

ROSETTA HIGH SCHOOL OPEN NIGHT 6th Nov. 1979

The School's Open Night was arranged with leavers in mind- and interested clubs were invited to show students and their parents, activities they could follow in their spare time. Three Committee Members arranged our Club's display.

Mr Aves had an excellent slide show of wild flowers, frogs, birds, etc. (photoes taken by Messrs Alan Hewer, Gilbert Van Munster and Kelsey Aves), and taped bird calls. Mr Van Munster displayed reference books, various skulls (from Club's collection) and 'Naturalists'. I had orchids growing in pots, and Mr Ken Harris' maps and photoes connected with the orchid mapping project.

A small leaflet was produced, listing the Club's activities and address. We hope to see some of the students at our meetings and outings.

Marjorie Wall.

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TASMANIAN FIELD NATURALISTS' CLUB BULLETIN

Registered at the G.P.O. Hobart for posting as a publication, Category B.

MEETINGS at present will be held at the B.P.Theatrette 3rd floor, City Mutual Building, Liverpool St. 8 p.m. by courtesy, B.P.Australia.

President: Mr J.G.K.Harris. Ph. 391260
Hon. Sec.: Miss Nell Mitchell. Ph 296959 (before 9 a.m.)
Treasurer: Miss A.M.Tagg. Ph. 391117
Librarian: Mrs M McDonald: Ph. 232260
CLUB'S ADDRESS: G.P.O. Box 68a, Hobart, 7001

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING....When??.Thursday, March 20th

Quote from Club's Rules:-

'Written nominations duly proposed and seconded by members and signed by the Nominee, shall be in the hands of the Secretary not later than two weeks before the Annual Meeting'

....THEREFORE....

Nominations should be in ON or BEFORE Thursday March 6th

OBJECTS OF THE CLUB

'The encouragement of the study of nature and the conservation of flora and fauna - these objects to be promoted by periodical meetings and excursions, the formation of a Library, and the publication of papers and proceedings when deemed advisable.'

...If you are in agreement with these objects and would like to have a share in promoting them, why not become involved in the activities of the Club by volunteering for nomination to one of the positions on the Club's Executive? It might mean some work, but it means also varied interests getting to know your fellow workers, and really widening your horizons.

SUBSCRIPTIONS:- were due on Jan. 1st. Be sure you are financial so that you can vote on March 20th.

Juniors and Pensioners, \$5.00. Adults, \$9.00. Family, \$12

NOTE:- This entitles you also to the Bulletin and the Tasmanian Naturalist. The cost of the Tasmanian Naturalist to non-members has had to be raised to \$5.00 per annum.

The Executive needs the election of President; Two Vice Presidents; Secretary; Ass't Sec; Treasurer; 6 Committee members; Hon. Auditor.

STRATHGORDON

Although the rain tried to spoil our weekend, our Strathgordon families saw we had a very rewarding trip. On Saturday Mrs Hamilton and Mrs Johnstone were able to show us the re-growth round the township and foothills and then the flowers they had collected - pressed - mounted and named for display in their Library. In the evening Leonard Wall showed slides and we had informal discussions with the interested Strathgordon families and visitors. On the way home on Sunday we stopped at many points for short walks in the bush - leaving our 'hostesses' at Scott's Peak Road - hoping to see more of them in the future. Details of this trip will be recorded in the Observation Book. (Ask Mr Wall to show it to you.)

BONESEED

National Parks and Wildlife Service say their Rangers take action to eliminate boneseed and other introduced weeds where they occur on reserves and where it is practical to do so. Their regulations prohibit taking 'any plant growing or standing in a State Reserve without a permit'. They would be grateful for any information we may have of occurrences in Reserves. We may not pull Boneseed ourselves in reserves unless we have a permit. This applies also to pulling in municipal areas - a permit is needed from the Council concerned.

SUPPER??? Are you in favour of supper after meetings? Would it be better to spend all the spare time after the meeting looking at specimens, periodicals etc, chatting with members, and, if we change our venue, changing Library Books? (It is always hard to woo people out into the supper room so as to get finished by the appointed time!) Tell us your thought at the February Meeting.

Welcome to NEW MEMBERS, Mrs M Mollison, 22 Toopak Ave, Lenah Valley, 7008, and Mrs S M Foster, 24 Manning Ave, Sandy Bay, 7005.

