

PREMIER OPENS SOLDIERS' MEMORIAL PARK AT PINERY

ATTENDANCE AFFECTED BY WET WEATHER

We can only hold Australia by being strong and unified with national service on the high plane, said the Premier (Mr. Playford) when he opened the Memorial Gates at the Pinery Recreation Ground last Friday morning.

Conditions abroad were causing grave anxiety, said Mr. Playford, and the security which Australia had previously enjoyed because of her isolation was being greatly reduced by the invention of new devices for conquering time and space.

This memorial will commemorate the deeds of the sons of this district and be an inspiration to future generations. I wish the Committee every success and highly commend their action in erecting such a tribute that will last as long as the district itself lives.

With Australian boys again on their way to fight overseas it was fitting, said Mr. Playford, that past services in two World Wars should be so remembered.

On arrival Mr. Playford was met by the president (Mr. R. J. Guerin) and at the opening ceremony the official party on the dais included the President of the Legislative Council (Sir Walter Duncan) Hon A. J. Melrose MLC, Hon C. D. Rowe MLC, Mr R. S. Goldney MP, the chairman of the District Council of Owen (Mr. O. Reid) and the president of the Mallala RSL Sub-Branch (Mr. R. Moody).

The Last Post and Reveille were sounded by Mr. C. Sampson, and Mr. Moody recited the Ode: They Shall Grow Not Old

A Roll of Honor in the Pinery Hall

A Roll of Honor in the Pinery Hall contains the following names of those who served: D. E. Bird, N. H. Bird, W. R. Bowhey, F. W. Clarke

P. C. Clarke, R. L. Clarke, S. J. Evans, L. T. Hall A. D. Hancock E. T. Hancock P. Hopkins J. B. Melville, C. H. Phillips, L. C. Tambllyn, M. R. Tiller A. C. Tucker A. I. Wedding, W. A. Wedding, D. A. Williams R. E. Williams Jean Laffer and Mildred Laffer.

Insured Against Rain

Attendance at the function was less than expected because of the heavy showers the day before and the threat of more during the day. The pluvius insurance policy did not recompense the committee because no rain fell between 9 and 10 a.m. on the day of the show when only 10 points registered at the Owen Post Office would have been sufficient to result in the payment of £100.

Gate takings were £28/12/-, whilst dinner and afternoon tea brought in another £38/14/-.

The 24 or so entries for trotting events were very encouraging, says the secretary (Mr. G. Adams): owners expressed the greatest satisfaction with arrangements and promised further support if further meetings should become an annual event.

Only mishap of the day occurred prior to the opening ceremony when Mr. K. A. Reid was thrown from his mare, Amy, when she lost her footing on the slippery ground during a trial over hurdles. It was the first fall Mr. Reid has had during his many years' experience in the show and trotting ring. An X-ray

of his wrist taken at the Hamley Bridge hospital later in the day revealed no broken bones.

Excellent Luncheon

Wives of committeemen and their assistants combined to provide one of the best luncheons and afternoon teas possible to imagine. Many were the comments on the excellence of arrangements and the capable way in which they were carried out.

Judge and handicapper for the trots was Mr. M. Richter, of Reeves Plains, and Mr. F. H. Parker was starter. Messrs. P. Snook and H. B. McLachlan judged foot races and Mr. C. Crawford was handicapper and starter.

The amplifiers were supplied by Mr. C. L. Bishop of Balaklava.

Members of the War Memorial Committee are Messrs. R. J. Guerin (president), C. A. Blacket (vice-president), G. Adams (secretary), M. R. Tiller (assistant secretary),

R. J. Tamblyn, A. S. Bird (treasurer), R. Howells, W. Hopkins W. Barr H. A. Heinjus, H. J. R. Adams and C. A. Tamblyn.

Prize List

First Trot: Illawarra Lu (S Clarke) 1, Thelray (H. Carslake) 2, Molly's Image (W. R. Evans) 3; Pinery Sprint: R. Hillman 1, L. T. Hall 2, P. Guerin 3; Pony over Hurdles: K. A. Reid (Amy) 1, G. Young (Anne) 2; President's Handicap Trot: Prince Richard (H. Carslake) 1, Kevin Raider (H. Carslake) 2, Royal Regent (R. Curnow) 3; Horses over Hurdles: G. Young (Anne) 1, K. A. Reid (Amy) 2; Flag and Barrel race:

Reid (Amy) 2; Flag and Barrel race: S. H. Parker 1, S. J. Evans 2; 110 yards sprint: R. Hillman 1, D. Hillman 2, L. Hall 3; Committee Handicap Trot: Sir Cathcart (A Griffiths) 1, Findon's Image (H. Carslake) 2, Realm's Midget 3.

School Boys' Bicycle Race: Max Bird 1, C. Heinjus 2; Pair Horses over Hurdles: G. Young (Anne) 1, K. A. Reid (Amy) 2; Horse or Pony over Hurdles: K. A. Reid (Amy) 1, S. J. Evans (Dolly) 2; Bending Race S. J. Evans, S. H. Parker; Walk, Trot and Gallop: S. H. Parker 1, S. J. Evans 2; Consolation Trot: Shy Queen (H. Carslake) 1, Replica (A. Griffiths) 2.