

JUBILEE OF CAMPBELL HOUSE

The report of the Principal (Rev. F. W. Rolland) in December, 1929, included the following paragraph, "Next year we are adding to our Preparatory School a class for boys of four to seven years of age. It will be on Kindergarten lines and will embody the results of the painstaking scientific observation of the young child which has been going on for the last thirty years. The trained child teacher of today does not let children do anything they like, nor does she take a fixed syllabus and force it on her class. She says: All these children have many natural instincts and activities. How are these activities, which are the most valuable for the individual and social life of the child, to be encouraged and developed? What is the environment and material that these children should have if their restless energy is to be guided into the right channels and they are to make steady progress from easy to more difficult achievements? In short it works from the human end, as some day all education will do."

So the Kindergarten began in 1929 under the skilled direction of Miss Sylvia Baird, who was in charge for the first three years. Until 1936 it was based in one of the classrooms of the old Preparatory School building, on the Senior School site. It was then moved into its own garden setting in the north-western corner of the property. The original building still forms the nucleus of the complex of buildings which are now the home of Campbell House, in the Preparatory School grounds. The Kindergarten became firmly established under directresses like Miss Winning, Miss L. Baird and Mrs. L. Bechervaise.



This was the original kindergarten class-room.

Rapid development and growth occurred after the appointment of Miss Lorna Hamer in 1941. The first association of parents in connection with Geelong College was formed at the Kindergarten in 1944 and its success encouraged the formation of similar organisations in other areas of the school in succeeding years.

In 1947 Miss Joan Chisholm, well known later as Mrs. Sweetman, joined the staff and was appointed directress on the retirement of Miss Hamer in 1949, an appoint-

ment which lasted until her retirement at the end of 1978 and which was marked by spectacular progress and sound administration.

In 1963 the College Council resolved to name the Kindergarten 'Campbell House' as a tribute to Mr. Leslie J. Campbell who was Headmaster of the Preparatory School 1932-1962. In 1969 the buildings were transported to the site of the Junior School and re-arranged near the eastern gateway. There have been many improvements and additions made during the last ten years, including the introduction of co-education in 1974.

Now Campbell House has celebrated its fiftieth birthday and shows signs of strong growth and development under the direction of Miss Barbara Matthews.

ACADEMIC ACCREDITATIONS

The reputations of Mr. Warren Harris and Miss Margaret Hault have been largely responsible for the College being recognised as a Foundation School in the University of Melbourne's Department of Education Maths-Science program. Several student teachers have already spent time at the College, furthering their teaching experience.

Mr. Richard Morris has been appointed a member of the V.I.S.E. committee for economics and Mr. Michael van Heeswyk has been re-appointed a member of the V.A.S.S.T. Standing Committee.



The original kindergarten class-room (centre) has now been extended with class-rooms on each side. The photo depicts only a portion of the total Campbell House complex.

FLYING

In 1972 several students approached a member of staff to request that a flying club be formed. After initial failures with weekend flying at Bacchus Marsh the operation was transferred to the Gliding Club of Victoria at Benalla. This has proved to be most successful and there has been a small band of dedicated flying enthusiasts in the College ever since.

Flying Officer **Hugh Champness ('69)**, one of the students who instigated the formation of the group, recently visited the College. Hugh received the 'Sword of Honour' when he graduated from the Royal Australian Airforce Academy and is now flying mirages at Butterworth, Malaysia.

Others who have maintained an interest in aviation are:

Craig McKenzie ('71) and **Ron Walpole ('72)** who are continuing flying training after graduating from the RAAF Academy;

Ross George ('74) who gained his commercial licence while completing an engineering degree at the University of Melbourne; **John Olliff ('73)** who has logged two hundred hours as a flying jackaroo in N.S.W.

Last year saw the first female College student, **Kathryn Purnell**, solo. Perhaps this may herald a new era in aviation.

Mr. Bruce McLeod, master-in-charge of this activity, is anxious to hear from others who are active in the field of aviation, who may be able to help foster this interest within the College.

OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

Parents have opportunities, from time to time, to interview members of the academic staff, but contact with those on the administrative staff is less frequent.

The bursar, **Mr. Bruce Jamieson**, is in charge of the College office administration. He must ensure that the various academic, clerical, maintenance and other departments of the school do not exceed their budget allocations.

As much of the bursar's work is of a clerical nature, **Mrs. Judy Smith** acts in the capacity of confidential secretary to the bursar.

The accountant, **Mr. Bert Philips**, controls the inward and outward flow of College finances. This involves the issue of fees accounts, supervision of payment for all items purchased by the school, together with a multiplicity of other duties in the field of finance.

Manual accounting is a thing of the past at the College. All financial transactions are machine processed and **Mrs. Ildi Anderson** is a trained accounting machine operator, who provides efficient support to the accountant.

That cheery voice which is heard on the telephone — 'Geelong College, may I help you' — is the voice of **Mrs. Zannette O'Reilly**. Between telephone calls she manages to perform many and varied duties, to which there would appear to be no end.

These are members of the administrative staff. To some extent they work behind the scene, yet their efficiency ensures the smooth operation of an enterprise of considerable magnitude.

Mr. R. B. Jamieson, Mr. H. G. Philips
Mrs. J. Smith, Mrs. Z. O'Reilly, Mrs. I. Anderson

PARENTS' & FRIENDS' ASSOCIATION

Eighteen parents of senior school students are members of the committee of the Parents' and Friends' Association. They take the initiative to provide as many opportunities as possible throughout the year for parents to meet other parents. In all their efforts the committee has received magnificent support from many hundreds of parents and friends.

