

THE NEW 'WARRINN' BOARDING HOUSE

The development behind 'Mossgiel', 133 Noble Street, is a modern concept of home unit style accommodation for College boarders.

INSIDE
THE
NEW
'WARRINN'



An entrance lounge (opposite) showing upper and lower floor bedroom areas. Below is one of the single bed/study rooms.

CONSTRUCTION WORK

Several building projects at the College in recent years have been large and obvious even to the most casual observer.

In addition to these valuable additions to the College buildings other work is in progress, not on the same scale, yet of equal importance.

At the Prep School the open area below the science laboratory has now been converted to provide additional class-room space and a common room with amenities for the girls.

Internal alterations have been made at Senior School also, to provide accommodation for girls. A temporary wall has been erected (which reduces the OGCA office space) to provide access to the staff common rooms.

The class-room below the biology laboratory has been converted for use as a general science laboratory.

At present, the single-storey section of the new library is surrounded with scaffolding. The completion of this work will provide additional class-room and discussion group areas.

Though less impressive than large new buildings, these alterations are important in the continuing development of the College.

A CORDIAL INVITATION

is extended to ALL MEMBERS OF THE COLLEGE FAMILY
to attend the OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY
of the NEW 'WARRINN' COMPLEX
on the site behind 'MOSSGIEL'
133 Noble Street, Newtown, at 2.00 p.m.
on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26, 1975

Messrs. J. H. Campbell & F. W. Elliott, past House-Masters of 'Warrinn' have been invited to perform the opening ceremony.



EXTRACTS FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S REPORT—1974

After a good deal of deliberation, it was decided this year to try the experiment of having our Speech Day and Presentation of Prizes for the Senior School somewhat earlier than usual. There are a number of reasons for the change. Today the members of the Sixth Form, most of whom are, of course, leaving school this year, complete their many years of formal organised studies at the College: it now only remains for them to work privately until they have finished their Higher School Certificate examinations. Such an occasion deserves a formal gathering of the school community, as we have now, to wish them well in their examinations, and in their future activities. The later date of our past Speech Days created something of an anti-climax for these boys and was also inconvenient for many other boys involved in such activities as cadet promotion camps, or pre-Christmas jobs. This earlier date has permitted us to combine Speech Day with the Open Day which I hope many of you have enjoyed.

Perhaps this change can be regarded as typical of the sort of new thinking and adaptation to the changing world outside, which must become the pattern of this sort of school if it is to survive the harsh winds of rapid economic and social developments.

In this matter of adapting to change, the essential insight which we must learn is to distinguish between those things which can and will and should change, and those which must at all costs be preserved. A school such as this gains much of its excellence from its tradition, its continuity, its reluctance to lose any of the values it holds dear. But therein also lies a danger, which could ultimately lead to extinction in exactly the same way as extinction finally overtook the dinosaur. One of the great hazards facing a school of high quality for the services of which parents pay a high fee, is that these parents quite rightly want and are in a position to demand their money's worth. The vital question is **what will they demand** of the school. Unfortunately their judgement of the performance of the school may be based largely upon their own experiences at school, mellowed by time, and now two or three decades out of date. It would be a tragedy if such schools are prevented from necessary change (some of which must clearly be experimental since it has never been tried before), simply because the parents who pay the fees do not understand or approve what the school is doing. Hence the vital importance of adequate communication between school and parents.

This is why we have just completed an "open" day and a half. This is why I believe an exercise such as we had this morning, is so valuable. We try to keep parents informed, but must always be looking for new ways of making such communication more effective.

Materially, the most significant change is the new Warrinn House, now nearing completion on the Mossgiel block. We are also undertaking some other minor building to provide for the entry of girls at all levels of the school. At the Preparatory School we are adding a girls' common room and changing room, and an extra class room under the science laboratory. At the Senior School we are completing the first floor of the library building to provide additional class-room space, equip-

ping an extra laboratory, and remodelling the former Rolland House bathroom and staff common room for use by the girls.

Apart from the growing worries which we all share about the state of the economy and our own rising costs, I believe it has been a very good year for the College. We have had a good deal of pleasant, sensible common sense and leadership from senior boys. Steven Duff, as Captain of School, and his team of prefects, together with the house prefects in both day and boarding houses, have managed the affairs of the College quietly and efficiently. The complex system of staff committees and consultations seem to have operated smoothly. Most parents, if they could spend a few days living within the school, would be surprised at the incessant planning and discussion which goes on amongst the staff, and at the extraordinary variety of activities which are fitted into a normal school week without undue friction.

A meeting of Parents with the School Council was held on the morning of November 9. It was well attended, and demonstrated a considerable depth of interest and concern by parents at the rapid increase in school fees. Parents quite rightly wished to know firstly why the fees had been increased by 20% in third term, whether the Council and school's administration were exercising efficient and enlightened control of the situation as far as this was in their power, and what could be done in the future to protect parents from the consequences of further increases. I believe it was a most valuable exercise in communication, and that most parents went away satisfied that the Council had acted with diligence and responsibility. Nevertheless, the problem of rising fees remains, and will need the continued urgent attention of the Council and the school administration. There appear to be five ways in which the cost per pupil to parents at the College can, at least, be prevented from increasing too rapidly: these are

- (1) by increasing the efficiency or productivity of the present College operation;
- (2) by decreasing the variety of choice within the College;
- (3) by lowering standards within the College;
- (4) by increasing enrolment pressure, so that all vacancies in classes can be filled;
- (5) by increased Government assistance.

