



JOIN THE THOUSANDS OF HAPPY AUSTRALIANS who will be attending

GRIFFITH CELEBRATIONS SHOW

At the Showgrounds, Griffith, on

THURSDAY MARCH 17th

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COME TO GRIFFITH'S CELEBRATIONS SHOW To greet old friends and make new ones

RICHARD H. BRADBURY, President. **CHAS. R. HARRIS, Secretary.**

WEEK OF SPORT AND PAGEANTRY

Comprehensive List Of Attractions For Griffith Celebrations

By J. J. Maher

Among the chief attractions for Griffith's big week of sport and pageantry will be the swimming carnival on Monday night, March 14, the Venetian carnival and fireworks on Tuesday night, with the Bathing Beauty competition, followed by the athletic and cycling carnival on Wednesday afternoon and evening.

The State Governor (Lord Wakehurst) will officially open the Griffith Autumn show, at which trotting will be featured in the afternoon and night, while there will be an all trotting programme, promoted by the Agricultural Society on Saturday. A mechanical coursing meeting will be staged on Friday night, March 18, with a bowls tournament on Saturday as one of the closing sporting features.

FROM a modest beginning the Griffith Agricultural Society has grown into one of the most energetic units of the South-Western Show Association. Headed by Mr. R. H. Bradbury, a well-known farmer, and with Messrs. J. P. McCann and H. P. Stafford and T. Berry as vice-presidents, the organization is controlled by a committee which also includes the following—Messrs. J. R. Bartholomew, T. Berry, W. Burrows, R. Farrell, R. Gibble, A. Gorey, A. Hickin, J. Gleeson, Dr. Goldberg, W. Tyson, H. Nelson, J. Maskey, W. McCann, W. Parks, J. H. Reilly, K. Smith, G. W. Speers, J. McWilliam, N. Marcello, H. Morel, D. J. Tompkins, J. Tate, J. E. Tolhurst, M. Gulben, L. Butler, J. P. Clarke.



R. H. BRADBURY, President Griffith Agricultural Society and Trotting Club.

Agricultural Society's Help

When the Griffith Celebration Council was appointed some months ago, and the question of a big sports carnival was mooted, the members were faced with the problem of getting the financial

and other backing of some organization in the town. The Griffith Agricultural Society more or less guaranteed the show, and the prize money, amounting to close on £400.



C. A. BROWN, Treas. Griffith Show.

That was not all. The Show Society felt that it should mark the Centenary celebrations with an autumn show that would be worth while and in keeping with the visit of the State Governor, Lord Wakehurst, who is to officially open the show at 2.15 p.m. on Thursday, March 17.

The show is very comprehensive, comprising cattle and sheep, dogs, farm produce, wines, fresh and dried fruits, flowers and vegetables.

On Show Day Trotting is to be specially featured. The main events are: Maiden Trot, to be run off at 1 p.m.; the Trial Handicap (stoppied or un-stoppied), at 2 p.m.; the Unstoppied Handicap Trot, of 1 1/2 miles, at 3.15; the Show Handicap Trot of 1 1/2 miles, at 4.15; and the Flying Handicap Trot over nine furlongs at 5.9.

Trotting Popular

Evidence of the popularity of the trotting at Griffith is provided by the fact that on Saturday, March 12, a special trotting carnival will form one of the main sporting attractions to bring Griffith's big week of sport and pageantry to a fitting finale. The following are the events—

Maiden Trot, Nine furlongs. First prize, £5; second prize, £2. Entry fee 1/6.

President's Handicap, One and a quarter miles. First prize, £8; second prize, £2. Entry fee 3/6. To be handicapped to trot or pace 2 1/2 to the mile or better.

Flying Handicap, Nine furlongs. First prize, £8; second prize, £2. Entry fee 4/6. To be handicapped to trot or pace 2 1/2 to the mile or better.

Consolation Handicap, One and a quarter miles. For horses that have not won a race. First prize, £5; second prize, £2. Entry fee 5/6.

COURSING'S APPEAL

Greyhound coursing at Griffith is popular, especially the mechanical side, which has been introduced about 2 1/2 years ago on the Rugby ground.

From the outset this spectacular form of dog racing took on immensely with the result that today more than 90 per cent of the dogs competing are locally owned.

