

Briefly and strongly I'd like to say what is happening at the moment this year of those of the students here at Maningrida school. So many of our students are not attending at the moment but most of them are. Some are at Cadell, Nangark and Guyun because those children who are living at their stations as a matter of fact the truck is not available at the moment but it will be soon after the truck is on the road again. about the children lives at the settlement? Who is responsible for the children? Is Mr. Hassall, or the teachers, or the parents? My answer is the parents' responsibilities to look after their children by telling them and bringing them to school and if they are badly sick or wounded, its your responsibility to take your child to the hospital first and if the child is really sick, please report it the Head Master or teachers and teaching assistants after you have been to the hospital with your child so there won't be any trouble chasing after the children like a madman who are absent from school. Children who are staying away from school and staying at home enjoying themselves of card games and some other things they do at home but mother and father of the child or child's relations just don't care about their child. If you want to keep him or her at camp, why can't you teach your child because you are keeping them away from school and you just don't care about your child to come to school to learn what he or she wants to learn and to cumulate many things into their mind to cultivate about our current world future and their mind to cultivate about our current world future. into their mind to cultivate about our current world, future and past life around this world of our new generation. At school where I'm teaching, I don't only teach but I also do my obserwation. I observe the teachers and the work they do and what I do and learning in many ways by helping the teachers, the people, the students and so many other things happening here at the moment. I have created my idea and thoughts because I want to be clever, intelligent, knowledgeable and experienced person here in my new generation for my future's need. So why can't you people help me and the teachers by doing something by bringing your child to school to be educated and to make this school and settlement to look happier that never happened before.

Jimmy Pascoe Teaching Officer

GORDON

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Kitchen opened to all Settlement. This THIS SCHOOL TEN YEARS AGO: involved quite some supervision, as many children who are not attending school came up for meals, so I was able to collect a big number of truants.

CHILDREN'S CORNER: Mrs. Neales class completed these dialogues in answer to the question "Why are you late for school?"

Teacher: Why were you sleeping:

Boy: Because I was sleeping T Boy: Because I didn't wake up. Terry

Boy: I was sleeping in the bed. Teacher: Iwas in the bed but I came early Boy: Oh then I will come early in the morning LESLIE

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CUNSYND DOES IT AGAIN:

The champion race horse Gunsynd returned to Sydney racing last Saturday with a good victory in the Rawson Stakes (1750m) at Rosehill. Two weeks earlier he had to struggle to win the Queen Elizabeth Stakes (2500m) at Flemington. After that victory, Australia's number one jockey Roy Higgins said "I'm afraid he's a light of former days". Once again trainer T.J.Smith proved everyone wrong by freshening Gunsynd up and bringing him back 750m to win at Rosehill from a field that included Cola Brick (A.J.C. Derby winner), Triton (Gunsynd's conqueror in the Epsom), Torumba (Villiers winner) and Sharif.

Gunsynd is far from over the hill. He has not been over-raced. He is a five year old stallion and he has had 51 starts for 28 wins, 4½ seconds and 8 thirds. Tulloch had 53 starts during his illness-ridden career for 36 wins, 12 seconds and 4 thirds. A few interesting questions come to my mind here:-

- a) Will Gunsynd follow in Tullochs footsteps and be a failure at the stud? and
- b) What woulf Gunsynd's racing record have been if he had been trained by T.J.Smith right from the start of his racing career?

VICTORY FOR THE PINKS:

On Monday night all women were playing basketball. The best players were Betty Wandug and Mandy. The pink team won. They had 46 points and the yellow team had 32 points. It was a good game.

-Sandra Namala.

AUSTRALIA GET CLOSER TO THE WORLD CUP:

With Australia's 6-0 win over Indonesia at the Sydney Sports Ground on Sunday 25th. March 1973 they now go on to the next round of World Cup Eliminations. The points at the end of this round were Australia 9, Iraq 8, Indonesia 4 and New Zealand 3.

Australia will now meet the winners of the Iran/Syria/ Kuwait series to be played in Teheran in May. After some disappointing wins and draws eralier in the series the Australian team really came to light against Indonesia, when they needed to win to keep in the World Cup.

A FEAST OF CRICKET:

The gigantic crowd of cricket fans at the M.C.G. last Saturday were treated to a feast of cricket. Not only did they witness a thrilling 2 hour an innings game but a special 10 overs a side match was thrown in for good value. The M.C.G. Trust must be congratulated on this progressive move.

Cunning Cannings Terrible Ten emerged victorious in the main game, giving Davies Dynamoes a veritable thrashing.

In the special bonus match, put on just to keep the restless crowd happy, The Terrible Ten once more turnedon superb cricket to win. Highlights of the days play must surely have been the courageous stops by "Tin Legs"Ryan, the valiant catch attempts by "Diver" O'toole (an import from the English team) the bowling of "Chucker" Lars, and the many catches that went begging. A vigorous 41 by "The Slashing Vicar" Mosese Latu and the many fine catches taken by Bob Cross ("Steady Hands" and "Quick Reflexes" all in one) put the seal on a fine days play.

