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INTRODUCTION

The Social Club committee wish to take this opportunity to welcome all newcomers into the firm.

Having now settled in, you must have heard of the club. Last year 4 socials were run and a picnic this summer.

We also run block bookings to various shows.

In doing this, we feel we are not leaving the friendly atmosphere behind in the work room, but continuing to enjoy each others company during various outings. Should any member be off sick minimum one week, they receive flowers or, in the case of men, books and cigarettes.

So give Helen James your 1/- when she collects every Friday.

IF YOU'RE SOCIAL LIFE

HAS
BEEN
GIVEN
THE
SCRUB

WHY

DON'T
THE SOCIAL

YOU JOIN
CLUB

COMMITTEE

PRESIDENT:

Ron King

SECRETARY:

Pat Brown

BLOCK BOOKINGS:

Muriel Feasy

SUBSCRIPTIONS:

Helen James

NEWS LETTER:

Doris Simpson

Anne Little

Leo Barnes

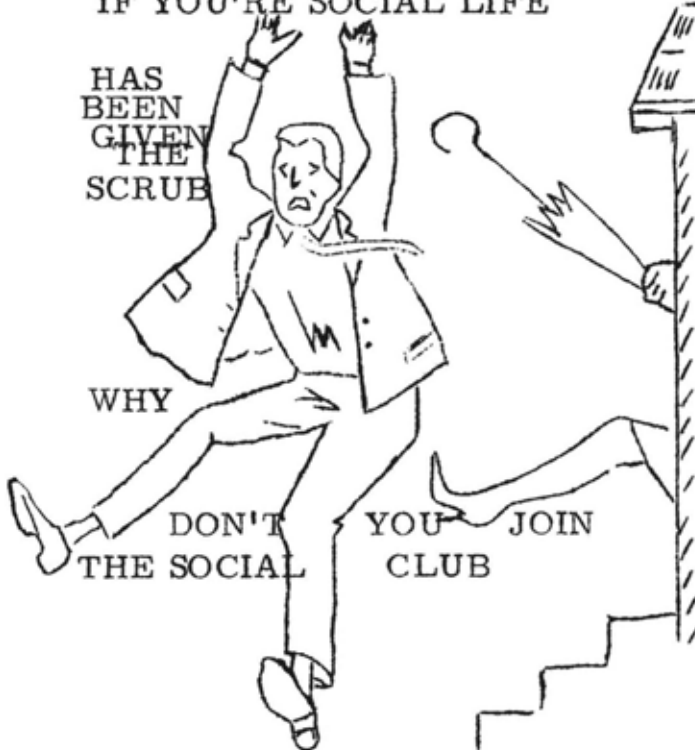
SOCIAL:

Carol Bishop

George Fluery

Jack Donker

Mike Mercer



WORKS FISHING TRIP HELD SUNDAY FEB. 27th

Yes, we all got back safe and sound following a happy days fishing in the Hauraki Gulf after steaming for $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours from Panmure we dropped anchor and over went the lines. Tangles, you've never seen anything like it, then we realised that we were drifting out to sea. Another anchor was dropped and we settled down to catch fish.

A gurnard was the first fish to be landed and spread its fins to show off its radiant colours of orange, blue and green to the interest of most.

Kahawai, yellow tail and sharks about 1 to 2 feet were the next varieties to be caught and then the schnapper began to be hauled aboard. They were not giants but a good pan size and very sweet.

SHARKS somebody yelled. Where, where, was the reply as everybody looked up. It wasn't sharks but a school of about 15, 6 to 10 feet porpoises which swam to within approximately 200 yards of us, put on a display of jumping and swam off.

Highlight of the day was a certain person who arrived carrying only his lunch - said he was only there for the ride and to support the club.

A line was forced on him and he was told to fish or else.

He only fished for about half an hour, caught nine fish and took the prize for the biggest schnapper (3lbs).

The biggest fish of the day was a 9lb king fish it was well played to a good sporting fight by one of our guests.

Our thanks to John Allen and Maurice Mitchell for their greatly appreciated assistance and to all who supported us on a wonderful day.

This article should clear those after holiday blues.

For the following reasons I am unable to send you a larger cheque as a donation. I have been held up, held down, sandbagged, walked upon, sat upon, flattened out, and squeezed by the income tax, super tax, tobacco tax, beer tax, spirits tax, motor tax, sales tax, and by every society organisation and club that the inventive mind of man can think of to extract what I may, or may not have in my possession. For the Red Cross, the Black Cross, the Ivory Cross and the Double Cross, and for every hospital in the country.

The Government has governed my business till I don't know who runs it. I am inspected suspected, examined, and re-examined, informed required and commanded, so that I don't know who I am, where I am, or why I am here at all. All I know is that I am supposed to be an inexhaustible supply of money for every need, desire or hope of the human race, and because I will not go out and beg borrow or steal money to give away, I am cursed, discussed, boycotted, talked to, talked about, lied to, lied about, held up, hung up, rung up, robbed and darned near ruined.



