he had purchased in Queen Street Beverley to where he and Mrs. Strange retired.

Dick Strange and the family he represented were part and parcel of the Dale region with which it would seem the family roots are so well established as to suggest a long association into the future. He saw the tremendous agricultural advancements which brought prosperity to the once despised soils with which men of his generation had battled and which the development of Sub-clover was to transform. The deceased served the ratepayers

and happy outings in forest country in pursuit of the "roo" the flesh of which at that time seemed to be a staple item of diet among farmers of the area There were organised hunts with notables from Perth, including an ex State governor. These have become part of the lore of the area.

A great cricketing enthusiast Dick played in most of the games in which the Dale was involved over many years and was a member of a Country Week team as late as his 55th. year. His love of the game is perpetuated by his family. Bowls was to claim his attention with advancing years to an ever greater extent and he was a most constant visitor to the local greens and a competitor in countless tourneys and Pennant fixtures.

Scores of good friends will cherish memories of happy occasions spent with the late citizen.

The bereaved comprise his widow, sons, Alan Richard (Jim), Jack, and Ernie (Boy), daughters Winnie (Mrs Roy Abbey) and Nancy (Mrs Husking)

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Minister Warns on Burr-Infested Sheep

The Minister for Agriculture (Mr. C. D. Nalder) today warned that more stringent regulations might have to be applied to prevent the introduction of noxious weed pests on imported sheep.

He also issued a reminder that it was an offence for any one to introduce burrs or seeds of any noxious weed into West ern Australia. A fine of £50 could be imposed on conviction for this offence, he said.

If any burr-infested consignments continued to arrive it might be necessary to amend the regulations to require that all sheep irrespective of wool length be shorn on arrival, said Mr. Nalder. However, this would create many difficulties associated with shearing facilities, availability of shearers, yarding accommodation, feeding, watering and transport-not to mention the added cost to importers.

Under the provisions of the Noxious Weeds Act imported sheep had to be accompanied by a declaration by the owner or his agent that they were free from noxious weeds, and a certificate from a Government inspector that he had examined the sheep and found them free of noxious weeds.

The sheep were required to be shorn on arrival in the State but the Agriculture Protection Board could grant exemption from this. Provided the sheep did not carry more than three-quarters of an inch of wool it was the Board's policy, for pra tical reasons, to grant this exemption.

A shearing shed and two-stand plant had been installed at Parkeston to meet the situation and this had been done with the agreement of the stock firms. It was not considered necessary to provide extensive shearing facilities which would only be used on rare occasions.

If importers or their agents complied with the regulations there should rarely be any need to shear consignments of sheep on arrival at Parkeston to remove burrs which could not be hand picked.

Mr. Nalder said he hoped buyers would co-operate with the Government and avoid the need for more stringent regulations by making every effort to meet the requirements of importation **before** the sheep were consigned to Western Aus tralia.

"In view of the present short age we are keen not to place undue restrictions on the importations of sheep" he said.

"Howeven, unless it is poss-

Pasture Seed Paddocks Should be Grazed

Farmers who were preparing paddocks for clover and medic seed production should be grazing them now to control top growth, said the Officer in -Charge of the Department Agriculture's Seed Certification and Weed Control Branch (Mr. G. R. W. Meadly) this week.

This would improve flowering and seed setting in pastures established more than one year, but it may not be necessary for first-year stands.

Mr. Meadly said that grazing seed paddocks usually gave a

Council Matters in Brief

Aug 21, 1964

An apology was received from the Shire President, Cr. A. W. Miles at the July meeting of the Council, the president being on the sick list at the time. Councillor Heal (deputy President) presided and oth ers in attendance were Councillors Lupton, Swan, Edwards, McLean, Murray and Robins, together with Shire Clerk Dave Rigoll and assistant L. D. McDonald. Matters which have not previously been reported and dealt with by the meeting were the following:

Group Dogging Scheme. The Chief Vermin Control Officer wrote giving details of a scheme to broadcast complaints of dog activity.

Aerial Firebreaks Inspection. Decided that Messrs K Doncon and B. T. Edwards be contacted and supplied with all available information to see if they are interested in participating in an aerial firebreak inspection The matter to again be considered at the August meeting.

School Tennis Courts. In a letter lated 10/6/64 the contractor J. G. Anderson advised that he would endeavour to make an early appiontment to inspect the Courts in company with the Shire Clerk. After some discussion it was resolved that the letter be received.

Fruit Fly Baiting Scheme. Agreed that the Council apply for a Poll to determine whether or not the scheme should be introduced for the townsite area.

Public Risk Insurance — Kindergarten. S.G.I.O. advises that the Kindergarten Committee had no cover under the Council's policies.

Resumed Roads. Letters from the Hon. Minister for Lands and the Dept. of Lands and Surveys received.

C.B.H. Agreed that the CBH be advised that the Council does not wish to make an offer for the Installations or land facing Queen Street.

Pictures Lease Dep. Agreed that the Pictures Lease Deposit be re-invested for a further 12 months.

Group Dogging Scheme. The Chief Vermin Control Officer advised that the scheme was due to expire on 28/10/1964 but a move for its continuation would be instituted before that date. Agreed that further information on the continuation of the scheme be sought.

Constable F. Simmonds. At 12.45 pm Constable Simmonds was received by the Council and welcomed by the Deputy President and other Councillors

Advertising Road Closures. The Goverment Advertising Clerk advised that in future Notices of Intention to Resume Land will be placed in the 'Bev erley Times.'

Traffic Siren. Agreed that a traffic siren be purchased from Atkins (W.A.) Ltd.

Jurrakine Bridge. A letter deal ing with the replacement of the bridge and signed by eight een ratepayers was received.

Search for Titles. Agreed that Mr. P. J. Crosse be appointed to make Titles Searches on be half of this Council.

Street Appeal. Agreed that permission be granted for a street appeal to be held on 18/12/64 by the Surf Life Savings Association of Australia.

Fire Hydrants. Agreed that "No Parking" signs be kept painted on roadways where hydrants are located.

Dept. of Lands and Surveys. Agreed that Council apply to have Res. 27230 (Previously Avon Loc. 28223) thrown open for selection. Also that the the required assurance to main tain the Bridge and approaches when completed. Also that the M.R.D. be asked about the width and height of the new bridge and whether the hydraulics Branch has investigated the project.

Main Roads Dept. The Dept. wrote the Council re resiting of Wannering Brook Bridge, Bremner Road; Damage to trees and availabili:y of 1963/64 grants unexpected. These let ters were considered and received.

Road Closures G. E. Edwards Mr G. E. Edwards applied to have the roads on the North West and South sides of Avon Loc. 21280 closed. The Council agreed to the closure.

Kindergarten Alterations. Agreed that the President contact the President of the Kinlergarten Committee and discuss plans with a view to proceeding with the work.

Painting of Dental Suite. Agreed that the payment of £173/11/- to R. E. Strange for painting the Dental Suite be confirmed.

Valuation Alterations. Agreed tha' the following alterations to valuations be adopted: T. E. Barrett-Lennard - reduce by £87; A. Smith increase by £46 L. W. Doncon increase by £73.

East Beverley Hall Funds. Agreed that in order to bring the Fund up to a round figure of £200 the Council donate £4.3.3. to the Fund and the total then be invested in Commonwealth Bonds as previously decided.

Reserve 8486. Agreed that Dept of Lands and Surveys be advsed that the Council wish to have this Reserve retained as a gravel reserve. Also that the Dept be advised that Coun cil considers that 60 acres as shown on sketch should be reserved for a rubbish site and the balance as a Public utility with Council havng the power to lease.

Qualanderry Crossing. Agreed that permission be given to the Ski Club to put sand bags on the crossing.

Stock Crossing Sign. Agreed that Messrs A. & J. McDonald be given permission to erect a sign on the Dale-Beverley-Mawson Road adjacent to their property.

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To-morrow's 88th Annual Show

The Beverely Agricultural Society will stage its 88th. anual show to-morrow (August 29th.) Like every show day the occasion is an important one in the district calender and despite the difficulties which have beset the farming community as a result of the hazards created by the season, the Society hopes that there will be sufficient support from exhibitors and others to make the dis play a stimulating one.

Inevitably some sections will suffer much more than others as a result of the flood conditions of recent weeks. Produce, for example, could hardly be expected to approximate dis plays in other years, and the flower sections, always a striking feature in the pavilion, may suffer in quality and quan tity. It should be noted that in this latter class entries do not close until this evening.

Secretary Dud Ratcliffe reports that in other sections entries have been coming in satisfactorily this week, although the sheep sections are again dis appointing

Several classes in handicrafts and art and the photography section are new to the schedule. The newly formed Beverley Art Group's activities would no doubt stimulate interest in these features.

The ring events will again be notable with a plentitude of entries in practically every event so that activity will be sustained throughout the day. Special interest will focus on a team of police riders from the city who will participate in many classes and with their well trained charges should con stitute a special attraction.

Local business enterprises have booked space for industrial displays and more side shows than was the case last year will be operating to create a carnival atmosphere. (Meals afternoon tea, a publican's booth and all the usual amenities will be available.

State Water Ski-ing Carnival for Beverley

A State-wide Ski-ing carnivel is being arranged by the Beverley Ski Club, the tentative date for the fixture being October 24th. There will be competitive and display ski-ing and all Clubs interested in the sport are being invited.

The decision to organise the fixture was made at the annual meeting of the Club held recently and at which a great degree of enthusiasm was manifest.

Although it is a comparatively new local sport ski-ing and boating has in a season become a most popular activity in Beverley and surrounding districts and has brought into favour a long neglected district asset in the County Peak lakes system. The club has been favoured with winters which filled the lakes to capacity, enabling boat journeyings of many miles which embrace many lakes in the system whilst providing a diversfied ski-ing course.

OFFICERS APPOINTED

At the annual meeting it was decided to follow the practice of city clubs by using more nautical terms than previously and President Jack McLean who was unanimously reelected will now be known as the Com modore. Vice Commodore is Mr C. Robins and Rear Commodore Mr. G. Smith.

Other appointments included

Patron : Mr. C. R. Abbey.
Captain : Mr Ron McLean.
Secretary : Mr B. Ford.
Treasurer : Mrs P. Ford.
Club reporter : Mr C. Doncon.
Auditor : Mr G. Smith.

Club days will be held once each month.

Arrangements for improvements to the Club site at Race course lake were discussed by those present and working bees wil be arranged.

The meeting adopted the annual report of the Commodore, which is printed on another page of this issue.

Beverley J.F.'s Win Achievement Day

All members of the local Junior Farmers club must be congratulated on the wonderful effort which has enabled them to win Achievement Day honours for the second year in succession. Congratulations especially to Cliff Doncon, Ron McLean, Kath Haithornthwaite and guest speaker, Jo Vallentine, on winning the Teams of Four event with Jo speaking on her recent trip to America. Congratulations also go to Kath Haithornthwaite on winning the Sponge Cooking competition; Jim Hill, the Beef Cattle judging and Neville McLean the Pig judging.

Although our theme display on "Oil Research in W.A." did not win a prize, it was a credit to the committee who worked so hard for it. This display will be seen on Saturday, August 29th. at the Show pavilion.

All entries were of a very high standard in both boys and girls sections and Beverley carried off a lot of prizes for their Exhibits in most sections. The President, Neville McLean, was presented with the Achievment Day Shield by Senator Drake-Brockman who congratulated Beverley on their achievement. Neville ably responded and thanked all members for the support given to him.

We only have to win again next year to keep this Shield.

Heather Reynolds.

Outline of New Water Charges

Following is an outline of how the new water charges compare with the old in each of the six categories of country consumers.

Domestic Consumers

At least 90 per cent of the 35,780 domestic consumers will pay less for their water under the new system. Only the heaviest consumers with the highest value properties are likely to pay a little more. The new rate will be 1/6 in the £ —equivalent to a rental— and all water consumed will be charged on a pay-as-you-use basis.

For the first 60,000 gallons, the price will be 2/- per 1,000 For the next 40,000 it will be 2/6. And for all additional consumption, it will be 3/-.

By comparison, the rate under the present system is 3/- in the £ — except at Waroona (2/-), Manjimup (2/6) and Albany (2/9). There is at present a rebate water allowance calculated on the basis of 1,000 gallons for every 4/- of rates paid in most centres — with 22 exceptions ranging from 2/- at Roebourne and Wagin to 4/6 at Beverley, York and the Goldfields. Excess water is at present charged at the rate of 3/- per 1,000 gallons — with 33 exceptions ranging from 1/3 at Collie to 2/9 at Beverley.

Under the present system, a consumer with a 60,000 gallon consumption and a £120 annual rental value on his property would pay a total of £18 for water. Under the new system, he would pay £15, comprising £9 in rates and £6 for water used ——— saving £3. A consumer with 20,000 gallons consumption and £30 annual rental value pays £4½ under the present system and £4/5/0 under the new—saving 5/-.

A consumer with a very high 240,000 gallons consumption and an equally high annual rental value of £240 would pay £45 under the present system and £50 under the new. This is an extreme case and most big consumers with valuable properties will face in creases of only £1 to £3.

Farms Other than Market Gardens

The 5,800 consumers in this category at present pay a rate of 5d. per acre, with rebate water at 4/- per 1,000 gallons and excess water at the same price.

Under the new scheme, they will be rated at 2/4d. per acre There will be no rebate water, and in its place there will be a pay-as-you-use charge of 2/- per 1,000 for the first 60,000 gallons, 2/6 for the next 40000 and 5/6 thereafter.

Generally speaking, this group — in comon with mining and shipping consumers— will pay a little more for water.

Others

In addition to these catagories, there will be 2,260 consumers in a special group who will not be rated but will pay a uniform £2 service charge and 2/6 per 1,000 gallons for all water used.

Consumers in this category include hospitals, orphan and old-age homes, schools, parks, recreation grounds, clubs, swimming pools, churches, convents manses, bowling clubs, licensed clubs, countrywomen's Association restrooms, student hostels, youth clubs, scout groups, racecourses, cemeteries, St. John Ambulance centres, sporting clubs, showgrounds, and fire stations.

P and C Activities

Members of the P and C Association have a busy time ahead of them with the catering for the Inter-school sports soon after the holidays, and the official luncheon for the visiting headmasters etc. A committee of ladies has been formed to organise the day's arrangements and help from parents would be greatly appreciated.

Also in the third term a function is being arranged in honour of a retiring teacher. Mr Nicholls will be taking up duties on the teaching staff in the third term.

Parents, if you are interested in your children's school activities come to the monthly meetings; they are held on the 3rd Monday of the month at 7.3 p.m.

Rain and Bleak Wind

A week end of the most delightful weather experienced in the State for a long time ended on Sunday evening when a cold front brought a return to wet and bleak conditions, 0.1 points being recorded at the post office to 9 a.m. (Monday) whilst a further 38 points were registered to Tuesday morning.

Extreme cold accompanied the disturbance.

Conditions improved on Monday night and Tuesday ushered in a return to most pleasant weather.

Latest registrations brought the August total to Tuesday to 208 points. For the year to date at the post office the registrations have totalled 1 points.

Fantastic Co-incidences

(Reprinted from Kirwin Wa column in the "Daily New

This one comes to me way of a couple of other pers reporting a leaflet now culating in America and ing with this astonishing c of coincidences:— Presi Lincoln and President Ken were both involved in rights issues. Lincoln was ted in 1860, Kennedy in 1 Both lost children thr death while in the White H both assassinated on a Fr in the presence of their w both were shot through head from behind. Their cessors were both named J son, who were both Sout Democrats. Andrew Joh was born 1808, Lyndon J son 1908. Booth, who k Lincoln, was born 1839. wald 1939. Both were kille fore their trials. Lincoln's retary (named Kennedy) ad him not to go to the th Kennedy's secretary (n Lincoln) advised him not to Dallas. Booth shot Li in a theatre and ran to a house, Oswald shot Ken from a warehouse and r a theatre.

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Important District Works Under Way

Main Road Department emp loyees have commenced work in this district on several important projects which have been under discussion for a long time past.

At the moment they are en gaged in the first stages of lifting the retaining wall at Qualanderry where the lakes and Avon River junction. It is pro posed to build up the wall a further two feet in order that the recreational facilities as provided by the lakes waterways for boating and ski-ing may be available right through out the summer months.

There have been various pro posals as to the best methods to adopt to this end and at one time it was suggested that the river be prevented from flowing into the lakes as is normally the case and that the lakes should be allowed to fill through winter flow from the Eastern areas. In years of light rainfall however this would not be effective in the view of many who live in that part of the district.

The work at present under way suggests that the latter proposal has been abandoned as a 4ft. by 2ft. culvert is to be placed in position to allow the river waters to enter the lake. This will entail provision of flood gates. In view of the tremendous flow of water at Qualanderry it seems unlikely that a culvert of these dimensions would be effective in a winter of heavy rainfall as in the past two years. Efforts to increase the height of the wall at the crossing by the use of sandbags provided and installed by ski club members during the past winter were ineffective as the big flow swept the bags away and also severely damaged the crossing itself.

At present the work entails the damming of the lakes outlet with stout tongue-and-grooved sheet piling as the first stage of the construction of the retaining wall. The timber is being driven into the soil as are bridge piles. Later the cross ing roadway giving access to the Brookton-Quairading road will be constructed well above the present road surface.

NEW JURAKINE BRIDGE

Also on the agenda of district works is the construction of a new bridge at Jurakine a few miles South of Kokeby. This will be 20 feet wide and will replace the present broken down structure which was condemned two years ago after over 50 years of service.

There has been constant requests for replacement of the old bridge by farmers in the Kokeby area, particularly those on the Eastern side of the Avon but for a long time it appeared as if these would be unavailing as with the construc tion of the new bridge at Kokeby townsite it was stated that it would be against departmental policy to build another bridge less than three miles away. However opposition to the move was overcome and people in the area were pleased to learn over twelve months ago that the MRD would replace the bridge. No family received the news with greater pleasure than the Ridgway fam ilies whose Jurakine property each side of the Avon was the worst affected.

Other works involved in the new schedule is the construction of a new bridge over the Talbot near Thomas' "Springdell" property. This has been urgently required for a long time past and will facilitate tra vel in that area for many farming families and others. At Turkey Cock gully bridge a new superstructure is to be built. All the new work involves considerable expenditure on the part of the MRD which will be greatly to the advantage of the district.

Native Sentenced

Edward George Morrison (36) native of Beverley came under the notice of the police on the 6th inst when he became disorderly by creating a disturbance outside the Freemasons Hotel.

He was arrested by Constable F. Simmonds but gave considerable trouble before being lodged in the local lock-up. He grasped an ornamental street tree and hung on with a strength worthy of a better cause.

Fortunately the Constable got the prisoner mobile again before the tree was uprooted.

In the police court the follow ing morning Morrison faced two charges, disorderly conduct, and resisting arrest and was sentenced to 14 days imprisonment on each, the sentences to be cumulative.

Local Justices Messrs R. G. C. Prior and W. R. Gillespie were on the bench.

The Season

The weather over the past fortnight, although colder than normal, has in general been most favourable for the farming community. Such crops as do show promise of some sort of return (they are very few) have been improved by the frequent showers but the main benefit has been derived by farm pasture, the life of which has been prolonged. There should be green grass well into November this season. For the past fortnight rain registrations at the post office have totally 49 points.

Simpson Medal Award

A measure of the fine performance of John McIntosh in the League football grand final last Saturday was apparent in the voting for the Simpson medal on Saturday evening. John was defeated for the honour by 1 point. Further reference page 9.

Ski Carnival Week-end

The ski carnival week-end to be staged at Race Course Lake headquarters of the Beverley Ski Club, on Saturday and Sun day, October 24 and 25, represents something completely new in sport annals in this district. It is only two years since boating and ski-ing was first introduced to the district on the lakes at County Peak although the potential for such recreational activities had always existed.

The sport made exceptional progress last year as more of the farming community purchased speed boats and ski-ing gear and this year following an exceptional winter which has provided sufficient water in the lakes system for many months to come it promises to make new records as far as popularity is concerned. An exceptionally enthusiastic membership has provided many amenities at the previously barren lakeside site and further improvements are planned as funds become available.

For the two-day carnival which has been arranged clubs in the city and in country cen tres have been canvassed and the degree of support which has been forthcoming makes it appear as if a really outstanding fixture is in the offiing.

There will be a ski-ing tournament on Saturday afternoon in which four clubs will participate. Slalom and fixed ski contests will be featured and carnival events will be staged throughout the afternoon. There will be plenty of comedy turns to amuse the crowd which is expected to witness the programme. The amount of water in the lakes ensures a lengthy speed boat run for visitors and others interested.

DANCE AT MORBINNING

A barn dance has been arranged to take place at the Morbinning Hall on Saturday night. Morbinning is conveniently situated to the lakes and no doubt many of the visitors will be in attendance at this fixture.

Many of the visitors are expected to stay in the Bally Bally hall at night, that building having been procured for accommodation purposes. Others will be staying overnight at Beverley Hotels whilst no doubt some will camp at the lakeside.

Sunday's programme commences at 10.0 a.m. with a ski-past (or parade) with four clubs participating. Over the two days many trophies will be competed for. Scarborough Club has promised solid support and will contribute at least twelve acts. Other Clubs assisting include Neptune and City of Perth. A feature of the competition sure to arouse great interest will be a series of ski-ing relay races.

SKY-DIVERS

Perhaps the most spectacular feature of the carnival will be a demonstration of sky-diving by a team of men and women parachutists over the lake site with landings both in the paddocks adjacent the lakes and in the lake waters. The men engaged will jump from 8,000 feet, free falling for 6,000 feet before opening their chutes, whilst the women engaged will bale out of the aircraft at lower altitudes. Details of this part of Sunday's activties have not yet been confirmed but will be made public as soon as they are complete.

PICNICING ARRANGEMENTS

For those wishing to picnic at the site the local club has not overlooked any items. Hot water will be available and there will be cool drinks, ice creams, hot dogs, pasties, etc., available, together with barbecue facilities.

Sheep Prices Firm at Beverley

At Elders-GM sale at Beverley on the 7th inst. 5,136 sheep were yarded and with the exception of two lines of wethers were sold at good prices to buyers from Manjimup, Denmark, Narrogin, York, Northam, Perth, Corrigin, Bruce Rock and local areas. Prices obtained for top sheep were as follows:

Ewes: G. Barrett-Lennard and Co. - 101 1½ yrs, March shorn £8/11/0; W. H. Broun & Son 84 1 yr March shorn, £7/13/0, 163 1½ yr July shorn £6/13/0. J. Forbes Woods & Co. 81 1yr July shorn £6/4/0; J. M. & K Edwards 148 1½yrs C/dale Cross Ewes £7/0/0.

Wethers: M. B. Seed and Co. 153 1 yr Mch/shorn £6/9/0. W. H. Broun & Son 363 2½yr £6/14/0.

Quotation:—— Wethers shorn (young) 85/- to £5; SM to 76/- Ewes (young) 97/- to £6/13/0.

Bowlers to Open Season

Members of the Beverley Bowling Club will no doubt be out in force next Sunday after noon when the official opening of the green for the season will take place, Mr. Mann, ex-mem ber for Beverley, appearing in his usual role when he performs the ceremony. Social bowls will be played from 1.30 p.m. and the opening will take place at 3.30 following afternoon tea.

The greens, particularly No 2, were recently reported to be playing very true and both will no doubt improve as more seasonal weather is experienced. All members are askel to pro vide a plate at the opening.

Ladies Opening

The lady associates of the club announce their seasonal opening for 2 p.m. on October 22nd.

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Amenity For Natives

Local natives are to have a further amenity provided in the Main Camp area and close to their reserve with the construction of a Hall for their use. It will be used to foster their social life and for meetings, church services etc., as well as for the holding of sewing and cookery classes, etc. The construction of such buildings is part of the general policy of the Native Welfare Department which has already provided similar halls at Pingelly, Narrogin, Wagin and Gnowangerup. Further work along these lines will be put in hand as funds become available.

The nucleus of the present work at Beverley was the making available by the Shire Council, following the purchase of the Vincent Street school buildings, of timber, iron and other material from the domestic science and manuel training rooms.. It has been available for some time past and some of it has been at the site of the new hall, which is being built on land where an aged resident named Grover resided at one time. Some difficulty was experienced in obtaining the land but these problems have been ironed out. The building will comprise a 30 ft. by 20 ft. social room to which will be attached a 15 ft. by 20 ft. room for use when classes are being held.

Church Services

For some time past church services have been conducted for the natives in the open air by a lay preacher from Brookton. When the building has been completed indoor services will be held.

The work has been entrusted to Mr. R. J. Buesnel who has carried out much work in the past on behalf of the Native Welfare Department in the construction of these social centres He is a carpenter who hails from the Channel Islands.

Football Awards

Beverley footballers wound up what has proved a rather disappointing season on Friday evening when they held their annual dinner at the Town hall. Although there were some play er absentees the attendance was very satisfactory, more of the older members of the community than usual being in attendance and a very happy time was spent, the usual toasts being honoured.

President of the Club, Dave Rigoll, officiated at the function. During the evening the following trophies were presented:—

A. GRADE

Fairest and Best....Mal Edwards
Most Consistent..Peter Burgess
Position player.....J. Denton
Most Improved....Barry Young

A. RESERVE

Fairest and Best..Max Edwards
Most Consistent....Ron McLean
Position player.....R. Bartram
Most improved..Bruce McLean

Traffic Convictions

Four drivers were charged and convicted of speeding offences in the Beverley Police Court held on the 9th October, and Magistrate O'Brien imposed a fine of £4 in each case.

Those concerned were Ross William Bolt, 6 Sayer Street, Swanbourne; Roma Elizabeth Dunn, 10 Trenton Street, Wagin; Grahame Tyndale Powell, C/- Elders G.M., Mt. Barker; and Herbert H. Wood, Gnowangerup.

Warmer Days

With temperatures verging on the 90's Beverley experienced its two hottest days for many months past this week, before cooler conditions set in on Tuesday. Early sown crops and pastures are showing the affects of summer's approach, and hay cutting is in progress on numerous farms. A run through parts of the district at the week-end revealed reasonably promising oat crops on some properties but wheat crops of any promise are few and far between.

Week-end Ski Carnival

Given fine weather it is expected that there will be many hundreds of visitors to the district for next Sunday's Beverley Ski Club carnival at Racecourse Lake some twenty miles from the town. It would not surprise if the occasion finds a thousand or more patrons at the carnival which will be some thing of a novelty for the district. It is attracting widespread attention.

A visit to the lake last Sunday found many members of the local club in attendance. Much work in improving the site has been carried out through working bees. New toilet facilities of a more enduring nature than the previous makeshift arrangements have been built and changerooms are being provided. Brick barbecue facilities also have been built. There is a supply of water at the site and more permanent supplies are being sought by the digging of a well.

Most of the scrub in the area has been bulldozed and the site cleaned up albeit plenty of shade trees have been left for the comfort of patrons. There is a good launching site for the scores of speed boats which it is expected will be brought to the carnival from the city and country centres. Four city clubs are patronising the fixture and there will be non-stop competitive activity from Saturday afternoon onwards.

There is about six feet of water in the lakes system at the moment and the waters are navigable from Qualanderry crossing to Mud lake — a distance of aproximately eight miles. However the contest will take place in the full view of spectators on the wide stretches of Race Course lake. Plastic buoys marking the slalom course etc., were already in position last Sunday enabling practice runs to be made by intending competitors.

Those intending to patronise the fixture from the Beverley end should travel via the Brookton road to Kokeby, turn left over the bridge at that centre and take the first turn right which will bring them to the Lake Mears Road which should be followed to the lakes turn off at County Peak which brings them to the ski site. The route is well signposted and there should be no difficulties in finding the locale. We understand that a collection will be taken up as cars enter the carnival area.

Foodstuffs will be available and there will be hot water for picnic parties, as well as cool drinks, ice cream, etc. etc. A dance is to be held at the Morbinning Hall on Saturday night.

Perhaps the most spectacular of the activities will be provided by the sky divers from Perth These trained parachutists will perform over the area on Sunday and the team will include both men and women.

Beverley Cup Fixture

The Beverley Race Club is looking for strong support from owners and trainers and good patronage from the public on the occasion of its annual Cup fixture on Melbourne Cup Day — Tuesday, November 3rd. This fixture is always the big occasion of the year for the Club which frequently has to rely on it to make up for not-so-successful meetings earlier in the season.

Good fields and strong city support is normally a feature of the occasion. What is usually lacking is a like measure of patronage from the district community. The Club hopes that this will not be the case this year.

A most attractive programme of events involving (with trophies) over £600 in stakes has been prepared and the six races should be strongly contested. The facilities provided for those whose interests centre on Melbourne fixtures will be complete so that the usual carnival atmosphere inseparable from the big race occasion should help to make the day a picnic one. Make your arrangements now for a day out at the Beverley races on November 3rd.

Beverley Children and Ponies at the Royal

Following is a brief summary of Pony Club successes at the recent Royal Show

Anne Shackles' new hack "Blue Devon," which has won several Championships for her this season, gained a 3rd. place in the Juvenile Hack event.

Dinah Lennard on "Grey Silk" won the Kindergarten rider award for children under 10 yrs, for the second time in succession. Felicity Lennard gained a blue for the best girl rider 14 - 16 years on the flat and over a show jumping course. She rode "Desert Sun"

Pony Hacks: Kerry Butcher's "Sarabande" appearing at his first Royal Show gained third place in the Maiden Pony hack 13-14 h.h., equal third in the open event and once again 3rd in the Pony hack 14 h.h. and under, rider 14 - 16 yrs. Kerry also gained a 3rd ribbon on Mrs Slater's lovely pony "Corvette" and rode "Silver Moonlight" in the pony pairs 12 h.h. and under for a 2nd place with Claudia Simpson's "Blue Mist"

Bronwyn Cullen did extremely well in the Dressage test for ponies up to and including 14 h.h. She and "Master Michael" gained 3rd placing. Later on in the week "Master Michael" once again won his class in the pony hack under 12 h.h. He then paired with "Grey Silk" ridden by Dinah Lennard in the pony pairs 12 h.h. and under for third place.

Grahame Lennard and Vic Bettesworth paired in this event with Graham's "Punchinello" and Vic's "Signal Light" and they won the blue ribbon. We were pleased to see that out of the six place getters in this event, four were Beverley ponies.

Jenny Lennard rode "Punchinello" in the maiden pony hack under 12 h.h. and they won second place. Felicity Lennard's "Nipper" kept up his reputation by winning his class for ponies 12-13 h.h. Not having Frank Boyle's "Timothy," his usual "mate" in the pairs he paired with Judy Huddleston's "Valeta" and eventually they were lucky enough to win the event.

Jane Vallentine won a third ribbon on him for pony 14h. and under, rider 10 - 12 years

Novelty winners were Belinda Cullen and "Rapunzel" they gained 3rd place in the flag race for riders 12-16 y It was a big field in this ev and Belinda did very well gain her place. Dinah Lennard's "Grey Silk" was th in the flag race for child under 12 years.

At the Narrogin Show Friday and Saturday Beve children and ponies predom ted; they all did well. K Butcher's "Sarabande" Champion Pony, Felicity nard's "Nipper" was Res Champion pony.

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SPECTACULAR LAKES CARNIVAL

It is estimated that a total of nearly 4,000 people from the city, local centres, and outlying districts visited 'Race Course' lake at County Peak during the two days carnival conducted on Saturday and Sunday last by the Beverley Ski Club. Although it was anticipated that, given fine weather, the fixture would attract a large gathering, good support having been promised by a number of Perth Ski clubs as well as country clubs, the crowd which did attend over the two days was far in excess of expectation. Club officials who had worked hard in recent weeks to prepare the program and facilities, were naturally elated with the degree of interest which the function generated and the patronage accorded The Club is only two years old and up to last week-end its fixtures had been minor functions with only restricted interest. The latest carnival was widely advertised as a major recreational attraction with spectacular features and this caught the attention of the public over a widespread area. Many hundreds who went to the lakes no doubt had never previously been in the area and were somewhat amazed to find that Beverley district possessed such valuable recreational assets as the lakes system provide. The activities were televised by both State channels and were presented on TV on Monday night.

All Perth ski clubs gave great support to the fixture and brought along many speed boats for participation in the programme so that, with boats owned by country enthusiasts, there were 21 craft at the lake site. Included was Mr. Frank Bonny's catamaran type "Bonny Banks" powered with two 100 h.p. engines, making it the most powerful boat on the lake Dozens of ski-iers were also present to participate in the sporting programme and to con tribute most attractive displays which were extremely popular.

The weather was ideal for the fixture. No charge was made at the gate giving access to the lake site, but a collection was taken. The Club undoubtedly lost money through not setting a charge but the other activities which included the sale of foodstuffs, cool drinks, ices, etc., etc., brought the gross proceeds to approximately £300 With the nett proceeds the club will continue to improve the site and facilities.

The dance on Saturday night at Morbinning Hall attracted the largest crowd ever seen at that centre, with many visitors from the city in attendance. Many visitors were accommodated at the Bally Bally hall overnight whilst others stayed at Beverley hotels, and many others camped at the lake site.

There were almost as many visiting women ski-iers as men and they were most colourfully costumed. The city clubs all possess pennants and these added to the gay spectacle at the lake site over the two days. Many of the visitors took the opportunity of the lengthy run through the various lakes which are all connected by narrow channels and which is an unusual feature of the local lakes system, most of the activities at other country centres being confined to one large sheet of open water. Clubs rep resented at the fixture were:— City of Perth, Kondinin, Melville, Scarborough, Neptune, and of course the home club, which was out in full force.

SATURDAY'S ACTIVITIES

Saturday's activities included a tournament for ski-iers with trophies provided by the local Club and business houses, and these events provided much interest and keen competition. Tournament results were as follows:—

Ski Tricks: Sub-junior: J. Ecker 180 points; Senior women: E. Ecker 290 pts; Women: L. Heatly 495 points; Senior men: M. Heatly 120 points; Men: D. Beauchamp 300 pts.

Slalom— Sub-junior: W. Pre kulius and J. Ecker, each 22 points, starting speed 20 m.p.h. Junior: K. Blakemore, 21 pts, starting speed 22 m.p.h.; Senior women: E. Ecker, 9 points, starting speed 22 m.p.h.; Women: M. Bonney 10 pts, starting speed 24 m.p.h. Senior Men: Don Weaver 18 pts (three runs) starting speed 26 m.p.h. (finished at 32 m.p.h.); Men: J. Albin 22¼ pts, starting speed 26 m.p.h.

The best Country Skiers' tro phy, presented by W.A.W.S.A., won by Beverley, and the Relay Race trophy, presented by Mr. R. Abbey, M.L.C., was won by the Beverley team.

Best Display — won by Des Smith for barefoot ski-ing starting with bare feet from off the beach.

DISPLAYS

On Sunday there was a colourful and continuous display with many most interesting fea tures of the sport demonstrated to the gathering. Spectators were spread over a great length of the lakeside and at all vantage points. The Ski - past Display was led by Beverley, with Brian Baker holding the "Olympic" torch. He was followed by three other Beverley boats towing ski-iers and the visiting clubs followed.

Colin Robins of Beverley was responsible for a popular item when, towed on a "saucer" he sat at ease on a chair and then stood on the chair and turned around successfully.

Three children from the Scar borough Club rode on one pair of skis, and Wes. Smith of Scarborough gave a wonderful barefoot ski-ing demonstration whilst at speed, and skill was displayed when six men demonstrated the "Neptune Roulette"

Wes Smith and Helen Cougbral gave a beautiful display on a ski, going through many graceful movements and with the girl finally standing on the man's shoulders. Other acts comprised a "pyramid" and a girls ballet. The Neptune club was responsible for the Pyramid in which six men participated.

Eleven-year-old Jeff Ecker demonstrated bare-foot ski-ing whilst Don Weaver contributed a "fire act" in which a portion of the lake was fired after petrol had been spread on the surface, with the skier speeding through the flames. Many of these acts were of a standard equal to anything to be seen in Australia, and they certianly created great interest.

SKY JUMPERS ACT

What comprised the most thrilling act of the carnival for many patrons was provided by the members of the W.A. Parachute club. Two girls and four men participated under the direction of a safety officer. Although the conditions did not allow the jumps to be effected from as high an altitude as had been intended they were able to operate from 8000 ft. The organisers were most appeciative of Quairading farmer, Mr. Syd Langsford's action in making his plane available for the display.

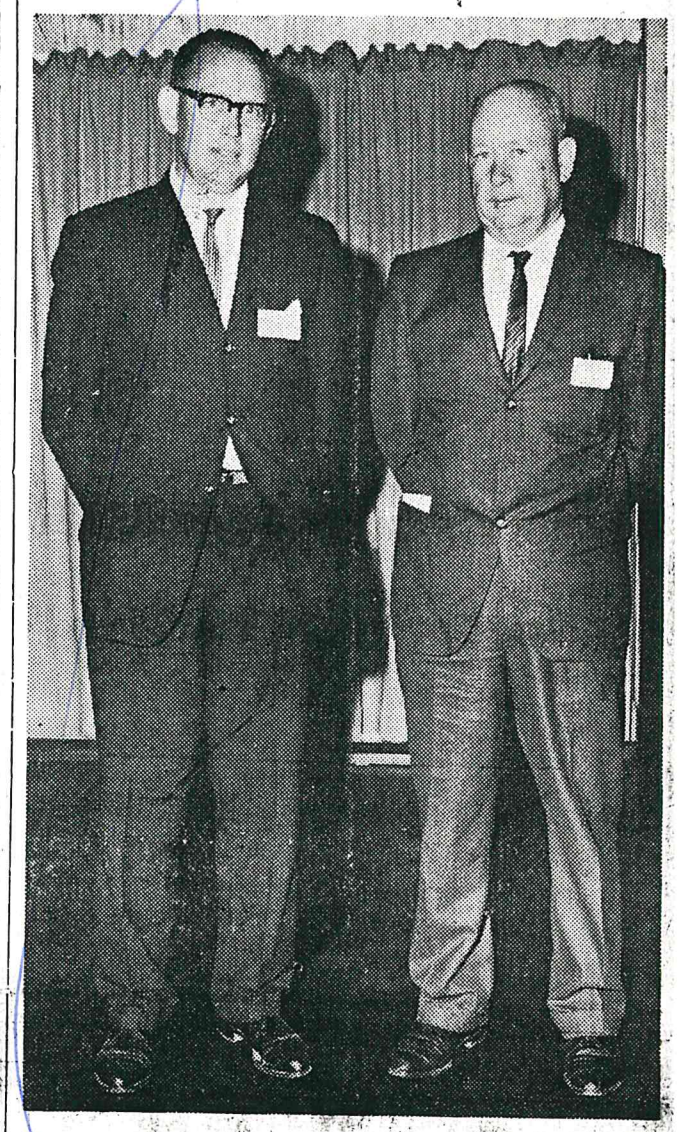
The first drop accomplished was into Mr. Eric McLean's paddock adjacent the lake site. The second was into the lake itself where a pilot boat and three other boats were stationed to pick up the parachutists. Most spectacular of those demonstrating was "Skeeter" Ryan who delayed opening his chute until he had fallen a great distance. The parachutists could be seen leaving the plane cabin to take up the diving position on the wings of the plane, from where they dived well clear of the plane's tail structure.

WELCOME

Beverley Club Commodore, Jack McLean, and M.L.C., Roy Abbey, both spoke in welcoming the visitors to the district and expressed thanks to the many from the city and from other country clubs who had come to Beverley as competitors and helped to make the occasion such a great success. The programme the visitors had provided had been greatly enjoyed.

Brian Saggers, a very able comentator from the city and well known in TV circles, gave a most interesting commentary covering all features of the carnival. He is experienced in all aspects of this type of sport and his explanations of what was going on on the lake were greatly appreciated, particularly by those who were making their first acquaintance with ski-ing and boating. Brian Ford did the commentary on the sky diving and was assisted in this by Ken Morgan, the President of the Club, who also gave a trophy for competition during the day.

So successful was the occasion that it is almost certain that the event will become an annual one.



Municipal Authorities Conference

Pictured above are Shire Clerks Don Walker (left) of Brookton and Dave Rigoll, of Beverley, who have been attending the conference of the Institute of Municipal Administration at South Perth this week. The photo was taken for the "Beverley Times" by Bill Watt of Country Service of W.A. Newspapers, Ltd.

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The above yarding will comprise annual drafts of well bred lines, presented for sale each year by district Merino Breeders. Buyers are recommended to attend with confidence. All sheep are July/August/September shorn unless otherwise stated.

BEVERLEY at 1 p.m. —— 4,000 SHEEP 4,000

Sheep — Wethers - 300 1½ yrs; 200 1½ yrs March shorn; 500 3½ yrs; 200 SM; 650 Lambs. Ewes: 300 1½ yrs; 100 2½ & 3½ yrs; 200 SM; 300 lambs 90 1½yr Corriedale; 600 Border Leicester X ewes S.M of which 350 are March shorn. **Note:** 96% lambs were marked from these Ewes.

Included in the above yarding will be the annual drafts of well bred sheep a/c H. T. Edwards & Co. and C. F. Bailey & Co.

BROOKTON at 2.30 p.m. — 5,300 SHEEP 5,300

Sheep — Wethers - 1000 1½ yrs; 500 2½ & 3½ yrs; 1000 4½ yrs; 300 lambs. Ewes - 750 1½ yrs (including one line of 400 one mark); 200 1½ yr Mch. shorn; 200 2½ yrs; 900 4½ yrs; 500 CFA

The above yarding comprises excellent lines of District bred sheep including the annual drafts a/c Mr. P. V. Williams, E. & H. Whittington & Co., and Ebsary & Son.

Light Refreshments available at Brookton

Ski Club

Members of the Beverley Ski Club are asked to attend a general meeting at the Town Hall Tuesday 3rd Nov. at 8 p.m.

Finalisation of carnival and future fixtures.

Brian Ford,
Hon. Secretary

Beverley Amateur Swimming Club

A general meeting will be held in the Club Rooms immediately following swimming events on Friday, 6th November.

Business:— Acceptance of Constitution; Election of new President.

R. Brooker,
Secretary.

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9.45 am Beverley sunday school.
3.0 pm Dale Service.
7.30 pm Beverley Dedication of new Pews.

Tuesday 3rd

7.30 pm Bible Study Fellowship.

Thursday 5th

8.0 pm Dale Fellowship.

Allan G. Rankine
Minister

ANGLICAN

Sunday, Nov. 1st

10.30 am Holy communion and Sunday school.

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motions of interest from the State Executive Meeting to be finalized at State Conference in November. We also discussed the proposal of changing the name of the Junior Farmers Opportunities to a name that will be the same in all States. We are voting to keep the name Junior Farmers.

After the meeting all members took part in a Car Trial around the town area and the evening concluded with supper. Next meeting is Wed., Nov 4th

Heather Reynolds,
Pub. Relations Officer.

Beverley Shire Council

Bush Fires Act

Restricted Burning Times

It is hereby notified for general information that the restricted burning period has been extended until November, 12th., 1964 in all zones through out the Shire.

The Prohibited Burning Time will commence on November, 13th.

D. Rigoll,
Shire Clerk.

Gilgering Pony Club

The annual general meeting of the above Club will be held at Mr. Nigel Fleay's "Oakover" home on November 12th., at 8 p.m.

Business:—

To wind up the affairs of the Club in readiness for the division into two separate Clubs, one in York, and one in Beverley which will be in operation next year.

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ly from York into our midst again, we hope they enjoyed their day and will continue to join us next season. Rodney brought his bay Jasper and we look forward to seeing him each month with the rest of the Wheeler family. Honours for the day went to Wendy Williamson whose progress over the last few months has really been quite astonishing, She jumped her pony ,Sooty, splendidly in the jumper for the smaller ponies and although she didn't win a ribbon in the Bending Race later in the day her riding was excellent—keep up the good work, Wendy. The results were as follows:—

Boy or girls rider 12 - 16 years: 1. Margaret Ludgate riding Moonbeam; 2. Kerry Butcher riding Sarabande; 3. Frank Boyle riding Timothy.

Lady's Hack: 1. Avon Lady ridden by Gwen Wheeler; 2. Raggamuffin rilden by Jan Holman; 3. Panlea ridden by Delys Kilpatrick.

Boy or girl rider 9 - 12 years: 1. Dinah Lennard riding Grey Silk; 2. Beverley Butcher riding Sweet Sue; 3. Jessie Butcher riding Star Mercury.

Gentleman's Hack: 1. Thunder ridden by Archie Boyle; 2. Avon Lady ridden by Terry Wheeler and 3. Micky ridden by Rodney Ludgate.

Rider 8 years and under — 1. Donna Butcher riding Sweet Sue;

Open hack: 1. Thunder ridden by Archie Boyle; 2. Avon Lady ridden by Gwen Wheeler; 3. Meadow Mist ridden by Jack Wheeler.

Maiden Rider:— 1. Christine MacLachlan riding Star Mercury.

Pony 12.2 h.h. and under — 1. Master Michael ridden by Bronwyn Cullen; 2. Timothy ridden by Frank Boyle; 3. Grey Silk ridden by Dinah Lennard.

Pair of Ponies:——

Grey Silk and Master Michael ridden by Dinah Lennard and Bronwyn Cullen; 2. Goblin and Moonbeam ridden by Frank Boyle and Margaret Ludgate; 3. Sooty and Senor Pepe ridden by Wendy Williamson and Donna Butcher.

Adult rider:— 1. Archie Boyle riding Thunder; 2. Gwen Wheeler riding Avon Lady; 3. Judy Cullen riling Petrouchka.

Pair of Hacks:— 1. Avon Lady and Thunder ridden by Gwen Wheeler & Archie Boyle; 2. Palomine and Meadow Mist ridden by Jan Holman & Jack Wheeler; 3. Petrouchka and Roaney ridden by Judy Cullen and Keith Butcher.

Pony 14 h.h. and over 12.2 h.h.:— 1. Moonbeam rilden by Margaret Ludgate; 2. Sarabande ridden by Kerry Butcher; Goblin ridden by Frank Boyle.

Pony Jumper - 12.2 h.h. and under, riders 12 years and under:— 1. Senor Pepe ridden by Beverley Butcher; 2. Master Michael ridden by Bronwyn Cullen; 3. Star Mercury ridden by Jessie Butcher.

Adult Musical Tins:— 1. Terry Wheeler riding Beaumont; 2. Rodney Ludgate riding Micky; 3. Milton Barnett riding Larry.

Junior Musical Tins: 1. Jessie Butcher riding Star Mercury; 2. Kerry Butcher riding Sweet Sue; 3. Beverley Butcher riding Senor Pepe.

Tilting the Ring:— 1. Archie Boyle riding Thunder; 2. Gwen Wheeler riding Avon Lady; 3. Kerry Butcher; 3. Rapunzel ridden by Bronwyn Cullen.

Led In Class 1 Darlene Butcher riding Sweet Sue.

Adult Bending Race: 1. Judy Cullen riding Petrouchka 2. Delys Kilpatrick riding Panlea.

Junior Bending Race:—— 1. Bronwyn Cullen riding Fleidermaus; 2. Frank Boyle riding Timothy; 3. Beverley Butcher riding Senor Pepe.

"C" Grade Jumper - horses only:— 1. Roaney ridden by Daryl Butcher; 2. Gentleman Jim ridden by Rodney Ludgate.

"B" Grade Jumper - ponies and horses:— Larry ridden by Bronwyn Cullen; 2. Prima Donna ridden by Daryl Butcher.

Junior Flag Race: 1. Margaret Ludgate riding Moonbeam; 2. Kerry Butcher riding Sarabande; 3. Wendy Williamson riding Sooty.

Adult Flag Race:— 1. Archie Boyle riding Thunder; 2. Terry Wheeler riding Beaumont; 3. Delys Kilpatrick riding Panlea.

Fault and Out:— 1. Larry ridden by Milton Barnett; 2. Prima Donna ridden by Daryl Butcher; 3. Sarabande ridden by Kerry Butcher.

Junior Rescue Race::— 1. Beverley and Jesse Butcher riding Senor Pepe; 2. Bronwyn Cullen and Kerry Butcher riding Master Michael; 3. Donna Butcher and Merry Lennard riding Fantasy.

Big Clean-up Task

Although the report on page 1 paints a pleasant picture of the notable carnival fixture conducted by the Ski Club at the lakes last week-end there was one aspect of the fixture which was far from pleasing to the Commodore of the Club (Jack McLean) and others who with him had the task of cleaning up the lakeside area early this week.

Hoping to minimise this task Club members had provided rubbish receptacles throughout the area. But hopes they entertained that the facilities would be used by picnicers and patrons generally were far from realised.

On Monday morning when the task of cleaning up commenced it was found that hardly any of the rubbish receptacles had been utilised at all. Litter covered the whole area -- newspaper, empty tins, used paper picnic plates and cups and all manner of rubbish covered a large area of the lakeside and the cleaning up process occupied many hours and took the edge of much of the enjoyment of the previous two days for volunteers engaged in the irksome task.

The Commodore and all others of the Club in any way connected with its well-being are to give this matter urgent consideration at the next meeting in order that at its next fixture there should be a greater degree of co-operation from the public in the interests of hygiene.

'B' GRADE CRICKET TEAM

Towns "B" Grade Cricket team to play Dale at Beverley on Sunday 1st Nov is as follows: B. Young (Capt), F. Woods, P. Smith, N. Gill, D. McKellar, I. Nicholson, F. Mc Cloy, R. Petchell, V. Tapping, N. Willey, A. Webster.

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Big Crowd at Beverley Cup

One of the best attendances noted at a local race meeting in many years enjoyed the Bev erley Club's Cup fixture on Tuesday last. The weather was everything that could be desired and this factor no doubt helped to swell the attendance, following as it did a lengthy period of unseasonal conditions The local support appeared to be better than usual whilst the city and neighbouring districts were strongly represented, particularly Quairading. Gate receipts totalled over £176. Fourteen bookmakers opeerated at the fixture and the Club finances were further assisted by the bar receipts, which were much better than is usually the case.

SECOND CUP SUCCESS

The racing generally was marked by some very easy wins and this was noted in the main race of the day, the Beverley Cup, which was won for the second successive occasion by the Perth performer Gourmet. Gourmet has been a good horse for owner Basil Hurdle who, however, was not present to see the gelding win on this occasion as he is on his way back from a holiday trip to Singapore.

As was the case last year, the winner was ridden by Les Burgess and he had his mount always going like a winner. It came away in the straight to win by 2 lengths from Lucky Win and Jolly Empress. The latter horse is raced by the well known turf supporter, Bonny Bryant, of Quairading and is trained on the farm. It has had notable successes this year, winning both the York and Northam Cups and on Tuesday was a strong fancy.

Gourmet is trained by Don Hammer and he accepted the Caris Bros. handsome trophy on behalf of the owner following the Cup race. Race President Bill Gillespie made the presentation and congratulated those associated with the horse on the double success. Jockey Burgess also received a valuable trophy as the rider of the winner.

Another good supporter of country sporting clubs in Mr. H. W. Gayfer, M.L.A., presented a handsome trophy to the club for the meeting and this went to the owner of Highway Girl, Mrs. B. O'Malley, winner of the First Division sprint. In presenting the trophy, the club vice - president, Mr. T. Barrett-Lennard, apologised for the unavoidable absence of the donor. Another for whose absence apology was tendered was Mr. Bob Ledger, manager of Caris Bros., who have presented the Cup trophy over a great many years.

The fields in the case of two events were disappointing, only four horses starting in the first race, whilst there were only three starters in the fifth event of the afternoon. For other events the fields were quite satisfactory. The track was in first class condition. The club is reaping the benefit of its clover planting of a few years ago and it is covered by a thick mat of grass which is a great help in lessening the dust nuisance. A mower has recently been used and the going was excellent so that times were the best ever recorded over the new lay out. A record was equalled in the first race when 1.10 was recorded for the six furlongs less 60 yards by Highway Girl, but this was lowered by a fifth of a second by Miss Manx who ran the distance in the second division sprint in 1.9 4/5ths. for a new record.

For the first occasion on the Beverley track the five furlongs of the Maiden race was run in 1 minute, the horse responsible being Copper Sand. The previous best time for the distance was 1.1. Similarly for the Cup race a new record was established when Gourmet covered the nine furlongs in 1.57.

Many patrons lunched at the course following the running of the Melbourne Cup for the broadcast of which there was a big crowd present. Bookmakers and the tote operated on the big fixture and some of the bagmen laid the odds on the runners in all Melbourne events

Not too many patrons appeared to have backed the Melbourne Cup winner Polo Prince but inevitably some patrons collected whilst there were many followers who invested on the second and third horses, Elkayel and Welltown. Some big bets were noted on the favourite, Sir Dane, and these investments went "down the drain' w'hen that horse ran a shockingly bad race to finish a distressed third last.

Raising the Lake Levels

Main Road Department workmen are forging ahead with the work of building a higher retaining wall at the Qualanderry Crossing to raise the level of the County Peak lakes in order that they might hold water throughout the summer months Big piles are being driven a few yards apart across the width of the stream and between these tongue and grooved sheet piling is being driven, whilst on the river side of these the road is being built up with gravel to the required level. Water is still flowing over the crossing from the lakes into the Avon River, but this flow is likely to cease with in a few days.

Paintings on View

Two oil paintings by artist, Alon Cooke who recently visited the Beverley district are on view to the public in the Council Chambers. Commissioned by the Beverley Shire Council, one of the paintings is to be hung in Parliament House in connection with a proposal to have all districts in the State represented in the gallery at that centre. Both paintings represent rural scenes, one incorporating a view of part of the lakes country at County Peak. The other is a scene from Seaton Ross hill. The picture destined for Parliament House will be selected by the Council

COMPETITION TO BE ARRANGED

An open competition for one or more paintings to form the nucleus of a local gallery is being arranged by the Shire Council. It will give local artists an opportunity to display their artistic abilities. Details of the conditions appertaining to the contest will be announced later.

The picture or pictures selected, it is hoped, will form the nucleus of a local art gallery which will be situated in the present Council Chambers if and when new Council Cham-

Wild Duck Breeding

Many of the State's honorary game wardens have recently been circularised by the game authorities who are seeking information regarding the breeding conditions which have existed this year in the various districts throughout the Southern half of the State.

The information is no doubt required before finality is reached regarding the opening date of the new duck shooting season. Usually the fixture is held on the Sunday preceding Xmas.

Conditions have been especially propitious in these districts this year as ducks paired off early with the rains in April.

No doubt there will in many cases be double hatchings this season. Added to these favourable circumstances as far as a build up of the local duck population is concerned is the fact that thousands of birds were present in the district throughout last season and they would be expected to nest in the region.

Modern Week-end Train for Albany

A modernised overnight passenger train is now operating a week-end return service between Perth and Albany. Railways Commissioner Wayne has named the train "The Albany Weekender." It replaces the ordinary Albany passenger train and leaves Perth 7.15 p.m. Fridays and on its return leaves Albany 7.0 p.m. Sundays. Besides providing a week-end return service between Perth and Albany, this schedule provides for "round" trips by train and Railway Road bus. **The "Weekender" arrives at Beverley at 11.6 p.m. On Fridays and departs at 11.12.**

He said the modernised train comprises both first and second class sleeping berth cars, a buffet-lounge car and a special car with reclining seats for sec ond class "sit up" passengers. Features of the modernised train include hot and cold showers, electric fans and radiant heaters, Ladies and Gents washrooms; (the Ladies being specially designed for mothers with children) iced drinking water, electric shaving points, carpets, curtains and modern

PENNANT BOWLS

Local Derby

Beverley Gold and Beverley Green engaged in their first pennant "Derby" of the current season on the local greens last Saturday.

The match was highlighted by a sensational finish on the part of the Green players.

The side was 16 points down with 7 ends to go but came home "like a train" to pull the match out of the fire to the tune of 103 points to 93.

Points gained in the contest were : Gold 2, Green 6.

Matches resulted as follows: Gold skippers mentioned first: S. Murray beat E. Boyle 38-22 I. Petchell beat Cooper 25-24, W Brown lost to F. Blechynden 16-28.

H. Doncon lost to Dave Rigoll 14-29.

PAIRS EVENT

A Pairs competition commenced on Sunday and by even ing the field had been reduced to the finalists. Those involved are W. Gill and J. Fleay and W. Brown and H Spaven

Swimming Notes

The Beverley Swimming Club commences its regular Friday swims tonight (6th Nov) The first two meetings will be taken up with time trials. The first competition for the season's points trophies will be held on Friday 20th November. For the purpose of this competition which carries on throughout the season, all races are handicapped and swimmers will be graded to their swimming times, regardless of their age. A championship night, with swimmers competing in age groups and for separate trophies, will be held at the end of the season. The 2nd April has been set as a tentative date for the Club Championship night.

It has been decided that only financial members of the Club will be selected for inter-town carnivals and also financial members will be eligible to score points towards club troph ies. Thus swimmers should pay their membership subscriptions before 20th November, preferrably 13th. November. New members will of course be welcomed after that date but the same rule will apply —— no subscription, no points.

Pingelly club will host the first inter-town carnival for this season on Sunday morning 22nd. November.

The club hopes to be able to use black, red and grey as its colours. At least four other affiliated clubs use red and black so it is assumed that some variation wil be necessary. It is hoped that artists will come to the aid of Club officials in designing a Club emblem which will feature the colours mentioned and lettering denoting Beverley Swimming Club and which would be suitable for use on a label badge, swim suit or blazer pocket and Club banner. Interested persons are asked to submit their designs to the Club as soon as possible remembering that most of the more obvious ideas have already been used by other clubs. A committee meeting felt that the front view of the pool with the rather distinctive design of the roof may have possibilities in this matter.

and Mrs. L. W. Doncon, whose other daughter, Alix, is at present in England from where she has forwarded numerous interesting letters which have been printed in these coloumns. Those referred to by their Christian names in the letter printed below are school friends of Jan from this State.

Hong Kong,—15th October — Typhoone Dot was truly terrible in some ways but at least I can now say that I have weathered a typhoon at sea. We first met her as we left the Phillipines, through which we had done a scenic tour. The sea began to heave and the decks to clear—especially the dining room. Eventually we went into Hong Kong on a beautifully clear afternoon, some five hours late, after 14 days at sea and every body was impatient to get off, particularly as the place looked so inviting. It's a beatuiful harbour with the land rising sheer out of the sea on all sides. We were surrounded by barren islands belonging to the Communist Chinese but Hong Kong and Kowloon are so heavily built up that the buildings appear to jostle one another. Some of the buildings, most of which are some 20 storeys high are very well designed. The China towns are not easily discerned, so you cannot immediately see the overcrowding and poverty, however. Robin tells me that at the moment there is a lack of labour in the textile industry and if they could house them, they would recognise a few refugees. Right on the water front is the front.

Robin and Ruth came on board immediately and they whisked me off and we began a scenic tour of the whole island in the M.G. First we crossed the harbour from Kowloon in a ferry and then proceeded to drive up Mt. Victoria, which is so high it is shrouded in mist for about 7 months of the year. From here we saw a glorious view of the whole harbour and practically over into communist China. We then drove down to Aberdeen and saw the floating restaurants of tourist fame—but that is as far as we went. Robin says they are a real tourist take and the service and the food is awful. We eventually went back to their apartment, which is in one of the thousands of huge blocks of flats. They have a pent house on the 14th storey for which they pay £25 Sterling a week. As it is unfurnished it seems expensive, but Robin tells me that such is the colonial set-up and there are so many Chinese millionaires that this is only a middling rent.

We had a beautiful cup of tea, Taiwan style, almost colorless and without milk or sugar. It has an aroma like fresh picked peaches and is very refreshing. I loved it and had four cups. We then listened to some recordings of Robin's choir, which is outstandingly good, and then they took me on the town.

Well, it was Sunday, but Sunday in Hong Kong is more lively than Melbourne would be on New Years Eve if all the pubs were open all day. We From here we went to the Hong Kong Hilton which is a superb hotel and lousy with people just dying to do something for you for a very small tip — 10 cents, which is about 2d.

We then caught a cab down to the Wanchai district which is Susie Wong territory and it was here that I saw the fascinating side of Hong Kong. The place has as many bars and dives as a cat hairs on its back, and the people — everywhere!! The poor and the rich, the sick and the well. Children never seem to go to bed here, being in the streets at 12.30. We went to a chinese night-club called the Majestic and had a superb seven course Cantonese meal with prawns and walnuts, beef and oyster sauce, followed by shark fin soup. I must admit that my stomach baulked a little as it did with octopus, but once tasted it was superb. We then had a fish dish and then chicken, finally followed by preserved oranges and tea. The whole thing had been accompanied in the classic colonial way with pink gin frizzies. We then went for a brief walk round as the shops were still open at this hour. The stench is awful because of the rotting garbage, but the Chinese,unlike the Afrcans I saw in Dakar, look very clean and neat. I then arranged to meet Ruth the nert day and caught the ferry back to the ship. That was the last I saw of them because that night our friend, Typhoon Dot, got nasty and turned round, swooping back on to stay there. The other two girls in the cabin were so terrified they began to recite the life drill to each other. The worst thing about these storms at sea is that as soon as some people are faced with a crisis all their normal functions seem to cease. The whole ship stank of the stench of vomit and stale bodies. Fortunately for me I was not sick at any time. I am a good sailor. After two days things calmed down a little and we skittled into Hong Kong again for a few hours. The havoc created was awful — the piles of garbage were even more huge and there was debris everywhere. People were beginning to pick themselves out of the gutters. Two ships had collided and gone aground in the harbour, but otherwise it was deserted. Within half an hour ships began arriving from all directions and the docks were full again.

We managed to get ashore for a few hours and wander around among the mess and the next morning we had 4 hours to do any shopping we wanted I bought nothing. Just looking round, I think the tales of the cheapness of this place are a myth. Cameras and radios, yes, but good things, as in all other countries, have to be paid for. I rang Mr. Jarvis at the Australian Embassy and apologised for not being able to see them or answer Mr. Jarvis' note. I did arrange to deliver the boomerang Colin gave me to deliver, thank God, as the damn thing has been more trouble than its worth. I tripped up so many people and laddered the stockings of so many dowagers it isn't true.

We have now sailed into the China Sea again and who would have believed that a few days ago she was a heaving mass of cruel frothing water. The sea is a sly thing because today she is glass smooth and looks absolutely guileless. Yet she had the captain so worried that he told us that if the company wanted to run the "Patris" to Hong Kong during the typhoon season, they could count him out.

Visitors to Lakes

As an aftermath to the big carnival held at the lakes the previous week-end quite a degree of interest has been generated in the local ski-ing facilities among followers of the sport in the city. This was indicated last week-end when there were numerous visiting parties from Perth and suburbs

City ski-ing enthusiasts have run into frequent trouble with the authorities who hold the sport too dangerous to be allowed along the crowded river beaches where swimming is enjoyed. Suggestions that certain areas must be set aside for followers of the sport has not apparntly found favour with all enthusiasts and it has been sug gested that country lake resorts could be the answer to the problem.

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OPENING OF SHOOTING SEASON

Game Wardens Tour District

The majority of the district's honorary game wardens participated in a tour of duck shooting areas of the Beverley district on Sunday last, leaving the town at 9.30 a.m. and returning in the evening. Those involved were Messrs. Geoff. Barrett-Lennard, Jim Strange, Jack McLean, Henry Norris, R. M. (Joe) Wansbrough, Bill Wansbrough and A. L. Oliver, and they were accompanied by Ed Wood and Constable Frank Simmons of the local Police Station. Present to represent the State fauna protection authority were field officers, Messrs Sam Bowler, Laurie Frizzell and Kevin Morrison of Perth, whilst at Mear's Lake the party met up with Henry Hall, an honorary warden of the Dangin area who has done much useful work in the interests of game conservation over the years. He resides on the Eastern fringe of the Channel Lakes and is well placed to note fluctuations in the bird population of that part of the State and in the annual breeding. The good response of so many wardens to the suggestion that an inspection tour of the shooting resorts could be of interest indicates that the outing is likely to be an annual one.

Although the number of ducks seen during the day was not as great as was evident at this time last year they were in such numbers as to indicate that good shooting should result on the river and lakes again this year. Last year bags were the best noted in many years, the distribution being very general.

The greatest build-up of duck numbers this season appear to have occurred on the Channel Lakes a few miles East of Rocky Lake. Here the birds were present in thousands on Sunday whilst large numbers were seen North West of this point. Teal and Mountain duck predominate. Quite a large number of shooters, including Quairading parties will be located in this great stretch of water on Sunday for the opening shoot.

There is evidence that many birds are still on the smaller catchments including swamps where they have been breeding. The shooting on Sunday will see them flocking to the larger lakes.

MUCH WATER AT MEARS

Mears Lake is about 8 feet deep in the centre and there is much boating activity there each week-end With the water so deep as to make feed scarce most of the duck in this area are in the overflow areas North of the main lake. Big flocks of teal, black duck and mountain duck could be seen feeding in the shallow reaches which extend into cultivated paddocks.

WARDEN FAREWELLED

The wardens present took the opportunity of thanking Henry Norris for the great interest he has shown in game conservation since his appointment as an honorary warden many years ago. The little ceremony took place in an appropriate setting under a lake-side gum tree and those to express appreciation for services rendered and good wishes to the Norris family on their move to Kojonup were Messrs. A. L. Oliver and Sam Bowler (on behalf of the department), whilst a toast was observed at the instigation of Mr. Geoff Barrett-Lennard. Speakers made particular reference to Henry's work in attempting to introduce trout to the Dale River — a job which entailed much time and trouble on his part but which, unfortunately, was not a success.

Henry returned thanks for the sentiments and good wishes expressed and informed those present that what money had been left over from the Trout club funds had been expended in putting Marron into the Dale pools. It was too early to assess results.

Inspector Bowler said there was no doubt that Henry's interest in conservation would result in his appointment to the Kojonup district when he leaves Beverley.

The party's last port of call before returning home was to the ski-ing lake where the Beverley club had a carnival in progress. At the invitation of Commodore Jack McLean (also a warden) the visiting inspectors were taken for a run on the lake.

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Fly Control

In the first prosecution of its nature to be heard in Beverley, a local hotel proprietor was fined recently for having allowed manure to remain on his premises and so attract flies.

Health Inspector J. Croft gave evidence that after finding horse manure in sheds at the rear of a hotel he instructed proprietor, Lionel William Stalker, to remove the manure within 24 hours. Several days later the manure was still there and at this time there were signs that fly-breeding was taking place. A fine of £4, and costs totalling £4/9/9 was imposed.

This case may serve as a warning to many people who are not aware of the Regulations, or of their far-reaching nature. Under the Fly Eradication Regulations, which have only been in force since 1961 it is an offence to allow any waste food, manure, refuse or any other matter whatsoever which is likely to attract or be a breeding place for flies, to be on any land or premises unless it is treated in a proper manner.

Very sweeping in their application, the Regulations are designed to control a problem which affects the health and comfort of everybody in the community. Whilst it may be

Traffic Convictions

A sequel to the recent accident involving a school bus was heard in the Beverley Police Court last Friday, when Robert A. Falkingham, the driver of the bus and Hector G. Spaven, the driver of the other vehicle involved, appeared before Magistrate A. L. O'Brien charged with negligent driving.

Both drivers admitted having driven in the middle of the road immediately before the collision, but claimed that the road was too narrow for two vehicles to pass with safety. However, after examining a plan of the site the Magistrate decided that there had been negligence and imposed a fine of £2 in each case.

The folowing cases were also heard:—

Julius Sarvari, of 33 Shirley Avenue, Mt. Pleasant, was fined £4 for speeding in the town site and £8 for travelling at 60 m.p.h. while towing a trailer on Great Southern Highway.

Garry Neville Veal, of Goomalling, and Gerhard Rudi Zekuschis, of 3 Kalgoorlie St. West Perth, were each fined

Christmas and New Year Shopping

Local business houses will close for the Christmas holiday on Thursday, December 24th., at the usual hour and will not re-open until the following Monday, December 28th. The same arrangements will apply at the following week-end for the New Year holiday, businesses closing on December 31st., at the usual time and remaining closed until Monday, January 4th. There will be no late shopping night at Xmas or the New Year.

BANKS — Banking premises will close at 3 p.m. on December 24th., re-opening on December 28th., whilst for the following week the same arrangements have been agreed to.

AT BROOKTON - Shoppers in the Brookton area should note that in that town there will be a late shopping night on Christmas Eve as announced in our advertising columns elsewhere in this issue.

Freak Duck

Johnny Bartram, of the Dale, reports that a freak duck this season appeared in a clutch of wild ducks hatched on his Dale property. It is pure white and is one of a hatching of black duck, all of which are of normal markings. Albinos appear right throughout nature but this is the first time we have heard of its occurrence among wild ducks. It has grown normally with

School Concert Pleases Large Audience

A large audience at the Beverley Town Hall last Thursday night were delighted with the concert given by pupils of Presentation Convent. The main items on the programme were a cantata —"The Gingerbread Men" by the Junior and Intermediate section of the school; an action song "The Wedding of the Painted Doll" by the Juniors; and an operetta "The Sleeping Beauty" in which seniors took the lead parts in a cast which comprised the entire school.

Many hours of meticulous practice were evidenced in all these items. The limitations of a small school of mixed grades were noticeable, but were compensated for by the dedicated approach of all the performers and the considerable amount of above average histrionic talent. Perhaps Judy Edwards as Susan in "The Gingerbred Men" and Leta McLean as the wicked Blackabogle in "The Sleeping Beauty" were the star performers, but they were supported so very well by all the children it is difficult to say who impressed the most.

Costuming and sets were out standing. Much hard work, involving ingenuity and careful attention to detail had gone in to producing costumes and sets which were realistic and artistic. The pleasing visual spectacle of each item was a highlight of the evening.

"The Wedding of the Painted Doll," with its charming bride, debonair groom and many enthusiastic dolls was enjoyed as much by the young players as the audience, who encored it and were not disappointed in the repeat performance.

Also on the programme were two brackets of four numbers each by the Senior Choir, a bracket of three songs by the Junior choir, and Senior drill displays, and four piano duets played by eight of the convents external music students. All these showed the same careful preparation and artistry for which the children and their teachers must be highly commended. The Senior Choir did particularly well to maintain good tone and diction through a lengthy series of quite difficult carols and songs.

At the conclusion of the programme Mr. Mark Hick, of the Parents and Friends' Association, thanked and congratulated the children, pointing out that every child in the school had taken part and that, in fact, each child had performed several parts during the evening the Sisters who had trained the children so well, and thanked the mothers who had assisted with the costumes and the young men who had acted as stage hands. He particularly thanked the pianist, Mrs Turner, for all the time she had given to the children's rehearsals. Mrs. Turner accepteed a wonderful bouquet presented on behalf of all the children by

Game Wardens Tour District . . Cont.

ACCESS TO LAKES

Mr. Alex McCooke, of "Lake side," contacted the visiting officials on Sunday and he advised that he is far from happy anent the indiscriminate entry onto his farm by sportsmen during the duck shooting season. The position is aggravated this year by the fact that it is most unlikely that shooters desiring to proceed to Rockey and Mud lakes and other resorts in that area will be able to reach their destination via the usual approach from the North side of the lakes system owing to a very wet and boggy flat.

Those proceeding to the areas referred to are asked to approach "Lakeside" from the Brookton - Quairading road on the South side and to ask permission at the homestead before proceeding through the paddocks to the lakes.

Shooters wishing to operate at Ossig's Lake and other smaller lakes and channels in the vicinity may travel the usual route from the North as they will not have to cross the dangerous wet patch.

STARTING TIMES

The biggest bugbear of each recurring opening shoot is the too early starting time triggered by impatient shooters not prepared to await development of a good light to shoot by. The complaints are rife every year and the position was discussed by wardens and visiting officials on Sunday. With such a huge area of country to be covered it is impossible to police all the resorts where sportsmen congregate but those concerned with the observance of regulations are making a plea for restraint on the part of all shoot ers so that all may enjoy the best shooting that is available

INSPECTORS TO VISIT

On past opening occasions two inspectors have been present, but this year an additional officer is coming to the district. The three will be on duty overnight and on the morning of the shoot and will not hesitate to take action on those who flagrantly disregard the regulations. In the meatime a request has gone forward for appointment of another warden in the Jurakine area.

BULLDOZING

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Phone Beverley 82.

WOMEN'S BOWLS

Mavis Retallack Takes Bowls Title

The women's Championship Singles was played in Sections recently and section winners were: Mesdames Ferguson, Retallack, Husking and Doncon. The play-off, when each played each, resulted in a win for Mrs Retallack with three clear wins with Mrs. Sylvia Doncon, last years champion, as runner-up with two clear wins. The event was played in very hot weather —the worst to date—and made each game with its close fought finish something of an ordeal

Warmest congratulations go to Mrs. Retallack for a very fine effort. She is now the only member to have won the title twice, the last occasion being in the 1958-59 season. This win now qualifies her to go to Quairading to play in the Central Southern League Singles. Best wishes go with her and may she continue to exhibit the same excellent standard of play she has shown throughout this season.

The B. grade championship was also finalised on that day, between Mrs. Beryl Wood and Miss Nan Wansbrough and resulted in a very good win for the latter. Congratulations Nan as a player of only a few years it was a good accomplishment. The plate events have yet to be finalized and will be reported on in due course.

The winners of the American Handicap pairs were Mrs Prior and Miss Wansbrough with 3 wins.

Next Thursday will be the final of the A/B plates and a points competition (ladies to bring a plate instead of the usual biscuits, it being the last organised competition before Christmas).

Before closing I would like to record our very best thanks to all markers for the matches. It was no mean feat to stand for hours in the boiling sun to help the finalists on their way and it was much appreciated.

S. DONCON,
(Club Reporter).

Post Office Holidays

The following arrangements will be observed at the Beverley Post Office over the holiday period:

Christmas Day 25/12/64: Closed all Day.

Boxing Day 26/12/64: Open 9am. to 10am. All classes of business except Money Orders and Banking. No Letter Delivery. Inward mail will be sorted Outward mails close 10 am.

New Year's Day 1/1/65: Closed all Day. No Letter Delivery. Inward mail will be sort ed. Outward mails close 10am.

Roadside Mail Services

Bally Bally — Morbinning: Will run on normal days. (no alteration).

Dale — The service scheduled for Friday 25/12/64 (Xmas Day) will run on Thursday 24/12/64.

All other Dale Services will run on normal days including Friday 1/1/65 (New Year's Day).

Swimming

It would seem that for night carnivals at least, the team in its home pool has the advantage. Last Friday evening Brookton won fairly comfortably from Pin. and Beverley. The visiting swimmers accust omed to the transparency and wider lanes of their Olympic length Pool, found the dark water and narrow lanes of the shorter and unpainted Brookton Pool somewhat unsettling. However all credit must go to Brookton swimmers who show commendable and enthusiastic team spirit and are reaping the rewards of hard training. Bever ley now just clings to its second place in the progress scores and all local swimmers will be spurred on to greater efforts in preparation for the three remaining Carnivals which will be held in February and March 1965.

Accurate comparisous are difficult because of the varyings lengths of the Pools but most of Beverley's team appeared to be swimming improved times at Brookton and there were some promising displays by newer members all of which augurs well for 1965. To-night (Friday18th.) the Points competition will continue in the Beverley Pool. These club nights will be suspended for Christmas and New Years' day but the Sunday morning coaching periods will continue. Points competition club races will resume on 8th. Jan 1965.

CARNIVAL SCORES

Brookton 11th. Dec

Bev. 140; Brktn. 175; Pin 148.

Progress Totals

Bev. 445; Brktn. 490; Pin. 443.

Pedigree Seed Available

Pedigree seed for 1965 plan ting was still available from De partment of Agriculture's Re search station. Chief of the Department's Wheat and Sheep Division, Mr. A. S. Wild said last week. Available were the midseason wheats Claymore & Wagin and early varieties Bun gulla and Wongoondy. Th midseason oats Avon and Ful mark and the early variety Ba lidu are also available.

"Merredin" early strain Wim mera rye grass and supplies o selected, graded Gamenya an Mengavi early-maturing, rus resistant varieties of whea were still available.

Including freight to farmer sidings prices per three bush bag were wheat 65/-, oats 45/ Wimmera rye grass 40/-. A plications for supplies shou be made to the Department Agriculture, Jarrah Rd., Sou Perth.

Undertaker

Messrs PURSLOWE & SON
of Northam

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Dentist for Beverley

The Dental Committee of Beverley and Brookton Shires met on Tuesday afternoon (15th) to consider an application from Mr. Dawson, a dentist from England, to practice in the two towns. Mr. Dawson with his wife has inspected the premises at Beverley and expressed surprise at the equipment and facilities provided.

This equipment and facilities are the most modern procurable and the suite is the equal of any private practice in the State. They also visited Brookton to discuss future facilities in that town. The committee after considering the application agreed to the appointment of Mr. Dawson

It is anticipated that Mr. Dawson will commence practice early in February. He may be described as a man of pleasing personality and is married with two young children. He is recommended by the Superintendant of the Perth Dental Hospital as an excellent dentist.

A meeting on Tuesday afternoon of the Dental Committee of Beverley and Brookton Shire Councils confirmed the appointment of Mr. Dawson.

At Brookton facilities for the dentist are not yet complete but are expected to be in order about the end of March when regular visits will be made. In the meantime and until the Brookton Clinic is completed and equipment installed arrangements can be made for residents of that district to attend at the Beverley surgery.

Alleged Bus Route Hazards

At its monthly meeting held last week the Beverley Shire Council was presented with a petition signed by nineteen residents of the Dale portion of the district voicing concern at the presence of alleged "death traps" on the Waterhatch bus route. The petition read as follows:

To the Shire Clerk,
Shire Council,
BEVERLEY.
Dear Sir,—

In view of the recent school bus accident in which several of our children could have been killed or maimed, we, the undersigned, wish to bring to your Council's notice other potential 'death traps' on the bus route known as "Waterhatch." The areas mentioned below have been pointed our to our Council representative on various occasions but as no action has been taken to remedy them it leaves us in no other position than to present them in this manner:

(1) Rule's corner and approaches.
(2) Thomas' Bridge
(4) Signs to advertise school bus routes.

Yours faithfully,
(Here followed 19 signatures)

Councillors were most upset to receive the petition signed by residents of the above route. The contents, they claim, are not altogether factual. They would like to point out that all roads, bridges, etc., are potential "death traps" according to the manner in which the driver handles his vehicle. The particular sections of the Waterhatch route referred to, they say, are only as dangerous as drivers like to make them.

The Council is very conscious of the difficult sections throughout the Shire. The difficult places are listed and priorities allocated to each. They will all be rectified in order of priority as money be come available. The Council feels that the fact that an accident recently occured on H 3 road, as the petition states, is no reason for the Council to change its policy. It sees no reason why one section, of the community should succeed in getting an advantage over the rest of the community because of this unfortunate accident.

Naturalization

On December 16th., prior to the Council meeting the President of the Council supported by the Deputy President presented to John Crudeli of the Dale Mill a Certificate of Naturalization. John, aged 16, is one of the youngest persons to receive such a certificate in Beverley.

Mammoth Industrial Unit

The biggest industrial unit ever seen in the township inched its way through Beverley on Tuesday morning last. It was a huge domestic gas container which is consigned to Albany. Some idea of the size of the unit was revealed by a count of the wheels of the complete outfit which numbered 74. The container is loaded on a low loader and is pulled by a traction unit, whilst another vehicle helps out as a pusher from the rear.

The journey of those involved in the mammoth transport job is a long one. They left Footscray, Victoria, a month ago and at Beverley regarded their long journey as nearly over, although the slow speed necessary will involve several more days of travel. It was intended to travel via Esperance after crossing the Nullabor, but the police refused permission to travel this route. A pilot car is driven ahead of the unit which appears to be very much overwidth.

One of the main worries of those in charge are the overhead wires encountered and it was these that caused considerable delay at Beverley at the Vincent Street —— Hunt road intersection. The unit fouled an electric light wire which was burnt through, necessitating the attention of a linesman to restore the service. From that point onwards two men attached to the unit lifted overhead wires with long poles as the unit travelled slowly along the road.. Local traffic inspector, Jack Croft, helped out on the journey through the town.

Among the accompanying vehicles is a caravan and travelling with the unit is the wife and children of one of the four men employed.

Telephonic contact is maintained between the leading and the rear vehicles.

Mixed Luck at Duck Shoot

Mixed luck was reported by sportsmen who participated in the opening if the duck shooting season in this season last Sunday. In the lakes area duck was very plentiful at the zero hour and shooters in favoured localities obtained reasonable bags.

The only party we heard of to obtain an average of fifteen (the bag limit) operated at a point East of Rocky Lake and were well placed on the line of flight by the birds in moving from one lake to another.

Most of the lake shooters however had reasonable tallies and the shoot throughout the area could be classed as better than average. Teal was the most plentiful variety but a few mountain duck were also bagged, with an occasional black duck, a variety which appears to get scarcer year by year.

River shooters at Jurakine and other vantage points on the Avon did not fare as well as the lake shooteres. Duck was not as plentiful at Jurakine as was the case last year when a most successful shoot eventuated .

One small swamp between Beverley and Kokeby where excellent shooting was enjoyed by a few shooters last season had hardly a duck on it this year although they were plenti ful a fortnight ago.

Another area where they were not as plentiful as usual was on the swamp Westward of Kokeby. At Ridgway's swamp there has been a bigger build up of birds than is usual. Two wet winters have spread the swamp water over an additional twenty or more acres of the farming land.

Shooters who favoured the river pools between Beverley and Jurakine obtained sufficient game for a meal or two.

At others of the State's duck shooting resorts the opening was in the majority of cases, rather a tame affair because of the depth of water in lakes and swamps making it difficult for shooters to operate with any degree of success.

Art Competition

Details of the Art competition which has been sponsored by the Beverley Shire Council were finalised last week and are announced on Page 2 of this issue. The prize for the best painting is £25 whilst for the best by a local artist £15 is offered.

Entries close on March 1.

Game Inspectors Active

This year for the first occasion three inspectors of the W.A. Fisheries and Game Department were in Beverley for the opening of the duck shooting season last Sunday.

They arrived in Beverley on Saturday and camped on a road leading to the lakes where they erected a "Stop" sign. Shooters travelling the road were stopped and asked as to their degree of understanding of the rules governing the taking of wild duck.

Althugh there was a little early shooting the majority of sportsmen refrained from commencing operations until the light was good enough to obtain results by.

It has become obvious that 5 a.m. is by general consent too late to be used as an official opening time. It is too close to sun-up and is not practical as a starting time. A time a little earlier might be set with advantage.

FREAK WEATHER

Freak weather was experienced by shooters proceeding to the wild duck haunts for the opening of the season last Sunday. Most of those involved stay out overnight and most travel on Saturday afternoon. This year they encountered near gale force gusts of wind with rain squalls at frequent intervals one of these at mid-afternoon in the lakes area being particularly heavy.

Fortunately for the sportsmen the wind abated at sundown and a fine cool day eventuated for the shoot, albeit those who had to wade through the water found the early morning conditions a little on the chilly side.

WOMEN'S BOWLS

Mavis Retallack Wins League Title

On Tuesday, 15th December, the singles championship of the Central Southern League Ladies Bowls was held at Quairading where the champions of York, Quairading and Beverley met to decide the issue. The winner was again our own club champion, Mavis Retallack Our sincere congratulations go to her in her double victory.

On Thursday 17th December the final of the championship plate was contested between Mrs Prior nd Mrs Corbett with the former lady the winner. Our congratulations also go to Mrs. Prior on a hard fought victory.

In the afternoon a points competition occupied attention and resulted in a win for Miss U. Wansbrough who seems to be in a winning vein of late.

After a very tasty afternoon tea, our President (Mrs Woods) asked our Patroness (Mrs Corbett) to cut a lovely Christmas cake which was made and decorated by Mrs. Woods, who wished all members a very happy Xmas-tide and good bowling for the rest of the season. The club rooms looked very gay with Christmas decoration and beautiful floral arrangements and every one had a very happy time. For the next two club days members are asked to arrange their own games.

COUNCIL MATTERS IN BRIEF

Councillors Edwards, Lupton and Swan, who were on holidays and from whom apologies were received were absent from the February meeting of the Beverley Shire Council held on February 24th, which was presided over by the Shire President, Mr. A. W. Miles.

A number of the items of business dealt with during the meeting have been reported under separtate headings in these columns. Other matters under discussion were as follows:—

Drainage Townsite Area:— Agreed that the President interview Mr. Allison of the Public Works Department re drainage of the Beverley Townsite area.

