

DR. BUNTINE HONOURED

A bright sunny day enhanced the appearance of the Preparatory School for the opening ceremony at noon on Saturday July 30, when Mrs. M. A. Buntine unveiled the plaque naming the original building 'The Arnold Buntine Wing'.

The College Council had for some time been considering the most appropriate means of honouring the late Dr. M. A. Buntine, Principal of the College from 1946 to 1960. Finally, it was decided to give his name to the first wing of the Preparatory School, which he was largely responsible for conceiving.

Those who played football matches in the 1950's on the 'new site' would not recognise the area today; but it was Dr. Buntine who negotiated the purchase of the land on most favourable terms from the late

Mr. Louis Whyte, whose generosity in the sale was recognised by his election as a Fellow of the OGCA.

The early planning of the school was undertaken by Dr. Buntine, who foresaw the development of the site into a first-class Preparatory School.

So, it was fitting that the weather for the opening showed off the grounds at their best.

Dr. Norman Wettenhall, Chairman of the College Council, introduced Mr. Don Macmillan, a senior prefect in Dr. Buntine's first year and later a member of Dr. Buntine's staff, to speak about the contribution made to the College and the character of the man after whom the building was to be named.

Don referred to his task as senior prefect of 'breaking in the new Head', and

of the great respect and affection which he developed for Dr. Buntine. He spoke of the Principal's great enthusiasm for achievement and development at the College, and of his efforts to improve the lot of the staff. The post-war shortages made building difficult, but Dr. Buntine spared no effort to fulfil the needs of the school.

Don agreed with the assessment made by his Scotch College colleague, Mr. G. Logie Smith formerly director of music, that the College was a great school in Dr. Buntine's time and, he added, the Head had a great asset in a wonderful wife.

Mrs. Buntine spoke in a delightful fashion about her days at the College and referred to the great pride which Dr. Buntine had had in the staff and the boys, and their achievements. She expressed her family's gratitude for the honour bestowed on her husband in the naming of the building, and wished all who passed through the Prep every success.

Mrs. Buntine was accompanied by her two sons, Robert and John, both Old Collegians, together with their families.

The gathering included Mr. and Mrs. Gebhardt, Mr. and Mrs. Ian Macmillan, members of the College Council, members of the teaching staff, Mr. and Mrs. Des Davey, and a number of Old Collegians.

Everyone felt that the function had been a delightful experience, full of nostalgia and memories of a bygone era.

The 'Arnold Buntine Wing' commemorates a great Principal, whose name is now associated more patently than before with the school he had the vision to found.

THE COLLEGE COUNCIL

At the April meeting of the College Council history was made when Miss Margaret Cameron, Librarian at Deakin University, took her seat. She is the first lady ever to have been appointed to the governing body of the College.

At its annual planning session, held in July, the Council classified two major development projects as 'first priority':
a) an indoor activities centre (gymnasium) at the Preparatory School
b) the creative arts centre at the Senior School.

Development of the gymnasium at the Senior School (stage II of the Rolland Centre) has been classified as a 'second priority' project.

Approximately \$60,000 has been allocated for minor projects during 1978. For the Senior School this will enable the upgrading of some classrooms. At the Preparatory School a detailed schedule of items is to be prepared for consideration of priorities.



Mrs. Buntine pictured as the plaque is unveiled, with Dr. H. N. B. Wettenhall, Chairman, College Council, and Mr. D. R. T. Macmillan.

ROLLAND:LATEST

'The Lives of Frank Rolland', by Bert Keith, comes on sale in November.

There will be two launching functions: by the Very Rev. G.A. Wood, Geelong College Library, Thursday, November 3, at 5.00 p.m.; and by Dr. Norman Wettenhall, Ormond College Library, Parkville, Tuesday, November 8, at 5.30 p.m.

The book will be obtainable from booksellers and the College office, price \$9.95; or by post (\$10.50) from The Bursar, P.O. Box 5, Geelong, 3220

A remarkable story. An ideal gift.

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Archives

HISTORICAL RECORDS, TROPHIES, etc.

The College Council has decided that in 1978 historical records and articles at present held by the College will be arranged and catalogued. Mr. E. C. McLean will be in charge of this work and will be pleased to receive any additional material suitable for inclusion in the collection.

'Get to know you'

How often do the parents of new pupils at the College, or any school, feel that they know no one and that there is no easy way to get to know other parents?

The answer to this question is, unfortunately, FAR TOO OFTEN.

This year the Parents' and Friends' Association at the College set to work in an effort to overcome this problem.

Their question was — if we hold a 'get to know you' evening, how many parents will come?

The answer! They lost count — well over three hundred.

In preparing for the evening it was felt that some parents would not come unless personally invited, so a list of all parents new to the Senior School was prepared and members of the Committee contacted them personally. Quite a number admitted they would not have come if this personal approach had not been made.

It was also felt that parents should be able to identify each other easily and that many would be interested particularly in those with children the same age as their own.

Again, action was taken and an easy-to-read, easy-to-affix name tab was prepared for each parent attending. This also included the name and form of the pupil. (Blank name tabs were on hand, fortunately, and many were used for those who were previously unsure of their ability to attend).

There can be no doubt that the evening was an unqualified success. New friendships were made between parents whose children were in the same school class. Many who had been hesitant to ask questions about aspects of the College which were strange to them found others who could answer their questions, or guide them to someone else who was able to supply the answer.

The committee considered the evening to have been so successful that they minuted a recommendation that the incoming committee should seriously consider repeating the exercise during first term in 1978.

ACHIEVEMENTS WORTHY OF NOTE

Heather Johns (form VI) defeated a highly ranked player to win the under nineteen tennis singles competition at Bacchus Marsh.

Robert Rockefeller (form III) has done particularly well in table tennis competitions.

Alex Finlay (form VI) has run well in cross country events. He was second in the open division at a meeting at Geelong Grammar School, the best performance ever recorded by a student at the College.

Geelong College fencing team — Vicki Grove (form VI), Lyndsay McKendrick (form IV), Jennifer Logan (form IV), — were second in the Victorian under 20 girls' school event.

Tom Fielding (form IV) won an award in the 1977 Victorian interschool photographic competition.