Library - Informative books available for borrowing - See Mrs McDonald.....

PROGRAMME

- FEB 21:Dr Peter Murray (Anthropologist-Tas. Museum) Subject:Marine Animals and Organisms - Tidal Zone.
FEB 23:Outing to Tinderbox led by Dr Murray:Scubadiving for specimens:any other Scubadivers welcome.Prince-9.30.
MAR 20:ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:Presidential Address.
MAR 23:Beachcombing at Calvert's Beach led by Leonard Wall. LEAVE Prince Theatre 10.00.a.m. Bring plastic bag to collect specimens for discussion at lunchtime.(Sunday)
APR 17:Speaker:Mr Alan Hewer.and Films.1. Franklin River 2. Southern Right Whale.
APR 19: Outing led by Mr Alan Hewer. OBJECT: to hear frogs and locate a special dry pond variety. Location announced, Apr 17-much depends on weather.

NOTE: Mrs Marjorie Wall is "Outings Organisor". Any queries re outings-discuss with her on Ph. 284165.

MAY BULLETIN :- Deadline for material - April 25th. Working Bee for falding, May 2nd at 6 Richardson Ave.

THIS SPACE

IS TO REMIND YOU THAT THERE ARE NOMINATION FORMS ON THE LAST PAGE.

We hope you will cut them out, use them, and return them to the Secretary,G.P.O. Box 68a, or hand them to her on or before

MARCH 6th

Harry Butler can't make it to the Organic Gardeners' Function after all because of an important commitment to something in connection with, I think, a Health Department..... somewhere

M.L.W.

FLIGHT TO THE ANTARCTIC November 1980

Apex S.I.D.S. (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome)
FUND RAISING COMMITTEE

are planning a flight to the Antarctic, Nov. 1980.
QANTAS... 40 seats at \$650; 285 seats at \$550.

This includes flight to Melbourne to connect with the
QANTAS CHARTER. Only six weeks notice will be given
of the actual date.

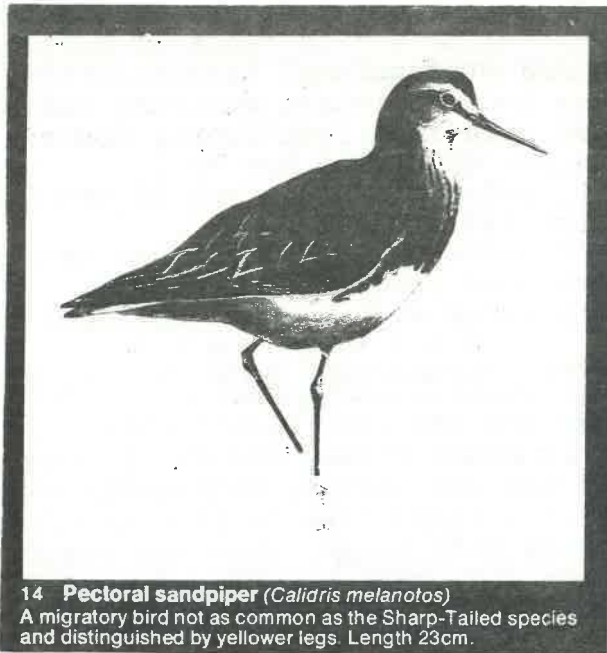
They need a MINIMUM of 310 confirmed bookings.
Payment can be made by monthly instalments, or in full
with the application for seat allocation.

If no flight, money will be fully refunded.

Our Secretary has seat allocation application
forms, and further information.

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Size of Cairns Bird Illustrations.



14 Pectoral sandpiper (*Calidris melanotos*)

A migratory bird not as common as the Sharp-Tailed species
and distinguished by yellower legs. Length 23cm.

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Executive elected, 1980.

President: Mr L E Wall. Ph. 284165

Vice-Presidents: Mrs. E. Thorpe. Mr. K. Aves.

Hon Sec: Miss Nell Mitchell. Ph. 296959.

Ass't Sec: Miss M.L.Westbrook Ph. 237308

Treasurer: Miss Mem Tagg. Ph. 391117

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Committee: Mrs M Davies; Mrs M Mollison; Mrs M Wall;
Mr R Shepherd; Mr Bruce Scott.