All these possibilities have been and must continue to be examined. It is my personal belief that only the last two of these can have any significant effect in the long term, and are the areas in which a major effort is necessary. The Council has decided to undertake a carefully planned campaign to stimulate enrolment pressure. It is perhaps worth noting that the problems we are facing are by no means limited to this particular school: almost every independent boarding school in Australia has reported a significant drop in boarding enrolments for 1975.

Despite present economic difficulties, I am convinced that the College has even more to offer Australia in the future than it has given in the past. And that is a great deal, as the achievements of 1974 again demonstrate.

PROJECT PEGASUS

On February 27, 1970, the building fund appeal—PROJECT PEGASUS—was launched. This was an appeal to all members of the College community to assist the College in the continued physical development necessary to meet the ever-increasing, ever-changing needs of modern education.

The response to the PROJECT PEGASUS appeal was heartwarming. In the five year period 1317 people promised to subscribe a total of \$337,220.

Over a period of five years it is to be expected that changes in personal circumstances will cause some variation in the total promised. These have been minimal, however, and as the program reaches its concluding stages the effective number of contributors has reduced to 1262, from whom a final total contribution in the vicinity of \$310,000 is expected. The \$300,000 mark has now been reached.

As some definite concluding date must be set for a program of this nature, the College Council plans to finalise figures as at June 30, 1975.

To those who have contributed so generously the College Council extends its sincere thanks. Much has been accomplished in the five year period of PROJECT PEGASUS.

- A new biology laboratory and classroom has been added to the Sir Arthur Coles Science Block;
- The new George Morrison Library now provides modern up-to-date facilities of inestimable value to students;
- Improvements to the interior of the original 1871 school building have been effected;
- Modern facilities which have improved the efficient preparation and serving of meals in the dining hall have been installed;
- The new 'Warrinn' boarding house complex is now in use and will be officially opened on March 26;
- An additional class-room was added to the Campbell House building at the Prep School;
- There have been other alterations and improvements, less extensive and yet equally necessary and valuable.

All these have been made possible by those who believe that the College must continue to offer educational facilities of the highest order and are willing to help towards this ideal.

The Project Pegasus committee hopes that those subscribers who have yet to finalise their planned contribution will do so before June 30, so that the full amount realized through the appeal may be shown in the figures to be prepared on that date.

Subscribers are reminded that the Geelong College Building Fund tax deduction file number is VJ 80/12.

CHURCH APPOINTMENT

Mr. R. B. Jamieson, College Bursar, has been elected Moderator of the Presbytery of Geelong. This is only the second occasion on which a layman has occupied this important office in the Geelong Presbytery.

Items of interest from THE PREP SCHOOL HEADMASTER'S REPORT

Without doubt we are facing a quite critical period for independent schools and we will need to demonstrate more clearly than ever the advantages of the educational program developed within our schools.

Last year I was privileged to visit a number of schools in other lands. Very few appeared able to offer such a wide range of activities or to match the individual attention that is given at The Geelong College.

For most of the year we have set aside one day each week when a class teacher or tutor involved a particular class in the leadership of the morning assembly with some very satisfying results.

Members of Rolland House have spent a pleasant year and enjoyed a wider than usual variety of boarding house activities. It has been good to see visits of day-boys to the boarding house with much pleasant fellowship.

The Women's Auxiliaries have functioned very well throughout the year. The pottery wheel comes as a gift from the Women's Auxiliary which has also provided the school library with another cassette player and headphones. For these gifts and the very generous Open Day donations we express gratitude.

Excursions have again added particular interest to the educational program. Several of these have been local visits while some involved visits to Melbourne and to Ballarat. A very pleasant week-end of boating was enjoyed by a group of boys from First Form at Lakes Entrance and ninety-three Second Form boys spent a working week at Wandilalong Camp near Bright.

Every year a number of visitors enquire about our work program, our facilities, our staff, our philosophy of education. Questions are asked concerning our attitude to school work and behaviour; whether the school expects obedience from students and whether there is a defined syllabus to be followed and standards of both work and behaviour to be maintained. Staff members interpret our school as aiming sensibly and sensitively to achieve a balance between the school's authority and a student's happiness, individuality and freedom. Our staff continues to provide a happy, relaxed, co-operative working situation with definite tasks to be done (on time) and close but friendly supervision given. They believe in security as well as adventure both for individuals and for the various groups in which they work. Our staff appreciates the needs of the students. The need for freedom and the need for control; the need for solitude and the need for companionship; the need for work, the need for play, the need for rest; the need to give and the need to receive.

I believe we are managing a pleasant and effective relationship between individual expression and co-operative group control. There is no doubt that staff members are dedicated to encouraging each individual student to develop his full potential body, mind and spirit, not for self-gratification but for service to mankind. Social responsibility, the building of a better world, is a responsibility of education.

THE PRINCIPAL

In May, 1974, Mr. Thwaites was invited by the Victorian Minister for Education to become the Chairman of the Interim Planning Council formed to plan the establishment of the fourth Victorian University, to be called Deakin University, in Geelong, by 1979.

An approach was later made to the College Council to ask for a formal half-time secondment to allow Mr. Thwaites to continue as Chairman of the Interim Council to be set up under the Deakin University Act, passed by the Victorian Parliament.

Mr. Thwaites has now informed the College Council of his intention to resign from the Principalship of the College as from January 1, 1976. It is his intention to spend his remaining working years in wider areas of educational administration.

Miss Evelyn Hair

Miss Hair is now Mrs. Gray. She retired at the end of last year to marry Dr. Frank Gray on December 21.

