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EDITORIAL

You will notice that the “1967 Beacon” is a great deal different from previous issues. Its format is different and it is a lot smaller than previous editions. For the change in format there is no need for apology: change is a good thing at any time provided it is constructive and done with good intent. For the fact that the “Beacon” is smaller than in previous years, perhaps there is need for explanation if not apology.

Firstly, one does not need to be a student of economics to know that we are living in an inflationary period marked by ever-increasing costs. Last year the “Beacon” cost approx. $800 to produce. This is too much and uneconomic for any organisation that is constantly in need of new books and new equipment. Secondly, the chief function of a school magazine is to provide records of school achievements in the academic and sporting fields; the “1967 Beacon” will do this. It will not, however, provide third-rate written comments on hockey, football, cricket and the like. These were frequently written in a racy journalistic jargon by unwilling pupils and generally served no useful purpose. Contributions by pupils of necessity have been limited. This is not good! However, many classes are producing magazines and this need is being met in this field of endeavour.

In conclusion “Beacon” wishes all members of the school the compliments of the season and good wishes for a happy and safe holiday. To those who have sat for external examinations we wish them success; to those who do not intend to return next year, we say “au revoir and good luck”; and to those who do intend to return we trust you will at all times strive for greater achievements in all fields of endeavour.

W. J. Walsh
EDITOR.

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

WHAT COULD YOU LOSE?

Have you read Cervantes' "Don Quixote"?

I did when very young and idealistic and my reaction then to the ridicule heaped on this "very gentle parfit knight" contained something akin to the same horror I experienced when I first read of the mockery of Jesus at his crucifixion.

Byron must have had a similar feeling that the worthwhile was being mocked when he wrote:

"Cervantes smiled Spain's chivalry away;
A single laugh demolished the right arm of his own country."

Don Quixote was insubstantial and all-equipped for his partisanship of lost causes but "he, too, loved Chivalry, Truth and Honour, freedom and courtesy," and his willingness to fight single-handed for these values against foes real or imaginary was no less worthy because, unlike Sir Galahad, he did not always win.

No one who espouses lost causes can expect a high percentage of victories but in this age when the "play it smart" creed is so universally exalted never have the values of chivalry more needed champions who fear not the result.

During my time at this school a Prefect remarked of the Captain of Boys:

"He has the strongest character in the school. When he joins a group, those who may be swearing or engaged in talk of a smutty or malicious nature stop, because they know he does not behave so himself; they want his respect."

What a compliment! What about you? Would you have the courage to show disapproval of unworthy group behaviour or would you, like so many others, forget chivalry, truth and honour, play it the "smart" way and try to identify yourself with the group by descending to their level?

Try a tilt at a windmill sometime! The result either way, ridicule or respect from the group could only be rewarding to your self respect.

What would you have to lose?

K. B. FORDYCE, B.Sc.
SCHOOL DIRECTORY

Headmaster: Mr. K. B. Fordyce, B.Sc.
Deputy Headmaster: Mr. W. F. Withers, B.Sc., Dipl Ed.
Supervisor of Girls: Mrs. G. B. Kirkwood, B.A., Dipl Ed.
Special Master: Mr. H. J. Roarty, B.A.

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Mr. R. J. Peterson, B.A.
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Mr. D. Smart, B.A., Dipl Ed.
Mrs. D. N. Smart, B.A., Dipl Ed.
Miss L. S. Weaver, B.A., Dipl Ed.

MATHEMATICS
Mr. R. B. Dransfield, B.A. (Master).
Mr. M. N. Goodsell.
Mr. P. Haines.
Mr. E. J. Laidley, B.A.
Mr. N. O. Morrow, B.A.
Mrs. L. F. Muldowney.
Mr. H. J. Roarty, B.A.
Miss H. J. Rodenhuis.

SCIENCE
Mr. A. E. Clayton, B.Sc., Dipl Ed. (Master).
Mrs. J. Allen, B.Sc.
Mr. P. Kuth.
Mr. D. Lowden.
Mrs. R. E. McLennan.
Mr. A. Mainey.
Miss S. E. Nelson.
Mr. W. F. Williams, B.Sc., Dipl Ed.

MODERN LANGUAGES
Miss A. J. Armstrong, B.A., Dipl Ed.
Miss C. L. Miller.

CLASSICS
Mr. S. Walker, B.A.

COMMERCE
Mr. J. L. Brazier, B.A.
Mr. R. W. Horwood, B.A.
Mr. N. D. Lewins, B.A., Dipl Ed.
Mrs. M. L. Lewins, B.A., Dipl Ed.
Mr. D. J. Martin, B.A.
Mr. D. J. O'Gorman, B.A., Dipl Ed.

MANUAL ARTS
Mr. D. W. Dockrell (Master-in-Charge).
Mr. R. F. Brown.
Mr. M. Harrison.
Mr. A. G. Pryer.
Mr. E. W. White.

HOME SCIENCE
Miss M. E. Hartley (Mistress-in-Charge).
Mrs. V. Harrison.
Mrs. H. Hooker.
Mrs. J. Lambert.
Miss O. M. McKinnon.

ART
Mr. A. A. La Spina, Art. Dipl.
Miss P. M. Barber.

MUSIC
Miss M. J. Powell.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION
Miss C. Marsden, P.E.
Mr. R. F. Jarvis, P.E.

LIBRARIAN
Mr. W. R. Forbes (retired Aug. '67).
Miss D. Atten, B.A., Dipl Ed.

CLASS TEACHERS
Mr. J. L. Adams.
Mr. T. Drury.
Mr. L. B. Swartz.

SCHOOL COUNSELLOR
Mr. G. J. West, B.A.

ADVISERS
Mrs. M. E. Lewins, B.A., Dipl Ed.
Mr. D. J. Martin, B.A.

SCHOOL SECRETARIES
Mrs. M. Stuart.
Mrs. Y. Whitford.

STAFF CHANGES

DEPARTURES
Mr. C. A. Longworth, to Bega High as Deputy Principal; Mr. K. C.
Holloway, to Casino High School as English Master; Mr. J. Neville,
to South Grafton High School as Special Master in charge of Science;
Mrs. P. J. Longworth, to Bega High School; Mr. E. Hulme, resigned;
Mr. P. J. Johnston, to Maclean High School; Miss L. A. Huley,
resigned to travel abroad; Mr. E. Myers, resigned to travel abroad; Miss
C. J. Johnson, to Mullumbimby High; Mrs. L. M. Crawford, resigned;
Mrs. B. Gordon (Miss Lee), to Hunter Girls' High.
During 1967 Mr. W. R. Forbes retired; Mrs. D. Meekins was trans-
ferred to Kobara Boys High; Miss D. L. Brown to Kempsey High;
Miss J. L. Gibson to Singleton High; Miss P. J. Lynch to Macksville
High.

ARRIVALS
Mr. R. B. Dransfield from Arthur Phillip High; Miss L. S. Weaver, first
appointment; Miss H. J. Rodenhuis from Moree High; Mrs. J. Allen,
first appointment; Mr. D. Lowden from Kyogle High; Miss A. J. Arm-
strong, first appointment; Miss C. L. Miller, first appointment; Mr.
G. Walker, first appointment; Mr. and Mrs. N. Lewins, returned from
exchange teaching in England; Mrs. V. Harrison, reappointed; Miss
C. Marsden from Bathurst High; Miss D. Atten from South Grafton
High; Mr. L. B. Swartz from Glen Gaile.
THE ENGLISH STAFF — WORKING CONDITIONS!

