

First Baby Show at Purfleet

Purfleet's first baby show one Saturday recently was an outstanding success. About 40 of the "younger" set competed, and Taree business people and others contributed handsomely to the prize list.

The function was arranged by Purfleet C.W.A. and proceeds will go to help in establishing a baby health clinic at Purfleet.

Dr. Joan Redshaw, of Nabiac, officially opened the show, and judges were Mrs. B. Langley and Mrs. C. Jurd, both of Taree.

The judges task was not an easy one, as they had to judge 80 entries—which included some babies from Kempsey and Forster.

During the afternoon the official guests, and members of Taree C.W.A. and Purfleet C.W.A. were entertained by Mrs. A. L. Thomas at her residence.

Champion baby of the Show was Jan Mitchell, of Purfleet, who was entered in the 1 to 2 years section.

Section prize winners were:—

Curliest hair: Lionel Long (Kempsey) 1, Vilma Simon 2, Lisa Tighe 3; *loveliest brown eyes*, Gina Maher 1, Floyd Simon 2, Donna Ratcliffe 3; *best dressed girl*, Gina Maher 1, and Carmel Moylan, Veronica Saunders, Lisa Tighe and Jan Mitchell all tied for second place.

Best dressed boy: Stephen Russell 1, Robert Maher 2 and Warner Saunders 3; *fair babies, girl*, Kim Gillis; *boy*, Mark Sellers. One month to a year, Gina Maher 1, Floyd Simon 2; 1-2 years, Jan Mitchell 1, Veronica Saunders 2; 2-3 years, Donna Dotti (Kempsey) 1, Vilma Simon 2; 3-4 years, *girls*, Madeline Moylan (Kempsey) 1, Vicky Cunningham 2; *boys*, Trevor Maher 1, Thomas Tighe 2.

Prizes were donated by—Taree Quota Club; Dr. Joan Redshaw; Peels; Johnson & Johnson; Connells; Taree C.W.A.; Mrs. J. McKeown; Mrs. Baker; Mrs. U. Hickson; Mrs. Maisey, of Laurieton C.W.A.; Manning Studios; Harry Bennett Studios; Dahdah's; Bailey's Pharmacy; Mrs. W. Griffiths; Laurieton C.W.A.; Nelsons; Moore's Pharmacy; Ivy Leaf; Mrs. Ella Simon; Nurseryland; Mr. J. Folkard; Mrs. Greentree and an anonymous donation.

Taree Lions Club provided 30 tins of baby food which were used as consolation awards to children who did not win a prize.

MARY RIDGEWAY

Where is She?

Mary Ridgeway, a former ward of the Board, was born in Karuah in 1928 and on becoming a ward was in the Cootamundra Girls' Home from 1937-43. Later Mary was employed in Sydney.

A relative recently asked the Board to find out Mary Ridgeway's address. If any person knows where Mary Ridgeway can be contacted will they please write to:—

The Secretary,
Aborigines Welfare Board,
Box 30, G.P.O.,
SYDNEY.



This beautiful lass is Rita Wenberg of Cobbity, a talented artist