Hon. Auditor: Miss R. Warren.

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PROGRAMME

May 15th. 8 p.m. The Wellington Range Plan.

May 17th. Saturday. Outing to Mt. Wellington.
Leave, Prince Theatre at 9.30.a.m.

June 19th. 8.p.m. Mr Ted Martin.
Subject:- MOTHS OF TASMANIA

June 21st. Saturday.
Outing to the Astronomical Telescope.
(Dr. Michael Waterworth)
Leave Prince Theatre at 2.p.m.
Barbecue Tea about 5.p.m.
When it gets dark - the Telescope.
(We hope the weather co-operates!)

July 17th. 8.p.m. Dr John Hickman.
Subject:- UNINVITED GUESTS.

July 19th. Saturday. Outing to Truganini Park, Mt. Nelson.
Leader - Mr Bruce Scott.

OUTINGS ORGANISOR - Mrs Marjorie Wall. Ph. 284165.

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OBSERVATIONS AND TABLING OF SPECIMENS

An important item at meetings is the tabling of interesting specimens brought in by members, and the reporting of personal observations. So that the names of items can be correctly recorded in the minutes, members are asked to write the name of the plant, bird etc, and where and when found, on a piece of paper and hand it later to the Secretary.

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SUBSCRIPTIONS - 1980

Adult membership..... \$9.00
 Family membership.....\$12.00
 Junior, Student or Pensioner.....\$5.00
 Non-membership sub to Bulletin and its supplement,
 Tasmanian Naturalist.....\$5.00

OUTSTANDING SUBSCRIPTIONS

If there is a mark in this space.....
 your sub for 1980 has not yet been received.

If you are unfinancial by July, no more Bulletins
 will be sent to you.

Next Bulletin is due in August.

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WELCOME TO NEW MEMBER..... Mrs Judith Sprent.

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ATLAS OF AUSTRALIAN BIRDS

Can you do black and white drawings of birds?
 Can you recognise at least some of the birds living
 where you do?

The ATLAS will be published by Melbourne University
 Press. Artists, both professional and amateur will
 receive a fee. Accuracy and realism are essential.
 If you would like to take part, apply for further
 information to...The Atlas of Australian Birds,
 119 Dryburgh Street, NORTH MELBOURNE 3051.
 Our Secretary has a copy of the lay-out of the pages.

BOTANICAL GARDENS MUSEUM

Mr Hurburgh would be pleased to hear from anyone who
 could spend a few hours a month as a volunteer 'manning'
 the Museum during visiting hours, from 11.a.m. to 12,
 and 1 p.m. to 3. Besides casual visitors, there are
 groups of school children who come with definite aims in
 view. Displays are changed from time to time.

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WILDFLOWERS OF SOUTHWEST TASMANIA

A collection of pressed wildflowers from south west
 Tasmania, compiled by Mrs P Hamilton and Mrs M Johnstone
 with permission from the National Parks and Wildlife
 Service will be on display at the Derwent Regional
 Library, 2 Terry St. Glenorchy, from April 28th to
 May 30th, 1980. Those of us who went to Strathgordon
 saw some of these posters in the making.

Our members may be interested in visiting the
 Library to see this fine collection. Library opening
 hours are Mon-Wed. 10 a.m. to 5. Thurs & Fri. 10a.m.-9pm.

P. Gilbert, Regional Librarian.

ILLUSTRATIONS OF BIRDS

Cairns City Council commissioned Mr T Lindsay to paint
 illustrations of sixty common birds observed on Cairns
 Esplanade. These true-to-life paintings have now been
 reproduced in full colour on two posters, each depicting
 thirty birds. Although these birds reside or migrate to
 this area, many, species extend to other Australian
 habitats so these posters would be of interest and have
 educational appeal to a wide range of people including
 both amateur and professional bird-watchers, ornitholo-
 gists overseas and interstate visitors and school-age
 children. Available from Town Clerk, Council Chambers,
 Abbott St. Cairns 4870 (P O Box 395).
 Prices:-Retail price \$1.75 per set of two (posters 1 & 2)
 Bulk purchasing (25 minimum) \$1.20.
 Newsagents and bookshops etc \$1.00 per set with a minimum
 of 25 - recommended price retail, \$1.75.
 Postage fee included with account enclosed with orders.