SCHOLARSHIP

Herman Rockefeller was awarded a Major Lucas Scholarship for 1977 at St. Hilda's College, University of Melbourne.

Annual General Meeting

At the Annual General Meeting held on July 18, 1977, the following parents were elected as members of the Committee for the ensuing year.

Mrs. B. Armitage	son V
Mr. R. A. Armitage	son (daughter) V
Mr. P. J. Bincon	daughter Wilson VI
Mr. T. S. Dennis	son III
Mr. P. N. Epstein	sons IV — VI
Mrs. A. Howarth	son III
Mrs. B. Lamont	son V
Mr. B. J. Magee	son III
Mr. G. W. Marshallsea	sons III — IV
Mrs. N. Marshallsea	daughter IV
Mr. C. A. Mann	daughters IV — V
Mrs. L. Mulligan	daughter V
Mr. R. W. Purnell	son (daughter) V
Mrs. J. Richardson	son III
Mrs. M. M. Spittle	daughter Wilson V
Mr. H. D. Sutcliffe	son III
Mrs. P. E. Tinney	daughter Wilson V

THE WIDER SPHERE OF EDUCATION

There are essential elements of learning for which there is no real substitute other than tuition but education in its fullest sense must extend beyond the class-room and the black-board.

To understand, to compete in, and to cope with the complexity of modern society requires a broadening of the vision beyond the scope of text books, formulae, scientific principles and equations.

In order to awaken students at the College to an awareness of the stresses and strains, the worries and anxieties, the hopes and fears of this world in which they will all too soon have to take their place and forge their own destiny, the College has extended its vision and resources beyond the confines of the class-room.

All students in the Senior School now take part in a course of social science and business education. The activities are both interesting and instructive.

Pupils in third form have examined Geelong's water supply in the Otway Ranges as part of their study of the water supply problem in the world.

Fourth form pupils spent a day in the Wimmera soliciting information relating to the business and shopping habits of people in that area.

The fifth form students spent the week prior to the recent term holidays engaged in work experience. One hundred and thirty-nine pupils were involved in a wide variety of occupations, broadly speaking those which they anticipate may be their vocational choice in a few short years. These encompassed a cross-section of commerce and industry far too diverse to list in detail.

In sixth form there is a widening scope of opportunity for discussion with leading personalities of the business world. There is no limit to the range of subjects discussed — drugs, careers, education, the arts, religion, all directed toward the broadening of understanding of the art of living.

This year the Principal, with the full support of the College Council, has arranged for a number of people, eminent in a variety of categories, to spend periods of approximately one week in residence at the College.

The fresh perspectives gained from conversation with those who are professionals with varied backgrounds and special talents refresh and widen the thinking of College students. So far during this year the College has welcomed Mr. Jack Hibberd,

HOME ECONOMICS

This is not just a 'cooking' class. It covers the wider field of food — nutrition — human growth and development — home planning and management.

The subject has been introduced into the curriculum at fourth and fifth form levels but it is also an option for co-curricular activity from fourth to sixth form.

Obviously, the subject was introduced because of the number of girls at the College, but it is interesting to note that of the forty-six students who have voluntarily elected to take this subject as a co-curricular activity fourteen are boys and nine of these are in sixth form. The presence of girls at the College has provided new opportunities for their male contemporaries.

Australian playwright, Mr. William Prescott, Senior Lecturer in Educational Studies, Deakin University, Miss H. E. Archdale, former Headmistress of Abbotsleigh School and Principal of Women's College within the University of Sydney and Emeritus Professor Manning Clark, the noted Australian historian.

Positive results from Work Experience Week

In the present economic climate, with school-leavers experiencing great difficulty in obtaining work, it is pleasing to note that the fifth form work experience week, at the end of term two, resulted in some students either obtaining positions or being offered employment at the end of the year.

Stephen Hocking obtained a work experience position at Channel 9 television studios. He is now the College's newest Old Collegian as he immediately took up the position offered.

Some students have indicated that they will be leaving school at the end of the year to take up positions, while others have decided to continue at school.

One mother said: "This work experience is the best thing the College has ever done". Her daughter was uncertain whether to tackle H.S.C. next year or leave school. The work experience has enabled the girl to make up her mind and helped her plan ahead for the career she has chosen for herself.

It is significant that the great majority of employers who have participated in this project have indicated that they wish to continue to participate in the future.

Mr. N. R. Patchett will be pleased to discuss work experience opportunities which Old Collegian employers may be able to offer. He may be contacted through the College office — phone 21 1066.

It is regretted that despatch of the September, 1977 issue of 'Ad Astra' has been delayed until October, as a direct result of the recent severe power restrictions.

Honours

Congratulations are extended to the Old Collegians listed below, whose service to the community has been officially recognised in the manner indicated.

MEMBER OF THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA (A.M.)

Andrew M. Walls ('25)

"for service to Local Government and Municipal Administration"

QUEEN'S SILVER JUBILEE MEDAL

The editors are indebted to **Bert Keith ('15)** for his careful scrutiny of the Victorian and Queensland lists which recorded the names of those who were awarded the Queen's Silver Jubilee Medal in those States.

(lists from other States have not been received)

If some Old Collegians' names have been inadvertently overlooked, please notify the editor so that these may be recorded in the next issue of 'Ad Astra'.

from the Queensland list

John F. Keays ('21), Ascot
Dr. Donald Watson ('27), Hamilton

from the Victorian list

Jeffrey D. Backwell ('47), Newtown
James C. M. Balfour ('29), Trafalgar
S. Rex Beach ('36), Maldon
Hayden W. Birrell ('34), Geelong
Alfred D. Butcher ('26), North Balwyn
John N. Button ('46), Cheltenham
Mr. Justice William C. Crockett ('37), Toorak
Sir (Harold) Roy Fidge ('22), Geelong
Dr. John A. Forbes ('33), Fairfield
Mr. Justice Richard K. Fullagar ('39), Kew
John N. Holt ('42), Geelong
Norman F. Keith ('22), Mooroolbark
Bruce Lloyd ('49), Shepparton
Gordon D. Murray ('30), Geelong
William S. McCann ('50), Geelong
Robert C. McDiarmid ('48), Benalla
Bruce Pearl ('43), Tongala
Brigadier John R. Salmon ('39), Red Hill
Kelvin L. Spiller ('64), Bannockburn
George A. Walter ('28), Natimuk
James G. Westland ('26), Berwick
Rt. Rev. G. A. (Pat) Wood ('26), Geelong
Rev. Dr. Norman J. Young ('42), Parkville

GRADUATIONS

Old Collegians are reminded that it is not possible to record all graduations, as past students are enrolled at Universities and Colleges of Advanced Education throughout Australia and details of graduations are not received from all sources.

