

Bougainville Copper Concentrates

VOLUME THREE / NUMBER EIGHT APRIL, 1973

D. VERNON
NEW
GENERAL
MANAGER





The RUGBY pre season knockout competition commenced on April 1. This competition will go through until Easter when the final will be played. The season competition will commence after Easter.

Apparently the surprise team is Muruk which is the BCP apprentices team. They showed some very good form which surprised some of the older players. However these pre season competitions are notorious for surprises (did you notice the Sydney scores this year). The full results are as follows:-

Kumul	26	United	4
Brothers	14	Hiri/PDF	Nil
Tura	37	Engineering	Nil
Muruk	14	Police	5
Marshall Lagoon	8	Barbarians	3

HMS Hydra visited Kieta the last weekend in March and a SOCCER team from the ship played a BCP team under Ben Nataemo. This was a really good game with the Hydra winning 2-1. A very pleasant post mortem was held after the game at the RSL which rounded off a very good day. Ben says his team learnt a lot from the sailors. Unfortunately a rugby union game couldn't be held as our own rugby competition took up the ground all day.



We have 11 teams in the Kieta soccer association competition held each Sunday at Rigu. I must congratulate the committee of the association for their organisation for all the games held each Sunday at Rigu. Any observer just passing would wonder what was going on with the number of cars, buses and players scattered all over the place. I haven't been able to obtain all the scores but as the season has only just started I hope to be able to keep you posted of the scores, position on ladders etc. from now on.

We have had two very good BOXING nights - one at Loloho and one in Panguna. A lot of new faces ended up in the ring as did most of the familiar faces of last year. From our first two nights I feel boxing is just as popular as ever. It is hoped to send two of our fighters for the national championships. I have contacted the president of the Papuan Boxing Association for full details and they are very pleased with the idea. These titles are held over Easter so we haven't much time left for the selection of who is to go. The names will be released as soon as all details for the trip are completed.

The first open Bougainville SNOOKER championship will be held within the next couple of months. This is open to anyone and elimination games will take place between competitors from the RSL, Kieta Club and BCP/contractors. Games to be played on full size table (ours is in Camp 1 rec. room) and

New constructions at Panguna are proceeding well. Top picture shows the new non-denominational Panguna church with its witch-hat shape roof of structural timber truss. The cost of the church is approximately \$100,000 and it is due for completion at the end of May. Above is the new full Olympic size swimming pool (50 by 16 metres) filled with water for testing. Its estimated completion date is also at the end of May. The pool, costing approximately \$260,000 will be fully tiled and will have underwater lighting.

eventually 4 from each centre will play off at the Kieta Club to see who is our first champion.

A team of three will also represent Bougainville in the national championships in July. This will be a very good trip I should think, as cost of fares, accommodation etc. will be "on the house". Notices for competitors have been posted in the various messes.

The BASKETBALL competition is now underway and again this competition has just commenced so in future I will keep you posted on the scores each week plus positions on the ladder.

Alterations to the old Dillingham Donga at Loloho have commenced and from the enthusiasm shown by club members it shouldn't be long before the Coast Social and Sport Club are in their new premises. This club is open to all sportsmen. A small entry fee of \$5.00 is charged plus a yearly sub of \$5.00.

The man to contact is the secretary, Vic Caruana (Loloho 227). Knowing the people behind this club I know it will be a "ripper".

As can be seen, our new pool and other facilities are slowly taking shape and I would like experienced people who would like to volunteer for instruction in SWIMMING, GYM work etc. to contact me. This is for both ladies and men as no doubt ladies will be keen to get into the gym to shed a few pounds so if anyone can help please ring me on Panguna 272.

Well the CRICKET season is history and it ended up with the rank outsiders of the competition when it started, running out winners very easily. Panguna Colts defeated Kieta.

Colts 3/64	Hurrell 37
	Ulu 4/30
Kieta 63	Udu Gamu had 5/8
	and finished with 6/25

Congratulations to the Colts and particularly to Graham Hurrell who 'mothered' his colts all the year and turned them into such a good side. He was ably backed up by Neil Stewart and Ken Rabura. This team produced a very good bowler in Udu Gamu, but I believe he will be playing for PDF next season. Never mind Graham, before you start worrying about next season, I notice you are underway with HOCKEY so that will keep you busy for the next few months.