Early in the school year the 'Get to know you' evening was held for the third time. Morrison Hall was crowded almost to capacity as in previous years. It is interesting to note that only two adverse comments appear to have been made — "there was too much noise" and "the hall was too crowded to move" — but, how can such a successful function be run without noise, and can it be considered successful if the hall is only sparsely filled?

The second House Rowing/Family Barbecue day proved to be immensely popular and members of the committee,

A \$2½ MILLION ENTERPRISE

How many realise that in 1978 the College handled more than \$2½ million dollars. This really is a staggering figure, particularly when the fact is taken into account that this huge sum does not include turnover cost of material and stock, as in the case of trading ventures. Broadly speaking it is a turnover of money for services.

Academic salaries account for almost 55% of total expenditure while a further 20% is required to provide salaries for administration, maintenance and other service areas.

The remaining 25% of total expenditure is spread over a variety of essential services — property maintenance, telephones, insurance, postages, school supplies, sporting equipment and the servicing of loan funds.

In the past two years the nett final relationship of income to expenditure has resulted in .37% surplus in 1977 and .04% deficit in 1978.

To present a balanced budget at the end of each year, in a non-profit organisation, is a task of considerable magnitude which requires the full co-operation of all departments at all times in this multi-million dollar enterprise.

with several other willing helpers, served nearly three hundred steak/sausage/hamburger meals.

This barbecue was followed by yet another, when an evening barbecue meal was provided for College students and their interstate guests, who were taking part in the triangular sports carnival, held during the Term 1 vacation.

A film evening was held during June, two smorgasbord dinners for parents of Form V students were held in the College dining hall and a cake stall and afternoon tea were provided at the annual athletic sports.

In addition to these activities, a group of ladies provide regular opportunities for parents of students who have left school to dispose of articles of school uniform which are no longer required, and for present parents to obtain good-quality articles at reasonable cost. The commission earned from clothing pool sales becomes part of the income of the Parents' & Friends' Association.

While the various functions held during the year are arranged primarily to provide opportunities for parents to meet each other, it is obvious that there is a profit quotient in those for which a charge is made.

To ensure that this money is used wisely to benefit a wide cross-section of College activities, the committee of the Association discusses various areas of need with the Principal and members of staff and then submits recommendations to parents at the Annual General Meeting for approval.

From revenue earned in 1978 a 'Gaff' copier was provided, which cost \$914. The 1979 Annual General Meeting endorsed two recommendations from the committee:

1. That \$500 be subscribed to the A. T. Tait and Staff Memorial Endowment Fund;
2. That an etching press be provided for use in the Art Department in the Creative Activities Centre.

At the Annual General Meeting, held on October 15, the committee elected included six new members. Planning for the 1980 year will commence without delay and parents will receive special notices at times appropriate to the occasion. The support and interest of parents and friends is vital in the life of the College.



CO-FOUNDER RECOGNISED

This year the co-founder of the College will be recognised by a new award to be known as the

DR. A. J. CAMPBELL PERPETUAL TROPHY for all-round sporting contribution to the school.

The trophy has been won, in its inaugural year, by Tony Le Deux.

COLLEGE SPORT

A number of College teams have performed with creditable results in various sporting events. There have also been some fine personal performances.

Prep Teams

The U/14 boys' hockey team won their grand final. The team also won the Lightning premiership.

The U/14 girls' hockey team was runner-up in the grand final.

The No. 1 girls' netball team won the grand final.

The No. 2 girls' netball team was runner-up in the grand final. This team also received the trophy for 'most improved' team for the whole of the junior section.

Jodie Henderson was runner-up for the 'D' Grade best and fairest award.

Girls' Teams

Netball: Six College teams competed in the Geelong YWCA Netball Association competitions. It was a most successful year.

The College I team won the 'A' Grade championship. **Lindy Pullin** was runner-up best and fairest for this section.

The College III team reached the preliminary final of 'A1' Grade. **Karen Braithwaite** and **Sally Lord** were awarded best and fairest and runner-up, respectively. **Louise Vines**, the goal shooter in this team has played three consecutive netball seasons without missing a game.

The College VI team won the Association's Encouragement award. They played each week, did not win a game, but had a lot of enjoyment.

The other three teams had their share of successes but did not reach the finals.

In the Interstate Triangular Sports Carnival, held during the Term 1 vacation, the College team won the netball section against St. Mary's Girls' Grammar School, Perth, and Scotch College, Adelaide. **Lindy Pullin**, **Belinda Abery** and **Robyn Humphreys** were selected in the 'all stars' team for their efforts in this carnival.

Support is needed from past students to form an Old Collegians' team to play in the local Saturday competition next winter. Those who are interested should contact Mr. R. Lancaster at the College.

Hockey: Three teams played in the final of their grade in the Geelong Women's Hockey Association competition.

'A' Reserve were premiers, they defeated Morongo.

'B' Grade were runners-up to Winchelsea. 'C' Grade were premiers, they defeated Geelong Ladies 4.

BOARDING AT THE COLLEGE

Members of the College Council have been aware of the misconceptions about the Council's policy on boarding.

In 1977, it was decided to restrict entry to the boarding houses to pupils in Form III and above.