From left (seated): Miss W. Martin, Mrs. E. Richardson, Miss H. Fogarty, Mrs. N. Smart, Mr. W. Wulfshe (Master).
From left (standing): Miss L. Weaver, Miss D. Aiken, Mr. R. Peterson, Mrs. G. Kirkwood, Mr. J. O'Ryan, Mrs. R. Llewelyn-Smith, Miss C. Miller, Mr. D. Smart.

THE SCIENCE STAFF

Mrs. B. Sanger, Mrs. R. McClune, Miss S. Nelson, Mrs. G. Allen, Messrs. D. Lowien, P. Kuhn, A. Clayton (Master), A. Mainey, H. Withers (Dep. Princ.).

THE STAFF

Seated: Mrs. Y. Whitford, Miss C. Marsden, Miss P. Barber, Miss A. Armstrong, Miss M. Powell, Mrs. M. Stewart.

THE MATHS STAFF

Seated: Miss H. Rodenhuis, Mr. N. Goodsell, Mr. R. Dransfield (Master), Mrs. F. Muldoon.
OUR SCHOOL – 1967

THE NEW — under construction and . . .

A SECTION OF THE PLAYGROUND
So little space and so hot!

THE OLD!
Sixth Form, the first under the Wyndham Scheme, have been described by some as pioneers, and by others as guinea pigs. Whichever is the better description is difficult to determine. As guinea pigs they have been kept under close scrutiny by teachers, responsible citizens and educationists all of whom were concerned with the reactions and responses they would make to a whole set of new stimuli. As pioneers they have blazed the trail for many pupils who will follow them along the paths to higher learning.

Taken as a group they have contributed quite a lot to the school. It is difficult to single out every member of Sixth Form for mention; they themselves have done this in their own way in their own “Vale” which appears below. However, there are some individuals and some events that have been outstanding during 1967. Firstly, our two captains, Stuart Rowlands and Cheryl Turner, have done all that has been expected of them. Both have shown qualities of leadership in various fields of activities; they have co-operated ably with the Principal and with all members of staff whenever called upon to do so; and they have left behind them a tradition which others who follow could well copy. At all times they were supported by Vice-Captains Paul Fowler and Sue Morrow and Senior Prefects Peter McKenzie and Sue Grimmond.

Secondly, in the field of sport, the highlights of the year were the successes of the open weight Rugby League team in their first year of University Shield competition, and the selection of four girls in the North Coast hockey team. In these, of course, they were assisted by pupils from other forms.

Thirdly, the outstanding social event was the Sixth Form Farewell. This was very well organised by Mr. Mainey and Mr. Roarty and members of Fifth Form. Miss Hartley and other members of the Home Science Department, Mesdames Harrison, Keeper and McKinnon did a magnificent job with catering and this was greatly appreciated by all who attended. Visiting dignitaries who were present at the function included Shire President Hobbin and Mrs. Hobbin and President of the P. and C. Mr. H. Lovett and Mrs. Lovett. During the formal part of the even-Councillor Hobbin told the Sixth Formers that they had played a pioneering role in education, that they were on the threshold of their lives and that they could play a leading part in forming future policies of their country. In lighter vein, Mr. Lovett urged the Sixth Form students to enjoy themselves on “their” night and that in the future if they travelled in pursuit of further education to remain their natural selves — “we like you the way you are,” he said. The Principal Mr. Fordyce, also addressed the students, and spoke mainly on their virtues as senior members of the school, and their contributions to the school in sporting and academic fields. All speakers wished the Sixth Formers good luck in the Higher School Certificate and also in their chosen vocations after they have left school.

Broadly speaking, these were the main activities of our seniors during 1967. Of course, one could go on and on but time and space do not permit this. Suffice it to say “good luck” to all of you; you have survived six years of experiments as guinea pigs and you have paved the way for those who will follow you; always live up to the best traditions of the school and do your best at all times.
BOYS 6th FORM VALE

T. Arthurson: Star of "The Adams Family."
D. Ausling: Kingsford Smith flies again — under the weather.
B. Kellsall: Sawtell loves him.
P. Eadie: Triumphs with girls.
I. Owens: Ability lacking in all things (fortunately).
S. Healey: Rather friendly with constabulary.
J. Smith: Lives in Miller’s brewery — gambles with barrels of money.
P. Kent: Transported to colony but going back as a reject.
B. Ferguson: Noble type of lad — Australia’s leading basso.
M. Reil: Talents unknown — new boy.
G. Hope: Quiet type — could surprise everyone (some day).
B. McGregor: Home is where the HART is.
S. Rowlands: Ambition is to captain St. George.
D. McLean: All rounder (is everywhere).
P. McKenzie: WRIGHT type of person.
J. Hill: Uses BRAIN on wine, women and song.
R. Francis: Another Normie Rowe — Loves WOODwind.
P. Fowler: Ohms, Amps and WATTS are his specialties.
B. Moller: Unbelievable talents — Banana Jim.
B. Mussared: Long Tall Texan.
G. Dal Pozzo: Vino man.
I. Piper: Trying to pay his way into the police force.
D. Muldoon: Quiet boy up the front.
K. McQuilty: The boy from the sticks.
W. Judd: Tall, lean and nothing.
A. Scott: Never to be underestimated.
D. Dorrington: Wants to be Australia’s number one brain (Barry Jones).

GIRLS 6th FORM VALE

S. Atkinson: He’s just a cousin of mine.
H. Cole: SHE HOLDS ALL NIGHT ENTERTAINMENT.
S. Grimmond: Runs wild parties for 6th Form Tarts.
M. Kemp: Deserves a discount from Penfolds.
D. Kellett: Stop the world I wanna get back on.
R. Latham: Loves school — attends regularly twice a week.
L. Lepherd: Concerned about past, present and future.
J. Murr: Beware mad woman driver.
S. Morrow: Ambition to be on Double One Club.
A. Mulholland: All talk, no action.
M. Noble: Sense? No, just a dumb blond.
R. Robinson: Advocates free trade with western districts.
W. Smith: Hobby — collecting cousins.
V. Straton: Just good friends.
C. Turner: Willing leader — to local night spot.
V. Withington: Aims to be first national servicewoman.
S. Woods: I wanna be free.
S. Withers: Interested in rural youth, cricket — the batsman.
DR. WYNDHAMS TEETHING PROBLEMS

SIXTH FORM REVELRIES ON THEIR LAST DAY AT SCHOOL
FIFTH FORM

Star Motel Prize, Dux of Fifth Form (First in English, Latin, French, Modern History) Robyn Withers
Dr. B. Dolman Prize, Second in Fifth Form (First in Maths) Paul Fowler
N. Alocok Prize, Third in Fifth Form John Parmenter
Advocate Prize, Fourth in Fifth Form (First in Anc. History) Jenny Noyce
Dr. C. H. Wood Prize, Fifth in Fifth Form (First in Geography) Raelin Robinson
R. G. Riddell Prize, Sixth in Fifth Form Darrell Dorrington

