LA PERouse.

CHRISTMAS SPORTS AND PARTY.

On Saturday, the 22nd December, a Sports afternoon and children's party was held on the Reserve at La Perouse.

Responsibility for the preparations and actual carrying out of the programme rested entirely upon the people of La Perouse. The function was a complete success and great credit is due to the organisers.

Throughout the year, various functions had been held and a considerable sum of money raised to provide prizes, presents and refreshments for this occasion.

Races and other outdoor games were organised and a comprehensive programme successfully carried through by Mr. Harold Stewart and his assistants. The sports were conducted without a hitch and in a most orderly fashion.

The Recreation Hall was tastefully decorated and a sumptuous repast set out by Mrs. Doris Foster and a team of willing helpers.

Besides providing a most enjoyable time for the young people, the function illustrated the initiative and ability of our aboriginal folk to plan and conduct their own affairs.

Further instances in other places throughout the year, clearly demonstrate that there are many among our people who have the ability to take their place among their white fellow-citizens in different aspects of community organisation and responsibility. I hope to see a growing realisation of this on the part of our own folk and, what is more, a recognition of this fact by members of the white community.

I am satisfied that the day will yet come when, from among our people, there will be those who will play a worthwhile and responsible part in the affairs of our wonderful country.

Congratulations and all good wishes to the La Perouse people and those from other places who have done such wonderful work.

M. H. SAXBY,
Superintendent of Aborigines Welfare.

Scholarship Available

For the information of High School pupils and for former students of secondary schools, it is advised that a scholarship—the first of those to be awarded annually by the Melbourne University Council and endowed by the National Union of Australian University Students—will probably be available for 1957.

The scholarships are open to Aborigines qualified to undertake University courses and will be tenable at any University. The emoluments and tenure will be determined by the University Council.

Application forms may be obtained from the Registrar, University of Melbourne, Carlton N3, and completed applications should be returned to reach the Registrar by 1st February, 1957.

Even if not eligible this year, every aboriginal boy and girl student should keep in mind this golden opportunity of gaining a university scholarship.

What a team! Rex Williams, Jeff Phillips, Norrie Williams, Aussie Williams, Col Hickling, and Clifford Williams, all of Tabulam.