Along the Mail Route

Archdeacon Robertson and Mrs. Robertson, accompanied by the Rev. Doyle of Nowra, recently paid a visit to Roseby Park. Unfortunately their visit had to be very brief as they intended visiting Wreck Bay the same day.

The Roseby Park youngsters won four championships at the recent Primary School sports at Nowra, and also collected many minor placings. Congratulations to the Roseby Park youngsters.

Fred Griffiths, Aubrey Cain and Malcolm Watson with their dogs at Burra Bee Dee.

In one of her usual interesting letters, Margaret Cruse of Wave Hill, Muttama, was full of praise for our October Cover showing the Cootamundra girls (I suppose the Kinchela boys won’t be satisfied now, until they have “made” the Cover. Well, anyhow, the boys are not QUITE as good looking as the girls, are they?).

Margaret has quite a busy time these days looking after fifty young turkeys and I can just imagine how they keep her on the move. (Keep a nice fat turkey for Xmas for me will you, Margaret?)

The Local Government Medical Officer, Dr. Stafford Marsh, visited Kinchela last month and gave the lads diphtheria immunisation injections.

When diphtheria immunisation was held at Burra Bee Dee recently, four of the youngsters “went bush” rather than have the injections. However, Manager Spencer had a talk with their mothers and they have all promised to be brave next time.

It is interesting to note that 53 aboriginal children were immunised from a total of 200 aboriginal people in Coonabarabran, while only about 50 white children were immunised from the town’s total of 2,000.

Congratulations the Station Manager, the Government Medical Officer said the Station has set a splendid example for the rest of the community.

A Girl Guide Company of twelve members has been formed on Cabbage Tree Island Station and registered with the Girl Guides Association.

This is the first aboriginal Girl Guide Company to be formed in the State, and the formation has aroused much interest in sister Companies in the district.

The District Commissioner, Mrs. Stroud-Watts, and Assistants have already visited the Station twice, and carried out instruction and tests.

The apathy of the parents proved to be quite an obstacle, but this has been cleared away, and contributions for uniforms and accessories are coming forward freely.

Under the guidance of the Matron, meetings are held in the Recreation Hall three nights a week, when the guides are given instruction. Jean Marlowe and Phyllis Anderson have been appointed Captain and Lieutenant respectively.