FIFTH YEAR LEAVING CERTIFICATE CLASS

B.G.F. Prize, Third in 5R First in Maths I, French) Kathleen McNally
M. Smith Prize, Second in 5R (First in Maths II, History, Economics, Combined Phys./Chem.) Kevin Montgomery
R.S.L. Everingham Memorial Prize for Dux of the School (First in English and Physics) Alan Wheen

SPECIAL PRIZES

Best L.C. Pass 1965, P. and C. Prize Jean Gorton Prize for Citizenship Ian Shephard
Jean Turner, Stuart Rowland
J. H. Brown Prize for Senior English Gillian Seccombe, Sheryn Sciclari
A. C. Robins Prize for Senior Mathematics The "Egg and I" Prize for Senior Science
Dr. David Hawke Memorial Prize for French: Senior Kathleen McNally
Junior Kim Hill
J.C. Prize Debating and Public Speaking Peter Slack
C.W.A. Prize for Home Economics Lyn Barber
J. Hill "Banana Bowl" Prize, Industry and Improvement in 5th Form Sue Morrow, Keiran McQuilley
Sawtell R.S.L. Sub-branch Women's Auxiliary Prize Sheldon Morey
Christine Atkinson, Denis Rowe

LEAVING CERTIFICATE RESULTS 1966

Key to subjects in examination:
1. English
2. Modern History
3. Economics
4. Geography
5. French
6. General Mathematics
7. Mathematics I
8. Mathematics II
9. Mathematics III
10. Physics
11. Chemistry
12. Combined Physics and Chemistry
13. Biology
14. Agriculture
15. Descriptive Geometry and Drawing
16. Woodwork
17. Metalwork
18. English Literature
19. Mathematics
20. History
21. Geography
22. Chemistry
23. Combined Physics and Chemistry
24. Biology
25. Agriculture
26. Descriptive Geometry and Drawing
27. Woodwork
28. Metalwork

The absence of a letter next to a subject number indicates that the candidate gained a C pass in that subject. An A indicates a pass at

A standard, whilst H2 or H1 denotes a pass with second or first class honours respectively.

The letter X immediately following the subject symbol or grade of pass denotes that a pass has been secured in the oral tests in French.

ALLISON, Peter David: 1, 6, 8, 21, 22
GAWNE, Robert Clarke: 1A, 3A, 7A, 23, 23A
GLYDE, John Thomas: 1, 5, 7A, 28, 31, 36
JOHNSTONE, Darrel Murry: 5, 26, 36, 37
KING, Raymond Robert: 1, 2, 4, 5, 7A, 26A
MACKIE, Robyn Ariel: 1, 2, 5, 6, 10, 22
MCDOUGALL, Helen Margaret: 1A, 4, 5H1, 6, 7A, 23
MCNALLY, Kathleen Alice: 1A, 6A, 8A, 9A, 21A, 22
MONTGOMERY, Kevin Allan: 1A, 2A, 4, 8A, 9, 23
PHILIPSON, Graeme Matthew: 1, 4, 5, 6, 9, 23
PIKE, Geoffrey Michael: 1A, 2, 4, 23, 34A
SCOLARI, Sheryn Elizabeth: 1A, 2, 4A, 5A, 7, 26H1
SECCOMBE, Gillian: 1A, 3, 5A, 6, 10, 26H1
SHERIDAN, Kathleen Roma: 1, 2, 5H2, 7, 26A
SINCLAIR, Richard Arthur: 1A, 5A, 10, 23, 36
SMITH, Kerry David: 1, 4, 5, 9, 21, 36A
VAN ZANEN, Paul Anthony: 2, 7, 26
WHEELEN, Alan Geoffrey: 1A, 6A, 8A, 9, 21A, 22A
YOUNG, Lionel Paul: 1, 2, 4, 5, 26

Traders College Scholarships.

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**11. Technical Drawing** | **12. Metalwork** |
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| **17. French (Paper I)** |
| **28. Social Studies** |
| **19. Woodwork** |
| **21. Latin** |
| **23. French (Paper I)** |
| **16. Agriculture** |

**An “A” indicates a pass at advanced level; a “C” indicates a pass at ordinary (Credit) level. The absence of a letter next to the subject number indicates that the candidate passed at ordinary level. A “T” indicates a Low pass.**

**ADAMS, Susan Margaret:** 1A, 2A, 3A, 5A, 6A, 2A4A.
**ALDRIDGE, Diane:** 1A, 2A, 3A, 5A, 6A, 2A4A.
**AMOS, Diana:** 1A, 2C, 3A, 5A, 6A, 7A.
**ANDERSON, Jacqueline Dianne:** 1A, 2C, 3C, 5A, 6A, 25C.
**BAILEY, Diane Gall:** 1C, 2, 3, 5A, 6, 7.
**BAMPORD, Paul Stuart:** 1C, 2, 3C, 5C, 11C, 1A5A.
**BARBER, Gwendolyn Lynette:** 1C, 2, 3C, 5C, 7C, 10A.
**BENNETT, Robert George:** 2C, 3C, 5C, 6C, 7.
**BERRY, Vivienne:** 1A, 2A, 3A, 3A, 5A, 6A, 7A.
**BERRY, Janis:** 1C, 2, 3, 3C, 6C, 7C, 10C.
**BERRY, Linda:** 1A, 2A, 3A, 3A, 5A, 5A, 10A.
**BERRY, Kaye Rhonda:** 1C, 2, 3C, 7C, 8C.
**BERRY, Alan:** 1C, 2, 3, 5A.
**BERRY, Walter Leonard:** 1A, 2A, 3A, 5A, 6A, 10C.
**BERRY, Roslyn:** 1A, 2C, 3C, 5C, 6C.
**BERRY, Allan Neil:** 1C, 3C, 5C, 6A, 7C.
**BERRY, John:** 1A, 2A, 3A, 5A, 6A, 10A.
**BERRY, Gary:** 1A, 2A, 3A, 5A, 6A, 7C.
**BERRY, Dorothy Jean:** 1A, 2A, 3A, 5A, 6A, 7C.