Under any other heading this article would lose much of its significance to the many Old Collegians who will always think of her as Miss Hair because it was under that name that she was so much part of the College.

Her apparently perpetual youthfulness renders inappropriate as well as ungallant any reference to her as an "old retainer". Yet, how does one describe someone whose many years of devoted service to the school, including the last fourteen as confidential secretary to the Principal, were marked by such distinction and dignity?

Miss Hair has to be described as a "young retainer", and if that seems an extraordinary thing to say it is because she is an extraordinary person.

It is not only the College which suffers through Dr. Gray's good fortune, of course. Her active interest in music and in the affairs of Wesley Church, for example, were important in the Geelong community.



Miss Hair was one of the first three ladies ever to be officially recognised by the OGCA when, in 1973, she was made an Honorary Member of the Association. It is pleasing to consider, therefore, that as an Old Collegian she remains part of the College family.

COLLEGE COUNCIL

The Constitution of the College provides that "the governing body shall be the College Council whose members shall be appointed by the (Presbyterian) Assembly and nominated in the following manner:

- (a) three members nominated by the Presbytery of Geelong,
- (b) one member nominated by the Presbytery of Mortlake,
- (c) three Old Collegians, nominated by the Old Collegians' Association,
- (d) twelve members nominated by the Council."

The governing body of an independent school carries a heavy responsibility and a school which attracts men of high calibre to undertake this task is fortunate. The College is such a school.

The names of Council members are published in 'Pegasus' each year and the Principal's report makes reference to such matters as retirements and new appointments. There are few occasions when public recognition can appropriately be given to the Council or to individual members of it for the constant effort sustained for the benefit of the College.

Mr. R. C. Dennis, Mr. E. W. McCann and Mr. K. S. Nall retired last year after long periods of service. Their replacement has involved both the Council itself and the Old Collegians' Association in careful selection to ensure that the work of the governing body retains its traditional high quality.

OLD COLLEGIAN REPRESENTATION

For many years Mr. A. Austin Gray, Mr. K. S. Nall and Mr. M. T. Wright were the Association nominees, but recent developments have led to changes. Following the retirement of Mr. McCann, a Council nominee, Mr. Austin Gray was elected by the Council to fill the consequent vacancy. The Association nominated Mr. E. K. Doery (the current OGCA President) to take the vacant Old Collegian seat on the Council so caused. More recently, Mr. B. G. Thom has been nominated by the Association to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Nall's retirement.

The Association is proud of the trust vested in it, proud of the fact that the Chairman of the Council (Dr. H. N. B. Wettenhall) is an Old Collegian, and proud also that currently eleven member of the Council (in addition to the three Association nominees) are Old Collegians.

MARRIAGES

- William Waters to Judith Jeffreys, Mount Martha, February, 1974.
 Jeff Hutchison to Jill Jeremeas, Highton, August 24.
 Ian Pattison to Lyn Lucas, Geelong, September 14.
 Myles Gavin to Sheila Barnes, Geelong, September 14.
 Ian Threadgold to Anne Coombe, Malvern, September 21.
 Rod Casbault to Sandy Whitcroft, Geelong, September 26.
 Philip Marendaz to Lee-Anne McVeigh, Thornbury, September 27.
 Peter Steele to Cheryl Bath, Geelong, October 5.
 Gregor Gilmore to Lynne Curtis, Caulfield, October 18.
 Ian Hobson to Jennifer Renton, Geelong, October 26.
 Gordon Paton to Maree Lorenz, Tallangatta, November 8.
 Andrew Hutchison to Jill Duplex, Lismore, November 30.
 Bruce Fletcher to Heather Lucas, Geelong, December 14.
 Peter Osmond to Robyn Bellwood, Geelong, January 4, 1975.
 Russell Coad to Joy Hutton, Geelong, January 18.
 Lynton Bullen to Sarah Lobban, Melbourne, February 14.
 Leigh Bennett to Sue Ruby, Bendigo, February 15.

OLD COLLEGIAN TIES AND INSIGNIA

Price list of current stock

Ties: Silk 3½"	\$5.00 each
Ties: Silk 3"	\$4.50 each
Ties: Woollen 3½"	\$3.25 each
Lapel Badges:	Acrylic \$1.00
(each)	Enamel \$1.50
Tie Clips:	Acrylic \$1.75
(each)	Enamel \$2.60
Cuff Links:	Acrylic \$2.25
(per pair)	Enamel \$3.70

The following items are available to all members of the College community.

Rear window car sticker transfers 50c each

(please include self-addressed, stamped envelope)

The publication:
History of The Geelong College (1861-1961) \$6.00

Orders, together with cheques or money orders, should be addressed to:

The Executive Officer,
Old Geelong Collegians' Association,
P.O. Box 5, Geelong, 3220.

HELP YOURSELF?

The penalties imposed upon those who choose independent schools for their children are as obvious as they are unjust. The struggle against unfair discrimination continues, however, and a new organisation has been formed to give additional support.

The Association of Victorian Public Schools Old Boys (AVPSOB), which is the representative body of the Old Boys of the eleven Associated Public Schools (APS), has been actively engaged in planning support of this nature during the past year.

An approach was made to the past-students' associations of all Victorian independent schools affiliated with the Association of Independent Schools of Victoria (AISV) suggesting the formation of a wider association.

The response was most encouraging and as a result the Independent Schools Past Students' Association (ISPSA) has been formed and a committee appointed to investigate the potential strength of the Association in promoting the welfare of independent schools.

The newly-formed Association is at present in its formative stage. It has a purpose which can be strengthened by the active support of everyone who values the work of independent schools as an essential part of the total educational pattern of Australia.