BLOCK BOOKINGS

The social club are going ahead with various block bookings. To enable us to get good seats for the shows, we ask all staff, may we have the money on the days stated. This would save a lot of time and worry for the committee.

GETTING TO KNOW YOUR WORKMATES.JACK ROEBUCK.

Away from Bell's Jack is very busy with the Belles of the Roskill-Kings Marching Teams. He has two teams affiliated to the Auckland Marching and Recreation Ass.

The ages range from 7 to 15 years making one midget and one junior team. A senior team will be formed shortly girls then going from midget to junior to senior. The senior team will be comparatively young with ages ranging from 14 to 16 years.

Roskill-Kings came into being during the Queen's last visit and for the 1962-63 Marching season the team did very well. In the 1963-64 season Roskill-Kings junior team was formed and won six cups and a shield and finished up as Auckland's Junior Display Marching Champions.

To date and with only five marching competitions gone, the junior team has already won three cups - The Sunde Cup, the W. Atkinson Memorial Cup both for competitive display marching and the Western Marching Association Cup for uniform and dress over all grades.

The midget team is holding a good average at competition and have high hopes for this season.

Last season they finished up with two cups and six medals. Mr. Roebuck supplies all the girls with tailor made uniforms, while Mrs. Roebuck does all the behind the scene work of cleaning and pressing and maintaining the uniforms. The best of luck to you and your teams, Jack. The Marching girls have done very well in their last competitions so here goes with their results.

TUI GLEN 7/2/65.

Display marching 1st midgets 1st juniors.

March Plan Handicap - 1st juniors.

Leaders on March, 4th midget, 3rd junior.

NORTH SHORE MARCHING ASS. 14/2/65

March Plan, Juniors 2nd, Marching display Juniors 1st.

Uniform, Juniors equal 1st, Midgets March Plan

Midgets 3rd equal, Display, Midgets 1st

Uniform Midgets 1st.

ROTORUA.

Juniors Display Marching 2nd.

Uniform 1st.

Midgets Display Marching 1st, Uniform 1st.

STAFF NEWS.

Our congratulations go to the following happy parents,
Ken & Denise Davidson, on the birth of their daughter
Kim Patricia born Dec. 14th.

Mr. & Mrs. Wozniak, also a daughter - Elizabeth
Marie born Jan. 15th weight 8lbs.

ENGAGEMENT

Our congratulations and best wishes go to John Miller
and Noeline Clutterbuck, who recently got engaged.

Welcome back to Clare O'Shea (Office). Clare arrived in New Zealand for Xmas and says she is happy to be home again.

Following our story on Anne Lineham, we sent our best wishes and Good-Luck. Anne has been chosen to play in the N. Z. Softball team in the world series in Australia due to start Feb. 1st.

To all second year apprentices, a few words from Ray Adamson. Ray put a lot of time and study into the project for the apprentices cup but he says it was worth it as he felt proud when presented with the cup at the social. Ray wishes the boys who will be entering this year every success.

LOST & FOUND.

News of John Boyce, late of cabinet Fitting. John has his sea legs once again and enjoying life aboard the spanky new coastal vessel M. V. Cape Pillar. John sends his regards to all.

We wish to send greetings to Joyce and Tommy Moore on the birth of their baby boy, the baby's name, Gary Thomas.



STAFF NEWS FROM WELLINGTON

Congratulations on your News Letter, Ding Dong , we look forward to the little snips from you all in Auckland, and appreciate your request from some news from Wellington, New Zealand's leading, most go-ahead, progressive and successful branch.

We had a very successful staff Christmas party last night and our appreciation goes to the Directors and General Manager for their kind gesture in 'turning it on' for us all here.

This was also a farewell to Les Bailey and his wife Joan, when we presented Les with a Parker pen and pewter mug from the staff, wishing him every success in Christchurch.

On a recent trip to Taranaki one of our dealers mentioned that on a farm way out in a remote valley, whilst repairing a water-pump, he noticed that there was no aerial on the farmer's house and on completion of the job and looking for more business he said to the farmer, whom he knew pretty well;

"Well Joe, how do you find T. V. ?"

To which Joe retorted, "Well Heck, I have had no trouble at all but poor old Jim up the valley, his herd is riddled with it."

Here briefly is an introduction to the Wellington staff for "Ding Dong".

To start with, Sales will report and spy on the Service Department and no doubt the Service Department will retaliate.

GRANT LECKIE: Service Manager. 6'4", age 24 years, and look girls - single, why I will never know. He doesn't smoke or drink and would prefer a bride with a large dowry whatever that is).

Seriously though, Grant manages to keep things moving along pretty well , and with his staff of:

WALLY GOERNER: Age 32 years (Rich) and look Auckland girls-single again. Wallt plays a pretty mean piano accordion.

