In Sydney recently at a holiday camp was Patty Briggs, 13, who is in second year at Armidale High School. She stays at the Church of England Hostel in Armidale during school term.

Patty entered second year at the age of 12\(\frac{1}{2}\), which is the average age for first year.

Her favourite sports are swimming and ball games, and her favourite subjects are Art and English.

When she leaves school she hopes to become a typist, thus following in the footsteps of her sister Muriel, aged 20, who is a typist with the Public Service.

There are eight children in Patty’s family, Patty being the sixth.

Patty’s stay at the hostel was made possible by the Chatswood Lions Club, which awarded her a scholarship.

She also has a brother in his second year in High School. He is being sponsored by the Castlecrag Branch of the Association for Assimilation of Aborigines.

Mrs. Florence Le Gay Brereton, of Armidale, who takes an interest in Patty as well as other girls at the hostel, told *Dawn*:

“Patty is just an ordinary little girl living just like a lot of other ordinary little girls, and that is the main thing.” The picture shows Patty (left) and a friend.