A member of the OGCA General Committee has been elected to the ISPSA committee and the support of Old Collegians and Parents of the College will be sought as the ISPSA expands its activities.

THE COLLEGE IN TIMES OF CHANGE

(D. W. STOTT, Deputy-Principal)

The College, like any organisation, must keep its aims before it at all times. Furthermore these aims, and the methods used to achieve them, must be constantly under review to keep pace with changing society. Nevertheless, basic to our philosophy

and unchanging must be the fact that we are a church school. This means that Christian values must underlie all that we do, and we must strive for a high quality of corporate worship and religious education.

The College aims find their most significant expression in the school curriculum.

- 1) **Vocational skills** such as English expression and mathematics must be fully developed so that students qualify for jobs commensurate with their ability or can move on to tertiary education.
- 2) **Educational breadth** is provided by subjects such as the social sciences and languages and English. These subjects can be seen as a preparation for living, with the conversion of students into interesting people aware of what is going on about them.
- 3) **Cultural, leisure and sporting interests** are catered for with music, art, handicrafts and games, and have obvious value in the overall development of character and personality.

In an era when innovation has become the watchword in education, a gulf has developed between the so-called traditional school and the progressive school. Many of the methods now employed in the latter type of school seem to ignore completely the frailty of human nature and they invariably result in a lowering of academic standards and a failure to develop self-discipline in students. On the other hand, there are undesirable features of the old-fashioned traditional type of schooling. Harsh discipline and irrelevant subject matter make school an unpleasant place for most students.

At the College we are steering a course between the two extremes. We are selecting the best features of both educational philosophies. Innovation occurs but new ideas are evaluated before they are introduced to avoid the rash experimentation that so often occurs at the expense of the students.

Perhaps the finest feature of the College curriculum is the variety provided to cover the complete range of academic ability. Every student has the opportunity of achieving an academic goal be it the Leaving Technical course, the Academic Leaving, Sixth Form Business Studies, or the H.S.C.

The 1974 results were pleasing and are summarised in the table below. All but the Academic Leaving are externally examined or externally supervised.

	No. of candidates	No. of passes	% pass
Leaving Technical	25	23	92
Leaving Academic	80	69	86
Sixth Form Business Studies	15	12	80
H.S.C.	73	57	78

Students were awarded three major and one minor Ormond Scholarships. In the H.S.C., one general distinction and four subject distinctions reflected outstanding individual performances.

Percentage passes are only relevant when consideration is given to the extent to which students are allowed to move up from one level to the next.

All Fourth form boys are promoted to Fifth form, and four subject passes or better at Leaving level allows a boy to proceed to H.S.C.

OBITUARY

With regret we record the deaths of our fellow Old Collegians and extend to their bereaved families our sincere sympathy.

W. H. Harvey	('01)
A. H. Campbell	('06)
O. H. Darlot	('06)
J. H. Hill	('11)
F. M. Collocott	('11)
J. T. Alexander	('24)
D. W. Johns	('37)
J. T. S. Dennis	('41)

As this edition went to press, news was received that Dr. M. A. Buntine, Principal of the College from 1946 to 1960, died on February 26.

That Cost Spiral

At a well-attended meeting held on November 9, 1974, parents were given an insight into the special economic problems which face the Council in its endeavours to maintain adequate educational standards and a viable operation despite rapidly rising costs. The Council, through its Finance Committee and the staff, continue to take appropriate steps to hold the spiral.

Further modifications in the services area, particularly the catering/domestic operation, some self-help on the part of the boys, and an increase in day enrolments will, it is hoped, contain the total expenditure within the present fee structure for 1975. Boarder enrolments are low and this tends to compound the problems.

A staff group, known as the Economic Planning Committee, has been formed to assist the Council by regular consultation about matters affecting the overall operation.

Professor Robert William Kerr Honeycombe

Robert Honeycombe ('32) was honoured last year by the University of Melbourne when he was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Applied Science. The citation, summarising his distinguished career, read as follows:

Robert William Kerr Honeycombe was born in Melbourne and received his secondary education at the Geelong College. He undertook a science course at this University, with Metallurgy as a major subject, and qualified for the degrees of Bachelor in 1941 and of Master in 1942.

In 1949 he gained a Doctorate of Philosophy of the University of Cambridge, and in 1960 the University of Melbourne conferred on him the degree of Doctor of Science in recognition of his published papers on the deformation of metallic materials.

From 1942 to 1947 he was a research officer of the Lubricants and Bearings Section of C.S.I.R.O. His work included studies of the manufacture and metallurgical evaluation of bearings, and the mechanism and effects of plastic deformation in metals and alloys particularly under thermal cycling. He was associated in this work with Dr. Boas whom we also honour today.

He accepted an I.C.I. Fellowship in 1947 and joined the Metal Physics Group at the Cavendish Laboratory, Cambridge, to work on non-uniformities of plastic distortion in metallic materials. The award of a Royal Society Amours' and Braziers' Research Fellowship in 1949 enabled him to continue this research.

During 1951 he took up a Senior Lectureship in Physical Metallurgy at the University of Sheffield, and in 1955 was appointed to a Chair in the same discipline. Professor Honeycombe's responsibilities were largely in the post-graduate field.

For most of the academic year in 1962 he was a Visiting Professor of Physical Metallurgy at the University of Melbourne, under a scheme which was funded by a group of Australian mining and metal companies. This provided a great stimulus to the Metallurgy Department's research and advanced studies, and especially to its work on the structure and properties of steels.