This decision was taken in the light of the very few applications for boarding places in the junior part of the school and the consequent problems created by providing facilities for a very small number of young children.

Bushwalking

This year bushwalking was offered as a sport and a school bushwalking group was formed under the leadership of Mr. D. MacBryde.

During the year the group has undertaken four day-walks and six weekend hikes. Day walks have been held at Angahook State Forest and in the Brisbane Ranges. Weekend hikes have been held at Lake Elizabeth in the Otways, the Major Mitchell Plateau in the Grampians, the Aire Valley plantation near Cape Otway, the 'Wonderlands' area in the Grampians and finally at Wilson's Promontory.

As the size of the group increased the need to vary the endurance required for each hike became necessary. As a result the last two hikes have been divided into two and three groups, respectively. This enabled people to be grouped according to their walking capabilities. The bushwalking group can now offer slow, medium and fast grades for each hike. This not only reduces party size but increases the personal safety and enjoyment of each walker.

The success of the bushwalking group is due to its leadership and comradeship. All those who walked have appreciated the interest and patience of Mr. D. MacBryde, Mr. M. W. Underwood, Miss J. Slocombe and the parents of students, who contributed so much to make these enjoyable adventures possible.

Bushwalking has progressed from an apparent 'soft option' to an activity that can be enjoyed by all. This healthy activity promotes good fellowship, enjoyment and an appreciation of one's surroundings, so necessary in these days of rush and bustle.

Boys' Teams

Baseball: The 1st. IX won the premiership in the Geelong Junior Baseball Association for which they were awarded the 'Artie Murrell's U/17 Perpetual Trophy'. **Wes Thornton** — Form V — was selected from more than two-hundred school boys as a member of the U/17 Victorian State team.

Hockey: There were five College teams. Three played in the APS-AGS competition and two played in the local competition for school boys.

Iain McLeod was the outstanding player in the 1st. XI, with **Vernon Purdey** providing excellent defence in goal. To name these two, however, does not in any way detract from the performance of all players who, as a team, were undefeated throughout the season.

Football: The 1st. XVIII performed well this year. They won five of the seven matches played and were placed third in the APS competition.

Some people have misinterpreted this decision as the first step towards phasing out boarding, but there is no justification for this view.

Certainly, the decline in the number of boarders has caused the Council great concern, and a continuation of the trend would require that the position be reviewed periodically.

It should be pointed out, however, that once the school accepts a child into the boarding establishment the school accepts responsibility for providing boarding for that child until its education at the school is completed.

The recent survey of likely boarding enrolments in the next few years, limited as it was to those on the mailing list of 'Ad Astra' (about 5,000 Old Collegians, parents and others), suggests that the number of boarders will continue to fall in the immediate future.

However, the Council at its August meeting reaffirmed its present policy of accepting boarding enrolments at Form III and above.

In fairness to the parents of day pupils, the Council resolved in 1977 and reaffirmed in 1979 that the boarding fee will be set at a level designed to cover those costs directly associated with the boarding houses. Every effort will of course be made to minimise such costs.

It must of course be emphasised that applications for boarding places must be made in sufficient time. It cannot be expected that the school will decline applications for day pupils received within the time specified, merely in the expectation that late applications for boarders may subsequently be received.

Parents interested in sending their children as boarders are therefore advised to apply early in the year before entry is desired, and certainly no later than June 30.

ERRATUM

Apologies are extended to

Peter W. Hill
(Vice-Captain)

who was inadvertently recorded as

Peter W. Hall

under the heading

School Officers

in the May issue of 'Ad Astra'.

THE AUSTIN GRAY CENTRE

Until recently the new building complex which is being developed on the site of, and incorporating, the old Prep buildings has been referred to as the Creative Activities Centre. This is the correct definition of the purpose for which these buildings are being erected, but, in accord with the principle which has been established in many other areas of the School, the College Council has decided that this centre will be named The Austin Gray Centre.

The late Austin Gray was a generous benefactor of the College and a bequest which he made in his will is to be used to provide equipment for the House of Guilds, which will be part of the new Centre.

Work is progressing apace with the second stage and it is anticipated that the contract will have been completed by the end of the year.

The section now under construction will have a high pitched roof, which will be supported by six large inverted 'V' frames. A camera action study shows one of these frames being lowered into position.



COLLEGE SPORTING FIXTURES

CRICKET and TENNIS

Feb. 8-9	v	MGS	at MGS
Feb. 15-16	v	BGS	at BGS
Feb. 22-23	v	WC	at home
Feb. 29/Mar. 1	v	XC	at XC
Mar. 7-8		BYE	
Mar. 14-15	v	CGS	at home
Mar. 21-22	v	SC	at SC
Mar. 28-29	v	Carey	at home

(Note: Tennis dates, Saturday only)

ROWING

Head of the River:

Heats — April 11 (Friday)

Finals — April 12 (Saturday)

Junior Regatta — March 29

The fixture lists for girls' sports will not be available until early in Term 1, 1980.

COMMUNITY SERVICE ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT GOVERNOR — WESTERN VICTORIA

Geoff Betts, a member of the College Council, for several years chairman of the finance committee, an Honorary Life Member of the Old Geelong Collegians' Association and father of three Old Collegians, is district governor of Rotary for Western Victoria this year.

In this capacity he will visit all fifty-nine Rotary Clubs scattered throughout the western districts of Victoria and in the south-east of South Australia.