Every Friday night events are held over distances including 280 yards, 500 yards and 720 yards, while on Monday nights special trials are staged to which

the public are admitted at a nominal cost. The ground is splendidly lighted by electricity. It is claimed to be one of the best lighted tracks in New South Wales.

Maintains Hospital Beds

During the last two years, the club has expended more than £1100 on improvements. One of its finest gestures is to vote £50 annually to the local hospital to maintain two beds.

For the Centenary Week greyhound meeting, the club has arranged an interesting programme, with £266 in prize money, as follows—

Maiden Stake, 500 yds.—First prize, £5; second prize, 10/-; third prize, 5/-; Nomination, 1/-.

Flying Stake, 280 yds.—First prize, £3; second prize, 10/-; third prize, 5/-; Nomination, 1/-.

Centenary Stakes, 500 yds.—Dogs to be graded into divisions—Winner of first division, £11; second, £1; third, 3/-; Second Division, First prize, £8; second prize, 10/-; third prize, 5/-; Winner of all other Divisions, First, £5; second, 10/-; third, 5/-; Nomination, 4/6.

Hurdle Race, 500 yds.—First prize, £5; second prize, 10/-; third prize, 5/-; Nomination, 4/6. (Five approved starters or no race.)

Marathon Stake, 120 yds.—First prize, £5; second prize, £1; third prize, 10/-; Nomination, 4/6.

Special prize of £1.1 for best specimen of greyhound competing at the meeting. Dogs to be paraded after last race.

Special prize of £1.1 for most successful nomination at meeting. Points: 3 for win, 2 for second, 1 for third.

Special prize of £1.1 for most successful sire at the meeting.

Arrangements have been made for open betting at this meeting. Those desirous of betting must make application to the secretary of the Griffith Coursing Club before 4.0 on the day of the meeting, which will be on Monday, March 14, with Mr. Clarry Doak, at Griffith. His telephone is No. 8. The coursing programme will begin on Friday night at 9.0.

Swimming over metric distances will be one of the highlights of the celebrations. It will be held in the reservoir on Monday, March 14.

The Griffith Celebration Committee is to be complimented on having arranged such a wonderfully diversified programme during its week of festivities.

Extra Special!

OUTSTANDING HIGHLIGHTS of the

150th Anniversary Celebrations at GRIFFITH

Will be the

2 GREAT 2 TROTTING MEETINGS

At the Griffith Showgrounds on

THURSDAY, MARCH 17th

(Show Day)

£45 IN PRIZES

and

SATURDAY, MARCH 19th

£65 IN PRIZES

See Programme in Editorial Columns—Entries Close March 12

BIG ENTRIES — FIRST-CLASS HORSES

PUBLICAN'S BOOTH

A STRONG BETTING RING WILL BE OPERATING ON SATURDAY, MARCH 19

ADMISSION: **GENTS 2/- LADIES 1/-**

BOXES PAID FOR ONE WAY. Further particulars from Secretary, RICHARD H. BRADBURY, President. CHAS. R. HARRIS, Secretary.

MONSTER FIREWORKS DISPLAY

— and —

VENETIAN CARNIVAL

To be held on Griffith's Huge Storage Tank

TUES. MARCH 15th at 7.45 p.m.

A Corner of the Largest Man-Made Water Tank in the Commonwealth!

GRAND SWIMMING CARNIVAL To be held in the Storage Tank, MONDAY NIGHT, MARCH 14, at 7.30.

J. GOLDBRICK, Vice-Chairman Venetian Carnival.

SHOW PRESIDENT Mr Bradbury In Tenth Year

The president of the Griffith Agricultural Society (Mr Richard H. Bradbury) is in his tenth year as president of the society, which was founded in 1928. Mr Bradbury was born at Nottingham, England, and is a member of the Royal Agricultural Society, the Royal Horticultural Society, the Test bowler. Larwood lives opposite to Mr Bradbury's brother.

Mr Bradbury is popularly known in the district, enlisted at the age of 23 in the war, and served in the 15th Battalion. He was rather badly gassed, returning to Australia he again took up farm work, and eventually moved to Griffith, where he took up rice, wheat and sheep breeding. He has been a successful exhibitor at shows.

This is his tenth year as president of the Agricultural Society, the only time when he was not holding office being when on a world tour a few years ago. He is a member of the Rice Market Board, and a representative on the council of the New South Wales Show's Association.

