Hello Kids,

Well, Christmas is a long way off again, isn’t it? Do hope you all had a wonderful time. Did you like our special Christmas cover on Dawn? How about writing and telling me what you thought of it. There will be some special prizes for the best letter.

I just had a letter from James Ridgeway (18) of 3 Frederick Street, Merewether, telling me he would like some pen friends.

His hobbies are music, jazz, painting and motor cars. How about some letters for him!

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A LETTER FROM LOLA

Writing to Dawn, from the Cootamundra Girls’ Training Home, 15 years old Lola Edwards says:

Recently I went on a visit which is held every year in July between the school I attend, and Telopea Park High School in Canberra. There were 40 odd of us fitted into a bus, along with our suitcases, because we were going for three days. We had a pleasant trip over, but it was more exciting when we arrived, where we met our billets.

The first day we had athletics, and the ball games, the second day I played basketball against Telopea, along with the other members of the team. Although we did not win, I enjoyed it thoroughly. We won the football, which I am glad to say was the main feature.

That night, which was Friday, we had a dance which was very successful. I sang at the dance, and was very pleased to see the way in which the students of Telopea Park High accepted me, even though I was an aborigine.

All in all I had a very enjoyable time, and I did not want to leave my new-found friends.

I would like pen friends please, any age, in teens; my hobbies are drawing, sketching, and painting, singing also.

(This nice letter wins Lola a special prize!)

MERVYN BISHOP DOES WELL

Congratulations to Mervyn Bishop on being selected as a Prefect of Dubbo High School for next year. Mervyn will probably sit for the Leaving Certificate at the end of 1962.

Mervyn, who comes from Brewarrina, is a bursar of the Board and is boarding in the Church of England Hostel at Dubbo. Mervyn is also being supported by the Journalists’ Aboriginal Group of The Sydney Morning Herald.

I guess that’s all for now, so until next month,

Your sincere Pal,

Pete