There are two thousand eight hundred Rotarians in the district and Geoff's responsibilities include co-ordinating, administration duties and counselling. This will be a big year for Rotary as it is the seventy-fifth anniversary year and all clubs will be launching special projects to mark the anniversary.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Kristine Mellens (piano) and **Gary Ekkel** (flute) have both been awarded their A. Mus. A. (Associate of Music, Performing). This is a remarkable accomplishment for students of their age.

Kristine won prizes in the Geelong and Ballarat Eisteddfods. Gary was a prize winner at the Geelong Eisteddfod and led a very fine concert by the Geelong Recorder Consort in the Geelong Art Gallery.

Stefan Ziemer — Form VI — won the August prize in the 'Age' Mamiya School Photo Competition, with his entry 'Tone and Texture 11'. Stefan has been taking photographs for about four years. His prize was a Mamiya NC1000 camera, worth \$615, and his entry will be among those judged for the annual award. After he completes his HSC year, he hopes to obtain a newspaper cadetship in photography.

The **Form 1 Jazz Group**, which competed against fifth and sixth form students, won the Jazz Group section at the Geelong Eisteddfod.

Jamie Dennis — Form VI — received an outstanding award and **Michael Johns** — Form III — received a certificate of merit in the Melbourne University School Mathematics Competition.

Michael Johns was also awarded a prize in the Australian Mathematics Competition.

A team of four from Form II were first in the Mathematics Games Competition.

Kristine Mellens — Form VI — was equal second in the Alliance Francaise poetry, reading and conversation.

Glenn Downey — Form IV — won a Science Talent Search Bursary.

Twenty-five students from Forms 1 and 11 won prizes in the Science Talent Search.

Robyn Cook — Form V — left for America at the end of Term II under the Youth for Understanding exchange program. She will return to the College in Term III, 1980.

Robert Leach — Form V — was appointed captain of the Victorian State under 16 rugby team.

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.

S. H. Moreton	('08)
J. Bell	('12)
H. L. Taylor	('19)
A. W. Freeman	('21)
C. A. McGregor	('23)
J. D. Lester	('23)
R. G. Greeves	('25)
P. J. Costa	('28)
J. McK. Hamilton	('28)
W. I. Sims	('28)
R. Plain	('30)
W. R. Bennett	('32)
W. H. Lockwood	('36)
S. M. J. Calvert	('42)
J. K. Dempsey	('43)
A. F. Parker	('48)

Sister Isabel Lang —
Assistant Matron at hospital.

D. A. Timmins —
Prep. School Staff 1967-1979

Lt. Col. H. L. E. Dunkley, D.S.O., M.C.,
B.A. — Member of Staff 1935-1939
1948-1970

Mark Walpole — Form V — won the under 18 section of the Australian Nordic Skiing Championships.

Derek Kovaks (Form V), **Matthew Doncaster** (Form III) and **Matthew Backwell** (Form III) competed for the School in the inter-school snow skiing competitions at Mt. Buller. There were 171 competitors. The School team came eighteenth (of fifty-six) outright and fourth in division C.

Adam Gordon and **Richard Samuel** (both Form V) have both flown solo, in gliding.

Ten students and two members of staff completed the thirteen kilometre 'Age' — Coca Cola 'Fun Run', from which the Doxa Youth Foundation provides the opportunity for needy students to enjoy holidays which they otherwise could not afford.

Gordon D. Murray

At the June meeting of the General Committee a letter, was received from Gordon ('30) which read, in part "I have enjoyed twenty-seven happy years as a member of the committee of the Old Geelong Collegians' Association and now feel it time for me to relinquish my position to one of the many younger Old Boys who would enjoy the opportunity to serve the school through the Association". This resignation was received with regret and a minute of appreciation of Gordon's valuable service was recorded.

Although he had indicated that his resignation would provide the opportunity for a younger Old Boy, Gordon was pleased to learn that, in fact, a young lady Old Collegian had been elected to the vacant position.

Gordon attended the College in the years 1933 and 1934. As his letter indicated, he was elected as a member of the General Committee in 1952. He also served as a member of the Executive Committee from 1967 until he retired this year.

In 1967 the Alumni Committee was formed, for the purpose of co-ordinating fund raising among Old Collegians to enlarge Morrison Hall and to assist to finance the first stage of the Rolland Physical Education Centre. Gordon was a member of this committee from its inception and continued as chairman when this became known as the Annual Giving Committee.

There have been times when the role of the OGCA as a fund-raising medium has been criticised. Nevertheless, the activities of this committee under Gordon's leadership have resulted in providing considerable assistance to the school in its building projects.

At the Annual General Meeting of the Association in 1974, Gordon's long and faithful service to the School and the Association was recognised when he was elected as an Honorary Life Member of the Association.

The School has not been his only avenue of service. He has been active in the community in many ways. In 1947 Gordon returned from Montreal, Canada, after representing the Association of Apex Clubs of Australia, with details of the Community Chest principle of charitable fund-raising. In 1952 he was elected chairman of a committee to investigate the establishment of Community Chest in Geelong. He was Chairman of the Geelong and District Community Chest from 1960 until 1975.

The Victorian Council of Social Service acknowledged Gordon's contribution by presentation of the Community Service Award, in September 1973.

Further recognition of the respect in which he is held came in 1976 when, in close succession, he was elected president of the Retail Traders Association of Victoria, and appointed a member of the Victorian Government's Small Business Development Corporation.