A keen supporter of trotting, Mr Bradbury is throwing his weight behind the club's big meeting during celebrations week.

Like many others, he is hoping that the New South Wales Government will sanction night trotting, which would have the effect not only of attracting large crowds, but of proving helpful to the breeding industry.



RANDOLPH MALLINSON, general manager of the Griffith Co-operative. (Other Griffith Features in Page 12)

GRIFFITH COURSING CLUB

FRIDAY NIGHT, MARCH 18

CENTENARY WEEK GREYHOUND RACE MEETING

£66/15/- — CASH PRIZE MONEY — £66/15/-

FREE ADMISSION FOR 1 MONTHS TO TWO PERSONS PURCHASING LUCKY PROGRAMMES.

PROGRAMME

MAIDEN STAKE, 500 yards—First Prize, £5; Second Prize, 10/-; Third Prize, 5/-; Nomination, 4/6.

FLYING STAKE, 280 Yards—First Prize, £3; Second Prize, 10/-; Third Prize, 5/-; Nomination, 4/6.

CENTENARY STAKES, 500 Yards (Dogs to be graded into divisions). Winner of First Division, £10; Second, £1; Third 5/-; Second Division: First Prize, £8; Second Prize, 10/-; Third Prize, 5/-.

Winners of all other divisions: First, £5; Second, 10/-; Third, 5/-; Nomination, 4/6.

NOMINATIONS CLOSE, MONDAY, MARCH 14. OPEN BETTING RING FOR THIS MEETING ONLY. Bookmakers desirous of fielding must make application to Secretary Griffith Coursing Club before 4 p.m. on day of meeting.

REMEMBER: It is CELEBRATIONS WEEK at GRIFFITH

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Venetian Carnival And Fireworks

HEADED by Mr. John Goldrick, as honorary organiser and director, the sub-committee handling the Venetian carnival and fireworks, promise to provide one of the most spectacular functions during Griffith's Celebrations.

On Tuesday night, March 15, thousands are expected to witness the colorful display in the huge water reservoir in Jondaryn Avenue.

The Venetian floats are being arranged into three sections—Advertising, Novelty and Artistic—and a £25 prize has been set aside for the winner of each section.

The matter of the launching and landing of the floats has been the subject of much speculation in interested circles by the Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission officials, who have come to the rescue by providing the committee with a special lifting truck which will pick the floats up from the trucks on which they arrive and gently place them into the water without damaging the decorative works.

They will be returned to the trucks the following day, so that they may be used in the street procession on the Thursday morning.

Already somewhere like 30 decorated floats have been promised from business people of Griffith and adjacent towns, and it is confidently anticipated that the total may reach 50, so that a brilliant spectacle can be looked forward to.

Many of the sets used in the recent Venetian carnival on Sydney Harbor will be used, as well as some of the smaller sets. Among the chief sets will be "The Acrobatic Kangaroo," "The Grandfather's Clock," and "The Whistling Pigeon."

About 100 yards along the bank will be reserved for special displays. Rockets shot in the air for 300 ft. will illuminate the lake. A staff of experts from Sydney has been engaged.

There will be a big detachment of police, while four special telephones are being installed. A battery of loud speakers will keep the big crowd well informed as to what is happening.

The following programme has been adopted—

7.45—Rocket signalling commencement of the carnival. The unfolding of an illuminated standard with a band overture of "Advance Australia Fair," accompanied by a shower of brilliant aerial displays.

7.48—The acrobatic kangaroo—a novelty presented entirely in fireworks.

7.52—Parade of the Griffith section of the bathing beauties to special band music.

8.00—Grand Parade of novelty floats only.

8.32—Diving display by visiting and local champions.

8.40—Parade of the open-section of bathing beauties accompanied by the band.

8.58—Monster fireworks display.

9.00—Novelty—grey pole walking.

9.16—Grand Parade of all Venetian floats, brilliantly flood-lighted, and coming to rest right in front of the public stands.

9.41—Hilarious secret novelty turn.

9.44—Parade of all finalists in the bathing beauty competition, judging and awarding of prizes.

9.59—Announcement of float prize winners.

GRAND FINALE parade of all bathing beauties. Parade of all Venetian floats. Breath-taking display of fireworks never before seen outside Sydney.

10.15—Signal rockets.