National Trust of Australia: This trust wrote seeking information of old buildings and landmarks of historical interest. Councillors named a number of buildings considered to be of interest to be submitted to the Trust.

H. W. Gayfer: Mr. Gayfer forwarded information from the respective Ministers dealing with Matching Money and Native Housing. He was thanked for the information supplied and is to be congratulated on being returned unopposed for another term.

Perth Dental Hospital: The Administrator of the above Hospital thanked the Council for its appreciative letter and added that his Board was happy to know that they had contributed to the care of the dental requirements for the district

Recoup of Expenditure: The Main Roads Dept. wrote stressing the need for Councils to expend the recoup grant monies before June 30th. The Shire Clerk reported that grant works were being pushed on as fast as possible and that recoups were submitted immediately each job is completed.

West Dale School: The P. and C. Association of this school wrote re dangers to children being picked up or delivered to school and asking for suitable parking space to be provided.

Avon Midland Ward Conference: Resolved that the delegates to the above Conference would be the President and Deputy President and C. W. Robins, accompanied by the Shire Clerk.

Bus Shelter: Mr O'Callaghan wrote suggesting the erection of a bus shelter at the corner of Forrest and John Streets. It was agreed to pass the matter to the Railway Department for their comment.

Compulsory Chest X-ray: The Department of Public Health wrote thanking the Council for its assistance and co-operation with the recently conducted X-ray survey.

School Swimimng Trophies: Agreed that a perpetual trophy for the champion boy and girl swimmer to a total value of £21 be provided by the Council and that replicas be purchased each year for presentation to the winner.

Pool Kiosk: Mr. Cooper, the pool manager wrote re several problems associated with the pool kiosk. Decided that before any action be instituted the President and Shire Clerk discuss the matter with the manager.

State Government Insurance Office: The above office forwarded statement of new insurance covers requested by Council to cover damage from riots, vandalism, etc. Agreed that a cheque for the amount of £34/4/10 to cover premiums and stamp duty be forwarded to the above office.

Shire Clerk/Engineer:— The Department of Local Government advised that it would now approve of the allocation of the above salary between administration and engineering overhead. Agreed that allocation be 3/5ths administration, 2/5ths engineering.

Symphony Orchesetra: Agreed that a donation of £5 be made to the A.B.C. Symphony Orchestra.

Employers Federation: The Federation advised that the preference to Unionist Clause had now been included in the Municipal Workers Aword.

Churchill Memorial Appeal: Agreed that Council contribute £25 towards the above appeal.

State Housing Commission: Agreed that the advice of the S.H.C. regarding the erection of Duplex Flats on Lot 324 Lukin Street be received.

Main Roads Dept. — Tree, Dale-Mawson road: The Dept. advised that they had agreed to allow the gum tree to remain and that a curve of lesser radius would be provided. Agreed that the Department be advised that this Council considers that when the land was offered to provide a longer curve on the south side of the tree it should have been accepted thus obviating the shorter curve.

Thomas' Bridge: Agreed that the Main Roads Dept. be advised that this Council will adequately and effectively maintain the bridge on Talbot Brook known as Thomas' bridge.

Ablution Block Native Reeserve: The State Housing Commision advised that above building had been re-sited and thanked the Council for its interest.

Rail Crossing: Agreed that Mr. Hill be advised that the road would be provided over the proposed rail crossing to serve Loc. 1178 on him agreeing to pay for the culverts at the railway and to give assurance in writing that this Council would not be held liable for any damage caused to the P.M.G. telephone cable.

Vincent Street Footpath: Agreed that in reply to a letter on the subject the Beverley Farmers Co-op be advised that Council would replace the footpath in front of their premises when the existing verandah is removed and building alterations are completed.

Dept. Lands & Surveys: This Dept. enquired if Council has any objections to a small area of land in the Jacobs Well area being made available for selection. Agreed that the land be made available to the adjoining land owner.

Alterations Town Hall: Agreed that tenders be called through Council Architect for the additions and alterations to the Town Hall to provide new toilet facilities and for alterations and additions to school quarters to convert the building to a Council Room and Office.

Loan for Building: Agreed that the Council proceed to borrow the sum of £13,000 for alterations and additions to the Town Hall and school quarters for which tenders are to be called.

Permits: Agreed that permits be granted for the following subject to compliance with the applicable by-law:———

R. Heal —— Dwelling.
Baker & Abel — Dwelling
Beverley Farmers Co-op— Alterations and additions to Vincent Street premises.

Dental Report: The Shire Clerk reported on having purchased as directed, a gas stove for dentists's residence and at the request of the dentist provided venetian blnds for the surgery as relief from the sun. The dentist commenced practice on February 8th and reported that he had been quite busy. Patients interviewed expressed complete satisfaction with the dentist and appointments. Agreed that the Shire Clerk's action in purchasing a gas stove and venetian blinds be endorsed.

Bridges: Resolved that the Main Roads Dept. be advised that in the de-snagging of the Avon river by the P.W.D. the debris was pushed to the sides to form banks and that in this Councils opinion this should have been done at Jurakine instead of trying to burn debris.

Qualanderry Crosing: The Shire Clerk was instructed to ascertain from the M.R.D. its intentions re the above crossing it being considered that if it remains as it is there will be little left after the winter floods.

Swimming Pool: Agreed that the Shire Clerks action in procuring a supply of cyanuric acid as a stabiliser for the swimming pool be confirmed. The benefit of the stabiliser was already evident.

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Crossing Work Resumed

When work commenced on the raising of the retaining wall at Qualanderry crossing near County Peak, with a view to ensuring that more of the winter flow of water be retained in the lakes system throughout the summer, it was hoped that the job would be carried through to its completion. Most interested were the members of the Beverley Ski Club which is fast developing a most attractive summer recreational resort for farming families and town residents of these areas. Hundreds of residents have made fairly regular visits to the lake site since the club activities commenced.

Unfortunately, after a considerable amount of work had been carried out at the crossing by the M.R.D. workmen, those engaged moved to other jobs in the district and the work was held up. However, a gang of workmen is again at the site and the level of the crossing has been raised about another 18 inches in recent weeks. A culvert measuring four feet by eighteen inches has been provided, but responsibility for provision of a flood gate to control the water flow has not apparently, as yet, been agreed upon. The work of course would be useless unless a control gate is provided.

Only gravel filling has been used on the small portion of the crossing at the Beverley end. The rest of the retaining wall has been stone pitched, and some cement has been used

Jurakine Bridge Completed

Construction of the new bridge at Jurakine was completed a week or so ago and although some minor work on the approaches to the structure is still under way the bridge is now in use. Painting of the woodwork was the final job before the men engaged moved on to similar work near Springdell.

Successful Art School Marks Close of Art Group's First Year

A week-end art school which was held recently at the Beverley Junior High School was the highlight of the Beverley Art Group's first year. The school was an unqualified success and left many "would-be" artists smitten with the urge to learn more. Indeed, as the school closed there were many enthusiastic requests for more such schools and, since numbers had exceeded expectations, Mr. Brian Parke promised support from the Adult Education Board for our future plans.

Rhonda Boissevain, the very capable tutor, recommended that similar schools should be held every two months, but as a series of Art classes are scheduled to follow very soon it is unlikely that a similar concentrated Art school will be needed for awhile.

Members of the Narrogin and Quairading Art groups were very grateful for the overnight accommodation made available to them by Mr and Mrs Nigel Fleay in the old

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RE-VITALISED CO-OP READY FOR OFFICIAL RE-OPENING

A re-vitalised Co-Operative Co. Store has emerged within the past few weeks at Beverley as a result of plans formulated some months ago and subsequently endorsed by a meeting of shareholders, with the work put in hand without delay and completed within the past fortnight. About £10,000 has been spent on the building which is now as modern as any business of this type to be found in the country districts. Live wire management has, in recent weeks and well before the renovations and improvements were put in hand spelt a great increase in business turnover.

Company History

The Beverley Farmers' Co-Operative Co. was first formed to handle wheat in the year 1917. At that time the chairman was Mr. H. W. A. Tanner and the directors the late C. F. Bailey, F. T. Broun, W. Brown, Francis McDonald, J. L. Thomas. Original directors of the Company who are still with us are Mr. J. D. McKellar, of "Clovelly," Beverley, and Mr. C. S. Weaver now retired to the township after many years of farming activity. The manager of the original Company was the late Mr. W. C. Townsend and the secretary (protem) the late Mr. Frank Barrett-Lennard.

In June 1918 Mr. Townsend resigned his position of Manager and Mr. Tanner was appointed Public Officer of the company with Miss Ruby Draper (now Mrs. Foss Thompson) in charge of the office work in premises which were rented in Powell's buildings, now occupied by Davis Motors. The business continued to be carried on in Powell's Buildings until about twelve months later when the present property near the railway station was purchased from the Forrest Estate and in May 1919 a general business was opened with Mr. W. King as Manager. Portion of the premises (at the East end of the building) was leased to the late Alf Thomas as a newsagency for a term of five years. Mr. Thomas was later to carry on the newsagency at the present site in Central Buildings.

During August 1920 the Company made an important move when it acquired the agency of one of Australia's best-known machinery firms——Messrs. H. V. McKay Pty. Ltd.

In 1922 Mr. King resigned his position as manager owing to ill-health and the position was filled by Mr. A. Aldis until he resigned to go into business on his own account. The late Mr. G. E. L. Wrench was then appointed to the office and served many years until his retirement. He was followed by Mr. Ross Jarvis as manager and when the latter purchased the Beverley Newsagency, Mr. Dud Ratcliffe, of Brookton secured appointment, filling the office for several yeaers before the appointment of Mr. Syd Aldridge who carried on until last year.

In 1927 the growth of the business necessitated increased accommodation and the Direcotrs decided on extensive additions, comprising nearly 6000 square feet of floor space at the rear of the original premises, also a large bulk store divided from the main new building by a brick partition. In addition commodious office accommodation was provided, together with up-to-date sewered conveniences. The front of the original building was left untouched, the idea being to install modern show-case windows at some later date.

It was an idea which took a long time to germinate as until the most recent modernisation move the front remained as it was at the turn of the century when the building was conducted as a coffee palace, securing a large measure of its trade from the travelling public when Beverley was a stopping place for travelleers on the way to Albany. The two main windows in those days used to display fruit and vegetable and half-penny and penny lines of sweets, beloved of the children of those early times. The late Frank Lambert was the last to carry on the premises along these lines.

The Company had a narrow escape from being burnt out shortly after they acquired the premises. A fire broke out on a Wednesday half holiday and but for the timely intervention of the Beverley volunteer firemen the building would have been doomed to destruction. It was, possibly, the Beverley brigade's most outstanding save, and the Company made suitable recognition of the debt they owed to the volunteers. The blaze commenced when a big quantity of matches stored on a high shelf fell to the floor and spontaneously ignited.

To-day's Co-op Store presents a completely new and handsome appearance after the years of neglect, and it has followed the taking over of management of the premises at the request of share-holders, by the Wesfarmers Stores Pty. Ltd. The Stores sent Mr. Barry Lathwell to Beverley to manage, and this young man set to work with a zeal that has spelt success in capital letters. The whole of the front of the premises is now glass enclosed, and additional lighting has been provided at the Eastern and Western ends so that there are splendid display facilities for all types of merchandise. Floors have been treated and are tile covered and the lighting is a feature that appeals. The grocery section of the building has not had many structural alterations but the lay out has been altered for the convenience of the public whilst over-all the painters have produced a spick and span appearance in light pastel shades.

Bush Fires Act Prosecutions

In the local Court on Friday, June 11th., two persons were each fined £5, with costs, for failing to provide firebreaks and to remove inflammable material from lots within the Beverley Townsite area. This makes a total of five offenders who have been similarly fined. These prosecutions should serve as a warning to what can be expected in the future by those persons who neglect to carry out the requirements of orders issued under the Bush Fires Act

Balkuling Golf Club's Big Windfall

Although the Balkuling Golf Club has insured against rain on innumerable occasions for their Cup fixture in the past, it was not until Sunday last that it had the good fortune to collect. The dividend amounted to £100 and it turned the 1965 Cup fixture into the most profitable ever conducted by the Club.

The insurance was for ten points or more of rain falling at the Balkuling post office during stipulated hours prior to the Cup starting time. An amount of eleven points was recorded. It is rather remarkable that Balkuling should have never collected in the past as the Cup fixture is a notorious wet weather occasion. However although sufficient rain has often fallen it has never occurred within the stipulated hours. Many organisations over the years have taken out Pluvius policies.

Cup results are published on page 8 of this issue.

Further Work at Crossing

As is well-known the Beverley Shire Councillors were not happy with the way the M.R.D. left the Qualanderry Crossing job before moving on to other necessary work in the district. It was felt that further consolidation work would be necessary if the retaining wall is to fulfiill the function for which it was constructed.

The Council has busied itself in the matter and we understand that Council workmen will undertake the stone facing of each side of the retaining wall, funds for the work being provided by the M.R.D. The wall will be about eighteen inches higher than was the original wall which means that the Avon will have to rise that much more before the river water flows into the system through a four ft. by eighteen in. culvert. However there have been suggestions that the lakes be allowed to fill from the Eastern end rather than from the Avon River.

Ex-resident's Demise

After a lengthy illness the last stages of which were spent as an inmate of the Albany Hospital the death occurred at that centre recently of Mr. Arthur Norman, well remembered former business-man of this town where he conducted the newsagency for several years before retiring to a Hunt Road home, and later moving to Albany. He was 77 years of age.

Son of an Albany pioneer, and himself born at the port, Arthur Norman was associated with the WAGR at Albany for a few years after leaving school and then became associated with Albany's business community in company with his brother, the pair trading as Norman Bros., under which name the business continues to be conducted.

A little later Arthur spent a few years at Borden in a similar type of business and then came to Beverley to purchase the newsagency from the late Mr. Alf Thomas, the purchase being effected in June 1940.

This began an eleven years association with Beverley's business community, until terminated with the sale of the business to Mr. Ross Jarvis. Mr and Mrs. Norman, and daughter Marjorie, continued to reside in the Hunt Road home for another six years before a move was made to Albany, where they built a home near the harbour foreshore. Marjorie, in the meantime had married Mervyn Fleay of this district and the couple and their family now reside at West Brookton.

During his years of retirement in Beverley, the late resident helped out on occasions at the Council chambers and was a very efficient secretary to the Beverley Agricultural Society. Whilst resident at Albany he was secretary to the Race club for a period.

He was married in Albany in 1920 to an English born girl in Miss Ada Pease, and she and daughter Marjorie survive his passing. The Norman's have always been prominent workers for the Methodist Church wherever their lot has been cast and have made a great many friends among all sections of the community at Albany, Beverley and Brookton The sympathy of all these has been extended in full measure to the bereaved.

A big crowd paid their last tribute of respect to a fine citizen at the funeral held at the Methodist cemetery Albany on the 5th inst.

District Inspection

The Shire Council members carried out their annual inspection of the district on Monday last. The inspection provides opportunity for Councillors to see where the most urgent work is required. According to Councillor McLean this is in the County Peak - Bally Bally region!

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Old Building to Disappear

A building associated with the construction of the York-Beverley section of the Great Southern railway in 1886 following completion of the Guildford-Chidlow and Chidlow-York sections is to disappear within a week or so, the work of demolition being due to commence this week. The building referred to is the Beverley railway refreshment rooms which have been unused for years past and are to be dismantled by Messrs. Wright's Salvage Pty., Ltd., demolition contractors, of Kenwick.

For a period Beverley was the terminus of the government section of the Great Southern Railway. All trains stabled here and through passengers from the Eastern States, via Albany, had to remain in Beverley overnight. The Beverley-Albany section of the line was constructed under the land grant system by the Great Southern Railway Company and was purchased by the government in 1829 for £1,100,000 The local refreshment rooms were the largest of any built by the government along the Great Southern route. Two-storied with living accommodation for the licensee in an upstairs portion, the facilities included very large dining rooms where meals could be obtained and the premises were licensed to sell alcohoic beverages. Not much information is available as to who the contractors for the building were but it is believed that the builders responsible for the construction of the railway station buildings & living quarters carried out the work, the style of architecture and material used being very similar.

In the days when the arrival of the night train from Perth was someting of a feature of life in the township the refresh ment rooms were favoured by many local residents for late suppers, whilst many availed themselves of the facilities when meals were served.

The building has been slowly deteriorating over the years and its ultimate fate at the hands of the demolitionists has long been predicted. The public toilets at the Northern end of the building are still in use, particularly by travellers by railway bus, and will not be demolished.

The old building has seen much local history and much progress in the State's transport system. Some of the older generation of residents of the district will remember many convivial occasions within its aged walls and its fate before the march of time will bring back nostalgic memories.

AGED TREE TO GO

By co-incidence an aged Acacia tree standing in the yards adjacent the railway station will also, no doubt, be disappearing shortly. A heavily laden truck was backed into it recently, shattering its trunk and it is now so much of a hazard that a notice has been nailed to it warning residents of the dangers of parking in the vicinity. The tree is very old having been planted in the years when the Beverley post office was situated in the railway yard. It was at first a convenient hitching place for horse, buggy and sulky users, and with the coming of the motor car was used in the summer months for shade.

Council Matters in Brief

The June meeting of the Beverley Shire Council was held on the 17th ult with a full attendance of Councillors. Councillor A. W. Miles, president, was in the chair. Some of the matters under discussion have been reported in these columns. Other items to come forward were as follows:

Water for Oval: Mr. H. W. Gayfer forwarded a letter from the Minister for Works in which the Minister advised that the P.W.D. would take responsibility for the design, preparation of contract documents and supervision of the construction of the reticulation project for the Beverley oval. Received

Swimming Pool Conference, Kalgoorlie: Resolved that Cr. Robins be appointed to represent Beverley Shire Council at the Conference.

Beverley R.S.L The Beverley R.S.L. Sub-Branch forwarded a cheque for £10/10/- towards a fund for the purchase of a timing device at the Swimming Pool. Resolved that the R.S.L. be thanked for their interest and the Swimming Club and schools be advised of the donation.

Hawkers Licenses: Agreed that the Minister concerned be written to and advised that this Council is most concerned that hawkers can jeopardise the business of ratepayers who are paying much higher rates that the hawkers license fee and that the maximum hawkers license fee be increased to £50.

Flora Warden: Agreed that Council recommend to the Forrests Dept. that Mr R. M. Wisbrough be appointed an Hon. Inspector of Native Flora

Vincent Street School House: Agreed that the school house be let to Mr. Brian Ford on a weekly tenancy basis at £3 per week.

Fencing — Dale Bin North Road: Agreed that action by the Shire Clerk in engaging Mr L Kilpatrick to do the fencing at £80 per mile be confirmed.

Road Resumption — Loc. 4429 N. Gartrell.. The Dept. of Lands and Surveys wrote regarding disposal of closed roads resulting from deviation. Agree that Council agree to proposals subject to Mr. A. C. Willey not requiring part of old road access to his property.

Building Permits: The following permits were granted subject to compliance with the relevant By-Laws:—

L.P. Swan & Son — Alterations to Bulk Store

Stud Sheep Breeders Assn. Extensions and alterations to ram selling shed.

Caltex Oil Co. — Additional

LAKE WATERS BREAK THROUGH RETAINING WALL

It is a matter for regret among all associated with the project of retaining the water of the lakes system in this district as a permanent recreational resort that despite the work which has been carried out to make the plan effective, flood water on Tuesday night broke through the Northern end of the retaining wall at Qualanderry crossing and are now surging through the break to join the Avon River waters.

Normally the lakes at first fill from the rise of the Avon at this point but the construction in the summer of a higher retaining wall has kept out the Avon Water and the lakes have filled to the overflow stage as a result of the big volumes of water coming down through the chain from points Eastwards. Doubtless the main source has been the water from the Merredin and adjacent areas where up to three inches of rain fell a fortnight ago. The Morbinning Gully has also been flowing at depth as a result of rains in this district.

The break-through occurred in what was generally regarded as the weak spot of the retaining wall——a point which is about a foot. lower than the wall at the Southern end and where the road first dips to lake level. M.R.D. work at the site was left in an uncompleted state in the view of the Beverley Shire Council who quickly took steps to complete the work with finance provided by the government. The wall was stone faced and cemented and was only completed a fortnight ago.

The surge of flood waters reaching the river at Qualanlerry as a result of the breakthrough is likely to keep the Avon at a high level for some time. Although the level at Beverley at present is high it is a long way from the flood marks of previous years.

Native Housing

Problems associated with the housing of natives in the country continue to exercise the minds of local governing authorities who do not always see eye-to-eye with the Native Affairs Department in the matter, At the June meeting of the Beverley Shire Council a letter from the Department of Native Welfare seeking Council approval to the transfer to the Department of Lots 26-30 inclusive situated on Reserves 757 and 2674 in Lukin Street for the purpose of erecting a TN 3402 type house was read and discussed.

Councillors agreed to inspect this and alternative sites and did so at the mid-day adjournment following which a motion agreeing to the suggestion was moved. Later there was further consideration of the matter and an amendment was moved to the effect that Council disagree with the Department's

A further amendment that Council agree to the Department's suggestion regarding Lots 26-30 and in addition ask the Department to also investigate Lots 316-318 and 323-328 and Sub Lot 155 as alternative sites, was carried.

Charitable Donations

At its June meeting the Shire Council made its annual charitable distribution from the three per cents account. Donations were as follows———

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Torch Bearers for Legacy	25 0 0
Boy Scouts, Beverley	10 0 0
Beverley Swimming Club	5 0 0
Royal Flying Doctor Service	5 0 0
Beverley Hospital Auxiliary	5 0 0
Police Boy's Appeal	25 0 0
Braille Society	1 1 0
Mentally Incurable Children	1 1 0
Deaf and Dumb Society	1 1 0
Wooroloo Pastimes Club	1 1 0
Institute for Blind	1 1 0
Slow Learning Group	1 1 0
Surf Life Saving Association	1 1 0
Sister Kates Home	1 1 0
Parkerville Home	1 1 0

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RAM SELLING FACILITIES: NEW SHED OPENED

Last Friday was an important day in the history of the Beverley and Districts Stud Sheepbreeders Association, the opening of a new all weather selling shed co-inciding with the 7th annual ram sale at which new record prices were obtained for locally bred stud rams.

Background: The first stud sale in Beverley was held in the 1945/46 season when Wesfarmers conducted a sale. At that time there was no Association. The present Association was formed in 1958 by which time there was another Association in existence. This year the first sale of the amalgamated Associations was being held First president of the present body was Mr. M. D. Smith, and the present president is Mr. Tom Barrett - Lennard. Research indicates that the first stud breeders in this district were the late Jack Lukin, the late J. W. Broun (father of Bill) and the late Tom Barrett-Lennard (father of Geoff, Les and Keith).

The new shed was built at a cost of between £4,000 and £4,500, the contractors being Messrs. C. W. Ashworth and Sons of York.

Official Opening

The official opening took place at 1.15 p.m. on Friday, and president Mr. Tom Barrett-Lennard, speaking to a very large assemblage, spoke of the magnificent co-operation of all in the building of the facilities and congratulated the contractor, whose only complaint had been that there appeared to be about fifteen bosses! Mr. Lennard welcomed the Member for Avon, Mr. Gayfer, who had been invited to officiate, and Mr. W. B. Stewart, president of the Merino Sreepbreeders Association of W.A. Mr. A. W. Miles, president of the Beverley Shire Council, and Mr Milford Smith, first president of the Sheepbreeders Association were also welcomed.

Mr. Stewart referred to the magnificent building now available for sale fixtures and congratulated local breeders on the splendid teams presented for the afternoon's sale. He wished breeders a successful sale and purchasers happy buying.

Mr. Gayfer

Mr. Gayfer expressed thanks for the privilege of opening the building and stressed the splendid facilities under which the sale was to be conducted that day. He congratulated the Associations on amalgamating to the advantage of this and future annual sales. The speaker stressed the importance of the sheep of the world and Australia's in particular and pointed out that the first animal mentioned in our most concise history book, which is the Bible, is the sheep. The world has depended on sheep husbandry from earliest times and following the introduction in 1797 of the first Merinos by Messrs. Waterhouse and Kent, Australia had started a heritage which has been handled and fostered to the benefit of sheep husbandry in general by succeeding generations of ram breeders such as we have in the Beverley and Brookton districts. He quoted a passage from Shakespeare's "Othello" which said: "Even now, now, even now, an old black ram is tupping yon white ewe!" There is no fear with the quality of the yarding we see here of such a nondescript ram being present in the paddocks of local breeders. Mr. Gayfer went on to congratulate all on the initiative and co-operation visible that day and declared the sale pavilion of the Beverley and Districts Stud Sheepbreeders Assn now officially opened.

Mr. Gayfer apologised on be half of Mr. Milford Smith who had been requested to say a few words as foundation president, but who felt that his voice was not strong enough to address such a large gathering.

Mr Alex Miles moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Gayfer and in doing so complimented, on behalf of the Shire, the initiative displayed by the stud breeders in the building of the well appointed pavilion which was an asset to the district. He thanked Mr. Gayfer for performing the official opening and thanked him also for the splendid service he is rendering to this district. The motion was carried by acclamation.

Mr. Tom Barrett - Lennard then called on Wesfarmers to commence the sale.

District Records Set at Ram Sale

A very keen demand by buyers from near and far at last Friday's seventh annual sale of stud and specially selected Merino Rams conducted by stock agents on behalf of the Beverley and Districts Stud Sheepbreeders Assn. saw new records established when Messrs Elder Smith — Goldsbrough Mort Ltd. obtained 575 guineas and 525 guineas for two top stud offerings on behalf of Messrs G. Barrett-Lennard and Co's long established and well-known "Annandale" stud.

"Annandale" offered a total of six stud and 7 specially selected Bungaree blood Merino rams 1963 drop. A total of £3,008/5/- was received for the offering, the average price for the whole offering being £231/18/-

The top price ram was purchased by C. B. and E. M. Ryan and Son of Doodlakine, whilst the 525 gns ram was purchased by Mrs Borgwood of Minnivale.

WESFARMERS

Wesfarmers Ltd. commenced the selling programme and obtained a top price of 120 gns., and an average of £74/8/3 on behalf of Messrs J. L. Thomas & Son, of "Springdell", who offered 8 specially selected rams 1963 drop Collinsville blood.

On behalf of I. H. and J. F. Butcher "Rocklea," the firm offered 8 specially selected Merino rams 1963 drop, Collinsville blood, obtaining a top price of 90 guineas and an average of £65/19/-

V. & J. Mills of "Miarunging," Brookton (Collinsville) offered 1 stud and eight specially selected rams 1963 drop and obtained a top price of 150 guineas and an average of £88/12/-.

E. H. Hobbs & Son, "Ingle," Brookton, offered 12 specially selected Merino rams Bungaree blood and obtained a top price of 110 gns and an average of £74/10/-

B. E. D. Blechynden & Sons of "Burnside," Mt. Kokeby, offered one stud and 13 specially selected Merino Rams Bungaree blood. Their top price was 200 gns. and their average £110/12/6.

ELDER SMITH - GOLDSBROUGH MORT

K. H. Doncon of "Timaru," offered two stud and fourteen specially selected Peppin blood rams, receiving a top price of 325 gns. and an average of £152/11/10

C. R. McGlew and Co. of "Seaton Ross" offered 7 specially selected Bungaree rams for a top price of 110 guineas and an average of £82/8/6.

Messrs E. T. K. Barrett-Lennard & Co., of "Woonderlin," offered three stud and 12 specially selected Bungaree blood rams obtaining a top price of 375 gns and an over-all average of £166/5/-

Messrs W. H. Broun & Son of "Southborne," offered ten specially selected Merino Bungaree blood and obtained a top price of 100 gns and an average of £73/10/-

Messrs A. L. Barrett-Lennard & Co., of "Horseford" offered 12 specially selected Bungaree blood rams for a top price of 160 gns (twice) and an average of £126/8/9.

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T. E. Barrett-Lennard and Co., of "Drumclyer," offered 8 specially selected Merino rams Collinsville blood. Top price was 100 gns and an average of £82/0/7.

L. F. Bailey & Sons, "Sengalu," Dale, offering comprised six specially selected Peppin blood rams. Top price 50 gns. and an average of £47/5/-

E. M. & A. D. Barrett-Lennard offered six specially selected Merino rams Bungaree blood from their "Belhus" stud. Top price was 110 gns and an average of £84/17/6

B. E .D. Blechynden & Sons offered two specially selected Merino Bungaree blood obtaining a top of 70 guineas and an average of £70/17/6.

School Contract

Mr. H. W. Gayfer, M.L.A., has been advised that a contract has been let for the addition of a classroom and toilet at the Quairading Junior High School at a cost of £13,515. The contractor will be Mr. P. McCormack.

Auction Sale

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By Boat to "Rocky" and Beyond

Through the courtesy of Mr. Jack McLean, Commodore of the local Ski Club, and his associates we had the pleasure last Saturday afternoon of a long boat trip through the lakes system at County Peak. Leaving from the Ski Club headquarters at "McLean's" lake (previously called "Racecourse" lake) in Mr. McLean's speed boat and accompanied by other similarly equipped members of the Club, the journey eastwards covered about nine miles. The trip is possible at the moment by reason of the flooded nature of the system through which an immense volume of water from the Baandee floodings and run-off from heavy rains over districts to the eastwards in recent weeks is coursing. It constitutes a stream in some places hundreds of yards wide and joining the permanent lakes known to all members of the shooting fraternity.

There is a slow-moving current running towards the Avon at Qualanderry crossing where all the overflow from the lakes is at present flowing through and over the retaining wall recently completed and which was broached with the first surge of floodwaters. At present the overflow covers the whole width of the crossing and millions of gallons are pouring into the Avon each hour. All this water, it was hoped, would be retained to keep the lakes at a high level for recreational purposes and it was a bitter blow for all who had watched and worked for the project to see the plan fail.

The journey on Saturday took in the length of the skiing lake through devious channels to Ossig's and Ulbrich's lakes and from there (at reduced speed) through the timbered terrain to Mud lake. On the North side of this latter lake where the Morbinning Gully reaches the system, the voyages entered Rocky Lake. Crossing this big stretch of water the boats entered the channels eastwards and close to an area much favoured by sportsmen in the shooting season, and the haunt of thousands of wildfowl as the year advances into summer.

It is an interesting trip, particularly to those who in other days have trudged through the system on shooting expeditions and who until recent years have never realised that the day would come when boats would ply along the waterways, travelling at times at 30 miles per hour. Every little while new vistas open up on the boat trip as can at present be made. Later on, of course as the level of the lakes fall, such a long trip will be out of the question.

Making the trip with those from Beverley was Henry Hall and his young son, who launched their boat at Ossig's lake. Henry lives between Rocky Lake and the Channels and reports that the latter are very full at the moment with only a few odd patches of land showing over the vast expanse of water. He states that Lake Mears at the moment contains 7 ft. 4 inches of water and that another 70 to 80 points of rain in the area will bring it to the required level of 8 ft 6 inches. Unlike the other lakes throughout these areas Lake Mears is not part of a system and fills from the run-off in the immediate vicinity, which reaches the lake depression through a bulldozed channel deflecting water from a near-by gully.

Not many ducks are to be seen at the lakes at present but this is normal as the breeding season is on and the birds have left the big waters for secluded streams, swamps and farm dams. There are however many hundreds of other types of water fowl to be seen and a few black swans. Those participating in the outing enjoyed afternoon tea before leaving for home.

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Fortnight to Show Day

Now the first Society in this part of the State to stage its annual show in August the Bev erley Agricultural Society will conduct its 89th annual exhibition on Saturday, August 28. There is thus only a fortnight to go before the big occasion and the President and committee of the Society by advert. in another column of this issue express the hope that it will receive the utmost support and co-operation from district residents in order to make the fixture a success. Intending exhibitors in all sections with the exception of Flowers should note that entries close on Monday, August 23rd and that although it is common practice to receive late entries it is a great convenience to the Society and its secretary to have early entries. Flower section entries may be made to Thursday, August 26th.

A perusal of the 1965 schedule now available from the secretary, Mr. Dud Ratcliffe, and from local business houses reveals that exhibitors will again be well catered for. The schedule is based on that of previous years and there are many classes in each section to claim the attention of intending exhibitors.

The Junior Farmers Section will again be a feature of the Show, whilst the horses in action section, now augmented by the pony Club classes, is sure to provide much competition and entertainment for Show patrons. The carnival atmosphere will be provided by visiting showmen for whom harvest time is about to commence and it is hoped that the local agents and tradespeople will avail themselves of the opportunity to display their machinery and motor vehicles etc.

The Show is always one of the most important occasions of the year on the local calendar but it cannot be a success without the support of the public. Please help all you can as an exhibitor and a patron.

Heavy Rain and Hail

Some of the heaviest rain of the winter was experienced in the town and over portions of the district on Sunday afternoon last when a thunderstorm move eastwards on a narrow front Accompanied by lightning and a few violent claps of thunder the down-pour flood ed town drains and creeks subjected to the deluge, which fortunately did not last long. Some hail also fell in a few localities. In about half an hour 61 points of rain were measured in the post office gauge. There were further showers on Monday adding 18 points to the registraton recorded for Sunday.

Big Crowd at August Race Fixture

The Beverley Race Club held its August fixture on the 4th inst and was once again favoured with a fine day the sun shining throughout the afternoon albeit a rather cold Easterly breeze kept the grandstand rather deserted except when races were being run. It was the third occasion weather has favoured the club this year and there was a big crowd in attendance. Four out of five patrons appeared to be from the city and other centres and in this respect the meeting followed the pattern of past fixtures. About £139 was taken at the gate and all the race books were sold.

An entertaining programme was submitted with good fields in every race and one or two very close finishes. The track was in wonderful condition for racing and two course records were established. In the first race of the day Boylton, a 3-year-old colt by Satirist out of Bofel ran the five furlongs of the County Peak maiden in one minute, the previous best time for the journey being 1.1. Boylton started an odds on favourite and won with plenty in hand. It showed the form was right when it won again over six furlongs at Belmont Park last Saturday.

The next record to be broken was in the Minden Sprint (1). Mr. and Mrs. Don Young's well-bred (Wateringbury —— Chestnut Lady) mare Sarain won this race in great style to time 1.9 2/5ths seconds for the six furlongs less sixty yards. Previous best time for the distance at Beverley was 1.10. Sarain has been rather a disappointment to the owners and recently was brought home from the city to be trained by Mr. Young at his local property. It has responded to the change and looked in tip-top racing condition when produced on Wednesday. Mr. Young is a club vice-president (and a former president) and he has shown his ability as a trainer under similar circumstances on occasions in the past. Unlike the winner of the maiden race Sarain opened at 15 to 1 and started at 7 to 1 and there were many good wins among the locals in attendance.

Four out of the six winners for the afternoon had support to start at short prices, the exceptions being Sarain and Warrior Lass, the latter the winner of the Beverley Handicap over nine furlongs. It too repeated its winning performance in the city on Saturday. Apprentice, Peter Moran, the State's leading jockey who won the 1965 premiership, was seen at his best when he brought Burrabil home a winner in the last race of the afternoon. He goes to Melbourne shortly to ride at Caufield in the £4000 Invitation Stakes.

Good fields have been a feature at all Beverley meetings this year and the club is most appeciative of the support extended. The meeting last week concluded the winter round of the Club and the next fixture the last of the season for this part of the State, takes place on Melbourne Cup day. The Beverley Cup will be the feature race and there should again be a big gathering at the course on the first Tuesday in November. It is always the most popular of the local meetings.

Bowlers Appoint New President

There was a very good attendance of bowlers at the special general meeting of bowlers held last week in pursuance of a motion passed at the annual general meeting at which no nominations had been received for the position of president captain and secretary. In the interim Mr. O. R. Vallentine had been nominated for the office of president. This was the only nomination for the office and Mr. Vallentine was duly elected for the 1965-66 season.

The vacancies of captain and secretary are still unfilled and these will be under consideration at a committee meeting which has been called.

A contentious matter affecting members is the question as to whether the present greens and facilities should be reconditioned or a move made to some alternative site and this was further discussed. It had been suggested that the Golf Club offered an attractive alternative as a bowling site but there is considerable opposition to such a move on the part of some members. No agree-

Deputation to the City

As is well-known the Beverley Shire Council has not been happy with the bridge and crossing work carried out in the district in recent months by the Main Roads Department and certain features of the work has been the subject of communications with the Commissioner (Mr D. Aitken).

As an outcome a Council deputation went to Perth on Tuesday to discuss such matters with the Commissioner. The deputation comprised the Shire president, Mr. A. Miles, Vice-president W. E. A. Heal, Councillors J. D. McLean and Stan Murray and Shire Clerk Dave Rigoll. Council was most disappointed with the work carried out at Qualanderry Crossing and, although the full extent of the damage at this point is not yet apparent it seems that much money has gone "down the drain' as a result of the broaching of the retaining wall by the first big surge of flood waters from eastern areas. The matter of the costs involved was discussed at length with the Commissioner and we understand a generous offer was made.

Another matter under discussion was the priority given recent local works. Councillors had stressed the need for early-in-the-year attention to the bridge near 'Springdell' but this wo.k was held up until the new bridge at Jurakine was completed. The latter job was not so vital as an alternative bridge was available for traffic in that locality. Before the work at the Dale could be completed flood conditions were experienc ed causing further delay and inconvenience to residents in that area. A report of the outcome of the discussions with the Commissioner will no doubt be submitted shortly to the full council.

Possible Regrading of School

There is a possibility that Beverley Junior High School may be re-graded from a class I to a class II school in 1966 because of inadequate numbers. To retain a class I grading an average attendance of over 300 is required. We have been below that on occasions this year.

Traffic Offences

Three speeding charges were heard before Magistrate A L. O'Brien in the Beverley Police Court held on Friday, August 6 James William Holdaway, of West Road, Bullsbrook, was fined £8, with £3/12/0 costs; Peter Ronald Coombs, of Lo-

Elephant Race

We are advised that an elephant race with local riders has been arranged in connection with the forthcoming visit by Sole Bros. and Wirth's Circus which will be in Beverley on Tuesday next. A collection

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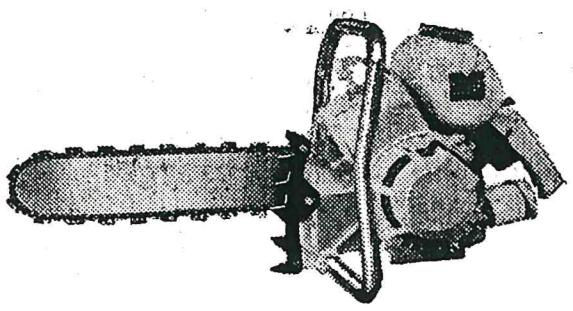

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Grassing of Recreation Oval

The matter of the grassing of the playing area at the local recreation ground which has been occupying the attention of the Shire Council for some time past and has been the subject of negotiations with the Public Works Dept. which has promised every assistance with the project, has been carried a big step forward as a result of a special meeting of the Council held on September 4th when there was a full attendance chaired by president, A. W. Miles. Business of the meeting was discussion on the construction and financing of the proposed water supply scheme. The dam to be constructed to provide the necessary water will impound the waters of the creek which flows through the "Rockfield" farm on the Western border of the townsite. Exhaustive tests of the quality of the water have been carried out over the past year or two and the Council has an assurance that the water is quite suitable for the project.

The dam to be constructed will be on the 'Rockfield' farm property and the area was recently surveyed by the P.W.D. employees. It is proposed to impound nine million gallons of water and that this amount will be sufficient not only for the oval but also for bowling and tennis needs.

Mr. Miles in opening the special meeting of Councillors explained that the reason for having called Council together was that he considered that the Council should hear the report of the deputation to the Public Works Department and make a decision on whether or not the project should be proceeded with. The plans and estimates supplied by the P.W.D. engineers were tabled for discussion.

Councillors discussed the proposal at length and concluded that the project could be completed at a cost of approximately £8,500, the cost of which would be met by a loan of £4,000 in 1965/66, £2,000 subsidy from the Treasury, leaving £2,500 to be raised in 1966/67. The finance could be spread over two years because it is considered that the construction of the dam only would be necessary during this financial year.

It was moved by Cr. Heal seconded Cr. Murray that the Shire Clerk be authorised to proceed with the raising of a loan of £4,000 from the Bank of New South Wales, Beverley, for the purpose of providing a water supply, earth dam for the Greater Sports Ground reticulation the balance of the money required to be met from Government subsidy of up to £2,000 and £2,500 to be raised in 1966/67. This was carried unanimously.

Rifle Shooting

Riflemen competed for a trophy donated by Vern Carr over 700 and 300 yards on Sunday. Bob Eyre, who has filled second place over the last three shoots, shot remarkably well under the conditions to score 48 at 700 yards and 47 at 300 to reach 99 with handicap and take the honours from E Wood who with 42 at each range and with a liberal handicap reached 98. Gerald Edwards 46, and G. Donovan 45 were the next best at 700 yards. T. O'Callaghan 43, and E. Wood 42 were the next best at 300 yards. — Next Sunday's competition is over 300 and 500 yards for the R. Richardson trophy.

ELIMINATION TEST SHOOT

A gathering of the best riflemen in the State took part in an elimination shoot at Swanbourne on Saturday and Sunday over 300, 600, 700 and 900 yards (two applications of 10 shots at each range). It is very pleasing to note that F. Blechynden was in the final 12, he filled eighth place with 372. Jack Manuel did not shoot up to standard and finished with 365 to fill 30th place.

The final twelve shooters will combine with another twelve picked by the selectors, and take part in an elimination shoot in November to select the 12 men for the State team to take part in the Commonwealth matches early next year. Following are the twelve finalists in the test shoot:— M. Herbert 382, K. Richards, 381, L. Stokes 380, R. Grimsey 376, T. Price 376, R. Eastcott 376, D. Best 373, F. Blechynden 372, R. Herbert 372, J. Ward 372, A. Brown 372, G. Bullman 371.

Contemplated Closure of Siding

Edwards' Crossing, some two miles on the York side of Beverley, which has been in existence ever since the Great Southern Railway was built, is to go out of existence if Railway Department plans are carried through. The siding, named after the first settlers in the area is so close to Beverley that it is considered, under modern conditions of road transport, something of an anomaly that the Department should maintain it. However before definite decision is made, the Department is seeking the views of those who live in the vicinity. The Shire Council has been advised of the plan to close the siding and if there are any who will b inconvenienced by such a move they should write to the Council and express their views.

School Not to be Downgraded

Concern felt throughout the district at the possibility of the Beverley Junior High school being downgraded in the next school year as a result of lack of the necessary number of enrolments has been allayed. The Headmaster, Mr Morrie Anderson, has received advice from the District Superintendent, Mr S. White, that the school's status will remain unaltered in the new year. The advice is official and will be received with much satisfaction by parents and the public generally.

SHOW AWARDS

Our attention as been drawn to some inaccuracies and omissions in the list of show awards as published last week. In the Sheep section the Champion Merino Ewe, strong wool award, was won by B. E. D. Blechynden & Sons (not N. F. Candy & Sons, as indicated in the steward's book).

Mavis Retallack was the winner of the Beverley Newsagency trophy for most points gained in the Flower Section; and in the Cookery section Mrs. B. G. Sims won the A.N.Z. Bank trophy for most points gained, Metters Ltd award for most pts in Vegetable classes — F. R. Blechynden; Needlework aggregate, Eagle Star and Star Insurance award — C. House; Fruit and Farm produce aggregate -- Mrs Geoff Edwards (the Cresco award).

Bowlers' Kalgoorlie Trip

A number of local bowlers who have been 'chafing the bit' in recent weeks waiting for the season of their favourite pastime to get under way are to steal a march on fellow members of the Club by getting in some early practice at Kalgoorlie. The Kalgoorlie Club is conducting its annual carnival, commencing this week. There is a full programme of competitions lasting into next week Those who left on Wednesday from Beverley to participate are— Messrs Reg Carr, H. T. Edwards, Bill Edwards and L. Kemp (comprising one team), and F. Blechynden, Bill Robins, J. M. Wansbrough, and Eric McLean.

Qualanderry Crossing Discussion

Since the retaining wall constructed by the M.R.D. at Qualanderry Crossing with some assistance in the latter stages by Beverley Shire Council workmen was washed away by flood waters coming down to join the Avon through the lakes system there has been considerable discussion in Council and Ski Club circles as well as among the general public interested in the lake proposals. Recently a deputation from the Council, which was dissatisfied with the work carried out, waited on the Commissioner of Main Roads and discussed this and other district jobs carried out by M.R.D. workmen.

At the August meeting of the Council, president A. W. Miles reported the outcome of these discussions. Briefly the M.R.D. has promised £2 for every £1 the Council is prepared to spend on the construction of an adequate crossing, the work to be carried out by the Shire Council workmen (as was the case with Hobbs' Crossing at the Dale, which has been a most satisfactory job to all concerned). Councillor J. D. McLean spoke at some length in expressing his views on what should be done at the crossing during the reconstruction now made necessary. However the president ruled that owing to the length of time on the subject Cr. McLean must discontinue his address or, if he wished, move a motion. Councillors opposed this and a motion was moved, seconded and carried that the Council disagree with the president's ruling. Councillor McLean was allowed to continue his remarks.

A little later it was moved and carried that Council agree to proceed with the reconstruction of the crossing in conjunction with the M.R.D. on the present basis, the Shire Clerk to prepare estimates after his meeting with the M.R.D. engineer. Cr. Swan did not vote.

SKI CLUB

The Beverley Ski Club wrote asking that during the reconstruction work on Qualanderry Crossing provision be made to allow water to enter the lakes from the Avon River and also offering help in filling in the crossing. The Club hoped the work would be completed as soon as possible.

It was agreed that the Club be thanked for its offer of assistance and advised that the Council will gladly accept same The Club is also to be advised that although the Council commitments would not allow for culverts and flood gates or similar structures, at present it would be possible to reconsider the matter at a later date.

Qualanderry Crossing Repaired

Working under the arrangement recently entered into with the Main Roads Department whereby the Department finds £2 for every £1 provided by the Shire Council, local Council employees have now succeeded in closing the breaches caused by flood water some months ago at Qualanderry Crossing some 20 miles from Beverley at the junction of the lakes and river. At the same time the road which passes through the 'Boyagarra' property to junction with the Brookton-Quairading road has been made trafficable again. Flood waters over the crossing have made it impassable for some months.

A considerable amount ofthe filling which has been used comprised the old cement footpath material from Vincent st., where new cement footpaths are being provided.

Now that the retaining wall has been repaired a big volume of water will be retained in the lakes system between Qualanderry Crossing and Rocky Lake, seven miles to the Eastwards.

This is the area in which the Beverley Ski Club and boating enthusiasts from other districts operate during the summer months and needless to say boat owners and many others interested in the sport as well as those who favour the lakes as a picnic resort are well pleased that the drainage of further lake water into the Avon has now been prevented.

Ski Club president, Jack McLean, considers that with the sealing of the Qualanderry breaches more water is now contained in the lakes than was the case at this time last year. Thousands of wild duck are breeding in the lakes country at the moment.

CLUB AMENITIES

The Ski Club which has offered to assist the Shire Council in the work of constructing an adequate retaining wall at Qualderry is pushing ahead with the provision of further facilities and amenities at the lakes head quarters. At the moment bricks are being carted to the site for the construction of more up-to-date toilet facilities.

CROSSING TO BE CEMENTED

The Shire Council proposes to cement-face the whole of the new crossing construction which will be carried out along the same lines as the very satisfactory job completed at Hobbs Crossing on the Dale river this year. This crossing has been a source of concern to the Council and residents in the area over a great many years but the new facility should now be adequate in all circumstances.

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A. RESERVE FOOTBALL

Beverley Continue Their Unbeaten Run



Beverley registered an easy win when they met Tammin at Northam in the second semi-final last Sunday and comfortably defeated them by 36 pts. Beverley won the toss and elected to kick to the town end of the ground and soon moved into attack, but points only came up until rover Giles found the big opening. Beverley were on top early in the ruck and across the centre where Max Edwards was in dynamic form, well supported by Paul Edwards and Bitmead. The half back line was not going well at this stage and when Tammin went forward, it was Paulsen going great guns in a back pocket and full back Shackles who kept them out. Tammin managed one goal for the term, while Beverley added two more — one each from Rex Ugle and Hansen. Beverley had appeared to have a slight edge in this opening term, but Tammin had been often into attack without scoring. At full back for Tammin Masson had proved to be a stumbling block to many of Beverley's forward moves, and he cleared well. Beverley had taken a 13 point lead at the changeover——

	gls	pts
Beverley	3	2
Tammin	1	1

The second quarter saw Beverley racing away to what proved to be a match winning lead. Playing good, fast football, Beverley scored three quick goals from Kilpatrick spelling in a forward pocket. In the latter part of this term the game closed up and degenerated into a more scrambly nature and scoring became much more difficult Beverley added another major from Hansen, but Tammin had been unable to register anything more than three behinds and at half time Beverley were 35 points in front and Tammin were in real trouble. Kickett on the ball for Tammin had been playing well, but his kicking was astray and throughout the match he had five shots at goal for five behinds. Beverley were still on top in the ruck and across the centre. Ugle and C. Willey were now palying well at half back and Beverley was in control in most positions—

	gls	pts
Beverley	7	3
Tammin	1	4

The third quarter was a fairly even one with Tammin holding Beverley but unable to reduce their leeway. The football was still inclined to be scrambly, and umpire Cox tended to be overtechnical and slowed the game down considerably. Beverley added goals from Ugle and Lennard, while Tammin had goals from Charlton and Brown and at the end of the third quarter Beverley were still in the lead by 36 points, and Tammin had been unable to make any headway against them——

	gls	pts
Beverley	9	6
Tammin	3	6

Beverley appeared to have the game secure as they commenced the final term. Tammin still fought hard, and made Beverley contest every kick. P. Ugle and C. Willey were steady under pressure, and Paul Edwards was outstanding on his wing. Paulsen, who had received a heavy knock in the second term, had now left the field, and both reserves were having a run. Hansen and Wegner who had both played well on the half forward line, now had shots for goal but could only get points, and both sides went through the final quarter without scoring a goal. Although Tammin fought the game out to the end, Beverley were never in serious trouble and showed an all-round strength to gain the victory—

	gls	pts
Beverley	9	9
Tammin	3	9

Free kicks were were awarded:
Beverley .. .. 8, 6, 5, 5 - 24
Tammin .. .. 10, 10, 10, 10 - 40

Goalscorers— Beverley: L. Kilpatrick 3.2; Hansen 2.2; R. Ugle 2.0; Lennard 1.1; Giles 1.0; J. Willey 0.2; Wegner 0.1; forced one point. Tammin: M. Kickett 1.1; Charlton 1.0; Brown 1.0; K. Kickett 0.5; Thomson 0.1; and forced 2 pts.
Best players— Beverley had a strong side in which each did their job well. Those to shine out were Max Edwards, Paul Edwards, P. Ugle, C. Hansen, B. Paulsen and L. Kilpatrick. Best for Tammin were: K. Kickett, Masson, Blackiston and Mackin.

Cunderdin Hand Out a Hiding

The A. Grade match was a disappointing one for the crowd as Cunderdin were never under pressure from Meckering. Going away to a big lead in the first quarter with 7 gls 5 to 1.1 Cunderdin took harge of the game and were never challenged to any extent. The further the game went, the further Meckering got behind and it was only in the closing stages of the match, with Cunderdin easing up, that Meckering got a run on and scored six goals, but the game was never in doubt. The standard of the game was poor with Cunderdin forwards allowed to roam unchecked. The game lacked fire and spirit, and many spectators left long before the finish.

Final scores:	gls	pts
Cunderdin	15	22
Meckering	10	11

BEST players for Cunderdin— J. Dennis, T. Sweeting, Mann, K. Baxter, Grieve and Doherty. Best for Meckering were— D. Snooke, Bonser, Collins, G. Snooke and Ridley.

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COUNCIL MATTERS IN BRIEF

Apologies were received from Councillors L. P. Swan and J. D. McLean at the September meeting of the Beverley Shire Council held on the 4th ult. (Cr. McLean attended later in the meeting). The most important item of business during the day was the resignation of the Shire President, Cr. A. W. Miles, and appointment of Cr. W. E. A. Heal as his successor in the office, with Cr. A. W. Edwards as his deputy, and these matters have already been reported. Other business transacted at the meeting included the following items——

Health/traffic Inspector:- At 10.15a.m. Mr. Croft was invited to meet the Council to discuss various aspects of his work. Among other things Mr. Croft explained to Members the action necessary before the issuing of a summons and the consequent delay in some instances. Mr. Croft retired at approximately 10.35a.m.

Shire Engineers: Letter from W. H. Pope received. Agreed that the Shire Clerk contact other Councils and find out as much as possible about the possibility of Local Authorities having to supply their own engineering services and submit a report to this Council at a later date. It was decided that the matter of Local Authorities having to provide engineering services in the future be put on the Agenda for discussion at the next Avon Midland Ward conference.

Town Planning scheme: Agreed that the Town Planning Board be advised that Council is in agreement on the Zoning Proposals and also wish for an extension of the Interim Development order pending finalisation of the scheme.

Avon Midland Ward conference: Decided that the following motion be submitted for the next conference agenda—"In future Swimming Pool conferences as at present constituted be discontinued and they be dealt with at Ward Conferences in same manner as Bushfire Conference.

Junior High School Sports: Agreed that the action taken by Shire Clerk regarding gds. for above sports be confirmed.

S.E.C.: Plan from S.E.C. showing proposed route of transmission line between York and Beverley received.

Regional Vermin Control Officer: Agreed that Mr. Teasdale be written to and thanked for his assistance and co-operation during his term at Northam.

C.B.S. Loan £4000: Decided that application be made to the Bank of N.S.W. to provide the Loan and the Loan be advertised as soon as possible thereafter.

Building loan £9000: Agreed that Council apply to the Bank of N. S. W. to see if money would be available on 1st May, 1966 and if so the Loan be advertised on 1st December, 1965, or as soon after as possible.

H. W. Gayfer, M.L.A.: Letters re closure of rail sidings S.E.C. lines and Beverley hospital received.

Edwards' Crossing closed:— The acting District Traffic Superintendent advised of the proposed closure of this siding. Agreed that the Council support the protest from adjacent landowners and in particular stress the future use of the super spread service.

License LG 344: Agreed that the license fee for Mrs. D. Butcher's station sedan at pre sent licensed LG 344 be claimed from the Shire of Lake Grace as it is quite obvious that the vehicle is permanently stationed and used in the Beverley Shire.

Bushfires Board: List '65/66 Prohibited Burning times received. Schedule for return of Fire Officers etc. received. Agreed that Mr. W. Robins be appointed Fire Weather officer and Mr. D. Rigoll be appointed Deputy Fire Weather officer.

Firebreaks Inspection:— Agreed that if possible the same arrangements be made for aerial firebreaks inspection as was done for the 1964 inspection.

Fire Siren: Resolved that the bushfires fire siren be serviced and then housed to protect it from the weather as much as is practicable.

Cape Tulip Spraying. The Regional Weed Control officer wrote thanking Council for the assistance rendered in the distribution of chemicals during 1965. Agreed that Department be asked to also make the chemicals available in small containers in 1966 when numerous small issues will be required for the Townsite area.

Agriculture Dept. Chemical Spraying: The Shire Clerk was asked to obtain a Report on the Department operations in Beverley in 1965.

H. W. Gayfer, M.L.A.: Letter re traffic hazard, West Dale school received.

Beverley Coloured Peoples' Com.: The Secretary wrote inviting the President, Councillors and Shire clerk and ladies to the official opening of the Coloured peoples recreation hall on Saturday, 23rd October 1965. Received.

Surf Life Saving Association Agreed that permission be granted to the Association to hold a street appeal in Beverley on Friday, 10th December, 1965.

State Housing Commission:- Received from the Commission a list of Building Societies that received allocations of funds for the purpose of Loans to purchasers of new homes.

Water Ski club Reserve: The Under Secretary for Lands again advised that a Reserve can not be created until a legal road access is provided to it and asking for a sketch and details of proposed access road. Matter left in the hands of the Kokeby Ward Councillors to negotiate and report to the October meeting.

Harvesting Bans— Resolved that the same Fire Control officers responsible for each grain bin be appointed for 1965/66 as for 1964/65.

Award No 4A of 1964 (Executive officers): Agreed that the secretary of the W.A. Local Govt Officers Association be advised that this Council is in agreement with the suggested meeting to discuss the O/T clause and other matters arising from the above Award.

Mrs. Cullen Letter from Mrs Cullen regarding valuation of Lot 422 received. Agreed that Mrs. Cullen be advised on the proceedure to lodge an against the Taxation D ment valuation which a

Hotel Charges: Letter Hotel Beverley re inc Luncheon charges receiv

P.W.D.: Letter re G ment Subsidy scheme for supply to Sports groun received.

Shire of York:— The Shire Council wrote aski support in forming a D tion to the Minister to s special grant towards u ing the West Talbot Roa greed this Council suppo request and that the rep tative from this Council b Murray or in his absenc Lupton.

J. & E. M. Sing: Mrs. wrote regarding drainag Hopkin Street. Agreed th Shire clerk investigate the lem and take appropriat tion.

Council Houses: Agreed Council apply to the D ment of Local Governmer permission to sell lots 29(291 Elizabeth Street and provements thereon.

Resumptions —— Nort York/Cranbrook road: A that M.R.D. be advised Council approves of reque Baker Const. Co. to be gr part of old closed road i change for land resumed new road from Loc. d.

Sale of Closed Road: C cil agreed to the sale of po of closed road in East Ko on Southern boundary of 6271 and 4677 subject to agreement of adjoining owners.

Reserve 231 "Common:" cided that the Shire clerk r a report on proposal to a ure meeting.

M.R.D. Signs: Resolved the M.R.D. be asked to the present advance direc sign in Vincent Street to junction of Vincent and H road and to re-locate the sent sign at the Southern of Hunt road also at this j tion.

Edwards Crossing: Reso that the M.R.D. be asked make urgent repairs to Main road at Edwards Cr ing as the present condition road presents a grave haz to motorists.

Thomas' Bridge. Agreed the suggested stone pitching the banks and the additio clearing of the river by M.R.D. be discussed with M.R.D. Engineer.

Qualanderry Crossing: reed that the £1000 Gene allocation for Lake Mearrs transferred to Qualande crossing.

Bremner Road: Decided t the £1000 specific allocat which now cannot be spent Bremner road be re-alloca to Lake Mears road if t M.R.D. is agreeable.

Programme Burning: Agre that Council continue to pr gramme clearing burning aga this fire season on similar lin as last season.

Hall furniture: The purcha of six chairs at £6/7/6 ea was confirmed.

Swimming Pool:— Resolv that it be left in the hands the Swimming pool committ to decide on a suitable date f the opening of the pool. Al that 50 feet of plastic suctio hose be purchased for use the Pool.

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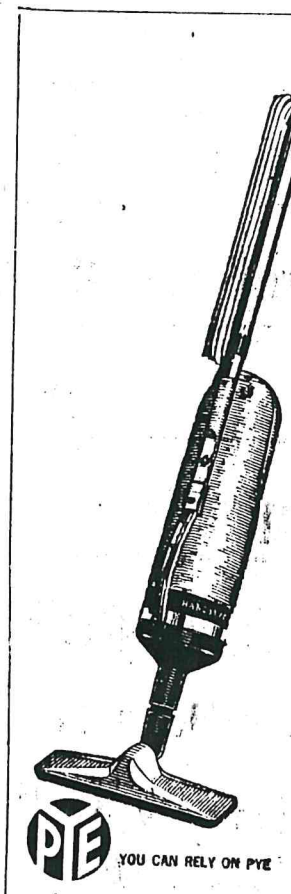

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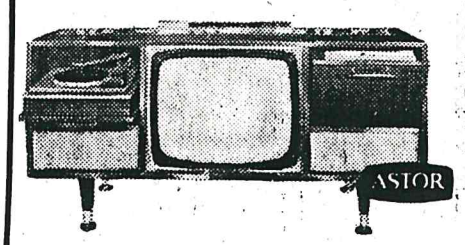

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The national television station being established at Mawson is expected to begin operating in January - February next year and that at Mt. Barker in the February - April period. The Postmaster-General, Mr. Alan Hulme, supplied this information to reply to a question in the House of Representatives by the Federal Member for Canning, Mr. J. M. Hallett, M.P. Mr. Hulme said these estimated times were based on present progress.

In February last year when replying to a letter by Mr. Hal lett, Mr. Hulme said that the station at Mawson (18 miles East of Beverley) was expected to provide a useful service as far South as Narrogin, somewhat to the East of Merredin, and to the North of Wyalkatchem. It was realised that additional facilities would be required to provide a service to the Wagin area, but the best means of providing a service there could be determined only in the light of the coverage achieved by the two stations proposed.

The Australian Broadcasting Control Board would make a full report to him (Mr. Hulme) on these matters in due course.

Valuable Prize to Local Housewife

Congratulations are being extended to Mrs. Prudence Rule, of Aubrey Hill, Beverley on her success in gaining second prize in the State-wide "Coral Island" Co-op competition held recently. The prize was £75 worth of goods to be selected at the local Co-Operative Store

The first prize, a trip for two to the Barrier Reef, was won by Miss J. Walton, of Bruce Rock.

Lady Bowlers Open Season

Beverley lady bowlers opened their 1965/66 season on Tuesday 12th October. There was a good attendance of members, and Mrs. Woods, our president welcomed three new members. Representatives from Pingelly, York, Brookton and Quairading were also present. Apologies were received from Mesdames Syb Doncon and Tas. Edwards.

The green was officially opened by the Patroness, Mrs A. Corbett, who very capably sent down the first bowl of the season.

The "spider" event was won by Mrs. Butley (Quairading) with the nearest bowl to kitty, whilst the lucky number trophy was won by Mrs. Shirley Smith. Anne Corbett's team, comprising Thelma Broun, R. Edwards and I. McLean tied with Mavis Retallack's team, comprising Mrs. Cameron (a N.S.W. visitor), and Mrs. Sims (Pingelly) for the highest score. In the play-off Mrs. Corbett's team won with a brilliant last bowl by Anne. Congratulations to all winners.

At the conclusion of play a delicious afternoon tea was served in the Club house which was beautifully decorated with spring flowers.

Ski Club Opens Season

A large crowd witnessed the opening of the Beverley Ski Club season last Sunday. In declaring the season open, the Hon. Roy Abbey wished the club success and expressed his delight at being at the much improved site once again.

Visiting from the city were Aqua club members and two members from Neptune club. The club's thanks go to these talented ski-ers for their displays. These included a beach take-off on ski shoes by Bob Jones of Aqua club and a bare foot ski run by Geoff Martin, also of Aqua. Both these acts were most impressive and great crowd pleasers.

Congratulations go to the local boys who gave a fine display of a five man pyramid on slalom skis. Other events through the afternoon included clowning on the discs, relays, and a slalom competition which was entered by twelve men and three women. Winners of this event were Geoff Martin of Aqua who gained 32 pts., and in the women's section—Laurie Flanders of Neptune and Jean Jones of Aqua tied with 2 points each.

Many spectators took advantage of the boats made available for rides through the lakes This is a very impressive spot and the number of lakes and channels never fails to surprise those who have not had the opportunity of seeing them. A very enjoyable day concluded with a barbecue tea before the visitors set out for home.

The club extends a hearty welcome to anyone, young or old, wishing to become a member. To those who would like to learn to ski there are many members capable of giving instructions. They will be only too pleased to help you find your "ski legs." Be in the fun. You won't regret it.

ASSN. CRICKET

York's Six Man Side

It was hardly a happy augury for the 1965-66 cricketing season as far as York was concerned when that side could only muster six players for their opening engagement against Towns at Beverley on Sunday. Most of York's representatives were in that club's B. grade team last year and it was hardly surprising to see the Beverley team notch an outright win, dismissing the visitors for 53 and 84 respectively. Towns made 193 for five wickets (two retired). Details—

YORK
First Innings

S. Landquist b. G. Smith	6
A. Morgan .. .. run out	4
G .Scott .. .. not out	15
I. McGarry c Rigoll b G. Smith	0
E. Kirby c Smith b Brooker	22
R. Wheeler .. run out	4
Sundries	2
TOTAL	53

Bowling: Gartner 0/22; Smith 2/11; Brooker 1/10; Wansbrough 0/8.

TOWNS

G. Smith b R. Wheeler ..	26
P. Smith b R. Wheeler ..	0
G. Cunnane .. retired	42
H. Wansbrough .. retired ..	61
I. Nicholson .. not out	27
E. Gartner b McGary	2
P. Gorman .. not out	29
Sundries	6
TOTAL: 5 wkts for	193

Bowling:— G. Scott 0/32; R. —Wheeler 2/76; I. McGarry 1/25; A. Morgan 0/29; S. Lanquist 0/26.

YORK
Second Innings

S. Landquist c. Nicholson B. E. Gartner	7
A. Morgan c G. Smith b M. Rigoll	8
G. Scott .. .. not out	33
I. McGarry c. Cunnane b M. Rigoll	2
E. Kirby c. G. Smith b. M. Rigoll	23
R. Wheeler b. G. Smith ..	10
Sundries	1
TOTAL	84

Bowling:— E. Gartner 1/5; G. Smith 1/4; I. Nicholson 0/5; M. Rigoll 3/44; R. Brooker 0/26.

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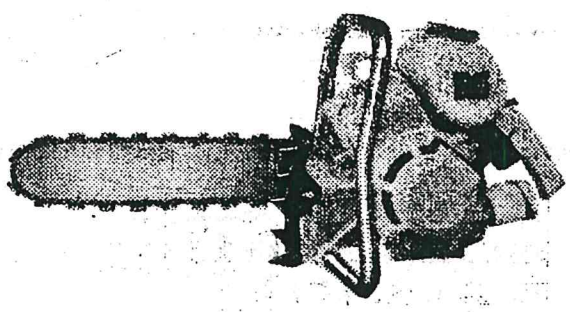

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Ski Carnival a Great Success

Aided by weather which was the most propitious experienced for the season to date so far as water sports are concerned the two-days ski carnival conducted by the Beverley club at their headquarters at County Peak on Saturday and Sunday last was a great success. Hundreds of people were in attendance over the two days and practically every Ski club in the State was represented by boats and skiers so that a real carnival air prevailed throughout.

The city clubs were particularly well represented and they were most eulogistic con cerning the arrangements and general conduct of the carnival.

There were exceptionally large entries in the ski-ing contests throughout Saturday, and the competition was very keen. All events were judged on a standardised points system with Geoff Smith, of Balkuling, chief judge. He was assisted by officials from other clubs.

The commentafor throughout Saturday and again on Sunday was Brian Saggers of Perth. who has officiated in this task on TV and at practically all carnivals throughout the State. His knowledge of the fine points of these activities and his descriptive abilities were certainly a feature appreciated by the public over the two days.

There was a dance in the Morbinning Hall on Saturday night. The night was warm and bare feet were the order for most of the trippers. There was a very large attendance and dancing continued until after midnight. Many of the visitors made a real week-end of it by boating and ski-ing at the lake throughout most of the remainder of the night.

This year most of the carnival visitors camped at the lake site and most of them appeared to possess caravans. All appreciated the barbecue facilities provided by the club, which also supplied all the meat required free of charge - a much appreciated gesture.

Most noticeable improvement noted in club facilities at the lake site are the modernised toilettes — a must on such occasions as this. Club members have met all the expense involved in providing these buildings and equipment and this in itself is an indication of the degree of enthusiasm activating the Club. At present water for the septic systems is carted to the site, but water has now been found at 16 feet and another handicap overcome.

Sunday's activities were mainly confined to displays which commenced at 9 a.m. and continued until 6 p.m. The non stop programme was watched with great interest and it included some spectacular features including a ski-kite demonstration by Wes Smith of Scarborough Club, an acknowledged champion. With his kite he rose to between 50 and 60 feet above the lake surface, and later by request repeated the performance. Another notable feature of the day were demonstrations of barefoot ski-ing in which a number of visitors participated. The best of these was Des Campbell who stayed on the water for three and a half minutes. One of the competitors was a 13-year-old boy from Melville who put up a most meritorious perfor mance.

There were numerous team events including ballet items by womens teams most attractively attired. They brought colour and glamour to the scene and their items were very much appreciated. Men's teams were seen in some clever pyramid items and there was much trick ski-ing throughout the day.

Not to be outdone by the visitors two members of the Beverley Club in Ken Edwards of Morbinning and Louis Blechynden put on a "whip lash' act for the first time. In this act Ken, on the ski, completely encircled the boat which was towing him, and which was in charge of Louis. Perth people had heard of this "whip lash" but had never seen it performed. The performance requires fine undrstanding between the skier and the driver of the boat to be successful and the two young men had practiced assiduously. The act is perform ed on a single rope.

The Club kiosk at the lake did a thriving business, ice creams being in great demand whilst 198 dozen bottles of cool drink were disposed of.

Bikinis were definitely the vogue at the lake site over the two days and an event to excite some attention was a beach girl contest in which quite a number of contestants came forward. The winner was Dorothy Sims of Queen's Park, who is a member of the Scarborough Ski Club. She is an attractive 33-24-34 brunette who has been ski-ing for three years.

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Wild Ducks Less Plentiful than Expected

A tour of the duck shooting areas in this district on Sunday yielded a surprise to those participating as despite the most prolific breeding noted for some years, the birds were very much less plentiful than had been anticipated a week previously.

It has been reported that thousands of ducks followed in the wake of the storms which were experienced at Ku lin a fortnight or so ago and which filled many catchments in that area. There is also evidence that many ducks are still on the small patches of water in the lake country where they bred and which have not so far dried out. It is on the big open water of the lakes where they seem to be far lighter in numbers than usual.

Hotter weather is bringing the birds into the lakes and the build up could have been appreciable this week.

Duck appear to be very "light on" at Mears Lake, usually a haunt for many wildfowl, whilst they are in fewer number at the Qualen swamps. The channel lakes and the areas at Rock Lake and the vicinity offer as good prospects as any noted on Sunday. Shooters at the lower lakes will no doubt profit from the shooting on the top lakes when activities commence next Sunday morning. The season opens at 5 a.m., and no doubt the shooting will force the birds present to the Qualanderry area.

There are large numbers of duck on the Avon River at Jurakine, which is always a popular resort with shooters.

Quite possibly the situation for lake shooters will materially alter for the better before the opening shoot.

VISITOR FROM VICTORIA

Included among the local wardens who made the trip through the district on Sunday was an important visitor from Victoria in Mr. Max Downes who is in charge of game conservation activities in Victoria. The activities of the fish and fauna department in that State are on a much vaster scale than is the case in this State.

As an illustration of this Mr. Downes stated that in his State £42,000 was received from duck shooters last year in license fees. The fee is £1 per shooter and permanent inspectors and honorary wardens police the licensing very thoroughly. Practically the whole of the amount received plus what is made available by the government is spent on conservation measures. These include the purchase of swamps and other suitable localities to be set aside as breeding grounds, the extent of which has been very seriously depleted over recent years by their draining by farming and other interests.

This is paying off as one instance in particular provides proof. This refers to the Chestnut Teal, a member of the duck family somewhat larger than the ordinary grey teal, which appeared to be in danger of extinction (they are now very rare in W.A. also).

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First Colour Supplement

For the first time in the history of the 'Beverley Times' a four page colour supplement has been printed at this office and included in the paper this week to the order of the Beverley Farmers Co-Oprative Co., which is doing all possible to foster trading within your own town.

Dale Farmer Receives Serious Injury

George Woods, of the Dale received serious injuries whilst engaged in harvesting operations at the Dale on Tuesday morning.

He was operating a harvester when his left foot slipped into the grain auger of the machine and severe lacerations and crushing of the bone structure resulted.

Brought into Beverley he was attended to by Dr Cullen before being taken on to the city by the Beverley ambulance for specialist attention.

We understand that he was admitted to the R.P.H.

Ski Carnival Success

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Official Opening

Commodore of the club, Jack McLean introduced the Hon. Roy Abbey, M.L.C., who officially opened the carnival on Sunday afternoon.

The Commodore gave much information regarding the progress of the club and eulogised the splendid co-operation which existed between all members. Some hundreds of pounds had been subsribed for the many improvements effected at the site. The Club appreciated the great patronage which had been accorded by other clubs at the function and thanked the public for the interest shown.

The Hon, Roy Abbey said he had been happy to forego another engagement to officiate at the lake as he appreciated the fine spirit and intense interest which had been generated in this latest of district recreational activities. He congratulated all the club officials and its members on the way a previously neglected asset was being brought into most effective use. The improvements noted since the movement was launched a couple of years ago was a credit to all concerned and he wished the club continued progress.

The following is a list of winners of events ——

Slalom: Sub junior girls --- S. Colling (Melville); Sub junior boys - Gary Ecker (Melville); Junior girls — Rita Prekulius (Swans); Junior Boys - I. Bryant (Swans); Women's slalom M Bonney (Scarborough club, State women's champ.) Men's slalom — Wes Smith (Scarborough); Senior womens — E. Ecker (Melville); and Senior men's — W. Beckitt (Neptune)

TRICKS: Sub junior girls - S. Colling (Melville); Sub junior boys — G. Ecker (Melville); Junior boys — I. Bryant (Swans); Womens — L. Heatley (Melville); Men's — S. Devitt (Neptune); Senior women's —— E. Ecker (Melville); Senior men's — M. Heatley (Melville); Barefoot - Des Campbell; Relay: Lake Ninan Club; Best display — Scarboro 3 girls ballet.

Wild Ducks less Plentiful

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A few of the species were noted on a coastal swamp which was purchased by the Department and was closed to shooters. Nesting boxes were provided in the swamp trees and although these were not greatly availed of the first season of the experiment they were most extensively used the next.

The situation was closely watched and from 75 pairs of birds over 2000 Chestnut teal eggs were counted. Of the hatching there was a 60 per cent survival, so that in two seasons a great buildup of this spectacular species was affected..

Mr. Downes was particularly interested in what has been accomplished at Lake Mears and at the lower lakes in conserving the lake waters for the benefit of country residents. He and other members of the party attended at the ski-ing lake at County Peak where a carnival was in progress.

He stated that this State should profit from the Victorian experience. In that State conservation of the game assets started almost too late and there is much leeway to make up. The shooting season there has to be confined to a very few weeks only, the period being governed by the season and the breeding.

Messrs Harold Shugg, Sam Bowler and Kevin Morrison all of the W.A. fish and fauna department accompanied Mr. Downes.

Shooters going to Rocky Lake and the vicinity from the South side will need to enter private land at Lakeside and it will be encumbent on them to seek the permission of the new proprieter, (Mr. Hartley Mills who resides at the Lakeside homestead. Permission will be granted provided they identify themselves

PROTECTED BIRDS

Shooters are reminded that the Cape Barren Goose, the black swan and the white swan are the only members of the family of ducks and geese which are not included in the open season. They are fully protected at all times. In this district the only one of the birds named likely to be encountered is the black swan and action will be taken by visiting officials against any shooters caught transgressing the law in this respect. The Cape Barren Goose is native of the Recherche Archipelago where all shooting is prohibited.

The season will be open until midnight on April 30th., 1966. Bag limit is 15 ducks per person per day. Only shot guns may be used in the taking of wild duck, except in the case of a native within the meaning of the Act who may use any native artifact in the taking of wild ducks. There are no closed areas in this district except within municipalities and townsites.

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Assn cricket

Dale Has Outright Win

Dale had an outright win when opposed to York in Association cricket last Sunday, but much of the savour of the occasion was lost under the circumstances prevailing — York was only able to field eight men. It is most regrettable that York is having difficulty fielding full teams this year. The match was played at the Dale and the visitors first visit to the wicket produced only 26 runs (Jim Hanretty 5 wickets for four runs). J. Weston was York's top scorer with 13.

Dale compiled 196 for the loss of nine wickets before they declared (Les Woods 57) and York's only effective bowler was W. Vernon (6/83)

The visitors then batted again to be dismissed for 48, of which Vernon made over half by compiling 26. Dick Broun & R. Meecham shared most of the wickets. Details:

YORK (First Innings)

J. Weston c. R. Woods b. J. Hanretty	13
C. Ashworth c. R. Broun b. J. Hanretty	4
W. Vernon c. R Meecham b. L. Woods	4
R Reynolds b J. Hanretty	3
S. Landquist run out	2
McGarry b. J. Hanretty....	0
A. Morgan c. R. Woods b. J. Hanretty	0
Clarke ..... ont out	0
TOTAL	26

Bowling— L. Woods 1/17; J. Hanretty 5/4; P. Meecham 0/5.

DALE

R. Woods c. Sub b Vernon	3
L. Woods ..... retired	57
P. Meecham std Landquist b. W. Vernon	37
D. Gartrell c. A. Morgan b. W. Vernon	14
R. Meecham c. Ashworth b. W. Vernon	28
J. Thomas ..... retired	23
R. Ridley ..... not out	23
J. Hanretty c & b Vernon	0
G. Woods c Ashworth b W. Vernon	0
J. Borrett b. C. Ashworth	3
Sundries	8
TOTAL: 9 wkts dec. for	196

Bowling: W. Vernon 6/83; C. Ashworth 1/52; Western 0/21 R. Reynolds 0/8; A. Morgan 0/20.

YORK (Second Innings)

A Morgan l.b.w. L Woods	5
J. Weston c. R. Broun b. R Meecham	8
S Landquist std R Woods b. R. Broun..	2
L. Clarke lbw R Meecham	2
W. Vernon b. R. Broun ..	26
C. Ashworth l.b.w. Meecham	0
R. Reynolds b. R. Broun..	4
McGarry ..... not out	1
TOTAL:	48

Bowling: J. Hanretty 0/6; L. Woods 1/0; R. Broun 3/20: R. Meecham 3/22.

Colts and Towns Draw

Towns made 240 for six wickets when they batted against Colts on Sunday at Beverley, George Smith notching a century for the first occasion in a long time and remaining unconquered, whilst Ted Gartner scored freely for 98. The wickets were shared by John Denton (3/44) and D. Weaver (3/24).

At stumps Colts were five down for 116, John Willey having top scored with 50 not out. Kevin McLean made 20. Details——

TOWNS

W. Rule c & b J Denton	6
P. Smith c. D. Willey b J. Denton	13
H. Wansbrough b. Denton	4
E. Gartner c. K. McLean b. D. Weaver	98
G. Smith ..... not out 100	
Nicholson c & b Weaver	0
R. Brooker b. D. Weaver	0
M. Rigoll .... not out	5
.. Sundries	14
TOTAL: 6 wkts dec. for	240

Bowling: C. Willey 0/42; J. Denton 3/44; J. Willey 0/20: G. McLean 0/96; D. Weaver 3/24.

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D. Weaver c I. Nicholson b. G. Smith	5
N. McLean b. E. Gartner	0
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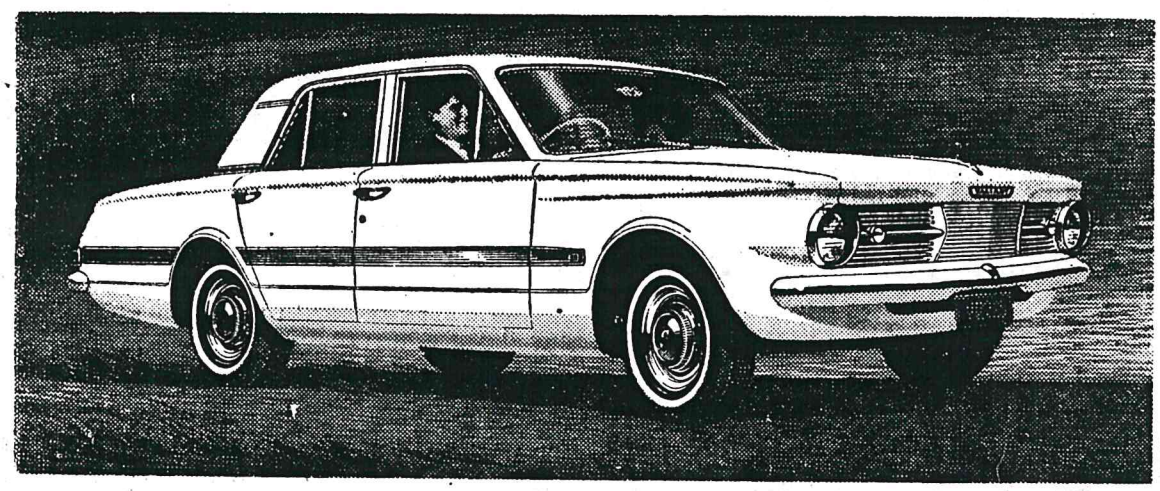

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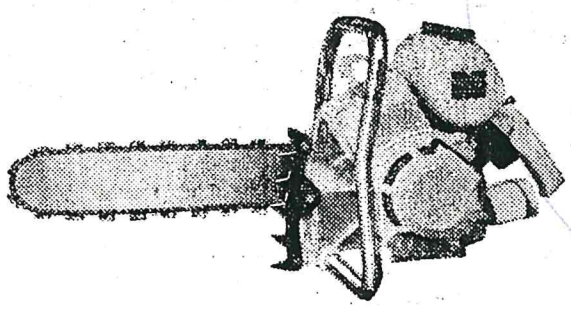

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Bags Smaller at Opening Shoot

Although wild duck loomed large on the menu at district homes this week it was not in as plentiful supply as was the case at this time last year, bags generally being smaller than has been the case for the past two seasons. Results con firmed the warden's observations of the previous week when it was found that despite a prolific breeding season many ducks had apparently departed for other areas — be lieved to be in the Kulin district where much rain fell in recent thunderstorms.

More shooters than ever ap peared to attend the opening shoot at lakes and river this year, numbers being augmented by many visitors from oth er centres.

On the lakes the best shoot ing was enjoyed in the vicinity of Rocky Lake and the channels. Here there was good sport for a period but shooting cut out sooner than normal. On the lower lakes sportsmen worked hard to obtain any sort of bag and several augmented the lake take by visiting Avon River pools on the way home.

A fair to average shoot was enjoyed by those who make the Avon River at Jurakine their venue for the annual outing.

Perhaps the best shooting was enjoyed by those who vis ited the lakes East of Narrogin where exceptionally good sport was available. Limit bags were common at Lake Tarbelin where some hundreds of guns repret ntative of districts all over the State were concentrated. At Noman's, White Lake and at Toolabin there were smaller parties who also enjoyed good sport although the take appeared to be rather smaller than was the case at Tarbelin.

Christmas Holidays

Holidays in the country over the Xmas and New Year periods are mostly in line with the arrangements prevailing in the city. Shops and business places at Beverley will close this (Friday) evening and will not re-open until Wednesday next, giving management and staff a four days break.

The New Year arrangements are for all business houses to close on Saturday and Monday (January 1st and 3rd). Banking services will observe the same arrangements.

POST OFFICE: The following arrangements will be observed at the Post office during the Xmas, New Year period: **Saturday 25th** December 1965 Closed all day - usual Sunday arrangements. **Monday 27th.** December, 1965: Open 9a.m. to 10a.m. No letter delivery. Outward mails will close at 10a.m. **Tuesday, 28th** Decem ber, 1965: Open 9a.m. to 10 a.m. Morning letter delivery only. Outward mails will close at 10a.m. Dale roadside mail will run as usual. **Saturday, 1st** January, 1966: Closed all day. No letter delivery. Inward mails will be sorted but available to private box holders only. Outward mails will close at 10a.m. **Monday, 3rd** January 1966: Similar arrange ments as for Monday, 27th. December 1965.

BREAD SUPPLIES: At the local bakery bread and specin l lines will be available to-day, fo lowing which the bakery will be closed until next Tuesday morning when the shop will be open from 9 to 11 a.m. and again from 5 to 6 p.m.

THE BUTCHER: Housewives should see that they have sufficient supplies of meat to tide them over four days at Christmas as the shop will be closed on Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

PUBLISHING arangements: To-day's issue of the "Beverley Times" is the last for 1965. As from to-night the office will be closed until Monday, January 10th., to allow management and staff to enjoy annual holidays.

S.E.C. to Take Over Soon

The State Electricity Commis sion will soon be taking over the lighting and supply of electricity to Beverley in accord ance with arrangements made with the Beverley Shire Council and Messrs Ford & Sons, the local concessionaires, at the beginning of 1965.

The provision of poles and the power mains from a point near York to Beverley, has we understand, been completed The mains follow a direct route from York to Beverley on the East side of the Avon River, and seventeen miles of wiring were required. The mains cross the Avon River near Mrs. Enid Shackles residence on the north side of the township. To be completed is the short section from this point to the power house where a transformer is to be installed. From this point electricity will be supplied to all parts of the town and to nearby properties.