**KELL, Geoffrey James:** 1A, 2A, 3A, 5A, 6A, 2A4A, 22A.
**KAHN, Geoffrey Mervyn:** 1A, 2, 3, 1A2C, 13C.
**LAMBERT, Barry Charles:** 1C, 2C, 3C, 5C, 6A, 11C.
**LAMOND, Harold Lyndon:** 1C, 2A, 3A, 5C, 6C, 11A.
**LASKER, Gill:** 1C, 2C, 3C, 5L, 10A.
**LEVER, Maureen Janet:** 2, 3, 5, 7, 10.
**LONGWORTH, Stephen Peter:** 1A, 2A, 3A, 5A, 6A, 2A4A, 22A.
**MACKNEY, Heather Naomi:** 1A, 2C, 3C, 5C, 6C, 28.
**MACLEOD, Robert Bruce:** 1A, 2C, 3A, 6A, 2A4A, 22A.
**MANUEL, Graham John:** 1C, 2C, 3C, 5C, 6A, 25C.
**McKINNON, Rhonda Elizabeth:** 1A, 2, 3L, 5, 7, 9A.
**McKAY, Philip John:** 2C, 3C, 5, 11A, 13A.
**McKAY, Valerie Jean:** 1C, 2A, 3A, 5C, 6C, 13C.
**McNALLY, Anna Maria:** 1A, 2C, 3A, 5A, 6C, 25C.
**MEAD, Mark Stephen:** 1C, 2C, 3C, 5C, 7C, 13C.
**MILLER, Peter:** 1A, 2A, 3A, 5A, 11A, 24A.
**MILLER, Pamela Isabel:** 1A, 2C, 3A, 5C, 6A, 24.
**MILLER, Daphne Eileen:** 1A, 2C, 3A, 5A, 6A, 24C.
**MILNE, Jeannette:** 1C, 2C, 3C, 5C, 6C, 25A.
**MILNER, Roy:** 2C, 3C, 5, 12.
**MORAN, Jeanette May:** 1A, 2, 3, 5L, 9, 10.
**MORLEY, Sheldon Donald:** 2A, 3C, 5C, 6C.
**MORROW, Elmer Jan:** 1C, 2A, 3C, 5C, 6A, 10A.
**NEWMAN, Rex:** 1C, 2A, 5C, 5A, 11C, 1A5A.
**NICKLIN, Gary Donaldson:** 1C, 6, 12C, 15C.
**O'GRADY, Michael Vincent:** 2, 3, 1A2C, 11C.
**PARTRIDGE, Bruce Maxwell:** 1C, 2, 3C, 5C, 6C.
**PASCOE, John Edward:** 1, 2, 3L, 5, 13, 15.
**PATTERSON, Mark Stephen:** 1, 2, 3, 26, 11C.
**PAUL, John:** 1C, 2C, 3C, 5C, 6C, 25.
**PEARCE, Anne Strachan:** 1C, 2A, 3A, 6C, 10A.
**PEARCE, Rhonda Murrie:** 1C, 2A, 3C, 5C, 6A, 25C.
**PEARSON, Brian James:** 1C, 2A, 5A, 5A, 11A, 13A.
**PETERS, Joy:** 1, 2, 3, 5L, 9, 10C.
**SAMBROOK, David:** 1C, 2C, 3C, 5C, 13A, 15A.
**SCHOFIELD, Bruce Edward:** 1C, 2C, 3C, 5C, 6C, 11A.
**SEELY, Janet Margaret:** 2C, 3C, 5C, 6C, 15A.
**SECCOMBE, Andrew Shelley:** 1A, 2A, 3A, 6C, 11, 24A.
**SHARP, Bruce Ian:** 1C, 2C, 3C, 5, 11A, 13A.
**SHEPHERD, William Robert:** 1C, 2C, 3L, 7, 10C.
**SLACK, John:** 1C, 2C, 3C, 5C, 6A, 11C, 12A.
**SLACK, John Donald:** 1C, 2C, 3C, 5C, 6A, 11A.
**SLACK, Peter McDonald:** 1A, 3A, 5A, 6A, 24, 22A.
**SMITH, Allin Foy:** 1A, 2C, 3C, 5A, 5A, 10C.
**SMITH, Peter Oram:** 1C, 2C, 5C, 7C, 8C.
**SOUTH, Alison Ede:** 1C, 2C, 3C, 5C, 6C, 7.
**SOUTH, Helen Ade:** 1C, 2C, 3C, 5C, 6C, 7.
**WAKES, John:** 1, 2, 11, 13C.
**WALKER, Jill Lynette:** 1A, 2, 3C, 5C, 9A, 10A.
**WALKER, Julie Kay:** 1C, 2C, 3C, 5C, 7C, 10A.
**WALLACE, Geoffrey Collin:** 1C, 2C, 3C, 5C, 7C, 10C.
**WARD, Wendy Louise:** 1C, 2C, 3L, 6, 7.
**WATT, Christine Faye:** 1A, 2A, 3A, 5A, 6A, 12C.
**WHITE, Stuart Lewis:** 1A, 2A, 3A, 5A, 6A, 11A.
**WHITAKER, Christine Gaye:** 1A, 2A, 3A, 5A, 6C, 25C.
**WILLIAMS, Lorraine Ellen:** 1C, 2C, 3C, 5C, 7C, 9C.
**WILLIAMS, Rhonda Lesley:** 1A, 2C, 3L, 5L, 9, 10.
**WITHERS, Susan Lee:** 1A, 2A, 3A, 5A, 6A, 24A, 22A.
**WHITFIELD, Theresa Jean:** 1A, 2, 3, 5C, 6C, 6A.
**YOUNG, Sharon Gay:** 1C, 2C, 3C, 5, 9A, 10A.
FOURTH FORM
P. & & C. Prize, Dux of Fourth Form (First in English, History, French and Latin)................. Susan Withers
Dr. C. H. Wood Prize, Second in Fourth Form....................... Peter Slack
Cox Bros. Prize, Third in Fourth Form (First in Mathematics, Geography)....................... Stephen Longworth
H. Bailey Prize, Fourth in Fourth Form............................ Geoffrey Kell
G. D. T. Seecombe Prize, Fifth in Fourth Form (First in D.G.D.).......................... Peter Michie
P. W. Small Prize, Sixth in Fourth Form (First in Metalwork, Woodwork)....................... Anthony Ferris

INDIVIDUAL SUBJECT PRIZES
Science: Stuart White
Commerce: Lorraine Eckford
Needlework: Terry Wright
Art: Paye Watt

THIRD FORM
Rotary Prize, Dux of Third Form (First in English, French).......................... Kim Hill
H. Bailey Prize, Second in Third Form (First in Mathematics, Science, History, Needlework)........ Pauline Hill
A. Smith & Son Prize, Third in Third Form (First in Geography, Descriptive Geometry and Drawing, William Nolan
Advocare Prize, Fifth in Third Form............................... Beth Richardson
D. Appleton Prize, Sixth in Third Form............................ Alison Lamond

SUBJECT PRIZES AT ADVANCED LEVEL
Mathematics: Denis Rowe
Agriculture: Ralph Fowler
Home Economics: Sally Tranter
Mr. and Mrs. F. Reid Prize, First in 3F: Robert Small
R. D. Riddell Prize, Second in 3F: Michael Malone
Latin: Christine Michie
Woodwork: Graham Relf
Art: Michael Newman

CERTIFICATES
Ordinary Level
English: Gregory Cave
History: Gregory Cave
Science: Phillips Jackson, Joy Callaghan
Geography: Suzanne Ross
Mathematics: Jill McGregor
French: David Walsh
D.G.D.: Douglas Atkinson
Agriculture: James Rann
Commerce: Murray Edwards
Woodwork: Darrell Smith
Metalwork: Darrell Smith
Home Economics: Anne McKinnon
Needlework: Denise McQuitty
Art: Julie Cheal and Jean Court

SECOND FORM
Apex Prize, Dux of Second Form (First in English, Science, Maths, History, Latin, French)............ William Kilppner
Windows Homeware Prize, Second in Second Form (First in History, French).......................... Robert Peterson
Dr. R. Macdonald Prize, Third in Second Form........................................ Susan Landigan
J. Turner Prize, Fourth in Second Form (First in Geography)........................................... Monica Locand
Star Motel Prize, Fifth in Second Form (First in Latin)............................................ Joanne Caba
M. Smith Prize, Sixth in Second Form.................................................. Murray Robinson