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A NEWLY DISCOVERED MOTH IN TASMANIA

It is known as the Oak Leaf Blotch Miner.
 Its presence is noted around Hobart by the blotchy
 appearance of the oak leaves, noticeable also on the
 dead leaves. You might like to look out for this
 whenever you are near an oak tree and report its
 presence to the June meeting when Mr Martin will be
 talking about and showing slides of our Tasmanian moths.

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Material for next Bulletin, deadline, Aug 1st
 Circular Folding, 6 Richardson Ave, Aug 8th

NATURE IN CHINA

We read that sparrows had been eliminated - but we saw some around the gardens - although very few. Flies - we saw only one or two at any of our hotels although a couple of our chaps went exploring before breakfast and saw plenty of flies around the food market areas in back streets!
Dogs - saw only one or two in country areas, and none at all in the cities (they are prohibited).
Cats - saw only two (emaciated) cats at one of the country stations. There were some (cattle?) egrets riding on the ~~water~~ buffaloes.
Bonsais were a dream - all sizes, both indoors and out.

In the limestone mountains at Kweiline we visited an extensive cave system, lit up with varied coloured lights to show up the weird formations, and finished up in a huge underground amphitheatre where we found the inevitable stall selling postcards! There were groups of tourists everywhere being led round by efficient English-speaking (or French, or Japanese) Guides who did a very good job not to lose members of their respective parties.

The coolness of the cave was pleasant after the hot and humid atmosphere outside.

They certainly have the right idea about planting trees - every new street has room for a row each side. In the newer housing areas they begin with quite tall saplings braced with posts to prevent their being blown down. The older trees are all pruned regularly to a height which prevent their obstructing the view of the traffic. Trees provide a useful place into which they can poke their laundry poles and string their laundry lines.

Most of the housing is drab - unpainted cement type - but potplants are everywhere, and love of beautiful things comes out in the beautiful craft work, costumes for entertainments, silk embroidery, silk carpets, screens, jade ornaments, clay and painted figurines, watercolour paintings, decorated pagodas, formal gardens (parks), and bonsais.....

M.E. Westbrook.

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MEETING ROOM: The August meeting (on 21st Aug.) will be held at B.P. Theatre, City Mutual Building, at the corner of Argyle & Liverpool Sts. - by courtesy B.P. Australia.

ALL SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS will be held on the FIRST Thursday of each month, at the Fellowship Room at St. James' Church Hall, New Town. This is at Stop 12 on Glenorchy and Lenah Valley bus routes.

Car parking is available in Rupert Ave, or at the rear of the Hall (off Rupert Ave). Access to the Fellowship Room is from the rear of the Hall.

The Club's Library will be housed at the Hall so that ready access will be available at meetings.

OUTINGS: will continue to be held on the weekend following the monthly meetings so they will be early in the month.

PROGRAMME

- Aug. 21st: Speaker - Mr A Moscal.
Subject - Douglas River Area.
Aug. 23rd. Saturday: Outing - Domain and Knocklofty
Meet at the Prince at 10.a.m.
Sep. 4th.: MEMBERS' NIGHT
Sep. 6th, Saturday - Outing: Coningham.
Leader. M. Wall. Meet at the Prince, 10.a.m.
Oct. 2nd Speaker- Mr N. Kemp, Geologist, Tas. Museum.
Oct. 5th - note - SUNDAY - Outing to East Derwent.
Leader, Mr B Scott. Meet, the Prince, 10.a.m.
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MEMBERS' NIGHT

This programme depends on participation by several members. Generally, talks of about 10 minutes are suitable, with or without slides, illustrations or specimens.

Have you a special interest in one particular aspect of Nature? What about passing on to the Club members some of the interesting information you have gained? This helps us to get to know each other better, to find kindred spirits, or to awaken an interest in something we have not noticed before.

One good thing about a Field Nats Club is the variety of interests of its members -

Do you feel shy about getting up and speaking? Here is a chance for you to try your wings before an encouraging audience.

Some people find it a help to have a few clear notes with the headings of what they want to tell, a specimen as a focal point, or slides to illustrate their subject.

If speaking has no fears for you, give us the benefit of your study and discoveries.

So, DO YOUR BIT by taking an active part in this evening. Give your name and subject to the Secretary as soon as possible - the next meeting is only a fortnight after the August meeting because of the change of meeting place - and say if you will need the projector.