Information of degrees, diplomas and other awards conferred may be sent to the editor and they will be included in the next listing.

M.Eng.Sc.: L. R. McLean (chemical)
M.A.: D. T. Runia, P. J. Boas
B.Com.: J. W. R. Cook, D.C.N. Dunoon
B.A.: J. W. R. Cook, B.C. Kerger
V. M. Lamb, A. F. Pusztai
B.App.Sc.: G. J. Wilson
B.Bus.: R. E. Mallett (account.)
B.Eng.: T. J. Holt (civil)
M. L. Nation (elec.)
LL.B.: V. M. Lamb, P. W. Penno, I. D. Laidlaw
B.Sc.: G. A. McBride, M. C. Jaques (Hons.)
B.V.Sc.: D. A. Hucker, C. B. Chapman
M.B., B.S.: H. G. Seward, C. S. Sutherland
B.Ec.: N. A. Kearney
Dip.Ed.: D. R. Wettenhall, D. T. Runia
Dip.Phys.Ed.: G. D. Amezdroz

MEET THE PRESIDENT — GARY BENT ('51)

If space permitted I would list the names of those who have been President of the Association through its seventy-six years. They are names well known to us all. Moreover, the continued success of the Association has been ensured by their wise leadership and counsel.

To follow a man such as Fred Elliott, and he is only one of many, is not an enviable task, yet I sincerely appreciate the confidence of those who have honoured me in this way and I assure all Old Collegians of my conscientious application to the duties of my office.

The Association as a whole continues to prosper in all its various fields of activity. No doubt, however, there will be some areas that will need special encouragement, and those areas that are strong will need to be maintained.

Most Branches continue to hold an annual re-union. It is to the credit of the office-bearers of these Branches that they have been prepared to change the format of their re-union functions to suit the mood of those in their district.

A new Branch of the Association was recently formed in Canberra. This year I hope that we will be able to re-form the Riverina Branch, which encompasses the area broadly bounded by Swan Hill, Kerang, Echuca, Tocumwal, Jerilderie and the southern N.S.W. district. The Executive Officer and I would be glad to meet with a representative group of Old Collegians from this area to discuss such a plan.

Through the medium of Branch reunions Old Collegians have the opportunity to renew old friendships and are also able to keep in closer touch with current activity at the College and, whether we admit it or not, the majority of us do have a 'soft spot' for the College. We are all conscious of the part the 'College' played in our development during our formative years. Our appreciation can help repay the debt.

One final word; with the generous co-operation of the College Council there is an OGCA office at the College. It is manned full-time by Tom Clark, the Executive Officer, who is pleased to meet Old Collegians at any time and show them through the College and its magnificent grounds. Do not hesitate to take advantage of this opportunity whenever you are in Geelong.

Gary L. Bent

President

OBITUARY

Information relating to the deaths of the following Old Collegians has been received since publication of the previous issue of 'Ad Astra'.

Sincere sympathy is extended to the bereaved families.

A. L. Cullen	(1899)
F. G. Scoles	('09)
F. G. Herman	('11)
L. E. Reid	('14)
J. J. Madden	('14)
S. L. Kennedy	('16)
O. L. Read	('17)
I. R. P. Field	('18)
R. C. Lockwood	('19)
W. E. George	('22)
C. R. Palmer	('22)
H. McL. Troup	('22)
K. Williams	('24)
J. M. Young	('28)
W. G. Stinton	('31)
H. McL. Reid	('38)
M. C. Hamilton	('39)

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS

Old Collegian Max Kroger ('67) has obtained some excellent aerial views of the College and its grounds.

A colour photograph (10" x 8"), almost identical to the view shown will be processed as a bulk quantity if orders for approximately one hundred prints are received.

**These will be available at a special price
\$4.50 per copy**

Orders for this special offer aerial view should be sent to the OGCA office, with cheque, before October 31, 1977.

Other sizes and views from different aspects, in colour and black and white, can be supplied. Prices will be quoted on request.



OLD COLLEGIANS' DAY

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting, held at the College on Saturday, July 30, marked the completion of a two year term of office as President for **Fred Elliott ('42)** who possibly created a record by attending every Branch re-union function which was held during that two years.

The incoming President, **Gary Bent ('51)**, expressed the gratitude of the committee and members to the retiring President and drew particular attention to the remarkable interest which he had shown in the consolidation of Branch activity and in every way promoting the ideals of the Association.

A recommendation from the General Committee that Messrs. **G. J. Betts and D. D. Davey** be elected Fellows of the Association and that **Miss R. L. Fraser and Mr. R. L. Hobbs** be elected as Honorary Life Members was carried with acclamation.

Again, formal recognition of members of staff who had served the College for five years was acknowledged by the presentation of Old Collegian insignia.

The Annual General Meeting was immediately followed by a Special General Meeting.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

The notice of this meeting stated that it had been called:

to repeal the present Constitution of the Old Geelong Collegians' Association — to adopt a revised Constitution, as prepared and recommended by the General Committee.

After brief reference to the notice given at the 1976 Annual General Meeting of the General Committee's intention to proceed towards revision of the Constitution, attention was drawn to the fundamental similarity between the current Constitution and the draft submitted and particular reference was made to an alteration in financial arrangements by which financial membership could be gained either by payment of an annual subscription to the Association or by contribution of no less an amount to The Geelong College Building Fund. The following motion was then formally moved:

"that the present Constitution of the Old Geelong Collegians' Association be and is hereby repealed and that the Constitution to be adopted from this date forward of the Old Geelong Collegians' Association be that draft Constitution, prepared and recommended by the General Committee dated 2nd April, 1977, which has been submitted at this meeting for adoption and is identified by the signature of the President on each page thereof."