These are but few of his many community interests, the Geelong Harbor Trust, St. David's Church and so many other areas of service.

The Association extends sincere thanks to Gordon for his valued contribution over such a long period of years.

EDUCATION — THE WIDER ASPECT PROFESSIONAL — COMMERCIAL — INDUSTRIAL — SPORT SOCIAL WELFARE

Throughout its long history the College has produced many who have excelled in the professional field, in commercial enterprise, in industrial development and in sporting prowess.

This year a new dimension has been added.

A young lady who left the College less than three years ago excelled in the field of Social Welfare when, on Monday, October 8, she was crowned Miss Victoria 1980, as an entrant in the Miss Australia quest in support of the Spastic Society of Australia.

Michelle Quigley ('73) entered the College in February, 1975, when it first became co-educational at Senior School level. Michelle entered at Form V and completed her H.S.C. the following year. In 1976 she was a school prefect and was awarded colours as a member of the girls' softball team.

Michelle entered Ormond College at the University of Melbourne to study law and in April of this year she entered the Miss Victoria/Miss Australia quest to lend her support to the project which generates so much public interest and provides such magnificent assistance to the Spastic Society of Australia.

It is important to bear in mind the fact that this is not just a beauty quest. Throughout the whole of Australia the thousands of girls who enter the quest spend many months, with the help of parents, friends and committees, raising funds for the Spastic Society. It is an exceedingly busy and also an exciting time but it is a task which they accept willingly, always with the knowledge that their effort will be rewarded with a sense of achievement, whether they win all those glittering prizes or not.

And to be crowned Miss Victoria — what are the requirements, other than the fund-raising aspects of the quest?

BRANCH ACTIVITIES

In the past six months several Branch re-unions have been held.

ARMIDALE — June 5

The Branch formed last year at the University of New England, Armidale, N.S.W., held its second re-union dinner, in June this year. **Barry Thomas ('42)**, who was Head of Earl Page House and is lecturing at the University, has accepted responsibility for making all necessary arrangements in these first two years. There will be a degree of fluctuation in membership, subject to the number of OGC's who are attending the University, but it is hoped that it will be possible to elect office-bearers for the Branch at the next re-union.

HAMILTON — July 13

This year was Hamilton Branch's first venture as a mixed company dinner. It was a well attended function. Office bearers will continue in office until next year.

CANBERRA — July 14

This Branch continues to attract a good attendance of OGC's who live in Canberra and as far afield as Wagga Wagga and the south coast of N.S.W. After a measure of coercion **Don Lawler ('45)** and **David Berryman ('52)** agreed to continue as President and Secretary, respectively. **Andrew Walls ('25)** was elected as Vice-President.

Those who are selected as finalists face a panel of eleven judges who tabulate their points score on the following wide-ranging attributes:

Personality and poise, social graces, voice and diction, carriage and deportment, make-up and grooming, dress sense, photogenic and television potential, beauty of face and figure, intelligence and general knowledge, ambassadorial qualities.

These, together with her desire to assist the work of the Spastic Society, won for Michelle the title of Miss Victoria 1980, for which hearty congratulations are extended.



Michelle wears the crown and gown as Miss Victoria 1980.

GRAMPIANS — August 10

The Willaura hotel dining room was crowded, as usual. It was pleasing to note how many of the younger Old Collegians attended this and other re-unions during the year. It was also a pleasure to have **Jim Hunter ('13)** there, representing the older brigade. **Bill Slattery ('69)** retired after two years as President. **Geoff King ('54)** accepted nomination to fill the vacant office. **David Cole ('60)** is the new Vice-President and **Ivan Jacobs ('48)** was re-elected Secretary.

BALLARAT — October 5

This has become one of the strongest Branches in the Association. Numbers increase year by year. **Geoff Oliver ('41)**, President, and **Brian Drennan ('49)**, Secretary, appear to be entrenched in office, at least for as long as their good ladies are prepared to provide such an appetising meal. Thank you Nola and Jan.

SYDNEY, N.S.W. — October 12

Ian Everist, recently elected OGCA President, was able to attend this re-union, which is normally held in June but had been postponed. There is keen regard for the College in Sydney and with **Allan Rogers ('42)** in the chair and **John Cameron ('41)** handling the clerical duties contact is maintained with Old Collegians, particularly with recent arrivals, who may not be aware that the Association functions so far from Geelong.



Jock Watson ('28), who practices at the Southern Clinic in Perth, had plans well in hand to attend the Annual Re-union Dinner in July with brothers Don ('27), Brisbane, and David ('31), Camberwell, when his wife met with two accidents in close succession, each resulting in broken bones and requiring an extended period of physiotherapy. The trip had to be postponed and Jock is hopeful that they may be able to arrange for the family re-union to co-incide with Old Collegians' Day in 1980.

Bob Walker ('39) was elected president of the Australian Sheep Breeders' Association during the sheep show in Melbourne in August. Bob is a member of the council of the Royal Agricultural Society and was president of the Victorian Stud Merino Breeders' Association during 1975/1976 and 1977/1978. **Reg Taylor ('13)** of "Valley Field", Epping Forest, Tasmania, and **Noel Dennis ('40)** of "Broiga", Warncoort, were also elected life governors of the Australian Sheep Breeders' Association.