We look forward to a very interesting

MEMBERS' NIGHT

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The Bulletin.

Deadline for material for the November issue will be Friday, October 17th .

Folding night will be Friday October 24th at 6 Richardson Avenue, from 7.p.m.

Helpers welcome.

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THE TASMANIAN NATURALIST

To further the aims of this Club,

(-the encouragement of the study of nature, and the conservation of flora and fauna - these objects to be promoted by periodical meetings and excursions, the formation of a library, and the publication of papers and proceedings when deemed advisable)

... this supplement of The Bulletin is usually published quarterly. However, it is sometimes difficult to receive articles in time to fill each issue adequately. What is needed is a small "bank" of articles, of various lengths, available so as to produce a nicely balanced edition.

Not all articles need to be highly technical. Not all Tasmanian Naturalists are professional. There are many amateur naturalists who, by their own enthusiasm, help to arouse in other people a real interest in Nature.

Some non-technical articles could be instrumental in creating an interest in certain aspects of nature, pointing to a suggested line of study, or whetting the appetite for more information.

There are so many facets of nature to be explored and enjoyed by amateurs as well as professionals. Some of the 'Observations' related at meetings could very well be expanded into a short article which would be read with interest by a wide circle of nature-loving people.

We send both the Bulletin and The Tasmanian Naturalist to people in all States, and some overseas. We would be really interested to get an article by some enthusiastic 'Nat' 'out there', if, after visiting Tasmania, they would like to comment on some aspect of our nature scene, particularly interesting to them - perhaps comparing it with their own area.

THINK ABOUT IT

and see if YOU can manage to get yourself 'in print' in

THE TASMANIAN NATURALIST

BIRD CHECK LIST

An annual identification check list for birds is being prepared. This check list will be illustrated and have monthly columns for recording. It is projected that this check list will be available within the next 12 months.

To validate species included in this check list, your help will be appreciated. You can help by finalising the list on the back of this page.

a. Eliminate twenty species from the list. Those twenty species should be the LEAST COMMON in your area

b. Return the name of any other species common to your area and not included in the list.

(Names are according to Slater's Field Guide -
Passerines and Non-Passerines)

PLEASE RETURN THE LIST to

Bird Check List

G.P.O. Box 68a

Hobart, Tas. 7001

with your name and address.

THANKYOU

Supplement to T.F.N.C. Bulletin August 1980

SPINE-TAILED SWIFT	SHORT-TAILED SHEARWATER
WELCOME SWALLOW	AUSTRALIAN PELICAN
TREE MARTIN	BLACK-FACED CORMORANT
SKYLARK	LITTLE PIED CORMORANT
AUSTRALIAN PIPPIT	BLACK CORMORANT
BLACK-FACED CUCKOO-SHRIKE	WHITE-FACED HERON
BLACKbird	CATTLE EGRET
SUPERB BLUE WREN	WHITE EGRET
WHITE-BROWED SCRUB-WREN	BLACK SWAN
FIELD-WREN	BLACK DUCK
TASMANIAN THORNBILL	WEDGE-TAILED EAGLE
BROWN THORNBILL	WHITE-BREASTED SEA-EAGLE
YELLOW-TAILED THORNBILL	SWAMP HARRIER
SCARLET ROBIN	BROWN FALCON
FLAME ROBIN	BROWN QUAIL
DUSKY ROBIN	EASTERN SWAMP-HEN
GREY FANTAIL	TASMANIAN NATIVE HEN
SATIN FLYCATCHER	RED-CAPPED DOTTEREL
GOLDEN WHISTLER	MASKED PLOVER
OLIVE WHISTLER	HOODED DOTTEREL
GREY SHRIKE-THRUSH	DOUBLE BANDED DOTTEREL
STRIATED PARDALOTE	BANDED PLOVER
SPOTTED PARDALOTE	PIED OYSTER-CATCHER
GREY-BREASTED SILVEREYE	SOOTY OYSTER-CATCHER
EASTERN SPINEBILL	SILVER GULL
YELLOW-THROATED HONEYEATER	PACIFIC GULL
BLACK-HEADED HONEYEATER	KELP GULL
STRONG-BILLED HONEYEATER	CRESTED TERN
CRESCENT HONEYEATER	CASPIAN TERN
NEW HOLLAND HONEYEATER	SWIFT PARROT
YELLOW WATTLEBIRD	YELLOW-TAILED COCKATOO
LITTLE WATTLEBIRD	SULPHUR-CRESTED COCKATOO
BEAUTIFUL FIRETAIL	GREEN ROSELLA
HOUSE SPARROW	EASTERN ROSELLA
GOLDFINCH	PALLID CUCKOO
GREENFINCH	FAN-TAILED CUCKOO
ENGLISH STARLING	KOOKABURRA
DUSKY WOOD-SWALLOW	BOOBOOK OWL
WHITE-BACKED MAGPIE	
GREY BUTCHERBIRD	
FOREST RAVEN	
BLACK CURRAWONG	