The motion was carried without dissenting vote and by the required two-thirds majority. (Copies of the new Constitution may be obtained from the OGCA office.)

RE-UNION DINNER:

This year a new 'first ever' was recorded by the attendance of an Old Collegian father/daughter pair. **Keith Opie ('41)** and his daughter **Gillian ('72)** shared this previously unattainable distinction.

In extending a welcome to all present, the President made specific reference to the representatives of other APS Associations, the Chairman of the College Council, (Dr. H. N. B. Wettenhall), the Principal (Mr. S. P. Gebhardt), the immediate Past-Principal (Mr. P. N. Thwaites), Miss R. L. Fraser and Mr. R. L. Hobbs, and to Mr. D. D.

Davey who, later in the evening, proposed the toast to the College with a stirring challenge to those charged with the task of providing education to meet the ever-changing needs of the world today.

The retiring President (Fred Elliott) was taken completely by surprise when the announcement was made that his 1942 Year Group had won the Year Group Gong for the highest attendance of members of his group at Branch re-union functions. This award, it was stated, was a fitting culmination to two years of effort to strengthen the Association through its network of Branches.

In presenting Mr. Davey to the newly elected President (Gary Bent) for presentation of certificate and insignia as a Fellow of the Association, Mr. Geoff Neilson ('42) spoke of the outstanding contribution that both he and Mr. G. J. Betts had made to the welfare of the College in their respective roles as a master and latterly Deputy-Principal and as a member of the College Council and Chairman of the Finance Committee. A special message of apology was received from Mr. Betts for unavoidable absence.

Mr. Ewen McLean ('27) presented Miss R. L. Fraser and Mr. R. L. Hobbs to the President for presentation of certificate and insignia as Honorary Life Members, awards which had been made for long and faithful service to the College as Matron of Junior House and as a long-serving member of the Maintenance staff respectively.

In his response to the toast to the College, the Chairman of Council announced his intention to retire from this office at the end of the year. He spoke briefly of the difficulties which the Council has experienced in recent years and of the standing of the College in the field of education attained despite the difficult situations encountered.

In closing the official proceedings of the evening, the President expressed the appreciation of the Association to Dr. Wettenhall for his interest and encouragement during his nine year term as Council Chairman.

AMCO/HERALD SHIELD

With the introduction of night football at V.F.L. Park, sixteen school teams were nominated to play in curtain-raiser matches. The College team was nominated by the Geelong Football Club. They played four matches and these provided valuable experience, playing under lights and with spectator numbers far in excess of any APS match.

They won their first three matches, by comfortable margins. This took them to the final, played against the rugged Melbourne High School team. In this match they were narrowly defeated by five points.

The Old Geelong Football Club presented the following trophies:

Robert Vickers-Willis — Best player, semi-final

Glenn Binder — Best player, final

Geoffrey Allen — Best team man, semi-final

Dougal Morrison — Best team man, final

Each player will be presented with a certificate for his participation in the series. The Amco/Herald runner-up cup will be held by the College until next season.

Coach Bob Casey received a letter of congratulation from the Administration Manager of the Victorian Football League, which included the following comment "you can feel very proud of your efforts throughout the series, and we look forward to your participation next year in what we trust will be an even bigger and better competition".

THE NEW SHELL "ED DAVIES"

For twenty-one years the name "Ed Davies" has been synonymous with sportsmanship at the College. At different times during his long term as director of physical education he coached football, cricket, baseball and hockey teams.

Yet, many may not have been aware of his keen interest in that other great summer sport — rowing. His visits to the river were to some extent infrequent, no doubt due to his heavy commitments as a cricket coach. His main interest in rowing was the building of stamina.

It was Ed Davies who formulated the program of physical exercises, weight lifting, track-running and muscle building techniques which contributed so greatly to the physical fitness of the crew which won the Australian Schoolboys VIII and the National Youth VIII events in 1975. His interest was also reflected in the stamina of the crew which rowed to victory in the Victorian Head of the River in 1976, and these techniques were again used to advantage to produce the crew which rowed six seconds within the existing record, yet were narrowly defeated for line honours, in the 1977 Head of the River.

The Boat Club will remember Ed Davies, even those who row in years to come, for on March 12, 1977, Mrs. Lilian Davies named a new shell at a ceremony held at the College boat shed. The shell was named "Ed Davies" to perpetuate the memory of a sportsman who knew the true meaning of the word sportsmanship.



GIRLS' SPORT

NETBALL: Two girls' teams have been playing in the West Geelong Netball Association competition during the winter season. One of these teams will be competing in the finals which will be played early in third term.

HOCKEY: The College has had two teams of girls playing in the hockey competition. They have played in the B grade and C grade competitions. The B grade team has reached the finals which will be played at the commencement of third term.

1940 YEAR GROUP

Any Year Chairman who wishes to learn the secret of success in organising a Year Group re-union should consult John Urbahns.

John will not tell a story of immediate success. His success story stems from perseverance and, more particularly, from continued contact.

Several years ago John attempted to arrange a year group re-union. It was a first-class flop — three turned up. Again he tried and the response was a little better but not good enough for a person with John's tenacity.

In 1973 John set to work, with some bright new ideas, to plan yet a third year group re-union. This time he felt reasonably confident that the venture would be a success. And it was. In all, 38 members of the year group, 37 wives and three guests were there.

Satisfied that he had solved the problem of how to attract members of his year group to attend a function of this nature, John continued to maintain contact and set about gathering information as to how often and when such functions should be held.

As a result of these enquiries a fourth and even more successful re-union was held during the afternoon and early evening of Saturday, February 26, 1977.

This time ninety people were there and no fewer than thirty-three indicated their disappointment that they were unable to attend.

A lot of preparation is necessary to provide a barbecue meal, with all the side salads and other appetising extras, for such a large group. The tremendous effort of Mrs. Urbahns and the wives of several Old Collegians is worthy of a full measure of praise.

Perhaps it was not by accident that the photographer caught Norman Spalding in action with John Urbahns supervising and Brian Treyvaud (partly obscured) waiting for one of Norman's juicy steaks.