SUBJECT PRIZES AT ADVANCED LEVEL IN SECOND FORM
Needlework and Home Economics: Carol Wright
Agriculture: John Gordon
Art: Kathleen McDonald
Descriptive Geometry and Drawing: Ian Lean
Woodwork: Ray Partridge
Metalwork: Louis Wibberley

CERTIFICATES
Ordinary Level
English: Margaret Salmon
Mathematics: John Payne
Science: Neil Mackay
Geography: Ian Cameron, Bruce Halgood, Gregory Wilson
History: Keith Phipps
Needlework: Karen Finanagan
Home Economics: Kathie Page
Agriculture: Michael Whipp
Art: Angelina Timms
Woodwork: Gregory Craig
Metalwork: Chris Swanger
D.G.D.: Dallas Morrow

1G. Cox Bros. Prize, First in 3G
2G. Pacific Plywood Prize, First in 3G
2H. Pacific Plywood Prize, First in 2H
2K. Dr. R. Jelliffe Prize, First in 2K

FIRST FORM
1H. A. F. Leppard, Prize, First in 1H........................................... Michael Woods
A. R. W. Forsyth Prize, Second in 1H......................................... Danny Feree
1G. Dr. R. Jelliffe Prize, First in 1G............................................... Maureen Booke
1F. Penn and Gerrard Prize, First in 1F.......................................... Margaret Bruce
1P. A. F. Leppard Prize, Second in 1P........................................... Peter Benson
1E. A. M. Brewis Prize, First in 1E, Brian Malone & Valmai Oxenbridge
Mr. and Mrs. F. Reid Prize, Third in 1E......................................... Bruno Pelizza
1D. B. L. Miller Prize, First in 1D.................................................. Rodney McAllister
R. Seecombe Prize, Third in 1D................................................... Eric Mulquinn
1C. A. R. W. Forsyth Prize, First in 1C............................................ Christine Sipple
1F. H. Hines Prize, Third in 1C.......................................................... Lynette Harbour
1B. A. F. Leppard, Prize, First in 1B................................................. Joy Emery
Cox Bros. Prize, Second in 1B....................................................... Adrian Borsato
1A. A. F. Leppard, Prize, First in 1A................................................. Louise Nolan
Pacific Plywood Prize, Third in 1B.................................................... Stephen Griffin
1A. Dr. R. Jelliffe Prize, First in 1A.................................................. Ross Kilppner
Cox Bros. Prize, Second in 1A.......................................................... Torrence Gill
Dr. C. H. Wood Prize, Third in 1A................................................... Russell Hancock
PUBLIC SPEAKING AND DEBATING – 1967

During 1967 both the Coffs Harbour debating teams and our public speaking representatives acquitted themselves well. Quite early in the First Term, a Coffs team travelled to Macksville with Mr. Walsh for the annual debating competition held there. Other schools participating were Dorrigo, Port Macquarie, Bellingen and the hosts, Macksville. Our team consisted of Brian Pearson, Sue Withers and Robyn Latham. There we won debates against Port Macquarie and Dorrigo, and thereby found ourselves in the finals against Bellingen High. In a well-fought debate, Bellingen proved themselves too strong for our competitors, who nevertheless spoke strongly.

On the same occasion two public speakers, Linda Scouller and Sue Landigan, represented Coffs for the Public Speaking Shield. Both girls did well and Sue reached the finals. This speech was excellent, and Sue was unlucky to miss out on the Shield.

In the Grafton visit this year both a Junior and Senior team participated. The Junior team consisted of Judy Small, Murray Robinson and Marilyn Proctor and Coffs emerged victorious. So too did we win in the senior debate, Dallas Lewis, Sue Withers and Robyn Latham debated the controversial topic of the United Nations and its peacekeeping. Both sides had thoroughly researched the subject and consequently the debate was intense and well informed.

Throughout the year the Debating Society has held regular Tuesday lunch-time meetings in Room One, under the guidance of Mr. Walsh. These meetings were well attended, attracting students from first to sixth forms and they served as a forum for discussion and debate. Subjects varied from “Students’ and Teachers’ Impressions of the Wyndham Scheme” (at this the room was packed) to “Ways of Supplementing a Student’s Income.” Many controversial topics — including Vietnam, the Middle East and Strikes — were also discussed. Several formal debates were held, but these were restricted because of the shortness of lunch time.

So not only were the benefits of Debating and Public speaking felt by those in the school teams, but also by this keen group of students who gathered to exchange ideas on Tuesdays.

SUE WITHERS, SA.
CHOIR

This has been a year of consolidation for the choir in that the work has been extended, even though we have not yet ventured into the operatic field.

At the Grafton Eisteddfod both the senior recorder group and the combined choir competed; and the folksong group has been a popular feature at several functions in the town.

The major undertaking was the performance of the “Hallelujah” chorus from “Messiah” (Handel) and “How Lovely are the Dwellings” from “A German Requiem” (Brahms). These were performed with the Coffs Harbour Male Choir conducted by Alan Russell.

This entailed many weeks of concentrated rehearsal and was performed at the Education Week Coral Concert. At this concert Raymond Budge made his singing debut with the soprano solo “Silent Workship” by Handel and Anne MacDonald played a piano solo as well as proving herself a capable accompanist for the choir. Sue Morrow gave an excerpt from “St Joan” followed by “Gus the Theatre Cat” (T. S. Eliot). It is a pity

that there are not more opportunities for performance in the town as there are capable small ensembles such as the senior recorder group and the girls’ choral group which have music permanently ready for performance and are constantly adding to their repertoire.

At the moment the recorder group is working on a trio for descant treble and tenor by Holborne and a waltz by the modern composer Brian Bondor. These girls also teach junior members of the recorder group in the “hobbies” period on Friday. The choir is preparing excerpts from Britten’s “Ceremony of Carols.”

To the junior boys’ choir I say keep it up, and the musical future for Coffs Harbour is rosy. This is growing into a most efficient body of singers and from the ruins of their soprano voices should rise an impressive array of tenors and basses.

We are sorry to lose Michael Newman and Robyn Latham, both of whom have been staunch supporters of the choir for the last three years, and we wish them well for the future.

We are also sorry to lose Barry Ferguson, whose bass voice added much to the choir’s tone. However, we would not be so unkind as to hope he will be singing with us next year!

M. J. POWELL.
P. & C. REPORT

P. & C. EXECUTIVES 1967

Re-elected: President, H. L. Lovett; Vice-President, Mrs. Small; Secretary, Mr. A. Latham; Treasurer, Mr. J. Chapman.
New Members: Vice-Presidents, Mr. T. Slack and Mr. Robinson.

Canteen funds continue to provide necessary equipment for the school. Its contributions to the school this year include $500 for Library, $250 for Art prints for the new wing and contributions to the needs of the Art and Geography department. A substantial balance has been retained for expenditure on the needs of the new wing in 1968.

Attendance at P. and C. meetings continues strong. The regular meeting night is the first Monday of each month and all parents would be welcome.

CHMRC

The Coffs Harbour Model Rocket Club was just formed this year. It consists of seven members with six rockets, five single stage rockets and one double stage. There are also three stage and payload rockets available. The club urgently needs more members who are genuinely interested in Model Rocketry.

Inquiries should be made to B. Gatenby (president) or M. Whipp (publicity officer). The usual places where we launch our rockets are the Showground, Brelsford Park, Hammond’s Field and the Banana Bowl.