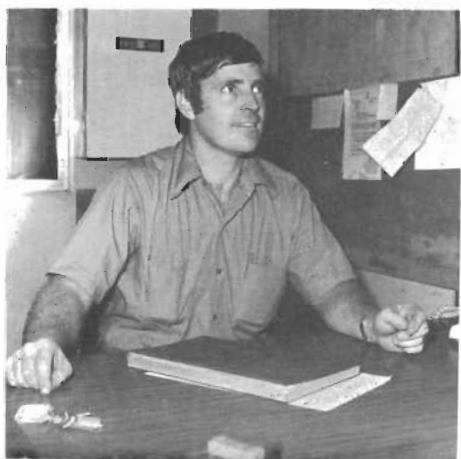
HOCKEY practice matches have been underway for the past few weeks but the competition starts in earnest next Sunday April 8, being the first round of the 1973 competition. Four men's teams will participate this year and three womens teams will also play competitive games. Any person interested and who wishes to play in either the mens or womens competitions should contact Graham Hurrell, Panguna 152.

-- RON HERRICK



Top, cricketers from both Kieta and Colts show their smiles. Middle, Roger Hunt, Kieta, strikes out against Colts bowler Alu Numa. Left, Colts captain Graham Hurrell gets a victory ducking from team members in the Davara pool.

More people from the concentrator. Right, working in the X-ray preparation room, ball mills, are Thomas Keba, lab. trainee and Geoff Elsworth, senior analyst. Below, from the left, Patrick Bau, senior control room operator, crusher; Paul Anivoga, concentrate pipeline operator and David Wells, senior metallurgist - operations. Middle, Graeme Rolfe, milling foreman, ball mills; Eddy McKinnon, senior day shift foreman, crusher and Wi Un, lab. assistant. Bottom, Esequiel Doctor, senior control room operator, ball mills; Diane Dempsey and Magdalene Kelesin, both typists at B-00.



NEW GENERAL MANAGER

Mr. Don Vernon has been appointed general manager of Bougainville Copper Pty. Limited. He took up his duties in early April.

Mr. Vernon has been associated with the Bougainville project since the commencement of feasibility studies. From May, 1966 to September 1970 he was project manager based in Melbourne. He then transferred to Bougainville as assistant general manager, production. In June, 1971, he became assistant general manager, employee and community relations.

Mr. Vernon participated in the Duke of Edinburgh Study Conference in 1968. He is married with three daughters and lives at Panguna.

COMING AND GOINGS

Here from CRA is Miss Margaret Gulliver, management secretary. Another new lady on the BCP project is Miss J. T. Lusi, assistant librarian. Other newcomers are Mr. R. H. Buckendahl, technical education teacher, and Mr. Laurie Chalk, senior compiler.

Heading south are "Digger" Reeve, draughtsman, mining, and "Flash" Gordon, crushing foreman. Also leaving are Frank Hussey, office services supervisor, and Frank Shaw, training supervisor, engineering. Trevor Ward, shovel/drill foreman, has transferred to Hammersley Iron. Off on a world tour soon are Ken Phillips and his wife Chris. Ken has been with the company since 1968, first as a draughtsman and later as village relations officer. He was well known as a mighty bush walker. Chris was formerly secretary to Maurice Pears.

MORE BABIES

Babies at Arawa Hospital for the following: Teresa and Philip Borg (transport), a son, Warren James on March 16; Thelma and John Wusia (concentrator) a son, Henry Tagai, on March 16; and Maria and Toea Lahui (PDF), a son yet to be named on the 19th. A baby girl was born on March 23 to Tibong and Stephen Miti. Stephen works for Mining. A son, Troy Seton, was born to Gwen and Pete Lukey on March 21.

And a son, Jason Nathaniel, for Gill and Graham Wellington. Jason was born 8lb 10oz at Arawa Hospital on March 24. Graham is a personnel officer.

COLUMN THREE

In Mid March we were visited by 12 Foreign Service Trainees studying in Australia. In the group were three Africans, one Egyptian, one Malaysian and two Papua New Guineans. The rest were Aussies. Ken McKenzie, manager Community Relations, invited and welcomed questions from the group.

Later in March a platoon of the Pacific Islands Regiment walked across the hills into the project area. When they arrived at the Jaba pump station, they decided they'd had it. They tried to ask for transport to bring them in to Panguna. When Ken McKenzie heard of this he said, "Well, things ain't what they used to be".