John Duigan ('42) purchased a farm property on Flinders Island early in 1974. Recently he increased his holding on the island by purchase of the property owned by the father of two Old Collegians, **Robert ('69)** and **John ('71) Eastoe**. Robert spent some time at Lincoln College in N.Z. and is now with the Valuation Department in Dunedin. John entered a course at Marcus Oldham Farm Management College in Geelong and spent a year gaining practical experience on a property at Kulin, W.A.

Allister McLeod ('44) travelled from Brisbane to Geelong in February to play in the 1947 1st XI v College cricket match. He has recently been appointed as a director of Western Collieries. Allister is one of several Old Collegians who live in the area bounded by the Sunshine Coast, Queensland, and the northern N.S.W. district who are keen to form an OGCA Branch, broadly based in Brisbane.

Don McColl ('46) has completed research into the durability and disintegration of concrete in Canberra's climate. Tests have failed to establish any correlation between the number of freeze-thaw cycles and the life of a building.

Bob Merriman ('48) managed the Australian cricket tour of India, which will be nearing completion as 'Ad Astra' goes to press. As a schoolboy Bob played in the College 1st XI in 1952 and 1953. He was captain of the College team in 1953 and in that year he played in the Victorian Public Schools' team against the Victorian Colts. Bob has had a long and distinguished career in Club cricket as player, captain and coach. He recently relinquished the office of president of the Geelong Cricket Association, in his fourth year as secretary of the Victorian Country Cricket League and has been a V.C.C.L. delegate to the Victorian Country Cricket Association for five years. Bob is industrial relations and payroll personnel manager with the Ford/Motor Company of Australia Ltd.

Alan Holmes ('48) wrote to say: "I have retained all copies of the publication 'Ad Astra' since its inception, however I am missing No. 26. Please advise if a copy is available . . .". Fortunately, some reserve copies of all issues are kept by the OGCA and the issue requested, published in September, 1971, was forwarded to Alan, whose file will now be complete back to November, 1959.

Ken Fagg ('49) is now Geelong branch president of the Real Estate and Stock Institute of Victoria. This will be a busy year for Ken as the Geelong branch will host the Victorian 1980 Real Estate Convention in May, 1980.

David Sloane ('53) has a large charge as minister of the Uniting Church at Manilla, N.S.W., about twenty-five miles north of Tamworth.

Neville Trethowan ('53) co-founder of Geelong Springding and engaged in many community activities in Geelong, recently took an active part in a venture in which Australia had not previously participated.

This has resulted in his appointment as Australian co-ordinator for the Children's International Summer Villages (CISV). The CISV programme began in 1951 to promote international friendship and the love of peace. This year, for the first time, four Australian eleven year old children, from Geelong Grammar School, joined with children from twelve other countries at a month long camp in Japan. Language proved to be no barrier to the eleven year olds and Neville remarked on the highly emotional scenes which showed how much the children hated leaving their international friends. Thirty-nine CISV camps were held in America, Africa, Asia and Europe during the northern summer, at which children from forty countries shared similar international experiences to those who attended the camp in Japan.

More recently Neville has been hard at work with **Barry Solomon ('48)** preparing for what they hope will be another successful Geelong Springding.

Tony Strahan ('56) is a partner in the firm Rattray, Browne & Co., Chartered Accountants, Melbourne. He has been appointed manager of the Victorian Surf Life Saving team which will visit New Zealand in February, 1980. Apart from his surfing interests he is also involved in competitive swimming with the Australian Union of Senior Swimmers, which conducts competition between swimmers in five year age groups, up to ninety years. Tony is in the 'tender years' bracket, thirty-five to thirty-nine years.

Darryl Rickey ('57) is President of the Pegasus Alpine Club. There are occasions when shares in the alpine lodge at Mt. Hotham are available for sale. These shares give priority rights to accommodation at the lodge, an essential during the ski season.

Gary Randle ('57) was last reported as managing a health food store in Sandy Bay, Tasmania.

Ian Falk ('58) started a private school, The Home School, at Clifton Beach, near Cairns in far North Queensland, in 1977. It won its status as Queensland's Approved School No. 584 on March 8, 1978. It was the first school on record to be accepted into Queensland's assessment system from the outside. It is intended that total enrolment shall never exceed forty students and the school claims the unique feature of a ratio of one teacher to eight students with some groups consisting of no more than five students. Ian's venture as founder and principal of the Home School followed four years as manager of an educational publishing company and three years full time educational writing.

John Cannington ('59) has been in the employ of the National Bank of Australasia Ltd. for several years. His most recent appointment is as the bank's representative in Indonesia, and in this capacity he is now resident in Kamang, Jakarta.

Alistair Urquhart ('60) is working in Sydney with S.S.M. Coal Pty. Ltd.. This will be quite a change from his previous engagement with Harwood and Pincott, Solicitors, in Geelong.

Hunter Cook ('60) is teaching at the Keysborough Technical School. He completed his law degree, obtained a diploma of education and is currently studying a course in real estate. Younger brothers, **Hamish ('64)** is travelling overseas and **Justin ('67)** was reported to be looking for a position with a stockbroking firm. Sister, **Virginia ('73)** shares a flat with **Bettina Wishart ('73)** in Malvern.

Colin Beckett ('61) is another who has indicated interest in the formation of a Branch to provide opportunities for those living in Brisbane and adjacent districts to renew old friendships. Colin lives at Dobie's Bight, via Casino. He now has a list of all OGC's who live within reasonable travelling distance of Brisbane and there is a distinct possibility that he will be making contact with some of those on the list in the hope that they will help to generate interest in this proposal.

