

## An Extra-Curricular Activity that Helped Local Dairy Farmers

*The Daily Mail Brisbane Wed 14 July 1926*

The headmaster of the Mount Mee school (Mr, Alex. Anderson), having passed an examination for cream and milk, testing, and the Education Department having forwarded a Babcock tester to the Mount Mee school, a number of dairy farmers are taking the opportunity of having their herds tested. Instruction in the use of the tester is being given to the older pupils of the school.



An early milk tester

### How you can assist MMDHSI

- Bake, donate or purchase goods for our cake and preserve stalls, white elephant stall or raffle at the monthly Mt Mee Markets.
- Attend our meetings held on the 1st Wednesday at 2pm., or Workshops 9am - 11am on 3rd Thursday of each month at the Mt Hall.

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# MT MEE DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC



## Keeping the Mountain history alive

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Our Society was formed on 12 September 2013

## History from Trove - Some Interesting Events

### Sports

***The Week Brisbane Fri 6 Jan 1893***

On Friday, December 30, the first athletic sports ever held at the Mount Mee settlement passed off very successfully. A large crowd of people were present, including the neighbouring settlers and their families, besides a number of visitors from the Caboolture and Woodford districts. Everything was nicely arranged, a splendid running track having been prepared, and a good day's sport was the result. As the settlement does not include a hotel, everyone was severely sober; the only beverages procurable besides water and tea being soft or temperance drinks, provided by Mr. Jas. Horne, of the Mount Mee store, who also had a luncheon booth on the ground.

### Successes at Local Shows

***The Daily Mail Brisbane Sat 26 July 1924***

One of the most successful exhibitors at the Caboolture show was Mr. F. Loweke, of Mount Mee. Besides gaining pride of place for the best collection of vegetables, Mr. Loweke was successful in winning nine first, and seven second prizes for his exhibit of vegetables and farm produce. Mr. Loweke was congratulated by the Governor.

***The Daily Mail Brisbane Fri 17 Jul 1925***

Mount Mee prize winners at the Woodford show were Mr. J. Gannon, who secured two champion and nine other prizes for his Friesian cattle; and Mr. W. Daybell, who received first prize for a Jersey bull, also first prize for butter and other prizes for farm produce. Mr. Cannon was successful in winning first prize for oranges. Mrs. T.K. White won a first prize for gooseberry jam.

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Prize winners at Woodford Show from Mount Mee were Messrs. Thompson, Daybell and Noel, in the produce section. In the sweets and cookery Section Mrs. T. White, Mrs. J. Robinson, Mrs. Thomason, and Miss A. Thomason were successful in obtaining prizes.

### A Crop Not Mentioned Before

***The Daily Mail Brisbane Fri 26 Sep 1924***

The picking of cape gooseberries has practically finished. The factories being fully supplied, the price has been reduced from 6d to 4 1/2d a lb. (pound)

***The Daily Mail Brisbane Fri 17 July 1925***

Cape gooseberries are now being sent away. The crop is smaller than last year. The price has been reduced.

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Owing to the dry weather in the early months of the year the cape gooseberry crop from which good returns have been made in the past three seasons, is this year an utter failure.

### Opening of the Mt Mee Hall

***Moreton Mail Qld Fri 7 Jul 1933***

PUBLIC HALL OPENED.

The official opening of the new public hall took place last Friday night, and a record crowd of people were present. The hall and supper room was tastefully decorated by the girls of Mount Mee and the entire building was lit with electric light.

During a dance interval the chairman of the building committee Cr. J. H. Robinson extended a hearty welcome to the visitors and introduced Mr. E. L. Grimstone, M.L.A., who expressed his pleasure at being present on this great occasion. He paid tribute to the work of the building committee and the pioneers of the district, three of whom were present — Mr. and Mrs. Hewitt and Mr. T. White and requested Miss Thomas to open the hall. Miss Thomas, who is the daughter of the late Mr. R. Thomas one of our oldest pioneers amid applause praised the work of the girls and said that she was proud of the honour of officially declaring the hall open. The chairman of the Caboolture Shire Council, Mr. N. E. Bleakley congratulated the residents of Mt. Mee on having erected such a fine building. A surprise for Miss Thomas was the presentation of a golden key by Mr. Grimstone on behalf of the building committee. A vote of thanks to Miss Thomas was moved by Mr. J. Gannon and carried by acclamation. Bouquets, one by Miss Joyce Hewitt was presented to Miss Thomas and another to Mrs. Grimstone by Miss Janet White.

Mrs. J. Hewitt, who was ably assisted by a committee of ladies carried out the catering arrangements for the dainty supper for the large crowd. Total takings for the evening amounted to £55. Music was supplied by the Dayboro orchestra and dancing was kept up till a late hour.

### Roads

***The Daily Mail Brisbane Fri 26 Sep 1924***

At a meeting of the Caboolture Shire Council a deputation from the Mount Mee L.P.A. requested the Mount Mee to Woodford road be declared a main road. The deputation pointed out that 58 tons of butter and 3,000,00 superficial feet of timber was carried over this road last year. The council, with two dissentients, decided to declare the road to Woodford a main road.

***The Daily Mail Brisbane Thu 8 Jul 1926***

The main road from Dayboro to Mount Mee is now being surveyed, the route being via Ocean View. It is expected that the work of making this road, which will be a portion of the main road from Brisbane to Gympie, will be commenced early in September.