Messrs. Graeme French and Bill Morley arrived from London in late March. They had been to various places before they came to Panguna. When asked how they felt, they said, "We are almost broke". We discovered later that they were stockbrokers of J.B. Were & Son.

BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE

The Red Cross blood transfusion service is now located at Arawa hospital (tel. 951266 ext. 66) from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Friday.

The service operates to have a reserve of fresh blood which is given to a patient to replace his own blood losses until his own body's resources can catch up. At present a weekly amount of 15 pints is needed although more is needed in emergencies. Blood that is not used by the hospital is treated and flown to Australia for use there. The treatment involves the separation of plasma from the red blood cells and then freezing.

A donor panel is needed to meet this demand for blood. A field unit will from time to time be located at Panguna and notices to this effect will be posted at trade stores etc. Anyone willing to donate a pint of their blood please address your name, telephone and blood group (if known) to the Red Cross Blood Transfusion Service, P.O. Box 376, Arawa Hospital, Arawa.

- SISTER R. MUNAGA

TWO BIRTHS FOR MET LAB

Two sons born to BCP metallurgists on the same day in March. Jan and Don Faulkner celebrated the birth of Benjamin on March 22 and on the same day Lyn and Phil Bailey celebrated the birth of Steven.

This is the first of a series of articles on cooking by our resident gourmet, visitors quarters chef, Eddie Mucha. Eddie, this issue, talks about whitebait fritters and chicken a la coconut:

Whitebait Fritters

2 cups whitebait
2 eggs
2 table spoons oyster soup powder
salt and pepper
lemon wedges
butter

Beat eggs and pour over whitebait. Season and add the soup powder, mix thoroughly. Heat butter in a frying pan and drop tablespoon size dobs of mixture into the pan. Flatten. Turn and when golden brown and cooked, remove and drain on paper.

Serve with lemon wedges and sauce tartar.

Chicken Coconut

4 coconuts
2 chickens
2 med. onions
8oz champignons
sherry
½ pt. cream
salt and pepper

Remove the outer husk of the coconut and clean the outside removing all string and such things. With the aid of a handsaw remove the top where the 3 holes are, drain and dry the inside. Remove the legs of the raw chicken and cut into strips. Remove the wishbone and separate the breast and cut into strips. Heat the butter and fry quickly without colouring; add onions, champignons, moist with sherry. Add cream. Season to taste. Fill the coconuts, making a flour water paste. Seal the top with the cut lid and bake for 1 hour.



Big Pakia Singsing

A big singsing was held at Pakia village near Birempa on March 17 and 18 to commemorate various customary events of the people. Among other foods at the four feasts were some 50 pigs.

As a typical Nasioi custom the uncooked food and locally made mats and other things were displayed on four towers built specially for this purpose. The cooked fare for the night was prepared on a platform set between the two towers as can be seen in the picture. Main guests at the singsing were the Moroni villagers and also invited were 900 other friends from Guava, Nasioi, Koromira and Kongara.

The singsing of two large groups of people was active right through the night. At daylight next morning speeches were delivered over the pigs by elders of the village concerned, explaining to the guests why the singsing was held.

Some four years ago death occurred to a middle aged woman at the old Moroni village following which all her five daughters and a son decided not to taste taro until a feast was held. Taro was what this woman used to grow as special food for her children and grand-children when she was alive. So one of the feasts was held so that this woman's children could taste taro again after four years. Another feast was given by Paul Taria to Neva Tarupiu of Moroni village on behalf of his father who is Neva Tarupiu's uncle. A Nasioi calls this custom a 'dakauura' meaning given on behalf of someone else. The last two, but not the least, were held as exchange. There was some dispute between Mirina Dapoe's family from Pakia and his immediate relatives when Mirina cut himself while working in the garden. The relatives more or less demanded a feast from the Mirina family in order to settle the dispute. Mirina's family put on the feast for his elder brother Imora who in return put on the same size feast for them.

- JOHN PIPPIN

Top, left Teori Tao delivering a speech in the morning. Middle, food is distributed. Right, two towers of food, betelnuts and mats. Left, the singsing in action in the morning. Bottom, right, display of pigs before speeches.