Robert Head ('64) is living in Adelaide and is now working as personnel, public relations manager for the 'Adelaide refinery'. In all probability there is more than one refinery in Adelaide but Robert obviously considers his to be 'the' refinery.

Geoff McAdam ('64) having graduated M.Eng.Sci., is working in the Department of Productivity and is proceeding with studies in business administration. After a good season's baseball with University of Melbourne he was selected as captain of the all-Australian Universities team.

Douglas Silke ('66) has taken up a new position — "with C.S.R. as maintenance engineer with A.N.P.A. in Sarina". Unfortunately the current trend of abbreviating by use of initials makes it difficult to report the exact detail of his employment.

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Geoff Matthews ('73) after a year studying science at the University of Melbourne, is now in his third year, science, at the University of Michigan, U.S.A., majoring in physics, where there are sixty-thousand students. Geoff returns to Australia each June for the 'summer vacation' thus managing to fit two winters into each year.

Susan Marshallsea ('73) returned to continue her studies for bachelor of science degree at the University of Melbourne this year. Brother **Roger ('71)** is now in the final year of his bachelor of engineering course.

David Osborne ('73) was a member of the Deakin University men's tennis team which competed against eleven other universities and was placed seventh.

Pamela Spratt ('73), Heather Johns ('74) and Julie Mitchell ('74) were three of the six members of the Deakin University women's tennis team. This team won the Interschool Women's Competition by defeating University of Melbourne in the final.

Phillip Strachan ('74) has been elected president of the Wyvern Club at Queen's College. He is the youngest person on record to have held this office.

Rohan Robinson ('75) topped the H.S.C. art in the Geelong area in 1978. An exhibition of his pen sketches, murals and acrylic paintings was held in the Arts and Crafts Display Centre at the College during June this year.

Rick Payne ('75) won the Victorian Junior Iron Man title as a member of the Jan Juc Surf Life Saving team.

OLD CRICKETERS' CLUB

The general committee of the OGCA considered that the number of Old Collegians who had indicated interest in the formation of an Old Cricketers' Club warranted further action. Graeme Wallace Smith ('46) was then invited to act as convenor of a steering committee, to pave the way to bring this proposal to fruition.

A steering committee meeting was held at which it was decided that an inaugural dinner should be held on the evening of the OGCA v College cricket match, on February 5, 1980. This dinner will be held at Rosnashane, 11 Aberdeen Street, Geelong.

The underlying theme of the evening will be: **Hail to the College Premiership XI's — 1946 — 1947 — 1963 — 1979.**

The steering committee is hopeful that it will be possible to arrange for Bob Merriman ('48), currently manager of the Australian team touring India, to attend as guest speaker.

It is emphasised that both playing and non-playing members are encouraged to join the Club and attend the dinner.

All members of College 1st. XI's will receive personal invitations. But, the Club

GRADUATIONS

Notice of the following graduations has been received. Unfortunately details are not received from all possible sources. Information of graduations, with specific detail of degree and the date conferred, may be sent to the editor for inclusion in the next listing.

M.Ag.Sc.: C. Grainger
M.B.B.S.: R. S. Taylor, R. S. Kefford, P. L. Royce
B.Com.: G. R. Cowan, I. A. Keith, G. E. Craig
B.Arch.: E. A. Barnett
B.E.: P. A. Dohnt (Civil)
B.Pharm.: D. E. Trembath
B.A.: J. L. Wishart, M. J. Vines
B.Sc.: R. P. Walpole
B.T.R.P.: C. T. Andrews
Dip.Ed.: J. L. Wishart
Diploma of Art and Design: D. J. Allitt, P. G. Angelovich, A. D. Hambling
Diploma of Engineering: W. R. Redpath (Civil)
Diploma of Teaching: D. I. Backwell, P. J. Nelson.

STATE REGISTERED NURSE

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MARRIAGES

Geoffrey Fairbairn to Susan Gudgeon, North Balwyn, August 25, 1978
Campbell Seward to Donmenika Bittner, Southport, March 3
Donald Douglas to Elizabeth McDonald, Echuca, June 30
Syd Weddell to Sue Roe, Geelong, July 14
Ross Fenner to Ilona Torok, Geelong, August 4
Neil Myers to Julianne Demko, Geelong, August 11
Peter Griffiths to Debbie Wendle, Geelong, September 15
Wayne Gellie to Morva Erwin, Geelong, September 22
Charles Andrews to Karen McCutcheon, Bright, October 13
Gregor Illingworth to Jennifer Rowe, Geelong, October 27

is for all who are interested in cricket and full information may be obtained by contacting the Executive Officer.

The proposed dinner is being planned as a social function, with the object of arousing the interest of those who have played cricket for the College and others who wish to support cricket at the College.

On that evening a very short business meeting will be held to formally establish the Club, elect office-bearers, decide on a subscription rate (a nominal figure) and attend to such other matters as may be considered necessary.

At this stage the steering committee sees this proposed Old Cricketers' Club as a vehicle, or parent body, from which a playing section could develop (in Geelong or Melbourne — or both). It is also hoped that **when and if requested** the Club could provide moral, physical and material assistance to cricket within the College.