Model Rocketry is well known in America and is catching on very fast in Australia. There is both interest and enjoyment in the club. You have the thrill of building your own rocket, pressing the launching switch and watching it zoom into the air going between 500 and 3000 feet with a three stage rocket.

There are about 15-20 rockets available at the time, ranging from 6”-24” which are available in all three stages. The rockets are powered by different size engines, depending on the height you want it to go. The engines can only be used once and vary in price from 25c to 50c each.

To conclude, I must express the need for more members to make the club competitive and sociable.

Signed C.H.M.R.C.

Mr. M. Whipp, Publicity Officer.
Correspondence by Mr. IAN GRAY.

ISCF

ISCF continues to meet each Thursday lunch time in Room 7. There has been a varied programme this year, with some of the local clergy as visiting speakers.

The First Form Welcome was a great success, when ISCF members entertained over 60 First Formers and parents, and put forward the aims and ideals of the movement, including information on the extensive camps programme.

Anne MacDonald and Michael Newman attended the Leadership Conference at Richmond in May and many members assisted in a Regional Conference in Macksville in April. During the same month Wyneth Nobbs attended a weekend house party at Evans Head.

We would like to thank Mr. and Mrs. McKinnon for making their farm at Friday Creek available for two most enjoyable barbecues.

This year there are more than 20 camps being held in the Christmas holidays in various parts of New South Wales and several pupils from this school are taking advantage of these. The camps cater for those interested in technology, the arts, social work, surfing, sailing or simply exploring the “great outdoors.”

All those in positions of leadership in such activities endeavour to put in practice the ISCF motto “To know Christ and to make Him known.”

Thank you Robin Latham for your willing work over the last four years and particularly your leadership in 1967.

M. J. POWELL, Counsellor.
**CANDID COMMENTS**

- And they say nobody who goes in there comes out the same!
- **STAFF 6th FORM**
- **BOYS TOILETS**
  - Light up a Viscount.......
- **SCHOOL ROCKS**
- **SCHOOL ROCKS**
  - Who spit the Fertiliser?
- You don't seem to be getting to the point
- **TIME OF RECKONING**
  - I suppose it was inevitable that they eventually should take over staff room.
- **On Guard**
SPORTS 1967
Sport and Physical Education this year were severely hampered by adverse weather conditions and the lack of adequate playing fields and facilities. In spite of this, teams and individual players always upheld the sportsmanship and sporting tradition of the school.

It is with regret, however, that I must report an overall low standard of swimming. Many of our pupils who leave us this year will never swim well, as proficiency in swimming is learnt during the school years. Through lack of a swimming pool in the district the school has been unable to have organised swimming competition and life saving as part of the curriculum. It is to be hoped that the proposed Olympic Pool will be available next year.

R. F. JARVIS, Sportsmaster.

SPORTING AWARDS

BOYS

BLUES

AWARDS OF MERIT
FOOTBALL: B. Lambeth, G. Wallace.
TENNIS: P. Michie, B. Hogan.
ATHLETICS: J. Ide.

GIRLS

BLUES
HOCKEY: C. Turner, R. Robinson.
BASKETBALL: K. Lewis.
SOFTBALL: D. Amos.
ATHLETICS: P. Carter.
SQUASH: J. Paul.

AWARDS OF MERIT
HOCKEY: P. Miller, L. Durie, S. Grimmond.
BASKETBALL: C. McKenzie, B. Smith.
SOFTBALL: T. Wright, K. Lewis, P. Miller.

6.7 FOOTBALL
Coffs Harbour v Bellingen — won 11-0.
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — won 6-3.
Coffs Harbour v Macksville — won 5-0.
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — won 12-3.
Coffs Harbour v Macksville — lost 6-2.
Coffs Harbour v South Grafton — won 10-0.
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — won 2-0.
Coffs Harbour v St. Aloysius (Grafton) — won 3-0.
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — won 5-0.
Coffs Harbour v Casino — lost 6-0.
Matches won 8; matches lost 2.
Total points for, 56; total points against, 18.

7.7 FOOTBALL
Coffs Harbour v Macksville — drew 3-3.
Coffs Harbour v Bellingen — drew 3-3.
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — lost 0-11.
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — lost 3-14.
Coffs Harbour v St. Grafton “B” — won 40-0.
Coffs Harbour v St. Grafton “A” — won 16-0.
Coffs Harbour v Grafton “A” — won 2-0.
Coffs Harbour v Grafton “A” — lost 0-2.
Matches won 3; matches lost 3; matches drawn 2.
Total points for, 67; total points against, 33.

8.7 FOOTBALL
Coffs Harbour v Macksville — drew 3-3.
Coffs Harbour v Bellingen — drew 3-3.
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — lost 11-0.
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — lost 14-3.

9.7 FOOTBALL
Coffs Harbour v Macksville — won 15-0.
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — lost 10-8.
Coffs Harbour v Macksville — won 5-3.
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — won 6-3.
Coffs Harbour v St. Grafton — won 8-0.
Total matches won, 3; total matches lost, 3.
Total points for, 40; total points against, 30.

OPEN “B” FOOTBALL
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — lost 15-10.
Coffs Harbour v Macksville — won 23-3.
Coffs Harbour v Kendall — won 10-2.
Coffs Harbour v Dorrigo — won 23-0.
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — lost 10-3.
Matches won 3; matches lost 2.
Total points for, 69; total points against, 30.
OPEN "A" FOOTBALL
Coffs Harbour v Macksville — won 16-13.
Coffs Harbour v Bellingen — won 32-5.
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — won 19-14.
Coffs Harbour v Macksville — won 25-5.
Coffs Harbour v Casino — won 18-10.
Coffs Harbour v Tamworth — lost 9-5.
Coffs Harbour v Coffs Harbour Juniors — won 24-8.
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — lost 18-8.
Coffs Harbour v Macksville — won 22-9.
Coffs Harbour v Old Boys — lost 21-11.
Coffs Harbour v Coffs Harbour Juniors — lost 13-3.
Coffs Harbour v South Sydney — won 3-2.
Coffs Harbour v Western Suburbs — lost 7-0.
Coffs Harbour v Glen Innes — won 14-0.
Coffs Harbour v Woodlawn — drew 2-2.
Matches won, 9; matches lost, 5; matches drawn, 1.
Total points for, 219; total points against, 119.

BASKETBALL
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — lost 63-40.
Coffs Harbour v Macksville — won 29-23.

ATHLETICS
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — won 95-88.
Coffs Harbour v Macksville — won 236½-153½.

MIXED TENNIS
Seniors —
Coffs Harbour v Bellingen — lost 12 sets to 6 sets.
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — won 28 sets to 11 sets.
Juniors —
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — won 29 sets to 11 sets.

DAVIES SHIELD
FOR INTER-HOUSE COMPETITION
(Boys and girls combined)
1st: Blue, 499.
2nd: White, 497½.
3rd: Green, 491.
Coffs Harbour v Macksville — lost 14-7.
Coffs Harbour v St. Grafton "B" — won 40-0.
Coffs Harbour v St. Grafton "A" — won 16-0.
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — won 2-0.
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — lost 2-0.
Matches won 3; matches lost 4; matches drawn 2.
Total points for, 64; total points against, 45.