New Hebrides



Brisbane, Port Moresby, Kieta, Honiara, Vila, Nadi: Vila is probably the only part of the New Hebrides generally known to airborne travellers. Yet there are over 80 islands in this group, lying between the Solomons and the New Caledonia and Fiji islands.

The traveller passing through will be struck by the fact that there are French and British policemen on duty. The New Hebrides in fact is a condominium of both the French and British. It dates back to the 1870's when neither country would allow the other to annexe the New Hebrides. In the end the two countries agreed to run it together, with little consultation of the large Melanesian population.

These days it is generally thought that the British would like to give independence to the New Hebrides but the French - in line with their general attitude to colonies in the South Pacific - would not. One therefore can consult two types of policemen for direction; use two different currencies (Australian dollar and NH Franc) and be sent to one of two types of prison if one commits any offence. There are three basic languages (including Pidgin) and three courts of law (including a joint court).

For the tourist, all this can be fun. And there is a cosmopolitan range of eating styles in Vila - British, French, Vietnamese, Chinese and local.

Flights into the condominium are by UTA from Noumea and by Air Pacific from Nadi, or Honiara. There are passenger ships but these are giving way more and more to cargo boats. Air Melanesia provides scheduled flights from Vila to 14 points in the group.

Main attractions in the New Hebrides are the Pentecost land divers and the volcano on Tanna Island. Pentecost is a mountainous island and the people are great carvers and basket weavers. Their fame however arises from a tradition of building cane platforms up to 80ft high and jumping from them onto soft earth. Their fall is broken by a bush vine, one end tied to the ankle, the other to the top of the tower.

The ceremony is performed once or twice every year and tourists are charged heavily both to watch and to take photographs.

The volcano on Tanna is a great deal more active than our Bagana and glows strongly at night. It can be approached easily and one can stand within a short distance of the rim. Tourists bungalows stand nearby.

Best New Hebridean artifacts are grass skirts from Futuna and Tanna, baskets and mats from Pentecost, masks from Ambrym and Malekula, wood work from Tongoa and pig tusk necklaces, found all over the group but expensive.

Accommodation includes the Vate, Rossi and Le Lagon hotels in Vila; the Corsica, Lokalee Beach, Albert Goddyn and Chez Mao in Santo; and the bungalows at Tanna. Tariffs are slightly more expensive than those of Papua New Guinea.



Top, one of Santo's best hotels, the Corsica owned by Alan Brown. Above, a Burns Philp store. Right, Chinese trade store in Santo. Not so different from Bougainville!



ALEX SAVES AN EYE

Alex Mesualisy, a metal fabricator with the central workshop, is one person who now really believes in safety glasses. He was operating a grinder on March 22, when an unknown particle flew out, hitting and shattering the left lense of his safety spectacles.

If Alex had not been wearing his safety spectacles it is probable that he would now be blind in one eye.

Safety spectacles may be a nuisance and a little uncomfortable until one becomes used to wearing them, but as Alex will no doubt tell you, they are no use in your pocket or tool box. They are for your protection.



HOW TO REPORT AN ACCIDENT

Both Panguna and Loloho have a 24 hour coverage by a senior security guard who monitors the radios and telephones. If he receives a message saying that there's been an accident he puts the emergency vehicles into action.

When sending a message to the security control room state the following:

Time, place and what type of accident. Number of injured and whether slight or serious. If there is a fire danger or other hazards. Leave name and department. Talk slowly and distinctly.

The internal phone emergency number is 123, both in Panguna and Loloho. The outside number for the control room at Panguna is 958333, and at Loloho, 951022.

When sending a message by radio, observe the following:

Switch the set to channel 1. Call security control at Panguna or Loloho - depending on where the accident took place. Give the message as I previously told you. If you are asked to repeat the message, do so. Remember, when you want to speak you press down the microphone button. When you have finished the message you remove your finger from the button, otherwise control will not be able to reply.

What happens when emergency is called?

First a red button is pushed in the control room which alerts the ambulance - rescue unit, fire engine drivers and security patrol. The message from you is

handed to all the crews before they leave to the scene of the accident or the emergency.

It is important at this stage to keep clear of channel 1 as the emergency units need the channel to pass information to control or section heads.

- JOHN DUNKLEY
First Aid Officer

SEA RESCUE

Tragedy was narrowly averted off the coast of Bougainville on March 20 after an immense search and rescue operation had been launched for four men missing in a capsized runabout-type boat. The last two to be spotted had been in the water for 20 hours and were taken to hospital suffering from shock and exposure.