BRANCHES

Camperdown:

One of the first branches to introduce the mixed company dinner concept, Old Collegians of the Camperdown district indicated their continuing interest with a good attendance at the re-union dinner held at the Commercial Hotel on April 28.

Mr. Ian Macmillan ('49), Headmaster of the Preparatory School, was the guest speaker. His audience included twenty-four Old Collegians, from year group '37 through to '73, together with eighteen wives of Old Collegians and four parents of present pupils.

David Selman ('63) was elected Branch President and David Gibson ('57), who had acted as Secretary/Treasurer after Rodger Mulligan ('55) moved to Melbourne, agreed to accept this appointment — subject to assistance by his wife, Judy. The branch is indeed grateful for the willing assistance received from the ladies behind the scene.

THE FEDERAL OMBUDSMAN

Professor Jack Richardson ('34) was appointed as the first Federal Ombudsman on March 17, to take up his appointment as soon as his release from the Australian National University could be arranged.

He relinquished his position as Robert Garran Professor of Law and Dean of the Faculty of Law at the University on June 30 and immediately set to work in his new role.

Either of his own volition or after a complaint has been made, he will investigate and recommend action on cases of maladministration.

"That's the Ombudsman's real power. I will have no executive function over departments, but they will know my powers of report to the Prime Minister and Parliament" Professor Richardson said in a press interview.

Old Collegian Jack Richardson is now charged with the power and duty to ensure that public service is good service.

N.S.W. (Sydney).

Remote geographically, but always successful, the Sydney re-union was just as enjoyable as in past years when held at the Royal Automobile Club on June 3. Don Lawler ('45) and Ken McDonald ('67) from Canberra were among the eighteen who attended and Don issued a special invitation to any who may be able to travel to Canberra to attend a re-union dinner on August 5 when he hoped that a Branch would be officially formed in the national capital city.

Silence was observed at the start of the dinner as a mark of respect for Leslie Reid ('14), who died in May and who had been Branch President for many years.

It has become almost a Branch tradition that office-bearers who are doing a good job should be retained and the suggestion that Allan Rogers ('42) and John Cameron ('41) should remain in office as President and Secretary, respectively, was unanimously adopted. Members of the Branch plan to consider further a proposal that some form of symbol be introduced to perpetuate the memory of Old Collegians who have given outstanding service to any Branch of the Association.

Hamilton (Western District)

A branch with steady but not stagnant numbers. For the last three years the attendance has been forty-three, but there have been many new faces and the Branch has built a reputation for its welcome to fathers of present pupils.

Robert Ingpen ('50) as guest speaker and John Hawkes (a member of the College staff) were welcome visitors.

It is customary to conduct elections at this branch each alternate year and Jack Bromell ('50) continues as Branch President with the secretarial work in the care of Alex Baulch ('69) until 1978.

Canberra (A.C.T.)

As a result of careful preliminary planning and numerous telephone calls by Don Lawler ('45) the inaugural meeting of the Canberra (A.C.T.) Branch was held at the Canberra-Rex Hotel on Friday, August 5.

Sixteen of the twenty-three present were from the Canberra district and the south coast of N.S.W. Four members of the Sydney (N.S.W.) Branch attended and President Allan Rogers ('42) presented the newly formed Branch with a College banner, similar to that which is displayed at the Sydney re-union each year.

Gary Bent ('51) elected OGCA President on the preceding Saturday, sent a special letter of apology. He was represented by Immediate Past-President Fred Elliott ('42) who was accompanied by Cliff Barley (a member of the College Staff) and the Executive Officer.

The nomination of Don Lawler as Branch President, with particular mention of the work he had done in organising the re-union dinner, was supported by sustained applause. David Berryman ('52) accepted nomination as Secretary and the election of a committee of seven, representative of varying age groups and a cross-section of the Canberra community, should provide this Branch with a solid foundation on which to build.

Several of the visitors were provided with overnight accommodation by local Old Collegians and thanks are extended, particularly to the ladies upon whom the work burden falls, for their generous hospitality.

OLD COLLEGIANS AT LARGE

George Exell ('37) remarked at the Albert Bell Club dinner that he has had a busier year than usual in his role as president of the Australian Palamino Society.

William Dix ('39) is the first Australian to have been appointed vice-president, export operations, of Ford of Europe Inc. He will be responsible for developing export sales and the marketing of Ford products manufactured in Britain and Europe, to affiliated Ford companies in twelve countries and to Ford dealers in ninety-seven countries. For several years he held executive positions in Australia, Canada, America and the Asian Pacific and in his new capacity he will be based in London.

Don Mackay ('39) is captain of the Riverside Golf Club, Mildura, and is president of the Mildura District Golf Association.

Allen Tinkler ('40) has sold his property at Warialda N.S.W., which was principally farming with some grazing, and has purchased a sheep and cattle station in the south-west of Queensland.

David Currie ('42) spent seven years as materials engineer with the Country Roads Board and was recently appointed divisional engineer — Traralgon.

Trevor Lloyd ('44) is one of the many Old Collegians involved in the field of tourism. His advertisements claim that he and his courteous staff at Mornington Peninsula Travel are experts in all facets of travel.

Gordon Snell ('44) visited the College with his wife early this year, after an absence of more than thirty years. Gordon and his mother came to Geelong when Singapore fell in the second world war and they returned to England in 1946. He spent several weeks in Australia carrying out assignments for the B.B.C., London. A chance remark that he had written a cantata which had been performed by pupils in English schools led to a discussion with the Director of Music, Mr. Hartley Newnham, who hopes that arrangements can be made to obtain a copy of this composition. After a short visit to Sydney, Gordon returned to the College and spoke to senior students about his work with the British Broadcasting Commission.

John Morrison ('47) has developed a conveyor belt system for handling wool from the shearer to the wool-press. One of the many advantages of this mechanised system is the provision of a continuous flow of fleeces to the wool-classer. This is effected by use of a photo-electric cell which, when a break appears in the flow of wool passing along the first belt (from the shearer), increases the speed of that belt and simultaneously slows the speed of the 'classer's' belt, thus allowing him more time to inspect the fleeces. John believes this electric eye concept makes his system unique and hopes that the Australian Wool Corporation will take action to develop his invention so that other wool-growers may benefit from the improved method of handling fleeces.