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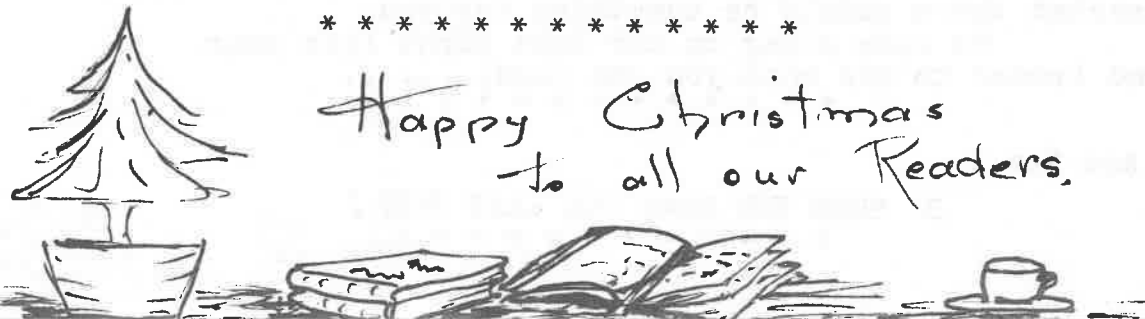
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PROGRAMME

- Nov 6th Thursday 8.p.m. Speaker: Dr McLaren Thomson
Subject - BEES.
- Nov 8th Saturday. OUTING to Kingston Heights.
LEAVING from Prince Theatre 10.a.m.
Meet Kingston people in Baynton Rd. about 10.20.
PACK LUNCH as we will be wandering through the bush looking for orchids and other spring flowers.
- Dec 4th Thursday. Christmas Breakup Night.
Library Night:- Books will be arranged in the meeting room so that we can see what is in our Library and available for borrowing next year. We hope, also, to have a good microscope there for you to experiment with.
PLEASE BRING A BASKET OF GOODIES FOR SUPPER.
- Dec 6th Saturday. OUTING - another wandering day.
Catch the 10.a.m. FERN TREE bus from Franklin Square. Bring a Pack Lunch. We will walk back along the pipeline to Gentle Annie.
Lunch at the Waterworks. There should be plenty of birds about, and a variety of flowers including orchids, some of which have been found in the bush close by the track down Gentle Annie.

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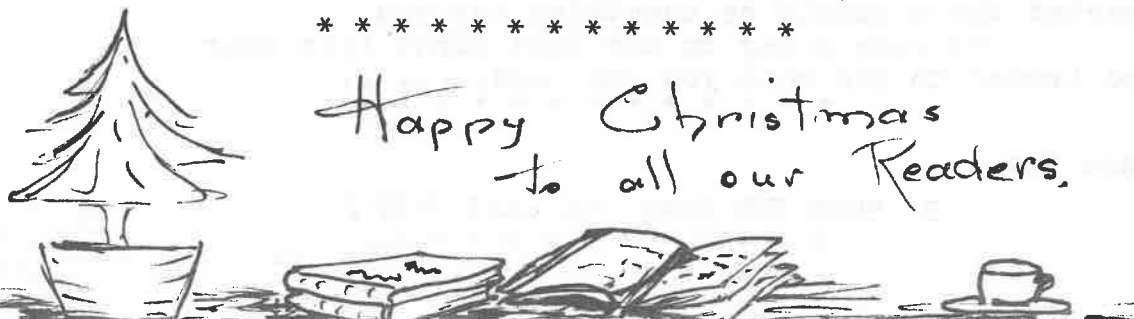
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