In 1966 he relinquished his Chair at Sheffield to accept an invitation to the Goldsmiths' Chair of Metallurgy at the University of Cambridge—the Chair which he still holds.

Professor Honeycombe has published many research papers covering both the basic science of metals and its applications to engineering developments. He is also well-known for his book entitled "The Plastic Deformation of Metals" which was published in 1968.

He was awarded the Rosenhain Medal of the Institute of Metals, London, in 1959 and the Sir George Bailey Medal and Premium, presented by a small group of British learned societies in 1963.

Professor Honeycombe has been generous in affording opportunities to many graduates of the University of Melbourne to work in association with him, as candidates for higher degrees and as temporary research associates. All of these people, and many other Australians, owe a debt of gratitude to this very distinguished man, one of the most highly regarded graduates in Metallurgy from the University of Melbourne.

INFORMAL DINNER MELBOURNE

On Thursday, November 21, it was again evident that Old Collegians enjoy the opportunity to gather from time to time for a meal together and the Hawthorn Club has proved a most suitable venue.

There were several newcomers at the second dinner and there was unanimous acceptance of the proposal that these informal occasions should continue in 1975. Two who were there expressed the opinion that at least thirty of their contemporaries could be expected at the next dinner.

The first of the 1975 dinners will be held, again at the Hawthorn Club, as this edition of 'Ad Astra' goes to press at the end of February.

Tentative arrangements have been made for similar functions to be held in July and November this year.

The Executive Officer will record the names of those who wish to receive a reminder note. Please ring him at 052/21 1939.



The most significant feature of the new school year is, of course, the influx of girls. There are nineteen in the Senior School, eighteen in the Preparatory School, and sixteen in Campbell House. They have all settled in very well and seem happy to be at the College.

The decision to go co-educational was made by the College Council in 1973. It was made on educational grounds widely accepted by recognized educational authorities throughout the world.

There are a number of arguments that could be put forward in favour of this move, but the most important one is that it helps the College to fulfil one of its major aims, namely to provide "a diverse, yet understandable community in which its members can learn the art of living together in such a way that they can later achieve right relationships with others in a wider community". In other words, it provides boys and girls with the opportunity of learning how to relate to one another by spending their working hours and leisure time together in a natural environment.

Pictured above are Senior School girls with Mrs. E. H. Wettenhall. Campbell House and Prep girls are grouped in the lower picture.



PRESIDENT KEITH DOERY

The editor has a difficult decision to make when asking the President to pen a few lines. When should the President speak—shortly after his election—midway through his term of office—shortly after he retires?

I am glad to have this opportunity, as the end of my term as President draws near, to think in retrospect yet still have a little time to complete my plans for the advancement of the Association.

What does one plan after such a dynamic leader as John Urbahn's? Year Groups had shown considerable progress, most Branches were active and the Old Boys' Day Re-union Dinner had been held in its rightful setting. What next?

As economic conditions continued to fluctuate wildly our Association, in common with kindred organisations, had suffered financial loss on several occasions in the promotion of dinner dances. Last year, therefore, the pattern was changed. The dinner dance, a costly function, was abandoned.

As one part of an alternative plan, members of the Executive Committee assisted me to entertain representatives from other APS organisations at my home, late in November.

The other part of this plan is probably of greater importance to our own members. Informal dinners have been held in Melbourne on three occasions in recent months. We are indebted to the Committee of the Hawthorn Club for allowing us to hold these dinners in their well-appointed Club-rooms.

Old Collegians from Melbourne and Geelong have attended these dinners and as more and more attend these occasions become even more enjoyable. The Executive Officer will be pleased to hear from those who wish to attend the next dinner.

Eleven of our fifteen Branches have held re-union functions during the past year. Two of the remaining four are interstate Branches (W.A. and Tasmania) where numbers are fewer and members are widely dispersed. Nevertheless, tentative plans are in hand to hold a Tasmanian re-union in Launceston this year. Also, an interim committee has met with the object of organising a Branch re-union in the Shepparton district.

Thus, with live Branches, active Year Groups and a General Committee with the ability and will to match activities with the changing pattern of today, the Association continues to prosper and provide valued support to the College.

OLD BOYS' DAY

Annual General Meeting
Re-Union Dinner
AT THE COLLEGE
SATURDAY, MAY 31

A meeting of the
ADVISORY COUNCIL

will be held during the morning
on Old Boys' Day

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Year Chairman, John Moreton, reports that response to his newsletter was good. He has met a number of members of the group and several have indicated that they propose to be at the Old Boys' Day Re-union on May 31.

Frank Dowling—wandered off to Queensland to work on large road and industrial construction projects for three years or more without notifying change of address. He has been located back in Melbourne working with Galli Contracting Pty. Ltd.

Wes Fabb is specialising in Family Medicine Programs at the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners. A seminar in America shortly before Christmas was the reason for one of several overseas trips made in the course of his work. He has two sons at the College.

Bob Foreman has given up land-speed and endurance driving and now sails a sixteen-foot Solo yacht. He came sixth in the A Class national titles recently. For diversion he and his son race across flat sand in a land yacht.

Sam (J. W.) Hodgson was lost but has been found. Mail was returned when addressed to St. Arnaud but appears to be reaching him at his new address in Gympie, Queensland.

Gerry Jukes is a keen aviator who flies his own 182 Cessna. His current interest is directed toward obtaining his third-class instrument ticket.

Graham Lehmann completed a limit term of seven years in charge of the Belmont Methodist circuit and moved to his new appointment at Sale during January.