David Peck ('48) missed three or four issues of 'Ad Astra' as, on his own admission, he changed his address several times. He is now in Lismore in N.S.W.

Tony Douglas ('50) intends to pack up his football gear and retire at age forty-one. He considers that being a member of the premiers team, Werrimull, with a tally of two-hundred games to his credit is a fitting conclusion to his football career.

John Rooke ('51) is well known as a keen cricketer. At the close of the 1976/77 season he was made a Life Member of the Geelong Churches Cricket Association, in recognition of twenty-five years of service to the Association. He had planned to play lawn bowls this year but, being only marginally short of 5000 runs and 300 wickets, it seems that St. Luke's Uniting Church will have little trouble in retaining his services for the coming season.

Harley Dickinson ('52) has taken up farming at Bannockburn since he retired as a resident magistrate in Papua New Guinea. He is also an executive officer with the Chamber of Manufactures in Melbourne.

Jim Fidge ('54) was elected to represent Bellarine ward on the Geelong City Council when shire and council elections were held in August. His father **Sir Roy Fidge ('22)** is also a member of the council. It is believed that this is the first time in the history of the Geelong Corporation that father and son have been councillors at the same time.

Murray Mitchelhill ('55) spent four years in the Melbourne office of the Commercial Banking Company of Sydney Ltd. He was recently transferred to Orbost as accountant of that Branch.

Robin Edge ('57) is also on the staff of the C.B.C. of Sydney Ltd. In November 1976 he was appointed manager of the Unley S.A. Branch where he is likely to be domiciled for the next three to four years.

Ken Andrews ('57) spent several weeks overseas in July and August when he attended a law conference in Edinburgh.

Graham Hallebone ('57) finally tired of commuting to Melbourne each day and is now a member of the consulting engineering division of Thoms and Partners Pty. Ltd., a long established licensed surveyor company whose principals include other Old Collegians — **Graeme Thoms ('48)**, **Rob Grant ('42)** and **Mike Thoms ('52)**.

Wally Lehmann ('58) has returned to Australia after wandering around Europe and working in London for three years. He is now working as an accountant with Australian Mining and Smelting Ltd. in Melbourne.

Douglas Kitson ('58) is now living in Quebec, Canada, and is studying for a degree in French.

Paul Sheahan ('59) will leave Australia in mid-September to take up a temporary teaching appointment at Winchester College, Hampston, U.K. He anticipates returning for the commencement of the 1979 school year.

Peter Brushfield ('60) held a private art exhibition at the Fred Parry Galleries in Beaumaris during August.

Dennis McDonald ('60) was elected to fill the vacancy on the Newtown Council created by the death of the Mayor, Cr. Zillah Crawcour. For six years he was manager of budget and statistics at Target Stores and is now a lecturer in business studies at the Gordon Technical College.

Philip Marshall ('60) has been captain of the Geelong Cricket Club for four years. He was captain of the 1976/77 Victorian Sub-District Cricket Association team which defeated the Adelaide District team in their annual encounter.

Bob Bucknall ('61) wrote from Lincoln College, Canterbury, N.Z., to report what he referred to as "A minor Australian political take over in New Zealand". He is the immediate past-president of the Lincoln College Students' Association, while the current president is **Robert Eastoe ('69)**. Further evidence of Bob's sense of humour is his comment, "I chanced to meet **Peter Mayne ('57)** late in 1975 one thousand feet over Christchurch, fortunately in the same aircraft".

Ian Jamieson ('63) was recently appointed to the library staff at the Deakin University.

Peter Lloyd ('63) left the army after a two and a half year period as aide-de-camp to His Excellency the Governor of N.S.W. He spent 1976 as a full time student at the Macquarie University in N.S.W. and has now returned to Deniliquin, where he has purchased a small farm and is working as a partner with his father in real estate and travel.

Ken Crawford ('63) recently left Haileybury College to travel to the U.S.A., where he will study in English at Columbia University, New York. He expects to be away from Australia for about five years.

David Batten ('64) is now chief industrial chemist in Australia with Roberts Co. (Aust.) Pty. Ltd. He recently represented the company's Australian interests at a technical and marketing conference held at the head office of the organisation in Los Angeles, U.S.A.

Alistair Wettenhall ('64), who received a minor rebuke in the previous issue of 'Ad Astra' for the scant information which his letter contained, has now written to say that he is "stock manager of a hill country run some fifty-six miles north-west of Invercargill, N.Z."

Ross Yochins ('65) has a domestic refrigeration service and repair business in Newtown.

Kimberley Edwards ('65) is currently on the staff of Halcrow Middle East Ltd. consulting engineers and architects, stationed at Dubai in the United Arab Emirates. Prior to his move to the Middle East he was with Ove Arup International Consulting Engineers in London.

Ian Sayers ('66) is acting assistant manager at the Jolimont railway workshop.

Syd Weddell ('66) left Australia early in the year to work as a tour guide with Sun-downers of London Travel. He managed to fit information about five middle eastern countries, through which he travelled on his way to London, onto a post-card some months ago but since that time has apparently been too busy to make any further report.

Wayne (Don) Harry ('66) is a leading aircrafts-man in the R.A.A.F. He is stationed at Butter-worth Air Base, Penang, and expects this posting to continue for about two years.

Hugh Seward ('66) is performing intern duties at the Flinders Medical Centre, Adelaide. At the present time he is working for **Prof. James McK. Watts ('45)** who is Professor of Surgery at the Flinders University.

David Scott ('66) is also in Adelaide. He has completed his Master of Psychology and is working in the Mental Health Service of the South Australian Government.

David Anderson ('66) was last heard of work-ing at Groote Island, N.T.

David Ellis ('66) has been an intern at the Royal Prince Alfred hospital, Sydney, since obtaining his medical degree. In August he and his wife, who is also a doctor, left for Europe where they will work and study to fur-ther their medical experience and advance their qualifications.

Peter Hill ('66) left Cheetham Salt Ltd. to take up an appointment as project engineer at the Ndola Copper Refining Division of Roan Con-solidated Mines Ltd. in Zambia, Central Africa.