THE BOYS HAVE A GO: - On Tuesday night we saw basketball. First game was Djunewunya and Kopanga. After that it was half time and we went to drink and toilet. We played and we finished playing basketball. The score was Djunewunya 30 to Kupanga 16. Best players were Ronnie and Basil

Now second game was Junction Bay against Navy Landing. It was a bit rough. That was no good. Junction Bay were 28 and Navy Landing were 12.

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Our sincere appreciation to Mrs Davies, Helen Williams, and Messrs Hunter, Gillespie, Pink, Collins, Ashe', Steele, Davey and Wudjal for their valued assistance with store stock taking. Their contribution enabled an early finish and the standard was particularly high. As a point of interest there is \$55,000 worth of saleable merchandise in the store as at 31st March. It may be of interest also to note the turover of the Association's four retail outlets. 1) Store: \$389,000 2) Hasty Tasty: \$55,000 3) Bakery: \$40,000 4) Craft centre: \$34,000.

Plenty of Paw paws, bananas and sweet potatoes available from Cadell. Hopefully it won't be too long before we can add tomatoes, lettuce, cucumbers, rock melons, water melons, capsicum etc; also that it won't be too long before gladioli are again going to Darwin.

We regret that we have had to pass on a few price increases which have occurred ex-factory and are unavoidable. The lines affected are mostly tinned meats - most of which have risen by 5c each. G.B.

Hunting, Gunavidje style

Last Sunday the Gunevidgi people went to Crab Creek on the school truck. While we were driving along the Rocky Point road we spotted two large emus on the road, about 50 yards ahead of us. Johnny Godowa had one unsuccessful shot and then men, women and children gave chase through the bush. They followed the tracks but the emus were far too swift. When we arrived at Crab Creek the ladies went off in search of crabs. As usual, the Gunevidgi ladies found the crabs very plentiful. A few fish were also caught and a group of us went off in search of prawns. Our search was successful and we had a lot of fun catching about a pound of good-tasting prawns. Johnny Godowa entertained himself for a while with a fish-wire and then, following a rumour, he went off in search of flying fox. He returned with three of them. The flying fox is a very interesting animal and the producer of strong meat. When the hunters returned we packed the truck and set off for Maningrida with our haul of crabs, fish, flying fox, sugar bag and full stomachs. - Bob Stutchbury

More of toilets

On Friday night and Saturday night I was judies around school ground. I saw them girls boys they going to peroper toilet but old people they were toilet at school ground. but I always think, how but when pictures start and you have to tell them old people and younger people. So these people will believe you and Mr M. Uibo and also all the councillors will listen to you and M. Uibo because all the councillors they didn't judic around school ground and - Mr G.R. Garrawun everywhere.

Clossifieds

LOST: Left in Moke Saturday night or outside hospital Sunday morning 1 Yashica 35mm camera. reward Clive McMahon.

T.B. VACCINATIONS if you are interested in being vaccinated come to Infant Health Clinic 7.30 am to 930 am. Children between 3 and 14 years excepted.

IMPORTANT

The Mirage is now making its deadline Wednesday afternoon. We will try to get around to most of our regulars on Wednesday to collect material. Please dont hesitate to give stuff to us before if you have it ready—the earlier the better. We are trying to avoid having to do all the typing in the late hours of Thursday——a newspaper mans lot is not a happy one. So unless its urgent or its a cable to say the price of heer has dropped— So unless its urgent or its a cable to say the price of beer has droppedif its late it doesn't go in.

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Basketball Team for Darwin

Maningrida Basketball Team.... Jim Cooper (Captain . Coach .)

George Putti Dick Smith Bobby Smith Ronnie Mace Jacky Pascoe Larry Weipa Jimmy Walbaraka

Please, do not forget, that there'll be training on Saturday afternoon, at three (3) o'clock & also a light training at same time. So fellows it's up to you, to turn up at training, if you want to go Darwin for the 1973 Easter Basketball Carnival.

Charlie Godjua

from Captain Coach .

Tim Darcy Alfie Roberts Jerry Milliken

Tom Wudjal Or Michael Stewart Or Ray Carter .

This is how the training list start, s.

9 D Yibarbuk 6 J Mason T Darcy A Roberts 8 B smith 18 Flascoe 18 J M Pascoc1 Captain 4 9 I Weipa 6 J Cooper R Thompson 7 G Waiaka D Smith 9 9 C Godjua T Wudjal 8 J G Pascoe 4 J Milliken 8 R Mace 9 R Carter 9

Captain-Coach Advice.