It is expected that the change over will be effected towards the end of next month. The occasion will mark the end of an era in Beverley where the supply for many years past has been the responsibility of Messrs Ford & Sons who have established a reputation for the reliability of the service since the business was taken over from the founder, the late Percy Lambert. A resume of the history of the concern will be published later.

Native Housing

(TO THE EDITOR)

Sir —

I was not one of those who signed the petition to the Shire Council re native housing, nor (though I appreciate their predicament) do I entirely sympathise with their action; none of us can choose our neighbours.

Nevertheless I query the Council's impl cation that signatures of ratepayers not in the immediate locality are irrelevant. Who can tell where the next such house may be built? Those who wish to protest must do so before the erection of the first house creates a precedent which renders further protest ineffective.

Yours tec.,
O. M. WEAVER

Fire Brigade Officers Elected

Mr. Dud Ratcliffe who has had a very long association with the Fire Brigade movement in this State, first with the Brookton Brigade, with which he was a foundation member, and for many years' past with the Beverley Brigade was elected Captain of the local Brigade at the annual meet ing of volunteers held last week.

He has trained the members for their annual demonstrations in recent years and in other ways maintained close contact with the Brigade and the move ment. Other appointments made at the meeting were as follows: Former Captain Terry Boyle was made Foreman; whilst Fireman Les Eyre, who is a comparative newcomer to the movement, was elected Apparatus Officer. Mr. Ja k Grigson continues as Secretary.

Fire on 'Daliak'

Following a day when temperatures in the York district passed the century mark, York residents found themselves in the centre of a violent electrical storm on the 14th. inst. which started several fires. Most serious of these was that on "Daliak," on the slopes of Mt. Bakewell which began in the lateafternoon and took the attentions of 150 men to control.

Fortunately no standing crops or grain were destroyed in the blaze, but it was estimated that between two and three hundred acres of stubble and pastures were burned. Sev eral miles of fencing will have to be replaced as a result of the fire and an old hay shed was completely lost. With some of the most spectacular lightning displays that the firefighters had seen light ing the sky and continually threatening further blazes, the stormy atmosphere finally gave way to a heavy shower of rain which effectively dampened most of the burn.

"Send her down, Hughie." was the cry and it was answer ed in no meat fashion with sweating volunteers being forc ed to seek the shelter of cars and sheds as the abrupt change occurred.

Once again the Australian habit of helping each other in times of danger was made apparent, and it was a heartening site to see the steady stream of vehicles arriving shortly after the news of the fire was made public in York.

OTHER OUTBREAKS

Earlier, and also star ed by lightning, fires began on the properties of Mr. Les Ludgate and Col. Keenan. Prompt attention in the case of the former ensured that it had only a short duration, and rain in the case of the fire on Keenan's came opportunely to aid volunteers.

— Northam "Advertiser."

BLAZE AT GILGERING

A serious fire occurred at the Gilgering Pastoral Co. property on Wednesday, December 15th, between 200 & 300 acres of pasture being destroy ed before members of the York Fire Unit and volunteers from surrounding farms managed to bring it under control.

The blaze appears to have originated from a small fire resulting from the storm the previous night and which had apparently been burning unnoticed by those at the farm. Mr George Fleay reports that the lightning accompanying the storm on the 14th inst. was the fiercest he has seen at the property in the past forty years. He is most appreciative of the ready help rendered and this applies also to the ladies who provided tea and refreshments to the firefighters

Mostly personal

Mr. and Mrs Trevor Kelly and infant son leave shortly for New Guinea. Mr. Kelly has been transferred to the island by the A.B.C. to which organisation he is attached as a radio engineer. Mrs. Kelly was formerly Elizabeth Cullen and is a daughter of Doctor and Mrs. E. D. Cullen, of Forrest Street, Beverley.

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Mr. and Mrs. Bob Richardson's daughters Rosemary and Heather, together with their grandmother, Mrs Macphail, of Katanning, left on Tuesday by air for Melbourne on the first stage of a round - the - world holiday trip. They are to visit the Snowy Mountains scheme before flying the Tasman to New Zealand where they will tour for a fortnight before joining the "Ruahine" for England, sailing via the Panama. This is a wonderful trip for the two lucky young residents who will be absent from Beverley until November next.

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Mrs. Ruby Griffiths, of Nat rogin, is staying with the Oliver's of John Street.

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David Weaver's good performer Norval Boy who now carries big weights in his city engagements and has been out of the winning lists for some time past broke through for an impressive win at Ascot a fortnight ago. Another local breeder in Marsh Young has had the pleasure of noting the success of a horse of his breeding in Searoid on two occasions recently.

Messrs 'Hoppy' Paulsen and Cecil Holman left this week on a tour of the South-west. They have taken plenty of fishing gear and expect to enjoy some angling during their week trip.

Des Honess, son of Mr and Mrs A. Honess, of Beverley, is home on 44 days leave from the Navy. Since joining up with the R.A.N. Des has seen considerable service and was i volved in the tragic collision between the destroyer 'Voyager' and the aircraft carrier 'Melbourne' off the coast of N.S.W.. he being a member of the latter ship's complement. Since then he was one of the personnel selected to go to America to take over the latest addition to the Australian Navy, the destroyer 'Perth' which berthed at Fremantle this week. The 'Perth' reputedly the most modern and deadly fighting ship in the world, is replete with every type of electronic device including the latest in guided missiles. Although a few American technical experts were on board for the Perth's trials in American waters, the complement is now completely Australian and Des states that to a man all are intensely proud of their ship. Every comfort and convenience is provided for the crew and most of the menial tasks usually associated with shipboard life have been eliminated. Des and other Western Australian members of the 'Perth's' crew are now enjoying home leave and will fly to Sydney to rejoin the ship when their leave expires.

Mr and Mrs Cedric Smith are spending a short holiday in Perth. Mr. Smith was recently discharged from the Beverley hospital and is making good progress towards complete recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Dale and family have left Beverley to take up residence at Albany Mr Dale was recently employed by the local Council which now has another employee in Clarrie Mitting on long service leave.

Messrs Ken Doncon and G. Barrett - Lennard are flying East this week - end to attend the annual Merino field days, accompanied by the Elders - G.M. stud team.

College Intruders Fined

A Fremantle police court case which occupied the attention of Magistrate H. G. Smith on Tuesday and which involved the conviction of Christopher James Cunningham (20) of Gt Eastern Highway, Redcliffe, who was fined $25 for being unlawfully on the premises of the Santa Maria Ladies College at Attadale last Saturday night, had an echo in the Beverley Police Court on Wednesday morning following the arrest of Geoffrey Richard McMullen (19) field assistant at the Avondale Research station earlier that day. The arrest was effected by Detective Gardiner who was accompanied by Constable Frank Simmonds of the Beverley Police station.

As was the case with Cunningham, McMullen was charged with unlawful entry to the Santa Maria College on Saturday night, the two being in company. He appeared before Messrs R. G. C. Prior and L. O. J. Eynon, J.P.'s and was fined $25 and costs.

The Fremantle Court had been told that Cunningham and another person entered a dormitory at the college and put a blanket over the mouth of an 11-year-old girl to muffle any screams. She could not tell them where a certain other student was and they asked a second girl before going to another dormitory. They then spoke to some girls before they were seen by a nun.

The court was told that the two girls who had been questioned were upset by the experience and the whole school had been disturbed.

Towns Team

Towns A. Grade team to play Colts at Beverley. Match commences at 10.0 o'clock **sharp:** G. Cunnane, H. Wansbrough, W. Rule, E. Gartner, I. Nicholson, T. Woods, J. Hamilton C. Grover, D. Moulton, Peter Smith, G. Smith and P. Gorman 12th.

Qualanderry Crossing Work Completed

A crossing 610 feet long with a road surface 16 ft. wide has been constructed at the junction of the Avon River and the Lakes system at Qualanderry.

The crossing is constructed of a stone core covered with a six inch thickness of concrete and has a 500 ft. level section approx. 20 inches higher than the previous crossing. The materials used include approximately 1000 cubic yards of stone, 70 tons of cement, 180 cubic yards of metal, and 180 cubic yards of sand. The total cost amounted to $7380 of which almost $3800 was accounted for by wages. The Main Road Department provided a special grant of $4000 for the job as well as making available a $2000 general grant.

In future unless the Avon River flows at an exceptionally high level the lakes system must fill from the flow from the Eastern areas. Previously the river when at flood level flowed into the lakes until they filled.

Turf Wickets

Mr. H. W. Gayfer, M.L.A. for Avon has received advice from the Under Secretary for Works following his representations concerning the water allowance for turf wicket pitches in country districts. The present policy is being amended to permit sprinkler watering of turf wickets subject to the following conditions ——

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Junior Farmers News

At our last meeting held in the C.W.A. Hall on Wednesday 16th. the president welcomed our Adult advisers and a good attendance of members. A special welcome was extended to Mrs. L. R. Sims who was an adjudicator for the debate and "teams of 4" competitions.

Visiting club: On April 15, the Wattinga club will be visiting Beverley for an Inter - Council debate. Sixteen members will be billeted out for the week-end.

The debate "Equal pay for equal work for men and women" was won by the affirmative side with Neville McLean Tim Barrett-Lennard and Max Fleay, Doug Cross Blair Doncon and Cliff Doncon spoke for the negative.

"Teams of Four" was won by Joyce Woods Ian Reynolds Mal. Fleay and Denise Horan Denise spoke on her 'vacation job' as a waitress. No. 2 team was Doug Cross, Anne Cooper, Bill Eatman and Ron McLean. Ron spoke on 'learning to ski.' The adjudicators were Mrs. Sims and Mr C. G. McLean.

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Tourist Road at County Peak

Born of a desire to have the tourist potential of County Peak more fully exploited Councillor Jack McLean some time ago brought the matter of a tourist road to the peak before the Shire Council and received the support of other Councillors in regard to the project.

More important still the government, through its Tourist Development Authority is interested to the extent that it is prepared to share the cost of providing a road. An amount of $2000 has been allocated for the work, of which the government will provide two thirds

The native name of the Peak which is the most prominent eminence in the district is Quajabin. Quajabin House is situated on Mr. Roy McLean's property and is one of the original homes in that portion of the district. At present it is occupied by a native family.

It is a matter of local history that when the McLean brothers arrived from the drought stricken mallee country in Victoria to pioneer the area, they used the Peak as a vantage point from which they selected the country they wished to acquire for wheat growing ventures, selecting the land they considered most suitable by using the various types of natural timber as a guide.

The first work on the project has been completed with the bulldozing of the route which starts from the Roy McLean/ Jack McLean boundary fence on the North side and skirts the peak, rising in an easy grade for modern cars. It takes in a complete circuit of the Peak before ending at a point about 120 feet below the summit. This portion of the required work has been completed by a private contractor at a cost of less than $100. Still required is the construction of the road and gravelling etc.

When the projected work is completed the Peak will be accessible to traffic for the first time. It is proposed that on the South side (to be known as the Southern look-out) a vantage point will be provided which will be greatly appreciated by old fok and semi-invalids who will need to walk only a few paces from their cars to enjoy a sweeping panoramic view. From there and from the top of the peak a panorama covering hundreds of squ. miles of country may be enjoyed. The view will embrace much prime agricultural land as well as practically the whole of the district's lakes system which, in recent years, has achieved importance as a recreational facility greatly appreciated by farming families and others in the summer months. Boating and ski-ing facilities as provided by the go-ahead Beverley Ski Club are very popular.

Another organisation which will no doubt be interested in the plan is the Avon Valley Development Committee. This committee, of which the Beverley representatives are Messrs. A. W. Miles and F. E. Bremner meets at regular intervals in the various districts associated with the Avon Valley. At the meetings it is normal proceedure for the committee members, in association with the Shire Council concerned, to arrange inspections of various points of interest in the area. At a meeting in Beverley a few years ago the Committee inspected the Qualanderry Crossing proposals (since completed) and the project found a considerable degree of support At the forthcoming meeting an inspection of the latest tourist development proposal will no doubt be arranged. We understand that a director of the Tourist Bureau will also be in attendance to view the project

Dale Enjoys Good Rain

The Dale district where the need for rain was most urgent that region having fared very poorly in the early season's falls, enjoyed excellent showers as a result of the week-end disturbance and registrations of an inch and over were reported by many farmers. As a result seeding activities have been going on around the clock as farmers make up for lost time.

A storm which passed over the district on Sunday brought very heavy rain to some properties. At the Williamson property sixty points were gauged in a short time. As has been the case on numerous occasions this year however, the falls in general were patchy, with big differences in the gaugings on properties sometimes only a few miles apart.

The country side has responded quickly to the falls and pastures which were very backward on some properties are making good growth.

Other parts of the Beverley district were disappointed by the registrations. At Beverley over four days only 66 points were noted. However the town area fared much better than the East Beverley / Bally Bally regions where falls in no cases totalled amounts needed to allow seasonal operations to be concluded.

For April at Beverley there were 11 wet days for a total of 136 points, and for May only 30 points were noted. The total for the 5 expired months of the year is only 318 points. This report on the local weather was prepared on Wednesday morning and at the time there appeared every prospect of a new disturbance bringing additional falls to the agricultural districts.

Lyn Wansbrough Wins Eileen Prior Cup

Lyn Wansbrough who before her marriage always showed great promise at golf but dropped out of the game for some time, scored her most important success when she annexed the Eileen Prior Cup at the Beverley course on Wednesday Play was over 27 holes (18 in the morning and 9 in the afternoon) and for the morning circuit off her 32 handicap she had a gross 98 for a nett 66, whilst for the p.m. nine she had a gross 51 and nett 35, giving her a nett 101 for the day.

She did not have it all her own way with this good score as another Beverley associate who is enjoying her first year with the club in Verna Baker, of Kokeby, finished with the same tally off her 36 mark after gross scores of 103 and 52. The issue was decided by a count back, Lyn becoming the winner and Mrs Baker taking the runner-up award.

Good weather favoured the occasion and the field of over 80 players was the largest noted in some years. Clubs represented were Beverley, Pingelly, Brookton, York, Karrinyup, Fremantle, Wandering, Northam, Toodyay, Chidley Point, Cottesloe and Rockingham. The course was in fine order following last week-end's showers and the arrangements left nothing to be desired.

Norma Adams, whose golfing abiilty is widely recognised played consistently to take the gross score award. She produced an 89 in the morning and a 45 for the afternoon nine and this score was good enough, her only really serious threat coming from Brenda Broun, a former leading local player, and now of Rockingham club, who had a 93 and a 45. Brenda is now a veteran and off 19 and with a nett 109½ for the day was the winner of the veteran's award. Other awards went to — Best P.M. round from No. 1 tee. Marg. Barrett-Lennard 48 - 16 - 32; Best P.M. round from No 10 tee: Mena Aiken 50 - 17 - 33; Best A.M round (18 holes) B. Smart Royal Fremantle 97 - 26 - 71; Best unplaced visitor: E. Ryan Chidley Point 160 - 49½ - 110½ Teams event: Beverley No. 2, 458 (E McGrath 112½, M Jackson 112½, E. Blechynden 116½, and D Wright 116½).

Some lovely trophies were on view, and these were presented by the president of the Associates, Mrs Doreen Eynon, who welcomed the visitors and thanked all who had helped with the arrangements, including a number of the menfolk, whilst thanks were also expressed to Mrs Eileen Prior whose generosity made the annual fixture possible. At her invitation Mrs Prior presented the cup. A welcome was extended to Miss Hawkes, of Perth, the State handicap manager. Miss Polly Whitfield the Association delegate, of York, congratulated the Beverley associates on the success of the fixture and expressed thanks for a most enjoyable day. A delightful tea was enjoyed by all.

Vandalism on Rifle Range

On several occasions over the last few months, vandals have caused considerable damage to the targets and other equipment on the rifle range. This has caused the club considerable expense and inconvenience The matter has been placed in the hands of the local police, and the offenders if caught can expect little leniency.

The rifle range is a prohibited area at all times and a heavy fine can be imposed on any tresspassers.

Start on Cantilevers

Some three years ago the Brookton Shire Council adopted a by-law requiring the removal of posted verandahs in Robinson road before June '68. The first to comply with the order are C. and E. Groot and this business is to be commended on its enterprise.

Contractor for the provision of the cantilever was J. Pannekoek and the structure has vastly improved the generl appearance of the shop concerned. It is hoped that other businesses will follow the lead provided and thus lift the general appearance of Brookton's main street.

— Pingelly "Leader."

Polio Immunisation

The polio immunisation clinic visits Beverley to-day — June 10th and will be at the Lesser Hall from 9 to 10am with a second visit scheduled for Thursday, July 7th and a third on Thursday, August 4th. The clinic will also visit the Dale West school

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Visit of Minister for Interior

On Friday, August 5th., the Hon. Minister for the Interior, Mr. Anthony, accompanied by his Secretary (Miss Hale) and Mr. J. Hallett, visited Beverley in the course of his journey to Narrogin and were welcomed at the Council rooms by the Deputy president, Cr. Edwards and Crs. Robins, Lupton and McLean. Mr. Gayfer, who was also in Beverley at the time, also attended.

In welcoming the Hon. Minister Cr. Edwards first apologised for the absence of the President and said: "It gives me much pleasure Sir to welcome you to Beverley. It is seldom we are honoured with a visit of a Federal Minister, and it is pleasing to know that you have spared the time to call on us. In your brief stay we cannot show you our town or district of which we are justly proud. As you are perhaps aware we are situated in the fertile Avon Valley and are a very wealthy area. This has been proved by the amount of money contributed from the district to Commonwealth Loans.

"At present Council is taking an interest in Tourist development and aided by the Tourist Development Authority we are proceeding with the establishment of an aeronautical museum, which we think will be rather unique and a scenic drive to what is known as County Peak. The Peak is 1180 ft. high and commands a wonderful view of the surroun ding farm lands and lake areas

"We do hope that your stay in the West will be enjoyable and beneficial to you. This Council has no problems to put before you. Again, Thank you for honouring us with your visit."

Mr. Gayfer then took the opportunity of welcoming the Hon. Minister to this electorate and wished him a happy and successful tour.

The Hon. Minister in reply thanked Cr. Edwards and Mr. Gayfer for their kind welcome. He said, "In my journey down here to-day I have been very impressed with what I have seen. It has been a very pleasant drive through attractive country.

"I am only here for 3 days and will not have much opportunity to spend much time in any particular place.

"I have been interested to hear Cr. Edwards' remarks. I am very conscious of the important part Local Government plays in the welfare of the country. You are virtually poli ticians as we are. The word politics comes from the Greek word polis, which means managing public affairs, which is actually what you are dong. Much of the success of the Government of a country is de pendent on good local govern ment. If at any time I can be of any assistance to your Coun cil on a Federal level I will certainly be very willing to do anything possible to help you.

"I would like you, Mr. Edwards, to convey my regards to your President and to thank your Council for this friendly welcome."

Mr. Hallet too thanked the Council for the friendly welcome and for having provided a welcome cup of tea. He said his visits to Beverley were rare, but always enjoyable.

Fine Performance by Woman Shooter

Women are beginning to invade provinces which at one time were regarded as exclusively men's domains and this is apparent even in the shooting world in which there have been several out standing performances in this State over the past few years.

Another was recorded in the Dr. Slavin rifle shooting teams event at Northam last Sunday. For the first time in these areas a woman returned the best score in the winning team, when Val Price of Pingelly scored 99 out of the possible 105 on a day when the conditions confounded many of the leading shooters competing at the meeting.

Val is the wife of Tom Price, one of Pingelly's top marksman for many years past and appears to have acquired more than a modicum of his ability.

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Lakes Overflow

It came as a surprise to residents of County Peak when the lakes in the area commenced to flow over the new retainng wall at the Qualanderry crossing at the week-end. The surprise was occasioned by the fact that the rainfall in the dis trict this winter to date has been below average with far less run off than is normal. It had been feared that the winter would end with the lakes at a very low level.

The filling of the system, w' ich embraces a vast area of country has evidently been occasioned by the exceptionally heavy early season falls eastwards and northwards of this district. Water from this source must have been slowly flowing towards the junction with the Avon River at Qualanderry for many weeks past..

By Monday water was flowing over the crossing to a depth of 7 inches and the lakes level was continuing to rise. Jack McLean, who lives in the vicinity, reported on Monday that the sight from the crossing was a most pleasing one and well worth a visit to the area. There was 7 ft. 8 inches of water in the ski-ing lake. The water over the miles long series of lakes was an intense blue and not mud colour ed as is usual at this period. A few boating and ski-ing enthusiasts have already made use of the big sheet of water.

Wild duck have arrived in their thousands, teal predominating, and with all the adjacent swamps filled ideal breeding conditions prevail.

Rates and Valuations

On Friday, July 29th, the Shire Council considered its Budget for 1966-67 and levied the rates and charges for this year. New valuations supplied by the Taxation Department for Rural wards and the Central ward were adopted.

As the district has not been re valued since 1951 the rises in values are very marked. The unimproved value of the rural wards has moved from $984,548 for 1965/66 to $4,512,274 for 1966/67. The increases in each Ward are— North-east from $347,918 to $1,251,500; Dale $371,724 to $2,082,279; Kokeby $264,910 to $1,178,495. The annual ren tal value in the Central ward has increased from $55,062 to $76 018.

The total amount of revenue required from rates is $58,669 compared with $62,693 for 1965/66. The rate in the $ will be 1.05 cents in the rural wards and 15 cents in the Cen tral ward.

The effect of the valuations is that some landowners will actually be paying less than previously while those that have enjoyed low valuations by comparison will pay considerably more.

An Amendment to the Local Government Act requires that each lot be valued and rated separately and not grouped as in the past. This will increase the amount of rates to be paid by Central ward landowners holding numbers of lots. The minimum value permissable is $6 and the minimum rate fixed by the Council is $2 per lot

The rubbish charge remains at $4 per annum for one weekly removal of a standard bin.

Avon Footballers Perform Well in the City

In the country football carnival held in the city last weekend and sponsored by the Mobil Co., the Avon Football Association performed particularly well, winning their game on Thursday against Dampier in overwhelming fashion (28 - 25 to 2 - 2). N. Dennis, B. Underwood and J. Davies were among Avon's best. The following day they enjoyed another easy win, beating Goomalling by 21 - 20 to 4 - 6. Underwood N. Cox and B. Gardiner were adjudged Avon's best in this match. The final against Eastern Districts resulted in an ex

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The Annual Show

The annual exhibition of the Beverley Agricultural Society is scheduled to take place on Saturday, August 27th., and thus is only a fortnight away. It is the 90th to be conducted here and for the first time a section which for many years was a foremost feature — the sheep classes — has disappeared from the schedule, lack of support in recent years having occasioned this move by the Society's committee. However, a few classes have been provided by the Junior Farmers in their special section of the Show.

The schedule of prizes became available last week and may now be acquired by intending exhibitors. The Society hopes for the usual good support by the public of the district in order that the occasion may be a success.

Light Rains

A light but valuable fall of rain early last Saturday morning benefitted crops and pastures and climaxed one or two somewhat severe frosts which had been experienced on preceding mornings. In the town gaugings ranged from 12 to 15 points and similar readings were reported from East Beverley. The Dale was treated more liberally with falls of up to 25 points. There have been several frosts since the week-end visitation and another good soaking rain would be appreciated by most farmers.

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Stationmaster Farewelled

Golf Club members were very happy to have with them last week-end Alf and Beth Winfield whose twenty years association with the game in Beverley was recently terminated with the transfer of Mr. Winfield to the position of stationmaster at Welshpool. They came to Beverley at the invitation of the club to receive a presentation from mem bers in recognition of their great contribution to golf in Beverley.

The function took place last Saturday evening and after all had enjoyed a buffet tea. The captain David Weaver, after brief reference to the pleasure of having the Winfield's present for the day introduced the President Ossie Vallentine who in the course of a speech in which golf legend and club history were interestingly blended thanked Alf for his great service over the many years as secretary and to the many happy associations that had been made. Alf's name, pointed out the president, has been perpetuated by his winning the club championship and a place on the honour board which enshrined 60 years of club title holders. On behalf of all members he presented the former secretary with an inscribed silver tray.

President of the Associates, Mrs Doreen Eynon voiced the Associates' appreciation of Mrs W'nfield's active service to the women's side of golf in Beverley. Beth's services and the interest she had always shared with Alf had been greatly appreciated and would be remembered. The couple would be sure of a warm welcome in club circles whenever they chose to visit Beverley. The speaker on behalf of the Associates presented Beth with a handsome handbag as a token of esteem and in remembrance of happy times spent with golfing friends here.

Expressing thanks for the kindly gesture and presentation Mr. Winfield spoke at some length covering many aspects of what had been a very happy interlude in his life - his years of association with golf in Bev erley. He would look back with pleasure on the pleasant days spent on the Beverley course and the lasting friendships these had cemented. He wished the members all the happiness the game could bring and the Club continued success.

After Mrs. Winfield in a somewhat briefer speech had voiced her thanks to the club and all associated with the gest ure that evening a pleasant soc ial evening was enjoyed by all.

Lakes Overflow a Great Attraction

Scores of district residents have been visiting the scene of the lakes overflow at Qualanderry Crossing over the past week and have been impressed by its volume. Over the whole length of the retaining wall which measures about 100yds. water has been flowing to a depth of about eight inches into the Avon River which as a result reached its highest level for the season and has fallen only slightly in recent days.

The water is much clearer than is normal at this period of the year its intense blue adding charm to the picture presented by the lakes system now filled possibly to a greater depth than has been the case in a long period. The long slow journey of the water from points far eastward and northward where they were precipitated early in the year has given time for it to clarify.

The crossing which was constructed by Beverley Shire Council workmen replaced the former crossing built by the MRD and which was carried away in last year's winter floods. The whole of the new crossing has been cement faced and it appears to be standing up well to the present immense flow of water. Millions of gallons must be passing over the embankment every minute of the day and night.

Some concern had been felt by those interested that the blocking off of the Avon River waters from the lakes entrance would occasion low levels in the lakes in years of light rainfall but this is certainly not the case this season and shooters and boating and ski-ing club members are delighted with the propects of pleasant days in the area over the coming summer.

Grant Monies

The Beverley Shire Council considered the allocations of grant monies at its July meeting and agreement was reached as follows:

Specific Grants

Dale Beverley Mawson $800 Maintenance; Kokeby East-Bally Bally $4000 Construction Dale West $3000 Improvement Talbot West $2000 Improvements; Beverley East $2000 Construction; School Bus Routes $4060 Maintenance; The General Allocation of $8000 will be expended as follows: $2000 allocated to Rule's Road; $2000 to Kokeby West; $2000 to Clulow's Road; $2000 to be temporarily unallocated.

It was decided that the Kokeby members and the Shire Clerk interview Mr. E. McLean regarding the proposed resumptions on Lake Mears Road and if a satisfactory agreement cannot be reached then the grant for this work be expended on the same road (2998) eastward from the south/west corner of Loc 2627

Deputation Seeks Better Week-end Bus Service

A deputation consisting of Mesdames Weaver, Thomas, Shaw and Mann waited on the July meeting of the Beverley Shire Council seeking the support of the Council in an effort to secure a better week-end bus service for Beverley by the Railway Department. An improved service, it was pointed out, would benefit other Great Southern centres such as York, Brookton and Pingelly enabling children attending schools in Perth to come home for week-ends.

What parents of children attending city schools would appreciate is a bus from the city on Friday evenings and facilities for returning in time for school on Monday. Such a service would no doubt be appreciated by many members of the public in addition to the children and parents.

[Under the present schedule there are three buses to Perth on Friday's with one returning from the city on Saturday mornings. People who wish to stay in the city over Saturday cannot get transport home until 6.20 Sun. It cannot be said that the week-end service is very convenient as far as the public is concerned.]

The deputationists presented figures on the possible patronage of the service if it could be provided and opin ons of what they considered the most suitable time tables.

After the deputation had withdrawn the Council agreed that the Shire Clerk contact Shire Counc'l at York, Brookton and Pingelly to get their opinions on the proposal as put forward and see if there would be public support in their districts.

Since the meeting, we understand, a letter has been received from Brookton Council supporting the suggestions put forward. The Beverley Shire will support any concerted move in the desired direction.

Street Drainage Improvements

Improvement of the drainage at the northern end of Forrest Street and in John Street has occupied the attention of Shire Council workmen in recent weeks and there should be considerable less cause for complaint by residents as a result of the activities.

Footpaths have also been receiving attention and a coating of gravel should be to the advantage of pedestrians who have cause to use these facilities.

Part of the work in Forrest Street has included the removal of ornamental gum trees, an activity which often causes ire among tree lovers but the Council has been quick to short circuit any opposition by replanting with a smaller type of ornamental tree in Queensland box which do not interfere with power lines to the same extent as the gums.

A projected move in connection with the drainage in that section of town is the con struction of a new drain to take excess water from the hos pital hill area and adjacent streets through a new channel on the Northern side of the school.

Nearing completion in the main street of Beverley is the resurfacing of the footpaths with cement blocks, work which was commenced some weeks ago.

Rain Needed

A succession of rather severe frosts over the past week or two coupled with only light falls of rain as a result of the last disturbance to affect the State has caused the need for good rains to become rather urgent. Recent sunny days, although lacking nothing in pleasantness, have also assisted to dry out farm areas.

However at the moment the countryside is looking in great heart with crops and pastures an excellent colour, whilst as a result of widespread spraying activities the menace of crop pests has diminished.

Sheepand Pasture Talks

Sheep breeding plans, pasture utilisation and lamb mort a ity problems will be discussed at a joint meeting of the Brookton Farmer's Union and Junior Farmers' Club on Thurs day, August 25.

The meting wil be held in the Brookton C.W.A. Hall and will start at 8 p.m.

Agricultural Advisers G. Palmer and D. Gilbey and Vet erinary Surgeon B. Gabbedy of the Department of Agriculture's Narrogin districts office will attend the meeting.

Local stud breeder Mr. E. Hobbs will discuss fleece measurement and its use in his own stud.

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Faction Sports Were Successful

Many parents and others interested were present to cheer Beverley's young athletes competing in the Beverley Junior High school annual faction athletic carnival at the Greater sports ground last Friday. The event is always a forerunner to the annual inter-school fixture which is taking place at Pingelly to-day (Friday) and in which pupils of schools at Beverley, Brookton, Pingelly and York are competing.

The local fixture was ably conducted with the teachers of the High school and the officials, many of whom have helped out for many years past, cooperating to get the long programme through on time. Mr. Allan McGrath was again an efficient starter and Mr Peter Bremner officiated as always at the loud speaker to give excellent progress reports and running commentaries.

The young athletes performed creditably and there were a number of outstanding performances embracing new records noted in the course of the day. These are reported together with a full list of performances up to third placing in all events on page 10 of this issue.

The School's green faction was outstanding and easily out pointed the three other factions in the aggregate to win the Shackles Shield. The faction scored 223½ points, the next best being Red's 187. The school champions were

Senior Boy .. .. Colin Nicholls
Senior Girl .. .. .. Sue Ridley
Boy 12-13 years .. Graeme Joss
Girl 12-13 .. .. Helen Moulton
Boy 10-11 .. .. .. Keren Ugle
Girl 10-11 .. .. Colleen Smith
Boy 8-9 .. .. Peter MacLachlan
Girl 8-9 .. .. Glenys Fleay

A visitor for the occasion was Mr. H. W. Gayfer, the member for the district who presented the Shackles Shield to the winning Green faction at the close of the programme. Mr. Gayfer congratulated the school and the officials on the conduct of the fixture and complimented the children with congratulations to the day's winners.

Deputy president of the Beverley Shire Council, Councillor Athol Edwards presented merit certificates to the successful young athletes.

Football Finals

We regret that our report of last Sunday's second semi-final between Cunderdin and Tammin in both grades, played at Cunderdin, has not come to hand. The match resulted in an easy win for Tammin in the A. grade whilst in the A. reserve there was a draw — the second to occur since the finals commenced. Final scores in A. grade were—

	gls	pts
Tammin	10	7
Cunderdin	2	6

and in the A Reserve

Tammin	6	7
Cunderdin	6	7

This latter match will be replayed at Tammin on Sunday next whilst the A. Grade final will be played on the same ground between Cunderdin and Kellerberrin.

Lakes Will Be a Great Summer Attraction

Now containing a greater volume of water than at any previous time as a result of the construction of the retaining wall at Qualanderry, the lakes in the County Peak/Bally Bally area during the coming summer are certain to prove a bigger attraction than ever with the public of this and adjacent districts.

This splendid district asset is to be exploited to the full as a result of the activities of the Beverley Ski Club which hopes that boating and ski-ing facilities will now be available for practically the whole of the summer months as a result of the greater depth of water throughout the length of the system.

Many tourists will no doubt be taking the opportunity of visiting the Lakes and the adjacent County Peak which is also being developed and made more accessible for motorists. From the Peak a fine panoramic view embracing miles of country side and including some of the finest wheat lands in the district, will be provided

The Ski club programme for the season will include a three days carnival early in the summer which should attract swarms of visitors from the city and elsewhere. However, the first item on the Club's seasonal programme will be an opening of the season to which the public is cordially invited. Especially welcome will be those who have never had the opportunity of taking a boat ride over the miles of waterways now made navigable. Such trips will be the feature of the activities on the opening day advertised for Sunday week, October 9th. and they will be available at a very nominal charge.

Picnic and barbecue facilities are available at the Club's headquarters at the ski-ing lake from where the boats are launched, together with toilet and other amenities which have been provided by the hard work of Club enthusiasts.

Ski Club members are holding a dinner at the Hotel Beverley on the evening of the 8th inst. It will be the Club's first function of this type and the fore-runner it is hoped of an annual dinner.

Traffic Inspector Attends Seminar

Mr. J. Croft, traffic inspector of the Beverley district returned recently following a seminar for traffic inspectors conducted by the Road Safety Division of the National Safety Council. The seminar, the sixth conducted in the past two years at the instructional centre at Mt. Lawley, was designed to expand the knowledge and experience of the participants.

In addition to lectures by regular instructors of the Road Safety Division and staff of the Department of Management of the Perth Technical College, addresses were given by Mr. D. Sander of the Crown Law Department, Mr. W. H. Minors, general manager of the Royal Automobile Club of W.A., and Mr. B. Pendlebury and Constable Pavocic of the Police Department.

Attention was given to the interpretation of traffic regulations, practical vehicle inspection, common driving faults, and accident factors, public speaking and report writing, publicrelations and liaison, and other features allied to greater road safety.

When Beverley Had a Band

An interesting relic of the days when Beverley could boast possession of a town band to enliven proceedings at local functions has turned up this week in the shape of the "Rules and Regulations of the Beverley Brass Band." It has been among the effects of the late Mr. G. M. Wansbrough, and has been handed to us by his son Mr R. M. (Joe) Wansbrough. Mr. Wansbrough was chairman of the committee appointed to administer the Band affairs after the organisation had been formed on the 5th January, 1909. Well remembered names appear among the committee: Messrs F. T. Broun H. M. Fisher, E. G. B. Lennard, Dr. F. S. Butler, Rev. M. Hallinan, Horace Smith, G. Edwards, G. T. Smith, E. Powell, F. B. Chapman, G. M. Wansbrough and W. W. Chipper. It was these that according to the preamble to the Constitution "agreed to form a brass band in the town of Beverley for the entertainment and benefit of the townspeople and have decided to guarantee an overdraft of £250 at the Union Bank of Australia Ltd., for the purchase of a set of instruments."

A complete set of instruments was purchased and there was apparently no lack of budding bandsmen as the list of those anxious to become members numbered 21. Each was provided with an instrument for which he signed a receipt and undertook to keep the instrument in good repair and return the instrument whenever called upon to do so. As with the members of the original managing committee all the bandsmen appear to have passed on with the exception of Les Swan. Several Burgoyne brothers appear in the list, an L. Brockman, an A. Ferguson and a W. A. Townsend.

It seems the band flourished for a period before dissension crept in and the band began to disintegrate. Afterwards it was agreed to disband and the instruments were sold to the Young Australia League then beginning to emerge as a popular movement among young Western Australians and under the leadership of the late J. J. Simons.

However disposing of the instruments and obtaining a complete cash settlement appears to have been a long and complicated process involving much letter writing and general discord among the parties concerned. It was apparently a very long period before the affairs of the ill-fated band were finally cleaned up.

Two subsequent attempts to form bands in Beverley failed after promising launchings. The last was formed in Mr. Jack Le Dan's period in Beverley, the latter being the bandmaster Its one and only public appearance we understand was at a local show. Departure of the bandmaster caused it to fold & go the way of its predecessors.

A Season of Great Promise

The season continues to hold magnificent promise for practically the whole of the State's agricultural areas, the past week's weather being ideal for crops and pastures which are flourishing.

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Good Rains Brighten Seasonal Prospects

Splendid rains which have considerably heightened prospects of an already promising season fell over the agricultural districts of the State at the week-end and relieved a period of anxiety for the farming community as with the light falls of a few weeks ago no reserves of moisture remained in the soil. In a number of districts falls totalled over an inch and in these areas the season should be assured, whilst in other districts the rains were sufficient to greatly bolster the outlook.

In this district the rains were particularly opportune. Crops were looking exceptionally well in all areas but as they were coming into ear a good rain would be of immense value in filling out the grain. This has now been received and the outlook is the best for many years past although it is the view of many farmers that rains are always of benefit whilst crops show any sign of green in the stalk so that further late season showers should they occur will further enhance prospects.

At Beverley a total of 46 points were noted over the week-end at the post office. Slightly higher registrations were noted in parts of the Dale area whilst at the McLean properties at County Peak there were registrations of an immensely valuable fifty points. East Beverley gaugings were slightly lower in most cases whilst at Jacobs Well on the fringe of the Shire up to 35 points were recorded. The Beverley post office registrations followed a September total gauging of 121 points.

"GOOD BUT NOT SENSATIONAL" SEASON FORECAST

A season which he described as "good but not sensational" has been forecast for the Avon Valley by the district adviser of the Northam district office of the Department of Agriculture. Mr. Peter Stallwood. He based his prediction on the fact that the season had been peculiar climatically. An early start had led to a lot of cultivating and some sowing being done in April.

This early rain had also led to the germination of pasture seeds. But the fact that the rain had cut out in May when only 26 points fell, caused much of the subterranean clover in these pastures to die out. This had caused the hardier grasses of the pastures to become predominant and caused a botanic imbalance. When the later rain caused a second germination of clover the other grasses were sufficiently well established to prevent strong growth in the clover.

Stock in the area all appeared to be in good condition. However, said Mr. Stallwood, he felt that the quality of dry feed would suffer from a lack of clover and predominance of "woodier" grasses.

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The quantity of feed would also be reduced owing to the very cold temperatures experienced through the winter. was Mr. Stallwood's opinion. Some frosts had even been recorded during September.

CROPS

After a dry June, good rain with intervals of fine, sunny weather had allowed for virtually uninterrupted work on Avon Valley farms. The result had been that most of the crops had been planted by the end of June. Growth had been slow, owing to the cold weather, and a critical point in mid-September, following a dry spell, had been relieved by heavy rain.

Bowls to Get Under Way

Bowlers who have been awaiting the opening of the season since the first hint of summer became manifest will get under way on the Beverley green on Sunday afternoon when the official opening of the season will be held.

It had been intended to hold the opening after the work of sanding the rehabilitated green had been completed, but the decision has now been made to go ahead with the seasonal programme.

The greens have never looked better than has been the case this year since the work of killing off the various grasses which created so much difficulty for the greenkeeper each year, and replanting with a single American strain was bent was carried out. The swards are a very healthy colour and are densely covered with the new growth of grass. They appear as though they will be playing heavy for a time, but give promise of providing the best playing surfaces ever enjoyed at Beverley when they settle down.

There is a big programme of events to be contested during the season and fixture cards will be available shortly.

Mr. O. R. Vallentine again occupies the office of president with Mr. W. T. Robins as vice-president and Mr. E. C. Bo as captain. Mr. D. Ratcliffe hon. secretary.

Exceptional Duck Breeding Season Noted

Mr. Henry Hall who lives on the Eastern fringe of the Beverley Shire district in the Dangin area was at the lakes on Sunday as a member of the Ski Club, travelling down the water way in his speedboat with his son from the vicinity of Rocky lake. Henry is a noted honorary warden of Fauna who takes an exceptional interest in natural history and keeps a close tag on the breeding habits of waterfowl and native animals in this area of the State.

He stated in the course of an interview that not for many years has he seen such a great number of wild duck nesting in the vicinity of his property at the Channel lakes as is the case this year. Practically every hollow tree around the lakes contains a duck's nest at the moment and the hatching should be a prolific one.

Weather Mars Lakes Fixtur

Overcast skies, chilly winds with occasional rain scuds and choppy waters militated against the success of the Beverley Ski Club's first official fixture of the season on Sunday last. On that day all interested in any way in the club's efforts to familiarise the public with the fine asset the district possesses in the lakes at County Peak were invited to attend the club headquarters at McLean's lake and enjoy a trip through the various lakes comprising the system. However, with the prevailing weather there was only a small attendance at the fixture and the number of visitors entertained was far less than what had been hoped for. No doubt by the time the club's three-day carnival eventuates in November the weather will have become more settled.

The lakes remain at a very high level with the Club's landing jetty awash for most of its length. It is apparent that shooters during the coming season will find that many vantage points previously available will be difficult of access as there is more water in the lakes than in any previous year.

Some seepage is occurring at the retaining wall at Qualanderry and it may be necessary to strengthen the wall at one or two points when the water level falls during the coming summer.

Meanwhile the Commodore of the Ski Club, Mr. Jack McLean, has drawn attention to acts of vandalism which have caused concern at the ski-ing site. Recently numbers of empty bottles were lined up near the barbecue facilities and used as targets for pea rifles. All the bottles were smashed and club members were faced with the job of clearing up the glass to avoid the risk of gashed feet among the many bare footed adults and children who will be visiting the resort in increasing numbers from now on. It would be perhaps appropriate if the perpetrators of such unthoughtful acts were themselves injured. The Commodore appeals to all who visit the site to respect the rights of others to enjoy the amenities without risk to themselves or their children.

AT THE PEAK

A few of those who went to the lakes on Sunday continued on to the County Peak where a road has been graded to within a short distance of the summit to provide a wonderful look out over tens of thousands of acres of prime agricultural land and provide a view of practically the whole of the lakes system. From the Peak landmarks in all the adjoining shires to as far as the Kendenberrin district can be picked out with good field glasses.

Among the amenities which have been built are barbecue facilities at an open spot. This is the only area where fires may be lit. Those using the facilities during the coming summer are asked to use every care to avoid any danger of outbreaks.

It is also advised that the use of firearms at the Peak is prohibited. Such use constitutes too much danger for others and for sheep in the area.

Just now a pair of eagles are nesting in a tall tree below the level of the adjacent peak (known as the "Dog Kennell"). Those who climb to this eminence can look down the slope into the nest.

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Lakes Carnival an Outstanding Success

With the weather co-operating to the warmest possible degree. the fixture co-inciding with the first burst of really summer-like conditions, the ski-ing carnival conducted over the three days of the Queen's birthday holiday week-end was outstandingly successful and was responsible or the biggest influx of visitors ever noted for any type of sporting fixture yet held in this district. Convoys of cars and caravans began to arrive at the ski-ing lake at County Peak as early as Friday evening to be ready for the opening day on Saturday. and by Sunday there were hundreds of vehicles in the area, whilst the attendance of men, women and children by Sunday afternoon was estimated at 2000.

The success of the carnival was assured from the opening on Saturday before crowds of visitors and local followers and the entertainment and competition never lagged until the final event on Monday at about 4 p.m. The occasion for many no doubt was a first opportunity to assess the wonderful recreational asset the district possesses in its chain of lakes and which with the keenness and enthusiasm of the ski club members coupled with help received from the Shire Council is now being exploited. A depth of water now exists throughout the lakes system which should assure ski-ing and boating facilities for all the summer months, this result ing from the damming of the waters at Qualanderry Crossing

No carnival of such magnitude as the latest effort encompassed could be carried through without the fine co-operation of all concerned and the success attained was a measure of the co-operation which the carnival officials received from fellow members of the club concerned A wealth of details had to be attended to and full credit goes to all involved in the preparations and conduct of the fixture.

Practically every ski club in the State had representatives at the Carnival and thousands of pounds worth of boats and equipment was in use over the three days. Safety rules were strictly enforced and no accidents of any serious nature occurred to mar the happiness of the lengthy outing. Over recent years there has been a great upsurge of enthusiasm in this type of water sports and a surprising feature of the carnival was the number of country clubs represented. Inland water ways are obviously now being exploited on a widespread scale to provide summer recreation for country residents. City and country Clubs competing over the three days were ——

Bunbury Playboy
Scarborough
Lake Ninan
Melville
Inland
Lake Mears
Dumbleyung
Quairading
Lightning
Neptune
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Patrons found plenty of entertainment over the three days. They lined the banks to watch the spirited competition in a long programme of events in which some of the State's best ski-ing experts were involved. Nor was the lighter side of the programme neglected as there were many comic turns to amuse, whilst the grace exhibited by the young women of the clubs in a number of charmingly costumed ski-ing acts also delighted the assemblage.

The Scarborough team of male ski-ers performed outstandingly to well-earned applause. Beverley were well in the picture. too. notably on the last day of the carnival when they won the marathon over a four miles course which started at Ossig's lake. continued in a circuit of the ski lake and concluded at the Rocks about 2 miles from Qualanderry Crossing. In this event two ski-ers were involved together with the boat driver. They commenced with a slalom. changed to a disc and completed the race with trick ski-ing.

Another success which reflected credit on the Beverley club was the winning of the best display event by a team of four girls, comprising Jan and Vicki Coote. Daphne Edwards, and Glenys McLean.

THE OFFICIAL OPENING

The official opening of the Carnival took place on Sunday afternoon. (Mr Jack McLean, Commodore of the club. in introducing local parliamentary representatives Messrs H. W. Gayfer and Roy Abbey, took the opportunity of welcoming everyone to the fixture and thanked the clubs represented for the splendid support which had been accorded. He also welcomed the president of the Western Australian Ski Association, Mr Claude Surman and officials. The Commodore stated, that the fixtures success was a tribute to all who had worked whole heartedly towards its success.

Mr. Gayfer, MLA, extended congratulations to the Club on what was a remarkably successful fixture and spoke of what had been carried out locally to make country life in these areas more attractive.

To Mr Roy Abbey, MLC, as patron of the Ski Club fell the honour of officially declaring the carnival open. He also spoke most enthusiastically of what the Ski Club had done in a few short years in transforming a neglected asset into a resort from which all could derive much enjoyment and recreation. Future plans for the area involved many other improvements and included expansion of the fauna and flora potential in the interests of all It gave him the greatest pleasure to declare the fixture open

Barbecue facilities were provided at the ski lake and the club members made meat available to the many campers at a nominal charge. whilst drinks and ice cream vendors in the club's interests did a great trade each day.

One of the Ski club's most expensive contributions towards the development of the resort was the provision of substantially built toilets which were essential under the Health Act The septic installations required many tanks of water to be carted to the area over the 3 days but this was efficiently attended to.

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Truancy Cases

At the Beverley Children's Court on Friday last before Magistrate A. L. O'Brien, two school boys were charged under the Education Act with truancy. Evidence was given that the children concerned missed school for several days at various periods (the days adding up to over 100) playing on the railway line near Edwards Crossing, their parents meanwhile being under the impression that they were at school. The boys involved were placed on probation under the Child Welfare Department.

Under Age Drinking

Vincent William Tapping (18) was charged in the Beverley Police Court on Friday morning by Constable Frank Simmonds with obtaining liquor whilst under 21 years of age. Constable Simmonds told the Court he had warned the accused on a number of occasions without affect.

Tapping pleaded guilty by endorsement and was fined $10 with 90 cents costs.

TRAFFIC OFFENCE

In the same court Ronald James Michael was fined $2, and $2.90 costs, for failing to effect transfer of a vehicle license.

Season's First Fire

The first grass fire for the season for which the services of the bushfire fighting units were required occurred close to the Kokeby townsite on Saturday when a blaze which commenced near the road just west of the railway line overran about 50 acres of grass before being brought under control by the Beverley unit and helpers from surrounding farms.

The outbreak swept through the area where a number of native camps are established, but did not commence from this source as there are no natives now living in the locality.

The fire co-incided with the first burst of summer weather for the summer to date and was a reminder that the period when extreme caution is required to avert fire hazards is at hand Throughout the district lush crops are ripening and there are thousands of acres of pasture which could provide fuel for a holocaust in the event of a fire getting out of control.

Saturday's blaze again proved the value of the bush unit and the units brought to the outbreak from neighbouring farms.

Now that they have had warning of the dangers ahead, residents of the district, including the town area, should take the opportunity of averting risks by taking advantage of the extension of the restricted burning period to November 28. Restrictive burning may be carried out after 6 p.m. (but not on Sundays) without securing a permit.

OUTBREAK NEAR "ROMILLY"

An outbreak of fire was also noted in the Dale region over the week-end, this occurring on the reserve near Romilly. It started near a road but was quickly seen by Jim Strange. who lives in the area and who was soon on the scene to prevent its spread. Little or no damage resulted.

Ski Carnival [Continued]

HALL CROWDED OUT

A dance in the Bally Bally hall on Saturday night netted over $100 at the door, the old building being literally "bursting at the seams" with the crowd which danced, or attempted to. whilst a bigger crowd thronged the hall's immediate vicinity. It was the largest gathering ever noted at the centre.

During the Carnival several planes were flown to the site, landing in the adjoining paddock, and on Sunday afternoon there was a display of aerobatics by a Moth pilot who "looped the loop" and indulged in other stunts.

PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES

Trophies given by local residents for competition over the three days were presented to the successful contestants by the president of the Beverley Shire. Mr W. E. A. Heal, following the completion of the programme on Monday afternoon.

VISITORS TO THE PEAK

Many of those who visited for the Carnival took the opportunity before leaving for home of driving to County Peak over the new tourist road that has just been completed and of admiring the sweeping panoramas available from this vantage point from which landmarks in all the adjoining shires can be seen.

EXCELLENT COVERAGE

Excellent coverage of all events on the programme was provided at the site over the Ford Bros. public address system by the official commentator for the Ski Association Mr B. Saggers to whom many thanks are due.

Special thanks is accorded Geoff Smith, of Balkuling, Beverley Club's chief judge, for the leading part he played in the conduct of the fixture.

Results

Senior men's Slalom (over 35 years): won by Don Weaver (Scarborough club). Senior men's tricks: G. Medcalf of Playboy club.

Senior Women's Slalom (over 35 years): Edith Ecker (Melville). Senior Women's tricks: Edith Ecker - score 690, a State record.

Women's slalom: G. Beckett (Bunbury). Women's tricks: W Gracie (Play boy).

Men's slalom: G. Budd (City of Perth). Men's tricks: S. Devitt (Scarborough club) — score 1,040. a State record.

Junior Boy's slalom: J. Ecker (Melville). Junior Boy's tricks J. Ecker (Melville) - score 690 a State record.

Junior girl's slalom: V. Williams (Inland).

Sub-junior Boy's slalom - C. Beckett (Bunbury). Sub-junior boy's tricks: G. Ecker (Melville).

Sub junior girl's slalom: Leoni Piper (Melville).

Best country skier: D. Braund (Bunbury); Best display: Beverlay May pole; Barefoot display: R. Ford (Playboy) Relay Lake Ninan; Marathon: Beverley (driver: Hedley Giles and skiers Mal Edwards and Colin Robins.)

Kleenheat Decentralises Bulk Storage

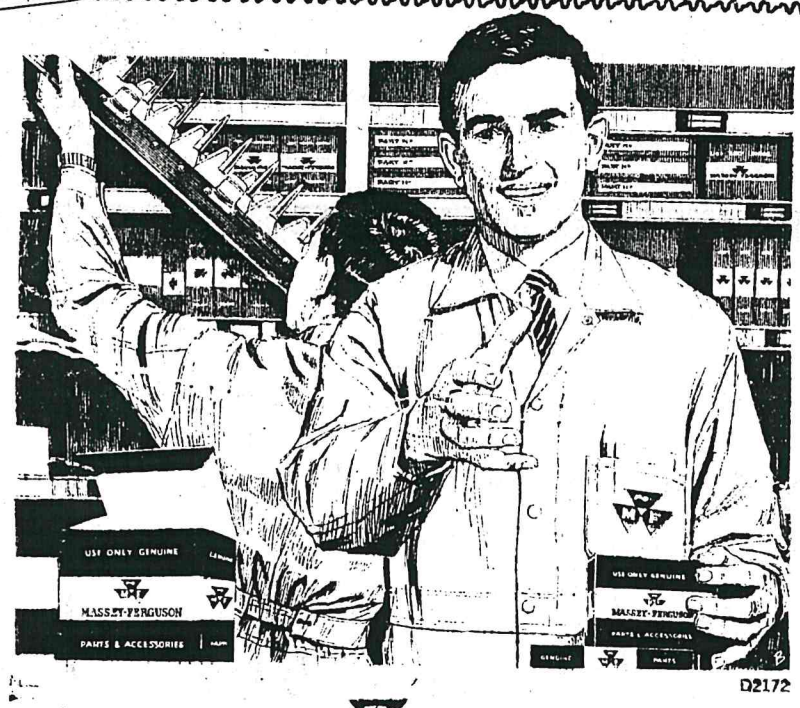
Two big bulk storage tanks, each with a 30 ton capacity have been installed to hold Kleenheat gas, one at Wagin, the other at Geraldton. The bulk storage depots will be used as satellite filling stations for the road tankers which fill cylinders in the country.

The new bulk storage depots will be fed by the biggest road tanker in Australia, a 15 tons capacity unit which will begin operating in February The all-up weight of the tanker and prime mover filed with the 15 tons of gas will be 32 tons

By establishing the country depots Kleenheat will save on empty running of the cylinder servicing tankers by enabling them to fill up and discharge continuously on their way from and back to Perth.

Wagin was chosen as the geographical centre of the Great Southern to enable smaller tankers to service east to Bunbury, west to the lakes district, south to Albany and north to Perth. The Geraldton depot will feed Carnarvon and the Exmouth Gulf as well as Northern wheatbelt centres. The result will be easier meeting of peak country demands and the quicker turn around of cylinders with the added safety factor of larger reserve storage capacities.

The establishment of the depots has called for a high degree of organisation at international, national and local levels.



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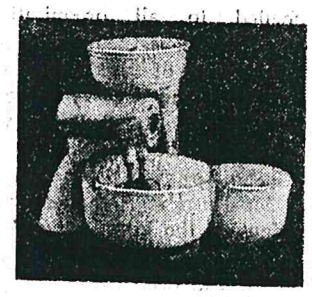

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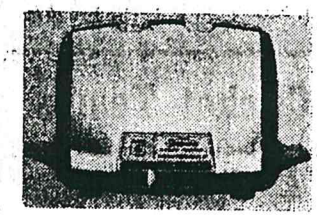

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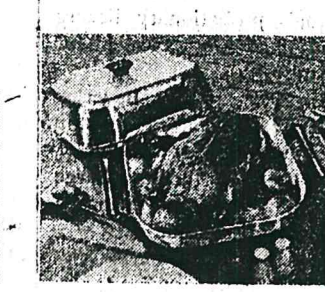

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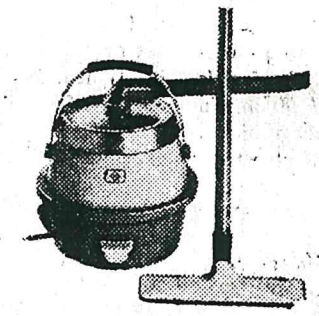

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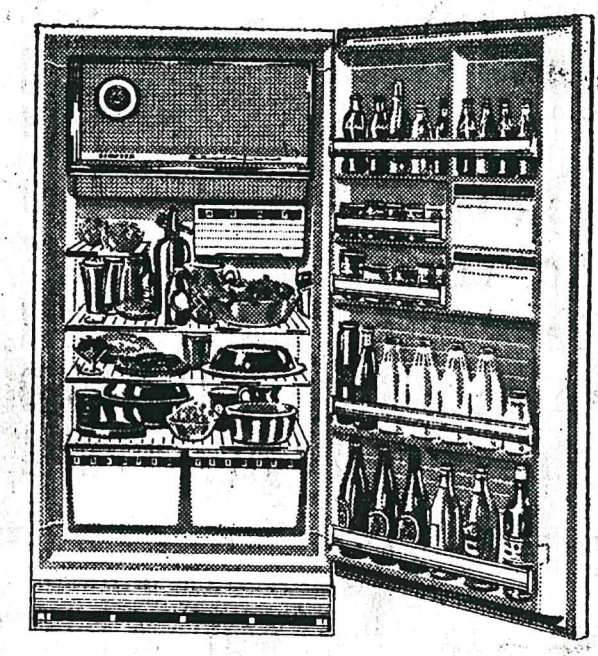

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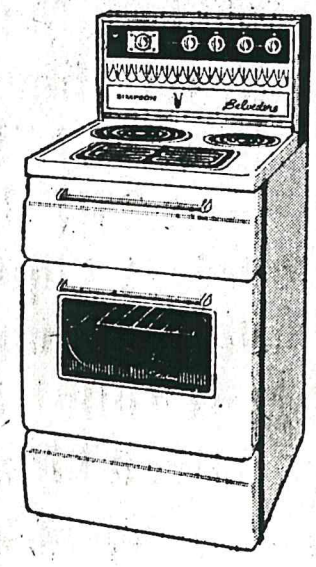

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FISH FOR LAKES SYSTEM ?

The possibility of introducing a suitable type of fish to the lakes system in this district will be under discussion on Wednesday next when at the invitation of the Beverley Shire Council and the Beverley Ski club, the Minister for Fisheries and Fauna, the Hon. G. C. MacKinnon, M.L.C., in company with Departmental officers, will visit the lakes. The visit has been arranged through the Member for the District, Mr. H. W. Gayfer, M.L.A. and the patron of the Ski Club, the Hon. Roy Abbey, M.L.C., and the opportunity will be taken to study the wild life of the area with a view to investigating whether there is any type of useful fish that could be propagated in the waters.

The visitors will on arrival in the area first travel over the tourist road which has been built to provide access to the summit of County Peak from where splendid views of the countryside can be obtained. They will then be taken on a boat trip through the series of lakes made navigable as a result of the damming back of the lake waters at Qualanderry

Mr. Jack McLean, Commodore of the Ski club and an honorary game warden, and Mr Henry Hall, who is also active in game conservation as an honorary warden, are making their boats available for the trip. At Ossig's Lake the party will disembark and will travel by road to Mear's Lake where another substantial body of water is located. On return to the ski-ing lake a picn lunch will be enjoyed. Lat the party will return to Beve ley and it is hoped to meet many Shire Councillors as a able to attend at the office. A ternoon tea will also be enjo ed prior to the Minister's d parture.

We understand Beverle Shire president, Councillor V E. A. Heal, will accompar the visitors and parliamenta representatives on the lak trip.

Record "House" at Drive-in

The biggest attendance noted at Graham Ford's Drive-in theatre since its opening some months ago, was recorded on Saturday night last when every car berth in the enclosure (num bering 180) was occupied. Included in the vehicles noted at the theatre were about 100 from outside districts which was indicative of the fact that good film shows can still draw crowds. The film being shown was the excellent British comedy offering "Tom Jones" and this attraction was augmented by the playing for an hour before the show commenced of the popular "Valiants" orchestra from Quairading.

"THEY'RE A WEIRD MOB" NEXT WEEK

Mr. Ford is fortunate to have secured another outstanding film for his local theatre and this commences next Wednesday and will run for a week - the longest season ever accorded a film in Beverley. The picture is "They're a Weird Mob" from the popular Australian book by John O'Grady and a feature of its local presentation is that the film is still breaking records in the city where it opened a month ago. It is without precedent for a film to be showing here and in the city at the same time. Mr. Ford makes no secret of the fact that he believes it will break all records for a local theatre season.

THIS WEEK-END

It is the season for comedy at the local drive-in and this Saturday's offering (to be repeated Monday and Tuesday) loses nothing in entertainment value with its immediate predecessor. The film is Billy Wilder's "Irma La Douce" with Jack Lemmon and Shirley Mac Laine as the mainstays of the fun sequences. The picture had a long city run and will be responsible for gales of laughter at its local screenings.

THE ELECTIONS

Although it was anticipated in most circles that the Liberal - C.P. coalition government would be returned to power in last Saturday's Federal elections there would have been few who ventured to predict the near landslide vote in its favour which resulted from the appeal to the electors. Final returns are still in doubt in a number of electorates when these notes were written but it would seem that the government will have a record majority of something over 30 in the new parliament.

The substantial vote of confidence came mostly from the Eastern States and particularly South Australia. In Western Australia the state of the parties at the moment looks as if it will be very similar to the last parliament. Much interest centred in the Moore and Canning seats where, with Labor preferences going to the Liberals on this occasion, it was anticipated that the C.P. members for these seats Messrs D. W. Maisey and J. M. Hallett, respectively, would be hard - pressed to retain the representation. However, Mr Maisey is assured of re-election whilst by Tuesday last it appeared fair certain that Mr. Hallett wou also retain Canning. C.P. of cials were very confident this result.

Mr. Hallett must have bee very pleased by the support, corded in these parts where was very decisively in the cendent with the first count primary votes. The Beverl returns, which embraced box from a number of surroundi centres, showed that he h polled 2,396 votes to Sno (Liberal) 682, Edwards (Labo 575, and Finlay (DLP) 1

District Wardens Inspection of Shooting Areas

District game wardens are arranging an inspection of the shooting areas in this district and it is hoped the outing will take place on Sunday, November 11th. a week before the official opening of the season on December 18th. The tour of the Beverley and adjacent district before the opening of the season has been an annual fixture for some time past and allows the honorary wardens to assess the breeding and shooting prospects in the various localities.

It is hoped that at least two inspectors from the Fisheries and Game Department will accompany the local wardens on tht trip. All local wardens who can make the tour are invited to contact this office, phone 13.

REPORT FROM DUMBLEYUNG

Some Quairading sportsmen who travelled through the Dumbleyung district recently report that ducks are present on the lakes and waterways in that area in extraordinary numbers this year.

Inspector's Visi

Dept. of Fisheries & Fau inspector, Trevor Evans, was Beverley this week from P gelly where he is now statio He was engaged in posting ices regarding the opening the duck shooting season the 18th inst. in the distric shooting areas. An unusual ture of his recent conservati work in these areas was t checking of reports that pla pus had been sighted in t Dale River at West Dale, a also in the Hotham River. is the first time that such ports have been received.

School Functions and Holiday Arrangements

The following functions and dates should be of interest to residents of the Beverley district.

School open night: On December 5th the school will be open to parents and citizens of Beverley. The program will consist of room displays commencing at 7 p.m. followed by a presentation ceremony at 8.30. **Interschool sport:** Friday, December 2nd, Beverley v. Brookton at Beverley in cricket, tennis and softball. **School Vacations:** The final day of school for this year is Friday, December 16th. The first day of first term in 1967 is Monday, February 6th, 1967. First term vacation in 1967 will be —— 13/5/67 to 21/5/67. Second term will be 26/8/67 10/9/67. Final day of school for 1967 will be Friday, December 15. **Enrolment of children** to new school: The headmaster, Mr N. Tredrea will be in attendance at the school on Thursday 2nd February from 10 am to 1 pm and Friday 3rd February from 10 am to 1 pm for the enrolment of new students. Note that an extract of birth cert. must be sighted by the enrolling officer for ALL new students to the school. No enrolments will be possible on the first day of school. **Book lists:** for grades 2 - 7 will be issued at the school prior to closing in 1966. Grade 1 book lists will be available from the Newsagency, Beverley. Secondary students will be able to procure books at school under the Book Hire scheme. Secondary course and details of u forms will be supplied to gra 7 pupils before the end of t year. **School magazine:** On again the school magazine b ng produced by the studen and will be available on Op night, December 5th. **Vacati Swimming classes:** These w b held at the Beverley Swi ming pool during part of Ja uary. All enquiries about the classes should be made at t pool on commencement of t classes. School swimming cla ses will be commencing February, 1967. **End of ter** social will be held on Tuesd 13th December; **Junior stu ents Xmas tree** will be held Thursday, 15th December. T first P and C meeting in 19 will be held on Monday, 20 February.

Cinema

Movies under the Stars

Until Tuesday 13th.

"They're a Weird Mob"

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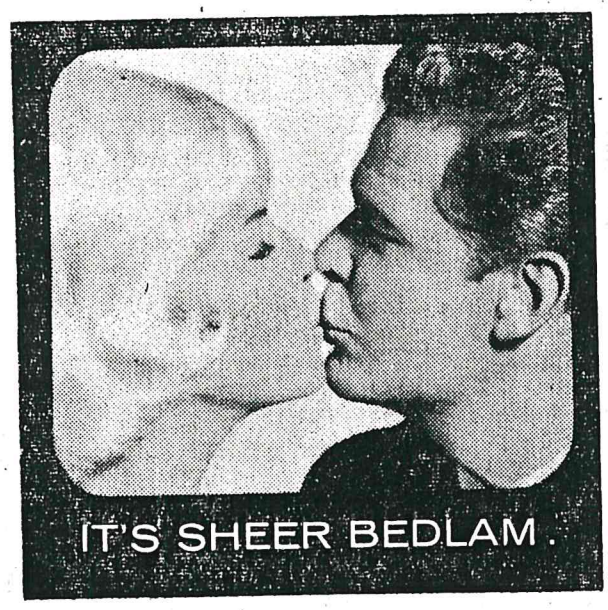

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D. Rigoll,
Shire Clerk.

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A. W. Miles,
Controller.

Notice

Melita Coiffures Salon will be closing Christmas Eve (at noon) and Re-opening 3rd. January, 1967. Also possibly closing for 2 weeks holiday after school returns in February, 1967.

Red Cross Society

BEVERLEY BRANCH

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W. E. A. Heal,
President.
D. Rigoll,
Shire Clerk.

BEVERLEY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Annual General Meeting

NOTICE is hereby given that the annual general meeting of the Beverley Agricultural Society, will be held at the Beverley Town Hall (in lounge room) on Wednesday 14th December, '66 at 8 pm

BUSINESS

1. To receive Presidents report;
2. To receive State ment of Receipts and Expenditure.
3. Election of president.
4. Election of 8 committeemen;
5. Election of Auditor.
6. Elections of Patrons;
7. Election of Delegates for Central group conferences

D. Ratcliffe,
Secretary.

The following Committeemen retire owing to effluxion of time, but are eligible for re-election — Messrs A. L. Barrett-Lennard: G. Barrett Lennard; E. T. D. Barrett-Lennard; B. E. D. Blechynden; F. R. Blechynden; M. Miller; M. S. Murray and N. McLean. Nominations to fill the vacancies will be accepted prior to the commencement of the meeting.

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gratitude to my neighbours and fellow Church members for the months of such instinting, thoughtfulness and care. Will all please eccept this as a personal expression of our sincere gratitude.

Bereavement Notice

JACKSON (Thomas). Mrs K. Jackson and family wish to Thank all kind relatives and friends for floral tributes telegrams, cards & personal expressions of sympathy in the sad loss of their dearly loved son and brother Tom. Will all please accept this as a personal expression of our sincere gratitude.

In Memoriam

CARR (Ernest James). In loving memory of our dear husband & father who passed away suddenly on Dec. 10th., 1961.

To have you back in the same old way,
Would be our dearest wish to-day.

— His loving wife Edith, and son, Keith.

Church Notices

ANGLICAN

11th December: 3rd Sunday in Advent: **St. Mary's, Beverley:** 7.30 am Holy communion; 9 am Holy communion; 7.30 pm Service of Lessons & Carols. (Featuring special carols sung by the Quartet). **St. Mark's Brookton:** 11 am Holy Baptism and Holy communion **Week-day services:** (Ember days). Wednesday 14th: 8 am Holy communion, Btn. Thursday 15th: 9 am Holy communion at Beverley.

Henry Tassell,
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It occurred on the dam on Mr Geoff Barrett - Lennard's property on the right of the road to York and near the Dale Bridge where many mane geese have been noted of late.

Attracted by the noise of a gunshot, Mr Smith, from a distance saw the shooter hasten to the road where his vehicle was parked and make off.

The geese are rather tame at this season of the year, and it is unikely that the visitor would fail to bag a bird or two.

Mr. Smith was able to note the colour of the vehicle, but could not get close enough to take its number. It was possibly a resident of the city or some other district as it seems unlikely that a local resident would risk possible identification in broad daylight (it was about midday) by shooting near a rather busy highway.

Warning to Boats on Duck Lakes

The Minister for Fisheries & Fauna, Mr. MacKinnon, who was in Beverley on Wednesday issued a warning to persons who operated power boats on lakes which were open to duck shooting. He said they should exercise the greatest care not to commit a breach of the Fauna Protection Act. If they did not do so their boats could be seized and forfeited to the Crown. This drastic action, the Minister explained, could be taken under Regulation 20, which provided, among other things that no person shall drive any bird over shooters by means of motor vehicles, aircraft, power boat or other means.

"All wardens and honorary wardens are authorised to seize any illegal device, thing or means and upon conviction the illegal device, thing or means may be confiscated to the Crown," the Minister said.

"Wardens and honorary wardens are often asked whether power boats are prohibited on duck shooting lakes." Mr MacKinnon continued "While there is no specific prohibition, I suggest it would be better not to use them than risk confiscation," he said. He concluded by saying that shooters themselves who wished to use power boats to reach otherwise inaccessible shooting spots should be very careful not to drive birds over other shooters either deliberately, or accidentally.

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SHOOTING SEASON OPENS SUNDAY

The opening of the duck shooting season for 1966-67 opens in these districts at 5a.m. on Sunday next and it would appear that as many shooters as usual will be participating in the annual outing with the district representation augmented by many visitors from the city and other centres.

A tour of the shooting areas by local game wardens and two visiting inspectors of the Fisheries and Game Department last Sunday revealed that ducks were somewhat scarcer in some areas than is usual. On the lakes near Qualanderry members of the Ski Club who were early visitors to the locality reported that some big flights of duck were noted but these soon made themselves scarce as boating activities continued into the afternoon and it was impossible for the wardens to make an estimate of the numbers present in that locality.

On the lakes East of Rocky Lake large numbers of wildfowl were noted, teal predominating with a few mobs of mountain duck and a smaller number of black duck.

The biggest aggregation of duck noted on the trip was seen at the Channel lakes where there are some thousands of birds and where there are excellent prospects for a successful shoot. At Mears, which is at a much lower level than was the case at this time last year perhaps 500 ducks were noted, although there could be greater numbers in the timbered areas at the South end of the lake.

The visiting party met up with honorary warden Henry Hall at the Channels and he reported that the duck population in the area has been building up daily in recent weeks and that this is normal at this period of the year throughout the lake system.

Shooters at Rocky, Ossigs and the lower lakes will no doubt enjoy sport as the big gathering of sportsmen at the Channels begin operations and drive the birds to the other waterways.

Although the wardens were not able to visit Jurakine, honorary warden Frank Nicholls reports a large aggregation of birds in that part of the river where the breeding appears to have been about normal.

CONSIDERATION NEEDED

A call at the 'Lakeside' home of the Hartley Mills family elicited that the owners of the land in the area do not demand that shooters passing through their property on the way to shooting resorts should call at 'Lakeside" and seek permission as was at one time requested. They do however seek the utmost co-operation from shooters and others in regard to camp fires and the cleaning up of camp sites. In the past bottles, tins and debris have often littered such areas. It 's asked that such litter be taken away and deposited elsewhere. It is not long since a farmer in that locality found that one party illegally shooting on a dam had thrown all the empties into the dam. Such lack of consideration can be a source of annoyance to the owners of property and can lead to friction between the land owners and the public. In their own interest sportsmen should remember that they visit many areas on sufferance and should do everything to preserve good relations.

Traffic Convictions

Two brothers were convicted of serious traffic offences in the Beverley Police Court on Friday last.

Neville D. Sing was charged with reckless driving as a result of an episode of broadsiding in Dempster Street, and in the vicinity of the Swimming Pool on Saturday, 12th November. In convicting him, Magistrate A. L. O'Brien said that the Court viewed such behaviour seriously, and imposed a fine of $40, in addition to suspending his driver's license for 6 months.

Frederick J. Sing was convicted of dangerous driving after evidence had been given by the Traffic Inspector that he had seen Sing driving at an estimated speed of 30 m.p.h. in Vincent Street during a busy shopping afternoon. The car's wheels skidded as it turned into the yard of a hotel and when asked for an explanation Sing replied that he had had too much to drink. He was fined $30, with $14.10 costs.

CARELESS DRIVING

Ronald Smith was charged with careless driving as a result of an accident in which his vehicle collided with an electricity pole on the right - hand side of Queen Street at 10.30 p.m. on the 25th November. Smith said in explanation that something had run from the left side of the road, and he had swerved to avoid it. He was convicted and fined $10. with $11.30 costs.

Disorderly Conduct Brings Fines

At the Beverley Police Court on Friday last three young men faced charges of disorderly conduct in the street near the Beverley Hospital and in hospital grounds and were fined by presiding magistrate A. L. O'Brien Those charged were all residents of Brookton. They were: Jan Hitzert (20) shearer, Geoffrey Spice (20) truck driver, and Wayne Schmidt (22) butcher.

Constable Frank Simmonds told the court that the defendants had driven around the hospital whistling at the nurses quarters where the lights were on, and also drove their car into the private entrance up to the matron's flat.

The offences occurred on November 5, at 7.30 in the evening.

Those concerned in the charges pleaded not guilty and were represented by Mr Keith Hammond, of Maybrry and Hammond, Northam.. Counsel maintaned that driving around the road and into the grounds was not disorderly conduct and denied that the young men had been whistling, but Magistrate O'Brien was satisfied that an offence had occurred and that the statements made by the police were correct. He held that it was no trivial offence.

He fined each offendor $10, and costs $2.33.

Mail Arrangements

On Wednesday, 21st December, 1966, a special bus ex Perth 9a.m. for Albany via York will run, returning same route Thursday, 22nd December, 1966, departing Albany at 9 a.m. As an effect the following mails will be handled with Perth (only). It should be specially noted that only first class mail will be handled):

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Warning to Shooters

Commodore of the Beverley Ski Club, Jack McLean, has called the attention of duck shooters at next Sunday's opening of the season to the dangers inherent in the increased depth of water over the lakes system this year. In an interview he stated that sportsmen will find that some of the areas to which in the past they have been able to wade will be inaccessible this year because of this greater depth.

In other cases it may be found that shooters will have to move back from their usual camp sites at the lakeside which will be under water.

Compensations for such inconvenience will be the additional vantage points from which sportsmen may operate and which in the main provide more cover than was previously available.

As long as care is taken there should be no danger.

West Beverley Blaze

A fire which occurred in the absence of owners J. A. & S. D. Moulton who were in Perth fulfilling a medical appointment on Monday last, swept through about 20 acres of standing crop and 70 acres of stubble before being brought under control by volunteers from Beverley and neighbouring farms. It was the third serious fire to occur in the Dale area for the summer to date.

Some farm equipment had been moved in the area prior to the outbreak being noticed but the cause of the conflagration is not known for certain. The crop destroyed was covered by insurance.

The outbreak occurred in the afternoon and there was soon a good assemblage of fire fighters including a contingent of volunteers from Beverley who took the centrally based unit to the scene. Mr Moulton stated on Tuesday he was most appreciative of the good work carried out by the firefighters in his absence and in another part of this issue he expresses appreciation to all concerned.

SECOND BLAZE AT "SPRING DELL"

For the second occasion within a few days a call for assistance to fight a fire was made from the J. L. Thomas 'Spring Dell' property at the Dale on Friday afternoon.

In the preceeding outbreak some 600 acres of pasture land was destroyed whilst in the latest outbreak the fire overran a further 300 acres in the same area. It was thought a willy willy may have carried still smouldering debris from the first fire to start the blaze. There was again a good response from firefighters and the central fire tender was again taken to the scene. The 'Spring Dell' community in this issue expresses thanks to all.

Xmas Greetings

Increasing numbers of the public avail themselves of the newspapers to convey seasonal greetings and this issue of the "Beverley Times" contains a number of such announcements. Many more are to hand from firms and private sources and will be published next week.

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Fire Outbreak Follows Sunday's Shoot

The long record of freedom from fire outbreaks on the occasion of the opening of the duck shooting season in this district was broken this year when a fire followed the departure of shooters from the Rocky lake area. Year after year the point has been stressed in the press that shooters must use the utmost care to preserve the good relationships between themselves and those farmers on whose property they often trespass and it is unfortunate that last Sunday's outbreak could jeopardise a previously happy situation.

Below is printed a letter received on Wednesday from well-known honorary game warden, Henry Hall, who writes from first hand observation, having been among those who fought the flames:

To the Editor

Sir,

The nett result of the attempt to establish a co-operative liaison between duck shooters and land holders adjacent to the Beverley lakes was a bushfire resulting from a neglected camp fire.

At 5 p.m. on Sunday, after shooters had left the area flames and smoke were seen rising from the well-known Rocky bank which took local farmers with heavy duty fire fighting equipment, plus the help of visiting water skiers, a considerable time to quell, the fire being of such intensity that water had to be pumped direct from the lake on to the fire.

Had it not been for a steady southerly wind, the fire would have been nothing less than disastrous in adjacent crops and pastures.

It is plainly evident that the fire originated from the first camp site on the track from the south entrance to Rocky bank.

This type of criminal negligence is only deepening a very real rift between shooters and the land holders.

Yours etc.,
Henry G. Hall,
Hon. Warden of Fauna.

New Council Offices in Use

Handsome and comfortable furnishings and appointments are features in the new Shire offices which are now in use. The spacious Council chambers are situated near the entrance, with immediate access to the counters where business with the public is transacted.

Adjoining the Council chambers is the President's room where interviews can be conducted. The Shire Clerk's office is handily situated on the West side of the building and there are separate offices for the assistant Shire clerk and for the traffic and health inspector, with facilities also provided for junior office workers. Indoor toilets for both men and women are provided and there is adequate provision for the storage of office books and stationary etc.

Very comfortable seating is provided throughout the building and rooms are carpeted. There is a covered way between the office building and the Town Hall where new toilet facilities have been built near the front of the building.

The concept of the new premises has been carried out with a view to the future and there should be no complaints of cramped quarters in the foreseeable future.

One aspect which pleases is the surrounding greenery comprising trees and lawns of the adjoining civic centre grounds, whilst quick growing lawn is already well established at the frontage of the building.

The official opening of the Shire offices will not take place until the nearby aeronautical museum has been completed and equipped. It is to house the famed 'Silver Centenary' plane as well as relicts of early day aviation in this State. Although it is not large an estimate from an official quarter is that it will attract 10,000 visitors a year. No date has been set for the completion of this building, but the work is well advanced and an official announcement regarding the opening of both buildigs can be expected early in the neaw year.

Mixed Luck at Duck Shoot

The usual stories of mixed luck were forthcoming from sportsmen following the opening of the duck shooting season on Sunday last. There appeared to be more sportsmen than ever participating in the fixture this year and every vantage point on the Avon River and throughout the lakes system in the County Peak region was manned with hopeful shooters.

Quite a number of those who participated had good shooting and there were many individual shooters who managed to bag the limit of 15 birds. However the average of most parties would be well below this figure and could be estimated at from seven to ten birds.

In the lakes system some areas were favoured by the presence of duck to a greater extent than others. Shooters near the retaining wall at Qualanderry appear to have fared much better than was the case further East although some good shooting was reported from Rocky Lake and the vicinity, whilst one party just beyond this point averaged 10 birds per gun, whilst another larger party averaged eight.

Generally, once the shooting commenced there were more duck to be seen in tha area than had been expected.

At Jurakine there was considerable success and one party of regular shooters in the area averaged about eight per gun, the shoot being adjudged some what better than has been the case for the past two years. Further upstream in the vicinity of the "pipeline" pools the averages were lower, it being somwhat late in the morning before duck appeared in any numbers. At "Pindan's" pool one shooter obtained a limit bag, but the average of the party was well below this. At Jurakine, and other pools, there was a bigger percentage of the larger species of duck taken than is usual, black duck and Mane geese figuring largely in the bags. At the lakes black duck were scarcer, but many mountain duck were brought down. Taken right through however, it would be safe to assume that 95 per cent. of the take were teal. All species were in good condition.

A very large party of Beverley and district shooters travelled South for the opening and at Yealering some good shooting was obtained with teal very much in preponderance in the bags. In this area the shooting did not commence too early but in the vicinity of Rocky lake in this district shots were heard in the distance not long after 2 a.m. and as usual with a few individuals with itchy trigger fingers, the shooting commenced much before the scheduled 5 a.m.

In all shooting localities there were scores of shooters from the city and other areas. The worst hard luck story of the occasion came from Yealering where a Perth shooter who entered the lake loaded with ammunition of a top brand found that he had purchased a faulty consignment. Only 15 of the shells he used during the morning went off in his gun. To test whether his gun was at fault he asked other shooters in the vicinity to try some of the shells in their own guns, but the results were the same.

Last Issue of Year

This is the last issue of "The Beverley Times" for 1966. The office of the newspaper will be closed as from this (Friday) afternoon to allow for annual holidays for management and staff and will not re-open until January 9th with the first issue in the New year on January 13.

On another page we express thanks for the support accorded which has made it possible to continue the publication of the sixty-one-year-old district paper. Special thanks is due to those who supply the "life blood," the advertisers, and the contributors whose coverage helps retain public interest in the various sporting and social organisations in which they are interested.

We thank them all, together with our subscribers, and to each tender seasonal greetings.

Christmas Carols To-Night

Many residents have recently expressed the hope that a session of Carol singing might be arranged to brighten the festive occasion in the traditional manner. It is pleasing to note that this has now been arranged and a local group of singing enthusiasts will appear on the Memorial ground lawn in Vincent Street following the closing of the business premises to-night. They will present a programme of well-known carols and invite the public to attend and join in the singing. Everybody is welcome.

P.O. Holidays

Monday, 26th December, 196 closed all day - usual Sunda arrangements; **Tuesday, 27t** Open 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. N letter delivery. Outward mail will close at 10 a.m.; **Monday 2nd January, 1967:** Post offic closed all day. No letter deliv ery. Inward mail will be so.re but available to private bo holders only. Outward mail will close at 10 a.m.

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Mixed Fare at Repertory Presentation

The Beverley Repertory Club made a welcome return to the local boards when it presented "Winter Wonderland" at the Beverley Town Hall last Friday night.

The first half of the programme was a Pantomime — "Little Red Whittington" by R. Tydeman. The motivation for this charming frolic is the appearance of the narrator for 'Dick Whittington' and the compere for 'Little Red Riding Hood' on the same stage at the same time. A little repartee between these two, played in this case by Roma Kilpatrick and Colin McLean, sets the style of the play and a compromise is reached — the two plays will be presented simultaneously.

This deceptively simple presentation was handled well by the local cast. The acting was competent, the singing gay and tuneful, stage settings and costumes were colourful and effective, scene changes were made with a minimum of delay and the whole production moved along without a missed beat. It was pleasing to note the appearance of some new young male players — Des McLean and Mal Fleay. With more experienced members in Norma Wansbrough and Beryl Smith, they gave good support to those in the name parts — Elizabeth Baker, a very vivacious Red Riding Hood; Grant Gregory as Dick Whittington; Roslyn Byrne the Cat and Lance Ellis the Wolf. While his costume may have suggested 'Taffy the Lion' rather than a wolf, Mr Ellis' characterization was excellent. The relish with which he took his part was much appreciated by the audience.

If there had to be a star of this show it could have been Roslyn Byrne; she was appropriately and realistically costumed, her expression and movements were most feline and she delivered her lines with great effect.

This was a lively presentation which was over all too soon. The producer, Mrs Kilpatrick, and her cast are to be congratulated.

The second half of the programme was a musical directed by Agnes Bailey. Twenty - five separate items of music and dance provided variety and contrast in style and mood, including musical comedy, light classics, piano and ballet solos, a female impersonator and pop music, complete with gogo girls

"Old hands," Roma Kilpatrick, Phyllis Schilling, Meg Ratcliffe and Mrs Bailey herself, carried the bulk of the solo singing in the competent manner local audiences have come to expect of them. Mrs Bailey was at her best in items with an element of comedy and not ably popular was her duet with Mrs Schilling "A Couple of Swells." Their voices blended very well, the timing of the act was excellent and the humour appreciated by the audience.