Five men had left Arovo island in the late afternoon of March 20. Roughly a third of the way from the island a freak wave hit the bow of the boat tipping all the passengers out. It was raining and the sea was choppy.

At about 6.45 p.m. BCP security control at Loloho were alerted that a runabout with several men aboard was overdue from the island. Preliminary alerts were instigated by both the police and security but at 10.30 p.m. one of the men, Rod Hair from CCS, swam ashore. He had swum eight miles since the boat overturned.

Immediately a full scale search was organised by police under the direction of Kieta Harbourmaster, Captain Dick Wilson, and, for the company, Captain Jack Dalby, port superintendent.

John Dunkley, first aid officer, and Captain Ian Baird, harbourmaster/pilot, were also called out, making it the 10th time the three company men had worked together on a search.

By 11.20 p.m. the company tug "Loloho" was searching local waters with rescue and ambulance personnel. Soon the first survivor was picked up - Dick Pash, BCP mechanic - by Captain Dick Wilson in a fast speedboat. He was placed on board the "Loloho" Twenty minutes later cries of help were heard by the "Loloho" near Rorovana Point and shortly afterwards Mike Williams of CCS was hauled aboard. These two survivors were put ashore and sent to hospital for a checkup. They had been in the water some eight hours.

At 2.50 a.m. the "Loloho" this time under the hands of Paul Krukut (with Messrs. Dalby, Dunkley, Appleton, Hair and Drummond as spotters) searched local seas, this time without luck.

Two more men remained to be picked up somewhere out to sea. To assist the daylight search the BCP charter plane was called out and BCP management - Don Vernon, Al Thuli, Paul Quodling Col Bishop and Ken McKenzie - put out to sea in their personal fast boats to cover as much area as possible. They were equipped with portable walkie talkies and extra crew made up of security guards and firemen. The helicopter unfortunately was out of action with engine trouble.

The "Loloho" put out to sea again and headed for the outer area of reef where the surf was very bad. No luck. Then at 10.30 a.m. two men were spotted six miles out, very close to the main deep sea reef, by the charter plane. An hour later the two were picked up by the "Loloho" - exactly 20 hours after being capsized. They were Spike Jones and Ian Cameron, both CCS. They were still clutching their boat which was floating vertically in the water.

The five men were safe. And a fine job of work done by all who took part in the 16 hour search.



This smiling patient is deckhand Noah Dau from Talasea, West New Britain, who is making good recovery in the Mater Hospital, Bundaberg, Queensland, after being injured in a recent off-shore accident. Noah received a punctured wound to the back of the head when he fell from the wheelhouse ladder of the German ship, "Wesser Carrier", eight miles off the Bundaberg coast. A Bundaberg ambulance bearer was taken by a harbour board launch to give the man first aid and bring him back for admission to the hospital. The "Wesser Carrier" is a BCP chartered vessel which makes frequent trips between Australia and Bougainville carrying the project's general cargo and food. Pictured with the patient are (from the left) Matron Winifred, Nurse M. Dwyer and Nurse B. Liddell.

toktok

THE CRUEL MEN OF BUKA

This story begins in the village of Hangan on Buka island, which has a population of about 200 people. Long ago in Hangan village there lived two cruel men, a tall thin man (Bunjany) and a very fat man (Pupekin). The people of Hangan were very frightened of these men. One day the elders of the village had a meeting to decide what they would do about the cruel men. It was decided that all villages would leave and go to the island of Petats.

Petats is situated about two miles off the west coast of Buka. Everyone travelled by canoe (mona) to the island. On reaching the island the people were very happy and started making new gardens and houses.

When the people left Hangan they left behind an old woman as there was no room for her and she was a "tsora" woman (magic woman). She was left behind in the hope that the cruel men would kill her.

The old woman felt very lonely after everyone had gone because she had no husband or sons to be with her in the village of Hangan. One day she was working in her garden when a small man came out of the bush and said, "Old woman, why are you so lonely working in the garden"? The woman replied, "I am so lonely here because the village people left me and went across to the other island". The small man, Kirin (elf), felt sorry for the old woman so he said, "Go home and when you get there you will find two brothers, they will keep you company and fight the cruel men for you".