Well fellows, just to let you chaps, who are in my training list. I know some of you fellows won'; like itbecause it will be to bad if you dropped out of the team, if you don't train, from 7th to the . are

18th of this month .And as you all know , I have asked you , chaps
from the 24th March , to start to train to keep yourself fit & ready
when the time comes & also for your near future. Thewarning the
fellows , who are going with Daddy (R Pink) Cool & Lady (Bob Stutch)
Killer & myself , if you don't train From the 7th to the 18th you
will be dropped out, if you miss one night training or unless if you
are working late or sick . So it's up to you, to think very hard .
This goe's , for you , if you are best basketballer or played interste
ate teams including , if people think , you are best , ball handler
at Maningrida , so it's up to you , who ever you are . Anyhow I hope
some of you fellow's will take notice , because if you don't train two
nights , you'll be OUT from the rest of the team . So it's up to you
to ,THINK , THINK , THINK . are

J. Cooper.

hate Basketball Results

over Entrance Island, who tried hard all the time. Kopanga played very well as ateam, passing the ball a lot and moving to open.

spaces all the time.

In the second game Guyon took an early lead but Hamboo Creek played much stronger in the last 10minutes to force a draw, 22 each. This result was a good indication of the game.

STOP STOP STOP PRESS.

Senior Boys' Basketball.

Rexie's Roarers 50 beat Andy's Atoms 40. These two teams, each week, play the best basketball seen at Maningrida da for a long time. Special pention for Rexie, Richard and The P.S. Flying Negron Steven Fisterga. about a mystery which had a high time Maningrida Monster story. Will include it Boy: I was under the shower and I couldn't hear the bell.

Raymond

Boy: Because I always come late Steven.

A very particular anti- pollution fiend was discovered in Mrs. Neales S.G.S. Neatly tucked under his desk was an icecream tin labelled PRIVATE BIN containing the remains of a packet of chips and other refuse

Are you looking for a job?

Some very important news for Aboriginal working men. The Housing Association has been given more money to start work on more houses for Aboriginal people. There is some money for a truck and things like that and also money to start up the old brickworks again.

Because of all the new work there will be some new jobs. These jobs will pay really good money. Here are the jobs -

- 1 Leading hand for the brickworks he will be boss wages \$60.00 a week;
- 5 men to work in the brickworks wages \$57.00 a week;
- 4 carpenters' helpers. For these jobs you will need to know how to measure with a ruler wages \$57.00 a week;
- 1 Leading hand to be in charge of building fences and repairs wages \$60.00 a week;
- 1 Assistant to the fencing man wages \$57.00 a week;
- 1 Leading hand painter wages \$60.00 a week;
- 1 painter's helper wages \$57.00 a week.

If you think you can do these jobs well and would like to earn good wages, see Rod Seymour straightaway - the work will start in one month.

Church Notes

Rod Seymour

CHURCH WORKERS COURSE: Johnny Guyawbaka left Maningrida on Tuesday morning by Connair to Galiwinku where this course started on Wednesday 4th. and it will last for two weeks until the 18th. The Church shows her appreciation to teh concerns and cares of the Forestry Dept. by allowing Johnny to be away from job during this time. All towns invited to send delegates to this course which is run by the Christian Education Dept. We are looking forward for some new methods and insights out of this course.

OVERSEAS VISITOR: Bishop Aminiasi Qalo arrived here on Wednesday to visit and study various aspects of works and methods of doing things in towns of Arnhem Land area. He is a Fijian missionary to Papua- New Guinea Highlands and he was impressed with some practical projects in which Aboriginals have proportunities to take initiatives and help themselves.

It was a pity that the Church meeting cancelled because of bad weather and only a few of us have a good conversation with the Pishop and exchanging ideas with some of the common problems we have which are similar to what they have up in Highlands.

Short of space---- programme as per usual this Sunday.

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ATTENTION HOARDERS

THE PRESCHOOL USES ANYTHING

We would be most grateful to anyone able to supply us with any of the following:-

a) magazines (for looking or cutting out)

b) Corks, bottle tops, lids of containers

c) buttons, cotton reels

d) cardboard-any shape or size- from matchboxes to cartons

e) old greeting cards, colourful paper, gift wrappings

f) material scraps

g) plastic squeeze bottles
h) knitting wool

i) machinery parts, screws, nuts & bolts, old clocks, watches etc

j) old tyres, rope

k) scrap timber, old clothes, hats, scarves. shoes etc for dressing-up

1) objects & specimens for the nature table

And if you want to see how we can use anything, and why, drop in sometime and have a look around.

J.C. and P.B.

Compulsory chest X-ray

1) The compulsory chest X-Ray survey notified last Mirage will be conducted in the Hall.

2) One kind family has offered to look after one of the technicians; if anyone could look after the remaining man, with meals and accomodation, or just meals would they please notify J.Hunter

Please note that the franchise has been extended to the above group and that you have a period of grace I.C.G. 21/6/73 in which to enroll. It is compulsory for non-aboriginals to enrol but aboriginals don't have to unless they want to. Once enrolled though, you have to vote.

Supplies of enrolment forms are available at the settlement office.

MANINGRIDA

SPORTS

CLUB

This Wednesday evening (11th.April) there will be an Executive Meeting beginning at 7.30pm in the Resource Centre. Anyone interested in the proceedings is invited to come.

J.N.

DUTY OFFICER: Grant Steel

DUTY SISTER: Sister Betty

a good one has been promised. Watch the board or your television.

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