Performers in the classic style — ballerina Beth Ratcliffe, and pianist Judy Ardagh — evoked good response with their respective items. Miss Ratcliffe continues to show her advancement as a result of Madame Borsloff's instruction, while Miss Ardagh, a pianist of some talent, displayed a technical excellence not often seen in Beverley and should be sought after in future Repertory activities.

——— (Continued on page 8)

Big Wins on "Sarain"

Beverley punters had the better of the local TAB agency on Saturday. There was much jubilation when Mr and Mrs Don Young's five - year - old 'Sarain' won over 9 furlongs at Belmont and the pay-out at the agency is reported to have totalled over $1300. This was more than the Agency held in cash, and cheques were tendered to some of the lucky winners.

'Sarain' is bred well enough to win many races in this State being by 'Wateringbury' from Mr. Young's former champion mare 'Chestnut Lady,' but has not had a great deal of success However it won first up at the last Beverley meeting and has followed this up at its second start in the city with another success. It started at a munificent 14 to 1.

'Sarain' holds the record for the 6 furlong less 60 yards race distance on the Beverley track, having once run the journey in 1 min. 9 secs. The best any other horse has ever recorded for the distance here is 1.10.

Mr and Mrs Young made no secret of the fact that they considered the horse had a great chance on Saturday and local followers, who always show allegience to locally bred horses, duly profited.

Auxiliary Bishop's Visit

Bishop Bruce Rosier, M.A., the second Auxiliary Bishop of Perth, will be visiting the parish of Beverley/Brookton for a few days on Sunday, June 11th Prior to his consecration, Bishop Rosier was Rector of Kellerberrin. He is now living in Northam and his main work lies with the country parishes of the Diocese. He will be preaching and sharing in the services on that Sunday, both in Brookton and Beverley. The evening service at Beverley (at 7.30 p.m.) will be followed by an informal get - to - gether to welcome the Bishop and to meet him. During the week following he will be visiting the schools, in the parish generally.

Road to Ski-ing Lake

The May meeting of the Beverley Shire Council held on th 18th ult. was adjourned at 2 p.m. when the Councillors received a deputation from the Beverley Ski Club comprising Messrs K. Doncon, G. Draper and L. Bateman. The deputation discussed with the Council the survey of an access road to the Reserve (ski-ing site) and the vesting of the Reserve in the Beverley Shire Council.

It was finally agreed that on the day of the annual district inspection in June that Council members and a delegation from the Ski Club would meet Mr Eric McLean if possible at the lakes and make an on the spot investigation of possible routes for an access road.

Farm Work Delayed

Seasonal operations on many farms in the district have been further delayed as a result of rains received last week - end. Although these were not excessive, coming on top of previous drenching falls they resulted in a continuance of boggy conditions which have militated against seasonal cropping programmes over the past fort night.

At the post office the week-end falls totalled 32 points but much heavier gaugings were noted at the Dale.

The latest falls at Beverley brought the May total to Tuesday last to 572 points. This means that the month's total is more than double the average for all years, which is 230 pts. Record May falls have also been noted in many other areas and at Perth the total for the month is the highest for over 10 years.

Some Dale farmers have experienced up to eight inches of rain for the period.

Quajabin Peak Look - out

A project which has been under way for some time past was further discussed at the May meeting of the Beverley Shire Council when Councillors had before them a letter from the Dept. of Lands and Surveys seeking an early reply to a previous letter which sought the Council's decision on the resumptions necessary for the "tourist look - out" on Quajabin Peak (County Peak).

After all the correspondence on this matter had been discussed at some length it was resolved that Mr J. D. McLean be contacted to see whether he would be prepared to meet the Council later in the day with a view to arriving at some satisfactory settlement of the problem.

Later in the meeting the Shire Clerk reported that he had contacted Mr McLean who, however, had been unable to meet the Council that day (May 18). It was thereupon agreed that the resolution carried at the April meeting be implemented.

Cattle Stealing in Dale Area

There have been a number of cases in recent months of cattle stealing in the Dale area of the district and police and CIB investigations are continuing in this & adjacent districts where thefts have also been reported. A heavy loser is Mr Bill Hobbs who has lost 25 head of baby beef from his property adjacent the Dale River since April last. The local police officer was at the property again this week in furtherance of current enquiries.

Monday Holiday

In observance of the Foundation Day public holiday on Monday next, 5th June, the following arrangements will apply at the Beverley Post office.

Office open between 9a.m. and 10a.m. for all classes business except Money Order; Inward mails will be sorted; No letter delivery; Outwards mail will close at 10a.m.

Penalties in Children's Court Offences

The May meeting of the local Shire Council had before it a letter from Beverley Justices of the Peace requesting the Council to arrange a deputation to the Hon. Minister for Justice and the Hon Minister for Child Welfare to discuss the awarding of penalties in children's court offences. The meeting decided to request the Member for the District, Mr H. W. Gayfer, M.L.A, to arrange the deputation as requested.

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TANK SITE PROGRESS

Workmen of the Shire Council have been engaged at the site of the underground tank which has been excavated to provide water for the grassing of the local oval.

The Shire has received an un expected bonus from the recent rains in that great quantities of fresh water have been flowing into the receptacle from the surrounding areas so that at the moment there is between 4 and 5 feet of water impounded. None of this has come from the adjacent creek, the waters of which when flowing sufficien tly free of salt content will be diverted to the tank.

Work is going on now to divert the water which flows down the western side of Hunt Road from police station hill to the creek into the dam. Normally this large volume of perfectly fresh water flows into the creek. There also appears to be a large run off from the south side of the tank which can be utilised, making the pro ject less dependent on the creek waters. Judging by the deep erosions which have occurred at the south side of the tank there has lately been a big flow of water from that quarter. One of the washouts is about 4 feet deep.

The pipes, near the dam, through which the tank water will be pumped to the oval have been in place for some time except for that portion which will be floated on the surface, rising and falling with the tank water level. However the reticulation from this point to the oval has still to be carried out.

At the moment the receptacle is still far from full but every gallon of fresh water which can be diverted from the street and surro u n d i n g areas will be of advantage.

Engine and Truck Derailed

A steam engine and a railway truck were derailed at the southern end of the Beverley railway yards during shunting operations on Tuesday. Later the railway gang with the aid of sleepers, jacks and another engine, were able to get the derailed engine back on the line, whilst the truck received atten tion later on Wednesday. No damage appears to have occurred.

Lakes Filling Rapidly

Advice was received from Mr Henry Hall, a resident of the Aldersyde area, that the lakes in the South Caroling area had begun to flow as a result of recent rains to the Eastwards of that centre. This should mean that volumes of water will very soon be reaching the lakes system in the County Peak portion of this district.

This year it will not require a great deal of water to fill the local lakes which as a result of the retaining wall constructed at Qualan d e r r y crossing nearly two years ago were still holding an average of about 3 feet of water at the end of the summer, despite the five almost rainless months experienced.

Recent falls of rain in this district and over the lakes area raised the level several inches. The Avon River in the Qualanderry area rose to a level at which, prior to the construction of the retaining wall, it would have flowed into the lakes which at one time was the source from which they normally filled.

Thousands of wild duck were to be observed in the area at the end of the summer and with the new breeding sites created by the damming of the lakes water the prospects of good shooting in the area next season are bright.

Passing Bays for Gt. Eastern H'way

Mr H. W. Gayfer, M.L.A., for Avon has been advised by the Commissioner of Main Roads that investigations are proceeding on planning for passing bays between Perth and the Lakes turn-off to York.

The Minister says that with the high speed traffic on this road long lengths of widened road with adequate visibility will be needed to enable cars to make passing manoeuvres with safety. This road is, of course, quite undulating and somewhat tortuous, and it is not easy to locate sections of sufficient length to readily accommodate the requirements of passing lanes. Never-the-less it is hoped that the problems can be solved in the not too distant future. Naturally the Main Roads Dept. will not be in a position to cover the whole length of this section at the one time, and will concentrate on those lengths which they consider have a higher priority.

Wildlife Study

Mr T. L. Riggert, Wildlife Research Officer attached to the Department of Fisheries and Fauna has written to honorary game wardens in this district advising that he is again carrying out a research programme on mountain ducks which are increasing in numbers in this State.

Portion of the research deals with the artificial incubation of the eggs of this species of duck and the raising of them in captivity to the adult stage. By this means vital information on growth rate, plumage development and breeding age, etc. can be gained.

Wardens are asked to help by locating moun t a i n ducks nests from which eggs for incubation may be obtained. The Department will be most grateful for such information. The address is: Dept. of Fisheries and Fauna, Ellam St., South Perth.

Car Burnt Out

Mr. Alwyn Woods, a resident of this town, suffered a severe loss when his car was burnt out near Mr M. Hick's property at the Dale on Tuesday. Full details of the occurrence were not available when these notes were prepared.

Small Audience Enjoys National Theatre Players' Visit

A large section of the local public missed an entertainment treat last M o n d a y evening. Barely five rows of seating were occupied when the National Theatre players from the Playhouse in Perth presented "Mary, Mary" at the Beverley Town Hall.

The cast of professionals, Ron Tunstall, Diane Greentree, Neale Warrington, John Preston and Cornelia Frances, with their director, Edgar Metcalfe, brought the play to life with highly polished performances. From the first moments of viewing the excellent set and Ron Tunstall's first entrance, the audience were aware that they were "in good hands" and could sit back and relax with the laugh a minute provided by the comedy, at the same time appreciating the freshness and authenticity of the live stage presentation of a high artistic standard.

The play, a romantic comedy, by an American, Jean Kerr, is a comment on modern day matrimony. It is a fairly familiar one but the play is slick and scintillating throughout its three acts, with a profusion of extremely witty lines.

The plot concerns a young publisher Bob McKellaway; his fiancee, Tiffany Richards; his friend and lawyer Neale Warrington; a film star, Dirk Winston — also his friend; and Bob's ex wife Mary. The setting is in his New York apartment and the time the present. It is very soon apparent that Bob and Mary must be re-united and it is the revealing of the parts which the characters of the play have in effecting its inevitable happy ending which keeps the audience curious and entertained.

Despite the chilly night, the hard seats and the sounds filtering through from a function in the Lesser hall, the interest and attention of the audience did not falter from start to finish. All members of the cast are highly talented performers with considerable experience in professional theatre, radio and TV and it is to be regretted that there was not a bigger house to enjoy the privelege of their visit.

As well as the evening performance of "Mary, Mary" the t o u r i n g party of only seven players, have three plays for presentation to school children during the day. That none of the strain of this quite tiring programme or the inconvenience of unfamiliar stage and hall was apparent, and indeed that the players seemed to find last Monday evenings performance almost as satisfying as the audience, makes it even more laudible.

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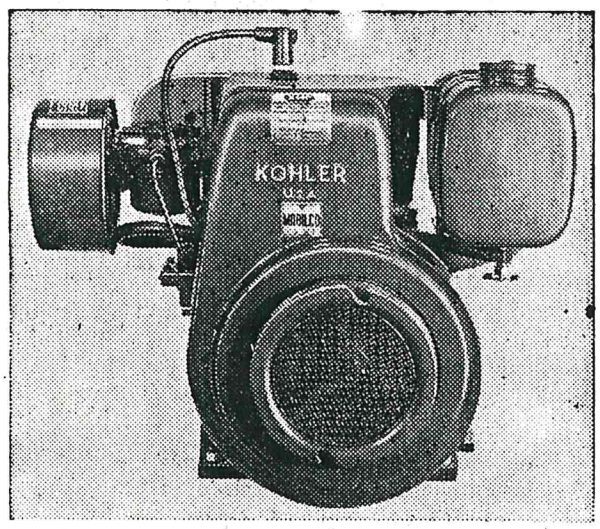

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Beverley Ram Sale Upholds Reputation for Quality

The Beverley and Districts Stud Sheepbreeders Assn. Inc., held its 9th Annual ram sale at the Association's selling shed last Friday (July 28). Although the number of rams offered was less than last year, it was considered that the quality was of a higher standard, as was evident by the prices obtained.

The highest price at the sale was $1150 obtained for a Bungaree Stud ram offered on behalf of Messrs E. T. K. Barrett-Lennard & Co., of "Woonderlin," Beverley.

ELDERS REPORT

Beverley & Districts Stud Breeders are to be commended on their excellent ninth annual sale on July 28, when an outstanding presentation of top Bungaree, Collinsville, and Peppin blood sires were submitted to a large attendance of buyers.

An exceptional catalogue offered by Elders-GM attracted consistent and sustained competition throughout with the top price of $1150 being paid by Messrs A. L. Barrett-Lennard & Co., of the "Horsford Stud," Beverley, for a top stud sire offered by the well - known "Woonderlin" stud of E. T. K. Barrett-Lennard & Co. The second top price ram was also penned in Elders-GM catalogue on account of G. Barrett-Lennard & Co., "Annandale," Beverley and was purchased by Mrs M. H. Borgward & Son of "Strathfillin," Minnivale, for $1125. These buyers have purchased the top ram of the "Annandale" team for thirteen consecutive years.

Details Elders-GM catalogue:

Bungaree blood: G. Barrett-Lennard & Co., 'Annandale,' 14 rams sold to $1125 av. $399; A. L. Barett-Lennard "Horsford," 10 rams sold to $550 av. $233; E. T. K. Barrett-Lennard, "Woonderlin," 20 rams s/to $1150 av. $327.40; W. H. Broun & Son "Southbourne" 10 rams sold to $220 av. $182.20; C. R. McGlew & Co., 'Seaton Ross' 3 rams to $80, average $80.

Peppin blood: K. H. Doncon, "Timaru" 12 rams to $625; average $304.16.

The Elders-GM catalogue of 69 rams averaged $292.38.

Visitors to Local Art Centre

On Sunday last about twenty visitors from Applecross were entertained by the Beverley Art Group. One of them was Mary Bond, whose exhibition last week in Boans Fashion Hall was such a success. She brought several of her own paintings with her, and altogether there were 30 or 40 paintings from various members of the party. Geoffrey Allen, who is one of the leading professional artists in W.A., was also with the visitors. He was a student of the Sydney Art School and then for a time taught art at Scotch College. He favours the abstract painting, and uses all media of artistic expression, from beaten silver, enamelling, copper work to designs in jewellery and ornaments in modern settings. He takes several classes a week for the Adult Education Board and belongs to the Perth Society of Artists.

It was a very pleasant day, and the pictures were arranged along the hedge bordering the lawn behind the Art Centre, and on easels here and there. They provided a very colourful and interesting display.

During the afternoon Mr Allen showed some prints of world famous paintings which he had borrowed from the Art Gallery, and gave an interesting talk. There were prints of the works of Cezanne Picasso, Paul Claye, Henri Roiesseau, Darien, Meltiski and some of the modern German and Swiss painters. Some of the viewers were perhaps "confounded with Academia" at times, but on the whole it was most interesting. In criticising the local talent he thought most of it very good, showing a great deal of promise, but he said he would like to take away the local artists little brushes and give them big ones. He urged all to paint in the broadest sense, paying less attention to details as such.

On the visitors behalf, Mr. Allen thanked the Beverley painters for their hospitality. Mrs Eyon thanked Mr Allen for his interesting talk, and all the visitors for bringing their paintngs for us to see. Another visit has been arranged for later in the year to make pictures of our local beauty spots — when the weather is more predictable

County Peak Lakes Now Overflowing

After taking considerably longer to fill this year than was expected, the lakes system in the County Peak/Bally Bally area which drains a big area of country to the eastwards, commenced to flow over the retaining wall at Qualanderry Crossing on Sunday last and are now cascading millions of gallons of water into the Avon River every hour, occasioning a rise in the level of the river which should persist for some time, particularly if further rains are experienced.

Reports received at this office would indicate that the rise in the lakes level has been occasioned by district rains rather than falls in the eastern areas as lakes in the Quairading/Dangin districts are not yet overflowing. It is reported that Lake Mears is at a low level as yet.

The Beverley lakes are now at an average depth of just over 7 feet and the water, as was the case last year, has spread over many hundreds of acres of lake country not normally inundated and created ideal breeding sites for wildfowl.

The first water to flow over the Qualanderry retaining wall was of a very high saline content. This is normal as the first flow would be comprised largely of millions of gallons of the brine-like water which has been retained in the system throughout the summer months. The salt content should drop as the flow continues.

Show Schedules Now Availalbe

Schedules for the 91st annual exhibition of the Beverley Agricultural Society are to hand and are available from secretary Dud Ratcliffe and from local business houses.

Beverley's is amongst the first of the annual shows in this State and takes place on the 26th inst. so that all intending exhibitors will need to begin planning for the occasion without delay. All last year's sections are again provided for and the Junior Farmers, it would seem, will again have an important part to play in the exhibition, their section covering many activities.

Although the local Horsemen's Assn was disbanded some time ago, there is still considerable interest in equestrian activities and the ring events should again be a feature.

Bleak Weather for Races

Very bleak conditions prevailed for the Beverley Race club's third meeting of the season on Wednesday and the attendance figures were not up to those recorded for the first two meetings. There was some very keen racing and an unusual feature was the lodging of protests in two of the first four races of the afternoon. The first of these was made on the first race and was dismissed, but the second, which was lodged after the running of the main race of the day, the Beverley Handicap of nine furlongs, was upheld. First past the post was well-backed Royal Gus, but the rider of the outsider Solar King alleged interferance going out of the straight the first time and again a furlong-and-a-half from home and after long deliberation the stewards upheld the protest, awarding the race to Solar King. Good fields contested most of the events.

Swimming Notes

Although swimming is an unseasonal subject at the moment local citizens are urged to cast their thoughts ahead to the summer months and attend the annual general meeting of the Swimming club — advertised elsewhere in these columns.

Matters of vtial importance to the Club's function and programme in the coming season are to be discussed and a good attendance is urgently requested Swimmers in the 16 plus age group who can assist in and out of the water are once again eagerly sort by the Club.

Poor Attendance at Pensioners Meeting

Mr H. Compassi, the convenor of the public meeting at which it was proposed to form a branch of the Pensioners league advises that the meeting was very poorly attended and consequently it was decided that no further action should be taken in the matter.

A Business Expands

Because business expansion over the past few years has caused his premises to become too cramped, Johnny Jacoumis has recently acquired the Barrow & Richardson buildings on the opposite side of Vincent St. and made his first move to these last week when the green-groccry section of his shop was transferred. This week the remainder of his stock has been moved to the new premises which provide very commodious accomodation and will be appreciated by customers. It will also enable expansion of the stock carried

The premises have been renovated and painted and provide a bright and attractive setting, although all the contemplated work had not been completed when these notes were prepared

A new departure is the opening of a new restaurant at the western side of the building. This will no doubt be appreciated by the public of the district. Meals, suppers, fish and chips, and grills etc., will be available as well as morning and afternoon teas, and will be served in pleasant surroundings.

Since coming to Beverley over ten years ago Johnny has shown much enterprise and has gained the support of the public. The latest move is further evidence of his desire to serve the local community and scores of friends will wish him well.

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Clearing of Avon River Bed

The clearing of the bed of the Avon River from a point near Toodyay to the lakes entrance at Qualanderry, some 23 miles South East of Beverley, which commenced three years ago is making considerable progress and by Tuesday last had been completed as far as the main bridge over the Avon at Beverley.

The work is being carried out by Public Works Department workmen who are using three bulldozers on the job. A number of interested citizens of the town watched the machines making very light work of river trees as they levelled them and pushed the debris to the side of the water channel on the first two days of this week. Some of the siltage at the North end of the Beverley town pool was also removed to give the water from the winter rains a quick getaway under the bridge.

People standing on the bridge now have an uninterrupted view for some considerable distance along the river channel to the South. One problem at the bridge site was the location of the telephone cables which to the surprise of many citizens cross the river underground. The clearing work continued without disturbance to the telephone system.

The clearing work is now continuing towards the lakes & it is hoped that finance will be available to complete the work this summer. The clearing of the channel throughout the length of the river should do much to circumvent the danger of floodings occurring in years of exceptional rainfall.

Shooting Season Opens Sunday

An event which is eagerly awaited by the majority of sportsmen of the district eventuates on Sunday morning at 5 o'clock. It is the opening of the duck shooting season and is this year taking place some three weeks later than has been the case for the past twenty or more years. Shooters everywhere are this week preparing their gear for the occasion and week-end sees a great influx of sportsmen, many travelling long distances to participate in the occasion which grows in importance year by year.

Those resident in the South west tcorner of the State, mostly employed in the dairying industry will enjoy a special concession in that the season for them will begin at 6 p. m. tomorrow (Saturday). Dairy industry employees claim that a morning opening precludes their participation in the shoot as milking schedules must be adhered to. As a consequence this concession is made in their interests. A move to do away with the special South West concession made earlier this year when the new season was under consideration was ultimately abandoned and in this respect the season being ushered in will follow the same pattern as in the past years.

The move to a later opening of the season has been made in the interests of game conservation as it is claimed that the pre-Xmas opening has been responsible for the destruction of many very young ducks and it will be interesting to note the results of the experiment. The breeding season has been an exceptional one and reports from all centres indicate that the duck population of the State is up by as much as 25 per cent. With the late opening thousands of the birds will be concentrated on smaller areas due to the drying out of small catchments. away from the more permanent lakes and pools and this in turn could lead to a bigger take of duck which will more than offset the loss of young birds claimed to occur with the earlier date. The latest moves come from the Fauna authorities and their advisers who state that this and future opening will be based on biological factors. In effect the breeding conditions each year will be considered before shooting dates are announced.

MANE GEESE

This year almost every farmer has reported prolific breeding of mane geese (or wood duck) around their farm dams and this has no doubt been occasioned by the generally favourable season which has been experienced. Normally this breed tend to depart for other climes at this season of the year and from reports to hand this is occuring again this year although there are still many of the species to be seen.

This breed of water fowl which appears to haunt farm dams to the deterioration of the stored water, is occasioning a considerable degree of concern not only to farmers but also to the Fauna authorities who are averse to issuing authority for the destruction of the birds where they are claimed to be in plague numbers until thorough investigation of the bona fides of the complaint. Naturally a "free for all" directive could spell the end of closed seasons for wild fowl in general.

SHOOTING PROSPECTS EXCELLENT

No district in the State takes a more widespread interest in the opening of the shooting season than does Beverley which is favoured by lakes and rivers which normally harbour thousands of duck. Hereabouts, in common with many other areas, there has been an exceptional breeding and a recent survey by wardens and inspectors involving a 102 miles trip indicated that shooters should have a better chance of bringing home limit bags (15ducks per day per shooter) than has been the case in recent years. The Avon River pools have good quotas of birds and the few swamps are exceptionally well stocked. The lake shooting could be exceptional.

Those attending the shoot in the Rocky lake region will not be able to reach the area from the Beverley side and must proceed through the "Lakeside" property of Mr. Wally Mills who states that he will not require them to make themselves known by calling at the homestead although he would appreciate this gesture after the opening shoot.

It is asked that shooters everywhere exercise the greatest care to avoid fire outbreaks and also to observe the normal courtesies by closing all gates through which they need to pass.

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Quiet Holiday Period

The Xmas and New Year holiday period passed off very quietly in Beverley and in the main the weather was delightfully unseasonal with cool days and nights culminating in light showers of rain last Sunday.

There were a number of parties of a private nature over the period and one or two dance fixtures here and in neighbouring towns. Many residents took the opportunity to enjoy the WATC racing round at Ascot where there were some record attendances, due no doubt to the cool conditions.

Local shops appeared to do a brisk trade prior to the holidays and shoppers were again able to enjoy late shopping facilities on Saturday December 23 when business places remained open until 9.30 p. m.

Local bowlers had the opportunity of enjoying play at one or two carnival fixtures in neighbouring centres over the holidays and a number participated in these events. Most successful were Eric Boyle and Ian Shackles who were runners up in the pairs at Brookton.

Quite a number of farmers were able to complete seasonal chores and have now left for holidays at coastal resorts, whilst others are now preparing to leave.

Many of those who have left for the coast will no doubt be returning for a day or two this week end to participate in the opening of the duck shooting season.

The Beverley Volunteer firemen were able to arrange for Father Xmas to be taken around the town on Xmas morning as in past years. He distributed sweets to children en route as well as conveying seasonal greetings to all and sundry whilst at the hospital he dispersed good cheer to staff and patients.

Good Samaritans at Work

A gathering of good Samaritans just before Xmas at the farm of Mr. Eric McLean no doubt took a load off the mind of the latter when they set to work with several machines and completed the harvest which had been held up as a result of the serious accident which befell Mr and Mrs McLean and the children on December 10th. We understand the remaining crop was harvested in one day. It was one of a number of cases which have been reported in this State in recent years where neighbours and friends have rallied to support a fellow citizen in an emergency.

As a result of the accident which occurred on the Bally Bally road just south of the hall and resulted from a collision between two vehicles, Mr. McLean and two of the children were admitted to the Beverley Hospital whilst Mrs McLean who sustained far more serious injuries was taken to a city hospital by ambulance. Mr. McLean and the children were soon able to leave hospital but Mrs McLean has only recently been discharged. She is now at home with the rest of the family and must perforce go along quietly for a few weeks.

In another column of this issue the family tender their sincere thanks to all to whom they are indebted for great kindness and help shown to them by so many in their emergency.

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Beverley Entered in TDA competition

Beverley is to be entered in the 1968 Tidy Tourist Towns Competition conducted by the Western Australian Tourist Development Authority with a prize fund of $3,500. The Council has agreed to participate in the competition, feeling that such participation would do no harm and could conceivably do a lot of good especially in the way of publicity.

There is a State award besides competition for towns having populations (a) not exceeding 2000; (b) 2001 to 5000 (c) 5,001 to 10,000; and (d) over 10,000.

Adjudication will begin on November 1st, 1968, and the scheme of marking is —

	Marks
Effort involved	35
General cleanliness, and tidiness (20), and absence of litter (15)	35
Condition of streets and open spaces	15
Appearance of public, private and commercial premises	15
Colour harmony and general appearance	10
Lawns & gardens, trees, shrubs and flowers (community and private)	10
Condition of verges, foot paths, kerbs, gutters, etc. on approach roads	10
Standard of fences and paved areas	10
Absence of unsightly objects	10
Maximum	150

Special consideration will be given to the rehabilitation of derelict buildings and sites and, where they exist, preservation of interesting features.

All prize monies will be applied for works having the prior approval of the Western Australian Tourist Development Authority. Prize money will be eligible for subsidy if the municipal council of the district undertakes the usual conditions relating to grants and follows the normal application procedure required by the Western Australian Tourist Development Authority. No prize will be awarded in any category if the winning entry does not secure at least 50% of the marks allotted for each of the items set out in the scheme of marking, and a minimum total of 120 marks.

Subject to the above the following prizes will be awarded: State award (best town overall — A plaque for permanent display at the winning centre.

Category awards — **(a)** $400; **(b)** $600; **(c)** 1000; **(d)** $1500

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE TIDY TOWN COMPETITION?

It aims to interest communities in the elimination of unsightly features which mar towns and countryside — the derelict sites the litter, the untidy streets. The competition may help to bring about a big improvement Bright vistas, litter free streets, tastefully painted premises and pleasant open spaces and displays of flowers and shrubs can be achieved - given community effort.

WHAT CAN A TOWN GAIN BY ENTERING?

The prize fund, although substantial, is not the main reward A town which enters into the spirit of the competition becomes a fresher and more attractive place to live in or to visit. Thousands of visitors tour the country by coach or car, and a neatly-kept town is inviting to them as a place to stop — and to see again in future years.

WHAT MUST YOU DO?

The main role of local organisers is to enrol the help of townspeople and to list the jobs which need doing. It may be necessary to promote fund-raising events. As many people as possible should be included in the tidy tourist towns effort. Old and young can play their part.

170 Attend Swimming Classes at Beverley

During the Education Departments annual vacation swimming classes, 170 children attended at the Beverley centre where the instructors were Mrs Helen Fowler and the pool manager Mr Ron Edwards. Mr C. Chinnery visited on Thursday 11th January to examine the life saving class and the following candidates were successful:

Elementary:— Miles Gillespie, Marshall Reynolds, and John Nicholson:

Proficiency:— Lynda Barnsley,, Pauline Bennett, Donna Butcher, Jill Fowler,, Gweneth Mann, Colleen Smith, Alastair Gillespie.

Intermediate Star: Michael Bennett and Peter Nicholson.

Bar to Intermediate Star: Chris Fowler.

Trainee Instructor: Miss Beverley Butcher; and Instructor: Mr R. Edwards.

In the Swimming Classes 23 Junior, 7 Intermediate, and 8 senior certificates were awarded

Senior — Noel Grover, Lesley Edwards, Kim Hutchinson, Miles Gillespie, Judith Overington, Colin Edwards, Geraldine Doyle, Robyn Ridgway, Ann Delroy.

Intermediate:- Barbara Capper, Stephen Bennett, Robyn Ridgway, Lisa Smith, Ann Delroy, Ian Edwards, Peter Morrison.

Junior: Susan Doncon, Kim Edwards, Kerryn Edwards, Suzanne Edwards, Sharon Negus, Tracey Bradshaw, Peter Allen Monica Doyle, Darlene Butcher, Lindsay Nicholson, Cheryl Shackles, Lesley Ferguson, Brett Hutchinson, Greg Fisher, Robyn Sims, Kathleen Bell, Sharyn Wall, Ian Edwards, Colin Croft, Gary Winfield, Patricia McLean, Lahn Grover and Debbie Schleicher

Extreme Heat for Opening Shoot

Held under the hottest conditions experienced in years, many of the local and visiting sportsmen participating in last Sunday's opening of the 1968 duck shooting season left for home rather earlier than is usually the case. This applied particularly to those who found duck scarce in areas they had chosen and whose patience ran out.

Bags at the river resorts were reported to be about average in places with up to 7 per gun reported by some parties. However, the majority of those involved had poor sport and averages of three or four per gun were more common. One well-known district shooter had only one shot for the morning in a locale which has offered good shooting for years past. However, no shooter could report a better average — one shot one duck! On his return home he found that his son had visited a swamp on the property during the morning and in a few shots had a bag of eleven.

At the lake resorts results were very uneven. Quite good shooting, with bags well up to average were reported from a number of localities, whilst some sportsmen had the leanest take in years. One area near the junction of the lakes and river at Qualanderry which is normally a much favoured shooting spot, on this occasion, provided very poor sport whilst at the next point on the lakes system some half a mile away, excellent shooting was forthcoming.

There were some good averages of 10 and over per gun in some areas at Rocky Lake and the vicinity, good shooting prevailing for some time. In this locality mountain duck were most prevalent for a start with teal predominating later. On neither lakes or river were many black duck seen or shot.

Generally speaking the shooting was not as good as was anticipated and there did not appear to be as many duck about as was the case when wardens inspected the shooting areas before Christmas and which led to anticipations that bags would be bigger than usual this year. Apparently many of the large flocks of duck seen at the time of the inspection had since left for other areas.

The Channel lakes are fast drying out and are very saline so that shooting in this area, which contained many birds in late December, was very poor on this occasion and cut out within half an hour or so.

It would seem that the experiment of holding the shoot three weeks later than normal tried for the first time this year was not a success so far as the sporting fraternity is concerned.

The best shooting on the Great Southern was enjoyed by hundreds of sportsmen on the big Tarlebin lake East of Narrogin where thousands of birds had bred during the winter. A number of Beverley sportsmen visited the area to report excellent sport, whilst others from this district were scarcely less successful in the Yealering region.

BREACHES OF GAME LAWS

Two cases of breaches of the game laws have been reported over the past week. The first involved two young men who set a trap on a private property not far from Beverley and visited the area early the next morning when they encountered the property owner. However, their nocturnal activities had not met with any success as no birds had entered the trap which was destroyed. They received a sharp lecture on their lack of sportsmanship, and were warned that a repetition of such activity will not be tolerated in the future.

The other case involved the most blatant case of out of season shooting yet reported in this district. Over fifty shots were fired on the Dale River on the Thursday evening prior to the opening of the season on Sunday. The Department was advised from this office as early as possible the next morning and two inspectors were in Beverley one and a half hours after the telephone call was put through and left immediately for the Dale to investigate the occurrences.

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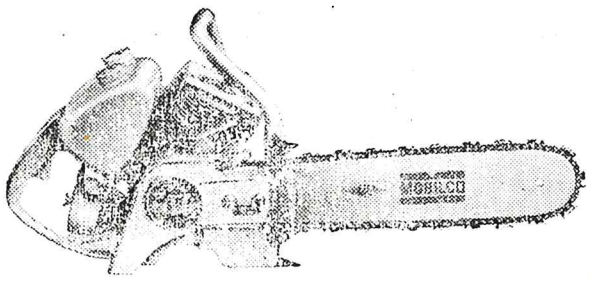

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Need for Improved Racecourse Amenities

Mr W. R. Gillespie, president of the Beverley Race Club, stressed the need of urgent attention to the grandstand and course amenities when he presented his report at the annual meeting of the Club held at the Hotel Beverley last Friday night. He also expressed the pleasure felt by the Club and the public that the Club's traditional Cup date (Melbourne Cup day) is to be retained. His report, which was adopted by the meeting, was as follows:

Members,

I present my annual report, accompaned with Statement of receipts and expenditure and Balance sheet for '67, a perusal of which shows that in the main our activities, in comparison with previous years have been maintained.

It will be noted that there has been a slight falling off in TAB receipts and, although we have enjoyed increased receipts for some years past, it must be apparent that this cannot continue indefinitely and that TAB business and dividends, must be fairly static.

Members' subscriptions continue to decrease and I think that a concerted personal effort by Committee members could increase our membership.

During the year we have conducted our meetings with reasonably satisfactory fields, and I can see no reason why this should not continue.

Although the Balance sheet shows a profit for the year, after extra maintenance expenditure, there yet remain a lot to be done to maintain the standard of our building. The grandstand requires considerable urgent and necessary repair and steps are being taken to have these effected.

Had this report been compiled a few days earlier, it would have been necessary to advise members that we had been deprived of our long-standing Cup fixture on Melbourne Cup day. However, advice has just been received that the W.A.T.C. had abandoned its plan to conduct a metropolitan fixture on this date and, consequently, we will continue to race on Melbourne Cup day. As this is the only really profitable fixture we conduct, I feel that this information will be received by members, and the Beverley public, with the utmost satisfaction.

I again pay tribute to members of the Committee for their continued voluntary assistance on race days and especially to our secretary, Chris Archer, for his efficient handling of the many duties which fall to the lot of a Race Club secretary

W. R. Gillespie,
President.

A small committee was appointed to go into the matter of improvements and repairs at the course.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr Gillespie was re-elected as President and other appointments were as follows: **Patron** Mr C. S. Weaver; **V/presidents** Messrs D. Weaver, R. Kilpatrick, T. Barrett-Lennard and D. M. Young; **Committee:** Messrs J. C. Weaver, A. McGrath, J. M. Wansbrough, J. T. Young, M. S. Murray, H. C. Doncon, A. L. Oliver, A. B. Smith, E. Wood, W. Ferguson; **Handicapper:** Mr F. Cripps; **Stipendary steward** Mr B. T. Young; **Time keeper:** A. L. Oliver; **Clerk of Course:** A. R. Boyle; **Clerk of Scales:** H. Compassi; **Perth representative:** Mr F. Cripps; **Totc and Board Stewards:** Messrs A. McGrath and M. Murray; **Secretary:** C. Archer; **Auditor:** R Teede.

Unusual Sight at the Lakes

An unusual sight at the lakes at the moment is the enormous number of black swans which appear to have taken up "residence" in the area. Mr. Jack McLean who has lived in the region all his life states that he has never seen the big birds in such vast numbers as is the case at present. He was amazed when he visited Rocky lake a week or so ago to see so many present and he later took his wife Floss to the area to enjoy the sight. Many of the birds appeared to have left, but Floss was able to count 1000 swimming about the lake surface. Also present were some large flights of Mountain duck.

One wonders what such a great quantity of wild-life finds to eat in the lake waters.

Weeds a Problem for Ski-ers

A regrettable feature at the lakes this year is the big accumulation of weeds which has seriously curtailed the activities of members of the Ski Club. Club operations ended a few weeks ago because of the problem, which prevents boats operating over the area. Last year activities did not end until the end of March. The trouble was most manifest at Mears lake (further east-ward) last year and brought ski-ing activities to an end, whilst this year Mears has dried out.

There has been much discussion among Club members as to how the problem can be over come and some think that the only remedy will be the draining of the area, which would entail the provision of a flood gate at the site of the retaining wall at Qualanderry.

New Bowls Champion

Eric Boyle, who a few years ago won the B. grade Singles title of the Beverley Bowling Club, on Sunday captured the Club's A. grade title when he defeated Eric McLean 31-25 in the final of this season's Championship.

Sunday's title finals were played on a green which had been somewhat slowed by overnight rain, but the conditions appeared to suit Boyle who was right on his game throughout the day He took the lead early in the match against McLean and although his adversary fought back strongly he never succeeded in heading the ultimate winner. Boyle is a pennant skipper with a good record of successes

Sunday's finals were between those who had survived the qualifying rounds of section-play and the match results were as follows (the record is somewhat marred by the fact that the match scores were not entered on the results sheet) — E. Boyle beat R. Carr; E. McLean beat A. Cooper; Rede Edwards beat P. Bremner; S. Murray beat J. Wansbrough; Eric Boyle beat K. Blechynden; E. McLean beat M. Murray; Rede Edwards beat H. Fleay; Boyle beat S. Murray; Eric McLean beat Rede Edwards. **Final:** E. Boyle defeated McLean 31-25.

The winner's success was afterwards honoured in the usual manner at the Golf Club. He will represent the Club in the 'Champion of Champions'

Wild Turkey Seen

It is many years since a wild turkey has been reported as being seen in this district and for most people it seemed the species were extinct as far as these areas were concerned, although they are still fairly plentiful in the north of the State.

However, it would seem a specimen is still in the region as last Friday evening whilst Kevin Carr and Mrs Carr were returning to their Dale home, one was seen alongside the road in the vicinity of the Phil Hill properties. They stopped the car and Kevin walked towards the big bird which liesurely took flight to fly across the road and land in the opposite paddock.

It was in this part of the district before the sand plain was cleared that the birds were last seen. Forty years ago flocks of them roamed the plain and it was a favourite hunting area for residents, as many as 20 or more of the birds being seen on occasion. They were sometimes bagged from the roadway. The bird became scarcer and scarcer because of the hunting which went on, but it was possibly the arrival of that menace to all ground birds — the fox — that caused the greatest destruction.

For many years the wild turkey has been on the protected list.

River Clearing Completed

The clearing of the bed of the Avon River has been completed to as far as Boyagarra on the main stream and as far as the Brookton bridge on the South Branch. Money made available for the project this season has cut out and it is not known whether the clearing operations will continue any further along the streams next summer. The work on the main stream has, of course, passed the Qualandrry crossing where the overflow from the lakes takes place during the winter.

The final stages of the work were carried out in wet conditions as heavy rain had been experienced in the Boyagarra area and this had caused the river to commence to flow. The floodwaters from the thunderstorms which had occurred reached the Jurakine area before the flow terminated.

SPORTING HIGHLIGHTS

Tennis

For the first time in the history of the Zone 'Champion of Champions' tennis event, a Beverley player has succeeded in winning a title. At Beverley on Sunday, Jenny Barrett-Lennard won the under 19 girls Championship, defeating R. Henderson of Meckering 6-4, 6-2 in the final, and thus earning the right to play in Perth.

Cricket

In the cricket semi-final between Colts and Towns at Beverley last Sunday, Towns opener, Bill Rule, displayed magnificent concentration in an innings of 160 not out. He began batting at 10.20am when play commenced, and his innings finished when he ran out of partners at 5.50 pm, a total of 350 minutes at the crease!

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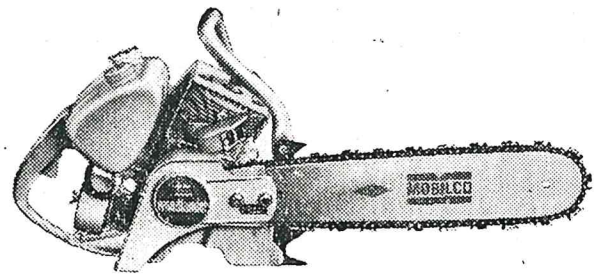

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[TO THE EDITOR]

Weeds at the lakes

Sir,

With regard to your last week's article headed "Weeds a Problem for Skiers" I would like to put a few points before the public on this subject.

The weed in our lakes is mainly noticeable now, because of the lack of depth of water. It is only natural that when churning propellors are so close to the bottom, weed and mud must be disturbed. This occurrence was evident about the same time last year. At a carnival held in November '66 however, the weed then was most noticeable, but since the raising of the Qualanderry Crossing the retained water now has a salt content of nearly twice that of the sea, and to my mind the weed is now not the problem it was then. However, the Ski Club are making inquiries through the C.S.I.R.O. to see what measures can be taken in this matter, should the necessity arise.

With regard to flood gates at Qualanderry Crossing — it is not the Club's intention at this stage to ask the Shire Council, or any other body, to let our precious water go, as we have striven for years to retain water in this area. It is well known that the Beverley lakes were the only ones in the Central agricultural areas with enough water for ski-ing over the major part of this summer.

To my mind the Beverley Ski Club's major problem is the lack of depth of water at the end of the summer, and not the weed referred to in last week's article.

Yours sincerely,
K. H. Doncon,
President Beverley Ski Club

Kiwis Enjoy Tour of West. Aust.

A party of 36 New Zealanders who are enjoying a tour of the South-west of this State were in Beverley on Monday afternoon and spent half an hour having a quick look around.

They are representative of many centres in New Zealand from where they came direct to the West, travelling by air. Their tour of these areas is being made by Parlour coach. They report having a very happy trip aided by delightful weather, although at Katanning the previous evening they encountered heavy rain.

Although they were not unduly impressed on the first part of the trip South (they travelled via Bunbury) they report having seen some magnificent country since beginning their journey back to Perth, from where they will fly home.

HEAVY RAINS BRING FLOOD CONDITIONS TO DISTRICT

Flood conditions developed in the township and in other parts of the district following exceptional falls of rain early on Tuesday morning last. A thunderstorm which broke shortly before 4a.m preceded the down pour and from that hour until 9a.m. the post office gauge showed 203 points — the heaviest gauging for a five hour period for some considerable time.

The rain was general although it seems that in the Dale region it was much lighter than elsewhere. At Forbes Woods' property 46 points were measured, this following a gauging of 20 points for the previous 24 hours.

No portion of the Beverley district welcomed the fall more than the Morbinning area and portions of East Beverley which had received generous falls a few weeks ago from thunderstorms resulting in a very lush growth of new pasture which will be greatly benefitted from the latest visitation. At Keith Petchell's property over an inch of rain was measured and the countryside hereabout is looking particularly well. At Phil Smith's farm 126 points were noted.

In the County Peak area there were falls of up to an inch and a half. Jack McLean reports a fall of 120 points at his property which had enjoyed some light falls previously.

Creeks everywhere ran bankers, whilst in the town, streets were debris strewn when culverts failed to cope with the flow. There was some damage to roads as a result of the rushing waters and Shire Council workmen have since been repairing this. The main repair job was on the approaches to the new bridge on Bremner's Road. The road was closed for some time while repairs were effected.

The dam used for storing water for the oval must have benefitted to some degree from the rush of water from Hunt Road and from adjacent areas. At the recreation grounds in the vcinity of the No. 2 wicket about 2 acres were under water at the heighth of the disturbance and much of John St. in front of the school was covered. On the main oval the newly grassed area of the ground appeared to drain fairly quickly although adjoining spaces and the area around the basket ball courts were under water for a long time.

At the time these notes were prepared it was not known how far the falls had extended southwards but it would not surprise if the falls commence an early season flow of the Avon River as pools as far as Jurakine filled recently from storms in the Boyagarra region.

Farmers generally welcome the falls as it will enable an excellent start to the new season. Cultivation will be in progress everywhere as a result of the falls and there is sure to be an early growth of pastures over the whole of the district.

On Wednesday there were further steady showers and approximately 18 points were registered. During the afternoon the weather turned very cold and conditons looked like clearing.

Red Cross feels responsibility for each of Australia's sick or disabled ex-servicemen and women. Share in this responsibility by contributing to the 1968 Annual Appeal.

Beverley to Lose Its Dentist

It is with considerable regret that the Beverley community has learnt this week that its dentist, Mr D. C. Dawson, will be leaving the district this year to take up appointment at Kalamunda. He has given 6 months notice of the move to the Shire Council in order to facilitate the securing of a successor.

Mr Dawson's appointment to the Beverley-Brookton area nearly 3 years ago, followed rather lengthy negotations by the Councils concerned after very modern surgeries had been prepared at both centres.

His appointment filled a long felt want in the districts concerned and he has given excellent and much appreciated service to the community.

Australian Forces Overseas Fund

The Shire Clerk, Dave Rigoll, reports the following additional donations to the above fund

Balance last week	$84.50
Beverley Rifle Club	5.00
A. W. Miles	20.00
P. A. & D. E. Hill	5.00
J. P. Curtin	5.00
TOTAL	$119.50

What local farmers reported in 1966-67

Farmers n the Beverley district will no doubt be interested in the following statistics of primary production for their Shire for the 1966/67 season. This information has been supplied by the Bureau of Census and Statistics from data compiled as a result of the 1967 Rural Census:

Active rural holdings	208	
Land used for Crops	86,211	acres
Land under establish. pasture	253,486	acres
Other cleared land	32,897	acres
Uncleared land	51,366	acres
Total area of rural holdings	423,960	acres
Wheat for grain:		
Area	39,398	acres
Production	711,940	bushells
Av. yield per acre	18.1	bushells
Oats for grain:		
Area	26,940	acres
Production	512,799	bushells
Av. yield per acre	19.0	bushells
Barley for grain:		
Area	9,101	acres
Production	210,380	bushells
Av. yield per acre	23.1	bushells
Livestock at 31st March:		
Sheep	430,074	
Cattle	4,877	
Pigs	2,606	
Sheep and lambs shorn	465,280	
Woolclip	4,342,226	lb.
Av. weight per fleece	9.3	lb.
Number of tractors	378	

The Census Bureau which is now seeking returns from farmers concerning the 1967/68 season, is relying on a good response, so that information which is urgently required for planning within the industry and for use by the community as a whole, may be processed without delay and made available as quickly as possible.

Interviewed on TV recently the Deputy Commonwealth Statistician, Mr F. W. Sayer, stressed the need for up-to-date and reliable data on primary production which "in 1965/66" he said "accounted for 46% of all production." He urged all farmers to co-operate in the present Census by lodging their returns by the due date — 8th April, 1968.

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A Quairading golfer of note in Colin Walker, who is now almost in the veteran stage (he is in his 48th year) played up to his best form of the green years at York last Sunday to win the Avon Valley championship with consistent rounds of 75 and 74. Most Avon Valley golfers were under the impression that Colin had seen the best of his golf, but Sunday's performance belied that opinion and he certainly earned the congratulations showered on him at the close of the day.

Walker had his most important successes in 1951 and '54 when he won the State Country Championship in the city. Over the years he has had many Quairading Club championship successes, as well as having much success in Avon Valley title fixtures, and his record is a very impressive one.

His 149 was one stroke better than that of Ron Adams of Beverley, who was seen at his best with rounds of 73 and 77 for a total of 150. This is the second successive year that this player has filled the runner-up role. The scoring generally was the best yet noted at an Avon Valley fixture, quite a number of contetsants having rounds in the 70's, and this applied particularly to the Beverley contestants. Outstanding was Jim Hamilton of Beverley who played the best round of the day in the p.m. recording a par 72. Unfortunately he had run into the early 80's in the morning.

Conditions for golf were almost ideal at the week-end, although a biting wind prevailed on both days. The better players of all five Association clubs were involved and although the number of starters in the championship was slightly lower than expected, all enjoyed the day and none were more pleased than members of the host Club as they listened to flattering remarks about the improvement to the course from fellow competitors from other clubs. Several tees have just recently been altered to make a longer course and while this may make the game a little harder for those who do not hit a long ball, it appears that it is a move that meets with the approval of low markers of the rest of the Association.

The best nett score over 36 holes went to Sandy Taylor, of York, with 138 after his handicap had been deducted. This figure — 11 — will certainly be altered when he next enters a competition. He was closely followed by Cyril Martindale, of Quairading, who returned cards of 69 and 71 for a nett 140 for the day. Good scores were returned from a number of contestants including – Jim Hamilton 72-4-68; C. Craig 89-22-67; C. McGrath 85-17-68; T Autumn 91-24-67; P. Rushton 89-20-69;; M. Anderson 88-20-68; B. Mattingly 91-20-71; L. Parker 80-9-71; R. Adams 73-5-68; G. Gregory 79-11-68.

Winner of the a.m. round was Grant Gregory, of Beverley, with a nett 68. The p.m. round went to T. Autumn (of York) with a nett 67 after a toss with J Craig. Dean Parker of the Balkuling Club took off the limit marker's trophy, and Vic Gault, of York, won the veteran's trophy — an honour he appears likely to repeat a good many times in the future.

Full details of the teams events appear on the front page.

SATURDAY'S 4 - BALL

Two Quairading veterans, Bob Argus and Joe Slater, survived a toss to win the 4-ball event played on Saturday from Peter Pemberton and Harry Burrows of York. Both combinations returned 5-up cards. The combined ages of the winning pair total 131 years! For Joe Slater is was a memorable round — he finished with a 74 off-the-stick — not bad for someone 68 year old!

THE PRESENTATIONS

Club officials, Harry Burrows, and Geoff Ovens, officiated at the distribution of the trophies in the evening and thanks was expressed to all Avon Valley players who had patronised the fixture and to others who had assisted in the conduct of the tourney, including the ladies, whose excellent meals and teas etc. were a very welcome feature of the day. They well deserved the approbation voiced.

THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

Sunday next is an important occasion for local golfers as the qualifying rounds of the Beverley Golf Club's 1968 championship are to be played that day over 36 holes. When the draw was made on Tuesday evening 68 nominations had been received — a record — and it is hoped that enough late nominations will be received by Saturday to make up nine full division – a field of 72 qualifiers. The draw is as follows: **No. 1 tee: 8.00am:** D. Paramor, Ron House, C. Carr; **8.06:** P. Oliver B. G. Winfield, D. J. McIntosh **8.12:** R. Adams, R. Kempton, E. Gartner; **8.18:** J. Minchin, H. M. Wansbrough, F. Sing; **8.24:** R. T. Broun, D. Barrett-Lennard, O. R Vallentine; **8.30** J. D. Weaver, F. Bremner, J. N. Broun; **8.36:** I Nicholson, J Thomas, R. Richardson; **8.42:** A. J. McGlew, T. E. Barrett-Lennard, P. Bremner; **8.48:** C. D. Smith, J. W. Woods, Les Cranfield; **8.54:** R. Ridley, R. Teede, J. Fleay; **9.00:** R. K. Smith, W Creasey, D Moulton; **9.06:** G. Carr, P. Broun and L. Isbister.

No. 10 tee: 8.00am: J. Barnsley, J. Mullner, S. Malley; **8.06** W. Johnson, K. Chester, Bob Morrisson; **8.12:** K. W .Smith, G M Gillespie; W Wansbrough **8.18:** R. Moulton, R. Fleay, L O. J. Eynon; **8.24:** C. Prior, C. Schilling, K. Blechynden; **8.30:** F. Boyle, C. Grover, F. McDonald; **8.36:** I. Shackles, E. J Miller, S. L. Fisher; **8.42:** P. Smith, R. H. Cooke, G. Smith; **8.48:** G. Parry, D. Shackles, F W. Nicholls; **8.54:** C. Powell, B. Bradshaw, E. Boyle; **9.00:** G. Gors and E. McLean.

Any member wishing to play in either the a.m. or p.m. competitions only will be welcome.

The lowest eight gross scores will qualify for the match-play rounds of the title contest and the remainder for the Plate and associated events, which will be played off handicaps. Scores at York last Sunday would indicate that some very keen golf will eventuate on Sunday. The present holder of the title is Jim Minchin.

There will be a Stableford competition for the G. Barrett-Lennard trophy and Monthly Mug to-morrow afternoon.

WEEK - END CLUB EVENTS

Atlhough the Association meeting at York was claiming the attention of eighteen Beverley golfers on Sunday and almost that number on Saturday last, there were satisfactory fields in the two Club trophy events staged here.

In the Saturday event Hubert Doncon played well off his 14 handicap to record a 1-up result and win from Bob Morrisson (off 23) who was 1-down

Sunday morning's competition was a Stableford. Jack Woods (off 17) played to his handicap to notch 36 points and win narrowly from Tim Gillespie (24) who scored 35 points.

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ASSOCIATES GOLF

Eileen Prior Cup to P. Overington

Pat Overington, of Beverley, comfortably won the local Associates open event — the Eileen Prior Cup — on Wednesday 19th. She recorded a nett 102 for the 27 holes to win by 5 strokes from Val Banks, also of Beverley, with 107.

Other trophy winners were: Best gross: V Strange with 123, Best 33 and over: M. Aiken; Veteran: M. Ambrose (of Karrinyup); a.m. round Kaye Chester; p.m. No 1 tee: B. Bremner; No. 10 tee: Anne Fisher.

A total of 19 teams competed in the teams event, representing thirteen country and metropolitan Clubs. The Beverley No. 1 team – comprising Val. Strange, N. Adams, Val Winfield and Peg Kempton – were the winners.

On Saturday 22nd a bogey event was played. The winner was Moira Jackson (4 - down), followed by Joyce Oliver 5dn.

On Sunday American foursomes were played — winners turning up in Kaye Chester & Pat Gillespie with a 71½ nett. They were followed by Peggy Kempton and Val Strange 74⅞.

The 9 holers played a bogey competition on Sunday afternoon and this was won by Ivy McLean with the good score of all-ssuare.

AFTERNOON TEA

Saturday 29th: S. Miles and P. Gillespie; Sunday 30th: R McIntosh D Eynon, S Fisher

Lakes system rises rapidly

In one of the quickest rises ever noted, the County Peak lakes commenced to overflow this week and by Tuesday morning the system was flowing to a depth of 4 inches over the retaining wall at the Qualanderry Crossing. Mr. Jack McLean, who has lived in the area all his life, reports that he has never seen the lakes rise so quickly, and he expects that with the latest heavy rains in the northern and eastern areas of the State, the levels will continue to rise as these flood waters reach the system and flow into the Avon. At Beverley the river had not reached very high levels on Tuesday, but under the influence of the lakes overflow a rapid rise can be expected.

Dangin resident, Mr Henry Hall reports that there is now 2'9" of water in Lake Mears which was dry throughout last summer. Mr Hall states that it has been the swiftest flow of water he has noted in the area and the lake should soon be filled again. It will be interesting to see whether the growth of weed in Mears lake will be any less after being dry for a year.

Late on Monday and early Tuesday water was flowing up to 3½ft. deep over Gt. Eastern Highway a few miles from Cunderdin

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Extensive Rains Test Avon River Channeling

In view of the fact that the rainfall over the district for June was above average, it is a fortunate circumstance that the May falls were on the light side, only 85 points being measured at Beverley for that period. For the month just ended 459 points were measured at the post office, but this total was greatly exceeded in most areas of the district and particularly at East Beverley, Morbinning, Jacobs Well and County Peak, where the latest excessive falls have ended cropping activities. Fortunately most farmers had completed their programmes before the flood conditions set in. In all parts of the district farmers would appreciate a spell of fine weather to dry out flooded areas.

Last week-end falls were general over the agricultural districts and many areas report having received to date this year totals in excess of a normal year's rainfall. At Beverley for the first 6 months of 1968 1,102 points of rain has been gauged. The average yearly rainfall since records were commenced is 1668 points.

UNIQUE SCENE AT THE LAKES

There is evidence that the flood water from the Cunderdin and eastward areas are now reaching the lakes system at County Peak which filled with remarkable rapidity nearly a fortnight ago following heavy rains in the adjacent catchment areas. An immense volume of water is now flowing over the retaining wall at Qualanderry Crossing and should keep the Avon River at a high level for some time to come.

Visitors to Qualanderry last week-end were confronted with a rather unique sight. The Avon River at the time was at such a high level that its waters had topped the retaining wall where they were meeting the outflow from the lakes system to cause considearble turbulence in the area. The wall appears to be withstanding the pressures to which it is being subjected.

The latest rise in the Avon at Beverley has caused considerable interest as it has provided an opportunity to judge the effects of the bulldozing of and clearing of the river bed over the Beverley portion of the river's course. Although the river has spread out on each side of the 50-yard wide clearing, the channel is carrying the main body of water which is flowing at a very fast rate. The clearing was carried out in an effort to minimise the effect of flood conditions along the Avon Valley and in this respect appears to be effective. As usual in heavy winters, the river in the townsite rose over the Bartram Street roadway, but not to the extent one would have expected in the excessively wet conditions experienced over the past fortnight.

LAKE MEARS FILLED

Residents over a very wide area east of the district will be pleased to know that Lake Mears now has 7 ft. 6 in. of water in it — after being dry throughout last summer. Mr. Henry Hall who was the main architect in the work of diverting flood waters into the lake a few years ago, states that the big lake filled in remarkably short time and he has now cut off the flow to prevent flooding of adjacent land. The lake is very popular as a summer boating, swimming and shooting resort.

SHEEP LOST AT PINGELLY

Not much of a river as rivers go, the Hotham never-the-less has its moods of capriciousness especially following substantial rains as were experienced over most of the State last week. Something of a drama was enacted at the Woodlands section on Tuesday 25th ult. when Mr Kelvin Lange returned from the city to find about 150 full-woolled weathers isolated on an island and threatened by the widespread rising floodwaters.

Mr Lange's reaction was to call on the assistance of Mr. Wally Mills (of Aldersyde) and his speedboat, by which means some twenty-six of the flock — by now over belly deep in water — were transported to the safety of a river bank.

However, events which then followed, in a matter of minutes ruled out this solution to the problem. Despite the attendance of their owner, quite a number of sheep took to the water and were quickly caught up in the strong current, with the boat in life-saving pursuit. Unfortunatecly, collision with an overhanging tree capsized the boat and flung the occupants into the water. The swamped boat and engine were carried downstream to eventually lodge against snags, in which position it was secured by rope for later recovery.

With fear of a further rise in the waters, the remaining sheep were cast off in small numbers to take their chance in the waters —— most of them reaching shore assisted by a number of helpers. The others —number not as yet known— were not so lucky.

Pingelly "Leader"

TO THE EDITOR

The Dale Hall Site

Sir,

I am at a loss to understand why Dale ratepayers only should be responsible for raising the finance needed for a Hall. To me it is ludicrous that Dale residents should even countenance such a proposal. They have contributed to the building of almost, if not all the amenities enjoyed by Beverley through increased taxes. Certainly these projects were obtained through general referndum proceedure and are no doubt available to all, so the same can be said for the new "Dale Hall" and all that goes with it if and when it is erected

At the last ratepayer's meeting the question arose as to what extent the Shire was prepared to back the proposed Hall project financially. We were told that a motion existed on record that a backing of 1 in 3 was available for outlying district Halls. At the recent Dale residents meeting, two Shire Councillors — both of whom are Dale residents and who were present when that statement was made — inferred publicly that no help would be forthcoming.

Now unless that existing motion has been rescinded since the ratepayers' meeting — it would be interesting to know how the two Councillors arrived at their deduction. I feel at this stage that some clarification of Shire policy in this matter is needed.

The statement by an earlier correspondent that 75% of the young people from Beverley and elsewhere are responsible for the success of Dale functions is rediculous. These people see little of the interior of the Hall and would travel to Timbuctu for the only attraction, which will still be available but in a more civilized and controlled manner. This sort of success is short lived and will in time cripple the social life of a community.

Agnes Bailey,
(Ratepayer).

(TO THE EDITOR)

Sir,

After reading Mrs Lupton's letter I think it is time someone pointed out the real situation of the proposed townsite. It is about 2 miles from the South Beverley/Brookton boundary; 7 miles from the West Beverley boundary (the watershed area); approximately 20 miles from the North Beverley-York boundary; and 27 miles from the Beverley township.

I think if the Hall is to be built in the south-west corner, why not have it right on the Brookton boundary — as the West Brookton ratepayers may be kind enough to be rated to help pay. Mrs Lupton said that at least 80% of the voters were ratepayers, when the vote was taken on the townsite. In my opinion not 40% of the voters were ratepayers.

Mrs Lupton also says that distance is nothing — so why build a Hall at the Dale when we have such a lovely Beverley Town Hall, which the ratepayers helped to build.

If a Hall is a must on the Dale, the proper place is on the sports ground — which is half-way between Beverley and the West boundary.

I see that the deputation to the Shire Council was advised that a referendum of the Dale residents would be held before any move is made, but it was agreed at the meeting that a referendum be held of Dale ratepayers only. Why has this not been allowed?

Yours etc.,
Dale Ratepayer.

Research Station Field Day

The Department of Agriculture's wheat and sheep division will conduct its annual field-day at the Avondale Research Station on Tuesday, September 17th, and further details will be advised when programmes have been arranged.

Cape Tulip Film

A colour film showing in de tail the principles of Cape tulip control is available to farmer and associated organisations. The new film, made by the Dept. of Agriculture Film Unit, shows the methods developed by the Department's scientists and demonstrated in plots in tulip-affected areas.

Autumn burning to promote corm growth before spraying in late winter is the key to the success of the method. After burning, germination of corms is greatly increased — making spraying much more effective.

The film deals with the treatment of one-leaf and two-leaved Cape tulip and shows actual treatment being carried out.

Applications for the film — which is entitled Cape Tulip in W.A., and runs for about 1 minutes — should be made to the Information officer, Dept of Agriculture, Jarrah Rd., St Perth.

Cricketers to mee

It is hoped that there will be large attendance of the cricketing fraternity at a special meeting to be held at the Town hall lounge on Wednesday next at 8.00p.m. Serious matters appertaining to the financing and maintenace etc. of the turf wicket to be established at Beverley (it is hoped) will be discussed, together with the increased hire charges for the groun

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Dale residents turn down Hall proposals

Dale ratepayers gave a very emphatic "No" to the proposals for a new hall at that centre to replace the old structure, when a referendum was conducted by the Beverley Shire Council last Saturday.

They were asked whether they favoured the raising of a loan for the building of a new Hall, the amount to be repaid over 20 years by a special rate applicable only to Dale Ward. To the question "Do you favour a loan in Dale Ward only for a Hall in the Dale Ward?" the voting was as follows — At the Dale: 'Yes' 45; and at Beverley 'Yes' 18. Total: 63. At the Dale 'No' 43; and at Beverley 'No' 76; Total: 119. Majority for 'No': 56. There were three informal votes.

Ratepayers were also asked (in the event of a 'Yes' majority) where they favoured building of the proposed Hall — at the Dale Sports ground, or at the proposed Dale townsite?

Of those who voted at Dale, 39 favoured the sports ground site and 48 the townsite, whilst at Beverley the sports ground was favoured by 64 votes to 24 for the townsite - a majority for the sports ground of 31. There were 10 informal votes.

In our advertising columns on page 2 of this issue a meeting of residents of the area is called to discuss the situation in regard to the use or otherwise of the present Hall which is reputed to be badly in need of renovation.

Junior Farmers in for busy time at Royal Show

Junior Farmers' in Perth for the Royal Show week are in for a busy time. On Saturday 21st the first of the State Drama Zone finals will be held Three plays will be presented: "Suburban Requium" (the City Club), "The Pen of My Aunt" (Wongan Hills) and "A Fourth for Bridge" (Kellerberrin). All three plays will be presented in association with the Adult Education Board at the Dolphin Theatre at the University, and bookings can be made through the Junior Farmer head office, or from the secretary of City Club, the Club hosting the evening.

Later in the week the annual Junior Farmers' Show ball will be held at the Sth Perth Civic Centre — and looks like being one of the most successful for the season. Highlight of this evening will be a "belle of the ball" competition with $200.00 worth of prizes going to the lucky girl. The ball will have a theme of pink, red and gold, and will feature a candlelight supper.

Major improvements to town streets

On top of the improvements recently carried out by Council workmen on the western side of Hunt Road, big things are planned for the improvement of Forrest Street — one of the main residential streets of Beverley and certainly one of the busiest. The biggest of the jobs involved is the removal of the present bridge over the salt creek and the raising of the road level by about two feet, using the spoil from various jobs around town that has been dumped in the vicinity over the past few months. Big Hume pipes which have been delivered to the site are to be used to carry the creek water to the river and take care of any steep rise of the Avon which, on flood occasions, backs up the flat in this area.

New footpaths will be provided and will not converge on the roadway. Those walking to the sports ground or bowling green will not have to use the roadway when the work is completed.

The road surface in Forrest Street has been in a bad state for a long time and this is to receive much attention -- plans envisaging re-surfacing and bitumensing to the width of 46 ft. past the main residential area and to a slighter width elsewhere. The new work also involves more efficient drainage of the street, using both the salt creek and the present drain through the sports ground to get flood waters away.

Cement kerbing is also to be used on both sides of the street and it is hoped that sufficient funds will be available to complete this to Edward St.

The work is a Shire Council responsibility for which the excess loan funds from last year's dam construction job in Hunt Road will be used. Such use of these funds was recently confirmed at a special meeting of ratepayers. The sealing and bitumenising work will be carried out by the Main Roads Dept. by arrangement with Council.

Preparation for turf wicket

Sunday last saw the last of the season's football engagements as far as the Beverley ground is concerned, and no time has been lost in making preparations and laying the turf wicket for the next cricket season.

Shire Council workmen and Mr George Smith (chairman of the Beverley Cricket Clubs turf wicket committee) were busy early this week laying a 1-inch plastic pipeline from a point near the Football Club change rooms to a point on the oval next to the wicket position to facilitate watering of the pitch.

Yesterday (Thursday) a working bee of local cricketers with Mr Roy Abbott, curator of the W.A.C.A. ground, supervising, laid the two strips which make a wicket, using the special clay carted from the south-west a few months ago and since stored under cover in the Council yard. The new strips are just west of the old concrete wicket — which wasn't removed when the oval was prepared for grassing — and is now buried beneath some 18 inches of earth. (Two strips are necessary, and used alternatively so that while one is recovering the other can be used).

Mr Abbott has also explained some of the intricacies involved in the preparation of a turf pitch and warned that for the first few times the wickets are used (early in the New Year) they may provide some unpredictable results.

The inauguration of cricket on turf at Beverley will mark an historic occasion as far as the national game in Beverley is concerned. Cricket has been played longer than any other game in this district, and for many years past it has been the dream of players and followers to see a turf wicket provided, in keeping with the more progressive and larger centres of the State. Such an amenity will make it possible to stage more important cricket fixtures at Beverley in the future, as well as adding immeasurably to the pleasures of those who play the game.

Excellent season

Fairly mild temperatures, with occasional showers have provided excellent seasonal conditions over the past week, and crops and pastures over most of the district are showing lush growth and excellent promise. Ten points of rain had fallen for the week to Wednesday morning, although it appeared as though further registrations could follow. For the month of August there was a registration of 160 points at the post office — this being lower than the 245 points. average for that month. The total for the year to Wednesday of this week (at post offic) was 1555 points.

There have been a few frosts reported but these have been very light compared to the extreme visitations of a fortnight ago.

New route to lakes

A road sign at the Hunt Road/ Vincent Street intersection advises that the lakes (where the Gt Southern Higway leaves the Gt. Eastern Highway) are 44 miles distant from that point when proceeding in a westerly direction. This is something like 6 miles shorter than when proceeding to the same area by the Gt Southern Highway, but few people would choose to travel by the shorter route as, apart from the gravelled roads through the Talbot area, the route as yet can be confusing to those not conversant with the country in that area.

A new access road being planned for the area where Messrs Bob Kempton, Peter De Rossi and several others are at present farming should be a boon to those living in that vicinity.

Shortage of dentists

With quite a number of centres still without a dental service, Beverley and Brookton have been fortunate over the past year or two in having the service of a first-class dental surgeon in Mr D. C. Dawson and this fact has been much appreciated by the community.

However, Mr Dawson leaves shortly for another appointment nearer the city and the matter of a replacement has been exercising the minds of members of the Shire Council for some time past. Best news to-date is that a promising enquiry has been received and now there is a distinct possibility that a fully qualified dentists will shortly become available to fill the vacancy.

Another Hole-in-one!

Playing with Marj Cooper in a mid-week eclectic round last Thursday, Ella Blechynden achieved one of the ambitions of every golfer when she holed-in-one at the 118-yard fifteenth hole. It was the first time she had ever scored an ace and news soon spread around the course. To make the perfect shot, Ella used a 7-iron and the ball never wavered off line, although neither she nor her partner saw the ball roll into the hole.

It was at the same hole (but playing from the men's tee - 163 yds.) that Ian Nicholson scored his first ace a month or so ago. These are the only two holes-in-one at Beverley to-date this season.

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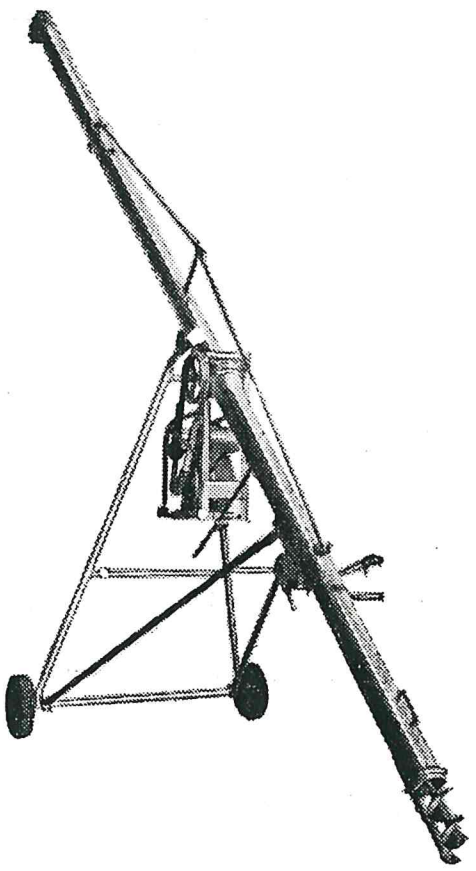

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Successful sale

The Beverley & Districts Stud Sheepbreeders Assn. Inc. conducted its annual November ram sale last Friday (8th) when 129 specially selected Merino rams of high quality were offered to a good attendance of buyers from Beverley and surroundings districts.

The top price, of $290, was obtained for a Collinsville ram, 1967 drop, account I. H. & J. F. Butcher, 'Rocklea,' Kokeby. Messrs T. E. Barrett-Lennard & Co 'Drumclyer' Beverley obtained sale average of $171.87. The following prices and averages were obtained —

Collinsville Blood

Messrs J. L. Thomas & Son of 'Springdell,' Beverley: 10 rams sold with a top price of $150 and an average price of $86.

Chosen Pastoral Co., 'Chosen,' Beverley: 10 rams sold, with a top price of $200, and an average price of $130.

Messrs V. & J. Mills & Son, of 'Miarunging,' Brookton: 9 rams sold, with a top price of $120, average of $88.33.

Messrs I. H. & J. F. Butcher, 'Rocklea' Mt Kokeby 12 rams sold with a top price of $290 and an average of $162.91.

K. J. Haddleton of 'Yairabin,' Brookton: 8 rams sold with a top price of $165, and an average of $118.75.

Messrs T. E. Barrett-Lennard & Co., 'Drumclyer,' Beverley: 8 rams sold with a top price of $235, and average of $171.87

Bungaree Blood

Messrs B. E. D. Blechynden & Sons, 'Burnside,' Mt. Kokeby: 14 rams sold with a top price of $170, average of $96.78.

Messrs E. H. Hobbs & Son, of 'Ingle,' Brookton: 7 rams sold with a top price of $140, and and average of $88.57.

Messrs E. T. K. Barrett-Lennard & Co., 'Woonderlin' Beverley 13 rams sold with a top price of $165. average of $100.38.

Messrs A. L. Barrett-Lennard & Co., 'Horsford,' Beverley: 10 rams sold with a top price of $175, and average of $91.05.

Messrs C. R. McGlew & Co., of 'Seaton Ross,' Beverley: 11 rams sold with a top price of $145, and average of $116.81.

Messrs W. H. Broun & Son, of 'Southbourne,' Beverley — 6 rams sold with a top price of $150, and average of $91.66.

Messrs E. M. & A. D. Barrett-Lennard & Co., 'Belhus' Beverley: 8 rams sold with a top appendix operation put her out price of $150; avge. $131.25.

Croquet champion honoured

A surprise party was held at Mrs Sheila McDonald's "Dunbeath" home last Saturday evening when members of the Croquet Club and friends gathered to celebrate Sheila's winning of the British Silver Medal in Melbourne a fortnight ago.

The Club president, Mrs M. Fleay, told how proud and excited members were on hearing of her success, and she proposed a toast which was most enthusiastically honoured. The Hon. Roy Abbey, MLC, patron of the Beverley club also spoke highly of Sheila's achievements

Mrs McDonald has now been chosen in the team to represent Australia in matches against an English team. Games will be played in Perth, but the main events will be held in Adelaide and Melbourne. All present joined in wishing Shelia good croquet in these matches, and many more successes.

Smaller, but appreciative audience at ballet

A smaller, but perhaps more appreciative, audience than last year's was delighted by the Beverley Ballet school's fourth annual concert at the Town Hall last Friday evening.

The opening item, a Grecian dance by the senior members of the school: Beth Ratcliffe, Susan Joss, Georgina Broun, Sonia Miller and Gwenneth Mann, showed the very definite progress being made in local ballet — the final tableau in this dance evidencing a collective control and poise not possible a year ago. This advancement was further proved in the beautifully graceful classical piece danced on toed shoes by Beth, Gina and Sonia. For their country dance the senior girls danced a Hungarian piece performing difficult techniques smoothly, and capturing the slavonic mood — to add another proof that local pupils are acquiring an appreciation of ballet as an art.

Compared with the Hungarian dance, the Swiss dance by Blue Belts, Leonie Archibald, Vicki Grigson, Geraldine and Monica Doyle, Shahan Fleay, Kerry Beazley and Patricia Mc Lean; and a Spanish dance by Green belts, Peta Weaver, Denise Swan, Jill Fowler, Alison Bremner, Shahan Wansbrough, Janice Grover, Mary Main and Gail Wansbrough — were gay romps. It was obvious that the Blue belts were thoroughly enjoying the dance, and Green belts gave not the slightest hint that Denise Swan had had only two rehearsals, nor that Janice Grover was in fact quite ill and dancing with difficulty.

The most important item by the Beverley school was the "Dancing Dolls" performed by the kindergarten class and the pink, blue and green belts. The story briefly tells of the wakening of the dolls by the fairy, and their combined efforts to wake the sleeping doll. When she finally awakes she has to choose between the sailor and the stars and stripes — earning the disapproval of the dolls who all want to dance with her. They all dance and when the fairy commands them to sleep again they are rebellious, but finally they regretfully sleep again. Inspired by the Toyshop from the ballet "Coppelia" this ballet was choreographed by Madame Bousloff and the music selected and arranged by pianist Mrs Huddle. A limiting factor was the decision to avoid costuming expenses this year and Madame arranged the characters to fit the costumes which were available from previous years concerts and fancy dress balls.

The only new costumes were for the four youngest and newest pupils of the school — Zoe London, Leeanne Alsop, Helen Martyn and Suzanne Blechynden. As toy soldiers they delighted the crowd and were a credit to the school and their parents. A beautiful, and very competant, lead to the dolls was Alison Bremner as the fairy, and she was well supported by Peta Weaver (the Sleeping doll), and Shahan Wansbrough, the Stars and Stripes. Once again a special mention must go to Denise Swan who returned to ballet only 2 weeks previously and remembered a dance from two years ago to replace Lesley Edwards whose appendix operation put her out of the concert.

Indeed every girl deserves a mention. Some entrancing miming and dancing by individuals and groups were included, perhaps the most notable being Helen Ridgway and Mary Main as the white poodle and the black cat. The entire cast was on stage for the full length of this ballet and every one of the thirty-one girls maintained a most pleasing stage presence, and took cues promptly and without fault. Some difficult dancing and complicated groupings were managed with ease, and it was all presented very smoothly, and at a good pace.

Anyone connected with the Dancing dolls deserves the highest praise for this performance The dancers from pink belts taking part were Anna Hick, Noelene Sims, Jannine Wansbrough, Robin Sims, Helen Fisher, Robyn Carr, Lahan Grover, Jennifer Alsop, Denise Sullivan and Susan Doncon.

The second half of the programme, which was provided by the W.A. Ballet Co. was all too short and very well received by the audience. David Snow (aged 12), and his 9-year old sister, Tessa, were charming "Puppets on a string." The music for this was taped from a live band performance and it was interesting to learn that the drummer in the band was none other than David, the dancer.

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Young Australia C-Party meeting

Lively discussion on such topics as the latest wheat stabilisation scheme; S.E.C. policy; road maintenance tax; and the condition of signs and roads in the south/west of the State, were features of an informal evening and meeting held by the Beverley branch of the Young Australia Country Party recently. The pleasant, and informatice evening, was held at branch president, Mr. G. Draper's 'Blackburn' home — and there was an attendance of some fifteen Beverley folk and two visitors from Corrigin. It was agreed that Mr H. Gayfer, MLA, be invited to attend the next meeting to answer questions on such topics as were under discussion. The Branch annual meeting will be held in March, 1969.

Ski Carnival this week-end

The Beverley Ski Club is to stage its 1968 carnival at the lakes this week-end and looks forward to entertaining a large gathering of visitors and district residents with a program that should provide plenty of entertainment for all and sundry. When these notes were being penned unseasonal weather prevailed but it is to be hoped that there will be a change to warmer days by to-morrow when the carnival commences.

Visitors to the ski-ing centre will see many of the States leading ski-ers from city and country Clubs in action and there should be spirited competition in the many events over the two days. If previous practice is followed many of the visitors will be camped in their caravans at the lake site where there are complete facilities provided by the local Club.

The County Peak lakes are at a very high level this year and may be traversed by boat over many miles. At present the level of the water is almost to the top of the retaining wall at Qualanderry — and extends back to the Rocky Lake area so that visitors will have the opportunity of interesting boat trips. Speed boats from many points of the compass will be operating.

There is to be a dance at the Morbinning Hall on Saturday night where refreshments will be available, as well as good music for the dancing. At the lakesite there will be barbecue facilities as well as cool drinks, ice cream and eats etc.

Earthquake appeal

Beverley response to the recent 'door-knock' appeal has been on a more generous scale than was at first announced as further donations have been received at the Shire Council office to bring the final figure to $2,610.28.

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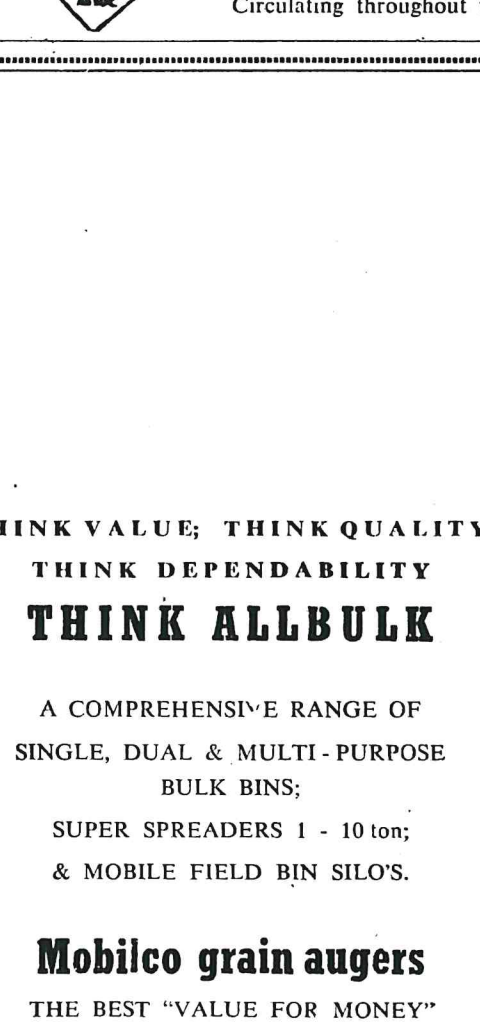

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Gallery director opens Art exhibition

The third annual art competition conducted by the Beverley Shire Council, and held on the 15th and 16th of November, was most successful, attracting 74 adult entries from Beverley and surrounding centres. There were entries from Narrogin, Quairading, Bruce Rock and as far away as Albany and the standard generally was high.

In the absence through illness of the Shire president, Mr G. Kilpartick officially welcomed distinguished guests in Mr and Mrs Norton, and Mr and Mrs Allon Cook. Mr Norton is the director of the West Australian Art Gallery, and Mr. Cook is a West Australian painter whose pictures hang in galleries, and in private homes, throughout Australia.

Mr Norton admitted that it was in fact his first visit to Beverley, and expressed agreeable surprise to find such a sophisticated competition taking place here. He commended the Shire Council's foresight and sense in co-operating with the Art Group, and encouraging its activities. He would not comment on the pictures themselves, as he said that this was Mr Cook's privilege as judge -- but the fact that there were people who were meeting together to create pictures was the important thing.

You may have beautiful buildings filled with wonderful works of art, he told us, but you would not necessarily have culture. He stressed the point that a gallery of pictures, in itself, can only be a monument to culture. But an attitude to life can develop out of the use of that centre, formed by creative people, with sympathetic interest of the local authorities.

He expressed the hope that with the recent alteration in the Art Gallery Act, it would become possible for the West Australian Art Gallery to encourage and help the similar groups all over the country. Exchange of pictures with other States and other countries was contemplated, these to be hung in a series of regional galleries throughout the State. Since Beverley had the initiative to establish its own gallery this was a step in the right direction. Mr. Norton further observed that Beverley had included a junior section in conjunction with the main feature. This idea he highly commended, remarking that the juniors of today were the seniors of to-morrow.

Mr Kilpatrick then introduced Allon Cook, who had judged the pictures, and chosen the winners for the various sections Prize winners were as follows:

Land or Seascape (oil or acrylic) Shire Council prize: won by Mrs Ruth Croft, of Beverley, with her picture entitled "Fire Ballet." The runner-up was Mr S. Efford's picture, entitled "Python Pool"

Land or Seascape (water-color) Shire Council prize: won by Mrs Shirley Threlfall, Quairading, with her picture entitled "Majestic" The runner-up was again Mr Efford with his picture 'Hopetown.'

Drawing: Mr J. Lupton's prize was won by Mrs Shirley Threlfall, with her drawing entitled "Character." The runner-up here was Mrs Ruth Croft with her drawing of 'Mrs Mourish'

Still Life: Mr W. Robins' prize The winner was Mrs O. Weaver with her picture 'StillLife'

Semi Abstract: Mrs S. Efford's prize: won by Mrs. Pamela Ford with her picture entitled 'Sea Spray.'

The winners in the junior section were —

A Local Scene. Beverley Art Group prize - won by Valma Barrow (14 years).

Drawing, Mrs R. Croft's prize: won by Chris Fowler (13 yrs)

Design, Dale Ladies Guild prize won by Frank Rossi (12 yrs.).

Mr Cook did not have time to comment on all the paintings other than to say he was much impressed with the general standard. He did, however, comment on the main winners. Of 'Fire Ballet' he said: "A well organised composition with definite rhythms, and conveying well the feeling of force of wind and flame."

Of 'Majestic' - "A very pleasing atmospheric effect of light seen with simultaneous vision, and with simple direct washes."

Of 'Character' — "A strong drawing with planes well formed and a good effect of light"

After congratulating the winners on behalf of the Council, and thanking the donors of prize money, Mr G. Kilpatrick went on to say that while the Shire Council sponsored the competition, it was actually run by a separate committee, on whose shoulders had fallen the task of preparing for the competition, hanging pictures, etc.

The exhibition was well patronised — a steady stream of viewers attending the gallery from the opening until 9.30pm on Friday, and from 10am until 6p.m. on Saturday.

F. Sims.

Many visitors at Ski club carnival

Although the attendance didn't appear to be as large as has been noted in the past, a gathering of about 1000 people was recorded at the Beverley Ski Club carnival conducted at the Eric McLean Lake at County Peak last week-end. Included were a great many visitors who took the opportunity of travelling by caravan to the scene and availing themselves of the Club's camping facilities. Ski clubs represented were: Aqua, Bunbury, Dolphin, Lake Ninan, Melville, Neptune, Penguin, Playboy, Scarboro — and of course the home club. Most arrived on Saturday with their boats and equipment and they were strongly representd at a dance held in the Morbinning Hall that night which was conducted by the Basketball Club.