The old woman was scared but she obeyed the Kirin and went home. When she arrived, the brothers were there and they said to the old woman, "Tomorrow we will go out and kill the two cruel men; in the morning we will kill Pupekin and in the afternoon we will kill Bunjany". The two brothers then went to bed.

Early the next morning the two brothers went out in the bush and built a "salolo" (platform) so that they could be at the same height as the two cruel men; at daylight the brothers stood on the salolo and called out "Pupekin, Pupekin!" Pupekin ran out of the bush very fast to fight the two brothers. The fight that followed was very hard but eventually the two brothers gave Pupekin a good hit on the head and he fell down dead.

The two brothers then cut off Pupekin's ears and placed his body on a tree and floated it out to sea hoping that the people on Petats island would see it and come back to Hangan, and they would show the ears of the cruel man as proof that they had killed him.

In the afternoon the brothers again stood on the salolo and called out, "Bunjany!! Bunjany!!, come and fight us. The cruel Bunjany came out of the bush to fight the brothers; Bunjany was able to kill the two brothers very easily as he was a lot stronger than Pupekin. Then Bunjany went and killed the old woman and cooked both the brothers and the old woman and ate them.

But Bunjany soon died himself. As all the people had left for Petats island he had no-one to feed on and he starved to death. The village was later settled by the people of nearby Malasang village. The Hangan people still survive on Petats.

By Gabriel Jimmy from Hangan
Equipment operator trainee.

PANGUNA

Thurs. & Fri. Apr. 19 & 20	Winning	Paul Newman Joanne Woodward
Sat. & Mon. Apr. 21 & 23	In The Heat of the Night	Rod Steiger Sidney Poitier
Sun. & Tues. Apr. 22 & 24	Hawaii	Julie Andrews Richard Harris
Thurs. & Fri. Apr. 26 & 27	Borsalina	
Sat. & Mon. Apr. 28 & 30	Battle of Britain	Michael Caine Trevor Howard
Sun. & Tues. Apr. 29 & May 1.	The Undefeated	

ARAWA

Friday April 20	The Good, The Bad and The Ugly	Clint Eastwood
Sunday April 22	Oh What a Lovely War	
Wednesday April 25	Hang 'Em High	Clint Eastwood
Friday April 27	Winning	Paul Newman Joanne Woodward
Sunday April 29	In The Heat of The Night	Rod Steiger Sidney Poitier
Wednesday May 2	Hawaii	Julie Andrews Richard Harris

by mauswara

It seems months since we had a day without rain at Panguna. Come one o'clock the sky invariably darkens and the heavens open. The birds let out a united squawk and seek shelter under the tree tops, the dogs and cats run for cover under the houses and benighted humans, always the last to spot the ominous signs, manage to get soaked to the skin before arrival at their destinations. The weather people bear me out too. Last year was a record one for rainfall both at Panguna and Arawa and this year looks like topping that. In March Panguna sucked up 24.76 inches (average 22.94) while Arawa steamed under 17.66 inches (average 14.63). The first three months this year have all been well above average - 65.13 inches at Panguna and 48.53 inches at Arawa. Oddly, the wettest day last month fell on March 7 at Arawa when 4.18 inches fell. Panguna could only manage 2.44 inches on the 31st. Which only goes to show it's not all balmy days and waving palms in the South Pacific.....

Talking of the weather, a certain group went walkabout the other day in the steamy heat. It got so bad that certain more extrovert members of the party stripped to their underwear for the sake of coolness. One lad marched gaily along the

ridges wearing a pair of bright red underpants tasol with on the front the image of a rampaging bull. Just as well there weren't any local matadors about at the time.....

The telephone system seems to have a life of its own these days. Brian Wendt, photographer, was recently talking to Graham Causon, company secretary, when their line became crossed with another conversation between two young women. Their talk went like this: "How are you off for drugs?" "I might have to get some more to get us out of trouble". "O.K. I'll see what I can do". G.C. came back to B.W. on another line thinking he had broken into a drug smuggling ring. "Not to worry", said Brian, "It's only Sister Eccles talking to Sister Brown about ordering some more medical supplies". That same day Tiny received another call - this time from Rabaul. A buyer in Rabaul wanted to know if he had 200 cases of coffee for sale. "Sorry, I haven't, mate", was the reply, "Will half a tin of instant do?".....