Ian Thomas was a member of the committee responsible for the rejuvenation of the Bendigo Branch in 1972. After two years as Branch President he has been succeeded by **John Powell ('54)**.

Lloyd Turner of Tooma has more complimentary remarks to pass about the locality than about recent cattle prices. He has been Vice-President of Tumbarumba Shire for the past two years.

FAMILIES

The **Holland** brothers—

Jock ('58) went to California late in 1974 after working in Texas for several months with a general construction contractor in the field of heavy equipment control.

Richard ('63) has spent most of his time in recent months down a nickel mine in Manitoba, Canada.

Peter ('64) is now attacking the world with a newly-acquired degree in Architecture.

Bill and Brian Wood—

Bill ('51) has transferred from Skipton to manage the affairs of Dalgety Australia Ltd. in the Mortlake district.

Brian ('53), also a Dalgety man, has left Mortlake in Bill's care following his appointment as area manager, Hamilton. This is a return to Hamilton for Brian who originally worked there in 1960 when **David Russell ('39)**, now at "Bochara Park", was the Dalgety manager.

SPORT

CRICKET — OGCA v COLLEGE

It really doesn't matter who wins the annual Old Boys v College cricket match, particularly when it is played under such perfect weather conditions as on Monday, February 3.

Of course, Old Boys were glad they won, having scored 236 in the three hour period, with three men retired.

The College scoring rate was much slower than the Old Boys, 141 runs being made in the three hours.

John Chambers ('45) was star performer of the day. He scored forty-nine runs and of these sixteen came from one over, being 2-4-4-6 from successive balls, with another 4 and 6 in the following over, before he fell to a catch when attempting another big hit.

In contrast to their excellent batting performance the Old Boys were unable to produce bowling figures to compare with the College bowling. **Alastair MacGillivray ('67)** with the figures 4 overs, 2 maidens, 1 wicket, 2 runs, was the best performer for the Old Boys.

As usual, the day was enjoyed by all and gave members of the College team valuable experience against more mature players.

LAWN BOWLS

In 1974 a social bowls match was played between Old Boys from Scotch, Wesley, Xavier and Melbourne Grammar.

An invitation has been issued to Old Collegians and other APS Associations to participate this year.

The game will be played on Sunday afternoon, March 23, 1975, on the Kew Bowling Club greens.

If possible, Old Collegians should be represented by one or more rinks.

Old Boys who would like to play on this day are asked to contact the Executive Officer (052/21 1939) without delay.

TENNIS — OGCA v COLLEGE

The only suitable date on the school calendar for this fixture was November 20, 1974, and this prevented several keen Old Collegians from playing as they were busily engaged with tertiary examinations.

Old Collegian representatives were:

Ross Symot ('56)	Borrie Bell ('47)
Ross McConoghy ('60)	Peter Boin ('54)
David Wattenhall ('60)	Bob Casey (Staff)

Bob Casey filled a last minute vacancy due to a muscle injury suffered by Randall Bell ('57).

The tournament resulted in a win for the Old Collegians, six sets to three.

Brent and Bill Waters—

Brent ('61), now married with a small daughter, did residency duty at Port Moresby Hospital during 1972 and 1973. In July, 1973, he went to Ottawa, Canada, and is presently doing a post-graduate course in psychiatry at the Ottawa Hospital.

Bill ('65) is working with the Melbourne Harbour Trust. He took unto himself a wife early in 1974.

WHAT'S DOING AND WHO'S DOING IT

Dick Gibson ('30) has been head of the Architecture Department at the Gordon Institute of Technology since 1970. In 1974 he was elected chairman of the Geelong Division of the Royal Institute of Architects and is Geelong Division nominee on the Victorian Chapter Council. More recently he was elected Chairman of the Architects Registration Board and will hold this office for a period of two years.

Kenneth McLean ('39) recently embarked on a study tour to investigate work in community health centres in Indonesia. Ken is Associate Professor of Medicine (Monash University) at Prince Henry Hospital. His tour is sponsored by the hospital under a Samuel Wynn award.

Richard Fullagar ('39), whose appointment as a judge of the Supreme Court of Victoria was recently announced, is one of a select few Old Collegians to have gained such distinction.

Lionel Sparrow ('40) has been appointed a Director of the Nissan Motor Company (Australia) Pty. Ltd., which markets the well-known Datsun range of motor vehicles.

John Urbahns ('40) will be out of Australia for most of this year. He has taken his family on a world tour and will be mixing his business commitments with other interesting travel opportunities.

Graham Burdett ('44) has been appointed to the board of G. J. Coles and Co. Ltd., as an Associate Director.

John Higson ('48) was appointed Managing Director of Precision Golf Forging Pty. Ltd., following the death of his father on December 1, 1974. He has been employed by the company since 1953. In 1964 he established the company's first overseas branch in Birmingham, England, and played a major role in export promotion and diversification of the trade in golf accessories, including shoes, balls, gloves and rainwear.

Graham Keith ('48) has resumed lecturing at Warrnambool Institute of Advanced Education in Civil Engineering. He was recently elected a member of the Warrnambool City Council.

Peter Stockel ('49) is now the fourth most senior Captain with Cathay Pacific Airways, having flown under their flag since 1960. A company report is evidence that he witnessed a rare occurrence—"It is apparent that—flight 523B observed the atmospheric burn-in of a large relatively slow moving body. Cosmos 649 was launched April 29, 1974,—and, as reported decayed on May 3 south-east of Hong Kong. Our thanks to Captain Stockel (and other crew members) for further validating an important satellite decay".

Stewart McArthur ('51) has been appointed a member of the board of Dennys Lascelles Ltd., Geelong.

