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In lieu of an editorial this issue, we are publishing this letter and a reply to it (next page) which will be of interest to many students.

Editor, The Rambler

Dear Sir:

There is a question which has been bothering me since I've come to this school and I'm sure that it has troubled the minds of many others. Just how and when are the cheerleaders chosen? Do some girls appoint themselves, or do special students get asked to try out for it or do certain teachers pick their students to be our cheerleaders? As far back as I can remember, there were no announcements regarding cheerleading try-outs, and neither were there any announcements for the student body to come out and choose the girls whom they wished to be the school's cheerleading squad. Why not? Is this school an oligarchy? This bothers me because I hate to see a school disunified because it is run by the elite few. Our school is small enough without having only five or six self-appointed girls represent us.

Now another question arises: what are the qualifications for a girl to become a senior cheerleader? I heard that they have to be in Grade 12. Why is this? Is this really a fair representation of our student population? And if so, is it fair that there are exceptions to the rule as appear in the so-called "grad" cheerleaders?

This leads us to a third and still a perturbing question. If the Senior cheerleaders are only supposed to be Grade Twelve girls eligible for graduation how is it that all the girls on the senior cheerleaders are entering into their third year of cheerleading?

Everyone knows of this struggle within the cheerleading squad and many people have said that the recently discharged "undergrad" cheerleaders are a more worthy and school-spirited bunch of girls. Mind you, here I'm saying that only some people share these thoughts. The Senior cheerleaders are aware of this criticism. Since this is the year to create traditions for Ridge, why don't we scrap the whole lot, announce to the TOTAL population that cheerleaders can try out and then allow the whole school to help make the decision regarding the cheerleaders' position? If the present cheerleaders are really that good, the school's student body will see that this is evident. Right? Perhaps this is the very reason no such operation has been performed - the cheerleaders are scared of losing their glorious and esteemed positions.

Let's be fair and give all the students a chance to "run" the school. Democracy for Ridge!

Anonymous

Don Moody & Nico van der Pauw were outstanding in this department.

RAMBLERS VERSUS ABBOTSFORD

The Fraser Valley Championship was assured in this final league game as the Ramblers made another clean sweep with a score of 32-6. Jerry Karasosky, Mike Lynch, and Gordie Hampton scored for Ridge, Lynch putting in another great effort with 3 majors.

Throughout the muddy contest, Ridge kept complete control, slipping only once to allow Abbotsford a scoring opportunity. Ken Heath was outstanding on the Ridge defense throughout the game, which was plagued by a continuous downpour. There were, nevertheless, a goodly number of Rambler supporters, enthusiastically cheering their team on to the Championship.

The Ramblers showed their gratitude and appreciation to both coaches in an informal way after the game. Half the team boosted assistant coach Estergaard on their shoulders, while the other half paraded victoriously to the change rooms with head coach McKenzie on their backs. It was a fine tribute in recognition of the hard work both coaches have put in all season.

Favorite Student Sandwiches

- Cathy Booth - tuna fish and potato chips
- Pam Carr - peanut butter and ice-cream
- Gloria Hooge - sausage, cheese, tomato with a little mustard and topped by a pickle.
- Peter Wise - roast beef with pickles
- Kathy Trerise - beef and tomatoes
- Bonnie Kamp - Cheese whiz
- Greg Beyer - fried egg with mayonnaise and bacon
- Patty Booth - peanut butter & dill pickle with salami on top
- Margaret Huhtala - salmon sandwich
- Heather Reid - peanut butter and cucumber.
- Lois Gustafson - salmon and dill pickle (one layer) cheese and lettuce (in another layer)
- Sue Philipps - tuna fish
- Pam Moyer - peanut butter and peach.
- Jennifer Simpson - peanut butter and bacon.
- Alven Solburg - Dagwood
- Myrna Stenenerson - pickle, tomato and cucumber.
- Paul Walske - cow meat (beef)
- Ann Knudson - hamburger with pickle
- Mary Scholes - peanut butter and onion with dill pickles
- Ron Houle - hot dog with mustard, relish, mayonnaise, a big pickle, and a piece of bologna, with onions and cheese.
- Ken Clark - carrots, cheese, mustard, onions, jam, potatoes, peanut butter, honey, relish, salad dressing, on burnt rye whole wheat bread, with a pickle and a cherry on top with soup poured on top to make it soft.
- Dean & Hansen - lemon gin, burn Roman Meal Bread with cinnamon sprinkled savorly on the crown, with a pinch of crabapple jelly for that exotic flavour. Swift's Premium Frankfurters in Libby Sloppy Joes with three banana coins. To make this sandwich complete, serve with beef tongue in Campbell's green pea soup, a la mode (Chocolate)
- Mike Quigley - Peanut butter on Plywood
- For the teachers - Arsenic on cyanide bread