"A" HOCKEY
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — won 0-3.
Coffs Harbour v Bellingen — won 0-0.
Coffs Harbour v Macksville — won 2-0.
Total goals for, 5; against, 0.

"B" HOCKEY
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — won 0-3.
Coffs Harbour v Bellingen — won 0-0.
Coffs Harbour v Macksville — won 0-0.
Total goals for, 14; against, 0.

1st FORM HOCKEY
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — won 0-3.
2nd FORM HOCKEY
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — won 0-3.

COMBINED 1st AND 2nd FORM
Coffs Harbour v Macksville — won 3-2.
Total goals for, 3; against, 8.
All junior teams.

"A" BASKETBALL
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — won 16-51.
Coffs Harbour v Macksville — won 5-38.
Coffs Harbour v Bellingen — won 2-45.
Total goals for, 23; against, 134.

"B" BASKETBALL
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — won 13-35.
Coffs Harbour v Macksville — won 8-27.
Coffs Harbour v Bellingen — won 2-18.
Total goals for, 23; against, 80.

1st FORM
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — won 4-27.
2nd FORM
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — won 14-38.

JUNIOR COMBINED
Coffs Harbour v Macksville — won 12-38.
Total goals for, 30; against, 103.

"A" SOFTBALL
Coffs Harbour v Maclean — won 15-12.
Total runs for, 35; against, 25.

"B" SOFTBALL
Coffs Harbour v Casino — won 21-14.
Coffs Harbour v Grafton — won 14-8.
Total runs for, 35; against, 22.

JUNIOR SOFTBALL
Coffs Harbour v Maclean — won 12-11.
Coffs Harbour v Casino — won 12-6.
Total runs for, 24; against, 17.
SPORTS AWARDS

Davies Shield for Inter-House Competition .................. Green House
Davidson Shield for Inter-House Athletics .................. Green House
Sportswoman of the Year (Blues in Athletics/Hockey) ...... Lynette Durie
Sportsman of the Year (Blue in Cricket) .................... Stuart Rowlands

BLUE AWARDS

Girls
Softball: Dianne Amos, Terry Wright, Anne Holdsworth.
Basketball: Kathy McNally, Ann Holdsworth, Sharon Young.
Athletics: Lynette Durie, Pam Miller, Julie McKenzie.
Hockey: Bronwyn Jeater, Lynette Durie, Sue Grimmond

Boys
Football: Daryl Johnstone, Peter Flanders, Richard Sinclair, Kevin Montgomery.
Cricket: Stuart Rowlands, Peter McKenzie.

ATHLETIC CHAMPIONS

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SENIOR SQUASH

B. Row: G. Dal Pozzo, G. Kell.
“A” BASKETBALL
P. Row: L. Williams, C. McKenzie, B. Smith.

“B” BASKETBALL
Back Row: Cornelia Duchateau, Colleen O'Neill.
Second Row: Vivienne East, Vicki Goodworth.
Front Row: Roslyn Hart, Sue Mitchell, Rhonda Johnston, Miss Marsden.

1st FORM BASKETBALL
B. Row: B. Roby, D. Cantrill, L. Khan.
P. Row: S. McLean, M. Dulin, L. Smith

2nd FORM BASKETBALL
L to R: Kathy Griffith, Robyn Williamson, Peggy Jones, Jenny Mitchell,
Linda Sales, Annette Lucas, Margaret Bruce.
“A” HOCKEY

P. Row: A. McNally, R. Robinson, S. Grinnell, P. Miller, P. Hill, A. Smith.

1st FORM HOCKEY

B. Row: M. Hoschke, M. Turner, B. Patterson, J. Woodall, E. Lorrain, L. Logan.

“B” HOCKEY

B. Row: R. Nelson, Robyn Latham, Carol Wright, Pam Hill, Nola Fife, Dorothea Haworth.
P. Row: Elizabeth Ide, Helen McQuigan, Jennifer Graham, Sally Ide, Sue Adams, Judy Jackson, Julie McKenzie.

2nd FORM HOCKEY

P. Row: E. Ide, H. McQuigan, S. Dayhew, J. Jackson, P. Hill.
**GIRLS’ ATHLETIC TEAM**

**"B" SOFTBALL**
B. Row: N. Filewood, C. Duchateau, A. Pearce.
F. Row: M. Loerand, S. Cornish, C. Wright, V. Cochbain, A. Smith.

**"A" SOFTBALL**
B. Row: A. Muldoon, T. Wright, F. Hill.
F. Row: A. Ure, P. Miller, P. Amos, L. Durie, E. Ure.

**JUNIOR SOFTBALL**
I. to R.: M. Bruce, A. Lucas, N. Malone, J. Small, E. Ide, H. McQuigan, J. Jackson, P. Hill.
F. Row: E. Ide, H. McQuigan, J. Dayhew, J. Jackson P. Hill.
SENIOR TENNIS

JUNIOR TENNIS

FIRST XI

JUNIOR CRICKET
BOYS' ATHLETICS

BOYS' BASKETBALL

6.7 FOOTBALL
Front Row: M. Crock, A. Foote (VC), S. Wallace, J. Davis (capt.), L. Williams, P. Jenkins, G. McCarthy.

7.7 FOOTBALL
87 FOOTBALL

OPEN "B" FOOTBALL

97 FOOTBALL

OPEN "A" FOOTBALL
THE UNIVERSITY SHIELD—
COFFS HARBOUR
V
TAMWORTH
The BANANA INDUSTRY in COFFS HARBOUR

The Banana Growing Industry is one that has developed rapidly over the last 30 years. Although bananas were grown in N.S.W. as early as 1912, the real development has occurred since the war with a remarkable increase in acreage, until the industry's importance (amongst the fruits) is exceeded only by the apple, citrus and vine fruits industries. Banana growing was introduced about 1926 and has become the principal industry in this district.

Banana growing in Coffs Harbour has been successful because of the fulfilment of certain requirements. In fact, much of the coast of Australia from the Nambucca district northwards is well suited to the industry.

Bananas require highly fertile soil and a subsoil which is able to hold sufficient moisture to tide the plant over the occasional dry periods. Being tropical fruit, they require warm growing conditions, high rainfall or irrigation, freedom from frosts and shelter from strong winds. Much damage has been done by tropical cyclones.

In our district the necessary conditions for banana growing are found on the slopes with a north-easterly aspect, but in other districts they are grown on flat land.

In establishing a plantation the land is first cleared and ripped (cultivated) with bulldozers and tractors. Suckers which have been heat treated for nematodes and then planted. A contour system of planting is used, the suckers being planted in rows about six feet by nine feet.

The running of a plantation involves a lot of work. Many growers employ extra men. Being shallow rooted surface feeders, bananas suffer severely from competition with weeds, thus the grower sprays his plantation regularly with chemical weed killers and insecticides. New systemic weed killers are preferred to the old types like arsenic pentoxide which was harmful to stock and man. The stool (plant) is regularly desuckered and fertilized. A plantation which is heavily fertilized and irrigated often yields over 500 cases per acre per year, but there are many poorly worked plantations with a considerably lower yield.