This is the right time of year for annual reports and the mining companies have their usual crop of

prestige, multi-coloured publications. The CRA annual report will win few friends out here however. The only recent view of the project used showed the port/power station complex - back to front.....

Listened boggle-eared to the story of a Selau fight leader the other day. It seems he didn't bother to dodge the enemies' arrows when they came flying over - he merely caught them in his teeth. Of such stories Hollywood movies are made.....

By the way, Frob, our resident cartoonist has gone pinis. His work was much enjoyed and did a great deal to liven "Concentrates" up. Anyone else fancy taking up where he left off?.....

BCP is currently phasing out its Toyota transport service for Fords. They are only two-wheel drive as the company roads are now considered superior to those that in the old days needed four-wheel drive to cross floods and pot holes! Currently there are 10 Fords on site with more coming each shipment. By the end of the year we should have 150 of them. But methinks there'll always be a use for a few with four-wheel drive about the place.....

ACROSS THE RANGE FOR CHARITY

Four o'clock in the morning.....a light drizzle and a pitch black sky. "Off you go", shouts Scouts organiser Jim Bissaker and into the cold night run 160 contestants in the 1973 Scout Walkathon.

Altogether 330 people took part in this year's walkathon, including 26 running and walking from Kieta to Camp 6 and 145 under-12's and parents from Birempa to Camp 6. Jim Bissaker, area commissioner for Bougainville area, reckons about \$3,500 will be collected from sponsors - half going to the Scouts and half to organisations selected by the contestants. Kieta Lions Club were on hand to feed thirsty entrants beer at the end of the race and Scouts kept up a running supply of soft drinks along the road.

An amazing cross-section of the population took part in the walkathon. Oldest contestant, Laurie Devereux wore a rakish slouch hat and came home fresh; John Ainsworth staggered in and wrapped his mouth round a cold ginger beer! Methodius Nesiko came in among the leaders and complained of cramps; boxer Philip Sapak took things easy for the last five miles otherwise he might have come in the first three; Wendy Finch walked in with her shoes hanging round her neck.....

First home in the 18 miles from Panguna to Camp 6 was Mike Bell (Kieta Yacht Club) in 2 hrs 34 minutes; second was Matro Masa (Scouts); third was Maikeo Jazate (Scouts); fourth was John Eccles (Panguna HHH) and fifth was Joseph Peta (Manus Club).

First home in the nine miles from Kieta to Camp 6 were Stewart Dodds, Ivan Eckard and Peter Berterm, all from Kieta Lions Club and all recording 2 hours 27 minutes. Fourth was Bob Fitze and fifth, B. Chan Mah.

Special mention to Christina Hazel, 28 months, daughter of hydrographer Derry Hazel, who walked a mile and collected \$5.

A meeting was held at the Country Club on March 20, at which the formation of the GOLF Club section of the Country Club was discussed. The attendance of 12 was not as good as expected; however, the meeting resolved that the golf section should be formed, and that a membership fee of \$20 should be levied, in the first instance. This fee will render a member financial until June 30, 1974.

The golf course is almost ready for play, on five holes. Five groups of club members have guaranteed to complete the greens and tees of one hole each, and the target date for play, (on temporary greens) is Easter Saturday. The immediate need of the club is money, to enable sufficient funds to be available for basic course maintenance. To get money, we need members. If you are interested in golf and wish to become a member of the A.C.C. Golf Club, please complete an application form, obtainable from Harry Roach, Arawa Municipal Commission Office, Cliff Newman, Community Relations Office, B43a Panguna, or Ian Baird, Port Office, Loloho.

- IAN BAIRD

ORGANISATIONS:

Panguna Arts Society	Mr. K. Ambrose	5-392
Lions Club President	Mr. L. Smith	5-135
Parents & Citizens Assoc.	Mr. R. Hope	5-290
Primary School Mothers Club	Mrs. M. Blackwell	958176
Squash Club President	Mr. K. Tregauer	5-256
Secretary	Mr. M. Sullivan	5-297
Cricket Club President	Mr. J. Trezise	5-317
Scout & Guide Chairman	Mr. J. Ainsworth	5-136
Committee Guide Captn.	Mrs. J. Bissaker	5-245
Brownie Ldr.	Mrs. A. Embery	45 Kupei Rd.
Group Scout	Mr. J. Embery	45 Kupei Rd.
Master		
Photo. Club President	Mr. N. A. Nour	5-275
Secretary	Mr. P. Barter	5-256

EMERGENCY DIRECTORY:

Security Emergency Control 958333.....123
(For all emergencies)

Medical BCP Medical Centre 958304254
Panguna Hospital 958289

Police Police Station 958222
958263

BANK:

A branch of the Commonwealth Bank is situated approx. 150 yards west of the Trade Store and is open:

Monday to Friday	9.00 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.
	1.00 p.m. - 3.00 p.m.
Friday only	4.30 p.m. - 6.00 p.m.
Saturday	8.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.