Bob Crawford ('51) displayed a degree of originality by attending the Horsham dinner dance resplendent in his College blazer. This garment had obviously been preserved with great care and pride. The pocket indicating award of School colours for football and athletics (1956) attracted the attention of many of the ladies. It is interesting to read in the 1956 notes on players—"gave some sterling performances, a competent spoiler, much of his good work nullified by his inability to kick".

Graham Fram ('53) is Executive Director of the Hamilton Downtown YMCA in Ontario, Canada. In 1974 he assisted with the planning of a campaign to raise US \$2,500,000, to provide new physical education facilities and other expansion programs. The project was over-subscribed and when building work is completed this Branch of the YMCA will be the third largest in Canada with the largest physical education department of any Canadian YMCA.

Graeme Chapman ('55) in his post-doctoral position at the University of Sydney is isolating a protein from plants, called plastocyanin, and trying to crystallize it prior to determining its structure by X-ray crystallography.

Brian Singer ('57) registered the business name Rip Curl in 1969 and started making surfboards in a garage at Torquay. The business grew steadily, being ideally situated where the market existed. A company was formed, Rip Curl Pty. Ltd., which now employs thirty people (the largest employer in Torquay) and exports its products. The company sponsored the first professional Belis Beach surfboard championship during Easter 1974 and plans to sponsor it again this year.

Geoff Corstorphan ('59) is the youngest member of the Geelong West City Council. Geoff is manager of the Kangaroo Motel in Geelong.

Alan Currie ('60) completed his final secretarial examinations in December, 1974, and is now an associate of the Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators. Alan is Company Secretary with Hawkes Bros. Ltd., Geelong.

Rex Deeath ('61) transferred from Geelong West (VFA) to the Geelong Football Club (VFL) for the 1974 season. He won the reserve grade best and fairest award by a clear margin. During the season he was a member of the senior side on six occasions.

Stuart Anderson ('63) and wife Robyn are on a two-year tour of England and the Continent. Immediate future plans include a package tour for one week in the USSR followed by five or six months touring Europe. Stuart was one of the eighty-six thousand to see the European Cup match, England v Portugal. He was greatly impressed by the Club singing which is such a feature of these matches.

Tony Barton ('64) and his wife both have B.Ag.Sc. and Dip.Ed. degrees and are both teaching at the Balmoral High School in western Victoria.

Warwick Henderson ('63) divides his time and interest between his newsagency business in Ryrie Street, Geelong, and his motor engineering business, Henderson Exhaust Services Pty. Ltd., also in Geelong. His interest in motoring is both as a racing driver and as an importer of specialised exhaust equipment not manufactured in Australia. He drives the rally cross circuit, has never had an accident on the track, and completed a very successful season by winning the Victorian Rally Cross Championship with two wins and five places in the seven races on the Calder circuit.

Kimberley Edwards ('65) is putting his civil engineering degree to good use in the Melbourne office of structural engineering consultants Mateffy-Peri-Nagy-Kuter Pty. Ltd.

Boyd Craig ('66) is promoting performances of English speaking cabaret at the Hilton Madrid in Spain.

Hugh Seward ('66) and **Christian Sutherland ('67)** added a touch of variety to their medical studies by travelling to Scotland where they did interim term practical work (between fourth and fifth year studies) at the Edinburgh West General Hospital. They were overseas for eight weeks during which time they spent Christmas in London, Hogmanay in the Orkney Islands and made a short tour of the south of France.

David Sutton ('68) stopped at Geelong briefly on his way home to Portland at the end of his third year at Monash University. He was impressed with the new 'Warrinn' which began as a 'gigantic myth' during his third form year (1968).

Philip Walker ('70) won the best and fairest award of both the Goroke Football Club and the Central Wimmera Lowenstar League in his first year of senior football. His success in the District League award came after a count-back, the other contender being **Ed Heard ('63)**.

Nigel Brown ('70) is at Monash University studying for an Arts (Politics) degree.

Peter Cox ('70) is a trainee stock and station agent working with Eider Smith-Goldsborough Mort Ltd.

Daryl Lawrence ('70) entered a cadetship with C.S.R. Ltd. in Sydney, which includes a part-time degree course in Mechanical Engineering at the N.S.W. Institute of Technology.

RETIREMENT

Thomas Coulstock ('28), as Captain of the College in 1933, prefaced a long career in education by gaining honours in five subjects. In the sporting field he represented the College at football in 1931-1932 and 1933 (captain), cricket in 1931 and 1932 and athletics in 1932 and 1933 (Geelong College Cup).

His academic career began at a country State School in 1934 and he was a member of the staff of three local Technical Schools—Geelong (1940-1959), Geelong West (1959-1960) and Corio (1961-1965). At the close of the 1974 school year he retired from the Education Department after a period of four years as Principal of Geelong West Technical School.

'71 News

At a meeting following the Valedictory Dinner on November 8, 1974, **Rod Evans, Andrew Holt, Ian Hope-Johnstone, Ross Kearney, John Lees** and **David Sutherland** were elected as the 1971 Year Group Committee. They will act as liaison between Old Boys of the 1971 Year Group and the OGCA.

John Lees has accepted appointment as Year Chairman. He has started to list what members of the group are doing. Those whose names are not listed below should send information to him at 25 Mercer Parade, Newtown, 3220.