The banana bunch, which forms in the heart of the stool, may consist of upward of a dozen "hands," each good hand consisting of up to three dozen bananas. When the bananas are filled out, but still green, the bunch is cut in a way that often surprises people not familiar with banana growing. Not only the bunch but the whole stool is cut and the plant is left on the ground to rot and form mulch.

Most growers use four-wheel-drive vehicles as a means of transporting their fruit to the packing shed; the cumbersome flying fox system of wires has become obsolete.

Once at the shed the bunches are de-handed and graded according to length and girth. Most growers still favour packing in bushel cases in which the single pack is used. In the more modern method of packing, 30 to 35 lb. cartons are used and the bananas are packed in clusters or hands. Having been clamped to keep the fruit tightly packed in transit, the case is dipped in a special salicylanilide solution for the control of blackend and squirter. Some growers prefer to sell their bunches to the packing house which pays them for the fruit by the pound.

The bananas are marketed mainly in the southern markets of Sydney and Melbourne and Adelaide. In N.S.W., transport facilities and other arrangements are organised by the Banana Growers' Federation. The B.G.F. also supplies most requirements, including the blue plastic bags which cover the bunch, this providing it with extra warmth during the growing period. At the markets the green bananas are ripened in gas-filled chambers and then distributed to retail outlets.

At present, the grower is faced with a number of problems, including fluctuating prices. During the summer or other glut periods, the prices fall very low, sometimes below the cost of production. However, experimental shipments have been made to New Zealand and growers are working towards gaining an export market in Japan. Local growers suffer from competition with Northern Queensland where bananas are grown on a large scale on flat land.

RUSS HANCOCK, 2A.
THE OLD PROSPECTOR

Night had come frowning. Not a breath of air came to stir the silence. In the sky, scattered pinpricks of silver had grown into stars; soon the moon would appear — full-white. An old prospector was rocking himself in the lean-to of a small bark humpy. He was waiting to see the moon rise, as he thought of the morrow's happenings.

Patrick Murphy was a man of the wide open spaces. As a boy he loved nothing better than to wander over the hills and follow the streams, gathering tiny pebbles, and looking for gold specimens.

He had hated school and as soon as he was old enough to leave home he did so. The call of adventure and a "get rich quick" thought in the back of his mind, built up over the years from books he had read about early pioneers.

The hope of a rich gold strike lured him on. This led to a lonely life back of beyond. Each morning at the crack of dawn he would rise, and vigorously erect a camp-fire over which to boil his smoke-tainted billy. He had a quick breakfast of damper and smoked tea before setting off down to the creek, which, further on, whirled past the rusty rocks with a gurgle and a laugh.

At the creek he filled his dish with sediments, then swirled it around and under the surface of the water. Sometimes he panned quite large quantities of alluvial gold, and sometimes none at all, but his eyes were always seeking "colour." Occasionally he took his pannings to a distant town where, at a bank, they were weighed, and sometimes on these visits he sold his specimens. He earned sufficient to keep living him on, but never enough to have the riches he had always dreamed of.

On one visit to the town he bought a newspaper. The headlines were:

"Gold Found In Large Quantities."

He read the details which told him that the gold was found on the property on which he had lived as a child. He realised that distant fields are not always greenest.

JILLIAN PHILLIPS, 1A.

THE FORGOTTEN ONE

Had it been some other time, or I some other person, I don't think I would have stopped. If such days of perfect idleness could be considered wasteful, then I would blame the melancholy day or my particularly sentimental feelings. I think its loneliness struck me at first because after I saw it, the emptiness of the cave seemed twice as empty and the only sound was that of waves muffling against the shore. With perhaps exaggerated intentness I bent to pick up the discarded chocolate wrapper.

That it had seen better days was obvious by the faded red paper and the tainted gold lettering. I couldn't help wondering who it was that had held this paper before me. Had they been wandering aimlessly like me? Perhaps they too had sat — on that flat rock there — remembering the times when, as children, they had climbed daringly up the cliff face and then, panicking they had laughed defiantly at the sea below. Perhaps, as they remembered, the cave came to life once more and rang with the laughter of happy children long since gone.

These thoughts awoke in me the same sadness as before. All at once I didn't want to think of this person any more, for I felt sure that he had come, like me, to say goodbye to the cave and the childhood memories it held. I had left no telltale paper behind me; only shameless tears that were already lost in the sea. Time would age the paper and it too would become part of the surroundings. I felt friendly towards this person I had created and I knew that, whatever our secrets here, the cave would guard them well.

KATHY McDONALD, 3A.

THE TREE

The gnarled, wind-swept tree stood solitary on the rocky headland. Its leaves were falling to the ground on a soft salt breeze which moved slowly over the heated land.

The tree looked sad somehow as if it knew its days were numbered. Its wrinkled bark was starting to peel and fall to the ground, and curves of its trunk slowly moved upwards to the soft, blue sky.

Many lines, such as hearts with initials, have been carved into its thick leathery trunk. This tree has also been used as a leaning post by many people who have been exhausted after a long climb up to the headland.

Long boughs, hundreds or years old, lean out over the rocks, almost as if the sea had pulled them.

It has seen generation after generation of people come and go.

KATHY PAGE, 3F.
THE SWAGGIE

He tramps along the dusty road,
His back is bent down low;
His eyes are shut to the blinding dust,
He knows not where to go.

At night he sits by an open fire
And watches the coals grow red;
The full moon rises above the trees
And he lies down in his bed,
And wishes the night had sped.

ANNE SMITH, 1A.

REFLECTIONS

Oft have I sat and wept in the darkness—
Cool, grey darkness that governs my room—
And thought of places I have yet to go,
Where I have not been.

I am seized with a longing—
A longing to travel, to leave far behind
These familiar faces which govern my life,
But when I reach up to the stars in the sky—
Immortal, everlasting pillars of stone—
I grasps only darkness, emptiness, loneliness,
And the futile realisation of a futile dream.

I cannot go — I am not given leave,
I must bury my dreams in a little grey mound,
With a cross and a star to show me where lie
All the hopes of a child.

I look out from my bedroom window,
Down across the lawn and to the road,
And on the road I hear the tramp,
The ceaseless tramp of feet;
They are young and I am old,
But I do not hear them ill,
For Australia's hopes and Australia's fate
Are resting on them still.

BETTY PRYOR, 4A.

CHRISTMAS

Oh dear! when Santa comes
He'll really think I'm shocking,
For do you know, my biggest toe
Is peeping through my stocking.

I'll get a needle and some cotton
And really start to sew,
And when he comes with all his gifts
They won't fall through the toe.

I'll hang it on the mantiepiece
And wait for him to come,
And do you know, upon the sink
I've left a glass of rum.

We all helped clean the chimney
So when Santa comes down
He won't get any soot and dust
Upon his bright red gown.

On Christmas morn' we all awake
To find our gifts and sweets,
For Santa knows that boys and girls
All like Christmas treats.

JANIC LUSTED, 1A.

2A

Forty pupils the teacher had,
Twenty that worked and slaved like mad,
Twenty that hated school and work;
All their lessons they tried to shirk.

The twenty workers worked as fast
At the end of the year their exams they passed.
The other twenty faces paled,
Looked at their papers which said "failed."

The moral is "work hard at school",
Don't spend the day playing the fool,
For you will find, as did the twenty,
It pays to heed the teacher plenty.

JUDY SMALL, 2A.
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