Weather conditions were ideal on Saturday for the slalom contests, but overcast conditions prevailed on Sunday when the programme continued without interruption. Events included tricks, competitions, several exciting Club relays, spectacular ski aerobatics, ballet display, and go go cars, which kept the crowd entertained until late afternoon. At the close of activities, the Club patron, the Hon. Roy Abbey, M.L.C., presented the trophies won over the carnival, a complete list of which appears on page 5 of this issue

Kindergarten issues an invitation..

On Friday, November 29, the Beverley Kindergarten will be open to the public from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and from 2 - 4.30 p.m. The morning group and Friday afternoon children will attend as usual and Kindergarten activities will proceed as normally as possible. Visitors are invited to come at any time during these hours and observe the children, inspect the building and equipment, and to talk with the teacher and members of the Committee who will be in attendance to give information regarding 'Kindy' affairs.

Any intending pupils accompanying their parents may join in the Kindergarten activities if they wish.

It is hoped that many new parents will take this opportunity to learn what Kindergarten has to offer and that many old friends will return to note the improvements since their day.

Beverley Kindergarten has come a long way since the first small group gathered with Mrs. Shackles on the C.W.A. verandah in November, 1960. In its early years it operated in very poor conditions and the first, and subsequent, committees worked tremendously hard to obtain suitable premises and effect improvements. The co-operation of the Shire Council, the zeal and drive of a few enthusiasts and the almost 100% involvement of the parents of earlier years has resulted in the present establishment — which measures up well by accepted Kindergarten standards. So if you are interested and have only heard about Kindergarten in Beverley, come on 29th November and see for yourself.

Cool weather

The weather has been unseasonably cool over the past week and there were some light showers of rain in the town on Sunday, a total of 9 pts. being gauged at the post office. November has one distinction among the records — a frost being recorded on the first morning of the month.

Olympic gold medalist to visit

Sure to create much interest locally is the visit of Olympic gold medalist, Miss Lyn McClements to the Beverley Memorial swimming pool on December 1. She is the most talented swimmer the West had produced in years, and her performance in winning a gold medal for Australia at the recent Mexico Olympics brought her world-wide fame. Miss McClements will be accompanied by a friend, Alex McKenzie, who is a leading long distance swimmer and surfer of the metropolitan area, and also to visit the same day to give demonstrations here are thirty-eight water polo players, including a junior team. The visitors will be seen in action at the local pool from 11a.m. to 1 p.m and it is hoped that they will be greeted by a big assemblage of residents.

Application for the use of the pool for the demonstration has been made to the Shire Council by the Beverley Swimming Club and no doubt the Council will be happy to meet the request.

After a lukewarm start and some difficulty in finding a president, the Beverley Club has, in recent weeks, enjoyed a big revival of interest in the sport and can look forward to an active and (we hope) successful season. The forthcoming visit should help kindle further public interest

The Club's latest activities are reported on another page

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Inquiry into fire origin and losses

Much information has been sought by the police and other organisations and individuals in volved since the disastrous fire south-east of Beverley on the 6th inst. which caused serious losses of feed and fencing over a wide strip of farming lands. It is being sought to facilitate a full inquiry into the occurence which, we understand, is to be conducted shortly.

There is much local criticism of an Act which precludes all movement on the part of a farmer on his land when a harvesting ban is in force, but apparently doesn't involve others who may be employed by an outside organisation from such movement. Such a ban was in force on the day of the fire.

Those involved in losses resulting from the fire will seek compensation. The most seriously involved was Mr. Ian Ridgway who lost the biggest area of his pasture land and would be seriously involved if it were not for the many good samaritans of the local farming community who have made agistment, hay and fodder etc. available for his stock. In a thanks notice on another page of this issue Mr Ridgway has made special mention of this aspect of the help received.

Repairs to school

The Member for Avon, Mr H. W. Gayfer, has been advised by the Minister for Works that he has approved of the letting of a contract to Mr Ross Turnock, of Northam, for the external and part internal repairs and renovations to the Beverley School at a cost of $8,000.

Fauna conference

Honorary game wardens over a wide area of the State, compris ing Fauna District No. 9 and embracing the districts of Beverley, Brookton, Bruce Rock, Corrigin, Cuballing, Dumbleyung, Kondinin, Kulin, Lake Grace, Narrogin, Pingelly, Nar embeen, Quairading, Wickepin, Wagin, Woodanilling and York have been invited to attend the first conference to be arranged by the Department of Fisheries and Fauna and to be held at the Town Hall, Beverley, on Friday, February 14. In addition representatives of the Beverley Shire Council and members of Parliament whose electoral districts are included in the Shires which constitute the No 9 Fauna District have been invited. The catering for the conference is expected to be in the hands of Beverley branch of the Country Women's Assn. and will comprise morning tea, luncheon and tea.

It is proposed that proceedings will be opened by the Director at 10.00a.m. The rest of the morning and all the afternoon will be taken up by addresses by Departmental officers who will explain policy and other m a t ters. Each address will be kept to a minimum and will be followed by questions and discussions. As this is to be a 2-way affair, ample opportunity will be given all honorary wardens to raise any matters they wish and to criticise or query any officer on Departmental procedures, policies or purposes related to conservation The day's programme in detail is as follows —

10.00a.m.	Opening by Director ofFisheries & Fauna.
10.15a.m.	Morning tea.
10.30a.m.	Chief warden "Your job.'
11.00a.m.	Hon. Wardens' critic isms or suggestions.
12.00	Dr Burbidge 'Reserve management.'
12.30p.m.	Lunch.
2.00	Senior warden 'How to make a pinch.'
2.45	Questions, discussion
3.15	T. .L. Riggert 'ducks'
3.45	Questions, discussion
4.00	Review of meeting.
4.30	Refreshments.
5.30	Tea.
7.00	Films.
9.00p.m.	Close.

Shooters enjoy successful opening

A very large gathe r i n g of sportsmen of the district and including many visitors enjoyed a successful opening of the duck shooting season at vantage points on the Avon River and along the lakes system, from Qalanderry crossing to the Channel lakes in the County Peak region, on Sunday morning last. There were complaints as usual, that the shooting had commenced too early in some areas and with the uncertain light the fixture had been rather spoilt, but over a large part of the lakes region in the vicinity of Rocky lake no shots were fired until the light had become established and there were some good bags here, although, as was the case in most areas, there were few reports of parties securing limit bags of 15 per shooter.

A very welcome feature this year was the p r e valence of black duck in the lakes area, from where they have been almost missing in recent years, and almost all the parties engaged reported securing some of this prized species – whilst one party at Jurakine on the Avon River secured more of these than any other variety. Perhaps there were fewer Moun tain duck than usual in places but m a n y were shot around Rocky lake and there was also a fair number of Main Geese seccured — together with fair numbers of grey teal which nor mally provide the bulk of bags. Shooters on the bank between Rocky and Mud lakes had a very successful outing and although the efforts of a visitor or two did little more than scare the birds, the better shots of the party saw that the average per gun was respectable.

There was slightly more water in the lakes from Qualanderry to Rocky lake than has been the case since the retaining wall was constructed at the crossing to convert former dry areas into a good breeding and shooting rgeion, and with the present depth of water shooting should be available over a big area for some time to come. One party of shooters intended to use their boat on Sunday to reach various van t a g e points from which to operate, but found the water just too shallow to complete the project. However, it was good to note that boats were not used illegally to scare the birds from open stretches of water where they had taken refuge.

Croquet Championships

The triangular matches between the leading croquet players of Australia, England and New Zealand will begin in the Eastern States early in February and Mrs Sheila McDonald, of East Beverley, who is among the team selected to represent Australia in the contest leaves in a week or two to secure practice in the city before the big games. The English team consists of the six leading male players from that country and they will arrive in this State en-route to the Championship fixtures about the end of the month. A social match has been arranged against a W.A. team upon their arrival. The Australian team – which they will meet in the East – comprises four men and two women — one of these being of course, Sheila McDonald.

Two killed at Brookton

J k William Paterson (37) of Elliot Street, Pingelly, and his son Mitchell Paterson (9) were killed on Monday, January 6th when their car left the Kelmcott/Brookton road and overturned 15 miles from Brookton The accident happened at 9.15 a.m on a bend and the car roll ed over several times and hit a tree before finishing upside down in a paddock. Mr Paterson's wife, Judth Erna (31) and daughters Joanne (7) and Sarah (2) were admitted to the Narro gin District hospital with shock and minor injuries.

Agriculture prize

The annual Swan Brewery prize in Agriculture for 1968 has been won by Mr G. A. Robert son of Selway Rd., Brentwood

The chairman and managing d rector of the Swan Brewery Co. Ltd., Mr Geoffrey Cohen, said today that Mr Robertson had an outstanding record in his fourth year at the University of Western Australia. He gained distinctions in all four fourth-year subjects — agricultural extension theory, agronomy, soil science and animal production.

Mr Robertson, who is 21 years of age, intends to undertake honours studies in agronomy.

Big savings

Farmers saved $400,000 in the early delivery price and freight discounts on 210,000 tons of superphosphate transported by December 31st, 1968, the Min ister for Agriculture, the Hon. C. D. Nalder, said last week. However, he added that there was still room in January for some additional orders.

Farmers schedules covering deliver ies required during '68/69 totalled 10 per cent. more superphosphate than was used last year. M o n thly tonnages showed a reason a b l y even spread, with a concentration in February and March — which were fully booked at all works

In accordance with the Delivery Plan each farmer should complete financial arrangements with his distributor in time for an order for each part of his schedule to be lodged by the first of each month prior to the month of delivery. New farmers who were unable to ar range a schedule in advance should contact distributors as soon as their requirements are known. As provided in the Plan, distributors would then confer with manufacturers in an endeavour to arrange suitable deliveries which could be offered without prejudicing the prior commit m e n t s to other users.

Embarrassing

It was a case of "It's Moments Like These You Need Minties" right in front of the Town Council office at Narrogin last week when a local resident, in backing his vehicle to turn, had his attention distracted by New Year gree tings from a pedestrian friend The inevitable happened and he was brought back to earth by an alarming crunch. **Yes, y u've guessed it. he had backed into the traffic inspector's patrol car.**

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Shop locally this year

Urea prices

Member for Avon, Mr. Mick Gayfer, M.L.A., was in an enquiring frame of mind at a recent sitting of the Legislative Assembly in Perth. He asked the following questions of the Minister for Agriculture —

1. Is he aware that a distributor of Urea in Western Australia is compiling his invoices as such —
   Unit price $73.50
   less special discount $10.00
   $63.50?
2. Is it not a fact that the price of imported Urea was reduced throughout Australia by $10.00 a ton by direction of the Minister for Customs & Excise as from February 1?
3. Would it then be fair and correct to say that the unit price for Urea in W.A. is $63.50 per ton and that the invoice being sent out by this company is misleading the public into thinking the $10 reduction is an act of benevolence on the part of this company?
4. What action can be taken in respect of this matter?

THE MINISTER REPLIED:

1. I am aware that advertising for urea fertiliser has in some instances quoted prices which include a discount.
2. As a result of discussions undertaken at the direction of the Minister for Customs & Excise distributors agreed on a selling price of $63.50 per ton for urea as from the 1st of February.
3. The selling price of urea is $63.50 per ton. I am not aware of the objectives or the effects of any decision to forward invoices which include a discount.
4. I cannot take any action in this matter.

Airline donates $750 model aircraft to Aeronautical museum

On Tuesday the Shire president Cr. Heal, deputy president Cr. Kilpatrick, and the Shire Clerk D. Rigoll, were present at the offices of the Malaysia/Singapore Airlines, at the invitation of the Company, to participate in the handing-over of a model of a Comet 4 airliner. The beautifully finished model (having a wingspan of approx. 5 ft. and constructed of fibreglass at a cost of $750) was presented to the Beverley Council by Malaysia/Singapore Airlines for display in the Beverley Aeronautical museum.

The presentation was made by Mr. Deunison – the Company's Sales Manager for Australia and New Zealand – who said that he hoped that the model would be of value to the museum's collection. Some day, in the future, other models may also become available.

Councillor Heal in accepting the model, thanked the Company, at the same time expressing the opinion that it would be a decided acquisition to the collection. He quoted figures of attendances etc., and said this new attraction – and publicity – would definitely be of benefit

The ceremony was covered by Channels 2 and 7 and the ABC The Director and Publicity officer of the Tourist Development Auth. were also present.

The model will be on display in the Tourist Bureau window in Hay St., Perth, for the next couple of weeks as part of a display of the State's tourist attractions. It will then be displayed in the Beverley museum

Wild fowl in their thousands

An organised shoot at the lakes last Friday afternoon was attended by between 30 and 40 local sportsmen, most of whom enjoyed a successful outing, although bags failed by a big margin to reach the limit of 15

For most of those who participated the occasion was extremely interesting on account of the enormous number of wildfowl to be seen. A local warden who has lived in the lakes area all his life states that he has never seen so many ducks on the waterways at this season of the year than is the case at present. Mr Henry Hall of Dangin reports similarly of the Channel lakes in his district

Ducks are present in their thousands, together with a vast number of black swans, flocks of seagulls (apparently at home a long way from their normal habitat), snipe and shags. The accumulation of game presented a memorable sight as they took to the wing after the first shots were fired.

The tremendous accumulation has come at the end of the season as other lakes and water ways dry out. The lakes at County Peak still retain 2 to 3 feet of water due to the retaining wall at Qualanderry crossing, and with such numbers of wildfowl present, the breeding in the area should be a prolific one when winter rains arrive. Seeing the birds present in such numbers one wonders what it is they find to eat in the very salty lake waters. Possibly their food source is largely found in the dense growth of weed in all the lakes.

The shoot was the last of the season – which closed on Wednesday last, at midnight. Shooting is now prohibited in all areas of the south-west until a new season is proclaimed. Generally the season has been the best for some years, with wld duck available in numbers since opening day. Of special interest has been the number of black duck to be seen on the waterways of the district.

Heart appeal launched

On Monday afternoon a meeting, convened by Mrs. Mary Blechynden, was held to consider the launching of the 1969 Heart Appeal in this district. Representatives of at least ten district organisations attended the meeting which was chaired by the Shire president, Cr. W. E. A. Heal. Also present was a State Appeal organiser in Mr Len Hamilton who addressed the gathering explaining why the appeal is necessary. Some very revealing statistics on the many types of heart complaints were presented to those present

After some discussion it was resolved that Mrs. Blechynden and Mrs Curtin be elected as co-ordinators, their duty being to co-ordinate the various organisations into district collecting units. This has been done and those representatives present promised that their organisations would conduct a house-to-house appeal – commencing on a date to be announced. It is hoped that the public of the district will not fail to support this Appeal.

Anzac commemoration

What appeared to be a somewhat smaller attendance than usual participated in the 54th commemoration of Anzac day at Beverley on Friday last. Following the Dawn service, returned men of the fighting services – including one from Vietnam – paraded at the War Memorial later in the morning. School children also marched from the assembly point at the Town Hall. Proceedings were brief and there were no speeches as wreaths from local organisatios were placed at the base of the stone.

At the Town Hall the main service of the day began at 11 a.m. There were about sixty adults present together with 20 returned men – and traditional hymns and prayers were used.

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W.A. Junior Farmers to build $250,000 centre

This Junior Farmers' Centre is not just a dream but a reality, which will come into existance in 1971. It's purpose is primarily for education, accommodation and orientation. It's need is long overdue and extension officer John Williams has at last set out to get Junior Farmers working for this goal.

With special schemes for money raising every Club member will be expected to help raise the $250.000 within the next twelve months..

We have something concrete to aim for now. The building itself will not be on the hostel site as that is to be used to bring in revenue from the flats which will be built there. The Centre will have single and married quarters, sports amenities, a theatre, hall, and a dining room — and it will be modern, catering for the years ahead. Each Club will have its name on some section, room or furniture, saying that it supplied the money for this particular article.

The topic of the "Centre" was one of the major items discussed at the State Executive Seminar which took place last week-end at York. Marilyn Weston, State Executive member for Avon Valley and Blair Doncon, Boy's committee member, both attended the seminar.

A major point discussed was that of communication from the top levels of State Executive down to the bottom levels - the Club member. How many of you know what your State Executive member does, how can you use them, and what exactly is the State Executive?

This body, comprised of two members per Council (Avon Valley is Geoff Morgan and Marilyn Weston) is to become the major decision - making body, replacing Conference as the top level in the State. The Conference will now become more social, a report receiver, and it will elect office bearers.

Your State Executive members will make all decisions and these will come from you up through your Council and your two State Executve members will then speak on them and a decision will be made. This is a much better way because, after all, your members on the State Executive are Club members – but with a difference — they know what is going on at all levels. They are then more qualified than an ordinary Club member at Conference to speak and discuss most matters

Another major issue during the week-end was that of Leader Training. It is hoped that Clubs will either elect Trained Leaders into office or else hold elections early so that all office bearers then have ample opportunity to attend a Leader Training school before they take over office. August was the suggested month for elections and Leader's Camps are being organised for October 27 and 31, November 24 and 28. So many difficulties, problems and mistakes could easily be avoided and overcome if members and office bearers realized the importance and value of Leader Training and attended these camps.

Although most of the week-end was spent working on problems in discussion groups and making basic decisions – there was a little bit of social activity On Friday night York and Beverley held their debate and teams of four competitions. Beverley won both of these events, even though York put up a good performance. On Saturday night Geoff Morgan and Marilyn Weston organised a car trial, scavenger hunt, objective test/come barbecue, and this proved to be entertaining, educational and good fun.

The week-end was certainly rewarding and beneficial to all who attended. Now that State Executive members have their roles worked out clearly it is hoped that the Club members will benefit, take notice, and learn more about Junior Farmers as a whole.

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Artificial duck nesting boxes erected on local waterways

Following the success which has attended the experiment in Victoria and in other parts of Australia many artificial nesting boxes have now been erected at selected sites to facilitate the breeding of wild ducks in the Beverley and Brookton districts

Areas where the boxes are situated are Rocky and Mear's lakes, McCooke's swamp, Mills swamp and Qualen Downs. The nests are of circular design and made from former acid containers, coloured black and provided with a top. A hole has been cut to allow black duck and teal to enter.

Each nest is numbered and a plan of lay-out is kept. The nests are placed in trees about 6 feet from ground level and in the larger lakes pegs are driven into the ground and the nests attached to the top.

It was originally intended that local game wardens would assist in the work of placing the nests in the areas selected but two field officers from the Fauna and Fisheries Dept. contacted Henry Hall (the well-known Dangin game warden) to advise that the Dept. would complete the job. A Beverley warden, Jack McLean, and his son Ron, went out to the site to see the work in progress.

The Dept. requests the public to co-operate fully by not molesting the boxes in any way and to definitely refrain from using them as shooting targets. Providing such boxes is a new experiment in W.A. and it will be watched with interest, particularly by the shooting fraternity. Responsible people will want to see the scheme get a good trial. Beverley has been selected for the initial work in this direction because it has, by the building of the retaining wall at Qualand erry, created conditions which the Fauna Department consider most favourable for the success of the experiment.

Mr. McLean, to whom we are indebted for the above information, reports that swans and ducks of every type are present in the lakes areas in enormous numbers.

Race fixture

The Beverley Race Club's city representative, Mr K. Hill, has advised that excellent nominations have been received for the June fixture of the Club which eventuates next Wednesday so that good fields, which have been a feature of recent Beverley meetings, again seem assured. The weather may be the uncertain factor, but given a reaonable day a successful fixture should result.

The Club has also enjoyed better patronage of late and with the popularity of Beverley meetings with city racegoers steadily increasing (two buses made the trip for the last meeting) a good attendance should be present to enjoy the 6-event programme which has been arranged and which could possibly be extended to seven if the the scratching pen is not used too freely. All the usual course facilities will be available.

A novel event is a race for two-year-old maiden horses which we understand has created considerable interest among owners in the city who have to date had no luck with their horses of this age.

JUNIOR FARMERS

Good record in public speaking

Beverley Club is keeping up its winning run in the Junior Farmers' round of Public speaking Last Friday Beverley won both the debating and Teams of four against the Mortlock Club at Cunderdin. Lyn Marks gained very high points for her speech on "Women's cricket" in the Teams of four event. The Club will contest its final fixture against the Brookton Club in near future and perhaps after that it will be Council finals?

Valuable rains

Very valuable rains fell over the Southern half of the State during the week-end enabling farmers to complete seasonal operations in many areas where the work had been held up.

At Beverley the registrations from the 13th to the 16th totalled 139 points to bring June gauging to that date to 180 pts and the year's total to 452 pts. The latest falls have made a great difference to the local farming outlook and the earlier crops are now making rapid headway together with pastures On other properties owners will now be able to complete cropping programmes if further big falls hold off for awhile.

The weather was cold early in the week but overcast conditions again prevailed on Wednesday and further light showers were expected on the coast

Vehicle licenses

As a result of a decision by the Goverment, vehicle owners in the interests of the District are urged to renew their vehicle licenses before June 30, 1969.

The decision of the Government to permit Councils, if to their advantage, to average their license receipts for 1967/68 and 1968/69 for a matching grant means that the more money received from licenses by June 30th the more will be received by the Council for each of the next five years. Added to this is the fact that the Government has agreed to add 2% compound interest for this five year period.

Matching money will be discontinued after June 30. From this date all license revenue, less a collecting fee of $4 for each of the first 1,000 vehicles and $3 each for all other vehcles, will be the property of the Government.

Beverley art exhibition

Members of the Beverley Art Group presented an exhibition of their work at the Lesser hall on Friday and Saturday of last week and were encouraged by the response of the public. Approximately 120 people viewed the exhibition on Friday, with another 20 attending on Saturday morning, plus school children who were not charged for entry and thus not included in the official count.

Sixty-five pictures of various sizes and media by seventeen artists represented the growth of the Beverley Art Group. That the Art Group's reputation is spreading was evidenced by the exhibits by Miro Alach, an art teacher at Brookton Jun. High school, and Mrs Shirley Threlfall, of Quairading. These two, both of whom have considerable talent and experience, have joined because there is no similar Group in their own centre, and with their different styles contribute much to the Beverley Group. Mr. Alach's work is largely semi abstract while Mrs Threlfalls work is all very clear and definite whether in oil, watercolour or pencil.

It was interesting to note that nearly all the artists exhibited in oils and in watercolour There was much more diversity in subject and style than in previous showings by the group Although the majority of paintings were still representational, there was evidence of individual style emerging with application of imagination and interpretation. The Group feels that much of this widening of its art horizon is the result of the classes being conducted at present by Bernadette Pash. Mrs Pash, a daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Curtin, of Beverley, is an art teacher at Mirrabooka High school and conducts the Beverley Saturday afternoon classes under the auspices of the Technical Education Extension Services. Twenty-five members of the Art Group attend.

Mrs Pash had hung several of her own paintings to augment the local display and also showed examples of silk screen printing and some exercises in interpretative art work. Both she and her husband, who is also an artist, praised the exhibition.

Most of the pictures were priced in the catalogue but comparatively few were sold. It is understandable that Beverley can offer only a limited market for local artists and indeed this would seem to be the least of the Group's worries. The exhibition as a whole showed progress, excitement, enthusiasm, and integrity. Heartiest congratulations to artists and the organisers. Exhibitors, in order of appearance in the catalogue were:— D. Eynon, R. Mann, Rita Ford, S. Efford, V. Wansbrough, Miro Alach, Y. Sullivan, P. Ford, S. Threlfall, S. Doncon, R. Lodge, O. Weaver, Les Jackson, D. Butcher, R. Croft, M. Carr, B. Butcher.

Heart appeal

The Country Press of W.A. is co-operating with the present Heart Fund Appeal by providing free space for the advertising of the Australia-wide effort. Two large advertisements appear in this issue but we would point out to would be donors that local collectors for the appeal have been appointed so that unless the donor wishes there is no need to forward amounts to addresses indicated in the announcements. These amounts can be handed to the local collectors. Chairwoman of the Beverley district committee in connection with the appeal is Mrs Kevin Blechynden of Kokeby.

"HEART BEAT" SUNDAY

State Heart Appeal chairman, Mr T. Bunning said this week "The planning and organising of the past months are resolving into a gigantic force, with the objective of reaching three million Australia homes."

Many thousands of volunteer callers will ring door bells throughout Australia on Sunday for donations towards the Heart Foundation's fight against against heart disease. W.A.'s heart appeal headquarters will operate from Red Cross House, Murray Street, Perth from 6.00 p.m. until midnight. During these times local committee chairmen have been asked to ring 261 118 with the details of monies collected in their area.

W.A. appeal director, Mr L. Franklin, said: "It was important that the State and National committees had progressive totals first hand. I hope all local chairmen would ring the above number on Sunday evening."

Level crossing collision

Friday, 13th, proved unlucky for Trevor Boyle of 'Riverside' Beverley, when his car collided with the engine of the Albany train at the level crossing in Vincent Street at about 11p.m.

The car was travelling west at the time and it is understood that Boyle saw the train's head light, but assumed that it was standing at the station. It was raining steadily, and he had the car's windows closed. He drove on, with the intention of crossing in front of the train, but realised too late that it was moving slowly and his car hit the side of the locomotive.

The car was dragged for a short distance and considerably bent in the process, but Boyle escaped without serious injury.

New move for linseed factory in Albany

Albany may yet get the oil seed processing industry first mooted last year. Negotiations resumed in Albany last week between local government authority representatives and the directors of Prosol (Australia) Limited.

The State Govt. is reported to have made a $20,000 grant to the Company which would produce both oil and meal.

Dept. of Agriculture advisers have said that linseed crops would make a useful and profitive alternative crop and one adviser stated that linseed grow i would fit in with rotation cropping and could be competitive with other grain crops.

appointment

Mr C. Smith, Senior Research Scientist with the CSIRO Division of Tropical Pastures in Queensland, has been appointed Principal of Musek Agricultural College, now a department of the West. Australian Institute of Technology. The appointment was announced last week by the Institute's Council chairman, Dr. T. L. Robertson.

Mr Smith is 41 and is a graduate of the Universities of Canterbury and Manawatu New Zealand, where he specialised in plant and soil science. He has a wide expreience in agriculture in New Zealand, Zambia and in Queensland where he has lately worked on beef and wool production in the Brigalow region. He joined the C.S.I.R.O. in 1965; is a member of the Australian Society of Animal Production and the Tropical Grassland Society of Australia and has published numerous scientific papers — mainly concerning agronomy. It is expected that Mr Smith will take up duty at the college about the end of August.

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Local Junior Farmer wins New Zealand trip

A signal honour came the way of a Beverley member of the Junior Farmer Movement over the week-end when Marilyn Weston, of the Beverley Junior High School staff and an outstanding member of the Beverley J. F. Club, was announced as the winner of the girls section of the New Zealand Trip. It was the most notable prize yet secured by a member of the local Club and is a tribute to her enthusiasm and keenness.

Marilyn has been with the Education Department for the past five years and she hails from Pickering Brook – where her father conducts a poultry farm. Beverley was her first posting after completion of her Education Dept. studies and until she came to the town at the age of 20 two years ago she knew little or nothing of the Junior Farmer Movement. This was soon remedied however as almost as soon as she became associated with the Beverley Club she became intensely interested and has been extending a helping hand and assisting in the administration locally ever since, as well as taking her place, often with distinction, in many of the Movement's activities in competitive and social fields. Club members and her many friends here and elsewhere are happy to see her latest success which will entail 3 month's absence from her teaching interests. The holiday will begin after arrangements for leave from the Education Department have been completed.

About 30 people were present at Forrest House, Perth, at the seminar held over last week-end at which the awards were announced.

The programme consisted of prepared speeches and interviews before three different panels; written examinations in 'current events,' 'general knowledge,' 'Junior Farmer knowledge' 'homecraft and agricultural knowledge' — and work done, and positions held, in the Junior Farmer Movement.

All contestants enjoyed the week-end even though many felt the strain. The social activities included a cabaret, a barbecue and a cocktail party (at which the following winners were announced) —

1. P. & O. 8 months trip to Britain was won by Angus Worth, of Tambellup.
2. New Zealand girl, 3 month trip, Marilyn Weston.
3. New Zealand boy, 3 month Harry Taylor, of Boddington

The winners of the six-week State trips were Sue Snooke, Jan Scudds, Ian Phillips, Jim West and John Collingwood.

Lakes are filling rapidly

The lakes in the County Peak region of this district are filling rapidly as a result of the flow of water from the Baandee area where up to six inches of rain fell a fortnight ago.

Mr Henry Hall, of Dangin, reported on Wednesday that Kevill's lake in the Quairading area had filled some days ago and there had been family outings at that resort on Sunday. Rocky lake at County Peak had also begun overflowing by Sunday and ski-ing enthusiasts from surrounding farms were out in force and enjoying their sport again.

The big volume of water is now pouring into the adjoining Mud lake, from where it will flow along the lakes system into the series of catchments known as the lower lakes

Mr Hall considers that the water is sure to reach the Qualanderry Crossing where it will spill into the Avon River. However it may be a fortnight before this occurs as there are numerous lakes in the region and the fall of the land in the area is only 1 inch to the mile.

The Channel lakes in the vicinity of Mr. Hall's Dangin property have not yet received any substantial benefit from the falls in the Eastern area. It has often happened in the past that flood conditions in the eastern wheatbelt have filled the local lakes, but it is normal for the water to take some weeks to get through.

Corrigin

The Beverley Football Clu has accepted an invitation t participate in a knockout ca nival at Corrigin on March 2 In order that the Club may b worthily represented it is ne essary that those who will b playing should have reache some degree of fitness and a cordingly the officials stress th training sessions announced page 9 of this issue should attended.

The pennant season is rapi ly approaching and althou there has been some traini by a few enthusiasts on rece evenings the Club adminstr tion, and coach Neil Gillan, anxious to see a full atte dance as from to-night a thereafter as advertised.

The vacancy caused by t withdrawal of the Meckeri A. Reserve side last season to be filled this year by a te from the Muresk Agricultu College, near Northam. T should improve interest in Association a great deal, esp ially amongst the young play as at least one Reserves s last season only played th matches in eight weeks – c ainly no way to keep yo players keen and inte:este

Bowls carnival success

Aided by excellent bowls weather the Beverley Bowling Club conducted a most successful carnival over the holiday week-end. It was the first carnival to be conducted here since the completion of the new pavilion and a very widespread representation of visitors from adjacent clubs was interested and freely commented in laudatory manner regarding the facilities.

The entries were reported to be a record for a local fixture as in addition to the visiting players the majority of the local membership were engaged at one time or another over the three days. The biggest entry was made in the Weaver Pairs event and this more than compensated for a slight falling off in the entries in the fours contests.

Beverley players were very much to the fore in all events. Les Weaver (who recently moved to the Denmark district) assisted by Bob Kempton, Peter Bremner and S. Shaw won Saturday's Welcome fours fixture from Bob Edwards, D. Kemp, W. Edwards and Rod Penny.

Tht Weaver Pairs on Sunday was the most popular of the contests and as often happens at bowls it was won by comparatively new players Hoppy Paulsen and John Hollins. In the process they defeated some pairs with many more years of experience of the game. They were one of several pairs which won through their games undefeated but their percentages outmatched the others and gave them victory. The runners-up were a York pair in Tom Morse and Keith Ashworth.

Historically the Ford Fours is the most important of the Club's annual fixtures and there was a good entry to contest the coveted event on Monday. Beverley failed to make the carnival a clean sweep for the home club when a leading Pingelly player in R. Gardiner – who had with him R. Cook, M. Shultz and A. Kirk – came out the winner. Eric Robin's Beverley team (J. Hollins, Hoppy Paulsen and M. Healy) were the runners-up.

It will be noted that the week-end was an outstanding one for both Paulsen and Hollins as they were not only the winners of the Pairs contest but also appeared in the Ford Fours runner-up combination.

All events were completed in good time under the system of play now being used at Beverley and the last matches on Monday were completed shortly after 5p.m. allowing plenty of time for the trophy presentations and the usual felicitations. This is a far cry from the days when the Ford Fours normally finished around midnight of the last night of the carnival. The programme had been carefully arranged and there were no hitches over the three days. The greens are rep'ed to have played very well and the ladies of the Club catered in very fine style for visitors and home players with luncheons and teas, etc.

THE PRESENTATIONS

Club president, Ossie Vallentine, officiated for the trophy presentations after play on Monday. He complimented the winners and offered consolation to the defeated and thanked the visitors for the patronage accorded which had assured the success of the fixture. Expression of appreciation of the ladies and of the Club's committeemen and officials was also voiced as well as thanks to the greenkeeper. The entries for the Weaver Pairs this year had reached the maximum that could be handled by the Club.

DEPARTING BOWLERS

The opportunity was also taken by the president to express the regret felt by all bowlers of Beverley at the departure of members Mr and Mrs Les Weaver and Mr and Mrs E. Boyle. The first pair had already left the district but Les had returned for the fixture and had a notable success as skipper of the 'Welcome Fours' winning combination. Mr & Mrs Boyle had both had close association with the game in Beverley — the former with notable success on numerous occasions.

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Bob Edwards is new bowls champion

The promise of attaining Championship status that has been revealed in recent seasons by class bowler Bob Edwards was fully redeemed at the Beverley green on Sunday last when in a final against another of the Club's outstanding players and pennant skippers, Frank Blechynden, he won through to an 8 - shot winning margin in the 31 up match. The game was watched by a large assembly on the bank who witnessed some excellent bowling, with the match very even until the concluding stages when Edwards went to the front with a series of winning ends in which his fine touch and judgement was revealed in impressive fashion.

He practically sealed the game when in three successive ends (the 33rd to the 35th) he counted 7 and although Blechynden won three out of the remaining ends, the leeway was too much for him to make up. The final went to 39 ends and both players were applauded by spectators for the excellent display. The contestants relied almost entirely on the draw shot although both were effective on a few occasions with drives and firm shots. The final scores Edwards 31; Blechynden 23.

Edwards had previously defeated a semi-finalist in Chas McGlew in a close match in which he was forced to produce his best bowls — the final scores being 21/19. Blechynden's semi - final had been against the season's B. Grade champion, Hoppy Paulsen. The latter is bowling in good style and led early, but Blechynden's consistency in the final stages gave him a 21/19 victory.

Defeated in first round games were Cyril Carr and M. Healey who made the finals for the first time.

The Plate contest was also concluded on Sunday and this went to a veteran bowler in Allan Cooper who has carried on the bowls tradition of his late father — at one time a leading player in South Australia before joining up with the Beverley Club with whom he was a noted exponent. Allan met Joe Wansbrough in the final and trailed early, but finding touch about the mid-way mark, counted 7 over the 17th, 18th and 19th ends to almost make up the lee-way and then assured victory with a total count of 6 at the 21st and 22nd ends. The finals scores were: Cooper 31, Wansbrough 25.

In earlier games Cooper had defeated Ced Smith 21/10, and Wansbrough and beaten W. Jones 21/13.

Assn. football president re-elected

Delegates of the Avon Football Association re-elected Mr R. F. (Reg) Truelove as president for the fifth consecutive year at a well-attended annual meeting held a fortnight ago. Mr. Truelove, who has worked hard in the interests of country football for many years, was not opposed for the position.

Another well-known Avon football identity, Mr A. S. Byfield, retained his position as treasurer of the Assn. unopposed. This will be Mr Byfield's tenth consecutive year in local football administration — having been secretary for four years and treasurer for the last six.

Mr Harry Saunders who has been secretary for the past 3 seasons tendered his resignation at the meeting due to his impending transfer from Northam The new secretary will be Mr Bernie Barry. The president and delegates praised Mr Saunders' attitude to football since joining the Association in 1967 and said he had set a high standard of administration.

Other appointments were Mr R. Aitkenhead to senior Vice/president, and Mr S. Hill to junior Vice/president. Mr Caffell was again made patron.

Club delegates in attendance were Messrs R. Eyre and C. McLean (Beverley), J. Hodgins and P. Dixon (Kellerberrin); G Chatfield (Tammin); K. E. and C. Baxter (Cunderdin), P. Ridley and S. Hill (Meckering), R. Walker and A. Hoddy (Federals), A. L. Williams and P. Burgess (Railways), J. Collapy and S. Hadlow (Quairading) and Mr G. Kilpatrick (a life member).

The fixtures for the 1970 season could not be ratified pending decisions regarding an inter association match and the venus for the final round matches.

A notice of motion by the Tammin Club that first semi-final games alternate between Beverley and Kellerberrin, second semi-finals and preliminary finals rotate between Tammin, York and Quairading, with the grand finals to alternate between Northam and Cunderdin, polled ten votes to six, but as the constitutional three - quarters majority was not obtained, the motion was lost.

The fixtures were finalised on Monday night at delegates meeting at Cunderdin and Beverley will once again be the venue for the first semi - final. It also appears certain that this season the proposed Thirds competition will get off the ground — with an age limit of under 18 years. Quairading, Cunderdin, Kellerberrin, Meckering, York and Beverley appear certain to be able to field sides and Tammin are hopeful The two Northam Clubs will not take part in this competition as a "C" Grade contest already exists at that centre.

Due to the increasing costs of organising football, admission charges for this season were raised to 50 cents for all Club matches and 60 cents for finals. It was decided to again utilise W.A.N.F.L. umpires for A. Grade games and to form a district panel for all A. Reserve matches.

Flood waters reach Qualanderry

To stand on the bank of one of the lakes near the Qualanderry Crossing at County Peak and watch a dry lake bed, encrusted inches thick with salt crystals, being slowly inundated with flood waters which fell over a fortnight ago at Baandee and other eastern districts was the experience of a representative of this paper on Monday afternoon.

For life-time resident of the County Peak area in Jack McLean (to whom we are indebted for the opportunity of witnessing this unusual occurrence) and to Henry Hall and others of Dangin, it was the first occasion that such a phenomenon has been witnessed. As Mr McLean pointed out — on all previous occasions he has seen the arrival of water from the eastern districts at the lakes it has occurred when the lakes had already partly filled from local falls and consequently all that could be noted was a slow rise in the level of the water.

As we stood on the lake bank for a few minutes, the head of the wide stream progressed well over a 100 yards towards the Avon River and at the same time spread towards each bank, so that standing close to the water it was necessary to retreat towards the bank to avoid the discomfort of wet feet. The noise of air being forced from the dead weed on the lake bed accompanied the spread of the stream

The water in the previous 24 hours had flowed well over a mile and had spread to the full width of the numerous lakes comprised in the area. To judge the volume of water coming through, a visit was paid to one of the narrow channels between two of the large lakes. It was flowing fully 3 feet deep over more than 100 yards at an estimated three to four knots per hour.

As was anticipated, the flood waters reached the Qualanderry Crossing on Tuesday morning and was beginning to bank against the retaining wall on the south side. The wall is 4 feet high and the waters must rise to that level before they will spill into the Avon River. However, the Kellerberrin Shire Clerk has advised Mr. McLean that water is still flowing at Mt. Sterling and out of the Baandee lakes so that an immense volume of water is still to come through, and it is anticipated that this will top the wall and commence flowing in to the river within a week — at which stage there should be an average depth of 7 ft of water in the large lakes in the County Peak area.

Cemetery offences

An echo of the cases of vandalism at two local cemeteries (involving the destruction of glass wreaths which was reported in this paper recently) was heard at a Children's Court presided over by Magistrate A. L. O'Brien at Beverley last Friday. The two young boys responsible for the destruction were committed to the care of the Child Welfare Department and placed under supervision for twelve months.

Traffic Act offenders

David Nicholas Tassell, of the Rectory, John Street, Beverley appeared at a Beverley Magistrate's Court on Friday, March 6th, and was fined $20 for failing to report an accident forthwith. The charge was laid by Traffic inspector, Coultas.

Lewis William Blechynden, of Beverley, was arrested last Friday night (6th March) by Traffic inspector Coultas, and charged with drunken driving. He appeared at a Court on Saturday morning and was fined $200, his license being cancelled for six months.

Handy booklet for marron fishermen

Marron fishermen are like treasurehunters, always looking for that one spot to find the big loot (read: super - marron). And as it is with treasure - coves — they're pretty hard to find and certainly well away from the worn out tracks, always in barely accessible areas

The Dept. of Fisheries and Fauna, when issuing its brochure "Marron of Western Australia" must have thought along that line because, in its useful advice on marron fishing, it recommends: "If you find yourself a particularly good fishing spot it will probably pay to keep it to yourself."

The brochure is a neat bit of work covering every aspect of marson fishing and keeping; giving valuable hints even for those who have been thinking of stocking their farm dams with marron. The brochure is available free from the Dept., or any of its field offices in WA

The booklet points out that the least fished streams in the dense South-west forests offer the best fishing, but it also suggests a few places like the Murray Blackwood and Warren Rivers for a first try if one doesn't know where to start. Marron, the booklet says, could be found all over the State, in rivers as well as in farm dams or irrigation dams.

For every environment the best time to catch marron, and the most promising methods, are pointed out but the booklet also clearly states that an amateur fisherman's license must be held if marron are taken by a trap or any kind of net.

Lack of firebreaks proves costly

In a Police Court held at Beverley on March 6th the following were each fined $10.00 with $8.90 costs for having failed to comply with an Order issued under the Bush Fires Act by the Beverley Shire Council whereby they were required to provide firebreaks on town lots — E. M. Dolan; G. D. Gors; J. F. & M. Woods; J. Scott and Barrow & Richardson

"Wales" manager arrives

The Bank of New South Wales has appointed Mr Doug Clark as manager of the Beverley branch to succeed Mr W. K. Wright who has been transferred to the Bank's Perth office. Mr Clark, his wife and two children (aged 5 and 1½ years) arrived in Beverley on Tuesday and Mr Clark took over as manager of the Beverley branch on Wednesday morning.

Mr Clark joined the Wales at Narrabri, New South Wales, in February 1944 and has had wide branch banking experience both in metropolitan and country areas in New South Wales. Prior to his appointment he was accountant of the Orange branch in New South Wales.

An active worker, Mr Clark was treasurer of the local Lions Club, a member of the Ex-Services Club and the Orange Golf Club. He was also connected with the P. & C. Assn. His moments of relaxation are spent on the golf course and he is looking forward to enjoying play at Beverley.

Mrs Clark shares her husband's interest in golf and she participated actively in C.W.A.

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Farm water carting — information essential

The Agricultural, Dairying and Pastoral Statistics return for the 1969/70 season will be issued shortly and the form will contain an additional question relating to "Water Resources on Holdings at March 31st., 1970." A spokesman for the Public Works Department said that this information would provide valuable data for the effective planning of water supplies and sought the earnest co-operation of all persons completing the form. He said that although it was the last question on the form it was not the least in importance. Farmers were urged to complete all questions fully and with as much accuracy as is possible in their own particular circumstances.

The recent drought conditions had highlighted the necessity for more complete knowledge on farmers' water supplies and this became most obvious when the major water carting programme by the Government was initiated in early December, 1969. To date this has involved the cartage of some 13 million gallons and is still continuing in the South/eastern wheatbelt.

Although details of Departmental schemes and dams were known, major difficulty was encountered in quickly assessing the priorities relating to where, when, and how much, water had to be carted by the Government in order that no farmer was involved in carting water more than about 20 miles During the peak carting period approximately 3.5 million gallons per week were supplied from Departmental stand pipes

Invaluable assistance was rendered to the Farm Water Supply Committee by many Shires, which responded to requests to be responsible for assessing water carting requirements within their boundaries. However this proved to be an undertaking of some magnitude which required considerable co-operation, time and effort. The spokesman said that it is hope the co-operation of farmers will ensure the unqualified success of this year's return with respect to water supplies, and that this information can be continuously updated in future years with a view to the ultimate benefit of all farmers concerned.

Cattlemen elected R.A.S. Councillors

Prominent stud cattle breeders and exhibitors, Mr T. Cunningham, of Armadale, and Mr R. Reading, Vasse have been elected new councillors of the Royal Agricultural Society of WA.

Of the ten nominations for seven council vacancies the five retiring members who sought re-election for a further three years were also successful. They are Messrs K. Allen, of Mt Pleasant; W. H. Broun, of Beverley; H. R. Klopper, of Greenmount; W. C. K. Pearse B.E., Mingenew; and J. H. Shepherd, of Kwolyn. The treasurer, Mr F. D. Beames, CBE, was re-elected unopposed.

Seven of the Society's twenty eight Councillors retire on 31st December each year, but are eligible for re-election. This year Sir Thorley Loton and Mr H. Robinson, OBE, remain on council as past presidents in accordance with the constitution and without further reelection.

A foundation members of the United Dairy Cattle Breeders Assn. and president for 2 years, Mr Cunningham has exhibited Friesian cattle at the Perth Royal Show and country shows since 1953. He was previously president of the Friesian Cattle Club of Australia (W.A. Branch) for six years, federal delegate for 8 yrs. and also served the Byford Agricultural Society as president for five years.

Mr Reading is currently vice president of the Poll Shorthorn Society of Australia (W.A. Branch), and a federal councillor. He is also chairman of the South-west District Display Committee and has served five years as president of the South Districts Agric. Society. Mr Reading has exhibited cattle at the Perth Royal Show since 1963.

Easter holiday arrangements for Beverley

Although this year Easter Saturday is not a gazetted holiday it would appear that practically throughout the State it will be observed as one by banks and business places (except those coming under the third schedule of the Act). In Beverley business houses will close on Thursday evening next and will not re-open until business is resumed the following Tuesday.

NEXT PUBLICATION

Following our usual custom, the Easter issue of this newspaper will appear on Thursday morning and to allow of this early publication it is asked that advertisers and contributors endeavour to leave matter for insertion as early as possible on Tuesday morning.

BREAD SUPPLIES

The usual bread and hot cross bun arrangements will prevail at Agnew's Beverley bakery for the Easter period and it is asked by advertisement in another column of this issue that customers lodge their orders early.

AT THE BUTCHER'S

Housewives will need to procure their meat supplies from the local butchery not later than next Thursday as from that evening the shop will be closed until the following Tuesday morning.

POST OFFICE ARRANGEMENTS

The following arrangements will be observed at the Beverley Post office for the Easter period — **Good Friday:** Usual Sunday arrangements; **Easter Saturday:** office open 9 to 10 am; letter delivery; outward mails close at 10am; **Easter Monday:** office closed; no letter delivery; outward mails close at 10am **Note:** The Beverley/Dale roadside mail service will run Thursday, 26th March in lieu of Good Friday.

Football Apathy

(TO THE EDITOR)

B. Wauchope, Beverley, writes:

Sir,

I should like to express through your columns, my disappointment with the parents of this district regarding the 'C' Grade football competition for their sons.

Much local discussion has been held, and many people have approached me (and others) telling of their dismay that a gap exists between a boy being too old to play in the Nippers' Association, yet cannot get a game with the local 'A' Reserve side. May I assure them that I feel this dismay too

With this in mind the Beverley Football Club, with the support of the Nippers' Assn., put an advertisement in "The Beverley Times" advising parents that a meeting would be held to discuss the matter in the Football Club rooms last Friday (13th March). Such was the interest that only ONE parent attended.

There are a number of local lads who wish to play this season, but unless some local support is forthcoming the venture must fall through. These boys need transport to away matches, and above all, they need some interest taken in them. They (the local youth) will benefit, but not unless the apathy of their parents and old football supporters is shaken off.

It is not too late. All people have to do is signify to the Beverley Football Club that their sons can play and perhaps that some (surely) can show enough interest to support them. Nothing ventured is nothing gained, and parents can't sit back hoping everything will be organized, and then moan when nothing is.

Surprise end to bowls pairs final

Spectators watching the Beverley Bowling Club's pairs championship at the local green on Sunday afternoon saw a remarkable change of fortune when Bob Edwards, the current singles champion who is having a remarkably successful season, and partner, John Hollins, were beaten in the final after looking set for an easy win.

The pair to effect the defeat comprised John Shackles and a new season's bowler in Bert Wansbrough. The pair trailed early but suddenly found touch and with fortune favouring them in the closing ends, wiped off their big deficit to win a very tense final end At the 16th end of the match the Edwards/Hollins combination was leading by ten shots — 17 to 7 -- but the opposition made up the leeway with big counts on the next three ends to equalise so that another end had to be played. In this, despite an accurate firm shot by Edwards when the shot was against him, Shackles and Wansbrough counted 2 to record a notable win.

Shackles has been playing the game for a few seasons with some success, but for Wansbrough it marked a break through for the first occasion.

To an extent more common than in most games, bowls is a pastime in which new players often turn the tables on more experienced exponents and Sunday's result was a case in point

Local firemen off to Kalgoorlie

Kalgoorlie will this year be the venue for the annual demonstration of West Australian Volunteer Fire Brigades which commences on Easter Saturday next and will conclude on Easter Monday. The Beverley Brigade, which last year won the inaugural 'C' Grade Championship at Fremantle, will again be competing at the fixture and are programmed to appear in that section again.

Those who will be making the long trip are – Royce Edwards, Terry Boyle, Wayne Sleep, Ian Nicholson, Ian Reynolds, John and Neville Willey, Paul Oliver Ted Jones, Max Edwards, Dennis Jackson, Rex Ugle, Wayne Allen and Keith Carr. Nine of the team will travel by train leaving Northam on Thursday evening, and the remainder – with the reel – by car.

The Brigade was expecting to be very strongly represented this year but recently experienced bad luck when both their coach, Royce Edwards and hydrant runner, Ian Nicholson, received injuries which have prevented their continuation in the training programme. In addition a most promising newcomer in Fred McCloy has had to withdraw from the team.

Cricket finals

The grand finals of the York-Beverley Cricket Assn will begin at Beverley to-morrow afternoon and be completed on Sunday, following which a barbecue wind-up has been arranged to which all cricketers and supporters are invited. The 'A' Grade final will be between Colts and York on the No. 1 wicket and the match should be a very interesting one.

The 'B' Grade fixture will be between Towns and Dale on the No. 2 wicket with the latter side favoured to win an interesting match. Both games will commence at 1p.m. sharp.

Lake levels are slowly rising

As a result of the big inflow of flood waters from Eastern areas into the lakes at County Peak the lakes levels at all points is slowly increasing although it has still to rise another 2 feet at Qualanderry crossing before it spills into the Avon River. Judging by the rate of inflow on Monday last it was considered that it would not top the retaining wall till at least this week-end. There is considerable guess work involved however as the volume of water coming down the system is slowly decreasing.

Meanwhile water has been pouring into the Channel lakes at Mr Henry Hall's property in the Dangin area which appeared to miss out in the first big flow from the Baandee area

Ducks are beginning to return to their old haunts as the water spreads over the area and there should be ideal breeding conditions for the winter.

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Tammin tamed by Beverley



Beverley, Sunday: One of the largest crowds to attend a foot ball match in Beverley for years, today witnessed proof of Beverley's prowess when the locals downed the well fancied Tammin. Tammin are recognised by many informed critics as being "the side" but Beverley's final quarter crushed them in much the same fashion as that which was meted out to the previously undefeated Railways only a week before.

The Northam based critics had to eat their words after stating in the press that Beverley would be lacking in stamina after the Railways clash and so, Tammin would be favoured to win. However, the reverse was the result as the red and black ran the visitors ragged in the final term to prove themselves the fittest side in the competition.

Beverley won the toss and elected to kick with the aid of a stiff breeze. This move was successful as it was Beverley who attacked first, to goal and establish a lead which they never surrende r e d throughout the match. Condon, A. and K. Miller and B. Underwood were playing strongly for Tammin, but McCloy, Mal Edwards and Nicholls were a driving force in many of Beverley's moves.

The visitors attacked strongly in the middle stages of the quarter as Chatfield struck form on a wing but a hard - hitting backline headed by Eastman, R McCloy and Feddema forced the visiting forwards into error so that they could only manage five behinds for the term.

Beverley attacked early in the second quarter for majors and it appeared as though they might swamp Tammin. However the visitors were not to be denied and three quick goals saw them back in business at the half time break – trailing by only 7 points (5.4 to 3.9).

The third term was a bone-jarring affair as both sides literally threw t h e m selves into the crushes in an endeavour to take the initiative. Tammin had a lot of "tall timber" to take high marks, but Beverley were spoiling effectively. The red and blacks piled on three goals and looked like building up a commanding lead However this was to be thwarted. Tammin kept themselves in the game when they registered maximum advantage from what appeared to be very doubtful free kicks. The umpiring was inconsistent, and a hard working Beverley backline, to their dismay, saw three majors posted in succession with no real credit to the opposition forwards. The scores at the last change were 8.6 to 6.12 in Beverley's favour but Tammin supporters must have felt that this leeway would not prove difficult with the use of the breeze in the final term.

However the last quarter saw a fit Beverley dominate most positions on the ground as they slammed on 4.4 to the visitor's 2 behinds. Falkingham at full forward rose to great heights with a classy display to seal the match; Dale and 'Dip' Edwards were in everything across the centre and F. McCloy topped off another classy exhibition with a dazzling display on the ball. Tammin could not attack and at the final siren had almost stopped to a walk. Beverley were 32 pts. in front at the finish and, barring serious injuries, look real premier ship contendors. Final scores:

Beverley	12	10
Tammin	6	14

BEST for Beverley in a real team effort were M. Edwards, F. McCloy, D. Edwards, Kevin Williams, W. Eastman, Murray Goalkickers: Falkingham 5; R. Ugle 3; C. Murray 2; K. Williams and M. Edwards 1 each.

BEST for Tammin were A. Miller, H. Thompson, Underwood, K. Miller, K. Condon, and D. Chatfield.

River level rises

The Avon River at Beverley is this week running at a higher level than has been the case for the past 2 winters, although the volume of water passing beneath the town bridge is far from that normally noted in the winter months. However, as the ground continues to be further satur a t e d the level should rise perceptibly.

Practically all the water now flowing down the stream is coming from the S o u thern branch which joins the main stream at Jurakine and drains much of the Brookton district. The lakes system has not risen perceptibly as yet and no water is reaching the Avon over the retaining wall at Qualanderry.

Pony Club Notes

Last Saturday afternoon the York Pony Club riders travelled to Beverley to contest the Gilgering Shield with the Beverley Club. Mrs T. Barrett-Lennard was the chief organiser; with Mr Ian Parker as judge.

The afternoon's riding consisted of games and jumping. The final scores revealed that Beverley had been beaten by 1 point, thus giving York the Shield again. All voted the competition most enjoyable.

In August a trail ride is to be held - a money-making rally with proceeds to go to the local Miss Australia entrant.

Contributed.

Football results at a glance

"A" GRADE –

Beverley 2.2	5.4	8.6	12.10	(82)
Tammin 0.5	3.9	6.12	6.14	(50)
Meckering 3.1	8.6	10.8	16.10	(106)
Railways 4.3	4.3	7.9	9.9	(63)
Federals 5.3	7.6	9.13	11.15	(81)
Quairading 0.2	5.3	9.5	11.10	(76)
Kellerberrin 1.1	5.4	8.7	12.15	(87)
York 2.2	2.2	3.9	4.7	(31)

"A" RESERVE –

Beverley			6.9	(45)
Tammin			5.6	(36)
Railways 1.0	2.6	3.6	6.10	(46)
Meckering 3.2	3.2	4.3	5.3	(33)
Federals 2.5	2.5	6.8	6.8	(44)
Quairading 0.0	2.4	2.4	4.6	(30)
Kellerberrin 3.2	10.9	10.18	14.26	(110)
York 0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	(00)

A. F. A. PREMIERSHIP TABLE — 'A' GRADE

	P	W	L	For	Ag.	%	Pts.
Railways 10	8	2	1109	773	142	32	
Meckering 10	7	3	1003	773	129	28	
Federals 10	7	3	1058	946	112	28	
Tammin 9	5	4	717	638	112	20	
Quairading .. . 10	5	5	775	706	109	20	
Beverley 10	5	5	726	667	108	20	
Cunderdin 9	3	6	725	870	83	12	
Kellerberrin .. 10	3	7	701	912	76	12	
York 10	1	9	569	1066	53	4	

A. F. A. PREMIERSHIP TABLE – 'A' RESERVE

Kellerberrin 10	10	0	0	826	267	309	40
Cunderdin.. 9	8	1	–	567	292	194	32
Federals.. 10	7	3	0	633	328	193	28
Quairading 10	5	4	1	658	368	178	22
Railways.. 10	5	5	0	580	499	116	20
Beverley.. 10	3	7	1	387	485	79	14
Tammin 9	3	6	0	386	453	85	12
York 10	1	9	0	250	861	29	4
Meckering 10	1	9	0	224	958	23	4

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RIFLE SHOOTING

Picnic shoot successful

Despite inclement weather, the picnic Prize shoot conducted by the Beverley Rifle Club last Sunday was an outstanding suc cess and reflected great credit on the work and co-operation of all local members.

Club patron, Mr Ernie Edwards, spoke for a short while after prizes had been awarded thanking all participants and al so Club members on a well conducted shoot. Prize winners for the day were: **A. Grade:** E. Smith (Goomalling) with 203 out of possible 210; 2nd place: F. Blechynden (Beverley) with 201; and 3rd: E. Crisp (of the Northam Club) with 200. **B. Grade:** 1st. B. Dixon (Cuballing) 199; 2nd: B. Wilde (Pingelly) 192; **C. Grade:** 1st E. H ward (Corrigin) 200 – this young shooter scored the only possible of the day, at 600 yds; 2nd: a tie beween L. Kilpatrick (Beverley) and P. Connelly (of Corrigin) with 192 each.

This week-end there will be a Prize meeting at Northam and a few members from the Beverley Club will be attending On Sunday there will be shooting as usual at the local range.

HISTORY OF THE RIFLE CLUB

The big attendance of shooters at the rifle range last Sunday when a picnic outing was held with sho o t e r s present from quite a number of country Clubs, was a reminder of the old days when the Club at Beverley was a strong one with many enthusiastic m a r k smen present every week-end to try their skill. It was in sharp con trast to the doldrums which set in of recent years with deterioration of Defence Dept inter est in the movement and more expensive ammuniion and shoot ing gear for those involved. The passage of time is also illu strated with the advent of more accurate and p o w erful rifles seen on the range on Sunday, although the old .303's are still in evidence.

The present Club was formed at about the turn of the century. The late Mr. T. Walker was responsible for its formation and worked ardently in its interests. The first range site was on what is now Waterhatch Road, firing into Benson's Hill. The Council objected and a new site was chosen near the racecourse, but only a few practices were carried out there as the Council again objected and a more permanent site was then selected on the Commonage (1900-1) near the 'Roesland' property of the late Horace Blechynden, members of the Club doing the clearing themselves. At first Winchester rifles were used, but later a supply of Martini Enfields were procured using lead bullets and iron targets.

During these early years of the Club's activities it was customary for a party of riflemen to journey from Perth for the Foundation Day holiday. Arriv ing on the Saturday night they would spend the Sunday kangaroo hunting and on the Mon day would engage the locals in a competition on the range.

During 1915 the Club again moved to a yet more suitable site adjoining Mr W. Brown's property 'The Park,' and in 1918, through the energies of Mr Walker and Mr H. Brandy, the present range became the headquart e r s of the Eastern Districts Rifle Clubs Union, un der whose auspices an annual prize meeting was held for a $200 prize list, with an average attendance of about eighty com petitors.

The range was later improved by the Defence Dept., there being five targets installed with the most up-to-date fittings, a target shed and a spacious luncheon shed. The range extends to 1,000 yards and the Commonwe a l t h Director of Rifle Clubs (Mr. Featherstonehaugh) declared that it was the best country range site he had seen in the Commonwealth.

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Caring for the aged - committee formed

Matters in connection with proposals recently formulated regarding care for the aged of the district have been further advanced by reason of a most encouraging letter recieved by the original small Committee appointed, from the Minister for Health, the Hon. G. C. MacKinnon. The Minister showed much sympathy with the aim to provide a Frail Aged Lodge in Beverley when he met the Committee at a meeting arranged in mid-July by Mr H. W. Gayfer, M.L.A., and agreed to all the requests made. In the opinion of the Committee he could not have been more helpful, as is shown by his letter which read as follows —

Mr H. W. Gayfer, M.L.A.,
"Coongan Downs,"
Corrigin. W.A. 6375.

Dear Mr Gayfer,

I refer to your discussion with me, the Rev. Tassell, Dr E. D. Cullen and Mr Miles, in relation to the proposal to establish a frail aged lodge at Beverley.

Agreement has been reached that an area of half an acre of land may be excised from the hospital reserve. subject to specific agreement by the Beverley Hospital Board. A copy of the site plan indicating the extent of land involved is attached, and a copy is being forwarded also to the Hospital Board.

No objection will be raised to the lodge effluent system being connected to the hospital system, and arrangements may be made direct with the Beverley Hospital Board for meals to be provided, at cost, from the hospital kitchen.

It is anticipated that the Northam Hospital will be able to cope with the Beverley Hospital laundry and there would be no objection to the lodge washing being dealt with similarly.

It will be necessary for the architect employed by the Committee of Management to liaise with the Planning Section of the Medical Department when preparing plans, with particular reference to effluent disposal.

Yours faithfully,

G. C. MacKinnon,
Minister for Health.

The Minister later suggested that the Committee should visit the Florence Humerston lodge to see for themselves what is needed for the frail aged. Dr. Lefroy took those concerned on a tour of the Lodge and introduced them to several of the residents. All were impressed with the happy and contented atmosphere of this Lodge and with the standard of comfort provided for those in residence

Further information on building costs were supplied by Dr. Lefroy and it became obvious that such a building in Beverley would cost more than the Committee had anticipated.

In the last report it was stated that a fund would be opened in the near future. In view of the increased estimates the Committee decided to ask the Beverley Shire Council to provide the $20.000 which would be needed.

On 23rd July the Committee met the Shire Council and at a subsequent meeting the Council agreed to raise the necessary money by loan. The first reaction to any proposed loan is always that it will "raise the rates." In this particular case however, this increase should NOT be necessary as, for the last two years, the district has been rated to provide certain equipment for the Beverley hospital and this commitment will end this year. The same rating will more than cover the servicing of this $20,000 loan for a Frail Aged Lodge.

On the 30th July the following people: Rev. A. H. Tassell, Dr E. D. Cullen, Messrs A. W. Miles, P. R Bremner. C. G. McLean, Richard Cooke, Mesdames Dawn Edwards, Madge Fleay and Ruth Mann, constituted themselves as a Committee for the building and management of a Frail Aged Lodge in Beverley, with Mr A. Miles elected as Chairman and Mr L. O. J. Eynon agreeing to act as Hon. secretary. The Shire Council nominees are Councillors W T. Robins and W. Swan. The Committee decided to establish a Constitution and to take the necessary steps to become an incorporate body.

The Medical Dept. and the Commonwealth Dept. of Social Services will be advised that the Committee now exists and is proceeding with its objectives

Death of Mrs Nell Sutherland

A family still well represented in Beverley suffered a bereavement on Sunday when Mrs Nellie May Sutherland passed away at her home, 16 Ridge St., South Perth. In her early sixties, she had been ailing for some time past. She was the wife of Mr Les Sutherland, a former resident of the district who now has farming interests at Perenjori. and she was the mother of a grown up family.

The deceased was a daughter of the late Mr and Mrs G. Ferguson who, with their family, came from Victoria to this State many years ago and settled in Beverley where her father established business interests. Nell, with sisters Joyce (Mrs Bob Kilpatrick) and Glady (now Mrs Rich), became very well known here in the years when they conducted the Wattle Tearooms which was a popular establishment for a long period, but gradually went out of existence with the marriages of the sisters concerned.

Mr and Mrs Sutherland have been living in semi-retirement at South Perth for some years but following their marriage farmed at Perenjori where Les had big land holdings.

There were three sons of the marriage — Eric, Les and Graham, and a daughter Judith (Mrs Davies) and all but one of the boys is married so that there are several grandchildren. Members of the original family still living in Beverley are eldest sister, Ethel (Mrs McGrath) Joyce (Mrs R. Kilpatrick), and two brothers, George and Ron. Nell was a most likeable and popular person with many friends here and elsewhere in the State, and the sympathy of all is extended to the bereaved.

The funeral was to take place at Karakatta on Wednesday afternoon following an Anglican service at the Crematorium Chapel.

Archbishop's visit

His Grace the Archbishop of Perth will visit Beverley next week and will conduct services on Tuesday and Wednesday at Brookton and Beverley. On Tuesday (11th) at 7.30p.m. he will conduct a Confirmation service at St. Mark's, Brookton and the following day there will be Holy Communion at St Mary's. Beverley, at 7.30a.m., followed in the evening by a Confirmation service (7.30p.m.)

Parishoners and others in attendance at the evening service will join in a welcome to the distinguished visitor after the service when supper will be served in the Parish Hall.

Little rise in lakes level

The lakes in the County Peak area which benefitted substantially from water which came through from Eastern areas following the cyclonic depression which affected much of the State earlier this year, have not received much additional intake as a result of the winter-type rains which have created good growing conditions in recent weeks in the southern half of Western Australia.

The fact that the falls received over the greater portion of this district lately have been taken up by the soil, with little run-off, has resulted in a rise of only a few inches in the level of most of the lakes in the area and with the season well advanced it would seem that there is little chance this season of the lake water reaching the top of the retaining wall at Qualanderry and flowing into the Avon River.

Consequent to the lack of inflow from the lakes the Avon River has not reached anywhere near as high a flow level as is normal for most winters In fact to-date it has hardly reached last year's level.

There are few ducks as yet to be seen on the open lake but this is not unusual during the breeding months when the birds seek more secluded areas Many farmers throughout the district report that Mountain duck and Mane Geese are breeding on their properties in large numbers this year, but other types seem scarce at present.

Is York a notable town?

Seven members of the executive of the National Trust of W.A. visited York recently to discuss with the Shire Council whether or not York should be declared a notable town. In the unavoidable absence, through illness, of the Shire president. Mr R. C. T. Davies, the Deputy president, Mr R. W. Lawrence presided. Councillors present included . W. Ryan, P. Humphrey, T. K. Boyle, W. Marwick. N. Reynolds and T. Morse.

The representatives of the Trust included the acting Chairman. Mr J. W. Rawlinson, chairman of the Building Committee, the Hon. Town Planner, the Hon. secretary, the Hon. chairman of the Women's Committee, the Hon Public Relations officer and the Administrator. The Member for Avon Mr H. W. Gayfer, was also present at the meeting.

After the visitors had been welcomed by Mr Lawrence, Mr Rawlinson reviewed events since the last meeting between the Trust and the Shire Council He emphasised that in view of the removal of the Palace Hotel verandahs it should be now decided whether or not to proceed with the proposal to declare York a notable town.

Whatever was desired should be done promptly by public announcement and it was for the Council to decide whether it still wished that this be done.

Regarding the Palace Hotel concern was expressed by Trust members that no action was taken to refer the matter to them so that early action might have been taken to preserve the verandahs.

Councillors pointed out that the Council had issued no orders for the removal of these verandahs and that never at been listed by the National Trust for preservation. Councillors had been surprised at the uproar that had followed the decision to make the alteration to the hotel.

Plans of the proposed works on the existing building were shown to those present and the much publicised talk of a Spanish effect was shown to be mythical. It was the first time that members of the Trust had seen the plan.

Councillors indicated that they had been a little confused as to just what they were to do with the numerous old buildings which were the subject of repair and demolition orders. The Palace Hotel episode had left everyone at a loss to know what was valuable and what was not.

Mr Gayfer expressed disappointment that the National Council to adopt the whole of their project and all of its associated ramifications, while many of the people of York were unsold on the idea. Most residents wanted all modern advancements for their town and were unimpressed by ideas of preserving it as it is at present. The Council represented these people and had an enormous job on its hands to illustrate the advantages of the notable town project.

It was agreed that Council should make a decision at its next meeting as to whether or not it wished to proceed with the idea of declaring York as a notable town and it was suggested that if Council agreed to the proposal they should confer with the trust with the idea of constituting a Committee to implement the project.

The Trust is to make written suggestions as to what the functions of both bodies should be if the matter is proceeded with.

Regarding plaques for classified buildings, the Trust members stated that a national design would be decided upon shortly and it was suggested that the Council should nominate twelve buildings to receive first priority when the designs became available.

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Races at Beverley on August 19th

The second race fixture of the season to be conducted by the Beverley Race Club eventuates on Wednesday 19th and the fixture is expected to draw the usual strong support from owners and trainers. Meetings held in the Eastern Districts Racing Association round of seasonal fixtures have all been extremely well patronised in recent weeks and similar support appears certain to eventuate at Beverley

The Club has embarked on a programme of improvements and patrons will note these when they make their next visit to the course. A good programme of six events is arranged and there's a possibility that this may be extended to 7 races

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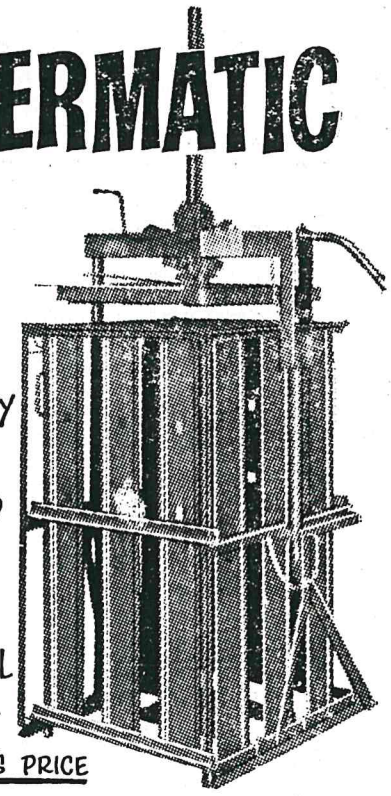

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Early morning fire destroys truck

When his 5-ton truck caught fire whilst he was engaged in super spreading on Mr. Phil Hill's property, about 5 miles south-west of Beverley, early on Monday morning, local contractor, Mr Bill Kemp, saw the vehicle become almost a total loss. The blaze occurred shortly before 7 a.m. and is thought to have originated in an electrical fault. It set fire to the stubble in which the work was being carried out, and when he found he could not gain control of the fiames Mr Kemp and his young son left for Mr Hill's residence for assistance.

In the meantime neighbours had arrived at the scene and not finding anyone in attendance considered it a possibility that Mr Kemp had been caught in the stubble fire. They deemed it expedient to phone for Dr Cullen and the Beverley ambulance and these arrived at the farm shortly afterwards. Fortunately however, the services were not required.

The Beverley bush fire unit was taken to the property by Brigade captain, Terry Boyle, and this, with assistance from neighbours and others, soon brought the blaze under control The fire siren was not sounded.

Mr. Kemp advises that the truck was insured.

Poor shooting prospects

The duck shooting season, which commences at 6.00p.m. on December 19th, does not hold out much promise on this occasion and sportsmen in this district will be lucky to secure their legal quota of birds. Eight birds may be shot on Saturday evening and eight birds on Sunday.

Those wardens who have inspected the Beverley districts shooting areas have seen far fewer birds than is normal at this period of the year and the biggest shortage appears to be with the most sought after species — black duck and teal. There are a fair number of mountain duck at the lakes and farmers report a normal breeding of mane geese which appear to be congregated (in at least one instance in a flock of over 200) on dams and catchments.

Not many ducks are to be seen at Jurakine as yet and this popular shooting area may produce small bags unless the wild life population builds up in the next nine days. At Ridgway's swamp there is not the usual spread of water and only about 50 ducks were to be seen there a week or so ago.

It is possible that the bulldozing of the Avon River bed from Toodyay to Boyagarra has had its effect on duck breeding. Far fewer birds were seen along the river course during the winter months than is normal. The clearing operation has destroyed normal cover in the water and many smaller pools favoured by the birds have silted up or disappeared. Only the larger pools remain and they will provide litte refuge from guns on opening day

The lakes from Qualanderry Crossing to the channels offer the best prospects for sportsment on Saturday week, but here again the shooting fraternity will run into problems as many vantage points favoured in the last few years since the building of the retaining wall at Qualanderry forced the water back into new shooting areas have dried out in recent weeks.

There is reported to be some water in the channel lakes and what is there will no doubt be well gunned on December 19th. There is no water at Mears lake this year.

LATE SHOPPING NIGHT

A number of Beverley business proprietors have applied to have a late shopping night on Christmas eve. Advice from the authorities is awaited.

Increased grants to W.A. kindergarten Assn.

The State Government has approved a new formula under which increased grants will be paid to the Kindergarten Assn. of Western Australia in the three year period 1971/73. To give effect to the new scheme, the Government will provide the Association with an additional $45,000 in the current year.

The Premier, Sir David Brand said the additional grant and the new formula should substantially ease the problems of the Association and of local Kindergarten Committees.

Sir David said he hoped the new arrangement would enable the Association to further expand what he called 'the State's well organised and haelthy kindergarten education system," and at the same time limit contributions from parents to a reasonable level.

The revised grant could be as high as $365,538 next financial year, or $62,700 above the figure which the Association would have received if the formula had remained unaltered.

Sir Daivd said the Kindergarten Association has made a valiant attempt to cope with the demands which were being made upon it – demands which he said were increasing each year due to the State's rapid development. The Association's problems had been compounded by a continuing expansion of its Teacher Training scheme and the need to further develop its Advisory Service -- for which no Government assistance had been provided in the past.

In 1965, 52 trainee teachers were enrolled compared with 87 this year and an expected 118 next year. Sir David said that both of these growth factors had been provided for in the new formula together with a betterment factor of 5 per cent. which was intended to meet additional costs arising from growth.

The new formula would operate for the next three years and would be reviewed at the beginning of 1974.

Christmas greetings issue

It would seem that in increasing number of residents are taking the opportunity this year of extending their seasonal greetings and good wishes to district friends and relatives through the columns of this newspaper. The special greeting issue will be published on Wednesday, December 23, and this method of expressing goodwill and kindly thoughts has special value in this year of increased postal charges, as well as economic stresses to which the community is in these times subjected. The price for a suitably worded message has not increased and those interested are asked to contact us without delay as the extra work involved will be undertaken late next week.

Prolific stools of barley

A crop of two-row barley on Mr G. D. Murfit's property at Bally Bally has provided an extraordinary stool, which was brought into the office last week The sample was at first thought to represent only one plant and a count revealed 101 heads of grain, but when the soil was washed away from around the roots it was found that there were definitely two plants, and possible a couple more. However even so it represents a phenominal growth and yield.

Sheila McDonald takes another Aust. title

Sheila McDonald is home again after once again demonstrating her outstanding ability as a croquet exponent at the Australian championships which have recently concluded in Tasmania.

She won the women's title contest for the second consecutive occasion and was also runner-up to a man in the British Silver Medal game – losing by only three points.

Her record against the best in Australian croquet is a credit to the West and also to her home Club of Beverley, the members of which are proud to be associated with such an outstanding player.

Traffic accident

A traffic accident occurred at about 2.30a.m. on Sunday last when a Holden Monaro driven by William John Rodriges (17) of Pingelly, left the road and rolled onto its side near the rail crossing about seven miles south of Beverley.

The driver, and two passengers – Stephen John Smith (18) of Forrest St., Beverley, and Ethel Morrison (18) of Beverley Native Reserve were admitted to the Beverley Hospital for observation. The other passenger, Basil Little of the Pingelly Native Reserve, was not hurt.

The party had been to a barbecue at the lakes and were returning to Beverley when the accident occurred.

Local scholarship winners

Commonwealth Scholarship winners were announced in the daily press this week and among those to have success were two local scholars in Judith Edwards, daughter of Mr & Mrs B. T. Edwards of "Beringer," East Beverley, who is a pupil at Loretto, Claremont; and Rory Curtin, a son of Mr & Mrs : Curtin, of Beverley, who is a pupil at the Beverley Junior High school.

This is very gratifying news to the parents concerned and to all their friends. Congratulations are extended.

(TO THE EDITOR)

Blood donors

Sir,

Willing donors are advised that the call is on again for the Blood bank which will be visiting Beverley on Tuesday (15th)

On behalf of the Beverley Red Cross Blood bank I would like to express thanks to Mr. Bob Edwards – one of our most reliable and regular donors over a number of years. Even when not called he always arrived, thus making our job an easier one.

We only hope that next year will see Bob fit and again so generous as a donor.

Yours faithfully,

Jean Edwards,

Hon. secretary,

Beverley Blood Bank.

Crop variety recommendations 1971

Recommendations by the Dept. of Agriculture for varieties of wheat, oats, barley and linseed have been released to guide farmers in their crop plans and purchase of seed for the 1971 season. The recommendations, approved by the State Wheat Advisory Committee and the State Coarse/Grains Advisory Committee, are set out in detail below.

Mr T. E. McDowell, Chief of the Dept's Wheat and Sheep Division and Chairman of both Advisory Committees, said all varieties recommended produced good quality grain when grown in the areas specified. He urged farmers to grow the recommended varieties and thereby improve the quality of Western Australian crops.

WHEAT — Gamenya wheat is the main variety recommended. In addition, the varieties Bokal and Darkan have shown high yielding ability in particular areas of the State and are recommended for such areas.

In circumstances where farmers must sow in early May, Falcon should be used in the low rainfall areas, and where septoria disease is a usual danger Kondut could be used. If the earlier maturing wheats were sown in early May, frosts and diseases such as septoria could be a serious problem.

For rust-liable areas such as the south coast and Geraldton, the rust resistant varieties Gamut and Timgalen are now recommended but are much lower yielding than Gamenya when rust does not occur. Both Gamenya and Mengavi are now susceptible to attack by a new strain of rust present in W.A.

BARLEY: Dampier and Beecher are the recommended barley varieties. Dampier is recommended for all areas where malting quality grain can be produced — broadly the areas with more than 13 in. annual rainfall. In most of this region paricularly southern districts, Dampier is also recommended for feed grain production when sowing is in June. For earlier sowing in May, Beecher gives higher yields of feed grain.

Beecher is the recommended variety for feed grain production in areas with less than 13 in. average annual rainfall.

With very early sowing in April or early May, there is a risk with all varieties of lower grain quality due to weather stain.

OATS: Swan is the sole variety of oats recommended for all areas. Irwin and Avon are useful varieties for dry and wet areas respectively but yield is lower than Swan on average.

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High level of wheat sales in 1969-70

Figures for the 1969/70 wheat season show that the Australian Wheat Board has just completed its second best ever disposal of wheat. However, the Chairman of the Australian Wheat Board, Dr. Allan R. Callaghan, said today that despite the good year's result, Australian wheatgrowers should not become over optimistic about the immediate future of the industry, as there was still a substantial carryover of unsold wheat bearing down on the market.

In the year to November 30, 1970, export shipments of wheat, flour, and wheat products totalled 301 million bushels. This was only 12 million bushels short of the record export total of 313 million bushels set in the 1966/67 season.

Dr. Callaghan said that the 1969/70 season export result was up 57 million bushels, or 23% on the 1968/69 figures.

With domestic sales of wheat and flour for 1969/70 at 59 million bushels (57 million in 1968/69), the Board's total disposal on export and domestic markets, at 360 million bushels was also the second best on record — comparing with the peak figure of 375 million for the 1966/67 season.

"Wheat Board sales have been very good this year," Dr Callaghan said. "They have turned out a lot better than most people thought possible at the beginning of the wheat year 12 months ago. As a result of this sales success, I am pleaed to say this year's carryover is marginally lower than that of last year.

"The carryover figure at 30th November is about 265 million bushels, compared with 266.7 million bushels a year ago."

Dr. Callaghan said that taking last year's carryover total of 266.7 million bushels and adding the delivery last summer of 358.3 million bushels, the Board started the year just completed with 625 million bushels of wheat available for disposal.

Taking this year's carryover of 265 million bushels and adding the estimated delivery of 263 million bushels from this season's crop, the Board would have about 528 million bushels available for disposal in the 1970/71 season. This represented a formidable selling task, but it was pleasing to report that forward export sales for the season 1970/71 already exceed 110 million bushels.

Major destinations for Australian wheat in the past year were the People's Republic of China (31 per cent); the United Kingdom (15 per cent); Japan (11 per cent); Malaysia (3.8 per cent); and the United Arab Republic (3.7 per cent). In all exports of wheat and flour were made to more than fifty different countries.

Dr. Callaghan said that a heavy shipping programme was maintained throughout the year to cope with the exports of wheat and flour. A total of 477 ships, a large number exceeding 30,000 tons, were loaded in the 12 month period.

During the year two new ports were used for loading wheat – Portland, in Victoria; and Port Giles, in South Australia – bringing the total of wheat loading ports in Australia to eighteen. The Board's shipping programme was also greatly assisted by the commissioning of improved facilities for handling and loading wheat - particularly at Newcastle and Esperance.

Dr. Callaghan said that a number of factors were behind the Boards improved wheat sales this year —

☆ Expansion of the world wheat market. World trade was up by 10 per cent during the 1969/70 marketing year.

☆ Lower wheat production on a world basis. The 1970 world wheat crop is expected to decline by 5 per cent for the second year in succession.

☆ A strong market for Australian off-grade wheat from the 1969/70 harvest which was sold as stockfeed overseas.

☆ A significantly lower corn crop in the United States, due to disease attack. This stimulated the Soft Wheat market for feed purposes.

☆ A strong and continuous sales effort by the Board throughout the year. This was assisted to some degree by the Government's authority for the Board to offer credit terms competitive with other wheat exporters when necessary.

On the other hand, the Board's result for the year was greatly handicapped by the shortage of Prime Hard and Hard grades of wheat. A market for these grades has been successfully and firmly established in recent years, but because of unfavourable seasonal conditions in areas producing these grades of wheat last season, very little was available.

Pageant receipts benefit many local organisations

Although fears were expressed in some quarters that the recent outstanding air pageant held at Beverley would not produce financial results in keeping with the obvious social and entertainment success of the fixture, it is pleasing to announce that these were ill-founded. The Statement of Receipts and Expenditure produced by the hon. secretary, Mr Dave Rigoll, last week, revealed that as a result of the pageant a total of $1,800.07 was available for distribution to local clubs and organisations which had sssisted the Beverley Flying Club in arrangements for the big day. This is a most creditable achievement on the part of all concerned. The financial Statement submitted is as follows:

RECEIPTS —		
Programme advertising		$ 565.00
Gate takings		2214.02
Lottery ticket sales		320.40
Joy flights		1088.25
		$4187.67
PAYMENTS —		
Office expenses — post, 'phone, etc.		$ 87.58
Wages		20.00
Expenses . . . sundry on November 1st.		106.15
Insurance (Public risk)		57.75
Airstrip maintenance		130.00
Public address system		100.00
Aviat '70 Dinner		461.97
Presentations		59.60
Joy flights		784.00
Printing, advertising, stationary		577.00
Bank charges		3.55
Donations —		
Air Force Association	$ 25.	
Flying Dr. Service	25	
Corrigin Flying Club	50	
Beverley Basketball Assn	50	
Bev. Vol. Fire Brigade	50	
Beverley Tennis Club	50	
Beverley Ballet Club	50	
Beverley Kindergarten	50	
Beverley St. John Ambulance	25	
Beverley P. & C. Association	100	
Beverley Apex Club	150	
Bowling and Croquet Club	150	
Beverley Junior Farmers	150	
		925.00
Beverley Flying Club		875.07
		$4187.67

Further fire outbreaks

The district is well into the fire hazard period and this was illustrated on Sunday last when there were two outbreaks, neither of which fortunately entailed serious damage. At the J. N. Broun 'Southbourne' property a blaze started up near a dam where a pump was working but sheep pads in the vicinity prevented its spread to any extent and assistance was not required.

Later in the afternoon there was an outbreak in a small swamp on the Commonage to the south of town. Many trees were ignited and thick bush and the sandy country made it impossible for the bush fire unit to be of any assitance. Finally a bulldozer was used to construct a break and confine the flames.

Dangerous and careless driving charges

In the Beverley Police Court on Friday last Wayne Ernest John Allen (19), of Beverley, was fined £40 and had his drivers license cancelled for three months when he pleaded guilty to driving in a dangerous manner in a place open to the public. Traffic inspector Cooper told the Court that he saw Allen drive at about 25 - 30 m.p.h. past parked cars and pedestrians in the basketball car park at the courts on 25th November.

In the same Court Roy Frederick Jackson (25) was also fined $40 and lost his license for three months when he was convicted of careless driving. The Court was told that Jackson was returning home from a party at 4a.m. on Sunday, 15th November, and after crossing the Vincent Street bridge, turned right into Lukin Street at 35m.p.h. He skidded into a guide post, breaking off his rear light, then crossed the road and mounted the footpath, before regaining control of his car.

