



Along the Mail Route

Dick Roberts is Captain of the Cabbage Tree Island football team which plays district competition matches every Sunday.

Somehow or other the team has earned the reputation of tearing the guernseys off opposing players.

Last month a party of lecturers and students from the Newcastle Teachers College visited the Karuah Reserve. Mrs. Jane Ridgeway, Mrs. Phyllis Ridgeway, Arleena Manton and Delma Lilley entertained the visitors with songs, poetry and prose reading.

The College is soon to present an aboriginal play in Newcastle.

There are some great yarns spun when John Ridgeway and William Manton of Karuah Reserve get together.

Although they're both in their 80's, these old timers are still hale and hearty.

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Pete

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Pilliga lost one of its most popular young residents recently when Aubrey Toomey died from the results of accidental poisoning. All those who knew Aubrey extend their sincere sympathy to his wife and family who are all well known on Pilliga Station.

Aubrey was born and reared on Pilliga Station and had many friends among his own race and the white community of the district.

One of *Dawn's* most talented young artists, Don Nolan of Dubbo West, is leaving school this month to take a job on a station. "There is a big family of us and mother needs help," was Don's simple explanation for leaving school.

Good luck in your first job, Don.

Mr. L. Grahame, teacher in charge of Purfleet School, Taree, aims at forming a Cub pack among his lads.

Ronnie Marr, Mervyn Larrego, Richard Combo, William Beale, Lloyd Williams and Arnold Marr have been visiting the Taree Cubs with him.

Mr. Grahame also hopes to start a Scout Troup for the elder boys.

Ned Hoskins who has been handyman for five years on Wallaga Lake Aboriginal Station, and has never spent his holidays outside the District, decided this year to go to Town, and take his wife Mary and his five children with him. They wanted to see Sydney; which they had heard and read so much about but had never actually seen before.



Ned and Mary Hoskins and one of the youngsters.

Ned and the family stayed with friends at Alexandria, and as Ned says, "Had a wizard of a time." They spent hours walking up and down the Sydney Harbour Bridge, watching the hundreds of cars, buses, electric trains and trams whizz past them, and were amazed at its gigantic structure, which supported them and so many moving vehicles.

They visited Luna Park, the main stores, the picture theatres and were present at the official opening of the new school at La Perouse.

Time passed too quickly for them, for after a most enjoyable fortnight's holiday they had to return to Wallaga Lake.

Ned soon got back into the swing of his daily handyman's routine. And all the children gathered around young Hoskins's to hear of the exciting holiday in Sydney.