UNIVERSITIES

MELBOURNE

Engineering: Ian Johnston
Arts/Law: Neil Mathison
Dentistry: Andrew Wood
Surveying: Angus Thom
Commerce: John Lees, Andrew Burns
Medicine: Andrew Holt, John McKenzie, Nigel Wood
Science: Steven Duff, Phillip Morton, Peter Richardson

LA TROBE

Economics: Bob Richardson, Peter Graham
Agric. Science: Ian Hope-Johnstone, Peter Dahlenburg
Phys. Sciences: Tony Carter

MONASH

Engineering: Tim Loyalton
Economics: Rod Evans

NEW ENGLAND

Biol. Science: Jim Turner

R.M.I.T.

Architecture: John Wordle

GORDON INSTITUTE

Business Studies: Justin Hocking

STATE COLLEGE - GEELONG

Primary Education: Andrew Stephens

OTHER TERTIARY

Art & Design: Angus Cameron (Prahran)
Education: Russell Traunce (Rusden)
Sciences: Mark Douglas (Balmisdale)

POINT COOK, RAAF ACADEMY

Craig McKenzie

OTHER OCCUPATIONS

Mark Elliston—Radio School
Simon Brumby—on the land
Ian Garratt—apprentice carpenter
Jeff Chalmers—jackaroo
Robert Jolly—forestry
Stephen Thomson—banking
Warrick Harwood—banking
Jeff Bowman—at Hammersley mines, W.A.

DEFERRED UNIVERSITY COURSES

Roger Marshall—Engineering
Murray Pavia—Science
Richard Everist—Law
(working in travel bureau)
Ross Kearney—Behav. Sciences
(working and travelling)

DEGREES CONFERRED

Old Collegians are enrolled at all Victorian Universities and also at a number of Universities in other States. Many others are pursuing tertiary studies at various Colleges of Advanced Education.

For this reason inadvertent omissions do occur in the published list in 'Ad Astra'.

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

M.B., B.S.: D. H. Hooke
Ph.D.: R. B. Davey
B.V.Sc.: C. R. Richards
BPharm.: D. E. McLean
B.Eng. (Civil): A. Waters

BRANCHES

WIMMERA

The dinner-dance held on Saturday, September 28, at La Fontana, Horsham, was a bright occasion. Among the forty-eight who were there were OGCA President Keith Doery and Mrs. Doery, representatives from other Branches and parents of present pupils.

This was the first Branch to invite parents and it is interesting to note that the idea is being adopted by other Branches and that parents are taking advantage of the opportunity to meet Old Collegians in a social atmosphere.

It was obvious that wives of the Wimmera enjoyed the opportunity to spend an evening with other Old Collegians and their wives.

At a short business meeting, before guests sat down for the meal, **Geoff Heard ('56)** and **Robert Walter ('59)** were elected Branch President and Secretary, respectively, to succeed **Kevin Officer ('44)** and **John Kumnick ('55)**.

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HAMILTON/GRAMPIANS GOLF DAY

Members of the Hamilton and Grampians Branches combined to sponsor an All Schools' Golf Day on Friday, September 6, 1974. Old Scholars and present pupils from any school were invited to enter a pairs competition.

In true country style a delicious barbeque lunch was provided, the sizzling steaks having been donated by Branch members.

As the result of a most successful day, \$130 was raised to assist with the purchase of the new College rowing VIII.

ALBURY

As an alternative to the usual husband and wife dinner which has been held at Albury in recent years, the Albury Branch committee made contact with representatives of several kindred Associations in the district with the object of promoting a combined dinner-dance.

The proposal was adopted and necessary arrangements made for the dinner-dance to be held at Wodonga on September 14.

Numbers at this first combined venture were fewer than had been anticipated. Nevertheless, it proved to be a most enjoyable evening.

Old Collegians of the Albury Branch held a short business meeting at the Albury Club prior to the dinner-dance, at which **Malcolm Brown ('43)** was re-elected President. **David Bent ('58)** and **Colin Watson ('43)** exchanged offices and became Secretary and Assistant Secretary respectively.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

It was unfortunate that an airline pilots' strike, during the week-end of the South Australian Branch re-union, prevented President Keith Doery from being present.

Nine Old Collegians, most of them accompanied by their wives, enjoyed a meal together at John Selth's Regal Reception Centre on Friday, November 22.

For several years **Albert Simpson**, physical education master on the College staff 1940-1949, has acted as organiser of Branch re-unions in South Australia. In his report of the recent re-union Albert wrote "—**Duncan MacKenzie ('55)** has agreed to take over from me and promises to collect my file this week."

BALLARAT

Among the thirty-one who attended the Ballarat re-union on October 25 were representatives from Grampians and Bendigo Branches together with Keith Doery (OGCA President), members of the General Committee and Year Chairmen.

In the words of the newly-elected Branch Secretary, **Brian Drennan ('49)**, "—the dinner was a great success and was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended".

An apology was received from retiring Branch President, **Gordon McKinley ('37)**. The retiring Secretary, **Geoff Oliver ('41)**, was elected President.

The cross-section of age groups was an interesting feature and it was a pleasure to note that one of the old Old Boys, **Selwyn Scott ('09)**, joined other Old Collegians to enjoy the evening.

BENDIGO

The fate of the old Shamrock Hotel was in the balance when it was necessary to make arrangements for the Bendigo re-union. The committee, therefore, decided on an alternative venue, the Terminus Hotel.

To avoid a duplication of commitments for the OGCA President, Keith Doery, the dinner date was advanced one week to November 1. This did not deter Old Collegians from getting together to exchange greetings and enjoy an excellent meal together.

Ian Thomas ('43) retired as Branch President to don the mantle of Treasurer, while **John Powell ('54)** exchanged his role as Secretary for that of President.