POST OFFICE is open:

Monday to Friday	8.30 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.
	1.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.
Saturday	8.30 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.

LIBRARY is open:

Sunday to Saturday	10.00 a.m. - 10.00 p.m.
--------------------	-------------------------

TRADE STORE is open:

Monday to Friday	9.00 a.m. - 5.30 p.m.
Friday evening	6.30 p.m. - 6.30 p.m.
Saturday	9.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.

HOSPITAL:

Out-Patients:

Monday to Friday	8.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.
	1.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.
Saturday	8.00 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.

Maternal & Child Health Clinics:

Tuesday and Wednesday	8.00 a.m. - 3.30 p.m.
-----------------------	-----------------------

The BCP Medical Centre is open for treatments from:

Monday to Friday	8.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday	8.00 a.m. - 10.30 a.m.

CHURCH SERVICES:

Catholic	Sunday 8.00 a.m. and 7.00 p.m. Every evening 7.00 p.m. Priest in charge - Father Fahey P.O. Box 48, Panguna.
United Church	Sunday at 9.00 a.m. and 8.00 p.m. Sunday 6.45 p.m. at Camp 10 Every Wednesday at 7.30 p.m. Minister in charge - Rev. Battersby, P.O. Box 9, Panguna.
Lutheran	Sunday at 10.00 a.m. Sunday at 8.00 a.m. at Camp 10 Pastor in charge - Rev. D. Zweck P.O. Box 497 Arawa.

arawa

ORGANISATIONS:

Lions Club	President	Mr. R. Rudkin	5-161
Country Club		Mr. I. Baird	4-120
		Mr. G. Causon	5-327
BCP Women's Club	President	Mrs. M. Gomara	14/19
Arawa Civic Association		Mr. R. Jeffery	5-287
Tennis Club	President	Mr. R. Bowden	5-374
	Secretary	Mr. K. Best	5-115
Girl Guides	President	Mrs. C. Newman	951954

POLICE STATION: 951222

TRADE STORE is open:

Monday to Thursday	8.30 a.m. - 5.30 p.m.
Friday	8.30 a.m. - 8.30 p.m.
Saturday	8.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.

BANK is open:

Monday to Friday	9.00 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.
	1.30 p.m. - 3.00 p.m.
Saturday	8.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.

POST OFFICE is open:

Monday to Friday	8.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.
	1.30 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.
Saturday	8.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.

LIBRARY at old Fermentary homestead is open:

Monday & Wednesday	10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.
	7.00 p.m. - 9.00 p.m.
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday	10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.
	1.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.
Saturday	9.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.

HOSPITAL

Intermediate Out-Patients

Monday - Friday	10.00 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.
-----------------	-------------------------

Ante-Natal Clinic

Wednesdays	8.00 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.
	1.00 p.m. - 3.30 p.m.

Maternal & Child Health Clinic

Monday and Friday	8.00 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.
	1.00 p.m. - 3.30 p.m.

General Out-Patients

Monday to Friday	8.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.
Emergencies	7 days week, 24 hours.

No visiting the hospital is allowed outside regular visiting hours, unless special arrangements have been made. Visiting hours are:

3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.
7.00 p.m. - 8.00 p.m.

CHEMIST: 951304

Monday to Friday	8.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.
	1.30 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.
Saturday	8.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.

DENTIST: Arawa 951424

Monday to Friday	8.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.
	2.00 p.m. - 6.00 p.m.
Saturday	8.00 a.m. - 9.30 a.m.

CHURCH SERVICES:

Catholic	Sundays 8.00 a.m. and 5.00 p.m.
United Church	Sunday 9.00 a.m.
Lutheran	Sunday 10.00 a.m. Sunday 7.00 p.m. every second week, in English at house 15/112

All services are held at the Arawa Fermentary.