To-morrow's shoot prospects still look poor

A visit to the district's shooting areas on Monday afternoon did nothing to alter the view that prospects for the new duck shooting season, which opens at 6 p.m. to-morrow, are the poorest for a long time. It sometimes happens of course that the birds come in from other areas once the shooting commences, but lack of water in many districts would indicate that this could be a forlorn hope on this occasion and those who can obtain their legal quota of ducks (8) to-morrow evening, and again on Sunday morning (8) will count themselves fortunate indeed.

Nowhere in the course of the trip on Monday were the birds seen in normal numbers – the largest number seen together (of perhaps 1,000) getting up off the water between Johnnie's lake and Qualanderry Crossing. Another factor which could detract from the success of the occasion is the shortage of water at many favoured vantage points in the lakes region. The lakes water has not reached the Avon River during the past two years and is now particularly saline, whilst it is drying back very rapidly so that ski-ing activities will be restricted within a few weeks.

This year, for the first occasion since pre-1920, the season will be opening in the afternoon. In this district where the change from the early morning opening has been roundly condemned by sportsmen, and particularly the older generation who well remember the difficulties which used to eventuate in policing the opening time in those days. However the powers that be, and no doubt a section of the State's younger shooters have wanted it this way for some time now, despite the advantage of Eastern States experience in the matter, and afternoon shooting it is going to be. Shooters can only hope for the best but perhaps it will be to advantage to be in the area before the scheduled hour, human nature not having changed much in the last fifty years.

Fire risks may have been heightened by the change of time and all travelling to their selected spots are asked to be very careful in this regard and also to treat farmers gates, etc., with respect, remembering that in many cases they are in the area on sufferance.

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Labor expected to govern

Although it is taking an inordinately long time to finalise the count for last Saturday's Assembly and Council elections it appears certain that the State is to have a new Labor Government in place of the Liberal / Country Party co-alition which has had control for the past 12 years.

Those who have been noting voting tendencies in recent elections were not surprised at the swing to the former Opposition. A feature of the election was the failure of the Democratic Labor Party (which had a candidate in every electorate) to win a seat, whilst Independent's also failed o find favour, as did also the United Farmers and Graziers Association.

Beverley is in the Avon Electorate of the Assembly and the electors paid sitting member, Mick Gayfer, an impressive tribute with an overwhelming vote of confidence – the candidate winning the seat outright from his two opponents. It was one of the most striking results noted anywhere in the State and was indicative of the great popularity the representative has achieved through his personal attributes and close attention to electorate affairs.

Norm Baxter, it would seem, will also retain his Legislative Council seat for Central Province although the figures here were nowhere as decisive as was the case in the Assembly contest. Another Council candidate in Roy Abbey of this district polled very well in the Province in which he was challenged and should be assured of holding his seat.

Final outcome of the polls in all areas are awaited.

QUIET POLL

A steady stream of electors kept those conducting the poll at the Court House busy during the day and there were apparently no untoward incidents to mar the smooth flow of the activities.

Noticeable were the large number of candidates' representatives present in the environs of the polling place to hand out "how to vote" cards and papers — this of course resulting from the extraordinary number of candidates on this occasion.

Vincent St. parking to be altered

The angle parking which has been the order on the north side of Vincent Street for a number of years is about to be abolished in favour of parrallel parking which will now apply on both sides of Vincent Street

The new regulation will mean that there will be considérably less parking space than was for merly the case, although last year's conversion of the space between W. R. Gillespie's and B. S. & M. P. Ford's into a parking area, and the availability of the former railway space on the south side of Vincent Street will ease the pressure.

The new regulations will be closely policed and residents are advised to observe them and avoid unpleasantness.

Experiments on alternative crops to be conducted at "Avondale"

Many proposals have been put forward in recent months for investigation into new sources of income for farmers hard hit by current economic problems. At a recent meeting the Beverley Shire Council decided to write the Hon. Minister for Agriculture asking that more experiments be carried out at the Avondale Research Station on crops that could be grown in the Avon Valley area for diversification of incomes.

MINISTER'S REPLY

Shire Clerk, Dave Rigoll, has received the following reply from the Minister for Agriculture, Mr C. D. Nalder —

"Dear Mr Rigoll,

"Thank you for your letter dated 9th February regarding the growing of alternative crops on the Avondale Research Station.

"The Department of Agriculture has been active over the past three years evaluating alternative crops in the cereal-growing areas. The most promising crop at present is rapeseed. To promote the expansion of rape production in this State, it is proposed to plant 1,200 acres of new rape varieties on Research Stations this season. The seed produced will be made available to farmers. An area of 200 acres will be sown at Avondale.

"There is an opportunity at present to sell substantial quantities of fiield peas on the world market, at prices of not less than $1 per bushel. An area of field peas will be sown at Avondale to obtain information on grain production on a broad scale in the area and, similarly, small bulk areas of linseed and lupins will be planted.

On the experimental side, two trials are proposed: a rape variety trial, and a time of planting of alternative crops. In the latter case, yield comparisons will be made between wheat, rape, lupins, safflower, linseed.

The Council's interest in the work of the Avondale Research Station is appreciated and I trust that this information indicates that work is being direc ted along the lines you mention in your letter."

Yours sincerely,
C. D. NALDER,
Minister for Agriculture

Labour day holiday

Monday next is Labour day and will be observed throughout the State as a close public holiday with shops, banks and business places generally being closed all day.

Men's Country Week basketball commences in the city tomorrow (Saturday) and Beverley will be participating in the carnival and with a good team entered should have an excellent chance of top honours in D. Section. A Beverley team won the B. Section Shield at a recent Northam carnival and although beaten in all five matches at the Narrogin carnival last week-end the fact that they were competing against A. Grade sides should have improved their play considerably.

On Sunday a combined Beverley/York Assn. side will play the No. 1 Nedlands side at the Beverley No. 1 wicket.

BOWLS TOURNEY

For bowlers of the Beverley and sister Clubs the week-end is an important one as the Ford Fours and associated events carnival will be under way and will last for three days, commencing Saturday, with all events concluding on the day allotted to them. It is expected that there will be big entries in all events.

POST OFFICE

In observance of the holiday the following arrangements will apply at the Post Office: Office open 9a.m. to 10a.m. for all classes of business except Money Order; Inward mails will be sorted, but no letter delivery; Outward mails close at 10a.m.

Stan Hill is A.F.A. President

At last week's annual meeting of the Avon Football Association, Mr Stan Hill, well known football administrator, and former player, was elected to the presidency for the 1971 season.

He replaces Mr Reg Truelove who, as expected, stepped down from the office after five consecutive years' service. Mr. Truelove's reasons were that he felt the time had come for a younger man to lead the Avon football administration, and in addition he thought changes enable an organisation to retain enthusiasm and progress.

Delegates applauded the tremendous work of Mr Truelove during his term of office.

Mr Hill, who was president of the Meckering Club last season, is now free of Club ties, as that town has been compelled to withdraw from the Association. His latest appointment is sure to be advantageous to the Avon Association.

Mr Ron Aitkenhead, of the Tammin Club, was re-appointed as senior Vice-president with Mr Ken Baxter taking over the junior vice-presidency. Mr A. S ('Bud') Byfield is again treasurer and Bernie Barry secretary.

Other appointments were — Patron: Mr Les Stacey; Country championship delegates: K. Baxter and Ron Aitkenhead; Avon executives: Messrs Stan Hill, Ron Aitkenhead, K. Baxter, 'Bud' Byfield and B. Barry.

LOCAL FOOTBALLERS COMMENCE TRAINING

District fooballers have commenced their training operations for the forthcoming season – commencing on Sunday, April 18 and concluding in October.

By permission of the Shire Council they have obtained the use of the Swimming pool as an aid to their early training programme on two nights a week. The Club will pay $3 per night for the use of the pool and are responsible for any damage occurring during the hours they are using the facility.

The coming season will see the Brookton Club entering the lists for the first time (competing in both A. and A. Reserve matches for a two year trial period) and their performances in an Association which perhaps has more all-round strength than that in which they have played in the past will be watched with interest.

As intimated last week in these columns, the Avon Association this season will comprise the same number of sides – nine – as was the case last year. The Meckering Club has been disbanded.

The future of the Lakes area?

The Beverley Shire Council had before its February meeting on Thursday of last week a letter from the Lands Department as well as lithographs of the whole of the lakes area in the County Peak/Bally Bally/Brookton portion of these districts. The Dept. advised that application had been made for the alienation of the region for use for agricultural purposes.

It was pointed out that as a counter to such a move, which involved an area valued for the sporting and shooting facilities which it provided for hundreds of sportsmen from here and adjacent districts each year, the Dep. was anxious that it be proclaimed an A Class Reserve and it sought the Council's views on this proposal.

The move would assure the preservation of the area for all time as a public amenity.

Councillors discussed the proposal at length and were concerned that the suggestion could lead to the proclamation of the lakes in the area as wild duck sanctuaries in which case hundreds of residents of Beverley and surrounding districts would be in strident opposition, they having enjoyed the privilege of shooting over the region from the earliest days.

Three of the Councillors in Messrs Robins, Swan and Smith interviewed Hon. game warden A. L. Oliver in connection with the letter which had come to hand. The latter pointed out that it was unlikely that such a move would ensue as an A Class Reserve would merely preserve the asset in the interest, and for the enjoyment, of the community at large.

In connection with a similar move at Lake Mears several years ago he (Mr. Oliver) had written to the Dept. and had been assured that shooters and sportsmen in that area would continue to enjoy their sport, there being no intention to make the lake a sanctuary (and this has proved the case).

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Although the Beverley Shire Council has sponsored several competitions among the local Art Group it has not, to date, encountered the opposition that has been engendered in some other centres when prize winners have been announced, the judges in most cases being well-known figures of the art world

In view of the fact that another competition is now under way in this district in connection with the Centenary of Local Government in Western Australia, in which prizes totalling $160 are being offered, it was with interest that we read the following article by Lief McJohn in the latest issue of the "Albany Advertiser." He wrote concerning the latest art contest staged at Albany, and sponsored by the Council at that centre, as follows —

The 1971 Albany Art Prize came and went . . . and so did any chance of getting another $400 of local ratepayers' money for the major award in the competition, if the faces of certain onlookers were anything to go by, when the Albany Town Council award went to a painting of the modern school for the third year in succession.

The face of one civic father – of you will forgive a pun – was a picture.

In case you have been deep in solitary confinement for the past week, and haven't heard yet, the big winner was an alleged landscape titled Free-less Soul of the Land, by an art tutor at the Claremont Teachers' Training College, Louise Lodge.

Competition judge Frank Norton described the work as "the most delightful and informative" in the entire show. He could be right.

I would be delighted too, if someone informed me that my latest fifty square feet of put-on had just collected $400.

"Free-less" – a coined word so precious that I wonder if Miss Lodge is very near in years to the hairier of her students, was a vast obscurity described as a semi-abstract representation of the land as seen, perhaps from a helicopter, a bird's eye view of a coast, mangrove swamp, beach or lagoon.

To me, the thing was something else.

FRINGE - WORLD

It exemplified the fringe-world of arty froth and babble which surged peripherally around all supreme levels of art in any era, enveloped in a waffle of jargon, protesting that difference in itself was a good thing, and safe in the knowledge that the fringe of the fringe was populated by a swag of yea-sayers who didn't have the guts to call the latest picture a heap of garbage because they might appear to be ignorant.

This is not to say that Miss Lodge is not sincere in what she does, or Mr Norton. Both are true believers. The important question is the matter of what exactly they do believe. So let's look at this business of 'abstract' and 'impressionistic' art.

Briefly, you can stare into the lounge room fire on a winter's night and see a picture, – and then draw the picture rather than the fire. Or you can see a dumpy kid of ten dancing on the lawn, and catch an impression of grace and beauty despite the fat and the pimples — and paint this.

All this is valid. The best of it in art is exciting, moving – you name it. And in fairness, these variations from the theme of simply capturing a scene on canvas, may be far from their final limits. But to me at any rate, there is a rule. The picture must seem to be what the artist says it is, to the reasonable viewer. I must be able to accept the explanation, to see the artist's work as an explanation of his or her special point of view, to watch this other world unfold stroke by stroke with slow pleasure, or be walloped instantly by the sheer impact of it.

On this count 'Free-less' failed

INEXPLICABLE DESIGN

With all the goodwill in the world, I could see no more than inexplicable design – like some of the less soothing curtains at home. Which evokes another point. If a work is offered as a design, a mood in paint, a mind-trigger which causes the viewer to form his own picture when looking at the canvas — then this too is valid.

One exquisite youth, all fuzz and skintight pants, dripping technical terms and rapid Americanese, told me that 'Free-less' was 'the fine quintessence of a style from which all the burdens of tradition had been stripped away, leaving only a beautiful simplicity . . .' iPerhaps he meant 'childish.'

So . . . Miss Lodge may be putting her youthful foot into a door which leads to new dimensions in Australian art — to quote a fashionable phrase, but so far, the rest of us peasants cannot see what she sees This, in any language, means that she failed. Interestingly she priced her own painting at $90 and- thanks to Mr Norton, received $400.

On the beliefs of Mr Norton . . . He is the Director of the State Art Gallery, and charged to the eyeballs at present by a trip through the overseas canyons of artistic taste. His job, one assumes, is to be the surrogate collection of pictures for the people of Western Australia But does he have a yardstick? Are the people getting what they want, or what Mr Norton wants? Is he conditioned by any criteria beyond those which he himself accepts?

Two snatches from what he had to say at Albany – as I recall them – come to mind.

He said his basis for judging had to be artistic merit, rather than popular appeal, and then, moments later he seemed to be justifying his regard for Miss Lodge's entry on the grounds that the style was popular among artists overseas.

The logic, if any, of this statement, escapes me. But it does propose once again, that great Australian necessity . . . that art in any form is good only if it is imported from or associated with, the holy cows of British, American, or European taste.

If success is a yardstick – and neither Miss Lodge nor Mr Norton work for the hell of it – there is still no need to follow imported ideas. What's wrong with a distinctively national art form? Sydney Nolan's work is world famous and damned expensive, and every second culture conscious house wife has a cheap print of Japanese scroll-work, or some such

Finally . . . I think the Albany Town Council will do well to resist pressures to drop its sponsorship, but it might like to consider a new approach such as dividing its prize money into one class for modern art and another for the traditional forms.

(The organisers are perhaps playing safe in connection with the Beverley contest as there is a clause in the conditions: "No abstract painting will be accepted." — Ed.).



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Statistics tell the truth

More than one third of all the drivers in Australia, or in fact 1,480,661, were fined for traffic offences last year but the frightening road toll still continues to spiral. In the past 15 years the number of motor vehicles in Australia had doubled from 2,246,000 to 4,586,000 and new cars were coming on the roads at the tremendous rate of 1,500 a day!

The 1970 Australian Year Book revealed there were 2,614 million phone calls a year made in Australia at the rate of 4,974 every minute of the day! Each year the P.M.G. Dept handles 2,700 million articles.

For some strange reason less cosmetics appeared to be used although the number of women was increasing. Face powder production was down 78,000 lb. on the previous year, and lipstick was down 2,000 lbs.

People from fifty-one differ- countries were nationalised in Australia last year — most of these coming from Greece, and with 1 Mexican and 1 Korean.

There were 4,867 sets of twins, 69 sets of triplets, 8 sets of quadruplets, and 5 sets of quintuplets born in Australia last year.

There are now almost as many TV sets as radio sets in Australia — 2,649,457 of the former and 2,630,212 of the latter — served by 202 radio stations and 84 TV stations.

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However, the Council thought that in the interests of all concerned it would be as well to seek written assurance from the Minister that there was no intention to make any part of the area a sanctuary, and when this is forthcoming it will no doubt approve of the A Class Reserve proposal.

(Leading Dangin Hon game warden, Henry Hall, was in town on Saturday and he confirmed the views as set out above — Ed.).

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MOSTLY PERSONAL

After a long absence from her former home town Mrs Emmie Napier (formerly Miss Emmie Broun), of Sydney, is to visit Beverley this week-end and will be staying with Mr & Mrs Dick Broun, of "Waterhatch" for a short holiday. Mrs Napier is a widow, her husband (who was a Sydney dentist) having passed on some years ago. Doubtless she will be happy to renew acquaintances with her Beverley relatives and friends.

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Many relatives and friends of Mr Alex Murray, of Forrest Street, will join us in expressing best wishes on his reaching his 90th milestone to-day (5th March). Alex still enjoys his occasional visits to the local green to watch bowls, a pastime which occupied many of his leisure hours in his younger days. He was an interested spectator for a while at each day's play during last week-end's carnival and Club president, Ossie Vallentine wished him "happy birthday" at the presentation of trophies on Monday afternoon.

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Beryl and Keith Petchell celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary at a party arranged by their family and held at the C.W.A. Rooms on Saturday night last. Approximately forty guests attended and the room had been beautifully decorated with lovely flowers – the handi work of Mrs E. W. Edwards. After a buffet tea had been served the bride and groom of 25 years cut the cake made by the bride's mother and iced most artistically by Mrs Hastings. An enjoyable evening was had by all.

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Ex-Beverlites Tom Denton and Mrs Denton were in town again last week from Bunbury where Tom has been employed for the past few years. He reports that son Abe and family, who are also residents of Bunbury, are extremely well and happy, as are also others of the Denton family. All are in good jobs, whilst son Peter and his wife are enjoying themselves in England prior to moving on to Canada to take up a position with the Education Department of that country.

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People with relatives in England have been inconvenienced to a great extent by the current postal strike in that country and among them is a Beverley couple in Mr & Mrs Bob Eyre. Son Kevin who is in London reports that to get a letter to them he had to have it posted by a "cobber" in Brian McIver (also of London) who was leaving for a holiday in Europe and promised to post in on the Continent.

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Anthony Quinn, whose superlative performance in "Zorba the Greek" made that film a world hit with revivals every few months, will be seen to great advantage in "The Secret of Santa Vittoria" – a Stanley Kramer production – at the local drive-in this week-end. Anna Magnani is cast opposite and the film is sure to be popular with local cinema goers.

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Ed Wood is home again with proof that the 'blowies' at Albany are not getting away with all the bait. He and his ex-Beverley mate Ted Wansbrough have been having fair success with their lines at the town jetty with catches of whiting, skipjack, garfish and other varieties, whilst a 2 lb. snapper was landed by Eddie one morning. He also reports that hundreds of black duck come in from the Kalgan area every night to feed on wheat spilled from trucks on the short road leading to the jetty, leaving the area with the first traffic each morning.

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C.W.A. members are asked to note that the annual meeting to be held to-day (March 5th) will commence at the usual time of 2.30p.m. (not 3.30 p.m. as stated last week).

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A former young resident of this town in Ian Ratcliffe escaped serious injury when the car he was driving in the city area a few days ago was involved in a smash. A young girl who was accompanying him was not so lucky, receiving injuries which necessitated her admission to hospital.

Red Cross is everybody's con c n. Give generously to the '71 Appeal as soon as possible.

Wind is a cause of the spread of foot and mouth

Wind direction and speed, air temperature and rainfall are all important factors in the spread of foot-and-mouth disease – in Britain at least. These finding, which have been established by British meteorologists and Ministry of Agriculture veterinary research workers, are now being used in the development of an early warning system for outbreaks.

Records of previous outbreaks have shown that 90 per cent of the spread coincides with the prevailing wind direction, and the remaining 10 per cent is caused by freak weather or man Temperatures below 18 deg C. with a humidity of more than 70 per cent and intermittent rainfall favour a rapid spread of the disease.

Because of air currents the disease can very easily attack one farm and by-pass its neighbour. If there is no livestock on the land where the virus falls there is very little likelihood of it getting a foothold, and it seems to be kiled by the presence of air pollution, ultra-violet rays and dry winds.

Britain's emergency disease forecasting service has been set up to make use of this knowledge, and to assist district veterinary officers to cope with outbreaks. On notification of a suspected case, the Ministry's veterinary headquarters at Tolworth contacts the Meteorological office at Bracknell, Berkshire, which runs a 24-hour duty roster. Within three-quarters of an hour Tolworth receives from the Met. office a series of bearings within which the disease may next attack.

These are based on weather information from the outbreak area and the vets' assessment of the age of the disease. Danger areas are designated and Met. office specialists are on the spot promptly after the first notification to follow and predict the course of the disease.

Local lakes are drying out

The County Peak lakes are rapidly drying out under the influence of recent hot spells and what water remains in the system appears to be concentrated in the lakes near the Qualanderry crossing. The water is extremely saline but despite this big numbers of Mountain duck continue to frequent the area, but these will no doubt be disappearing shortly.

Taking a tip from sleeping tramps

Tramps of the world have proved the economy, and the warmth, of sleeping between newspapers. Now a paper sleeping bag is being introduced commercially. It was premiered recently at an outdoor holiday show in London.

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However, the luxury paper bag, devised by the London-based Reed Group, is not designed for park bench sleeping. It is intended for campers and sportsmen who sleep out of doors. It can be used for up to two weeks, depending on weather conditions and the way it is looked after, the manufacturers say.

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District benefits from State-wide rains

One of the best opening rains of the season ever experienced in the agricultural districts of this State fell over last week-end and although in north-eastern district's falls were excessive – running up to six inches in some areas to cause widespread flooding and washaways on roads and railways – the overall advantage to the State will, in the long run, outweigh the temporary dislocations that have occurred.

Main item on the credit side of the occurrence was an off-shoot of a cyclonic disturbance which crossed the coast in the northern region – the alleviation of the water shortage which has been such an unsatisfactory feature of farming activity for the past two seasons. Dams and catchments have during this week been overflowing over an immense tract of the State's agricultural lands.

The rains have created excellent conditions for soil cultivation in readiness for the 1971 cropping, and germination of pastures followed the downpours within a few days.

LOCAL GAUGINGS

In this district the disturbance was most welcome, marking the best three days' gaugings noted in many years. For the seventy two hours to Monday morning 206 points had been recorded at the post office and these figures were eclipsed on many properties, especially east and west of the town. The rain throughout most of the district fell as light, prolonged showers which were quickly soaked up by soil that had not had the benefit of a good saturation for a long period – having missed out to a large extent on earlier extensive rains. As a consequence of the light nature of the precipitation there was not as much run-off as could have been anticipated and some dams in the district did not benefit as much as desired. However, in all cases there has been substantial benfiet and the extensive water carting activities which have been an unfortunate farm chore for so long has, for the time being at least, become unnecessary.

FLOODING NEAR BALKULING

With the light falls little damage resulted from the occurrence, but there were exceptions in a few instances – the most notable being in the Morbinning/Balkuling area where torrential rain was experienced on Saturday night. At Messrs A. Edwards & Sons property two inches was measured in a two-hour period and the total registration in this area to Monday morning was almost 3½ inches.

It was this excessivefall which occasioned the most serious damage noted in the district, a big washout occurring near Mr Hugh Aiken's property near Balkuling. Large 5 ft. diameter Hume pipes, which when placed in position were considered rather excessively large, were washed out and deposited in an adjacent paddock. An idea of the force of the water can be gauged by the fact that one of the pipes was upended and on Sunday morning had another pipe resting on top of it.

Debris from the area piled against a fence, this ultimately giving way and blocking the inlets to the pipes and being responsible for the washout. The Shire Council's estimate of the cost of replacing the crossing is in the vicinity of $4,000.

At the Edwards' property a fence was carried away by the tremendous rush of storm water

MORBINNING FLOODS

The Morbinning Gully, which flows to the County Peak lakes, rose to its highest level for over two years during the week-end but quickly subsided as finer weather was experienced.

The Morbinning flows into Mud lake, adjacent 'Rocky' and this inflow, and the water expected to come through in the next few weeks from northern and eastern areas, is expected to again fill the County Peak lakes which are at a very low level, athough they did not entirely dry out in the lower reaches this summer.

The rains were not sufficient in these parts to cause the Avon River to run to any extent. It did not appear to cause much of a rise at Qualanderry at the lakes outlet, although Jurakine pools have benefitted.

The Dale area of the district had greater benefit from the disturbance than was realised in other parts of the district and there were gaugings of 2½ - 3 inches on many properties.

Tomorrow's Centenary

To-morrow, April 3rd, is the date selected for the local celebration of the Centenary of Local Government in W.A. and all arrangements have been completed for the programme which is advertised in this issue. The celebrations are, unfortunately, occurring at a time of serious difficulties for agricultural communities everywhere and there have been murmerings of discontent that any money is being spent on such a project at a time of economic crisis. However, centenaries are rare occasions and the community will no doubt join in the festivities in the spirit in which they were arranged.

This district was one of the first to be given the opportunity of, in large measure, governing its own affairs – the first settlers having arrived here very early in the State's history. The district boundaries in those days covered a huge area and it still embraces scores of thousands of acres of one of the most fertile portions of W.A.

Lakes flowing freely

Mr Ron Smith advises that on a trip through the eastern areas early this week lakes in the Kellerberrin area were flowing very strongly as a result of week-end flooding. The waters should reach this district sooner than was anticipated.

Longer Easter break at P.O.

For the first occasion postal employees will enjoy a four-day break at Easter in common with most office, shop and bank employees. Mr Joss, Beverley post master, advises that the local office will be closed all day on Friday, Saturday and Monday, and that the normal Friday Dale roadside mail will run on Thursday, April 8th in lieu of Good Friday.

Shops, banks, and business places generally will, we understand, be observing the usual Easter arrangements (closed from Thursday evening to Tuesday morning).

Publishing arrangements

Advertisers, contributors and readers of this paper are advised that all publishing arrangements will, as usual, be advanced one day. Copy, and other matter for publication should be submitted no later than Tuesday evening.

Mr. W. R. Gillespie vacates Race Club Presidency

A resident who, over the years, has played a tremendous part in furthering the interests of the Beverley Race Club and recently has been carrying out the duties of both president and secretary, resigned from the office at the Club's annual meeting at the Hotel Beverley on Monday evening.

He is Mr W. R. Gillespie and his decision not to accept nomination for a further term, although regretted, will mean a well-earned respite from the duties the office entails — although there is no doubt that his interest in the Club's progress will continue into the future and he should prove a big help to the Club's new president, Mr. Peter Young, who was appointed to fill the vacancy. Peter would be the youngest president in the Club's long history but his youth should be hi strength and best wishes were extended to him for a successful and happy period of office.

The annual meeting was well attended and Mr Gillespie was able to report a very successful year despite the difficulties that all agricultural communities are suffering. Successful meetings had been held as a result of good attendances and strong support from owners and trainers, coupled with the financial help consistently forthcoming from the T.A.B. which in recent years has been the saving factor in regard to country racing in Western Australia.

TRIBUTE

Immediately the meeting opened the president called attention to the death of the Club's solicitor, Mr Russell Williams, and members stood in silence for a few moments in tribute to the late member.

The financial statements submitted revealed that the Club was in a very sound position with a good surplus from the season's activities.

OFFICE BEARERS

Mr C. S. Weaver was re-elected as Club patron and as stated above, Mr Peter Young was elected President. Other appointments were as follows –**Vice president:** Mr W. R. Gillespie; **Committee:** Messrs J. M. Wansbrough, J. W. Young, R. Kilpatrick, T. Barrett-Lennard, J. T. Young, M. S. Murray, H. C. Doncon, A. L. Oliver, A. Smith E. A. Wood, N. Gillan, D. Barrett-Lennard, G. D. Gors, F. R Blechynden, D. M. Young and A. T. O'Shea. **Ass. starter:** Mr A. T. O'Shea; **Clerk of course:** Mr A. Boyle; **Clerk of scales:** Mr N. Gillan; **Timekeeper:** Mr A. Oliver; **Tote and Board stewards:** Messrs M. S. Murray and G. D. Gors.

For some time the Cub has been without a regular secretary and it was agreed that applications be again called for the filling of the vacancy.

There was a full discussion on various matters which came up in correspondence and this, and the general business session which followed, occupied considerable time. The meeting went into much detail relative to improved amenities and facilities at the course. Among the decisions made was one to replace the horse stalls on the north side of the enclosure, and improvements to the running rails for a further 2 furlongs.

The retiring president's report which was adopted by the meeting, was as follows —

Members,

In presenting my report for the 1970 racing season, it is pleasing to report another successful year.

There has undoubtedly been a racing boom in this State and we have been able to fully participate. Stakes have been increased, attendances improved and investments on TAB and bookmakers' holdings have increased. The drought conditions prevailing for the past two seasons, although disastrous for the country community, have been favourable for racing. We always hope for fine weather for our meetings, but it is to be hoped that in the general interests of the State, normal winter conditions will prevail for the coming season.

There has been a large expenditure in providing extra facilities at race courses and, as shown in the Balance sheet, we have shared in this -- including additional bookmakers' stands; twenty-two new horse stalls; a hot water system in the Jockeys' room; and photo finish equipment. These were fortunately provided from our own resources. There is still much to be done and can be done. This will be the task of the incoming Committee.

It will be recalled that for the 1969 season, at the request of the W.A.T.C. and T.A.B. racing was conducted on practically every Wednesday and this Club conducted six fixtures during that year. Favoured by weather conditions, these fixtures were most successful.

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1971 Anzac Day Commemoration

THE DEAD

These hearts were woven of human joys and cares,
Washed marvellously with sorrow, swift to mirth.
The years had given them kindness. Dawn was theirs,
And sunset, and the colours of the earth.
These had seen movement, and heard music; known
Slumber and waking; loved; gone proudly friended;
Felt the quick stir of wonder; sat alone;
Touched flowers and furs and cheeks. All this ended.

There are waters blown by changing winds to laughter
And lit by the rich skies, all day. And after,
Frost, with a gesture, stays the waves that dance
And wandering loveliness. He leaves a white
Unbroken glory, a gathered radiance,
A width, a shining peace, under the night.

— Rupert Brooke (1915)

Time marches on and Sunday, April 25th, will bring us to the 56th anniversary of the landing of the Australian troops at Gallipoli in the first world war. Throughout Australia, and in Engand, the event will be recalled with commemorative services conducted in solemn manner befitting the occasion.

The years have eased the pain and suffering which marked the first Anzac day and there remains as the most dominant feature of the nation's remembrance a great pride in the achievements of that hitherto untried army which in that grim April day of 1915 made history on that forbidding coast and established a tradition which a later generation of Australian men was to main tain.

The part that Australia's first contingent of fighting men was to play at Anzac Cove and over subsequent weary months in the magnificent failure that was Gallipoli will be retold from many platforms on Sunday week. Australia will remember the sacrifices these men and subsequent generations made and will honour their memory.

PLEA FOR LOCAL OBSERVANCE

In recent years there has been a noticeable falling off in the number of servicemen attending the observances at Beverley and particularly the dawn ceremony at the memorial.

Discussing this situation the president of the local branch of the R.S.L. Mr Stewart Shaw and the branch secretary, Mr. Dave McIntosh, expressed regret and concern that this is occurring and they have asked us to voice a special plea for a better attendance at this year's observances. It should be an occasion of pride in the traditions of our servicemen and of remembrance of those who paid the supreme sacrifice and of all others who have since passed on.

The day's programme will be as follows — **Dawn service:** fall in at 5.40a.m. Vincent St.; **Service at Memorial** at 10.40 a.m.; and **Main service** Town Hall at 11.00a.m.

Tennis Club favoured by excellent weather for Easter tournament

Although entries for this year's Easter tennis tournament con ducted by the Beverley Club were by no means a record for the fixture there was an excellent representation of clubs to ensure the success of the occasion which was conducted in excellent weather on courts which had had a special grooming

All events were completed in good time on Monday afternoon, and the total of 138 competitors was very satisfactory.

At the completion of play a barbecue tea was held, followed by the presentation of trophies by the Club's patron Mr Cedric Smith.

Mr Ron Adams, Club president, thanked all competitors for their participation and cooperation with the Committee. A sincere thank you was also extended to all trophy donors and to those who had assisted in any way towards the success of the 1971 tournament.

The complete list of results is as follows, with the names of trophy donors in parenthesis

Men's singles Championship final (trophy donated by Mr T Barrett-Lennard): R Adams defeated P. Fletcher 6/2; 6/5.

Ladies singles Championship final (Mr G. Kilpatrick): M. Alexander defeated F. Barrett Lennard 5/6, 6/5, 6/2.

Men's doubles Championship (Hotel Beverley and Mr. Tom Ridgway): P. Fletcher and W. Edgar defeated L. Harman & S. King 6/1, 6/5.

Ladies doubles Championship, Mr and Mrs R. Adams): N. Adams & E. Priestly defeated J. Harvey, L. Staples 6/4, 6/5

Mixed doubles Championship, (Avon Trading and Freemasons Hotel): L. & B. Harman d. R & M Alexander 6/2, 6/3

Under 19 boy's singles Championship (Mr D. Barrett-Lennard): S. Guinn defeated T. McLean 6/1, 6/1.

Under 19 girl's singles Championship (Mrs D. Fleay): J. Harman def. D. Vasson 6/3, 5/6, 6/3.

Under 16 boys singles Championship (Mrs P. Overington): S. Guinn def. J. Doyle 9/6.

Under 16 girl's singles Championship (Mrs L. Wansbrough) J. Harman def. C. Smith 9/7.

Men's handicap singles (Mr W. Swan): A. Thornton def. E. Bracknell 9/7.

Ladies handicap singles, (Mrs R. C. Richardson): A. Teasdale def. J. Boyle 9/0.

Men's handicap doubles, (L. Harman & S. King): L. Harman and S. King def. J. Hastings and G. Parry 9/7.

Ladies handicap doubles, (Mr E. Heal and Miss M. McDonald): J. Harvey & L. Staples defeated J. Vallentine and J. Barrett-Lennard 9/5.

Mixed handicap doubles, Mr J. Hastings and Beverley Co-op) P. Harvey & C. King defeated W. Weaver & R Alexander

Under 19 boy's handicap doubles, (J. Curtin & W. Johnson) P. Facius and P. Harvey def. S. & J. Guinn 10/8.

Under 19 girl's handicap doubles, (Miss D. Kilpatrick and Mr R. Hastings): C. King & J. Harman def. M. Barrett-Lennard & J. Vallentine 9/1.

Under 16 mixed doubles handicap (Mrs E. Priestly) - J. Harman & J. Harvey def. D. Casson and G. Lennard 9/6.

Lady winning most games without playing in a final (Mr & Mrs M. Murray): A. Forrest.

Man winning most games without playing in a final (Mrs M D. Smith): B. Badge.

To-morrow (Saturday 17th) there will be social play only at Beverley as the proposed pennant match is cancelled.

Beverley firemen finish third at Easter demo

It was pleasing in view of the difficulties Beverley firemen experienced during the training period to see the local representatives put up a very creditable performance at the Easter demonstration of W.A. Volunteer Brigades held at the North Fremantle oval over the Saturday and Monday of Easter.

Beverley firemen were hampered this year in their training activities by a fault in their pump equipment at their train ing track on the sports ground. The pump boosts the pressure to give near demonsration conditions for practice runs but the fault which developed cut the water pressure back to only a little better than that obtained directly from the mains.

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Lakes system filling rapidly

As a resut of the heavy rains and flooding in the north-eastern regions resulting from the most recent cyclone to cross the coast some three weeks ago, a tremendous volume of water has been draining through the lakes system which extend some hundreds of miles from the Southern Cross region to the County Peak district where the waters spill into the Avon River.

With inches of rain recorded in many areas it was inevitable that these waters would, in time, reach Qualanderry crossing, and this occurred on Tuesday by which time the terrifically saline water had spread right across the width of the various lakes with a strong stream flowing quite rapidly in the channels between the lakes.

A visit to Qualanderry late on Tuesday afternoon revealthat the water was about to back up against the retaining wall and indications are that it would be creeping towords the crown of the wall by the weekend. In the February rains of last year the waters just failed to reach the crest of the wall — but it is thought the volume of water now coming through is greater than on that occasion, in which case the water should reach the Avon.

Strangely enough there is very little water in the Avon River pools in this locality where although good falls were recorded it fell mostly in very steady showers and was quickly absorbed by the parched soil.

The annual transformation has occurred and a green sheen covers the countryside everywhere as a result of the good falls. However, in most areas it is hoped that it will not be long before follow-up rains are experienced to consolidate the excellent start to the season.

Mr Jack McLean reports that enthusiastic skiers were active at Rocky lake last Sunday.

The Morbinning gully which ran stronger than has been the case for the past two years reached the lakes but did not put a great volume of water into them.

Amendments to bulk handling Act forecast

The Minister for Agriculture, the Hon. H. D. Evans, sai last week that the Government intended to amend the Bul Handling Act to make it possible for Co-operative Bulk Han ling Limited to retain surpluses to facilitate the modernisa tion of its handling facilities.

The Government proposed to amend the Act to make mandatory for C.B.H. to apply all its income for the purpose of promoting the country's agricultural resources. This woul prevent the Company from paying out dividends or surpluses but would allow such monies to be accumulated free of tax It would not interfere with the repayment of debentures.

Mr Evans said the present state of the rural industries made it very desirable to attain, wherever possible, greater efficiency in the handling of growers' grain. This could be achieved by acceleration of the Company's modernisation programme.

At the present time C.B.H. relies principally on a toll paid by all growers who deliver grain to the Company to finance its building programme. In the past it had rebated any surpluses in revenue from its operations to growers in proportion to deliveries.

The Minister said that, apart from tolls, the only other substantial source of finance for the building programme was the retention, as a reserve, of the surpluses it has hitherto rebated to growers. However, under the present Bulk Han ling Act, this would attract come tax. C.B.H. was the on handling authority in Austra which would pay tax on reserve funds.

The effect of the amendme to the Act would allow C.B. to press ahead more vigorous with its modernisation of st age and facilities.

He added that the Gover ment would also amend t Act so that, if the Compa was ever wound up, the Go ernment would direct the ma ner of application of any ass remaining after the debts the Company had been sat fied and its debentures a share capital repaid. Mr Eva observed that winding up C.B.H. was an extremely u likely contingency.

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Lest we forget — Anzac Commemoration

A chilly dawn greeted the few who were in attendance at the opening ceremony of last Sunday's Anzac commemoration services. The attendance numbered fourteen, and all were ex-servicemen of the district who stood in silence in remembrance of those who died in great numbers on that first Anzac day at Gallipoli in 1915. The number present was about average.

Contrary to the experience in many other centres, and in the city, the attendance at the later services at Beverley showed a welcome increase on numbers observing the occasion the previous year.

At the monument in Vincent Street proceedings were brief. A total of twenty-seven men marched from the Hall to the Memorial, the marshall being the President of the Beverley Branch of the R.S.L., Mr Shaw

Time's ever flowing stream is robbing the ranks of many of the originals and two who, although still with us, were unable to attend on this occasion (but were one-time faithful attendants at the fixture) were Mr E. B. Barnsley, who served with an English regiment, and Mr. Bob Blechynden, of the first A.I.F.

Definitely on the increase, however, is the number of ex-Vietnam veterans to appear in the ranks, whilst it was also noted that representatives of the local 28th Battalion were present.

A veteran of two world wars to make his appearance for the first time in a local march was Colonel George Bull, of the first A.I.F., who was a Tobruk Rat in the second conflict. He is a comparative newcomer to Beverley and, unfortunately, until quite recently has been unable to move away from his home because of illness. His comrades and friends will hope that the improvement now manifest in his health will continue

Leading the marchers was a small group of school children in charge of Mr B. Wauchope.

The most important feature of the Memorial gathering was the placing of wreaths at the base of the stone by representatives of local organisations — those represented being:

Beverley Sub-branch, R.S.L.
Beverley Women's Auxiliary
Beverley Hospital Auxiliary
Beverley C.W.A.
Beverley J. H. School
Beverley Branch Red Cross
Anglican Church

There were also several tributes from private sources.

The service at the Town Hall was attended by approxmateily 100 residents of the district, in addition to the servicemen and children, and it began in traditional manner with the singing of Kipling's "Recessional" followed by further hymns appropriate to the occasion, and prayers for the Queen and the Nation, for Peace, fellowship and goodwill, and for Thanksgiving and Resolution. The service was conducted by the Rev. Henry Tassell, who had with him the president of the local R.S.L., Mr Stewart Shaw.

Mr Tassell delivered the address and Mrs Miles was the accompaniste for the singing.

The assemblage observed two minutes silence in memory of the fallen, and the "Last Post" "and Reveille" were sounded.

Lake waters reach river

Unlike the experience last year where early-in-the-season floodings brought a great volume of water down through the County Peak lakes system from eastern and north-eastern regions, but just failed to be sufficient to cause the lakes to flow into the Avon River at Qualanderry; the flood waters of the big falls in the same region of a month ago have now topped the retaining wall near the river.

Over a length of about 500 ft. of concrete at the point mentioned the waters are flowing into the river channel and will soon cause a big rise in the level of that stream which had not, up to then, flowed in that quarter of the district for the past two season's.

The topping of the retaining wall at Qualanderry (at present by 3 inches) means that lake waters for as far eastwards as Ossig's lake are now just over 7 feet deep — the highest level for the past three years. These figures are provided by conservationist, Jack McLean, who lives in the area and has been responsible for various tests over the years and takes keen interest in such matters.

When he inspected the area on Tuesday the water was still rising at the crossing and with such an immense volume of water cascading over the wall river pools towards Beverley were rapidly reaching overflow levels. It is believed that there is still a tremendous volume of water to come through.

An interesting feature at the spillway is the fact that Avon pools upstream of that point were so low that the water at first began to flow southwards for over a mile before the flow slowly reversed and began its normal downstream course.

At sunrise, and in the evening, the water cascading over the wall at Qualanderry, with the wide sweep of the lake beyond, is providing a most attractive sight.

Wild ducks have followed the stream through from the flood areas and in the County Peak region hundreds of Mountain duck have paired off for the breeding period. As is usual at such times the pairs are showing aggressive tactics towards each other.

Details of new telephone books

The Federal Member for Canning, Mr J. M.Hallett M.P., this week supplied details of the proposed new telephone directories for different parts of the State. Later this year they will take the place of the current single directory for the whole of Western Australia.

Details of the new directoresi are —

PERTH — will cover the metropolitan and outer metropolitan areas. Particulars had to be supplied by April 16th. Date of publication: August.

W1 South/west — Bridgetown, Bunbury, Busselton telephone districts. Closing date Sept. 17th. Publication: December.

W2 Great Southern and South-eastern areas — Albany, Katanning, Narrogin and Wagin. Closing date September 17th. Publication: December.

W3 Central, North Central & Eastern areas — Bruce Rock, Kalgoorlie, Merredin, Northam, Wongan Hills, Wyalkatchem and Yok. Closing date June 18th. Date of publication: September/October.

W4 Midlands, North/west and Northern areas — Carnamah, Carnarvon, Derby, Geraldton Meekatharra, Moora, Mullewa, Port Hedland. Closing date June 18th. Publication: September/October.

W5 Bullsbrook east and Pinjarra areas — Bullsbrook east and Pinjarra districts. Closing date June 18th. Publication: September/October.

Subscribers in the W1, W2 and W5 directories will be listed in one complete alphabetical sequncee irrespective of the exchange to which they are connected. Each entry will include the subscriber's name, address and telephone number.

The W3 and W4 directories will each contain four separate sections. Each section will contain its own complete alphabetical list of subscribers and its own information pages.

Each directory will have a pink pages section and a complete postcode.

Accident on Dale road

Robert Blight, son of Mr. & Mrs E. Blight, of West Dale, was fortunate to escape with only a very slight injury when the utility he was driving from Beverley towards his home on Saturday last, at about midnight, rolled over when he was about six miles from Beverley.

A young man in a following car, Greg Bailey, also of the Dale, was also fortunate in escaping injury when the vehicle he was driving collided with the utility shortly after the latter had rolled over.

Mr Bailey was uninjured and his vehicle sustained only minor damage, however the ute was extensively damaged.

Traffic inspector Dave Cooper attended at the scene, and Mr Blight was brought to the Beverley Hospital for attention but was discharged shortly afterwards.

Poisoner active

A poisoner has apparently been active at the northern end of Beverley this week — and as a result the Lawrence Kilpatrick's, on Tuesday morning, lost their house cat, and that evening almost lost a valuable sheep dog. The cat w beyond help when it was found in a neighbour's driveway, but fortunately the dog was noticed as soon as it collapsed.

Mrs Kilpatrick, a trained nursing sister, managed to get the dog's heart beating with massage and 'phone calls to a Northam veterinary surgeon and Dr. Cullen provided something to make the animal vomit.

Remedial measures were continued for the best part of the night and the dog now appars to be recovering.

As is always the case, the person responsible for such activity has obviously small consideration for children who may be tempted to pick up such baits. It is particularly worrying to the Kilpatricks who have a trampoline in their back yard which is used by most of the neighbouring kiddies.

Free textbooks for all primary schools for 1972 school year

The Premier and Minister for Education, Mr Tonkin, has confirmed the State Government's intention to provide free textbooks from the beginning of the 1972 school year to all primary schools, including independent primary sihools, in Western Australia. He said the issue of free textbooks to primary schools was one of Labor's election promises and would mean a saving to parents of aboot $9 per child.

It will be phased in from the beginning of next year — and when fully operational in 1975, it will cost the Government between $600,000 and $700,000 a year.

Mr Tonkin said that at present, parents of primary school students were paying about £1.36 million for their books.

He added that the Govt. had not shelved its promise to issue free textbooks for primary schools. It would have been impossible to introduce the scheme this year as schools had already resumed before the State elections.

Mr. Tonkin said "I would hope also that during the Government's term of office it may be possible to move towards a textbook scheme for secondary schools as well, but this will depend entirely on the State's financial situation."

Some of the books to be issued free to primary students would be purchased in bulk by the Government from commercial enterprises. Textbooks which were written and produced by the Education Department would be printed by the Government Printer.

The Government's broad proposals for free textbooks for primary school children attending Govt. and non-Government schools were —

1. To provide texts in order to reduce the financial burden on parents and assist in achieving greater equality of educational opportunities.
2. To provide a scheme that will maintain essential educational qualities while at the same time effecting a reduction in the cost of individual items.
3. To provide materials which will more specifically meet the needs of W.A. pupils, and at the same time conform more closely with modern educational principles.

Mr. Tonkin said that reference texts will include dictionaries and atlases for the individual reference needs of pupils It has been general practice for schools to require pupils to purchase these items at Grade 4 or 5 level. It is proposed that an atlas and a dictionary should be provided for the use of each Grade 4 pupil commencing in 1972 and that each item would have a life expectancy of four years. This provision will be a continuing cost to cater for incoming Grade 4 pupils in subsequent years.

Consideration of text preparation and production preclude departmental production of these items, and Mr. Tonkin said it was therefore proposed that the bulk purchases of commercial publications be adopted

Referring to textbooks for subject areas, Mr Tonkin said it had been decided that the preparation of such textbooks for primary schools in mathematics, science, social studies health and English, should be undertaken by the Curriculum Branch of the Education Dept They would be printed by the Govt. Printer and be distributed by the Education Dept.

Experience with the publication of materials for secondary schools had already shown that substantial economies could be achieved by such methods compared with provision through commercial outlets.

Due to the considerable volume of work and time involved in the planning and production of texts, the Premier said it would be necessary to implement the scheme in stages, beginning in 1973 and completing the provision in '7

To allow parents of pupils in all primary grades to gain immediate benefit in 1973, the following programme of introduction had been adopted by the Government —

1973: Grades 1 - 4 Maths and Science; Grades 5 - 7: English, S/Studies and Health.
1974: Grades 1 - 4: English, /Studies and Health; Grade 5 - 7: Maths and Science

Mr. Tonkin announced also plans to liberalize existing school stock entitlements by $ per pupil per annum. He said this would allow for the inclusion of items such as art materials, scissors, glue and additional exercise books. However because of the administrative work involved, this would not be introduced before 1973.

When the scheme had been fully implemented, Mr Tonkin said it would mean that parents would be completely relieved of the need to pay for books and materials for all of their primary school children.

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SHIRE OF BEVERLEY

Notification of an election

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1960 (Section 97)

IT IS HEREBY notified for public informtion that the following nomination were received for the vacancies in the Council —

for Councillor North east Ward (one vacancy):
R. W. HEAL
G. F. EDWARDS

for Councillor for Kokeby Ward (one vacancy):
P. H. SMITH

for Councillor for Dale Ward (one vacancy):
S. A. MURRAY

There being no more nominations for the vacancy of Councillor for the Kokeby and Dale Wards than were necessary to fill the vacancies the following persons were declared elected to the office set against his name —

SMITH P. H., Councillor Kokeby Ward
MURRAY S. A., Councillor Dale Ward

There being more persons nominated than required to fill the vacancy for the North east Ward, an election will be held on the 22nd day of May, 1971, between the hours of 8a.m. and 8p.m. to elect a person to fill the vacancy, namely — Councillor, North east Ward.

The polling place appointed is as follows —
Polling Place: Council Chambers,
Vincent Street, BEVERLEY.

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Tenders

TENDERS are called for in writing for the purchase and removal of —

Steel framed G.C. iron sheeted, ramp high timber floor store shed, 40' x 25', with two sliding doors, situated at rear of No. 101 Avon Terrace, York, 6302, Western Australia.

Tenders close with Dalgety Australia Ltd., Box 13, G.P.O., York, on the 17th May, 1971, and are to be marked "Removal Store Shed." Conditions would be to remove all parts of building to at least ground level leaving the site in level and clean condition.

For further particulars contact —

DALGETY AUSTRALIA Ltd.,
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Cattle and sheep carting

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SHIRE OF BEVERLEY

Road closure

It is hereby notified for general information that the Shire of Beverley intends to apply to the Dept. of Lands & Surveys for the closure of the following —

B.800 All that portion of road No 2294 through Avon Locations 3662 and 19090 and along part of the south western and north western boundaries of location 10122 from the north western alignment of road No. 692 to the north eastern corner of location 10122. (Plan 342B/40 E2.).

Objections to the above closure must be lodged with the undersigned within thirty five days of the date of publication of this notice.

D. Rigoll,
SHIRE CLERK.

Sincere Thanks

Joy and Brian Paulsen (of Fairfield, N.S.W.) would like to thank all their Beverley friends for adding such happiness to their wedding day by sending telegrams, tape-recordings and phone calls of good wishes for March 27th.

We are sorry we can't see you all, but hope you will accept this as our personal thanks.

Regards . . .
Joy and Brian.

Sincere Thanks

Huffy and Sylvia Shackles wish to thank relatives and friends for their best wishes and congratulatory cards on the arival of Alison Elizabeth

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'phone Beverley 87.

FOR SALE - cane and vinyl pram in good condition. Enquiries: 'phone Beverley 262.

Church Notices

ANGLICAN

9th May, 4th Sunday after Easter. **St. Mary's** Beverley: 7.30a.m. H/communion; 9.0 a.m. H/communion; 5.15pm Evening prayer. **St. Mark's,** Brookton: 11a.m. Holy baptisms and Blessing of plough Week-days: **12th May** 8a.m. Brookton Holy communion; **13th May** 9a.m. Beverley H/communion.

METHODIST

Sunday 9th: 10a.m. Sunday school; 11a.m. Worship.

Cleaning of Septic Tanks

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FURTHER ENTRIES INVITED

The Avon River flows strongly

The Avon River in this district reached its highest level for three years at the week-end as flood waters from inland centres reached the stream at Qualanderry. It flowed the full width of the stream but the water quickly got away through the channel which was bull-dozed a few years ago from Toodyay to Boyagarra and along the southern branch to Brookton. The flow has lessened this week.

RUBBER STAMP NEEDS are quickly taken care of by ordering from this office

Health education

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The salary for this type of work ranges from $4,692 per annum for the first years' service, to $5,592 per annum for the fifth and subsequent years' service. With this in mind the Beverley Shire considers that an opportunity could exist here for a farmer not fully employed, and willing to study, who could provide himself with a supplementary income.

Information on the type of course necessary to be undertaken can readily be obtained from the Technical Extension Services of the Education Dept

Rifle Reports

Last Sunday's shoot for the Davis Motors trophy over 300, 500 and 700 yds. was won by M. Southern (205), from L Kilpatrick (205¼) and J. Manuel (197). It was good to see Bob Eyre behind a rifle again. How do you like the 7.62 Bob?

Next week there will be a practice shoot over the 300 & 700 yd. ranges.

— Contributed.

WOOL

Improvement in quality, quantity

There is a very real necessity for an all-out culling campaign for the future and betterment of sheep flocks and cattle herds. We consider this campaign a major one and strongly commend all farmers to apply themselves to it.

There would be very few flocks in W.A. that could not stand further improvement and most of them are – in quality and quantity of wool cut per head – behind that of their counterparts in the Eastern States. This would also apply to the percentage of lambs raised.

We suggest an all-out culling campaign, especially into ewe hoggets, which are the foundation of future flocks, with the idea of entering into better and safer returns by bigger and better wool clips from the same number of sheep and improving the volume of wool.

Over the last few years quality has been sacrificed by quantity of sheep — it appears we have to reverse the situation if we are to continue to survive.

Fleece measurements will play an ever increasing part with an evidence of more exacting sampling and core testing of wool on the floor. There are definite technical approaches to the overall improvements, and the very real problem affecting the whole of Western Australia's wool clips should be closely studied by all toward a sound course of upgrading.

The former applies also to cattle and pig production where any cull will do to breed. Here again it will be your duty to upgrade the herds for the benefit of all.

— Contributed by Avon Trading Co., representatives in Beverley for Western Livestock Ltd and Bulksort Pty. Ltd.

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To-morrow's election

With two candidates offering their services in the vacancy an election will be held to-morrow (Saturday 22nd) for the North-east Ward of the Beverley Shire Council. The two ratepayers involved are Messrs Reginald William Heal and Gerald Francis Edwards — the former a son of a one-time president of the Council in Mr. Bill Heal, and the latter a son of former Councillor Mr. Athol Edwards.

Both their forebears gave long and good service to Local Government in the district. For Mr Edwards it is the second occasion that he has stood for election to the local Council.

Voting hours will be from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. and the only polling place will be the Shire Council office in Vincent St. Electors should place the numerals '1' and '2' in the appropriate squares on the ballot paper in the order of their preference.

The counting of votes will commence as soon as possible after voting ends and the result should be known at an early hour..

PAST SERVICE

After a period of service extending over almost nine years, Mr W. T. Robins, the previous North/east Ward representative decided not to re-nominate for his seat this year. He has been a faithful representative of the electors throughout the period and has given his time and interests to Council and district affairs in general with an interest in most organisations associated with the well-being of the community. Recently he was appointed president of the Bev erley Bowling Club in succession to Mr O. R. Vallentine.

Conserving our flora

Reference was made in our last issue to a case of destruction of Mottlecah trees where a road is being upgraded in the Morbinnig area. An inspection of the area late last week by a local Honorary warden of Flora and a representative of this office revealed, however, that the damage is not as extensive as may have been thought.

The affected area contains one of the finest stands of this type of native flora to be found in this district and although some trees bordering the roadside have been bulldozed in the clearing operations there are still many acres of the rather uhique tree remaining so that the species in this area appears to be in no danger.

Racecourse Improvements

The increasing number of entries being received for country racing fixtures (which has been most noticeable in recent years at Beverley) has necessitated additional stalls at many courses, as well as improvements in facilities for patrons.

At the Beverley course a number of stalls which have become delapidated with age and use have, in the past couple of weeks, been removed and new stalls erected. The new layout has provided additional space for the exercising of horses before their engagements, and should be appreciated by trainers and the public in general. This latest work at the course is being carried out by the Beverley Apex Club.

Two hosing down stalls have also been provided.

The new facilities will be in use for the first time at the Beverley meeting scheduled for Wednesday, 2nd June. It is the first local meeting for the current season and falls rather later in the racing year than is usually the case.

The Toodyay Club was embarrassed by a huge entry of almost three hundred at its meeting a fortnight ago, and similar strong support has been forthcoming at York, Norham.

Beverley has always been a favourite course with owners and trainers from the city and country and it is anticipated that nominations for the meeting will be on the same scale as for other Eastern Districts Racing Association Clubs.

Members of the local Club, and the public, are asked to keep the date of the meeting in mind – Wednesday, June 2 – and the Club is hoping for strong public patronage.

World Barley position and quotas

The Minister for Agriculture, Mr H. D. Evans, said that he had been surprised to see a statement in the press by the Chairman of the Barley Marketing Board that barley quotas were inevitable. He said it should be clear that the provisions for control of production under the Barley Marketing Act had not been gazetted, and the decision and implementation of production control would rest with the Government.

Should the Government decide at any time that barley quotas be introduced, the Barley Board could be given the responsibility of implementation of the proposals in accordance with instructions laid down by the Government.

Although barley quotas had to be considered as a possibility in the event of very large unsaleable surpluses, they must be regarded as a last resort.

The position with wheat and barley was quite different. Australia was a major exporter of wheat to world markets, and availability of supplies in Australia could influence the price of wheat on world markets. Export wheat competed largely on the human food market in competition with wheat of various types produced in other countries. Other major wheat exporters. America and Canada had production controls on wheat.

In Australia the marketing of wheat was organised by the Australian Wheat Board and wheat was marketed under the Wheat Stabilisation Scheme which provided for a guaranteed payment of $1.10 as the first advance on quota wheat.

The position with barley was that there was no Australian industry combined under a statutory marketing authority. Any decision to introduce quotas would have to be taken on an Australia-wide basis rather than a State basis. Such a decision would have to take into account the production of wheat for stock food, and of maize and sorghum. On the world market, barley competed mainly on the feed grain market and the world production of feed grains excluding wheat, was estimated at 575.6 million tons for 1969. This production included 112.9 million tons of maize produced in the U.S.

The world trade in coarse grains was about 42 million tons of which maize and sorghum provided 34 million tons. Supplies of barley had never been sufficient on an Australian or world basis to test this dominance of maize and sorghum. Barley sales on the feed market were about 6.3 million tons (a production of 40 million bushels represented 1 million tons).

Unless there was an overall decision to control coarse grain production in Australia, and to some extent, on a world basis, there would be no point in the introduction of barley quotas, except in the event of unsaleable surpluses. The only effect of quotas would be to make available a larger percentage of the world coarse grains market to one of Australia's competitors. Australia would have to compete on this market and it could be expected that price would be the final determinant of production.

County Peak lake levels falling

The level of the County Peak lakes has fallen by a few inches over the past fortnight, although water is still reaching the Avon River over the retaining wall at Qualanderry. The flow over the wall is now only an inch or so in depth and there has been no inflow from the Morbinning gully and other sources as a result of the week end falls.

Useful rains

Although on the light side in view of the need for good, soaking showers throughout these areas, the rains which fell last week-end were most useful in reviving those pastures which had not entirely expired as a result of the long dry spell and in cases where feed crops had been planted after the early season falls.

The falls ended the longest (April 1st to May 12th) dry spell on record in this district and in a number of cases allowed seasonal operations to proceed.

At Beverley the showers totalled just over half an inch with lighter registrations in the North Beverley and Dale areas and slightly higher readings in some cases at East Beverley and in the County Peak region. The rains provided very little run-off but most farm catchments had benefitted greatly from the early rains and stock waters for the time being are adequate on most farms, and should be assured with normal winter rains.

Anxiety regarding the season has not been entirely allayed as further good falls are required before seeding operations can be completed.

1971-72 wheat quota allocations

Wheat quotas for 1971/72 will be calculated on much the same basis as quotas for 1970/71, under the plan for allocation of quotas announced late last month by the Minister for Agriculture, Mr H. D. Evans. The Western Australian wheat quota for 1971/72 is 76 million bushels. Established farmers' quotas will total 66.5 million bushels and new land farmers' quotas 9.5 million bushels.

Mr Evans said it had not been possible to revert to the 1969/70 basis of allocation of quotas for established farmers or to allocate 3 million bushels to 1969/70 shortfalls, as requested by the Farmers' Union Those proposals would have directed almost 60 per cent. of the 6.125 million bushels of extra wheat available for established farmers to the 1633 farmers affected by the 'top cut' in 1970/71. These farmers had an average base quota for 1970/71 of 20,926 bushels.

Allocation of 3 million bushels to 1969/70 shortfalls would have reduced the percentage allocation to established farmers to 68.6 per cent. of the base quota. Abolition of the top cut as well would have further reduced it to 67 per cent.

Mr Evans said Cabinet had approved the establishment of a committee to examine the basis of allocation of wheat quotas. It was apparent that wheat quotas would continue as a part of the wheat industry and must now be examined on this basis. The composition of the committee would be determined in the near fuure and it would be required to report by October to give the Government time to determine the basis of wheat quotas for 1972-73 before the end of 1971.

The basis for 1971/72 quota allocation would be

Established farmers

The base quotas for established farmers will be the same as the 1970/71 except that —

(a) The base quota of established farms purchased between April 1, 1964 and April, 1969, ("recently purchased farms") on which the new owner had no opportunity to establish a delivery history may be increased to 3.45 bushels per cleared acre (the average base quota of the 4,456 established farmer whose 1970/71 base quota was calculated on the average of the best five of the 7 years 1962/63 - 1968/69).

(b) The increase in base quota provided under the minimum quota provisions will be limited so that the new base quota cannot exceed the farmer's highest delivery in the period 1962/63 to 1968/69, or be more than 50% higher than the base quota calculated on production history for the period 1962/63 to 1968/69.

(c) 1969/70 base quotas which were reduced by the 1970/71 maximum quota provisions to below 12,000 bushels will be restored up to a maximum of 12,000 bushels.

The 66.5 million bushels of wheat available to be destributed to established farmers will give an estimated allocation of 71% of the '70/71 base quota. This will mean that all established farmers will get the full benefit of the 10 per cent increase in the State quota for 1971/72.

New land farmers

The base quota for new land farmers will be calculated on the same basis as for 1970/71 except that a new land farmer may elect to grow his full entitlement at an average yield greater than 15 bushels per cropped acre. If he does this, any shortfall entitlement which may be incurred will be calculated on the basis of his cropped area x 15 bushel per acre.

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CROQUET

Presentation of Shield

The Northam Croquet Club won the Blechynden Shield this season and a number of members travelled to Beverley recently to receive the Shield. A pleasant afternoon was spent at the local greens and, during afternoon tea, the trophies and the Shield were presented.

In the absence of Mr Frank Blechynden, his wife, Ella, had the honour of handing over the Shield to Mrs I. Smith, the Northam Club's captain.

The York Croquet Club performed well this season to finish in second place.

In the recent medal events completed in the metropolitan area, Mrs Sheila McDonald, of Beverley, was the outright winner of the major A. Grade when she did not lose a game during the series.

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Northam makes strong move for Army base

The Northam Council has recently made strong moves to have the proposed $40 million Army Task-force base located at Northam, and on 4th July the Mayor (Mr C. T. Beavis) and Cr. Izzard met Prime Minister McMahon, in Perth, to present their case and a well-planned report.

A most comprehensive case had been prepared and the Prime Minister informed that a copy would be mailed to every Member of Federal Parliament. The P.M. gave a very sympathetic hearing to the proposals submitted and stated that, whilst a decision may not be made inside 12 months, the report would be submitted to the appropriate Department. He commended the Northam Town Council on the manner in which the report had been prepared and presented.

The Northam Town Council had previously given Messrs Izzard and Beavis access to up to $1,000 to take any necessary steps to promote Northam as the site for the proposed base. A 30-page report complete with every detail regarding the advantages of the site had been compiled.

As a token, the Northam delegation has offered to make available to the Army, all or part of the land known as the Town Commonage for the purpose of establishing the base. This land consists of over 1000 acres, divided into two portions – bordering both the existing Army camp and the present rifle and mortar ranges.

The land is naturally drained, and in most cases cleared and under cultivation. The eastern portion almost reaches to the existing Avon-yard freight terminal. Assessed on the basis that blocks of land in Northam sell from between $2000 and $3000 a quarter-acre, it means that the land offered is worth between $8m. and $12 million.

The Minister for the Army (Mr. Peacock) has confirmed that the new base will cost approximately $40 million. It is to provide accommodation for a two-battalion strength group of three thousand soldiers, and accommodation for married quarters. Wives and families of the soldiers would actually swell the base population to approximately 5,000 people.

Northam's first-class road and rail transport facilities had been outined, as was the fact that more than $28,000 has been spent on an airfield near the town. Dimensions, together with the aircraft able to be accommodated on the airstrip, were fully detailed.

A case was also put that Northam was preferable to Swanbourne as a site for the base, as the latter centre places an important military target in a high-density metropolitan area

Wescom Football Carnival has been cancelled

The Avon Football Association received, with regret recently, advice that the 1971 Wescom Championships have been cancelled. No reason was given for this decision, but it is strongly believed that lack of sponsorship is responsible.

The current proposals before the W.A.N.F.L. to zone country areas in respect of recruiting for League Clubs is possibly the underlying cause as it is widely considered that the Wescom Championships themselves were highly successful from the participating Associations' point of view. Zoning is considered by many to be an injustice upon country youth, binding them to a Club for which they have no regard or intention to represent. The sooner this proposal is resolved and discarded the happier will be many clubs and individuals in the country – not to mention the League Clubs themselves.

SOME CONSOLATION

As a consolation, Avon youngsters have been offered a ripe plum. No doubt because they are the reigning Wescom champions, Avon will be playing a match against a West Perth under/19 side at Subiaco oval to-morrow (July 17) commencing at 2.30p.m. in a curtain-raiser to the W.A./Victoria clash.

A lakes tragedy

When some visitors to the skiing lake in the County Peak area on Saturday last noticed a car parked in the area, one of their number was horrified to discover that it contained the apparently dead body of a young man. A plastic tube from near the exhaust lead to the car's interior suggesting the person concerned had committed suicide.

Later reports suggested that earlier visitors to the lake had noted the car but had not regarded it as anything unusual as the area is something of a tourist attraction and is very popular.

The Beverley police were not ified and their investigations indicated that the person concerned had been dead for some days, and a later autopsy revealed the cause of death to

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(TO THE EDITOR)

Bulk handling surpluses

Sir,

Just recently we have heard over the ABC News that 4,000 farmers in Australia are on the way out, and we can add some more to this if Bulk Handling stick to our surpluses. It is a funny thing that when they want more money to vindicate themselves they refer to another State — South Australia in this case. By the look of the hessian bag buildings with bagged wheat stored inside them that I noted there over twelve months ago, Bulk Handling would need all their surpluses for 30 years to catch up to us if we stood still.

Mr. Evans says we need greater efficiency in handling of our grain. I take it he means bigger bins and longer carting -- more people carting to the one point. Last year I had to cart some oats to Quairading, a distance of 20 miles. Arrived there at 1p.m. and was back on the farm at 6p.m. — how is that for efficiency? Jacobs Well, a little siding 7 miles from my place, took a load of barley I delivered at 1 p.m., and I was back home at 2p.m. I presume Mr. Evans calls that inefficiency?

It's about time these people realised that we need every cent to pay our way. I want my surpluses and to hell with modernisation of facilities. As for their repayment of debentures — those 20 year things they have issued for the past 2 years — who is going to inherit them in my family- . . . possibly my sons' grandsons. There should be a limit to the amount of money owed by Bulk Handling to farmers.

I believe there is to be erected at Mawson an A. Class bin which can mean more costs to the farmer through loss of time

While I am about it Mr. Evans, take a look at the rainfall figures for 1971 in the wheatbelt. A drought worse than that of 1969 is now with us.

K. E. Petchell,

Death of Gallipoli veteran

A member of the original 10th Light Horse whose regimental number was 11 and who served in both World wars, passed way at the Albany Regional Hospital on July 8th. He was John (Jock) Anderson Brown, who had been ailing for some time and who, before admission to the Albany institution had been under treatment at the Sir Charles Gardiner Hospital in the city. He was 76 years of age and was fairly well known in this district where a brother, Mr Bill Brown, and a sister, Mrs Effie Ridgway reside. There is also a sister resident in England who last year visited this district, and there are numerous relatives.

Jock, as he was known to all friends, came to Australia with his father and brother early in 1912. He enlisted in the original 10th Light Horse, serving with a signals unit, and was on Gallipoli — and later served throughout the Middle East campaigns. Notable service brought him the distinction of being mentioned in despatches, and he rose to the rank of Lieutenant.

On return to Australia he took up a Repatriation block at Yandanooka in 1922, and about this period married Millie eldest daughter of Tom and Mary Ridgway who were farming at Kokeby. With the outbreak of the second world war he enlisted again and was recruiting officer and instructor in Melville and Northam camps achieving the rank of Major.

With the coming of peace, he resumed farming at Yandanooka, but in 1957 retired to Albany where golf and bowls were his main hobbies. He was an active member as well as a Committeeman of the Albany Golf Club, and a keen bowls enthusiast -- holding the position of Assistant secretary to the Club. His services were recognised when he was created a Life Member some years ago.

Jock was also a very active member of the Albany Branch of the R.S.L., holding various positions on the executive of the Branch. Albany, as a whole will certainly miss this popular and genial citizen, and the community will be the poorer for his passing.

In 1932 he was appointed a Justice of the Peace for the Mingenew district, and served in the same capacity at Albany

He leaves a widow and daughter (Mrs Cliff Bickell) to mourn his passing — in addition to those referred to above.

THE FUNERAL

The funeral of the deceased took place at the Anglican cemetery, Beverley, following a service at St. Mary's Church on Monday afternoon -- the Rev. H Tassell officiating. There was a representative attendance and among the pall-bearers were Messrs S. Weir R. Savage, W. Robins and -- Flanagan, representing Albany associations, together with nephews Alan Brown, and Ian, Colin and Tom Ridgway.

The casket-bearers were Messrs. Mick O'Shea, Reg Carr, Bruce Blechynden, Joe Wansbrough. The deceased was accorded full military honours.

Sad occurrence at Wandering

One of the saddest occurrences in the history of the Wandering district happened on Saturday afternoon last, and as a result Todd Ferguson, 6-year-old eldest son of Neville and Terril Ferguson, was accidently killed on their farm property. He had enjoyed his sixth birthday only the previous day.

From details available it appears that the child was in the vicinity of a dam where his father was using a machine to clean out the catchment and the lad was buried beneath a quantity of excavated earth.

Todd was a very popular young pupil of the Boddington Junior High school and a wave of heartfelt sympathy goes to the bereaved on the part of residents of both districts.

Nowhere was the tragedy more greatly felt than at Brookton for the child's mother, before her marriage, was a member of one of the district's best-known and respected Yeo families.



The State ladies golf team was at Narrogin recently and pictured with Mesdames Mayfield and Fletcher (of Narrogin) on the left are V. Gmeiner, J. Hayter, G. Cole, E. Dawson and G. Flynn. We wonder whether they will ever visit Beverley.

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To West Australians, a jarring note in the arguments about the proposed introduction of summer time has been the apparent lack of any thought in the Eastern States for the effects on this side of Australia. No mention of W.A. in this connection seems to have been made in ABC National bulletins, or in any of the Eastern States newspapers.

Unless Western Australia falls into line with the other States during the coming summer months, our clocks will be an extra hour – making a total of three hours – behind those in the east, except in South Australia, where the time difference is half an hour less.

The United States and the Canadian Provinces seem to get along quite well with a greater difference in time across the width of North America, and we could probably adjust to a three hours difference with not much more inconvenience than we have always experienced with a two-hours time lag.

A real difficulty is that the adjustment would be temporary It would be awkward and confusing to have to change vital transport and other timetables again after only a few months when the other States reverted to their normal time.

We seem to have little option but to follow the other States. It would serve them right to ignore the matter until big business in Melbourne or Sydney starts to raise hell about not being able to get W.A customers on the telephone until noon their time.

BEVERLEY HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

Annual meeting

The annual general meeting of the above will be held at the Beverley Hospital on Monday, 2nd August at 2.30 p.m.

Molly McGlew,
Hon. secretary.

Sincere Thanks

The members of the Methodist Ladies' Guild wish to sincerely thank all those generous people who, in numerous ways, contributed to the success of their fete . . .

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BEVERLEY BOWLING CLUB

BUSY BEE

A busy bee of members of the above Club is called for Wednesday, JULY 21st, to remove turf from croquet lawn.

E. T. Murray,
Secretary.

Church Notices

ANGLICAN

18th July. 6th Sunday after Trinity. **St. Mary's,** Beverley 7.30a.m. & 9a.m. Holy communion. **St. John in the Wilderness,** Dale: 11.0a.m. Holy communion; **St. Mark's,** Btn: 7.30pm Evening service.

Week-days: **July 22nd:** 9.0 a.m. Peverley H/communion

H. Tassell.

METHODIST

Sunday, 18th July: 10.00a.m. S/school; 7.30p.m. worship - Stubbs. **Friday 16th:** 8.00p.m Young Married at Brookton Manse.

T. Stock.

Avon Valley Arts Festival was bigger and better

The Avon Valley Arts Society climaxed their annual festival on 26th June with a concert staged by the principal place-getters in the various sections of the week-long event, and overall the festival has been acclaimed as the biggest and best so far. This year there were 652 entries, giving the adjudicators a very busy three days. They again commented very favourably on the standard set.

Miss Marjorie Wyndham (the adjudicator in the music section) referred particularly to the clear articulation of singers – and in the piano section she was very impressed with the Bach class. Choirs were again well represented, coming from many towns far apart. The Shield given for the best primary school choir went to the West Northam school choir.

The outstanding performer in the music section was Dr. G. Hobday who won all 4 classes he entered. He was awarded the Northam Shire Council's special award, given to celebrate the Centenary of Local Government in W.A.

The Art of speech section was well represented and the adjudicator (Miss Mary Stuart) was impressed with the 11 - 14 years age group with their 'personal project talk,' given in the conversational approach to the subject rather than a lecturette. A special award in the public speaking class (donated by the Northam Town Council, also to celebrate the Centenary of Local Govt) was won by Mr. Gunter Manlik.

There were 101 entries in the Arts section (judged by Mr. I. Templeman), the main section for adults being sub-divided in to three — for oils, drawings, and water colours respectively. The standard of entries in the Secondary school age group was most interesting, and enjoyed by all who saw them.

In the new section for poetry 98 entries were submitted. Seventeen were selected by the judge (again Mr. Templeman and were included in a booklet which was on sale during the Festival.

A lakes tragedy

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have been carbon monoxide poisoning. Enquiries were immediately instituted to ascertain the dead persons' identity.

It appears that he was a resident of Brookton who at one time worked at the "Boyagarra" property situated not far from Qualanderry, and that later he was employed by a bulldozing contractor. He is believed to be about 24 years of age and to have arrived in Australia under the Fairbridge Scheme. It is thought that his father resides in England and that possibly another relative is living in South Australia.

However we were advised on Tuesday evening that police enquiries are continuing and to that date they had not revealed the name of the young man.

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The 9 holers held their first qualifying round on 7th July when the winner of Mrs Chester' trophy for the best nett score was Mrs L. Evensen (33).

There were a number of good scores in the 18-hole bogey event the same day for Mrs L. Wansbrough's trophy for a non winner to date. This was won by Mrs P. Overington. Winner of the golf ball was Mrs K. Chester (2-down), whilst other scores were Mesdames S. Carr, P. Overington, P. Gillespie (3-down), E. McGowan, P. Wansbrough (4-down), S. Smith, J. Draper, L. Wansbrough (5-dn), L. Richardson and D. Barnsley (6-down).

The 4-ball best ball bogey competition for Club trophies on July 10th was won by Mesdames L. Sims, E. Parry 7-up. Sunday's bisque bogey for Mrs S. Carr's trophy was won by Mrs O. Swan with 7-up, followed closely by Mrs Parry, 6-up. The 9-holes winner was Mrs I. McLean on a count-back from Mesdmes E. Sims, L. Evensen.

Last Friday's scroungers was won by Mrs K. Chester (19pts)

ROSTERS - **Afternoon tea: July 25:** G. L. Broun Commemoration - wives of playing members to please supply a plate. **Com. member** in charge of 2nd draw, July 28: Mrs L. Wansbrough. **Flowers, July 24:** Mrs M. Retallack.

A dry year

Farmers throughout these areas are expressing increasing concern at the continued lack of rain and several 'old timers' regard the season to date as even worse than that experienced in the famous drought year, 1914.

Although 33 points have been recorded at the Peverley Post Office to 9a.m Thursday (31 on Tuesday; 2 on Wednesday) the registration was again most disappointing to those farmers requiring good heavy rain to fill water catchments, and indeed will not keep crops going for too long either.

Northam reports that only in 1914 has less rainfall been recorded during the April/May/June period. The lack of rain has again brought long spells of cold mornings and mild days and it is hoped that these conditions will not last.

Scores of farms in the Avon Valley continue to face a threat of lack of summer water supplies and unless big rains are experienced shortly water carting could be necessitated very early in the summer.

Rifle Shooting

Nine members attended at the range last Sunday for a shoot over 600 and 700 yards for the Barnsley Motors trophy, which was won by Geof Bagley (200) from Jack Manuel (197) and Kevin Priest (195).

This week the shoot will be over 700 and 300 yards for a Club trophy.

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Mr and Mrs James Sewell, of Southern Cross paid a short visit to Beverley, where James' parents reside, last week

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Also in her home town for an overnight stay on Thursday of last week was Mrs Herb Kempton, and children, of Salmon Gums. She stayed with her mother, Mrs N. Huskings.

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Among the visitors to the funeral of the late Mr Jock Brown on Monday were Mr & Mrs George Ridgway and children of Coomberdale. Mrs Ridgway was formerly Anne Prior and they stayed with her parents, Mr and Mrs Chart Prior, of Forrest Street, Beverley.

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In Beverley for the past week and staying with her parents Mr and Mrs G. Woods, of the Dale, was Joyce Couper and six-week old baby daughter.

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The late Peter Burgess whose funeral took place at Moora last week, had scores of friends in this district and they were well represented at the last rites for which the pall-bearers were Messrs Colin Moyle, Malcolm Rigoll, Dale Edwards, Walter Briottii, Peter Bremner, John Swan, Bert Wansbrough, Ralph Shackles.

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Omitted last week in our list of cheerios to long-time residents confined to hospital was one to Mr. Alex Murray, of Forrest Street, Beverley, and along with those of a host of friends goes our good wishes.

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Residents are asked to please remember the stall in aid of the refugee appeal commencing at 10.00a.m. next Friday, 23rd July. Donations of any kind will be very welcome.

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Spending a few days with her brother, Norrie Draper, is Mrs Fos Thompson who, with her husband, arrived in Beverley last Saturday.



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LADIES HOCKEY

Another defeat

Another disappointing result when Beverley was once again beaten at Northam by "Swallows" — the final scores being 3/nil. The Beverley team revealed good fighting spirit in this game and appear determined not to lose heart with their successive defeats. However a little more co-operation from all team members, particularly the h/backs (with their backing up) would be an asset and improve the standard.

Best players on Saturday: M. Mourish, E Searle, P Kilpatrick Contributed.

HOCKEY TEAMS FOR SATURDAY

The following school teams are to play at 1.45p.m. on Saturday — **White uniforms:** Olga Mourish, R. Winfield, L. Kramer, C. Husking, V. Grigson, M. Doyle, G. Mann, H. Ridgway, C. Swan, P. McLean, M. Edwards, S. Edwards, L. Edwards, S. Shackles, J. Grover and T. Bradshaw. **Red uniform** L. Tobin, S. Grover, L. Penny, J. Husking, L. Kemp, M. Main C. Shackles, L. Mourish, Gail Wansbrough, S. Negus, Kerrin Edwards,, C. Little, D. Swan. L. Monck, S. Smith and Megan Hammond.

The following will play at 2.30p.m. -- **Blue uniforms:** A. Young, V. Grover, C. Keegan, L. McLean, D. Hill, D. Rogers K. Shervington, V. Strange, M. Bagley, S. McLean, L. Mourish **Gold uniforms:** I. Edwards, K. McCloy, E. Searle, C. Penson, J. Vallentine. C. Buckingham, M. Mourish, M. Smith, Pam Kilpatrick. J. Gould and Sue Husking. Players at plate please

Film Unit.

The film is the second part of our film history of Australian Cinema, covering the period 1921 - 1930. The first part of the film history was completed a few years ago. It was called 'The pictures that moved' and dealt with the period 1896 to 1920.

Our new production will include a section on picture theatres built during the 1920's We are seeking photographs of picture theatres in country towns taken in the 1920's, give or take a few years. It occurred to us that some of your readers may have some tucked away somewhere.

We are interested in any photographs of theatres at all, with a view to possible use in the film. It does not matter how small the theatre.

We are seeking photographs of travelling picture showmen, and of Mechanics Institutes and Schools of Arts in the twenties, as silent films were shown regularly in these bulidings.

We do not want to keep the photographs, but to borrow them for copying. We would reimburse the sender for the postage, and they would be returned by registered post. We would later ask the owner's permission to use them should they be selected for use in the film. The photographs would not be used for any other purpose. We would be most grateful for their loan.

Photographs or letters should be addressed to —

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Mrs Joan Long,
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We would be most appreciative of any help you can give us by publishing this letter or a brief news item.

Joan Long,
for Producer-in-Chief.

Wildlife at lakes

The lakes system in the County Peak area at present are harbouring a diversified selection of wildfowl. Since the lakes filled from the cyclonic rains earlier in the year there has been a big influx in some areas of black swans which have followed their usual custom of preferring inland areas for their annual breeding. They are present in great numbers in one or two lakes in the chain.

All other birds common to the area at this period of the year are to be seen in numbers and a surprising feature is the large number of seagulls. These are not uncommon at this time of the year but they have arrived in above normal numbers

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Visiting lecturers will include Dr. F. W. Clemens, formerly Director of the School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine at the University of Sydney, who will give two addresses "The Public doesn't want health and won't get it! Unless . ." and the second on "Social habits of drug taking."

Another visitor, Dr J. Santamaria, Director of Community Medicine and officer-in-charge of the Alcoholism unit of St. Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne, will speak on "Social Implications of Alcoholism."

Dr. J. C. Lane, the Director of Aviation Medicine in the Dept. of Civil Aviation, Melbourne, will be giving an address on "Traffic — a Social Issue." A visiting lecturer on Social work at the University of W.A. who has recently arrived from Canada, Professor B. Schlesinger, will speak on "The Future of the Family." Dr. R. W. Roberts, a member of the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners, will discuss the topic of "Living in an Anxious Society."

Other members of the medical profession, Drs. T. A. Welborn and S. Minc, will speak on "Diet - Arguments For and Against;" and Dr. H. Cook's address will be on the subject of "A Doctor looks at Youth"

The Very Reverend J. Hazlewood, Dean of Perth, will complete the list of speakers by giving an address on "Sex, Love and Promiscuity." The tenth session in the series of theme lectures will be devoted to a Panel discussion.

In the late afternoons of the School there will be a special series of lectures under the heading of "THE YEAR IT WAS" which will examine critically major national and international events in 1971 that are likely to have a significant influence on Australian developments during the 70's. The first lecture in the series will be given by Professor F. Alexander who will speak on "Retrospect and Prospect."

Mr D. P. Aiers, the British High Commission Minister will come from Canberra to speak on "Britain and the European Economic Community." Dr R. G. Mauldon, Senior lecturer in Farm management of the University of W.A., will deal with "Problems of Rural Reconstruction." Dr R. P. Howie lecturer in Politics at the University of W.A., will give an address entitled "The Impact of Peking." The Director-General of Education in W.A. Mr H. W. Dettman, will speak on "Education in the 1970's".

Professor Alexander will also speak on the topic "What's left of the American Alliance" and the discussion will be introduced by Mr John Lacey, United States Consul in W.A. An invitation has been issued to the Minister for Defence, the Hon. David Fairbairn and to Mr Lance Barnard, the Labour spokesman on defence, to discuss "Australian defence policy." "Pre-requisites of Industrial Peace" will be the title of an address to be given by Mr R. J. L. Hawke, president of the Australian Council of Trade Unions. It is anticipated that, subject to availability, the Minister for Immigration, Dr. James Forbes and Senator H. D. Willesee, will discuss "Bi-partisanship in immigration policy." The series will conclude with a discussion on "What Australian Youth Expects in the 1970's" which will be introduced by members of the University's Guild of Undergraduates - Mr John Dawkins, Miss Mary Paltridge and Mr John Zommers.

A number of optional courses have also been made available at the Summer School and among these will be Writing for Television and Films; Portrait painting; Experimental media; Creative film making; Significant names in WA history; Mineral resources of W.A. - geology and development; and the Rural and urban crises

The visiting lecturer, Dr F. W. Clements, will give also an interesting series of five lectures on "Development of behaviour under stress in the mid-Twentieth century."

