

F.F.F. FLEET COMMITTEE

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Members:

The big news this issue is a brief report on the Annual Meeting, held on Sunday, 25th September. The meeting was well attended and very orderly and informal. Your executive and committee, being unopposed and there being no other nominations, were unanimously re-elected. We hope that during the forthcoming year we may enjoy the support we have had in the past and that the Fellowship will go on to bigger and better things. As you know there were a few changes to the Constitution and Rules of the Fellowship and new copies will go out to members as soon as possible.

At this point it is appropriate to remind those members who have not yet paid their subscriptions to do so. In view of the change to Rule 8, if a member does not wish to be placed on the "retired" list and thus lose contact by not getting newsletters or journals, he or she must pay subscription before 1st January, 1971. I am pleased to say that renewal rate is very good but we would like to make it 100% active membership. Although the Executive recommended raising the annual subscription of Members to \$5, the meeting raised it only to \$3.00 per annum for members, Junior Members remained at \$1 p.a. and pensioners the same at 50¢ p.a.. Of course, Life Membership does not alter. The new fees will come into effect on 1st July, 1971.

You will be pleased to know that the Meeting gave the executive the "green light" to investigate further and arrive at a firm proposition for the Farm project. In this regard, your executive is anxious to know exactly how many members would be interested in contributing and by how much over two years, (see note at end)

Some members recently had the great pleasure of entertaining Mr. Maurice Bligh, Gr. Gr. Gr. Grandson of Governor Bligh. Mr. Bligh has been researching for a B.B.C. talk and the possibility of a film about his illustrious ancestor. He was very grateful for the help we gave him and thrilled with the amount of historical fact we were able to present to him. I feel certain we shall see more of Mr. Bligh when he returns to Australia in the near future.

Since last writing to you we have held two very successful functions. The Annual First Fleeters Dinner-Dance was a tremendous success and everyone present voted it the best ever. Despite the rain on the night spirits were not dampened and it was very gay. Following that, a working bee was held at St. Luke's Church, Liverpool. Do you know, there were 17 members there? Unfortunately, I was busy preparing for the Annual Meeting and could not go but those who did were thrilled to discover the graves of William Broughton and Frederick Meredith. Memorable - and remember everyone, if you have an inkling of the whereabouts of a first fleeter, let us know - we shall place our objections on the wilderness. They really are enjoyable outings as well as being very worthwhile.

Next, on September 13th, the most successful Cavalcade of Fashion was held. A number of members made home-made sweets (delicious) and again a successful and remunerative night was had by all. One gentleman was delighted when, unknown to him beforehand, his Mother's wedding frock was shown. So unexpected!! The ladies of the North Shore Cavalcade Group do a fabulous job and it is a privilege to work with them. I should like to very much thank those members who sent donations because they could not come themselves. Very generous of you and very acceptable.

Talking of functions, can any member living on the southern side of the city advise us of a venue for a barbecue or picnic or a cheap hall in which to hold a dance for young people. Our activities seem mainly to have been on the northern side, but this is only because members there come up with suggestions for places and events. We'll be glad to go down south if we can be sure of support from the locals! Please telephone Mrs. Lonergan if you have information to offer on this score.

"I SPY" Our Society Spy wants to know who was the beautiful brunette being squired by one of our handsome FF's at a city restaurant recently. Someone else we know was busy burying their loot by buying up big at a recent Art Show.

TRADING POST: Susanne Lonergan, aged 11, starts off the Trading Post by making a request for a pen-friend. She is in 5th class at school and her hobbies include horses, music and art, and basket ball. If there is someone who would like Sue's address, please contact me and I'll pass it on.

Our next night out is -

The Stanhome/Cocktail Party, Saturday, 17/10/70 + 50cents each

This party is to enable you to buy Christmas gifts for all members of the family. The party starts at 7.45 p.m., there will be a door prize and gifts and a super supper (you know one of those which starts when you get there and continues on through the evening). These parties are always a lot of fun. Remember the address - the home of Mrs. Doug Haig, 2d Marshall Avenue, Jarrawee. Marshall Ave. is rather narrow so only park on one side, or perhaps in either Fox Valley Road or Pacific Highway. To help with the catering PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE COMING. You may telephone Mrs. Haig after 6pm. on 48.6307.

Will members please advise -

1. If they are coming to the Stanhome Party.....yes/no.....
2. If interested in participating in the Farm Project.....yes/no.....
If yes, how much would you be prepared to contribute over two years \$.....

3 Forward Bookings:

I am interested in attending (tick) where necessary	Family Picnic Bus Tour Motor Tour Harbour Cruise Car Rally Christmas Party Barbecue/Dance Theatre Party Cemetery Working Bee
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Please advise: Name.....

Address:.....

Telephone:.....

Any other function you would like:.....

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If members would be good enough to return the above slip completed where necessary, your committee will try to arrange outings and functions to suit each of you.

All the best for now, keep those subs rolling in and let us know your thoughts on every score. This is a fellowship- let's keep it that way.