Stephen Anderson ('67) has transferred from the Mount Waverley to the East Malvern branch of N. R. Reid & Co. Pty. Ltd., Auc-tioneers and Real Estate Agents.

Bob Farquharson ('67) is now employed in the sheep production research section of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics in Canberra. He is in fairly close contact with **Ken Macdonald ('67)** who also works at the B.A.E.

Ian Wettenhall ('68) spent a year at his home property, "Narrawa", Holbrook, N.S.W. after completing a science degree at the University of New England. He is now gaining further experience in primary in-dustry on a property in the south-western farming district of Tasmania, at Glenora.

Jeremy Threadgold ('68) is now employed as a buyer at the Geelong branch of Target Australia Pty. Ltd.

Simon Falconer ('68) would probably like the content of his letter to be quoted verbatim; "I have graduated from Melbourne University with a Bachelor of Commerce (much to the probable horror of my former teachers). This will probably surprise many of my former school-mates". He is now a senior auditor with General Credits Ltd. in Melbourne.

Richard Edgar ('69), who is a third generation Old Collegian — from both sides of his family — has left the home property at Har-row and is jackarooing at "Banongil", Skip-ton.

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Nigel Brand ('70) is now completing his B.A. degree at Monash University, with a double major in politics. He has specialised particularly in the area of international relations with emphasis on Japan and Asia.

John Eastoe ('71) is doing his practical year from Marcus Oldham Agricultural College on a property in Kulin, W.A. **John Tansley ('70)** is also in W.A. at Broomehill.

Debra Trembath ('72) was selected from seventeen finalists as 'Miss Renault'. She will represent the Victorian Renault Dealers in this year's Miss Sports Girl quest and will be supported by the North Melbourne Foot-ball Club and the Geelong District Football League. Debra won a trip for two to Noumea as her 'Miss Renault' prize.

Andrew McGuire ('72) has returned to Canberra and is now in the second year of a forestry course at the Australian National University.

Walter Spratt ('72) is studying a course of tropical marine biology at the James Cook University of North Queensland.

Guy van Enst ('73) is at present youth-hostelling his way around England and Europe. He expects to return to Australia toward the end of this year.

Michele Macauley ('73), so far our only Old Collegian girl correspondent, wrote to apologise for her inability to attend the Old Collegians' re-union dinner. While her absence was regretted it was pleasing to note that she was about to travel to America to spend a year on an American Field Scholarship.

FAMILY NEWS

WAUGH — A well known name at the Col-lege, and a visit by **Gordon ('Ginty') Waugh ('18)** served as a reminder that the history of this family at the College now spans a full century, during which four generations from two branches of the original family have been students.

It all started in 1877 when two brothers, - **John and William A. Waugh** entered the Col-lege. They were registered as the sons of John Waugh, Station Manager, Newtown. Then, in 1878 and 1880, **Henry G. and Allan Waugh**, sons of John Waugh, Squatter, Newtown, also entered the College.

In 1910 two sons of William A. Waugh were enrolled. These were **Angus J. C. and - John H. Waugh** and later, in 1916, two more sons, **W. Ronald C. and Gordon F. Waugh** were also enrolled.

Of these four bothers 'Ginty' was the youngest and his line of succession at the College continued to the third generation when his son **John G. Waugh ('49)** attended during the years 1948 to 1953.

The second eldest of these four brothers, John H. Waugh, who died in the early 1960's, had three sons, **Peter ('44), William ('46) and Richard ('47)** who were at the College during the years 1942 to 1950.

Now the fourth generation is well represented by three sons of William ('46). First **Ewan ('71)** entered the College in 1970. He was followed by brother **Angus ('73)** in 1972 and in 1973 **Henry W. Waugh** was enrolled and is at present in sixth form.

Of the second generation, 'Ginty' said, "Three of us are still fit and well". Angus and Ron are together on 'Clare Station', Balranald, and 'Ginty' has a property, 'Stockdale', at Gobaralong near Gundagai in N.S.W.

Peter, Bill and Dick are widely separated at 'Stirling Station', Alice Springs, at 'Tak-karendi', Bordertown, S.A. and at 'Colindale', Seymour, respectively; while the youngest generation have yet to branch out from Bordertown on ventures of their own.

The second branch of the family which spans four generations of Old Collegians began with the third son of John Waugh, squatter, Newtown, **Henry G. Waugh**, who entered the College in 1878, enrolled his son **William L.**, who now lives at "Woodridge", Manildra, N.S.W., in 1916 and his son **John G. ('49)** was a student during the years 1945-1952.

John G. Waugh (not to be confused with Ginty's son John G. who was at the College at the same time) is now on a 36,000 acre property at Barneys Lake, Ivanhoe, N.S.W. and two of his sons, **W. Andrew ('73)** and - **John C. ('74)** were at the College during the years 1970-1974. They are now working with their father on the property at Barneys Lake.

MARRIAGES

Peter Lloyd to Kathie Massey-Greene, Sydney, May 1, 1976.
David Ellis to Anne Lewis, Hamilton, February 12.
Ian Hiscock to Ruth Bullard, Belmont, March 5.
Andrew Steele to Judy Betts, Hamilton, March 12.
Alasdair MacGillivray to Diane Teal, Toorak, April 1.
Bruce Picken to Lexie Hayes, Colac, April 30.
Kent Henderson to Janice McHutchinson, Caulfield, April 30.
Christopher Lamb to Linda Whitworth, Geelong, May 30.
Nicholas Neeson to Gerda van Ruiswyk, Geelong, June 10.
Lachlan McLean to Barbara Coulson, Morwell, June 11.
Geoffrey Roope to Patricia Frisby, Adelaide, July 9.
Wayne Harry to Margaret May, Frankston, July 30.
Simon Barley to Caroline Harrison, Geelong, July 30.
James Davidson to Allison Eyre, Geelong, August 19.
Murray Mountjoy to Jennifer Hughes, Geelong, August 20.

FOOTBALL

An OGCA team, studded with stars of former years, received a lesson in football tactics during the first half of the match played against the College XVIII on Wednesday, August 10.