There will be a special course arranged by the Dept. of Social Work and conducted by Professor B. Schlesinger on the subject of "Fatherless families." Eligibility for this however will be restricted to persons who work with such families, namely social workers, family welfare officers, group workers, child health sisters, psychologists and also woman police officers.

An entirely new departure will be Master Classes in Guitar Playing, for which a special teacher, Mr Karl Schurr, wil come from Sydney. This course will be made available to people who already have some proficiency on this instrument.

The Summer School syllabus is currently being distributed throughout the State and persons interested who are not on the normal mailing list may obtain a copy by applying to the Extension Service of the University, Nedlands, 6009.

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Tennis notes

Results of the Handicraft tournament so far completed are as follows — Men's doubles: Frank McDonald & Cliff Murray; Ladies doubles: Mary Blechynden & Glenys Hastings Boy's single: Russel Miller; Boy's doubles: Steven Minchin and Robert Broun; Girl's doubles: Carol Swan, Mary Main.

On Sunday we will be playing a match against Pingelly, A. Grade in Beverley at 1.30 p.m.; B. Grade at Pingelly. **A Grade team, men:** R Adams J. Curtin, J. Thomas, K Smith R. Hastings, J. Hastings, G. Parry, T. Ridgway. **Ladies:** N. Adams, L. Heal, E. Parry, V. Strange, G. Hastings, P Kempton, L. Sims and D. Hastings.

B Grade team to be at Post Office at 12.45p.m., **Men:** F. McDonald, P. Curtin, G. Blechynden, C. Blechynden, A. Smith, S. Minchin, G. Bremner, R. Miller. **Ladies:** H Seed L. Wansbrough, M. Blechynden, J. Blechynden, J. Ridgway, J. Young, K. Ferguson, and C. Wansbrough.

Ladies in A. GRADE are requested to bring **two** platters f afternoon tea and men who haven't wives playing are also asked to bring a plate.

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Ski Club opening

The Beverley Ski Club held a successful opening to the '71/72 season last Sunday in spite of windy conditions during the afternoon. Approximately 200 people were in attendance and 14 boats operated.

Entertainment provided by the Club included barefoot skiing, a dangerous game, displays and relay races. One of the displays was a 4-man pick up in deep water which tests the skill of the driver and the speed of skier in grabbing the rope in a split-second. The Club was indebted to Hedley Giles and Henry Hall for the use of their powerful boats during the afternoon.

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Tenders

The two year period of residence which United Kingdom bulls imported into New Zealand must spend in that country before qualifying as donors of bovine semen for the Australian market does not apply any longer.

The Federal Member for Canning, Mr J. M. Hallett, MP, said this week that this new provision would bring conditions of importation of N.Z. cattle semen more into line with those applying to the importation of semen from U.K.

The revised importation conditions would mean that cattle imported into N.Z. from the U.K. could become donors of semen for the Australian cattle industry provided they passed a test for bluetongue disease during their period of quarantine in N.Z. and were located at an approved artificial insemination centre for 6 months immediately preceding collection of the semen.

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Shooters prepare

Sportsmen throughout the district are preparing for the new duck shooting season which opens on Saturday, December 18 and will close on Sunday, February 13th. The occasion is to be marked by new regulations drawn up by the Fisheries and Fauna Department and for the first time in this State all shooters participating in the sport during the coming eight weeks will be required to hold a license, otherwise the taking of wildfowl is illegal and there are heavy penalties for infringements of the Act. The licensing of shooters has been in force for many years past in the Eastern States and as is the case here licensing fees collected are paid into a Fauna Conservation Trust Fund to be used exclusively to finance waterfowl research.

In last Friday's issue we advised that the necessary application forms to enable shooters to procure a license (fee $2) were available at the office of this paper, but unfortunately the Department only forwarded fourteen of these and they were expended within a couple of hours. However, a new and larger supply has been obtained from Perth and are now available, both at the office of this newspaper and at Avon Trading Co.. They should be completed with the necessary details and forwarded with the $2 fee to the Dept of Fisheries & Fauna, at 108 Adelaide Terrace, Perth.

LOCAL PROSPECTS

Shooting prospects in this district are somewhat uncertain. Farmers report that far fewer Mane geese (Wood duck) have been breeding on their properties this year, and other types of duck also appear scarcer than usual. At the end of the previous season there was a very large influx of wildfowl to the County Peak lakes. These waterways are usually deserted at breeding times in favour of outlying swamps or rivers, but with the shortage of rains early in the season many types of duck bred at the lakes and for a period it was thought they would be very plentiful for the coming season. However, flood conditions in southern areas of late have filled many previously dry catchments and many of the birds, following their wont, appear to have deserted the local scene in favour of fresh water and new feeding grounds

At the Channel lakes where there has been many large flocks, very few birds were seen a fortnight ago when Honorary warden, Henry Hall made an inspection.

However, it is quite possible that birds will flock to the area before the 18th inst. It will be remembered that this occurred last year when good shooting was available after prospects a fortnight earlier had appeared rather dismal.

There is plenty of water in all lakes favoured by the shooting fraternity, although at the moment duck appear to be most plentiful in the Katanning and adjacent areas, which will no doubt be well patronised by many city sportsmen.

More information regarding the local outlook should be available next week as local wardens will inspect the district shooting venues to-morrow (Saturday) afternoon. All wardens interested are asked to meet at this office at noon.

1970-71 a record year for wheat board

Disposals of wheat by the Australian Wheat Board for the 1970/71 crop year, which ended on November 30, reached a new record level the Chairman of the Board, Dr. Allan R. Callaghan, announced last Thursday. The Board's sales on all markets reached the remarkable figure of 393 million bushels — compared with the previous best total disposals figure of 375.4 million bushels set in the 1966/67 season.

"We have had a very good year," Dr. Callaghan stated. "The record has resulted from record sales of wheat. Export sales of flour and wheat products were slightly down on last year, but this was counter-balanced by slightly higher domestic wheat sales."

Dr. Callaghan said that in the '70/71 season the Board's biggest wheat customer was the Arab Republic of Egypt. Shipments to this market accounted for 19.6 per cent of the total. Shipments to the United Kingdom continued at a high level at 14.8 per cent, and to Japan at 12.4 per cent of the total. Other major markets for Australian wheat were Iran (7.6 per cent); Iraq (5.5 per cent); and Malaysia and Singapore (each 3.6 per cent). In all, the Board sold wheat to more than fifty countries.

A feature of the year's result was that only 3 million bushels of wheat were shipped to the People's Republic of China under an old contract. In 1969/70 season China was the major destination for Australian wheat, accounting for 31 per cent of wheat exports.

Dr. Callaghan said that the Board's record export performance for the year could be attributed to a number of factors. Principal among these were —

- Good sales of FAQ wheat in the early months of the year as feed wheat at milling wheat prices. This was due to increased prices of coarse grains following the blight damage to the USA corn crop. Good sales of off-grade wheat for feed were also made.
- Very little competition from France and Argentina, due to lower crops in those countries.
- Drought in the Middle East for second year in succession
- A shipping strike on the west coast of U.S.A. for more than three months.
- Re-emergence of the USSR as a market for Australian wheat.
- Ability to meet market requirements by special selection of FAQ wheats at high and low protein levels.
- Satisfactory relations and goodwill established with customers.

The Chairman noted that one of the major factors that hampered the Board's result for the year was the lack of adequate supplies of Prime Hard and Hard grades of wheat, due to poor harvests in production areas for two successive seasons.

Turning to the outlook for the 1971/72 season, Dr. Callaghan said that the Board was starting with a carryover of about 126 million bushels. This was the lowest carryover level for three years. Figures for the past 5 years were —

Australian wheat carryover:

1966/67:	80.4	m. bushels
1967/68:	51.8	m. bushels
1968/69:	266.7	m. bushels
1969/70:	265.1	m. bushels
1970/71:	126.2	m. bushels

Early harvest reports suggested that the Board would get a delivery in the vicinity of 272 million bushels from the crop coming in now. This would give a total of around 400 million bushels to market during the season, compared with 519 million bushels available at the beginning of the 1970/71 season. Against the availability of 400 million bushels for this year forward export sales had already accounted for 96 million bushels.

Because of changes in the world supplies of wheat the Board certainly did not anticipate its sales performance this year would come near the record just established.

MAVIS RETALLACK WINS LADIES BOWLS TITLE

Mrs. Mavis Retallack once again became the Beverley ladies bowling champion last Thursday (December 2nd) after an exciting tussle against Mrs I. McLean. Spectators were treated to a tremendous contest as the scores were levelled at 24-all, with Mavis just managing to get the vital shot at the final end. Congrats!

The final of the Plate and Saucer will be concluded on 16th December and will be followed by the Christmas party – to which all ladies are requested to bring a plate.

Ourselves . . .

This newspaper, in common with other country journals in all parts of Australia, is confronted with many difficulties in view of the current situation in the rural economy and the stage has been reached where serious thought has had to be given to the advisability of continuing its local publication. The district has had the advantage of a home produced newspaper since July 5th, 1905, and production has been carried on uninterruptedly ever since that date. The possibility of a break in tradition has caused considerable discussion in the community and we are appreciative of the many who have called to say how much they appreciate the paper with its coverage of Beverley district events, and to express the hope that some way may be found to overcome prevailing difficulties to enable continued publication within the town.

Many districts in W.A. which were at one time served by locally-produced newspapers have in recent years lost such advantage as accrued from this activity. In some cases the identity of the newspaper concerned has been entirely lost, whilst in other cases merges have been effected that have been far from satisfactory. One such district affected is Kellerberrin and it is of interest to note that the business community of that town has now got together to produce a news sheet in the interests of wheatbelt districts (priced at 10 cents per copy), the first issue appearing last week.

However, our concern at the moment is with our own district community and how 'The Beverley Times' may be carried on in the face of adversity. There have been some negotiations on the matter but nothing definite has evolved as yet. In the meantime it is vital that additional revenue be forthcoming and although all avenues will be explored, it is evident that an increase in the price of the paper has become necessary. The price has remained constant for many years past but it has now been decided that, as from the New Year the price over the counter at the newsagency will be 8 cents, whilst posted from this office the annual subscription will be $4.75. (This will cover the increased postal rates for newspapers etc. which are to take effect on March 1, 1972).

We express regret at the move, but it has become inevitable if The Beverley Times is to survive, and we trust the public will accept it as imperative in the prevailing circumstances.

CHRISTMAS PUBLISHING

The approaching Christmas/New Year holiday period will involve a four day break for hundreds of businesses on successive week-ends, creating difficulties in the publishing trade which in many cases will also be faced with annual staff holiday problems. In these circumstances, a longer than usual break will occur in relation to this newspaper. The last issue for 1971 will appear one day earlier than usual (on Thursday, December 23) and there will be no issues on December 31 and January 7 and 14 — the first issue for 1972 appearing on 21st January. Will readers, and advertisers, please note these arrangements.

"GREETINGS" ISSUE

Notices extending greetings to Beverley friends and relatives which have been a popular (and economical) method of observing the Christmas tradition in recent years, are coming to hand and will be published in a special section of the December 23 issue. Local business houses have for a long period made use of the service and those interested are asked to contact us

V.I.P. for Beverley

Members of the Apex Club are working enthusiastically to make the coming Christmas eve at Beverley one that the community will long remember. Their plans, in furtherance of the local shopping campaign, now includes a visit from Humphrey B Bear's cousin, Herbert B. Bear, who will be a guest of honour for the late-night shopping. All children are invited to help him do his Christmas shopping

Prizes (to be presented by Herbert B. Bear) for decorated bikes will be awarded in the following age groups — 6 years and under (2 or 3 wheelers) both boys and girls and 7 - 10 years (2-wheelers) both boys and girls.

The evening's programme is to be as follows —

- 6.00 decorated bikes, and arrival of V.I.P.'s.
- 6.15 novelty races
- 6.30 Arrival Fr. Christmas
- 7.30 bath-tub races
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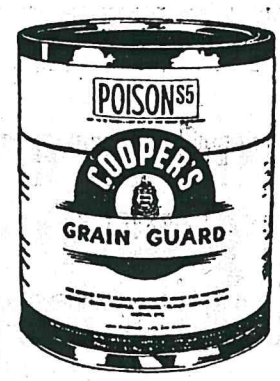

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Farmers combine in fine community effort

A fine community effort in the interests of the widow and family of the late Mr. Joe Herridge was seen on Tuesday of last week when about fifty neighbours and friends of the late citizen gathered at the property some 10 miles south-east of the township and in a volunteer effort arranged by Mr. Jack Miller stripped 120 acres of oats and 150 acres of barley in about 6½ hours.

The helpers brought to the scene nine headers (with a total cut of 113 feet), twenty-five trucks, and 3 fire trucks.

The work was well organised and went through without a hitch, with the exception of a slight hold-up when an auger collapsed on one of the workers who had to seek attention at the Hospital. However, no serious injury resulted

About 350 acres of wheat remain to be stripped and this will be undertaken shortly by volunteers in the interests of the bereaved widow and family

District locusts in seven shires

The Agriculture Protection Board is calling urgently on farmers to help plot the extent of Australian plague locusts discovered in the central agricultural area.

The locusts have been seen in the Shires of York, Goomalling, Merredin, Kellerberrin, Bruce Rock, Narembeen, and Corrigin, and the heavy late rains last month could precipitate a severe locust problem to the south in the south-eastern wheatbelt, says the Board. The locusts found last week are the same species as the plagues experienced in the Eastern States.

Current weather conditions in W.A. favoured locust activity, said Mr C. D. Gooding, officer-in-charge of Vermin Control for the Board. The recent weather pattern had been similar to that preceding the large locust outbreaks in late 1968 and early 1969.

Farmers are asked to report any locust sightings to their nearest Vermin Control officer. Information about any marching bands and egg-laying is particularly sought. Marching bands are massed groups of locusts moving along the ground in one direction. The locusts move in this way before they reach the flying stage and marching bands as big as 300 yards long by 300 yards wide have been sighted this week.

Officers of the Board are preparing for any control operations which may be necessary.

School staff changes

There will be a few staff changes at the Beverley Junior High school when school re-opens in the New Year after the Xmas/New Year break

Headmaster Mr T. W. Johnson, is under transfer to Karratha and his place is to be filled by Mr. David Rourke who has just completed Long Service leave and who was previously stationed at Dampier.

Mrs Johnson's place on the staff will be filled by Miss L. Taylor from the Teacher's Training College. Also under transfer is Miss J. Marwick, but her successor on the staff has not yet been announced.

Fourteen of the school's pupils sat for their Junior certificates but results will not be announced until the New year and, as from this occasion will not be published.

Terms required for aquisition

The Federal Member for Canning, Mr. J. M. Hallett, M.P., this week outlined the terms that would be required for acquisition of the Australian wool clip. He stated in Parliament that he believed that the industry wanted acquisition, and if the clip was acquired, the terms would have to include —

* the price at which wool would be acquired.
* who would finance the scheme.
* who would back it if it was going to be acquired.

Mr Hallett said that the States would have to agree to any such scheme, otherwise it will be rejected by the High court. The Commonwealth Government would not introduce such legislation knowing full well that this would happen.

On the subject of a wool marketing authority, the Australian Wool Industry Conference had resolved to recommend to the Government:

That the functions of the Australian Wool Commission and the Australian Wool Board be amalgamated under one directorate to form an Australian Wool Marketing Authority with a full-time chairman of proven ability.

That the Authority be given the widest possible powers to co-ordinate and control marketing of the clip.

That sale by objective measurement and sample, combined with maximum transport, handling and marketing economy facilitated by such selling method be phased in as from the opening of the '72/73 wool selling season.

That this Conference agreed that some form of acquisition may be necessary to achieve these economies.

That international co-ordination of wool marketing be sought.

That it was implicit in all these proposals that adequate consultation take place with industry organisations.

Mr Hallett described these proposals as a broad outline on which to base the future of the industry.

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Few ducks seen on local lakes

A trip undertaken by some of the district's honorary game wardens to duck shooting venues on the Avon River and County Peak lakes on Saturday last did nothing to create confidence regarding a successful shoot when the duck shooting season opens at 6.00 p.m. to-morrow (December 18th).

Rarely has there been so much water in the lakes system at this period of the year, many of the catchments holding as much as five feet of water – and rarely have such a small number of wildfowl been sighted on the annual inspection. No more than a few hundred ducks were seen on the Avon River pools, a swamp, and the lakes as far as Mr. Henry Hall's property at the Channels.

Mr. Hall told the party that prior to the South-west rains there were very large numbers of ducks noted on the lakes near his property, but they have since apparently moved on to more favoured localities

Shooters will hope the wild life numbers have built up again this week -- as they did afew days before the opening of the season last year.

DUCK SHOOTING LICENSES

Mr. Leon J. Silvester, an inspector of the Fauna Dept., was in Beverley on Saturday and accompanied the wardens on their inspection. Quite a number of local residents -- who to that stage had not taken out their duck shooting licenses ($2.00) -- took the opportunity of obtaining them direct from the Department whilst he was in town. It would seem that most local shooters have taken the necessary action to stay within the law in regard to this season's shooting, and almost 100 of the application forms have been secured from this office in the past fortnight. It has been very noticeable that almost all of the younger shooters in the community have secured licenses — such complaints as are made coming from the older group of sports men who, financially, are in a better position to meet the costs than is the case with the younger people.

In a long discussion with Mr Hall on Saturday, he stressed that there was no chance of the fees collected being used for other than the interests of the shooters themselves. It is paid into a Conservation Trust fund and cannot be expended otherwise. He considered that it was a pity that the issuing of licenses had been left to a late stage — it would have been better if the move had been made earlier in the year. Regarding the $2 fee, he said it was slight in comparison with the amount expended in ammunition in the duck shooting season, and he defended the action of the Fisheries and Fauna Dept. in the matter — they were only falling into line with action of similar authorities in the Eastern States — and were acting in the best interests of the sport.

Shooters who had not obtained their licenses up to tomorrow (Saturday) morning may obtain same from Mr. Silvester, who can be contacted at this office up to midday. The inspector, with other Departmental officers, will attend the shooting centres in this district from early afternoon to-morrow.

OTHER DISTRICTS

Reports from other districts mostly report poor outlooks so far as the Eastern districts and central Great Southern centres are concerned. A report in the "Narrogin Observer" last week indicates that prospects in the East Narrogin area are so poor that most shooters will be moving south to Lake Gunderding in the Wagin district where there has been planty of water and a plentitude of ducks throughout the breeding period. Northam is likewise short on wildfowl although a report that most of the ducks appear to be on the Avon River pools between Beverley and Perth is not borne out by local observation

The Benger Swamp in the south-west is reported to be well stocked and there is sure to be a big influx to that area which is favoured by many city and south-west shooters.

Xmas-New Year holidays

Shops and business places in the town will observe a four-day break at Christmas and a three-day break at New Year. This will also be the case with all banking premises.

The Shire offices will observe the same holidays, with the addition of Tuesday, January 4. The Council's outside staff — with one or two exceptions — finish their year's work on the 24th inst. and will enjoy leave until January 20th.

Post office arrangements will be as follows: Saturday, **25th December** — Closed all day; **27th December:** closed all day **28th December:** closed all day Outward mails will close at 10a.m. and the Beverley/Dale roadside mail service has been cancelled. **29th December** — Open 9a.m. - 12 noon. Letter delivery. Outward mails close at 11.45 a.m. The Beverley/Bally Bally/Morbinning roadside mail service runs as usual **Saturday, 1st January:** closed all day; **3rd January** - closed all day.

The Central Districts Bakery advises that their local shop will be closed as from Christmas eve until the following Wednesday, and at the New Year from the 31st December to the following Tuesday.

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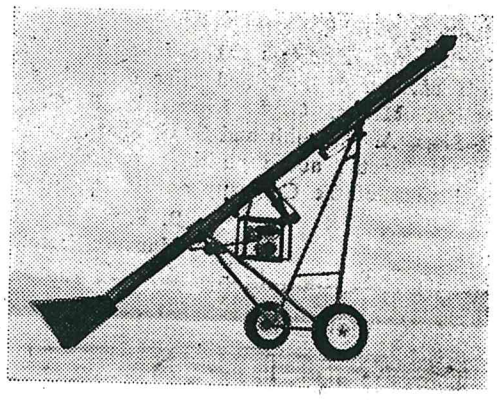

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Vol. 66; No. 50 THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1971

Ducks were scarce

Verifying anticipations made by local wardens who had noted the extreme shortage of wild fowl from district haunts in recent weeks, the opening of th duck shooting season on Saturday was the poorest on record. Of the hundreds of local and visiting sportsmen who thronged lakes and waterways. very few managed to secure a limit bag of six ducks, and many parties claimed only one or two birds, whilst in some cases there were complete blanks. The birds commenced to disappear from the local scene following the recent unseasonal rains in the south, and the trend has continued.

Hundreds of shooters throng- the lakes system at County Peak for the opening – these including what appeared to be a larger proportion of visitors from the city than is normal, but they found a shortage of duck spread over a greater-than-ever expanse of water.

Some parties counted the bag in singles and to hear of a limit score was exceptional. Possibly the best average recorded was by a party at the Channels whose tally was almost eight per gun. The best individual tally heard of was of 15 over the two days on a swamp south-west of Beverley. Mountain ducks predominated with a smattering of teal and there was hardly a Black duck to be seen. whilst Main geese were also exceptionally rare.

Inspector L. Silvester was in the area and reported that he found the regulation regarding licenses to shoot wildfowl had been very well observed by sportsmen. although shooting commenced approximately 20 minutes early.

He has since reported that the best bags he noted whilst in the area were a take of 7 and 9 by two parties. Two Beverley sportsmen who have been participating in the open ing for 50 years drew a blank on this occasion for the first time.

These experiences were not confined to this district, and many shooters who travelled far afield were also disappoint ed. One party at Gundaring in the Wagin district reported a very poor shoot. One of the best bags noted by a Beverley shooter was obtained a few miles out of Yealering, when he scored 10 over two days.

The volume of water in the local lakes is such that it will be many weeks before it dries back to normal summer levels and shooting will be offering for some time if duck numbers increase.

INSPECTOR'S REPORT

Fauna warden, L. Silvester, of the Fisheries and Fauna De partment who a t t e nded the shoot at Beverley reported as fol'ows — DUCKS – the 28 bags checked and recorded in cluded 75 birds (an average of three per gun) comprising in the main Mountain duck and Grey teal, with an odd Black duck and one white-eyed duck LICENSES – All persons that were checked held a current duck shooters license and only two shooters were found without their permits on their person. All but one person, when asked their opinion of the shooting license, were con tent with the fee. Approximat ely 60 persons were checked.

Honours to West Dale School

The announcement of Secondary scholarships granted by the State Education Department has brought honour to teacher and pupils of the small school at West Dale. Among the winners is Margaret, daughter of Mr and Mrs Bob Hutchinson and Peter, son of Mr and Mrs Geoff Hutchinson — a unique family double. Another winner from the same school is Debbie Buckingham, daughter of Mr & Mrs V Buckingham

We join with all friends of the families concerned in extending congratulations on the successes achieved and wish the students involved continued success.

The scholarships are offered each year to grade 7 girls and boys who live outside a 25-mile radius of the Perth GPO, and who will have to live away from their homes in order to attend a High school.

The scholarship is valued at £80 a year and is tenable for the first three years of secondary education, provided progress and conduct are satisfactory. They may be taken up at any Government or approv ed i n d e p e n d e nt secondary school,

In addition to the $80, the scholarship winners also become eligible for the normal living-away-from-home allow ances appropriate to the various districts in which they live.

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP TO BEVERLEY PUPIL

The 1971 Sir M. Gerard Memorial Prize for the youngest prelim i n a r y pianoforte with highest marks has been award ed to Michelle Aylmore (8 yrs old) who obtained 80% credit The prize, governed by a semi private Board of five, rules the candidate must be between 6 and 8 yars old and it is $10.50 worth of musical educational goods.

The late Sir Gerard was an ardent advocate of stimulating musical growth and interest in small children. In 1970 this award was won by Jennifer Sims, eldest daughter of Max and Moya Sims, of Beverley.

Michelle, who put in most of the school year in Beverley, is the daughter of Margaret and George Aylmore, now of Bentley. The former is better remembered by citizns of this town as Margaret Lovey and her father still resides in Bartram Street, Beverley.

Christmas eve festivities

The stage is set for what should prove the most memorable Christmas eve in Beverley's history. Combined with the late shopping night (until 9.00 p.m.) the programme of entertainment arranged by the Apex Club in the district's interests should be most popular and the children of the community should have "the time of their lives." The occasion will no doubt result in more people than ever coming to town and it is expected that there will be a big influx from adjacent centres.

For the first occasion on a Christmas eve traffic will be barred during the evening in that part of Vincent Street between Dawson and Forrest Sts providing adequate space for the celebrations. Among the attraction to be provided is a toy train which is being set up through the generosity of Mr Tom Wardle, the city shopping magnate and Mayor of Perth, and no doubt the younger element will make full use of its services, in addition to the merry-go-round and other attractions that will be present

In connection with the decorated bikes competition these will be ridden from the Avon Trading Co. corner to the Post office. Children should note that they are expected to provide and d e c orate their own machines.

Most of the attractions are free for the children and have been arranged for through the generosity of the Apex Club who are staging the show sole ly in the interests of the district's local shopping campaign

Father Christmas will be there and there will be other V.I.P.'s present to enliven pro ceedings and make the fixture a most joyous one for all con cerned.

Northam farmers seek land revaluation

Farmers in the Northam Shire are seeking a revaluation of their properties, following recent low-priced land sales in the district. At the last monthly meeting of the Northam Shire Council, Cr. A. E. Leeming requested that the Council write to the Taxation Department explaining the situation, and asking for revaluation of land within the Shire.

"Land in the area recently sold for only $25 an acre and would usually bring $80 an acre," said Cr. Leeming. "An enquiry would h i g hlight the situation in rural areas."

Northam Shire Clerk, Mr J Bowen, said that the Taxation Department ideal was to have land revalued every 3 years, but chances of this happening were extremely remote. "If the Council requested revaluation out of normal turn, they would have to pay," he said.

"It would be more effective for the taxpayer to lodge an appeal after paying 25 per cent of his rates and the Taxation Dept. consider the most effective way to deal with the problem."

Cr. L. D. Bridgeman added that he thought land should be revalued because of the extreme change in land value in recent years. "There could be sales near Bakers Hill which show a marked change in land prices, and revaluation would also be effective in the case of probate."

It was decided by the full Council that the i n d i v idual could provide a more effective approach to the Dept. of Tax ation through an appeal and that no direct action will be taken by the Council.

Frail aged lodge

At the December meeting of the Beverley Shire Council Crs Moulton and Murray reported briefly on the Frail Aged project, and it was agreed that a letter be sent to Mr Eynon in appreciation of the great amount of work he has put into the project, and expressing Councillors hope that he will soon be well enough to again become involved in the work.

Shire office staff

Miss L. Petchell submitted her resignation, to take effect on 14th January, to the December meeting of the Council and it was received with regret. (Linda will shortly under taking a working holiday to New Zealand).

Seven applications to fill the position being vacated were re ceived and considered by the Council and it was decided that Miss Susanne Carr be appointed to the vacancy.

Accident at Dale

A bend in the road near Mr. Forbes Woods' Dale residence which has established a bad reputation as a result of numerous accidents at the same spot over the years, was the scene of another misahp on Sunday a f t e rnoon when a young man who was visiting the district rolled his car but escaped any serious injury.

Police Court

In the Beverley Police Court on Friday, December 10, Frederick A. J. H. Cuypers (29) was c o n v icted of speeding. Traffic Inspector Cooper said that he had seen Cuypers driv ing a utility out of town at what was obviously a high speed and he pursued the vehicle and checked its speed at 68 m.p.h. Cuypers was fined $15 with 90 cents costs.

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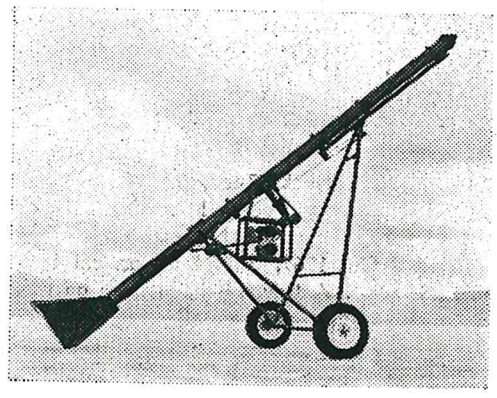

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Vol. 67; No. 16 FRIDAY, MAY 5th, 1972.

Increasing concern at threat of Patterson's curse in Northam

A primary noxious weed that has resisted all attempts of selective eradication and has completely infested the Town of Northam, is now threatening valuable grazing land on farming properties in outlying districts it was revealed at a recent meeting of the Northam branch of the Farmers' Union

Patterson's Curse was declared a primary noxious weed in 1967, after a chart showing the infestation areas was drawn up through the instigation of Northam farmers, who were concerned at the very rapid spread of the weed.

Officials of the Agriculture Protection Board, Mr J. Tapley (regional weed control officer), and Mr B. Annice (the district weed control officer), attended the meeting to discuss with farmers the problems concerned with the control of Patterson's Curse, in order to draw up a district programme.

Mr. Tapley pointed out to farmers that the present policy system used by the Agriculture Protection Board in an attempt to eradicate the weed, was the introduction of a 30 ft. buffer strip ploughed around the infested areas.

"The opinions of farmers constantly confronted with the threat of infestation, and those who are experencing it, could assist us greatly in further attempts at eradication" he said. "As yet no chemical has been found which will selectively destroy the weed so that farmers risk losing the value of grazing land because the other chemicals kill almost everything.

"The first known sighting of the weed was made on a 4-acre block at the Seabrook school some years ago. From there it has spread rapidly — in some instances covering whole farming properties.

"The buffer strip is used to get farmers to do something towards the problem" he said.

Wind and water were suggested as the agents distributing the seeds of Patterson's Curse throughout the farming areas. Small patches appeared as far as 30 miles from the nearest infestation and spread rapidly if not treated.

The carting of sand and uncleared railway lines were also criticised as transporting agents for the seeds.

A Northam farmer, Mr F. J. Martin, questioned the policy of the A.P.B. in keeping the weed under control with the aid of buffer strips. "The policy is not as effective as it should be because it was not enforced last year. The situation has thus deteriorated."

Another farmer, Mr J. D. Glass stated that Patterson's Curse was vastly overrated as a primary noxious weed and that sheep thrive on it. "To introduce these methods of eradication now would be like flogging a dead horse."

— "Northam Advertiser"

Extension sought for water service

Although the extension of the Comprehensive Water Scheme from Quairading to some properties east of Beverley has alleviated farm water problems on those farms which have been serviced (particularly in the Morbinning area), the continued near-drought conditions in other parts of the district is a matter of concern to scores of farmers.

The many problems associated with water shortage were under discussion recently at a meeting of the Bally Bally branch of the Farmers' Union when it was agreed to forward a letter to the Hon. Minister for Works requesting that consideration be given to a further extension to the Scheme.

The area which the Branch would like to see serviced comprises the Bally Bally and Mt. Kokeby districts where lack of water is an increasing problem

Many farmers of the area must be considered fortunate in one respect, however, in that Mr Ian Ridgway has generously made a splendid supply of natural fresh water at Jurakine available to farmers in that portion of the district. This offer has been availed of to the extent of many thousands of gallons during the past three and a half years.

The Bally Bally branch of the Farmers' Union has also approached the Beverley Shire Council in connection with its request, and that body has agreed to write to the appropriate authority in support of the proposal.

Lakes "a wild life haven"

The County Peak lakes continue to hold about two feet of water over most of system, although breaks are beginning to appear along the connecting channels. Just now the area presents a unique spectacle, and nature lovers who care to visit the locality will find much to interest them — although warning is given by local honorary wardens that no shooting is permissible (the hunting season having closed) and action will be taken against anyone infringing the game laws.

At the moment the whole area is a haven for countless thousands of wild-fowl. It would be impossible to estimate just how many black swans have taken up residence on the lake waters, but the numbers would run into thousands between Qualanderry and Rocky Lake.

One wonders what so many birds can find to feed on in the saline waters. When an immense congregation of them take to the wing there is a noise like thunder.

In even greater numbers are the wild ducks — of which teal and mountain duck predominate. Mr Jack McLean, who lives adjacent the lakes, reports that in all the years he has lived in the area he has never seen wildfowl in greater numbers than is the case at present. Most of the dams in the area have now dried out and the birds are swarming on to one of his dams to obtain fresh water. They have been coming in in such numbers that the surrounding banks are padded down with duck feathers.

There is conjecture as to where so many wild-fowl have come from at this early period – but no doubt they are visiting for the breeding season from coastal waters which have been their haven through out a dry summer.

Insurance for fire fighting vehicles

Arising out of the recent Bush Fires Board meeting at Beverley was the question of third party insurance for vehicles used in fire fighting, raised by a Dale resident. The following reply has been received by the Shire Clerk, Mr Dave Rigoll, from the secretary of the Bush Fires Board, Mr A. Sutherland, and is published for general information —

The Shire Clerk,
Beverley Shire Council.
BEVERLEY.

Dear Mr Rigoll,

At a recent public meeting of the Bush Fires Board at Beverley the representative from, I believe, West Dale, raised the question of Third Party insurance for a fire fighting truck going to a controlled burn or protective or preventive burning, when he stated that the vehicle was not covered.

The Ministerial authority for the issue of a Class B licence to these vehicles stated "for any vehicle that is owned by a person engaged in the business of farming or grazing and that is fitted, or adapted, for the purpose of fire fighting or **fire prevention**, if the use of the vehicle on a road is limited to those purposes and to that of its repair at the nearest practical place."

It will be seen that fire fighting vehicles issued with a free licence are entitled to be on the road for fire **prevention** purposes and not only for travel to and from a fire which is out of control. The Third Party insurance would cover the vehicle for use authorised by the licence.

It would be appreciated if you could pass the information on to those concerned.

Yours faithfully,
A. Sutherland.
SECRETARY

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES

Beverley's Sheila McDonald was defeated by George Maslin in the final of a major city croquet event recently and she will be a member of the W.A. team to visit Queensland later this year.

Dedication service

A special dedication service at St Mary's Anglican Church at 11.00a.m. on Sunday is sure to arouse considerable interest among parishoners, and others of the public of the district, who remember those of past years who are to be honoured.

They are those of ths community who, in addition to their service to the Church, helped build the traditions of farming business, and home life, and who are to be honoured by the dedication of church furniture and furnishings which are the gifts of their descendants. The dedication will be part of a communion service to be conducted by Rev. Henry Tassell.

The gifts comprise – 4 new pews — one to the late Geo. Savage (the gift of his widow and family); one to the late Mrs Carmen Adams (the gift of her husband); one to the late Sarah and Robert Doncon (the gift of Mrs S. Miles) and the other to the late Mesdames Minnie Grover and Edith Swan who were foundaton members of the Dorcas Society (the gift of the Society). Also donated are an electric organ blower to the late Mrs. Olga Hodgson (the gift of daughters, Olga, Mary and Sheila); three memorial hand-made tapestry kneelers (the work a gift from Mrs Sara Fisher); and a hand-made crocheted lace alter surround, covers and mats (the work the gift of Mrs Savage).

It is expected that former parishioners will be returning to Beverley to participate in the dedication service.

Shire Council elections

Nominations for three vacancies occurring on the Beverley Shire Council as a result of the effluxion of time close today (Friday) at 4.00 p.m.

By Wednesday morning the only nominations to hand at the Shire office were those of the retiring Councillors Mr F. S. McDonald (N/east Ward); Mr G. L. Kilpatrick (Kokeby Ward); and Mr W. Swan (for the Central Ward).

Speed limits set

At the last meeting of the Beverley Shire Council, the following by-law was adopted: "No person shall drive a vehicle or allow a vehicle to be driven upon land which is vested in, or under the care, control or management of the Shire of Beverley —

(a) In parking area designated as such by means of appropriate signs in such land at a speed exceeding 10mph or in a manner inherently dangerous to the public.
(b) In the Greater Sports Gds which includes No. 1 and 2 ovals, basketball courts, the Horsemen's area and Tennis and Bowling Clubs, at a speed exceeding 10mph, or in a manner inherently dangerous to the public.
(c) In other parts of such land at a speed exceeding 20mph or in a manner inherently dangerous to the public.

Penalty — a Minimum of $20 and a maximum of $100.

Alex Fleay dies at 87

One of the Beverley district's best known and popular identities passed away after a long illness at the Beverley Hospital on Wednesday morning. He was Mr Alexander Fleay, who was born in the district 87 years ago and farmed at the Dale with his brothers -- and later his sons -- for a very long period before illness forced his retirement.

Alex served in France in the first world war, and was one of the earliest members of the Beverley Branch of the R.S.L.

He was one of a cricketing family which, at one time, could almost field an "eleven" for local matches He was also a keen angler and follower of sporting fixtures.

A widower, he is survived by a large family, all well-known in these parts, and there are numerous relatives.

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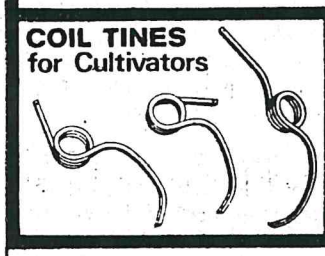

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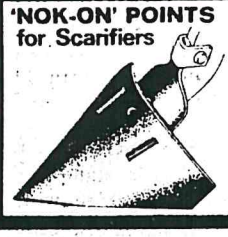

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WOOL PRICES SOAR

Many district farmers have shared of late in the soaring wool prices which have been the outstanding feature of the farming scene of late – prices obtained at recent sales having been the highest recorded for 16 years and in general transforming the outlook for the wool producer. However, fears have been expressed that the rise has been so steep as to presage an equally sharp decline in the near future.

Messrs Elders - G.M. report that C. F. Bailey & Co., o. 'Nukering,' obtained 167 cents a kilo for 6 bales of 3AM and realized second top price in the Elders - GM catalogue at sale No. 3. Messrs Bailey have always produced a top quality wool and the price realised at the sale emphasises this point.

MOVE TO PREDICT PRICE

The Bureau of Agricultural Economics, Woolgrowers organisations and brokers will bring forward a review of wool production by 2 months in an attempt to assess likely price trends more accurately. The combined review – on a State and national basis – was to have been in December.

The W.A. members of the Australian Wool Commission, Mr R. V. Sewell was reported yesterday to have said that it will be the first real opportunity to estimate the level of private sales since wool prices began to improve and this will help to determine how much wool could be available for the trade.

It had already been estimated that the clip this financial year would be 7 or 8% down on last year. However, receivals into brokers' stores to date were about 25 per cent less than last year.

The level of private selling before the recent price rise was established when applications were made for deficiency payments. This was not the case now, with the average price for wool well above the deficiency payment level.

"If a lot of wool h not been sold privately, then we face a real wool shortage based on present demand" added Mr Sewell. "But I believe that a lot more than usual has been sold."

He said he, personally, did not believe that the price of wool today was dangerously high, but he was concerned at how quickly it had spiralled. He said that this strengthened the case for acquisition which could remove the violent fluctuations that shook the confidence of the manufacturer.

There was no real risk

An opportunity

The Committee of Beverley's Compulsory Fruit fly Baiting Scheme has been in office for the past 8 years, since the inception of the Scheme, and the Shire Council (at its meeting on September 21) agreed that perhaps it is time that other interested members of the community should be given an opportunity to serve on the Committee, should they so desire. An advertisement on page 2 invites such applications. The Committee comprises six members who meet a minimal number of times each year.

Lower wheat production

World wheat production for 1972/73 was expected to be lower than last financial year but world trade was expected to be higher, the Federal Member for Canning, Mr J. Hallett M.P., said earlier this week.

Production was estimated at 302 million tons (excluding the People's Republic of China) – a fall of 17 million tons on that for 1971/72. However, world trade in 1972/73 was expected to exceed the 51 million tons reached in 1971/72.

Mr. Hallett said that it was intended to plant 21.2 million acres in Australia this financial year, but because of seasonal conditions production was expected to reach about 360 million bushels compared with the production quota of 407 million bushels set for the year.

End of season carry - over stocks were expected to be not much more than 70 million bushels – the lowest level for four years. Some build-up was thought to be desirable to ensure continuity of supplies.

BASKETBALL CARNIVAL

Basketball gets under way in Beverley this week-end with a lightning carnival on Sunday (followed by a barbecue). The opening fixtures of the '72/73 pennant will be held on 4th.

Rain needed urgently

Rain is urgently needed in these districts if the earlier promise of a bountiful harvest is to materialise.. The situation in this district is typical of that existing in many others of the southern half of W.A. as although crops have flourished in recent weeks there is little reserve moisture in the soil and good finishing rains are required if widespread areas of pinched grain are to be avoided in the coming harvest.

Falls in this district for the year to date are inches behind average and this feature is in contrast to that existing in a number of the northerly shires which are enjoying a terrific season and where as a result of good rains there are moisture reserves sufficient to assure a bountiful harvest. These aspects of the season in such areas have been freely commented on by recent travellers, including Mr Jack McLean, of County Peak, who was most impressed by promise shown.

There is considerable local concern regarding the seasonal outlook and in one of the best crop-producing areas of the district – the County Peak/Bally Bally region – the need for further rains are particularly urgent.

A local businessman who has been in the area of late states that the situation is exempliefied by the lakes in the region. Normally full at this period of the year, they are at present at very low level having received little or no replenishment in winter months. They are drying back rapidly and in his opinion will contain little water by December.

There are little or no water fowl to be seen – despite the thousands present in the early stage of the winter period as a result of the out-of-season inflow from storms early in the year. Sporting prospects are dismal in the absence of unusually heavy downpours in the area between now and the shooting season.

LOCAL COMPARISONS

There is a big disparity this year between rainfall recordings as registered at Beverley and those noted in the County Peak/Bally Bally area — the latter portion of the district having consistently received less each month of the growing season than has been the case in Beverley.

We are indebted to Miss Muriel Carr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Carr, for the following comparative records for the months of June, July and August at Beverley and the Bally Bally farm of V. G. and M. Carr —

	Beverley	B/Bally
JUNE	208	157
JULY	235	196
AUGUST	275	187
	718	540

There is thus a difference of 178 points between the totals for those three months.

Shire Clerk's resignation

Mr Dave Rigoll, who has filled the office of Shire Clerk at Beverley for the past 19 years submitted his resignation to the September meeting of the Shire Council last Thursday.

It has been know for some time that he intended to retire from the office so that his action came as no surprise. Further reference to his service will appear later issues.

Rating on land value only

. . . OR BANKRUPTCY

The following letter has been received by the Editor with a request that we print it in our columns in order that its contents be given wide publicity. The writer is Mr Frank J. H. Kingma, P.O. Box 676, Esperance W.A., and he writes —

Dear ratepayer,

The basic principle of present rating basis is that everybody should be penalised for outlay on the home, or other improvements on the site. People are not rated only on the value given to their sites by the community.

The relative injustice in treatment between neighbours can be easily seen by comparing the frontage-value of the properties.

The two - part shandy rate abandons the principle of the untaxed improvements and is therefore inequitable in its nature. It would rob some people in order to subsidise others and those most subsidised are least deserving of specially favoured treatment.

The question is: are properties penalised most by the shand rate new villa units, flats, or houses?

Are these ratepayers elderly persons (often in poor health), widows, or others living on fixed incomes? Are homes built by charitable bodies for elderly people with funds donated by their members heavily penalised? Why are the new homes and other buildings penalised a little less severely than villa units and flats? Why is vacant land in the class of property most subsidised by existing shandy "rating"? — they are major beneficiaries of WA rating.

This gross unjust rating subsidises land speculators, thus allowing them to with - hold these properties from the market to unduly increase prices. Most of these properties are morgage free and their owners better able to pay rates than the heavily mortgaged owners of new homes. And for the few exceptions there is provision for relief under the hardship sections of the Local Government Act.

The Principle of a just and moral rating is that improvements are not rated —

* Unimproved rating means that rates are levied on the land value only and no regard is paid (so far as the rating is concerned) to the improvements erected on the land.
* The rates payable on vacant land under unimproved rating being the same as for an improved property discourage the holding of vacant land for long periods and forcing deveolpment in other directions.
* At least if the owner wishes to hold land in its unimproved state for speculative purposes he must pay more in rates for that privilege.

No doubt Nett Annual Value and some U.C.V. methods of rating have some virutes, and I do not think it is a matter of which is the fairer method (that would necessarily be carried at a poll), so much as the method which would favour or benefit the greater number of ratepayers and the future of our country.

The basic principle that nobody is penalised in a district is that nobody should be penalised for outlay on the house or other improvments on the site — people are rated only on the value given to their sites by the community.

The alternative rating basis, namely N.A.V. or shandy rating, abandons the principle of untaxed improvements and are therefore inequitable in their nature. In my view it is land value alone which is given and maintained by municipal and other public services – and it is this value alone which could justly be used as a basis of rating. The owner's improvement value should be excluded from rating.

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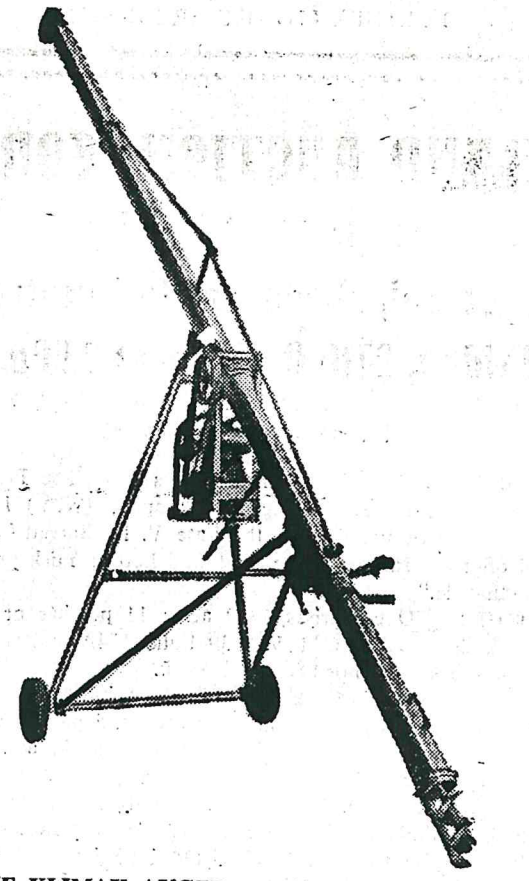

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MINISTER WRITES ON WATER PROBLEMS

Water deficient areas east of the towns of Beverley and Brookton were represented by a Farmers' Union deputation which, late in January, sought an extensoni of the Comprehensive Water scheme to the areas affected. The deputation's report has drawn the following reply from the Hon. Minister for Works and Water Supplies, Mr C. J. Jamieson, M.L.A., He writes to the Editor as follows —

Sir,

In your issue of February 22 you report on the meeting on January 23 of the members of the deputation introduced by Mr. H W Gayfer, M.L.A. and representng committees of Farmers' Unions from Aldersyde, Bally Bally, East Brookton and Kweda with me, as Minister for Works and Water Supplies, regarding a request to extend the Comprehensive Water Supply Scheme to these areas.

Your report, whilst giving at length the reasons for the deputation, together with some irrelevant comparisons, summarises my reply in one short paragraph. This could give the impression that the Government lacks interest in the problem.

On the contrary, the Government is vitally aware of the need for adequate supplies of water to ALL areas of the State and endeavours to provide the maximum within available funds.

The cost of extending the Comprehensive Water Supply to any area not now served is far beyond the financial resources of the State Government. Any additional works can only be carried out with financial assistance from the Commonwealth Government.

Water -- and generally the lack of it -- is an Australia wide problem and you will appreciate that the Commonwealth Govt. receives requests for financial assistance for the provision of water supplies from many sources.

You will also appreciate that the Commonwealth Govt. will not accept requests from the States unless the submissions are fully documented and established by cost-benefit and other feasibility studies. With the large number of water supply projects of all types still required within the whole of Australia the Commonwealth has to carefully establish priorities based on a number of factors.

Representations have been made unsuccessfully to the Commonwealth for financial assistance to commence Stage 3 of the Scheme. This is for the Bullaring - Corrigin and Greenhills - York areas that share similar problems regarding water storage as those referred to by the deputation.

A further approach has been made to the Commonwealth Government to reconsider its decision not to finance the Stage 3 proposal. It is obvious therefore that the submission of a case to extend the scheme to other areas with similar problems would probably not receive a favourable response at the present time.

I have also received requests from many other groups for the Comprehensive Water Supply to be extended to needy areas. Some of these are within the original boundary and some are from adjacent dry areas.

The Government must evaluate all these requests and relate them to the water holding potential on private properties in normal seasons. Areas that can be sustained by private supplies could be supplemented in times of drought from emergency standpipe outlets.

The Commonwealth view is that it is not economical to provide piped water at huge operating losses to the State to areas that can, under normal circumstances, be made self sufficient.

However, you are assured that the Government, through me as Minister for Works and Water Supplies, will continue to make strong representations to the Commonwealth Government to provide financial assistance for extensions to the Comprehensive Water Supply Scheme.

C. J. Jamieson, MLA,
Minister for Works &
Water Supplies.

York to develop as tourist attraction

The Shire of York is progressing with its aim of promoting the Town of York as a tourist attraction and has established an overall plan of development to be attempted in stages. The initial stage, the re-development of Avon Park as a recreational and picnic area, will be commenced shortly with a Tourist Development Authority grant of $4,167 towards the $6,250 cost of the first stage.

The park, of some 4 acres, located on the banks of the river had been, in the early part of this century, a public show place – with trees, lawn, flower gardens and a bandstand. Due to the clearing of rural areas, however, the increased run off of water caused the Avon River to flood almost annually and this caused the lawns and gardens to degenerate. The Park gradually fell into disuse.

"With the effective clearing of the Avon River, flooding has ceased to be a major problem," said the Acting Minister for Tourism, Mr A W Bickerton, when announcing the WA Tourist Development Authority's $4,167 grant towards the project last week.

"The York Shire Council has been able to maintain the area at a reasonable standard, and as such has been pleased with the ever increasing popularity the park is assuming with week-end and holiday tourists."

The first stage of the development will consist of the construction of an access road, barbeques, a rotunda, toilet facilities and earthworks.

RACE CLUB APPOINTS NEW SECRETARY

Most important business at the recent adjourned meeting of the Beverley Race Club was the appointment of a new secretary in succession to Mr. J N Broun, who resigned from the position after good service over the past two years.

After considerable discussion in regard to remuneration etc Mrs Margaret Williams was appointed to the vacancy. (Recently she was also appointed as secretary to the Beverley Agricultural Society, following the resignation of Mr. Gordon Parry who had filled that postiion with distinction for a lengthy priod).

The Beverley Club is to conduct nine meeting this year – the biggest programme in the history of racing in this town. As a result a slight increase in membership was agreed to the fee now being $7.00.

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Increasing water shortage

With water shortages an increasing problem on many local properties, the carting of the vital commodity from centrally situated standpipes is continuing on an ever-increasing scale and most farmers report that what is left of their small farm storages is rapidly drying out. Hopes that the latest cyclone in the north could bring rains to these regions appear to have dispersed as the disturbance heads out to sea.

The problems associated with water shortage have now become apparent in the town – where the dam from which the grass oval at the Sports Ground has been watered during the summer to date, is almost depleted and the small amount of water left in the catchment carries a high saline content.

It is most unfortunate from the sporting angle, as it was hoped to have the ground in first class condition for the opening of the Avon football season on April 8th. We understand that other centres in the Avon Association (particularly York and Quairading) are faced with similar difficulties.

AVON AT LOW LEVEL

Pools along the Avon River have probably never been at such a low level as is the case at the moment – and many have dried out completely This has created something of a nuisance when strong winds prevail for those townspeople living in the vicinity of the town pool.

The lakes at County Peak are now completely dry, and here also an obnoxious stench is very obvious.

HEAT WAVE

After a period of mild conditions and very pleasant days and nights very hot conditions set in yesterday when temperatures soared to a century and more on the old scale whilst the city experienced one of the hottest March days evr noted.

Forecast on greasy wool prices

Auction prices for greasy wool of more than 150c. per kg "for some time to come" were predicted by the Bank of New South Wales yesterday in its quarterly "Review". The report said light supplies of wool and sustained textile demand seemed capable of maintaining such a level.

Reduced sheep numbers and a decreased cut per head because of drought would mean that Australia's wool clip in 1972/73 would be 11 per cent less than in the previous year The fall in the Australian clip would be the main reason for the fourth successive annual fall in world wool production.

However, such was the state of economic activity overseas that demand for textiles would support both expansion of synthetic useage as well as a strong market for wool.

"Wool usage is expected to rise further during 1973 in Japan, the United Kingdom, France, West Germany, and the United States," the Wales says.

Dale fire brings many helpers

A call for assistance at a fire which broke out in forest country at the Dale, where some work was in progress on Sunday afternoon brought a large number of helpers to the scene, plus the fire units from the Dale and Beverley (central) and private fire fighting outfits from nearby farms.

The blaze occurred about 19 miles from Beverley, near the new Doberderry Road which is being constructed near Mr. Bob Kempton's. It was confined to bush country and no damage occurred to farm land In the clearing up of scrub and undergrowth it probably did more good than harm.

BLAZE IN YORK HALL

Fire gutted most of the Buffalo Lodge Hall in South St., York on Sunday and equipment belonging to the York Badminton Club and the York Pensioners' League was destroyed.

The timber and iron hall -- lined with pine boards -- was built by the Army about 1900 It was insured.

Burning off operations had been carried out near the hall on Sunday morning.

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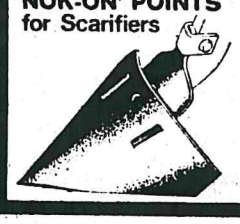

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Hospital Bonus scheme approved

A recent deputation to the Minister for Health (the Hon. Ron Davies, M.L.A.), on which the Beverley Hospital Board was represented, sought the re-introduction of a Hospital bonus system to serve as an incentive in obtaining staff for country hospitals – which are often in difficulties in this regard (and especially with DC Sisters).

In the opinion of the deputationists such a bonus was the only inducement country hospitals were able to offer in their recruitment of staff, as against the favourable situation of the staff of city hospitals who have many advantages over those who serve in the country.

These opinions apparently impressed the Minister and the Dept. as Mr A. W. Miles (the chairman of the Beverley Hospital Board) received the following letter from Mr Davies:

Mr. A. W. Miles,
Chairman, Hospital Board,
BEVERLEY W.A.

Mr Miles,

When a deputation comprising yourself, Mr D Frazer and Mr A Pead of the Quairading Hospital Board, and Mr R D Hill of the Corrigin Hospital Board waited on me on March 12th, I indicated that consideration would be given to re-introducing a limited country recruitment bonus scheme.

This matter has been carefully examined and I have now agreed to a scheme where by Double Certificated Sisters recruited from Perth through the Medical Dept., or engaged from outside the State, will receive a bonus of $200 after each six months of continuous satisfactory full time service in selected country hospitals.

As Beverley is within the approved area, eligible staff of your hospital will become entitled to the bonus after the completion of each 6 months service. A letter setting out the scheme in detail has been sent to your Board's secretary.

Yours faithfully,
Ron Davies, M.L.A.
Minister for Health.

Warning of dangers of Avon River navigation

A canoeing expert, Mr. P. A. Dear, warned of dangers in the proposed Northam - to - Perth Avon River Marathon when he attended a special meeting of the Northam Tourist Development Committee last week. He said that inexperienced persons attempting to make the journey by canoe were running a grave risk. He has suggested that no craft make the journey, or any part of it, by night.

Messrs J. Paine and J. Izzard, both members of the committee, considered one of the greatest dangers would be "entrants with little experience and know-how." Mr Izzard said: What's worrying me is the thought of inexperienced people in boats running loose on rocks etc.

In an effort to reduce the hazards posed by the inexperienced canoeists, it is proposed that, prior to the event, entrants will be requested to attend a briefing of the course. It is thought that once the dangers are brought to the attention of the less experienced enthusiasts it could deter them and thus cut down on potential accident victims.

A film taken by Mr. Dear while on one of his previous kyak trips down the Avon River, was shown at the meeting The course shown was the same proposed for this year's journey. It is thought that this film could be shown at the briefing.

"The Avon Descent" is the name chosen for the 90 mile boating descent of the Avon River. The event will commence on July 21 and will continue to Monday, July 23. It is anticipated however, that all boats will have finished by Sunday evening.

Entries will be open to two classes, power boats and non-powered boats. Co-organisers of the event, Mr A. Malloy, representing the power boating section, and Messrs P. Dear and K. Davenport, both representing the Amateur Canoeing Association, attended Monday's meeting to set out the rules and safety regulations for the two classes.

July 21 was chosen for the venture as it was considered that by this date the river would be at its peak level, thus creating less potential dangers to entrants. It will commence at 7 a.m. on the Saturday, at the base of the Avon River weir.

It was suggested by Mr Dear that the power boats start ten minutes earlier than the canoes This he said, would cut out any disadvantage placed on canoeists if the powered boats happened to plough through them during the start.

The course chosen for the event will be the one taken by Messrs J. Izzard and G. Post in mid-September, 1972. The two men took four days to navigate the Avon River to the headwaters of the Swan River. They described their hazardous navigations as "a hell of a slog" and a "once only"

Starting at the Avon weir contestants will follow the river's course through Toodyay, Walyanga, National Park, the Shire of Swan and conclude at the Coode St. jetty on the Swan River. There will be a check point situated at West Toodyay, 11 miles upstream at Emu Point Falls.

The overnight camping places on Saturday and if necessary, on Sunday, are, respectively, the check point at Emu Point Falls and at a chosen campsite on the north-west side of the Middle Swan Bridge in the Swan Shire.

Entrants will be expected to provide their own food and camping articles will be carried by the support crews.

Anyone requiring an entry form should contact the following applicable addresses: Power boat entries: Mr. A. Malloy, 240 Woodside St., Doubleview, 6018; Canoeing entries: Mr. P. Dear, P.O. Box 91, Cottesloe, 6011.

The burning question of the moment, between the power boat enthusiasts and the non-power boat enthusiasts, is: Who will come in first?

Redistribution of electorates

Western Australian electorates are to be redistributed to increase he number of Members in the House of Representatives from 9 to 10.

The number of people enumerated at the 1971 Census in Western Australia was 1,030,469 and when divided by an Australia wide quota of 104,376 gave a result of 9.873 or 10 Members.

The Distribution Commissioners have been appointed by The Governor - General they are: Mr B. S. Nicholls (Commonwealth Electoral Officer for Western Australia); Mr. W. G. Henderson (Deputy Surveyor - General for Western Australia) and; Mr. J. W. Robson (Deputy Commissioner, Repatriation Department, Western Australia). Mr Nicholls has been appointed Chairman of the Distribution Commissioners.

In advertisement in the Commonwealth Gazette on June 14 the Distribution Commissioners have invited interested persons or oganisations to submit suggestions in writing relating to the redistribution, and to lodge them with the Disribution Commissioners at the Commonwealth Electoral Office, Australian Government Centre 1-3 St. George's Terrace, Perth on or before the 14th July, 1973.

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Lakes commence to fill

A pointer to the possibility that the season may be developing in a more normal manner than has been the case for the past four years, is the fact that the County Peak lakes system has begun to fill. A resident of the area in Mr Jack McLean – who is a very keen observer of natural phenomena in his environs – reported on Monday morning that the big lake adjacent Rocky lake had apparently filled, and that the latter appeared to be overflowing.

The stream was not a large one, being only a few yards in width, and was spilling its waters into adjacent Mud lake

The flow has not been occasioned by any excess of water resulting from the recent rains in this district most of which has apparently been absorbed by the countryside after the series of dry years). It appears to have reached the lakes system as a result of heavier falls to the east and north. A similar type of experience was responsible for the filling of the lakes three years ago — since when there has been no replenishment from local sources

Mr. McLean does not consider that the volume of water now reaching the lakes will be sufficient to cause the level to rise to the extent of overflowing into the Avon River at Qualanderry crossing. However, it is normal when a flow commences from this quarter of the country for it to continue for some time, and developments will be observed with some interest -- particularly if further falls in the wheatbelt occasion a substantial run-off.

WILD-FOWL APPEAR

In view of the changed aspect over the lakes system, it is not surprising to learn that wild life is appearing in numbers throughout the area. Wild ducks, including small flights of teal, are now reappearing at the lakes — coming in at a very high altitude, indicative of a long journey. Seagulls are also making their appearance in small numbers, coming in from the coast at great height. It is two seasons since any numbers of wild fowl were noted throughout the area.

A number of farmers, particularly those in the path of the storm which lashed parts of Morbinning and Bally Bally earlier this year, report an increase in wild duck numbers around their dams. It is also noticeable that the river pools have more waterfowl on them than has been the case for the past two or three years.

A further instance of the re appearance of wild-life is the fact that kangaroos are appearing in greater numbers than has been the case for some years. This perhaps is a result of the restrictions on the taking of same that has been in force for some time. The same situation is reported in the western portion of the Shire.

Mr McLean states that farming catchments have benefitted to a slight degree from three inches of rain received so far this month, but further falls are urgently needed if water carting is to be unnecessary in the coming summer.

Burglars active

Thieves visited the Brookton fashion boutique run by Mrs. Julie Crameri (wife of Brookton post master Dick Crameri) twice in the course of about an hour on Monday night. In both instances the would - be intruders were foiled by the quick action of the licensee of the Bedford Hotel, Mr Garry Larkin, who heard the sound of breaking glass at about 3 a.m. and called the police and Mr Crameri., who boarded the broken window up. At about 4a.m. Mr Larkin again heard the sound of shattering glass (this time a plate glass door), and when he called out the intruders moved off in a car.

BROOKTON SHIRE PRESIDENT RETIRES

From last week's "Pingelly Leader" we learnt that Mr. Charles Austin, who has given 17½ years of service to the Brookton Shire as a Councillor and President, has retired.

Bunbury born, he came to the district at an early age and has taken an intense interest in the area ever since. He has been farming on a property 22 miles east of Brookton - and now runs it in association with his son, Alan.

Pride of the property is the workshop where the partnership has brought engineering skill and ability to full fruition It is replete with every type of facility and is the envy of many visiting engineers.

Mr. Austin's activities have not been confined to Shire administration, as he has taken a keen interest in all types of district activity, and as president of the Brookton Golf Club was noted last Sunday furthering that Club's interets at the Pemberton Bowl fixture



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AVON RIVER RACE PROMISES TO BE A LEADING W.A. AQUATIC ATTRACTION

Although "teething trouble" was experienced in the inaugural Northam - to - Perth 'Avon descent' river race on July 21, 22 most entrants who completed the course have stated that they will definitely compete in the 1974 event.

In a report in the 'Northam Advertiser' the president of the Northam Tourist Development Committee and one of the organisers of the controversial 90 - mile river race, Mr Jim Paine, said: "We realise that we made several mistakes regarding this inaugural Avon descent. Perhaps the major error was our anticipation of the speed of boats and vehicles. However, next year we will have much tighter organisation."

"Three power boats had passed through the Posselts Ford checkpoint west of Toodyay before the mobile land checkpoint had arrived. Two of these had later returned, but one continued on to Upper Swan before returning by road to Posselts Ford. We gave him the option of coming back with his craft and starting with the rest on Sunday, or being disqualified," Mr. Paine said – and added that the entrant had chosen to be disqualified.

The police were needed to divert motorists away from the starting point of the race, just below the Avon weir, at about 7.00a.m. on the morning of the start of the race. Some hundreds of spectators followed the race to Posselts Ford by road, although many became 'b u s h e d' when they took a wrong turn out of Toodyay and finished up the West Toodyay railway marshalling yards. The land route was not signposted, and for many there were some confused expeditions before arriving at the checkpoint.

92-year-old Northam identity, Mr 'Izzy' Cohen was given the honour of official starter of this inaugural race. He had adventured down the Avon – from Northam to Perth – and returned, in a home made galvanised iron canoe in 1893.

About sixty-five craft started in the race, but many had dropped out in the first mile – one power craft was out of the race only a minute after the race had begun.

The Katrine Bridge proved a stopper for two fibreglass canoes which sank after being hurled against the bridge pylons, and two power boats also sustained damage and overturned – but managed to continue after crews had made make-shift repairs.

The leading boats were well ahead of time due to the increased river flow and volume of water caused by the breach of the weir at Northam. They passed Toodyay and Posselts Ford some six hours ahead of anticipated time.

Incidents during the race included one crew who used an axe to chop their way through the ti tree thicket between Toodyay and Emu Point falls, and the rescue (by a 12 - man squad from the R.A.N.) of a power boat and crew who had lodged in the fork of a tree in the thicket. The boat finished some six inches above the water level.

Winners of the power boat section were brothers Trevor and Danny Collings, of Fremantle, who made th journey in 9 hours 15 minutes. They arriv ' at the Coode St. jetty, Perth, at 11.55am on Sunday. A grain alcohol powered craft crewed by Mr Rob Leslie and Mr Izzard, of Northam, was second in 11 hours 43 minutes

Messrs Peter Dear and Mark Hewett, of Perth, won the two single canoe section in 12 hrs 46 minutes; and A. T. Griffiths and D. Hallam, also of Perth, won the double canoe section in 12 hours 27 minutes.

"Overall it was an unqualified success," Mr Paine stated. He added that he had been contacted by several private firms who said they would be competing in next year's event, and one firm had offered to donate a boat to the organising committee so that they could follow the race down the river.

At Beverley, Mr. Jack McLean has advised that he is contemplating a boat trip from Qualanderry to Beverley when the lake waters reach the river and provide an ample stream. If the feat is accomplished, it will be the first occasion, to our knowledge, that this part of the river has been traversed by boat. The journey would have been almost impossible before the clearing of the river bed a few years ago.

National campaign to combat grain pests

The Australian Wheatgrowers' Federation this week announced that it would hold a national campaign to combat insect infestation in grains. The campaign would cost $2 million to set up in the first year – of which the Federal Government would pay half, and the State Governments and grain growers 25 per cent.

The president of the Wheat section of the Farmers' Union, Mr H. F. Smith, said on Monday that because of the urgency of the situation, it was planned that the campaign will be underway before the coming harvest.

He added that the campaign was needed because of a build up in resistance by insects to the chemicals commonly used on grains. There did not seem to be any new chemicals capable of changing this trend.

The new scheme would be based on the setting up of an extensive advisory service that would be aimed at improving farm hygiene and preventing insect infestation in all premises storing, handling, and pro cessing grain and grain products. About two hundred advisors would p r o b a bly be needed on the campaign, including about thirty in W.A.

The campaign will be held in conjunction with an expanded programme to evolve new and improved scientific means of insect control.

Mr. Smith said it was vital for the grain industry to keep the insect problem under control. If the campaign was to be successful, it would need the full co-operation of all those involved in the growing, handling and p r o c e ssing of grains. The initial emphasis would be on educating these groups on the seriousness of the insect situation -- and the methods that should be adopted to prevent infestation.

Leading Women golf identities to visit Beverley next week

Two of the most important personalities of Western Australian women's golf to visit Beverley in many years will be present at the 18th annual Championship meeting of the Avon Valley Ladies' Golf Association, to be held at the Beverley golf course on August 8th, 9th and 10th, 1973.

They will be in addition to the 150 or more players from associated Clubs who will be participating in the three - day carnival. The women's Avon Valley Assn. covers far more territory than is the case with the men's organisation.

Heading the visitors will be Mrs Eileen Dawson – one of the best known identities in women's golf in this State and a past winner of the Australian and W.A. amateur ladies championships. She is the president of the WA Ladies' Golf Union and will be a member of the match committee (along with Mrs H. Ludeman, of Bolgart, and Mrs V. Strange, of Beverley) in charge of this year's Avon Valley contest.

Another visitor who will create a great deal of interest is Val Gmeiner, one of the best known women exponents of the game this State has seen in many years, and the most prominent woman golfer to be seen at Beverley since the visit of Maxine Bishop — then the ruling WA champion – approximately 15 years ago

Miss Gmeiner is a member of the W.A.L.G.U. Executive Council and Scratch score committee. She plays off a handicap of 4 and was W.A. ladies champion in 1963, 1970, 1972. She has entered for events on Thursday and Friday at Beverley, and with her ability to outclass many male players, her efforts will be followed with considerable interest. Although she normally plays on turf greens, she has had considerable experience on country courses and she should handle the local terrain with out too much trouble.

The carnival is the most important women's fixture to be held at Beverley in a decade and is exciting keen interest among the golfing fraternity in Beverley and elsewhere. It will be held on a course that is being well groomed in preparation and which should — weather permitting — be in first class order.

Local Associates president, Mr Lyn Richardson, is – we understand – receiving good support from her own and the Member's Committee in the onerous task she faces in organising and ensuring the success of the Championship. She will have the blessing, and the assistance of many, men - folk

Car roll over

Mr Fraser Kilpatrick, of this district, had his car roll over on the eastern side of the town on Sunday night, but escaped serious injury. He was admitted to hospital, but discharged after 36 hours.

July rains just above average

Although rain was recorded in Beverley for twenty - three of the thirty - one days of July the total registrations for the month – 362 points -- only exceeded the July average for all years by 44 points. However the majority of farming properties in the district received higher registrations and the agricultural outlook is the best for many years.

For the year to July 31st, 1008 points of rain have been recorded at the Post Office.

The season in almost all Great Southern areas is equally promising, with only Narrogin and Katanning recording less than their July average. Perth has had its wettest July f 9 years and the Canning and Serpentine dams were now more than half full. They had passed the storage levels at this time last year and were filling rapidly.

Lakes' level rises rapidly

A large volume of flood waters is pouring into the lakes system at County Peak following heavy and consistent rains in eastern areas in recent weeks. In the Yoting and Kellerberrin districts the stream, in places, covers the whole area of the lakes flats, and is the best noted for many years.

Lake Mears which has been dry for three years, is now reported to hold between 2ft. and 3ft of water, and is sure to become once again a popular breeding ground for the wild duck population.

At Bally Bally there is a very wide sweep of water, and keen observer Jack McLean expects the lake level to rise above the retaining wall at Qualanderry — the waters having already reached that point. Immediately the overflow commences there should be a most apprec iable rise in the level of the A v o n River now flowing strongly along its whole length

The sporting fraternity will appreciate this season's developments as there has been restrictions on duck-shooting for the past three years of drought conditions.

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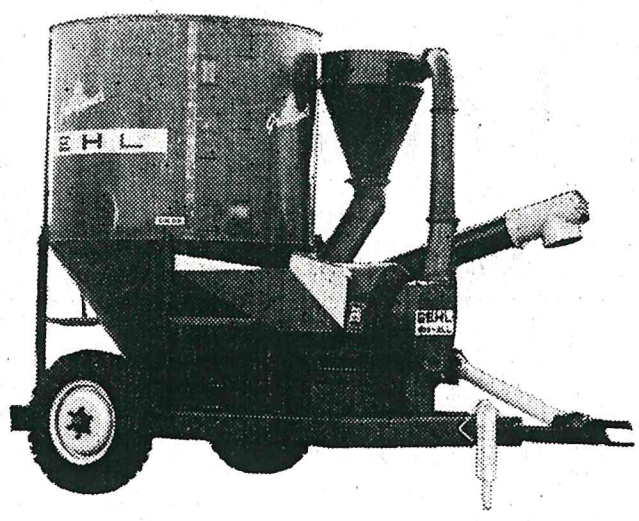

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AVON VALLEY LADY GOLFERS CONDUCT MOST SUCESSFUL FIXTURE

Nature's bounty to the women golfers from Avon Valley, city and country clubs who participated in last week's three day championship carnival on the Beverley course, was the two days of glorious spring-like weather which marked the events on Wednesday and Thursday. So pleasant were the playing conditions that the majority of participants appeared happy to overlook the prolonged shower that fell on Friday – but which did nothing to mar the outstanding success of the fixture.

This was the first A.V.L.G.A. Championship to be held on the Beverley course in a decade, and the occasion was marked by the presence of leading women golf identities from the city, including Mrs. Eileen Dawson and top Cottes Joe player, Val Gmeiner whose outstanding performances in women's golf in this State has made her a W.A. representative in inter-State clashes for many years.

The tournament saw her add another championship to her long list of successes as, with rounds of 83, 80, she was the winner of the Open champion ship. In accepting her trophy Miss Gmeiner spoke in most appreciative terms of the pleasure she had received from her visit to this centre. She was delighted at the condition of the course, and the hospitality which had been a feature throughout.

The Avon Valley Closed title for the Helen Ward Memorial Cup saw the triumph of Beverley champion Val Strange who took the honours after a play-off with Carol Comley of Quairading. The latter comes from one of the South-west's outstanding golfing families -- the Ipsen's of Manjimup. She had rounds of 88, 92 and Val carded an 84 and a 96.

The play-off was held over the 9th, 10th and 11th holes, and resulted in a very comfortable win for the local player who was on the card throughout. Mrs Comley was in trouble from the outset when she pulled her drive into the rough, to find an unplayable lie which necessitated a one stroke penalty. Further difficulties befell her at the par-4 10th where she went through the green with her second. The result was sealed after Mrs Strange found the green with her tee shot at the par-3 11th and although she failed to record a birdie, the par ensured an easy victory.

Mrs Comely took the Plate award, the runner-up to this being Mrs Elaine Parry of the Beverley Club. Mrs Parry became the most successful player of the tournament by winning the Polly Whitfield Rose Bowl, the open 36 hole nett award (in both these cases the runner up was Mrs Comley), and the trophy for the best 18 hole nett score on Friday.

The best nett score on the Thursday was recorded by Mrs Thelma Broun, and the best gross score of the tournament was Val Gmeiner's 80. Thursday afternoon's 9 hole events went to Mrs. Pat Overington (off No. 1 tee), and Mrs. A. Ludeman (Bolgart) off No. 10.

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Weather favours Race Club

A sunny and very pleasant day favoured the Beverley Race Club last Thursday when the fifth meeting of the current season was conducted. Despite the fact that the York Jockey Club had held a most successful fixture the previous day, there was a satisfactory attendance with almost $400 being paid at the gate. Keen racing kept patrons interested through out the seven event programme -- for which there were very satisfactory fields.

Main race of the day was the Brookton Cup over 2500 metres, and this was won by the odds-on favourite Eragon from Surfman and Auto Scrap. Eragon, although an aged horse, had created an excellent impression by running second in the city a few days previously and he did not let his followers down. The winner was ridden by D. Grant.

Brookton Towers, which had won on the Beverley track earlier in the season, repeated it's performance in the Regional Handicap; and another former winner to re-appear was Nugget Again. Only one favourite appears to have had success at the meeting -- although several of the other winners received a fair measure of support.

The next meeting at Beverley will be held on August 22. The fact that it is a Wedensd is a good augury for the Club, as it is always noticeable that the most successful of country fixtures are held on the first racing day of the week. A good programme has been arranged, and the Club will be looking to good support locally, from the metropolitan areas, and from surrounding country centres.

Police charges

Magistrate McGuigan, of the city, heard the following charges brought by the Beverley Police at a Court on August 10th. Those charged were —

Hector Garlett, of the Native reserve, charged under the dog Act with having a savage dog. He was fined $10, with $2.10 costs, and was order to pay $8 in medical expenses. The Court also ordered that the do should be destroyed.

At a Children's Court on the same day a 17-year-old youth from Pingelly was prosecuted for disorderly conduct outside a Beverley Hotel. He was fined $10, with $2.10 costs.

Before Justices A. W. Miles and R. G. C. Prior on July 30th, 1973, Edward George Morrison was charged with aggravated assault of a 9-year-old boy on July 28. He was sentenced to 2 months' imprissonment.

State Title to Paul Oliver

It was with considerable pleasure and acclaim that Beverley golfers received the news last Thursday that local champion, Paul Oliver, had won the West Australian Country Golf championship at the State title meeting then under way at the Royal Fremantle course. It was his second success in the event -- his first having been recorded at Royal Perth in '64

In a very tight finish he defeated a Katanning champion in Tim Catling by one stroke. Oliver had notable rounds of 73 and 71 for the first two days and was up with the leaders in the State Amateur title. A lapse in concentration which saw him drop ten shots to par in the final ten holes of Thursday morning's round allowed Catling to turn a five shot deficit into a two shot lead with 18 holes to go.

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Lake waters reach Avon River

For the first occasion in over three years the flow of water from the eastern and northern districts, and local sourses, has filled the chain of lakes in the Bally Bally / County Peak region, and last Friday the waters topped the retaining wall at Qualanderry Crossing. This week a flow about 100 yards wide and 2 inches deep has been spilling over the wall to augment the Avon River flow, and as a result, the river level is likely to remain fairly high for some weeks.

Lake levels in the area at the moment are around 7 ft. and the big rise has been responsible for the inundation of hundreds of acres of normally dry lake country between the established lakes. This has created ideal breeding conditions for wild fowl and the shooting fraternity, here and elsewhere, can look forward to excellent prospects during the coming season.

The area of country under water where the presnt situation exists is regarded by officials of the Fisheries & Fauna Dept. as one of the best examples of wetland creation to be found in Western Australia.

Normally most country districts in W.A. face the prospects of the gradual elimination of wild fowl breeding areas as a result of agricultural encroachments.

The present situation in the lakes area has created a great deal of interest in this and adjacent districts, and amongst tourists, and on Sunday there were many visitors who took the opportunity of viewing the panorama presented from the look out on County Peak. The scene was reminiscent of some of the best years the district has experienced, and in addition to the shooting fraternity, others who will be looking forward to the summer months will be the boating and ski-ing enthusiasts who will come into their own again.

Sunday's visitors noted that one boat owner was early on the scene and spent some time cruising among the various lakes.



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Noxious weed control

Mr. Noel James of the Agricultural Protection Board, who, on his first posting to Beverley operated from the Beverley Shire Council office recently moved into premises in Vincent Street, formerly occupied by the late Mr. Russell Williams, and from where he now carries out his official duties.

Mr James' main work is confined to the Beverley and Brookton districts where he is engaged in noxious weed investigations and research into the control of same. He is at present engaged in preparing reports on each individual farm here, and at Brookton. The areas concerned are subsequently mapped and the types of weeds and density are reported on. He at all times seeks the co-operation of the farmer concerned in regard to any infestation which may occur on a property.

CAPE TULIP

Interviewed on Monday, Mr James stated that Cape Tulip infestation was the worst problem confronting the districts under his control, and its ultimate eradication will be a lengthy job as it is most persistent and covers a very wide area. There is no selective killer to date, and its presence on a property and treatment involves economic loss and expense to the farmer concerned.

Double-gees are also troublesome in some areas although there are selective killers for this pest. It is an ironic fact that both these weed pests were imported from Africa. As is well-known, the former weed has taken over large tracts in the York area. Normally the older the district the more prevalent Cape Tulip appears to become.

PERSONAL HISTORY

Mr James is 32 years of age and was born in New Zealand where his parents have a cropping property. Previously he was a grain and seed agent for six years, and for seven years was an agricultural spraying contractor. A diploma in sheep farming and agriculture and study in weeds and pesticides enabled him to undertake the work on which he is now engaged by the W.A. Agricultural Department.

Noxious weed control is now undertaken in four categories viz — **1. Prevention.** This covers all noxious weeds. **2. Eradication** Where the Department feels that the weeds concerned can be controlled economically and within a reasonable time may be eradicated. **3 Control.** Those weeds which are controlled but not eradicated easily. **4. Containment.** Those weeds which are not such a threat, or are uneconomic to control but must be contained within the area contaminated.

It was pointed out by Mr. James that by constant review of this system weeds could move from containment to control, or control to eradication, and by these methods the Department can employ more resources. The Department considers that Beverley district is a weed-control area and is doing something about it.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL

There is a total of 35 plants considered to be noxious, and of these 27 are considered possible of eradication. The cost to the State per annum is about $700,000.

It is the Department's desire to control, eradicate, and prevent noxious weeds throughout the State. To do nothing about it is bad management, and imperils whole districts. Farm programmes can be devised in an effort to introduce economic control measures. Education of not only farmers but the general public into identifying noxious weeds, and reporting them is of great benefit to district officials.

Although extensive surveys are carried out, there are often infestations that occur un-noticed and unreported. The Department can only do so much and the responsibility must lay ultimately with the landholders.

Those involved with the work are not chemical agents, but rather advisors who are available to help land-owners to achieve noxious weed-control, either with or without chemicals, depending upon the particular infestation.

Cyclist wins Beverley-to-Perth for the second time

Midland professional cyclist Bev Barron on Saturday became the first rider to win the beverley - to - Perth handicap for the second time when he beat Steve Pember and Neville Veale, who dead-heated for second place. It was Barron's first win in an open road race since 1968.

Barron has an excellent record in the classic 108 mile event. He was first and fastest in 1964, second in 1965 and 1966 and set fastest time in 1970. He has won most of the big races in W.A. and has been one of the State's best riders.

Pember, who won the Australian junior 100 kilometre championship last year, set the fastest time and was unlucky to lose. His breakaway attempts in the last twenty miles just failed.

Limit rider Ross Wyllie led Julian Rossi by 7 min. at Northam. They were followed by Jack Nobbs, Greg Jack, John Smith, Des Williams, Lyn Fardell and John Ward a further 12 minutes behind.

Barron, Wayne Lally, Mark Kehser and Les Suckling who started off 12 minutes trailed Wyllie by 33 minutes and the scratch bunch, which included Pember, was another 5 minutes behind.

At Noble Falls, Wyllie still led Rossi by 1 minute and 11 minutes behind him was Barron, Lally, Suckling, Hastings Veale, Pember and Bruce Hunt Pember broke away past Noble Falls, quickly caught Wyllie and set up a break of about 500 yards.

When caught, Pember again broke away and led by 300 yards at the top of Red Hill. Th pace he set weakened the bunch and after being overhauled at the foot of Red Hill only Keyser, Hunt, Veale, Barron, Suckling and Lally remained in the front group.

Barron race to the lead approximately 400 yds. from the finish and appeared to be holding the field on the line.

Guest speaker gives an insight into W.A. Women's Police work

A luncheon was held at the Dale Hall last Thursday to hear guest speaker, Inspector Currie – of the W.A. Women's Police Force – give an interesting insight into the wonderful work done by her section of the Force. She is blessed with a terrific sense of humour, which no doubt prevents her from becoming too depressed by contact with life's seamy side.

Miss Currie's greatest concern was for neglected children; and this not only in the omission by some parents through poor circumstances, to provide basic bodily needs for their children; but the complete disregard and lack of interest shown in their children's activities; she stressed the fact that there are Police and Citizens Boys clubs, and also clubs for girls run on similar lines, which she strongly urged all parents to encourage their young people to attend if at all possible.

The Dale ladies provided an abundance of delicious food as usual, which was greatly appreciated; and the old hall

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KERBING

Kerbing work for the improvement of town streets is being carried out by Shire workmen at the moment in the Harper St portion of the town.

Research carried out at local lakes

Research into the volume of water being carried by the Avon River towards the sea has been carried out in recent weeks by an officer representing interested oganisations. He was a visitor to Qualanderry Crossing a fortnight ago and undertook a number of tests.

An immense volume of water has been pouring over the retaining wall at the crossing to reach the Avon at this point, and last week's rains have resulted in a big increase in the flow. The rains in the Morbinning area were responsible for the biggest flow along the Morbinning gully noted for several years. The waters reached the lakes area in the vicinity of Rocky Lake and it has been augmented by rains in the Quairading region. The Lakes of course carry a tremendous quantity of salt and the salinity at the point of inflow into the Avon and pools below to Jurakine rivals that of sea water.

At the time of volume tests made a fortnight ago, it was estimated that 200 cubic feet of water per second was pouring over the retaining wall where the flow was about 4ins above the wall. Early this week the height of water above the wall had increased slightly over the whole width of the crossing so that the volume of water reaching the river would have increased

Once the lakes have filled it is normal for them to take about two years to completely dry out unless further good rain replenish the levels.

Mr. Jack McLean who has lived in the vicinity all his life states that it is usual for the lakes waters to reach the Avon on three to four occasions in each decade.

AREA NOW A GAME RESERVE

The whole of the lakes area from Qualanderry to the Quairading district has now been proclaimed by the State Fisheries and Fauna Department as a game reserve and very conspicuous notices at Qualanderry and at the other lakes access roads proclaim this fact. It should be noted that no part of the area is a Sanctuary and the object in proclaiming it as a reserve is to further the interests of game conservation in this and adjacent districts.

Game which may be taken in the area during proclaimed open seasons include wild duck and quail. It is notified tha infringements of the regulation covering the reserve will involve offendors in penalties of up to $400. It is hoped that the proclamation of the region as a reserve will prevent any action on the part of adjoining land-holders to secure grazing rights which could inhibit the right of sportsmen to use the area.

