



## BOXING AT WALLAGA LAKE

The Boxing Tournament held at Wallaga Lake Aboriginal Station last month attracted over 250 spectators, including about 100 of the local white community from the district.

Some good fighters were brought from Cobargo, Bermagui and Tilba to match the boys of Wallaga Lake, and the bouts were very keenly contested.

In spite of lack of training on the part of the Wallaga Lake boys, they showed superiority in technique and effective punching.

Young Roy Thomas (6.0), Wallaga Lake, lost on points to Malcolm Morgan (5.8), Cobargo.

Lindsay Pickalla (9.0), Wallaga Lake, outpointed Bill Hamilton (9.4), Cobargo. Lindsay did some spectacular boxing, and it was one of the hardest hitting bouts of the evening. Lindsay smashed his opponent to the ropes on several occasions, but he tired badly, and missed a K.O.

Maxi Harrison (8.6), Wallaga Lake, stopped Gordon Thomas (8.4), also of Wallaga Lake, in the third round.

Les Darcy (9.4), ex-Kinchela, knocked out Edward Foster (9.4), Wallaga Lake, in the second round.

Peter Yort (10.0), Cobargo, knocked out Barry Pepper (10.0), Tilba, in the third round.

Jimmy Johnson (9.2), Tilba, drew with Ronald McLeod (9.4), Wallaga Lake.

Ian Hoskins (9.6) Wallaga Lake, drew with Costy Parsons (9.0) also of Wallaga Lake.

A very good three-round exhibition match was arranged for the last bout of the night, between Bill Blacka, amateur champion of Cobargo and a title holder of N.S.W. and Desmond Thomas of Wallaga Lake.

Desmond who had an injured thumb, and has been completely out of training for many years, showed he was a skilled boxer and a fair match for the Champ.

In between bouts, musical entertainment was provided by some of the residents of Wallaga Lake.

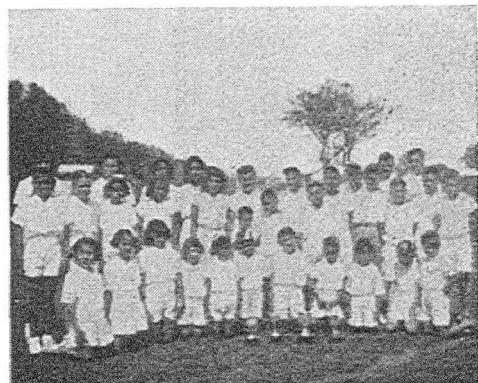
Jim Little sang a few comedy hits, the Wallaga Lake Leaf Band played several tunes, Wally Mongta played the guitar and sang exceptionally well, and Ted Mullet, the Station tenor, sang "Danny Boy" in his own inimitable style.

At the close of the evening a member of the local Police remarked it was one of the most entertaining evenings the District had ever seen.

It is hoped that Wallaga Lake will be able to put on more and better shows in the near future and continue to maintain the present very cordial and harmonious relations with the neighbours of the district.



◆  
 Ian Marlowe, Cabbage Tree Island, holding Cup he won for the third time for Inter-school Champion Athlete.  
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Cabbage Tree Island pupils with Sports Trophies.