The fast play-on tactics of the College side found many holes in the defence and by good marking and long straight kicking, with intelligent use of the strong cross wind, College forged ahead from the start of play.

At first break College led 4:4-28 to 1:2-8 but worse was to come in the second quarter when College added 5:3 to the OGCA 2:3. In this quarter fine, tactical, unselfish play in front of goal resulted in two of the College goals being kicked from point blank range without an OGCA player within yards of the ball.

The OGCA performance improved in the second half, possibly due to the infusion of several players fresh from the bench. In the third quarter it was their turn to score 5:3 and hold College to 2:2.

The final quarter began with OGCA nineteen points in arrears but this was reduced to eleven points, with the final scores:

College 12:10-82
OGCA 10:11-71

Full credit is due to the College team for a fine performance against experienced players, many of whom are still well respected in amateur ranks.

The Geelong Amateur Football Club presented a trophy to **Robert Vickers-Willis**, who was judged the most effective College player of the day.

The OGCA lost, yet the spirit of the day was an outstanding success. This year twenty-three players had a run and three or four others (unavailable due to various injuries) were there too.

Coach of the College team, **Bob Casey**, together with OGC members of staff, **Brad Olsen ('60)** and **David Wettenhall ('60)**, entertained members of the OGCA team at the conclusion of the match.

DUKE OF EDINBURGH — GOLD AWARD

Neville Daniel ('72) was one of two Victorians to earn the coveted Gold Badge and Certificate which is awarded for proficiency in outdoor activities, community service and academic qualifications.

Neville is the first and only person from the Geelong district to receive this award. It was presented to him earlier this year when the Queen and Prince Philip visited Australia.

Neville is pictured receiving the award from Prince Philip on the deck of the royal yacht 'Britannia'.



INTER-COLLEGIATE AND INTER-VARSITY ROWING

The Melbourne University Inter-Collegiate rowing season commenced in early March, when University classes resumed.

Six Old Geelong Collegians were in the Ormond crew:

Stephen Lade ('71), Brad Fenner ('72),
Andrew Cassidy ('72), Andrew Holt ('71),
Sandy Cameron ('73), Sandy Hutton ('73).

They won the junior eights at Scotch/Mercantile regatta. In the inter-collegiate competition Ormond defeated Newman in its heat by two lengths and Trinity in the final by about five lengths, to win the Mervyn Bownes Higgins Trophy. **Bruce Longden ('69)** rowed in the Trinity crew, which was coached by his twin brother **Greg ('69)**. On the next day Ormond defeated an extra-collegiate crew by about five lengths to win the John Lang Cup.

On the following Saturday Old Collegians **Brad Fenner, Sandy Cameron, Bruce Longden, Andrew Cassidy** and **Sandy Hutton** tried out for the Inter-University heavyweight eight and all were selected. Like the 1975 Geelong College first eight, the boat was tandem rigged in four and five seats. Training consisted of ten sessions per week, seven on the water and three in the gym.

The Inter-Varsity Championships were held on the Western Lakes course in Adelaide on May 21 and 22 after having been postponed for one day due to bad weather conditions. In favourable light following conditions Melbourne won its heat by eight lengths from Western Australia. On the following day the finals were held in difficult head breeze conditions, the main race being the eights for the Oxford and Cambridge Cup, a magnificent trophy donated in 1896 by oarsmen of those two English Universities. Melbourne showed its superiority from the outset, holding a half length lead at the five-hundred metre mark which it gradually increased in the middle stages to one and a half lengths.

Over the last few hundred metres Melbourne withstood some desperate sprinting from the other crews to win by just under a length from Adelaide, with Tasmania a canvas away third, and Monash another canvas back fourth.

On the same day **Greg Longden** coached Melbourne Uni's Women's four to a very creditable second place behind Western Australia.

News generates news —

After publishing detail of the performances of some of Old Collegian oarsmen, information was received about the successes of **Keith Borthwick ('65)**.

In a Banks Rowing Club pair, Keith was bowman when the pair won a series of classic events:

Championship Regatta — Junior Pair, March 8, 1976
Barwon Centenary Regatta — Junior Pair, March 13, 1976
V.R.A. Centenary Regatta — Junior Pair, December 4, 1975
Hawthorn Centenary Regatta — Senior Pair, January 29, 1977
Australia Day Regatta — Senior Coxless Pair, January 31, 1977

OGC HOCKEY CLUB TENTH ANNIVERSARY

Old Collegians' Day 1977 was chosen as the day for the first reunion of the Old Collegians' Hockey Club which celebrated its tenth anniversary this year.

Past Players gathered at the College on the Saturday morning to watch the College first team defeat Caulfield Grammar, and then retired to the Great Western Hotel for a reunion lunch (how the Great Western has changed since the days of the dirt floor and charcoal braziers!)

A period of recovery was then scheduled while the club's A team played its scheduled match at the College. Unfortunately, the round was cancelled and the past players' team had to take the field against a fresh OGC/HC team. Of the original team that played in the first game in 1967, **David Baker ('58)**, **Jerry Bowler ('63)**, **Bruce Hope ('61)**, **Ken MacLean ('57)**, and **Roger Nation ('59)** were able to be present and play. They were ably assisted by other former players, including **Robert Armstrong ('65)** who played during the 1967 season and was the first player to reach 100 games with the club.

Muddy conditions gave the 'old' old boys a better chance and things looked grim for the A team when John Hedley scored the first goal for the past players. Some of the old teamwork and form was beginning to show. However, age and lack of fitness took their toll and the A team won by 3 goals to 1. The game was enjoyed by all who took part and it attracted quite a few spectators from other sporting attractions at the school.

Some interesting facts emerged during research into the club's first ten years. Of the original team, only Dave Baker and Roger Nation still play regularly and over one-hundred Old Collegians have played in OGC/HC teams. **Ian Sayers ('65)** has played over 180 games with the club and thirteen players have played more than 100 games. **Mike Bowden ('59)** won the Association best and fairest award in 1972 and **Noel Patchett (staff)** has won the Association division 2 best and fairest award for the past two years. The club won its first premiership in 1968, the division 2 premiership last year, and hopes to repeat these performances in both divisions this year.