The lakes are at present draining an area covering an estimated 500 square miles of country extending to Southern Cross and beyond and the foam flecked area at the spillway and adjacent river is at present attracting many visitors. It is estimated that water will be spilling over the retaining wall until the end of October.

COUNTRYSIDE IS VERY ATTRACTIVE

A trip through the County Peak and Bally Bally districts on Monday as the guest of good conservationist Jack McLean revealed that the Master Painter had accomplished His annual miracle and transformed the country-side which is now looking more beautiful than has been the case for several seasons. Pasture paddocks are a bright yellow, the dandelions being more prolific than ever previously noted and the colour merges into the lush green where neighbouring crops are flourishing and rich in promise of a bountiful harvest. Between times there were pink vistas where everlastings are breaking into full bloom. All in all the scene reveals nature at its best and confirms that we are privileged to live in a delightful portion of the State.

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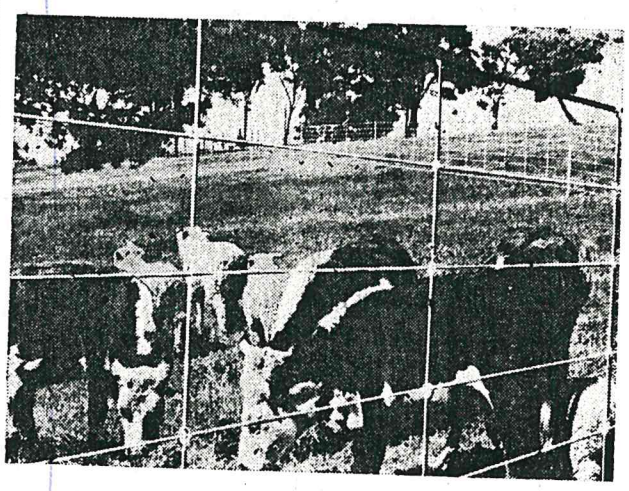

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AERIAL SURVEY OF WILDFOWL AREAS

At the invitation of officials of the Fisheries and Fauna Department, and other organisations interested in prospects of an open season for duck shooting in this State this summer, Mr. Jack McLean, a prominent honorary fauna warden of the County Peak district, was able to accompany a party which conducted an aerial survey of breeding areas over a wide and comprehensive range on Thursday of last week.

The party was organised by Dr. T. L. Riggert of the Research section of the Fisheries and Fauna Department, and also included Mr Henry Hall, leading conservationist of the Dangin district, who was recently engaged in conservation projects at the Ord River dam

The party boarded a charter ed aircraft at Guildford shortly after 8.00a.m. and skirted the coastal plain north of Perth to the Moore River and Lake Namming where only a few ducks were present. However, water and wildfowl is plentiful in lakes in the Moora district -- and Mountain duck, teal, swans and cranes, were seen in great numbers.

From here the party continued their flight northwards to lakes at Carnarmah and Three Springs. A tremendous area of lake country could be seen from the air, with wide expanses of open, but very saline water. A few ducks were present on these waterways (mainly of the Mountain variety), but snipe were present in profusion.

On Lake Hinds and Ninan there are plenty of Mountain ducks, and at Lake Oak Park, where there is plenty of water, teal were predominant. Teal were also in evidence in good numbers on fresh water areas of lakes Cow-cowing and Hind marsh, with Mountain predominating on the salt lakes.

The party then continued south to Yealering where it was noted that water was plentiful for the first time in a number of years — although, surprisingly, few ducks were present. Eastward of Narrogin, lakes Tarbalin and Toolabin, (recognised as among the best shooting areas in W.A.), contained little water and it would appear that this area could dry out by Christmas.

From this point a detour was made on the flight back to the city, to County Peak (which is visible from the air as far away as Narrogin) and the Lake Mears vicinity where there is plenty of water and moderate size flights of wild duck. The County Peak/Bally Bally region was one of the most attractive areas noted on the tour -- the great stretch of lakes resulting from the damming of the water at Qualanderry, and the nearby Avon River with its borders of sheoks, being acclaimed as one of the most pleasing sights of the whole trip. Mr. McLean said that few areas of W.A. looked as appealing as the Beverley district from the air.

The countryside in general, he said, is a picture of sheer beauty, in great contrast to the conditions prevailing in the past four years. The water situation is the best noted for many years, so that shooting prospects are most promising. The ducks are there, but wide spread at the moment — but should congregate to more permanent waters as many small swamps and lakes recede.

Mr. McLean considers there is a great chance of an open season this year, with the initial shoot possibly held a fortnight later than usual owing to the number of young ducks in evidence. Over the whole tour only two eagles were noted -- although there were plenty of emus to be seen north of Moora.

The flight did not embrace the southern wetlands, but reports from all parts of this portion of the State indicate a prolific breeding of wild-fowl, so that sportsmen may anticipate a return to good shooting conditions after two years of closed, or partly closed seasons.

Dr. Riggert was arranging to inspect the southern regions of the State this week. Mr. Hall attended a meeting at Parliament House on Monday morning when it was expected that a decision regarding an open season would have been made, and the dates of its opening agreed to.

Successful 2-tooth ram sale

Associated agents conducted the Beverley and Districts' Stud Sheepbreeders' Association two tooth ram sale last Friday when 144 of the 150 rams presented were sold at excellent prices and averages.

Highest price of the sale $610, was obtained for a Poll Collinsville stud ram sold on behalf of the "Springdell" stud of J. L. Thomas & Son to the Kieara Pastoral Co., Beverley. "Springdell" also obtained the top average for the sale, $285 for a team of thirteen rams. The sale average was $156.28.

Individual averages were as follows – **Bungaree rams** - E. T. K. Barrett-Lennard & Co., 'Woonderlin', Beverley sold 21 rams to $210 for an average of $138.57; A. L. Barrett-Lennard & Co., 'Horsford' Beverley, 14 rams to $200, average $163.57; J. N. Broun 'Southbourne', Beverley, 16 rams to $200, average $142.50; C. R. & A. J. McGlew, 'Seaton Ross' 15 rams to $130, an average of $91.33; A. D. Barrett-Lennard & Co., 'Belhus', Beverley 9 rams to $250, aver. $161.11. **Collinsville rams:** T. E. Barrett Lennard & Co., 'Drumclyer', Beverley 16 rams to $270 at an average of $178.12; 'Chosen' Pastoral Co, Beverley, 16 rams to $170, average $115.00 I. H. & J. F. Butcher & Sons 'Rocklea', Brookton, 12 rams to $230 an average of $110.83. Poll Collinsville rams: J. L. Thomas & Son, 'Springdell' 13 rams to $610, average $285.00 **Peppin rams**: K. H. Doncon, 'Timaru', Beverley: 8 rams to $300 at an average of $221.25. **Poll Peppin rams:** A. D. Barrett-Lennard & Co., 'Belhus', 4 rams to $250, aver. $177.50.

Gallery director visits Beverley

Members and friends of the Beverley Art Group and Art Gallery Committee were fortunate in having Sir Frank Norton, director of the Perth Art Gallery, visit at the week-end. Mr Norton gave a lecture and screened slides in the Beverley Lesser Hall on Friday night, and conducted a workshop at the Art Centre on Saturday.

Mr Norton (who was accompanied by his wife, daughter, and a friend) acted in a purely voluntary capacity and gave generously of his time and expertise to what must add up to an invaluable experience to all who attended.

Saturday afternoon's workshop was conducted with inimitable good humour and tact, and he left a lasting impression, and considerably widened the spectrum, of all

Mr. Norton and his party were the guests of the Art Group for a basket luncheon and the Art Gallery Committee combined with them to serve a hot evening meal

Tremendous fire hazard

Most towns throughout the southern half of the State face a tremendous fire risk this summer, and Beverley is certainly no exception, because of the masses of wild oats around many homes, sheds and outbuildings. The prolific growth has resulted from the good winter and autumn rains and, in many cases weed growth is well over seven feet high.

Fire Brigade officers have stated that the hazards are as bad as they have ever seen in many towns, and are particularly concerned with the large number of vacant block that were choked with wild oats.

In Beverley the Shire Council this week advised that all firebreaks outside the townsite must be completed on Monday next, October 29th. However landholders in the townsite have until November 30 before their firebreaks have to be completed.

Mr 'Hoppy' Paulsen was flat out last Sunday ploughing fire breaks on many properties in the town area. He was amazed at the prolific growth which in many cases towered above him while he was seated on his tractor.

Long term wheat agreement signed with China

A long term wheat agreement was signed in Peking on Thursday, October 18, between the China National Cereals, Oils and Foodstuffs Import and Export Corporation and the Australian Wheat Board. It was announced last week by the Chairman of the Board, Mr. J. P. Cass, who was accompanied in Peking by Mr. K. McDougall, Board member from Western Australia, and Mr. J. H. Williams, Deputy General Manager.

Mr. Cass said the agreement provided for the sale of up to 4.7 million tonnes (173 million bushels) of Australian wheat to China over a period of three years, starting January 1, 1974.

The two parties have agreed that 1.1 million tonnes of wheat will be shipped in 1974, and that the quantities for 1975 and 1976 will range between 1.5 and 1.8 million tonnes each year. The actual quantity sold each year will be arranged by commercial contracts between the China National Cereals, Oils and Foodstuffs Import and Export Corporation and the Australian Wheat Board.

Mr. Cass said that while in Peking the delegation had successfully negotiated the first commercial contract under the new agreement. This provided for the sale of 600,000 tonnes 5 per cent more or less of various grades of Australian wheat to be shipped between January 1 and June 30, 1974. Depending on the grades of wheat shipped, the value of this sale will be around A$80 million.

Further negotiations will take place in June or July, 1974, to arrange the sale of the additional 500,000 tonnes provided for in the first year of the agreement.

Will Greyhound Racing come to Northam?

Greyhound racing in Northam will come under discussion at a public meeting to be held in the Northam Memorial Hall on October 28, and to be attended by officials of the Grey hound Racing Control Board.

The secretary of the Board, Mr. Max Ward, said that the Northam visit was part of an inspecion of area in the country where dog racing could be established. A second visit will be paid to Bunbury some time in November.

One site under consideration at Northam is the Burwood Trotting track, but others are also in the running as a base for what has long been a multi million dollar industry in the Eastern States. A great deal of interest has been evident in the Northam area in greyhound racing and many farmers have purchased dogs — some for top prices from Melbourne and Sydney breeders.

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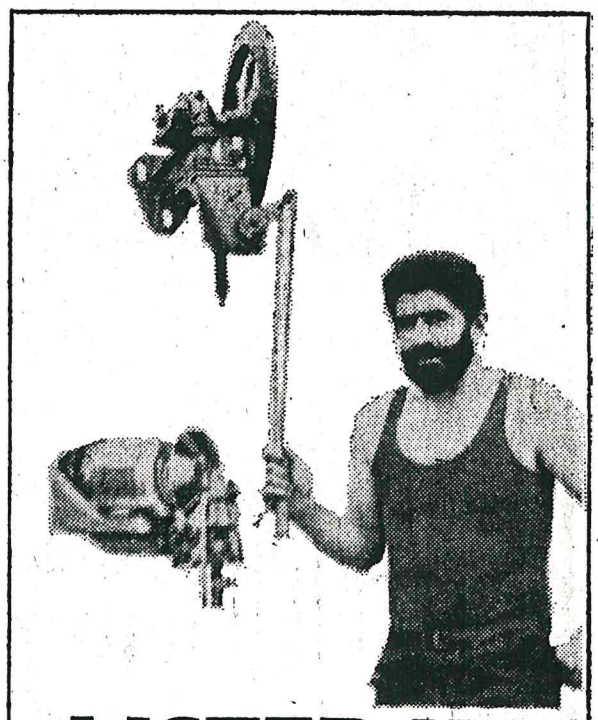

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Good prospects for local duck shooting season

The first open season for the taking of wild ducks to be proclaimed in two years in this State opens on Saturday (5th January) at 6.00p.m. and will continue for twelve weeks, ending at midnight on 31st March, 1974. This closing date is provisional and a firm decision on this will be made when the research staff of the Fisheries and Fauna Department have studied the effect of shooting and climatic conditions on the duck populations of Western Australia.

Because of the fact that shooting has been restricted for so long and there has been no open season for the past two years — and even that was extremely short and very poor — the occasion is arousing an even greater degree of interest among the shooting fraternity in this district than is usual.

Beverley has always been among the leading districts of the State as far as interest in the sport is concerned, with a greater proportion of the district population involved than is the case at any other centre, and this will be in evidence at the week-end when there will be a general exodus of gun-lovers to the various shooting resorts on the river and lakes.

From an early hour on Saturday they will be leaving to take up their vantage points and await the 6.00p.m. opening hour, and will, in most cases, keep overnight to continue the hunt at day-break the following morning.

There is a bag limit this season of **10 ducks per person per day.** By means, in effect, that no shooter will be eligible to take more than 20 ducks for the evening and morning shoot (two days).

It should be noted that the pink-eared duck has been removed from the list of game species, and is now protected under the new regulations. The species, which were first introduced to the State from Malaysia as a novelt for the Perth Zoo, and from there have spread State wide has never been greatly in evidence in this district although in other lakes, such as Yealering and in the South west they were present in large numbers. It is a slow flyer and a very poor

In this district the species most in evidence will be the grey teal, mountain duck and black, with a few other varieties — including the blue-winged spoonbill.

DISTRICT INSPECTION

An investigation of the shooting potentials presented in the Beverley district was carried out by two of the local wardens last Sunday in an all day tour of the areas involved. As a result they are confident that the prospects for the season are the best presented for many years.

The wisdom of the Department in arranging only a very short season two years ago and only allowing mountain duck and geese to be taken for a short period last summer following the poor breeding conditions of the previous two years has apparently paid dividends in these areas and the excellent condtions prevailing during the winter and spring months has resulted in far greater numbers of game birds being available than has been the case for many years.

At Iuraking, which has held its popularity as a shooting resort ever since settlement was established, every pool held its quota of wild ducks, with teal and black duck predominating as usual. Pools further upstream also had their quota of wildfowl and on one or two quite large flights of black duck were noted.

Mr Jack McLean - whose interest in conservation has always been prominent - provided a boat for an inspection of the lakes over several miles from Qualanderry to Ossig's lake, and it was most pleasing

A noticeable feature is the fact that grey teal appear to have returned to these areas in vast numbers which seems indicative of a possibility of the quality of the lake waters showing an improvement. Numbers of mountain duck seen were less plentiful than is normal in this region, where on occasion they have predominated. Black ducks were fairly numerous and should figure in sportsmen's bags to a larger extent than normal. It was noticeable that although many swans were seen they appeared to be in fewer numbers than usual, and many of those present on the lakes system were accompanied by young cygnets. The same applies to coots, gulls, and other forms of wild-fowl and the duck population was predominant right throughout the area.

Rocky and Mud lakes, both contain plenty of water which extends into the wooded areas. The former did not contain as many birds as was expected, but on the latter several large flights of teal were in evidence. The small lakes and backwashes on the east side of Rocky Lake — as well as Swan lake — contain an abundance of water and wild-fowl, but there is only saline coating to the two small channel lakes beyond, whilst 'Charlie Wansbrough's' swamp has also dried out.

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to the community. This — of course — emphasises the degree of hazard from fires if they occur, and every sportsman visiting the areas is asked to take particular care of such camp fires as they may be utilising. The district has a good record in this respect, and it is hoped that carelessness will not mar the record which has been created.

Every access road to the lakes now contains a large painted notice advising that the area, which extends to the Quairading district, is a Game Reserve, and must be retained as such by full observance of shooting and safety regulations.

There should hardly be need to stress that where shooters enter private property, every care should be taken to see that farmer's gates are respected and left as they are found.

On this occasion the matter of litter accumulated in camping areas is to receive the attention of Fisheries & Fauna Wardens, of which there will be a larger number than usual on the lookout, both in this district and elswhere. It is asked that all visitors make certain that their camping sites are left free of all litter.

It should hardly be necessary to remind shooters to exercise extreme care with their fire-arms in the interests of safety. Duck shoots have been conducted in these parts for some years during which only a fatal accident has been noted at an opening shoot. This is a record which must be maintained.

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...ing has been restricted for a long and there has been no open season for the past two years — and even that was extremely short and very poor — the occasion is arousing an even greater degree of interest among the shooting fraternity in this district than is usual.

Beverley has always been among the leading districts of the State as far as interest in the sport is concerned, with a greater proportion of the district population involved than is the case at any other centre, and this will be in evidence at the week-end when there will be a general exodus of gun-lovers to the various shooting resorts on the river and lakes.

From an early hour on Saturday they will be leaving to take up their vantage points and await the 6.00p.m. opening hour, and will, in most cases, camp overnight to continue the shoot at day - break the following morning.

There is a bag limit this season of **10 ducks per person per day**. This means, in effect, that no shooter will be eligible to take more than 20 ducks for the evening and morning shoots (two days).

It should be noted that the pink eared duck has been removed from the list of game species and is now protected under the regulations. The species, which were first introduced to this State from Malasia as a novelty for the Perth Zoo, and from there have spread State - wide, has never been greatly in evidence in this district although in other lakes, such as Yealering and in the South west they were present in large numbers. It is a slow flyer and a very poor game bird which has been shown to need protection.

...grey teal ... black, with a few other varieties — including the blue-winged spoonbill.

DISTRICT INSPECTION

An investigation of the shooting potentials presented in the Beverley district was carried out by two of the local wardens last Sunday in an all day tour of the areas involved. As a result they are confident that the prospects for the season are the best presented for many years.

The wisdom of the Department, in arranging only a very short season two years ago and only allowing mountain duck and geese to be taken for a short period last summer following the poor breeding conditions of the previous two years has apparently paid dividends in these areas and the excellent conditions prevailing during the winter and spring months, has resulted in far greater numbers of game birds being available than has been the case for many years.

At Jurakine, which has held its popularity as a shooting resort ever since settlement was established, every pool held its quota of wild ducks, with teal and black duck predominating as usual. Pools further upstream also had their quota of wildfowl and on one or two quite large flights of black duck were noted.

Mr Jack McLean – whose interest in conservation has always been prominent – provided a boat for an inspection of the lakes over several miles from Qualanderry to Ossig's lake, and it was most pleasing to see such a large congregation of wildfowl in the area.

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AND IN GENERAL . . .

The prospects for the season in general are most pleasing, and many full quota bags of wildfowl should be in evidence at the conclusion of the shoot on Sunday morning.

The whole of the area covered in Sunday's survey bears evidence of the prolific season which is being experienced and which has proved such a boon

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FINDING YOUR WAY

Shooters who propose to visit the lakes are advised that access to Rocky and Mud lakes via the old road from County Peak or Bally Bally on the east side is impossible as the crossing is under water. Parties should proceed via the Qualanderry Crossing at Boyagarra and continue via the Brookton Quairading road until reaching a point opposite Rocky lake.

NESTING BOX IN US...

Some years ago an experiment was inaugurated in many shooting areas by the provision of appropriately placed ... boxes. However, bad ... years have ensued and it ... not until this season that ... vice was received that ... placed in the swamp on ... late Mr Dick Ridgway's ... perty had been in use. ... Colin, investigating ... weeks ago, found ... that the ... been ... a total ... ever ... The ... the ...

Thieves active in Beverley

Thieves took advantage of the holiday occasion to become active at Beverley and there have been two cases of breaking, entering and theft from local business houses.

At an early hour on Monday morning entrance was affected to Mr George Scoulides store where a small quantity of stock was removed as well as some loose silver. Evidently to avoid discovery the intruders ... and ... the ... this resulted in further damage as a quantity of refrigerated food was spoilt.

At G. M. Gillespie's premises entry was made through a side window and some clothing was stolen. We understand the Beverley police have had some success with their investigations.

VANDALS ACTIVE —

Vandals combined their customary degree of mainlessness with ... on New Year's eve, and as a result the

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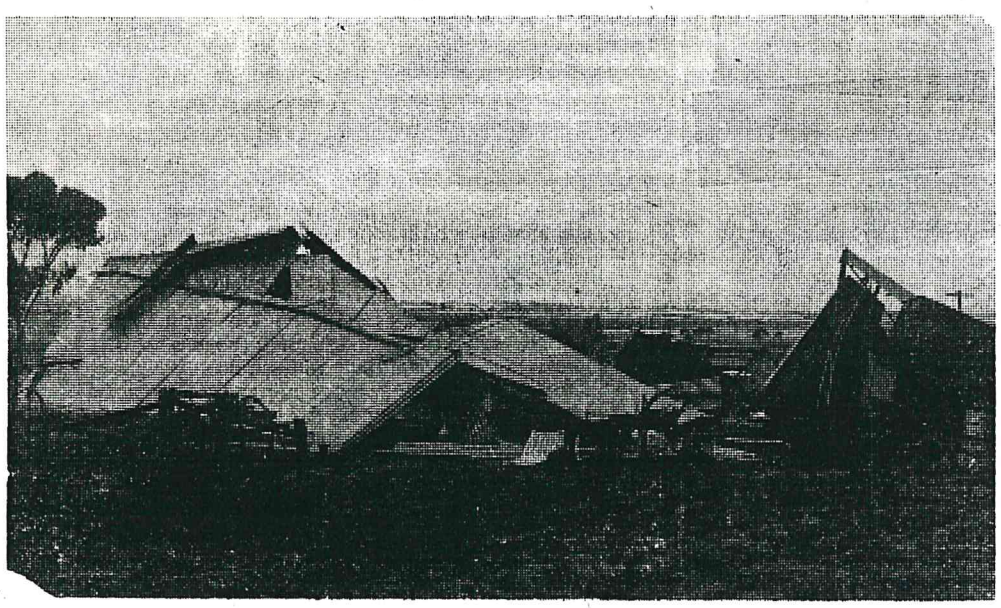
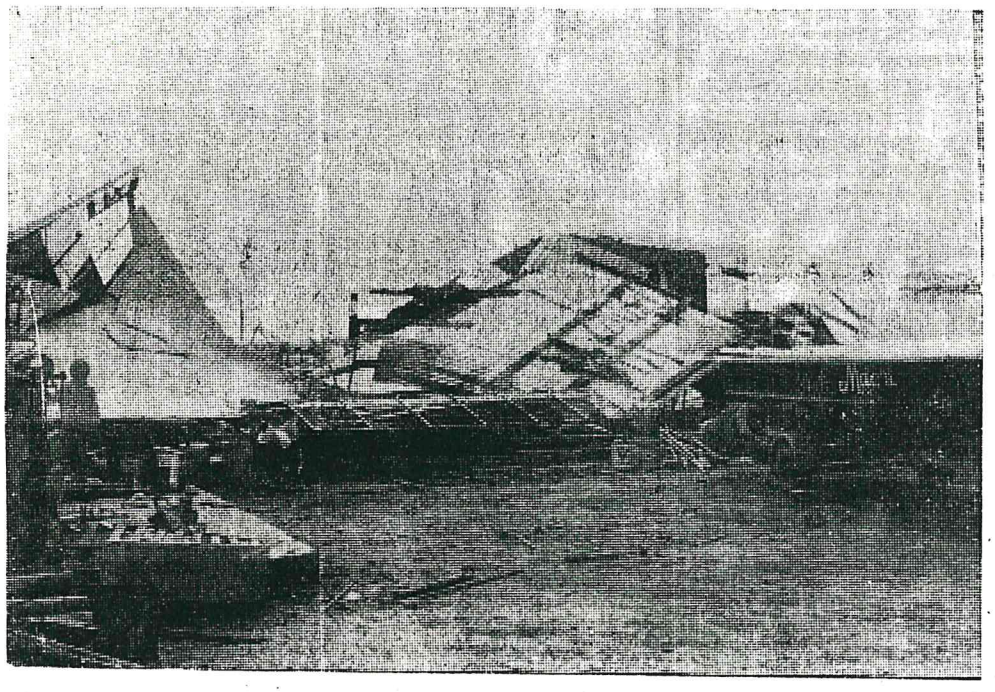
TORNADO WRECKS FARM BUILDING





Nature was seen in one of her most destructive moods at the farm property of Mr. Jack McLean near County Peak some 21 miles South-east of Beverley on Wednesday afternoon of last week. A funnel of wind of tornado-like intensity appeared from "out of the blue" and in a moment had completely wrecked a machinery shed measuring 75ft. by 35ft., wrenching the structure from its cement foundations, lifting it over an adjacent cement tank and depositing it about 100ft. away as a tangled mass of wood, iron and steel.

The incident was accompanied by a sustained noise which sounded like thunder and it occurred five hours after one of the fiercest rainstorms experienced in years had passed over the property, just over an inch and a half being recorded within a short period – causing damage to fences and dams. One of the dams was severely breached.

The McLean family were at the time of the destruction in the adjacent home (some 100 yards away) and except for the sustained thunder-like roar were unaware of anything amiss until their lighting failed. On leaving the house they were amazed to note the destruction which had occurred.

The shed (which was insured) housed a quantity of farm machinery including a fairly new header as well as the family boat which is used on the nearby lakes. Strangely enough none of the shed contents appeared to have been damaged in any way, and farm tools which had been hanging on nails on the wall of the building were apparently not dislodged until the building crashed to the ground. An electric urn which was sitting on top of two empty four gallon drums on the floor of the shed was not moved.

Mr. McLean states that during his service in Palestine in the last war, he experienced similar occurrences, usually accompanied by much destruction.

Further damage occurred on Mr Fred Capper's Morbinning property where a strong wind was reported to have put a severe 'lean' on one of the farm outbuildings. Mr Neville McLean reported that a large grain silo on their property was blown over during the height of Wednesday's storm.

The above pictures show two views of the wrecked building The top picture was taken from the back of the shed and clearly shows the size of end sections – one of which was carried some 100 ft. and lifted completely over a large cement tank. The other photo graph was taken from the front of the shed and the two empty 4-gallon drums (one with an electric urn on top) can be seen at the rear of the boat. These, like everything else in the shed, were untouched by the wind.

– photos by R M Wansbrough

ANOTHER PLEA TO OUR CONTRIBUTORS

With next week again being "a bit of a rush" due to the Monday holiday, we would ask contributors and advertisers to endeavour to have copy at this office early on Tuesday.

SPORTING FIXTURES WILL ATTRACT MANY DURING EASTER

There will be much sporting activity at Beverley during the four day Easter break, with tennis and bowls predominating. The Tennis Club has received over 150 nominations for its annual tournament (necessitating in excess of three hundred games) and, as always there will be a big influx of visitors from the city.

This year, for the first occasion, the Beverley Bowling Club will hold its Ford Fours and Weaver Pairs fixture over the four day break (instead of the March long weekend). Although the alteration is something of an 'unknown quantity' it is almost certain that a large number of bowlers from surrounding country Clubs as well as the city, will be present to ensure the success of the fixture. With three greens available if required, the Club should be able to handle a record attendance.

The large influx of sporting visitors has created occommodation problems in the town. Both hotels will be fully taxed and, with the local caravan park out of use (whilst work is under way to upgrade the facility) those visitors arriving in caravans will, we believe, be housed around the Football Club's pavilion at the Greater Sports Ground.

Successful oat drive

The Beverley Football Club benefitted materially from a most successful oat-drive conducted over the week-end. As a result of the splendid support accorded by farming friends and club supporters, between 800 and 900 bushels of oats was donated, and the amount raised will provide substantial assistance for the fast approaching new season.

Avon football gets under way on Sunday, April 21, but Beverley have the bye for the first round and their opening match will be against Kellerberrin, at Beverley, on April 28th. — a "re-play" of last season's grand final (we hope!)

River rises to a high level

The Avon River flow, which commenced as a trickle under the town bridge last Wednesday afternoon, had increased to a very strong flow by the week-end as the river water reached its highest level for almost three years, and although the level had dropped by over a foot by the middle of this week, the w was still the full width of the channel.

The southern branch which flows through Brookton, ran "bank to bank" for a time and poured millions of gallons into the Avon where it joins the main stream at Jurakine. Small creeks and tributaries also contributed their quota to the flood waters, and every swamp along the river valley has filled.

With the whole of the lakes catchment area from Southern Cross to Beverley having received between two and three inches of rain, a tremendous volume of water can be expected to flow through the County Peak lakes system with in the next few weeks.

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"Tassie" Edwards passes on

A well-loved and greatly respected member of the community passed away on Saturday in the city in the person of Mrs K. C. Edwards ("Tassie" to everyone) – the wife of Mr H. T. ('Bubs') Edwards (formerly of 'Annbrook', Morbinning but of recent months resident in Forrest Street, Beverley). She suffered a lingering illness which she faced with great fortitude.

She was the daughter of the late Mr and Mrs W. McLean. Her father, with others of the McLean clan, arrived in this district in the early years of the century from Victoria and settled in the Bally Bally / County Peak area.

Tassie was the elder of two daughters who were educated at Beverley, and as a young woman she met and married a member of one of the district's most historic families in 'Bubs' Edwards, who was a grandson of the town's first police officer, and a son of a pioneer of the East Beverley region.

Despite the grievous nature of her illness, district residents were greatly moved to hear of her sudden passing, for Tassie had played an integral part in the community life of the district. She possessed outstanding musical qualites and for a great many years contributed most graciously to the community life of the district. There were few entertainments or social functions at which her talents at the piano were not evidenced and this aspect gave great pleasure to all. There are few of this community who have not "tripped a measure" to the lively music she has provided. Among her attributes was a strong sense of social responsibility and there would be few organisations in the town in which – at one time or another – she would not have been actively associated.

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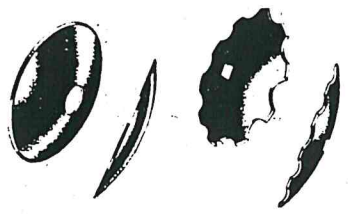

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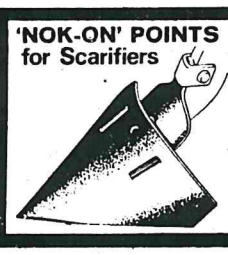

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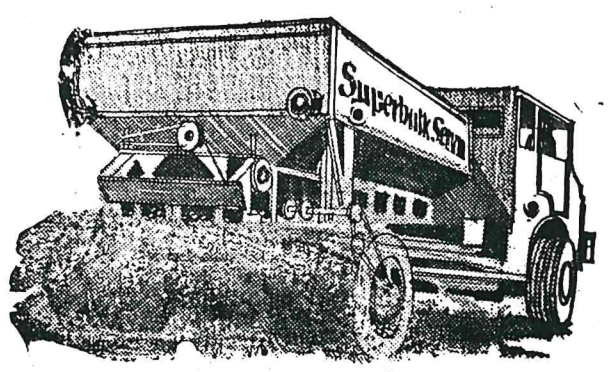

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Saturday draw. 8.00a.m. J. Broun v. B. Mann (MHS); G. Weaver v. M. Bracknell (LHS); T. McMahon & M. Scouler v. H. Code & W. Keenan XHD); E. Priestley & W. Sutcliffe v. B. Young & J. Harvey (XHD); M. Austin & N. Andrews v. L. Mardiross & B. Etherington (XHD); J. M. Healey & N. Lodge v. T. Allmark & R. Murtha (XHD); Jenny Lodge v. J. Swan (–16 GCS).

8.45a.m. N. Broun v. E. Eiffler (MHS); Jaye Lodge v. J. Walters (–16 GCS); P. McLean v. S. Minchin (–16 GCS); J. Hastings v. L. Vickers (–16 GCS); A. Chutrakal v. P. Wansbrough (–16 BCS); K. Bracknell v. B. Hutchinson (–16 BCS); A. Scouler v. A. Keenan (–16 J. Harman v. w/o P. O'Neill and L. Scouler.

9.30a.m. B. Etherington & T. Andrews v. C. Blechynden & S. Broun (MCD); T. Sutcliffe & E. Kilmurray v. I. Gillett & J. Thomas (MCD); N. Andrews & P. Harman v. E. Bracknell & S Quinn (MCD) S. King & L. Harman v. R. West & D Kilpatrick (MCD) E. Heal v. K. Cowcher (MCS); N. Adams & J. Heal v. C. & D. King (LCD); H. Cole & Judy Keenan v. L. McLean & J. Blechynden (LCD).

10.30a.m. L. Cain & C. Sherar v. R. Cole & W. Keenan (MHD); R. Barrett-Lennard & B. Mann v. R. Andrews & B. Lake (MHD); N. Strange & B. Hutchinson v. J. Broun & R. Miller (–19 BCD); J. Beasley & A. Chutrakal v. P. Fishlock & B. Robinson (–19 BCD); T. Henderson & S. Morley v. M & K. Bracknell (XHD); L. Mardiross & B. Lake v. L. Vickers & L. Higgins (LHD); L. Heal & G. Davies v. V. Cain & H. Eva (LHD).

11.15a.m. P. Curtin & J. Vallentine v. C. King & P Facius (XHD); C. & P. Harvey v. J. & R. Hastings (XHD); L. & C. Sims v. C. Wansbrough & P. McLean (–19 GSC); E. Eiffler & N. Andrews v. B. Sims & J. Curtin (MHD); K. Mardiross & R. Murtha v. B. Young & J. Harvey (XCD); A. Scouler & H. Fisher v. P. Fishlock & J. Swan (–16 XHD); L. Sprigg & R. Barrett-Lennard v. H. Eva & L. Cain (XHD).

12.00 noon G. Cole & Janine Keenan v. A. Bremner & J. Broun (XHD); J. Holten v. P. O'Neill (LCS); I. Gillett v. T. Henderson (MCS); S. Quin v. T. Smith (MCS); P. Harman v. E. Bracknell (MCS); J. Thomas v. E. Kilmurray (MCS); D. Kilpatrick v. R. Kennedy (MCS).

1.00p.m. N. Strange v. R. Andrews (–19 BCS); L. Draper & L. Sims v. B. Robinson & M. Penny (–16 XHD) A. Beasley & A. Chutrakal v. G. Barrett-Lennard & C. Swan (–16 XHD); B. Mann N. Richardson v. N. Broun & P. Gillespie (XHD); G. & G. Davies v. L. McLean & C. Blechynden (XHD); L. & B. Harman v. T. Allmark & G. Lake (XCD); J. Hastings & R. Broun v. Jenny Lodge & C. Sherar (–16 XHD).

will be held on 9th May at the South Perth City Hall it was announced this week by the Director of the Western Australian Community Recreation Council, Mr John Graham. The seminar will be a follow-up to Australia's first national seminar on recreation to be held in Canberra from April 22 to 24 followed by mini seminars in all other Australian capital cities and finishing in Perth.

Each State will hold one or two-day seminars at which speakers from the national seminar will join local experts in addressing delegates on recreation and leisure topics.

Two speakers attending Western Australia's seminar are: Professor Thomas L. Burton, from Canada, (a world authority on the leisure environment), and Mr. Brian Nettleton, a sociologist and lecturer in physical education from the University of Melbourne. Western Australia's speakers will be Mr. John Graham, Director of Western Australia's Community Recreation Council, and a panel of three experts on the design and function of recreation facilities.

"There are major social problems facing Western Australia as a result of shorter working hours, longer holidays and increasing leisure time," Mr. Graham said. Planning the constructive and beneficial use of leisure time is the responsibility of all levels of Government and of everyone involved in improving the quality of life for other people.

Commenting on the seminar Sir Thomas Wardle, a member of the Community Recreation Council, said he hoped employers and representatives of industry and commerce would find time to attend. "The constructive use of leisure time should be of vital interest to all employers. An employer's responsibility for the welfare of his staff should not finish at the end of the working day," he added.

Mrs. Shirley de la Hunty, also a member of the Community Recreation Council and well known as former international athlete Shirley Strickland, endorsed Sir Thomas' remarks and added she thought sports administrators and also coaches would learn a great deal from the seminar. "Too often the emphasis on performance and winning overshadows the basic reasons for particpating sport and other forms of recreation," she said. "We all know that not everyone can be tops in sports but continue to make inadequate provisions for the average and below average person."

Cattle exports lucrative

Australia was building up a lucrative market in the export of cattle the Federal Member for Canning, Mr J M Hallett, said early this week.

In the last five years 25054 head of breeding cattle had been exported – including just over 6,000 in 1972 and 13385 in 1973. And in 1972, 739 head of slaughter cattle had been exported, building up to 6,422 during 1973.

Mr. Hallett said that this market was already worth millions of dollars and, if allowed to develop, would be an important factor in export income. If the Unions banned the export of livestock, they could severely damage this market.

Mr. Hallett said that the main countries to which breeding cattle had been exported were Taiwan 6,622 (including 3,210 Brahman / Santa Gertrudis x); Korea 4,665 (mostly Herefords and Freisians); Papua New Guinea 4,069 (mostly Brahman x); and Malaysia 2,195 mostly Brahman x).



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2. Autumn shorn sheep hav long wool when flies are a their worst and farmer claim it costs them more (i (crutching, jetting, etc.) t control flies.

The Dept. says the evidenc suggests that farmers can d their shearing when they lik without fear of penalty. Thi makes the decision one of pe sonal preference rather tha economics.

River rises

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The lower portion of th lakes system flowed at a high level over the retaining wall a Qualanderry during the winte months last year and at th time of the latest rains wa still holding 2 - 3 ft. of wate although the expanse of wate had dried back considerably from the Crossing.

With these latest widespread rains, and the earlier heavy fal's in the Goldfields region the stage s set perhaps the most prolific wild duck breed ing season in a decade – with the prospect of a possible longer open season next summer

The 'flushing' the river has received has put an end to the stench of slowly-drying pools

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THE TUMULT AND THE SHOUTING DIES

The tumult and the shouting which has filled the pages of the press and the nation's TV screens ever since Prime Minister Whitlam announced a double dissolution of Parliament to pave the way for an appeal to Australian electors is about to end, and on Saturday (May 18th) Australians will go to the Polls throughout the nation to cast their verdict on Canberra's commissions and ommissions.

On trial will be the Labor Government, which over the past sixteen months has controlled Australia's destinies, and which has been under fire from a wide section of the community because of the socialistic tendencies to which it has adhered – and which run contrary to the individualistic ideals of the average Australian and particularly the rural communities.

In this State, Labor has been found wanting as evidenced by the result of the recent State elections which saw the defeat of the Tonkin Government which had held the reins of administration for the past three years. The result of that election hinged on the swing against Labor in country and northern areas as the Party more than held it's own in city electorates.

The same tendencies may very well govern the result of Saturday's election as there is a general feeling that Labor has not shown the same solicitude for primary industries as their place in the Nation's economy warrants – whilst the latest developments in mining and the current revelations regarding Christmas Island discussions have not favoured Labor's cause.

There are many factors in the coming election which will be inclined to cloud the main issue of inflation. Secession, which was thought to be a dead and buried issue, has raised its head and maybe it will claim a measure of support — more particularly in the mining areas where industrial leaders have taken up the cause.

It is certain that the issue has been further clouded by the fact that, for the first time Senate, and House of Representative elections are being held simultaneously, with such a plentitude of Senate aspirants as to be somewhat confusing to the elector.

On top of this, the Whitlam cabinet has insisted on bringing forward and asking for a verdict on proposals to alter the Constitution which has been sacrosanct almost since it's inception and which has withstood many assaults.

This Referendum, which is to be held in conjunction, is likely to suffer the same fate as was the case of the proposals put forward several months ago, and which were condemned in every State of the Commonwealth.

Mr. Whitlam has appealed to electors for a 'Yes' vote to the four proposals on the Referendum paper in order that his Government may be armed with more power to administer Australia according to Labor doctrines. On the other hand, the Opposition parties are combined in an appeal for a 'No' vote on all four questions in the interests of State and National welfare, and in the light of history it would seem most likely that the Commonwealth will express the negative view on Labor's proposals.

In view of the confused issues which are being advocated together with the Referendum, it would seem that the one certain outcome of the election will be a mammoth increase in informal voting.

A L Oliver, 26 John St.,
Beverley. W.A.

Lakes about to overflow

The week-end rains which have been a feature of the season over the past month were again experienced on Friday, Saturday and Monday when falls averaging about an inch were experienced over this district to further enhance prospects of the season.

The latest falls, together with an inflow of water from eastern areas, have caused a rise in the lake levels at County Peak and these now contain an average of about 7 ft. of water. It would seem that the water will soon top the retaining wall at Qualanderry and spill into the Avon River for the first time for the present winter. This should result in a more pronounced flow of the Avon — the level of which has dropped somewhat over the past fortnight.

All low-lying areas surrounding the lakes are now under water, creating ideal nesting locations for the wild-fowl which thronged the area towards the end of summer. Shooting prospects for next season look most promising for sportsmen in this State.

The excellent early seasonal falls have transformed the countryside and the vistas presented from all points of the compass have been rarely excelled. The latest falls have brought on a bountiful crop of mushrooms in many places and local families have been making the most of the delicacy.

A dental therapist for local High School — but when?

The interest which Mr Mick Gayfer took in Beverley affairs during the years that this district was part of the area he represented in the Assembly is, it seems, continuing now that he has become a Member of the State Legislative Council as representative of the Central Province.

Evidence of his interest in this district is contained in the following self-explanatory correspondence regarding efforts that he, in association with the local Shire Council, have been making to gain the services of a Dental therapist for our children, in a room that is available at the Beverley Junior High school. The correspondence referred to is as follows —

Education Dept.,
PERTH

Mr H. W. Gayfer,
Corrigin. W.A.
Dear Mr Gayfer,
I refer to our recent discussion concerning the establishment of a dental therapy clinic at the Beverley District High School. This matter has been discussed with the Dental Health Service and for your information I forward you a copy of a letter we have sent to the Beverley Parents' and Citizens' Association.

Yours sincerely,
S. D. WOODS,
for Director-General
of Education.

The Secretary,
Beverley P. & C. Assn.,
Beverley W.A.

Dear Mrs Parry,
I refer to your letter of 20th March, concerning the establishment of a dental therapy clinic at the Beverley District High school. This matter has been referred to the Principal Dental Officer of the Government's Dental Health Service who advises that his Service is considering the establishment of clinics in the Beverley / York / Brookton / Quairading region.

I should point out that the dental therapy clinics need staff as well as rooms before they can operate. It is recognised that your school, and others in the district, may be able to provide the accommodation needed but the service cannot be provided until a sufficient number of dental therapists have been trained.

You may be assured that the needs of your district are known to the Dental Health Service and will be considered in relation to the overall demand and availability of staff

3rd May, 1974.

Hon H W Gayfer, MLC,
CORRIGIN. W.A.

Dear Sir,
Thank you for your letter of 17th April, '74, together with copies of correspondence from the Director-General of Education to yourself and to the local Parents and Citizens' Association.

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Local drive-in to close

It is a matter of regret that the Beverley Drive-in Theatre has now closed down after some years of poor local support When the amenity opened, almost ten years ago, "a night at the movies" appeared a popular outing with many local residents and several programmes were screened each week. However, declining patronage over the past few years has had the drive-in's future in doubt many times.

The screen, speakers and projection equipment were sold some months ago (we believe) to a Hyden syndicate who are in the process of building a motel and drive-in at that centre. The equipment was to remain at Beverley until the Hyden drive-in was completed and Mr. Brian Richards — who leases the Beverley drive-in, among others, from Mr. Ford – intended to screen at least once a week until such time as the equipment was transferred.

However, the flattening of the Mukinbudin drive-in by a fierce storm on Friday night altered plans somewhat, and the projection equipment here was transferred to Mukinbudin on Sunday, where it will be used to screen films in the Shire Hall until the drive-in is repaired.

Mr. Richards apologises to Beverley patrons who were inconvenienced by the lack of Sunday night's programme and expresses his thanks to those patrons who have supported the venture in the few months since he leased the business.

Mr Ford has over the past few years built up a considerable drive-in "circuit" in eastern wheatbelt centres, and is apparently having far more success than he had with the Beverley venture.

This latest development is another instance of increasing difficulties being faced by the town communities in small rural districts (especially those as close to the city as Beverley) and in our own town it is indicated by the number of vacant shops to be noted. Present indications are that at least one (and possibly two) other long established businesses will succumb and close under the prevailing economic circumstances.

The picture is a grim one and it seems that, short of a resurgence of local interest on the part of the public in the welfare of the town, there is little that can be done about it

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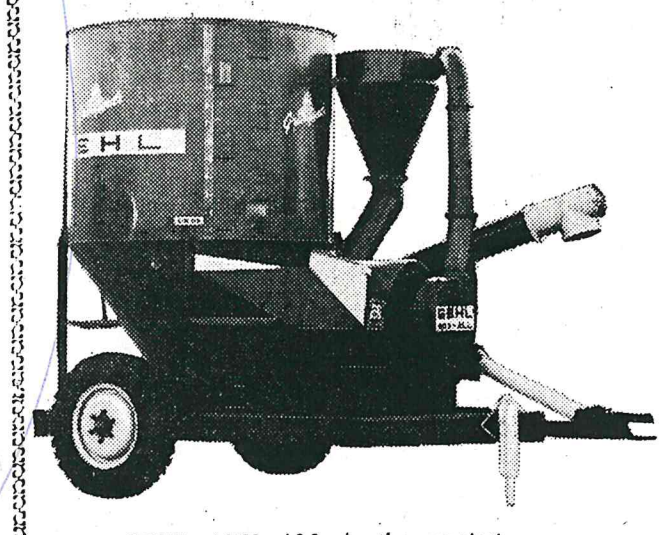

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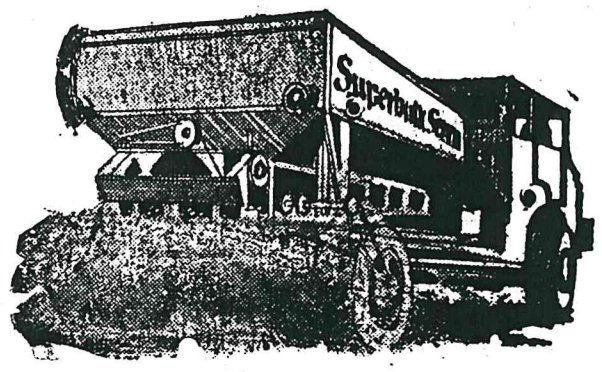

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Thieves active in Beverley

Thieves were active on a widespread scale in Beverley on Monday night when thefts took place at a number of premises. One of the biggest losses was sustained by Mr. George Scoulides, of the Beverley Food Store, where goods and cash to an estimated value of $500 were removed.

At other places and at private homes premises were entered and petrol stolen and at Mr. Vern Wansbrough's home in John Street a lawn mover was removed.

The thefts occurred within a few nights of a robbery at the premises of the Avon Trading Company in Vincent Street which was broken into and where the office safe was forced open and some $30 in cash was taken, as well as a Browning repeater shotgun valued at over $300) and ammunition, and a quantity of tools and other goods. Entry was gained through the rear of the building and property was also taken from the yard.

On the same night the Bowling Club premises were also entered and a small amount of cash was stolen.

We understand that in Monday night's episode thieves also entered Messrs Barnsley Motors premises but apparently nothing was removed.

The activities of the nocturnal visitors were on a wider scale than usual and it is thought that it is possible that an organised gang is resposible, as activties of a similar nature have been reported from other country centres. Local and visiting police officers are investigating the occurences.

Weather favours lo...

The Beverley Race Club seemed to be extremely ... with the favourable change in weather conditions last day when what appeared to be poor prospects weath... showed a decided improvement and enabled the Club's fixture of the current season to be held in pleasant con...

Wednesday's country fixture at York the previous day was cancelled following the heavy showers which had fallen the preceding night. This circumstance was of further advantage to the Beverley fixture, the local Club being able to capitalise on the sunny conditions of Wednesday and Thursday morning. A smart shower during the programme was not of long duration and did little ot mar the occasion.

There was a good attendance at the fixture, gate receipts being only slightly less than was the case for the third meeting of the season ... the 1st of the month ... shine brought many ... and the bus from the ... ried a full complem... race-goers.

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Avon River flows strongly

The Avon River has this week reached its highest level for the winter to date, and possibly its highest level since the river bed was cleared from Toodyay to Kweda some years ago. The big rise has resulted from the overflow from the lakes at Qualanderry where millions of gallons of water are spilling over the retaining wall every minute.

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tend deepest sympathy to the bereaved in their travail.

The funeral of the late citizen is to be held at the Beverley Anglican cemetery tomorrow (Friday) morning after a service at St. Mary's church commencing at 10.30a.m.

LAKE AND RIVER LEVELS HIGH

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The stream is expected to remain at a high level for some time as large volumes of run-off from eastern areas, and local sources, are now reaching the lakes – most of which have now filled to a depth of over seven feet.

All the countryside surrounding the lakes area at County Peak is now inundated creating the best breeding conditions for wild fowl that has been noted for a number of years, and the sporting fraternity can anticipate a longer and more successful shooting season during next summer.

The big area of country involved is particularly valuable from the sportsmen's and conservationist's point of view as there has been considerable concern over the past few years relative to the decreasing areas of natural wetlands in the southern portion of Western Australia.

Fish and Game Autorities consider that the local experiment in creating and extending the water acreages in this district represents the best illustration of what can be accomplished in this regard to conserve natural assets.

[illegible] Department of Agriculture [illegible] sion.

All animals offered at [illegible] proved sales must meet [illegible] following conditions. Each breeder, male or female 6 months or more must [illegible] from an accredited [illegible] brucellosis free herd [illegible] each breeder over the [illegible] six weeks must either come from a herd in which all animals have passed a tuberculosis test within the previous 12 months, or the animal itself must have passed a test for tuberculosis within the previous thirty days.

Dr. Gardiner said that the conditions provided only for stud sales to be approved. Where commercial cattle were included in the stud sale, they had to meet the same conditions.

The procedure had been established so that buyers of valuable stud stock would have a clear understanding of the brucellosis and tuberculosis status of the stock being offered for sale. The Department's role was supervisory only. Where cattle had to be tested, it would be the vendor's responsibility to arrange this privately.

Where a private veterinary surgeon had carried out pre-sale tuberculin tests, he should be asked to provide his certificate identifying the animal and the date and result of the tests.

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A. RESERVE PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	P	W	L	D	For	Ags	Pts	%
Railways	6	6	–	–	464	177	262	24
Beverley	6	5	1	–	380	188	202	20
Quairading	6	5	1	–	395	216	182	20
Cunderdin	6	4	2	–	367	188	195	16
Kellerberrin	6	3	3	–	331	192	172	12
Federals	7	2	5	–	307	288	106	8
Brookton	6	1	5	–	211	421	50	4
Tammin	7	1	6	–	194	564	34	4
York	6	1	5	–	141	556	25	4

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Womens' golf

At Brookton's Open Day on 20th May, Mrs [illegible] son won the A Grade with the good nett score of 104½ for the 27 holes. On the same day at Beverley, Mrs L. Gillespie had the best nett score (77), and the 9 hole competition for Mrs. Mona Fishlock's trophy for a nett winner to date was won by Mrs. Jane Young.

On June 2nd a Flag competition for Mrs M. Retallack's trophy (and the monthly mug) was won by Mrs. L. Gillespie with a 74 nett. Next best were Mrs D. Barnsley (76 nett) and Mesdames B. Bremner, R. Ferguson and M. Jackson (all 77). The 9 hole winner, for a golf ball, was Mrs. J. Strange with 36 nett.

Associates Please Note: All Associates playing in the Pemberton Bowl please bring a plate for afternoon tea. Prior Cup: No plate for afternoon tea but all associates playing please bring a dish as we expect more visitors staying to tea. Flower Roster: June 11th: Mesdames J. Boyle and P. Wansbrough. June 14th: Mrs J. Boyle.

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...$70 million ... for the next ... It is expected that ... for metropolitan roads would also be halved.

Federal money for country roads would be made up of $7.7 million for next year and $7.3 million, $6.6 million, £6.6 million and $6.8 million for the following four years.

It is difficult to see how country authorities will be able to meet this very substantial deficit in available funds if present road programmes are to continue without drastic economies or increasing rating

... Government had not indicated whether bridging grants would ... ing their budgets for ...

River turbulence at Qualanderry

An interesting situation has developed at the junction of the lakes system and the Avon River at Qualanderry. The river (before the construction of the retaining ... to back up over the crossing and fill the lakes between that point and the "channel country" before flowing back into the river.

What has occurred this year is that the lakes filled from eastern and local sources and has overflowing the retaining wall to a depth of some 8" (over a width of 500 ft.) before the Avon River waters from their source in the Yorkering district and intervening country had reached the level of the lake waters (when it would normally flow into the lakes system).

That stage was reached last week-end and consequently a widespread turbulence has resulted where the two waters meet — and there are many whirlpools to be seen. It is an interesting phenomena that has not previously been observed and there has been some conjecture as to whether the disturbance created could have a deleterious effect on the retaining wall structure.

The amount of water visible from the crossing is a surprise to many who witness it for the first time, and who are unacquainted with the vast area of the State which is drained by the lakes system. In a wet season such as this water from as far east as Southern Cross is draining through the lakes.

The present situation at Qualanderry will exist for as long as the lakes and river levels are evenly balanced and will result in the continued high level of the Avon.

It is interesting to note that despite the well above average rains that have been experienced this winter, flooding has not occurred to anywhere near the extent that was evident before the river bed was cleared. The channelled course appears to be taking the full flow of winter rains to date, although local adventurers in Barry Wauchope and Jim Saville (who recently travelled to York by boat on the river) report that in places the water has broken the levee banks and formed a new course for some distance.

These two hope to travel from the lakes to Beverley on Saturday or in the near future and have made plans to enter in the Northam - to - Perth river race in July of this year

Avon Football Association
Results at a glance

Brookton	3.4	7.11	8.16	9.20	(74)
York	1.1	2.4	3.7	8.9	(57)
Quairading	6.0	14.7	15.8	16.14	(1.0)
Beverley	3.6	4.7	8.12	11.14	(80)
Railways	4.1	8.3	13.14	18.18	(126)
Tammin	1.3	3.4	7.5	11.7	(73)
Cunderdin	1.1	6.6	8.11	14.14	(98)
Kellerberrin	2.5	2.7	5.11	7.12	(54)

A. RESERVE "RESULTS AT A GLANCE"

York	1.2	2.4	4.10	7.12	(54)
Brookton	3.2	4.2	6.3	7.4	(46)
Quairading	1.1	2.8	4.11	8.12	(60)
Beverley	2.5	3.6	6.7	8.7	(55)
Railways	5.6	9.8	12.13	16.14	(110)
Tammin	0.0	2.0	3.1	5.2	(32)
Cunderdin	2.4	3.4	6.9	7.11	(53)
Kellerberrin	1.0	2.3	2.5	2.7	(19)

A. GRADE PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	P	W	L	D	For	Ags	Pts	%
Quairading	7	6	–	1	837	333	251	26
Beverley	7	6	1	–	859	548	156	24
Railways	7	5	1	1	881	439	200	22
Cunderdin	7	5	2	–	759	515	147	20
Kellerberrin	7	3	4	–	652	486	134	12
Tammin	8	3	5	–	821	679	120	12
Brookton	7	2	5	–	420	990	52	8
Federals	7	1	6	–	368	906	40	4
York	7	–	7	–	326	1037	31	–

A. RESERVE PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	P	W	L	D	For	Ags	Pts	%
Railways	7	7	–	–	574	209	274	28
Quairading	7	6	1	–	455	271	164	24
Cunderdin	7	5	2	–	420	207	202	20
Beverley	7	5	2	–	435	248	175	20
Kellerberrin	7	3	4	–	350	245	142	12
Federals	7	2	5	–	307	288	106	8
York	7	2	5	–	195	602	32	8
Brookton	7	1	6	–	257	475	54	4
Tammin	8	1	7	–	226	574	37	4

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Crown land ... Dale area

The Member for Avon, Mr. K. F. McIver, MLA, has written to the Beverley Shire Council advising that as soon as he had received information from the Dept. of Lands & Surveys he would officially submit the Council's request for Crown land in the Dale area to be released.

Mr. McIver further advised that he had made submissions for the provision of an additional sick room / dental therapy clinic to be provided at the Beverley school and had arranged for seating in the school grounds to be repaired, new school drainage plans to be prepared, and for the Public Works Dept. to assist the Beverley P. & C. in engaging a contractor to construct new tennis courts.

Local players in AFA side

Eight Beverley footballers are listed in the teams from the Avon Football Assn. to play the Eastern Districts Football League at Merredin on Sunday.

They are C. Murray, ... Doyle, L. Ugle, R. Michael, J Mourish, K Murray, M. ... and G Mourish.

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RACE ABANDONMENT CAUSES CONCERN

According to a report in Tuesday's "West Australia" the Eastern Districts Racing Association (embracing the Clubs at Beverley, York, Northam and Toodyay) is under fire from many owners and trainers, and some of its own members following the abandonment of the meeting scheduled to be held at Beverley last Wednsday (which was later postponed to Thursday), and its subsequent abandonment because of the inclement weather and the condition of the track.

The Association refused to allow the Beverley Club to hold a meeting to-day (July 11th) because of their rulings on country racing during the winter period when there is always the possibility of weather affecting projected racing programmes.

The "West's" racing writer, Alf Dunn, considers that in the situation which arose last week, agreements existing between the Clubs could have been bent to the extent of allowing Beverley to race on Thursday of this week.

The York Club was listed to race yesterday and it was suggested that it could have been arranged that – in the event of York's Wednesday fixture being cancelled – that Club would have had priority in regard to Thursday's date.

Trainers were most disappointed to learn that the meeting had to be abandoned and had endeavoured to have the meeting run to-day It appears that the Beverley Club was prepared to race last Friday, but this was not possible.

According to the "West Australian" report, Beverley would like an arrangement to allow Clubs whose meeting cannot be held because of track conditions, to transfer to another Club in the same area. The Club has raised an objection to the York Club holding a meeting on Thursday, August 1st because this is the day after a Beverley meeting.

Stake money totalling $5240 has been lost to trainers and owners because of the abandonment of last week's racing -- and this does not include the $15 paid to all unplaced runners. The Beverley Club funds will also suffer substantially because of the abandonment of the meeting.

Trainers hold that Beverley should be allowed to hold a substitute meeting at the end of the racing year on July 31. In addition, they are pressing for one mid-week meeting in the city each month.

Avon Football Association
RESULTS AT A GLANCE

Quairading 2.1	7.5	9.9	15.15	(105)
Cunderdin 3.3	3.5	5.7	8.9	(57)
Kellerberrin . . . 7.5	10.6	16.11	19.13	(127)
Beverley 2.2	9.5	11.7	12.11	(83)
Railways 7.4	16.8	18.10	19.17	(131)
York 3.1	8.2	11.5	11.8	(74)
Tammin 8.4	12.9	15.9	16.13	(109)
Federals 0.1	5.3	8.5	13.10	(88)

"A RESERVE" RESULTS AT A GLANCE

Quairading 3.2	5.3	9.5	10.5	(65)
Cunderdin 0.0	4.1	4.2	7.5	(47)
Beverley 2.0	7.1	7.1	9.4	(58)
Kellerberrin . . . 2.5	3.6	6.9	7.9	(51)
Railways 2.2	8.5	13.6	20.9	(129)
York 1.0	1.0	2.1	2.1	(13)
Tammin 3.2	4.4	7.10	10.14	(74)
Federals 0.0	4.0	4.2	4.3	(27)

"C" GRADE RESULTS AT A GLANCE

Cunderdin 5.4	9.12	12.16	18.22	(130)
Quairading 1.0	1.0	2.1	2.1	(13)

A. GRADE PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	P	W	L	D	For	Ags	Pts	%
Quairading	**10**	**9**	**–**	**1**	**1271**	**441**	**288**	**38**
Kellerberrin . . .	**10**	**6**	**4**	**–**	**1021**	**675**	**151**	**24**
Railways	**10**	**8**	**1**	**1**	**1253**	**637**	**196**	**34**
Cunderdin	**10**	**7**	**3**	**–**	**1096**	**719**	**152**	**28**
Beverley	9	6	3	–	1015	752	134	24
Tammin	10	4	6	–	990	894	110	16
Brookton	9	2	7	–	522	1281	40	8
Federals	10	1	9	–	553	1294	42	4
York	10	–	10	–	448	1486	30	0

A. RESERVE PREMIERSHIP TABLE

Railways	**10**	**10**	**–**	**–**	**823**	**268**	**307**	**40**
Quairading	**10**	**9**	**1**	**–**	**788**	**363**	**217**	**36**
Cunderdin	**10**	**7**	**3**	**–**	**665**	**299**	**222**	**28**
Beverley	**9**	**6**	**3**	**–**	**516**	**362**	**142**	**24**
Kellerberrin . . .	10	5	5	–	555	367	151	20
Federals	10	2	8	–	390	483	80	8
Tammin	10	2	8	–	331	691	47	8
York	10	2	8	*	262	953	27	8
Brookton	9	1	8	–	275	719	38	4

Changes likely in weed and vermin control

Sweeping changes are likely in the administration and organisation of vermin and noxious weed control in this State. The chairman of the Agriculture Protection Board of W.A., Mr. E. N. Fitzpatrick, said last week that the proposed amendments to the Vermin and Noxious Weed Control Acts should bring them up to date with modern conditions.

It was proposed to merge the present 100 local vermin authorities for co-ordinating and directing work within the zones. Local committees had been suggested to advise the zone authorities and from which the members of the authorities would be appointed This would remedy one of the greatest drawbacks of the present system — that local vermin control authorities were too small to operate as economic units.

A second major proposal was to separate inspectorial and operational staff, and to extend contract control work if it was wanted by primary producers. The costs of administration and inspection services would be met by the Government, while operational costs would be met by property owners or the organisations responsible for land or reserves.

The new legislation would drop the term 'vermin' and use some other term such as 'declared animal' which was not as offensive to many people when applied to some of our native species, such as emus and dingoes.

Mr. Fitzpatrick said that the proposals were based on present control services and should use about the same number of Agriculture Protection Board staff as at present, but with greater emphasis on noxious weed control in agricultural areas. Total costs would be about the same, with some increase for expanded noxious weed control work. By having the operational work separate and self-supporting, it could be more easily expanded or contracted, according to demand.

Mr. Fitzpatrick said that the proposed amendments should ensure active local administration and participation in vermin and noxious weed knowledge, but the larger zone authorities would ensure that operations were efficient and economic.

The Board had held a series of seminars to discuss the proposals with representatives of farming, pastoral and country shire councils' organisations and members of Parliament.

It was assessing response from the Pastoral and Graziers' Association before submitting final details of the proposals to the Government.

Marron enthusiast in town

Among the visitors to Beverley for the field days arranged by the studmasters of the 'Annandale,' 'Timaru' and 'Woonderlin' studs on Monday was a former wellknown Dale farmer in Henry Norris, who now farms at Kojonup. He was accompanied by his son, Wills.

Henry has always been a popular figure with the Beverley community and there is considerable interest in projects he launched for the production of the W.A. fresh water crayfish – the Marron – on a commercial scale in the Kojonup district. The W.A. Government and the Fisheries and Fauna Dept. are greatly interested in the experiments, and are giving every assistance.

Henry states there is a total interest among Kojonup district farmers in the experiments that are under way and practically all suitable dams in that area are involved in the tests.

He states that the rate of growth of the marron planted in the dams on his property is averaging half a pound for a 6 month period. No artificial feeding has been carried out, but it appears that dams with good, clean water are imperative for success.

After breeding in a selected dam, the young marron are transferred to other dams at a weight of about 4 oz. From that stage they make fairly rapid growth.

Rare nestings at the lakes

District nature lovers will be most interested in a number of rare observances reported from the Bally Bally/County Peak lakes system, and from Lake Mears, by conservationists, Jack McLean, and Henry Hall (of Dangin).

Mr Jack McLean reported on Tuesday that a seagull was nesting in the vicinity of Qualanderry Crossing and Mr Hall has observed some five or six gulls nesting at Lake Mears.

Seagulls have often been observed in the lakes area, sometimes in small flocks, and they have often remained at the lake system until the water has dried out. However, this is the first occasion that we have heard of one of the species nesting in the area – some 80 odd miles from its natural habitat, and the appearances have aroused considerable interest among wild-life lovers.

The lakes at the moment present a vast panorama with much of the area between normal catchments under water. The overflow at the crossing has dropped back from 11" three weeks ago to approximately 6 inches this week.

Mr Hall, whose name was so prominent in connection with the 'Operation Noah' wild life rescue operations in the Ord dam area, also reports the appearance at Lake Mears of half a dozen or so Magpie geese (the species recently featured in a TV special). They appear to have made themselves at home at the lake site and, to Mr Hall's knowledge, this is the first occasion they have been so far south of their natural habitat — where they have become a major pest There could be concern in these areas if they become prevalent.

The bird's appearance could have resulted from the huge areas of the north of the State which have been affected by abnormal rains recently.

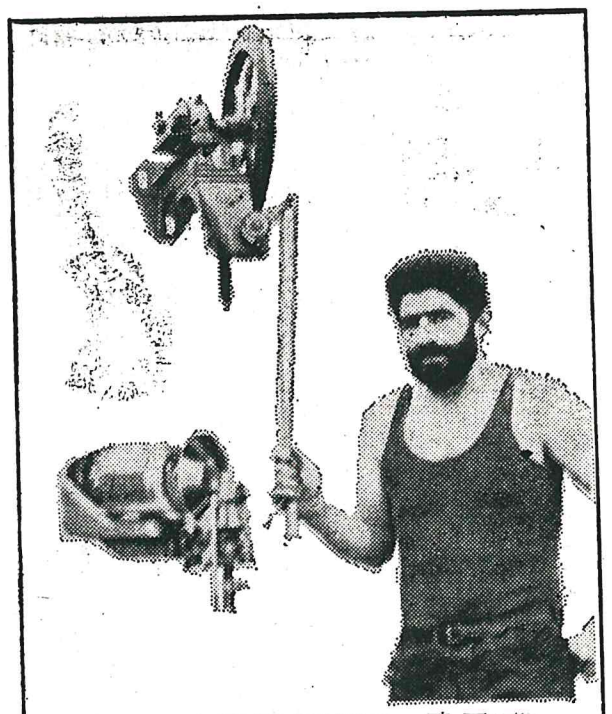
OBSERVERS WANTED

Mr McLean would welcome information from any person who has observed any unusual type of bird (nesting or otherwise) in this region in recent months. His address is P.O. Box 65, Beverley, and 'phone number is Bally Bally 527.

LONG BOAT TRIPS

The vast quantity of water at present in the lakes system is indicated by the fact that Mr Hall recently made a boat trip from near his home at the Channel lakes right through to Qualanderry crossing. His only trouble was when he lost his bearings in the vicinity of Morrell pool and took some time locating the right outlet.

Two other 'navigators' – in Barry Wauchope and Jim Saville recently travelled by boat from Qualanderry to Beverley on the Avon River -- the first time this has been accomplished to our knowledge.



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Rural Youth to stage Achievement week-end

Beverley will be the venue for a big gathering of young eople representative of the Rural Youth movement over the oming week-end. They will be members of Clubs affiliated ith the Avon Valley Council of the movement — these mbracing Beverley, Brookton, Dowering, Northam, Mortock and Quairading * and their activities will involve all ose farm and home duties which the young of farming istricts have become traditionally associated with.

programme embracing the ivities for the two days has n prepared and it reveals t there will be intense acti-. The public should find ch to interest it over the iod following the opening the president of the Bevet- Club, Mr Charles Hick, at 0a.m. on Saturday.

There will be many displays l their preparation will oc- by the attention of many b members at the Sports und for much of tomorrow

There will be non stop ac- ty throughout Saturday and doubt very keen competi- n in all events, which are en to both sexes. The home oking and table setting com ition has been altered in for t this year to provide more erest for spectators and com itors alike. A number of events listed should pro- le a dash of humour to the oceedings.

The Beverley Branch of the untry Women's Assn. is to k after the catering arrange nts for the week-end.

The Beverley organisers ve appointed a long list of erjudges who will officiate roughout the day, these inding John Hill (beef cattle) hn Barrett-Lennard (ewe cul g), Cedric Smith (fat lambs) olin Brown (baconer evaluaon), Jim Curtin (Mer. rams) ic Heal (British breed rams) illip Smith (shearing), Fred emner jnr (fleece throwing), ob Richardson (a mock aucon), Joyce Smith (cooking), ean Barnsley (junk art), Judy llen (table setting), Cathrine cGlew (mannequin parade), rry Ferguson (practical weld g), Lorraine Sims (State and ovice dressmaking), Margaret urfitt (cake decoration), Mrs Ruby Edwards (floral art) Mrs Pam Ford (dress a guy as a gal), Vince Smythe (national demonstration), Darryl Fowler (theme display), Mrs Beryl Petchell (cooking ingredients identification), and Ian Pollard (on car driving).

Local Government finance concern

State concern over the situation facing Local Government in Western Australia has been revealed this week by the secretary of the Local Government Assn., Mr A. E. White.

The difficulties with which Shire Councils are faced was brought into sharp focus by the action of the Kalamunda Shire Council which sacked 13 workers last week because of its lack of funds. The Augusta Margaret River and Murray Shire Councils had earlier taken similar action – and Mr. White anticipated that other Councils would reach the situation of having to take similar action in the near future.

Mr White blamed the credit squeeze and delays in the availability of Commonwealth funds for the plight of the Local Authorites.

The only alternative open to them in the circumstances was to increase rates – and this was inflationary and unpopular with ratepayers. Councils have had difficulty in borrowing money as carry on finance because of the credit squeeze.

Resulting from the prevailing problems, it would seem that most of the residents of the State will be faced with increased rate charges if normal Shire activities are to be continued.

The big wet continues..

It will occasion no surprise if the community in general begins to develop webbed feet as a result of the persistent rain to which they have been subjected over the past month. Rain has been recorded for twenty-nine of the last thirty days (to 9a.m. Wednesday) and 38.2mm have already been recorded for August. To the end of July registrations at the Post Office were 86mm or 3½ inches above average for the first seven months of the year.

The situation in general is occasioning concern with the State's farming community, who are threatened with a reduction in grain yields as a result of the prolonged wetness. As the conditions show no signs of abating, losses seem inevitable.

The Avon River has remained at an exceptionally high level for more than a week and some cases of flooding have been reported at York, Northam and other riverside towns. At Northam the weir was opened up last week to reduce the threat of serious flooding at that centre. Bartram Street in Beverley has remained under water for over a week, and at Gwambygine the river rose, for a period, above the bridge structure.

The only serious damage reported to the Beverley Shire was the washaway of the culverts at the Turkeycock crossing on Bremner's Road – and this has forced the closure of the road until repairs can be affected. There have, of course been numerous minor washaways in many parts of the Shire.

Reports from York indicate that there is a general feeling at that centre that the clearing of the river bed between Alderside and Toodyay has now been fully justified as, under present conditions, very serious flooding would have been experienced at that centre if work on the channel had not been effected.

It will, however, be of interest to many to note (when summer comes) to what extent the large river pools have filled with silt after such a prolonged and strong flow.

Mr Jack McLean reported from County Peak on Tuesday that the lake waters were flowing 18" deep over Qualanderry crossing, and still rising. For the first time since the Avon river bed was cleared, the river level has risen to the level of the lake waters.

With such a vast flow of water coming through the lakes system from the eastern wheatbelt, it can be expected that the river level will remain at a high level for some time.

On Tuesday flood conditions were being reported from almost all areas in the southern half of the State, from Northampton to Nannup, and in the city many low lying areas along the Swan and Canning Rivers are still under water.

In the credit side, however, the hills catchments are filled to overflowing and there will surely be no need for water restrictions next summer. Almost all local dams are full, and one (at Mr N. Gartrell's at the Dale) burst its banks last week. The Council dam at Beverley (from which the oval is watered) is almost fuil to capacity and there should be no problems with oval watering for the next year.

Blessing of the Fleece

Now a regular feature of the Anglican community calendar each year is the "blessing of the fleece" service conducted by Canon Henry Tassell at the 'Woonderlin' shearing shed

This year the service will be held on Sunday, 11th August, as part of the Avon Valley Rural Youth Achievement week-end. The service always creates a considerable degree of community and family interest and big attendance are a regular feature. We understand the programme to be followed will resemble that of previous years.

With the influx of visitors at the Rural Youth week-end Sunday's attendance could possibly be a record.

Beverley Pre-School Centre plan improvements

Most parents are aware that the Government recently halved the levy which is paid by Kindergartens and Pre-schools (and as a consequence the Beverley Committee now pays an average sum of around $250 a term instad oef almost $500). In view of this ,some parents may be wondering why their childrens' fees were increased this year.

The fees were increased following the annual general meeting, in March, and before the Government announced its intention of easing the burden on Kindergarten Committees.

As Beverley is – without a doubt – one of the cheapest Kindergartens in this State, the Committee has decided to leave the fees as they are for the present though they will be constantly under review — and will almost certainly be lowered at next year's annual general meeting. Meanwhile the extra funds accrued will enable the Committee to continue its programme of improving the Centre and providing new and better amenities for those children attending.

Plans are in hand for the extension of the playground and with a little fine weather and a lot of willing help from parents, work should soon be commencing on the grassing and laying out of the new area Fathers have also been asked to give an hour of their time to help on Show day when the committee will again runs its popular "Lucky wheel."

Since the purchase of two tandem tricycles, it has been decided to utilise the asphalt surface outside the centre as a training ground for road safety rules – complete with a median strip and appropriate road signs.

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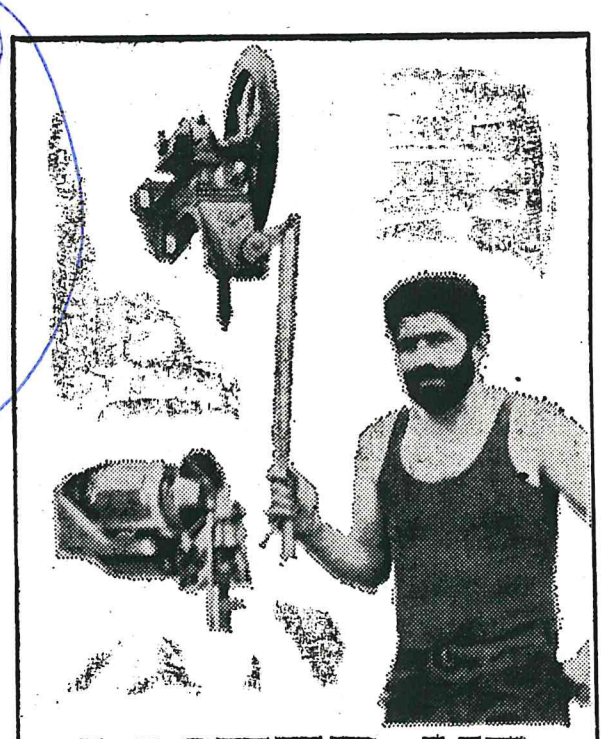

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WOMEN'S CONVENTION

y advertisement elsewhere in is issue, an invitation is exnded to all ladies to attend one day convention to be eld in the Beverley Lesser all on Thursday, August 15. he convention will commence 9.45a.m. with morning tea. uest speaker, Mrs Q. Lyttle, ill be present to speak on ie theme Resources unlimited

Professional golfers to visit

Two well known professional golfers in Len Thomas and John Hadley, of the city, have made arrangements to visit Beverley on Friday, 16th August. They will be holding a clinic (free of charge) for anyone interested, commencing at approximately 2.30p.m., and this will be followed by a nine hole exhibition match with two local players.

The clinic and exhibition will be followed, in the evening, by the presentation of two out standing golf films at which, by advertisement elsewhere, all members are invited to attend.

Both the visiting golfers are outstanding players, and Mr. Thomas in particular has a tremendous record in this State. The occasion is one that will give both men and women players the opportunity of learning (free of charge) correct shot making. The clinic and exhibition match is open to any district residents who wish to attend.

'MISS SHOW GIRL' QUEST

The Beverley Agricultural Society is seeking entrants in the Miss Show Girl Quest for 1974. The winner of the local section (to be judged on show day – August 24) will receive an award of $30 and go on to the State final at the Royal show in September. The winner at this will receive a trip to Sydney and $220 spending money.

Entrants must be single and between 16 and 23 years of age, and be prepared to compete at State level if successful at the Beverley judging. Any girls interested should contact Mr Brian Sims (telephone 243) for further information.

FREEDOM FROM HUNGER DOORKNOCK

The annual Freedom from Hunger Campaign 'doorknock' in Beverley will take place on SATURDAY, September 7 and not on Sunday, August 18 as advised in an article in last week's issue of "The Beverley Times".

Mr. W. T. ROBINS, Area organiser.

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READING THE LOCAL PAPER

he value of the local paper to the rural community is ressed in an article which appeared some years ago. he small country news-sheet is a mirror of our little timate life. Your city paper is remote — only now and ien does it strike home. Its people do not usually belong our hamlet; they live and move in circles infinitely igher or infinitely lower than our own.

When you think of it only the local paper records the oings of the average man. Ordinarily he is neither genius ough or villain enough to get into print . . . but the iniature chronicle has a place for him — his birth, his arriage, and his death, or the notable days of his short oan. In those columns he may at any time attain to right immortality of a week. The mearest trifle could romote him to the printed page.

And so scores of people find pleasure in opening the ocal' paper which has its roots partly in love for the miliar, and partly in curiosity. Turning its pages one nds oneself peculiarly at home. The street corner where ne accident occurred is one passed frequently, the shop /here the theft occurred – all the geography of the news s at one's finger ends. Nothing in this microcosm of life s too far away from one's house not to matter. It is all iere — life and death, work and leisure, joy and pain . . ll excitingly, dangerously near.

One likes to dwell among these people with whom one s equally at home – the golfers, the cricketers, the foot-allers, the bowling lady who won the raffle on the treet stall — all these celebrities are known by sight or y actual acquaintance. One sighs for Mr Such-a-one who lied last Tuesday . . . we often had a chat when we hanced to meet. Miss Thing-a-me, we note, was married o Mr Somebody on Saturday . . . "she wore a train, veil ind silver head-dress, and carried a sheaf of lillies." The daughter of the house opposite passed her matricula-ion with distinction at the University. Well, we know now. They had a paragraph to themselves this week.

After the news turn to the advertisements, for the paper s first and foremost an advertiser. So well-known are hose who support this feature that we can imagine them n the printed descripiion of their wares. The very page s busy with their business.

As the paper is folded and tossed away, one cannot nelp marvelling at its living, pulsing history. Next week – indeed, as we read, its deeds and words are part of "yes-terday's 7,000 years." Life looked at through those homely columns is a tender thing – an odd word to use perhaps, but one which suggests both its joys and its sorrows. Besides, here, snatched for a brief moment out of oblivion are the records of men who when they die will be to the vast outer world as those who "are perished as if they had never been, and become as though they had never been orn."

A PIONEER PASSES

Another of the district's pioneers passed away at the Beverley Hospital after a lengthy period of ill-health on Sunday last. He was Mr. Henry Joseph (Bubs) Grover, who at 88 years had from his humble stance in the community life, seen most of the pageantry associated with the good and bad years of the district.

With his wife and large family he had become a well known and respected figure from one end of the district to the other

'Bubs' was born at Gilgering – his father at the time being one of the many men employed on the construction of the Great Southern Railway. As a young man he found employment on many properties in this and surrounding areas.

He married Clara Moulton, daughter of one of the first families to become established at the Dale, and the ceremony took place in 1911 at St. Peter's Church, Gilgering with Canon Groser officiating.

It was, as a youth employed near Beverley, that he sudden ly became dissatisfied with the nature of his work and decided to seek another job with "Stump-jump" Smith, the inventor whose contribution to agriculture was the perfection of the stump-jump plough which was to revolutionise farming practice throughout W.A. and the Commonwealth (The story of the inventor's association with this town was related recently through these columns by local writer 'Bubs' Edwards).

Further reference was made by the same writer last week to the late citizen's activity – with others -- in the capture of wild brumbies when they came to water at a pool on the Avon River near Kokeby. The story embraced some of the history of a particularly famous buckjumper which was acquired by a travelling show and billed as 'Midnight Cyclone". The horse appeared with success in various parts of the Commonwealth.

'Bubs' Grover was one of the district's best known gun-lovers who delighted in participating in field, river and lake shooting, and from the days of his youth he had never failed to attend the open ing of the duck shooting season, in these areas.

As a young man, working on a property at Brookton, he thought nothing of walking the length of the Southern Branch of the Avon River to its junction with the main stream at Jurakine. He was also a keen fisherman on the Dale River pools when cobblers were prevalent and much sought after.

In later years he became associated with the outside staff of the local Road Board, and it was whilst in its employ that his working life was suddenly ended following an acci dent in the vicinity of the Town Hall. As a pensioner he has lived quietly in retirement ever since -- his main activity during this period being the cultivation of a vegetable patch

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Late night shopping

The Beverley Shire Council has reecntly been in commu nication with the Dept. of Labour and Industry in seek ing authority for a late shop ping night on December 24. Advice is now to hand that the concession has been granted and shops will re-main open until 9.00p.m.

1974-75 marron season

The 1974/75 marron season will open at midnight on Sunday, December 15, 1974 and will close at midnight on April 30, 1975, it was announced on Friday by the Hon. Minster for Fisheries and Wildlife, Mr. Matt Stephens.

He said that during the past year considerable concern had been expressed by marron fishermen over the use of boats for catching marron and he had, therefore, decided to prohibit the use of boats in the taking of marron.

Mr. Stephens said that responsible marron fishermen of the Collie, Waroona, Albany and Denmark areas had become concerned at the dimishing number of legal sized marron now available. However, this was not related only to those areas. With the increased fishing pressure, which was growing each year, it must be expected that there will be less legal sized marron available to each fisherman from the same annual stock.

The Minister said that various suggestions had been made by fishermen to help overcome the problem. The closing of the season for a trial period of five years throughout the entire range of the marron had been suggested. This had been done for a similar species in Sweden but the experiment was successful only for a short period. As soon as fishing re-commenced the larger animals were all removed over a short period and resulted in no more large animals being taken than would have been taken during the preceding five years.

Dr. Morrissy, a senior research officer with the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, has been studying marron for seven years in the rivers and dams from the Murray River down to the Warren River, said Mr. Stephens. Dr. Morrissy's conclusion was that marron were in no real danger of being "fished out" to extinction and that the perpetuation of the species was assured by breeding in the remaining stocks of undersize marron. However, said Mr Stephens, marron may be endangered from changes in the natural environment. Clearing of land for agriculture and other activities have lowered the environmental quality of the Blackwood River and thereby reduced marron stocks considerably.

Mr. Stephens said that many "sportsmen" took undersize animals. This was to be deplored, not only because of the illegality of the action, but because it was completely unfair on other fishermen who acted responsibly and wanted marron to be allowed to reach an acceptable size. His Department had a full-time inspection unit in the field, said Mr. Stephens, but to increase the number of units would mean a substantial increase in license fees. This was a matter which was receiving Government consideration, added Mr Stephens.

In the meantime it was important for the Department to expand its research activities to obtain an understanding of the southern rivers. By this means we shall have a fuller knowledge of what "fished out" means — term used generally by the public when marron became scarce in a particular area, said Mr Stephens.

Dr. Morrissy's research programme would be intensified in this area and it is quite possible that in the future some areas may be closed as an experiment over a period of years. Before taking this action, said Mr. Stephens, it would be necessary to know and understand what the current situation is under heavy fishing pressure.

Mr. Stephens said that every prospective marroner must acquaint himself with the regulations and that action would be taken against any offender apprehended by the inspection staff during the coming season. Principal regulations to remember are:

* An Inland Fisherman's License must be held before attempting to take marron.
* The bag limit is 30 marron per day.
* One scoop net or one snare or not more than six drop nets only may be used.
* Boats of any type must not be used in taking of marron.
* Minimum legal length for taking of marron is 76 mm — measured from tip of rostrum or spike to carapace or body.
* Use of any diving apparatus is prohibited.

Lakes' flow stops

The flow of water from the lakes system which has been a feature of the scene at Qualan derry for the past seven and a half months ended last week end when the lakes' level began to recede from the retaining wall at the crossing. It has been the longest sustained flow on record, having commenced on May 5th.

Big congregations of wild ducks are starting to appear at the lakes and young clutches of ducks and coots are much in evidence. Conservationist Jack McLean reports that many coots are still nesting. He considers that the late opening of the shooting season as agreed upon by the Fisheries and Fauna Department has much merit.

Few people realise the vast extent of country that the lakes system drains on such occasions as the recent wet winter. The lakes now contain a vast area of water which is being freely availed of by boating and ski-ing enthusiasts who have arranged a week-end outing which is advertised elsewhere in this issue.

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