FRED MULFORD: (The Beard) He swears his beard comes in useful for checking valves.

FRANK CHARLES : Who heads our Social Club Committee.

TREVOR FOOTE: A recent acquisition to our Service Department and he is progressing very nicely, thank you.



I gather this will make the February issue so will continue with Tele-Hire, followed by the female staff for the March issue, and if described aptly enough will result in a large number of applications for transfers to Wellington from Auckland Branch batchelors.

Meanwhile our Christmas party went very well, practically without incident (one of our junior males had to be restrained a little in the first burst of a bawdy song - 'to the chagrin of all the males anyway, I am sure')

Comment from General Manager: "the above last remarks are not necessarily supported by General Manager.

Well now, we appreciate your letter Wellington, and we eagerly await your female version. Wellington has led the way, so come on you branches let us have your news.

Glad to see you Jim Wright Invercargill climate certainly suits you.

WHERE IS YOUR NEWSLETTER?

The following young men joined the Company on the resumption of work at the New Year.

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| William P. Dunphy | of Tuakau |
| Russell J. Walker | of Kohimarama |
| Kevin McFadden | of Pukekohe |
| Graham L. Bell | of Papatoetoe |
| John J. Sivess | of Glendowie. |
| David M. Armstrong | of Glenfield. |

all are of University Entrance level and are taking the New Zealand Certificate of Engineering Study Course, together with their apprenticeship. We would all like to wish them good-luck and plenty of hard work in their studies.

They can rest assured that all members of the Social Club give them a hearty welcome and will be only too pleased to offer a helping hand in any way possible.

The management were very pleased to announce that all entrants who sat exams in 1964 passed, we feel this is a wonderful achievement and quite a boost for the firm, we have taken the liberty of getting the names from the management as one would be surprised as to how many of these people are embarrassed when it comes to congratulations.



EXAMINATION RESULTS

N. Z. Certificate of Engineering Mr. Ted Bach
(Final)

Certificate of Radio Technology Mr. Ross Millar
N. Z. C. E. (1st Class)

Electronics 1

Telecom 1

Radio Servicemans Ticket Mr. Maurice Mitchell
Mr. Ron King

1st Qualifying Mr. John Millar
Mr. Kevin Tiller
Mr. David Schmidt
Mr. David Ramsbottom
Mr. Grant Spiers
Mr. Peter Crowe
Mr. Bill Pearsall

N. Z. C. E. Mr. Malcolm Martin
Chemistry 1
Drawing 1

Advanced Trade Certificate

Paper A Mr. Leo Barnes

Paper A & B Mr. Bill Appleton
(who is serving with the
N. Z. Army (on a temporary
basis). He will be back
soon.)

It is always a pleasure to see any one of the lads coming out of their apprenticeship.

Leo Barnes, on the result of his exams, has finished his contract. We are happy to say Leo is staying with the firm, may we, the editors of the Ding Dong, say thank goodness, as Leo is the back-bone of the printing of this paper.



Are any of you interested in stamp collecting, we have a young lady Rita Maurer (Pat Brown's Line) who wishes to meet anyone who would like to exchange stamps etc.

As there will be a general meeting very shortly, the committee are asking for nominations for committee members. Most of you seem to enjoy the socials, and look forward to them; now these nights cannot be run if we are short of members, so come and be fair don't leave the work to a few.

Once we have left school a great many of us get stale on common knowledge, we hope to bring you something each month which will widen the interlect.

LET'S KNOW ABOUT SHIPS

How's this for an outsize in whistles? The Cunard liner., Queen Mary has three sirens, two housed on the forward of her three funnels, and the third on her middle funnel.

Each whistle weighs about a ton, is six feet in length and nearly two feet in diameter. Their note is deep, not strident and these whistles can be heard up to twelve miles distant.

DIAMONDS FROM THE SEA

Diamond mining within the three-mile limit in the bay of Luderitz, South-West Africa, begins very soon following a discovery there of a deposit of gem stones of very high quality. About four tons of mud were taken up by the tug, Emerson K for the sample and a total weight of nine carats in stones was yielded.

The largest stone weighed a half carat.

So much for the age-old belief that diamonds would never be found in the sea.

"CARPETBAGGERS"

On Wednesday 24th March at 8.15 p. m.
in the ODEON'S best seats - 7/9

Closing date with Muriel Feasy, 12th March.

HALVING IT

"Hullo, is that Brown?" asked a voice over the telephone.

Brown said it was.

"Come and have a round of golf," said the first voice.

"I'm sorry," replied Brown, but I'm in half mourning."

"Oh!" dubiously from the other end. "Well, what about nine holes?"

As the golf season has opened, and we know there are a number of the staff (male) players, we wish them a successful season and not to many mishaps.



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