Further information may be obtained from the Executive Officer, either by telephone (052/21 1939) or by mail addressed to the Old Geelong Collegians' Association, The Geelong College, P.O. Box 5, Geelong, 3220.

Fred R. Herd

In June, 1971, Fred Herd ('39) was elected as a member of the general committee of the OGCA and during the years 1973-1976 he was a valued member of the executive committee.

Fred has been an exceptionally keen supporter of the College and the Association. When the 'Project Pegasus' Fund-Raising Appeal was launched in February, 1970, he accepted appointment as Campaign Chairman, and in this capacity he provided great impetus to the large body of men who responded to the invitation to work as part of the campaign team.

Later, as the appeal reached its closing stages, Fred spent many hours as chairman of the Follow-up committee, which brought the campaign to a successful conclusion early in 1976.

Recognition of Fred's valued service to the College and to the Association was made when he was honoured as an Honorary Life Member of the Association in 1974.

In the field of industry, Fred is managing director of M. C. Herd Pty. Ltd., Challenge Meats Pty. Ltd., and the Geelong City Abattoirs. He is president of the Victorian Meat Works Association, a member of the executive committee, at both state and federal level, of the Meat and Allied Trades Federation of Australia, a member of the Australian Federal Meat Works Council, and he recently resigned from the Livestock Advisory Council.

These extensive commitments, together with a personal interest in a property of more than five thousand acres in the Inverleigh/Cressy district, resulted in Fred's decision to retire from the general committee this year. His resignation was received with regret and a minute of appreciation for his valued service was recorded.

HONOURS

Queen's Birthday Awards

Congratulations are extended to the following Old Collegians whose services to the community were recognised in the manner indicated:

KNIGHT BACHELOR

Emeritus Professor
Geoffrey Malcolm Badger A/O ('29)
North Adelaide
for distinguished service to science and education.

OFFICER OF THE ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

Malcolm Elliot Lyon ('43)
Yarralumla A.C.T.
for public service.

MEMBER OF THE ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

Norman Francis Keith ('22)
for service to pharmacy

BRITISH EMPIRE MEDAL

Frederick Hewitt Moreton ('15)
for community service

OLD COLLEGIANS' DAY

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: Extracts from the President's Annual Report:-

"It is with regret that we record the passing of Mr. A. Austin Gray, a Fellow of the Association, and Miss R. L. Fraser, an Honorary Life Member of the Association.

Branches: One of the very real pleasures of any President is the opportunity to represent the Association at the various Branch re-unions. These re-unions are always enjoyable occasions for everyone who attends.

Management: The General Committee met quarterly. This year has seen new members in Miss Vicki Law and Miss Kirsty Elliott.

Possibly the most important matter decided by the committee was that a recommendation be made to re-introduce Life Membership. The option to contribute to the College Building Fund will remain and such contributions are encouraged.

The School: We have continued to support the school financially. Contributions to the College Building Fund for the financial year ended 31st December, 1978, amounted to \$4,284.00. In addition many members made their services available in a variety of capacities; Umpiring, Coaching, Scoring, Recording, Reporting, Vocational Guidance, Work Experience and General Advice, are just some of the many areas where Old Collegians assisted the school.

Associated Clubs:

Albert Bell Club: This Club continues to be outstandingly successful. Their growth rate is remarkable and from time to time they make very practical contributions to the College Boat Club.

O.G.C. Hockey Club: Again the Club completed a successful season.

Football: Both the G.A.F.C. and the O.G.F.C. continue to be supported by many Old Collegians.

Cricket: For some time it has been thought that there may be a place in the OGCA for a Support Club for cricket at the College. No doubt the school's premiership victory encouraged further discussion in this area. Specific moves are now in hand to commence such a Club."

The proposal to re-introduce Life Membership was approved at the Annual General Meeting and the General Committee will now take action to implement this amendment to the Constitution.

ANNUAL RE-UNION DINNER: The 78th Annual Re-union Dinner was held at Kirrewur Court, on Friday, July 27, 1979. There was a good attendance, although there were fewer Old Collegian girls present than last year.

The Guest Speaker, Rev. Professor, Dr. J. Davis McCaughey was well known to many of those present, as he had been Master of Ormond College for the past twenty years.

The retiring President, Mr. Gary Bent, introduced Mr. Alan Scott who had been elected President of the Association at the Annual General Meeting held earlier in the evening.

Mr. Scott commenced his official duties by introducing Mrs. J. Sweetman, Mr. H. C. Fallaw, Mr. D. W. Mackay, Mr. S. E. Rankin and Dr. M. W. Morris who had been elected Honorary Life Members of the Association. A certificate and tie (or brooch) was

OGC HOCKEY CLUB

The Old Collegians' Hockey Club completed a successful year when both the A and B teams played in grand final matches in the Geelong and District Men's Hockey Association competition.

The B team won the premiership for the fourth consecutive year.

The A team was runner-up in its match.

Personal awards for the season were:

Dan Simmonds ('69) — Association best and fairest. This is the second time that Dan has won this award and it is the third time in succession that it has been won by a member of the Club.

Dan also won the best and fairest award for the Club's A team.

Ed. Collins ('66) — Best and fairest — B team.

Noel Patchett and John Nelson (both staff) — Equal best and fairest — C team.

Roger Nation ('59) Club medallion for two hundred games played.

Michael Carr ('72) Club medallion for one hundred games played.

Stephen Davey ('66) Club award, for his work as coach of the A team.

The Executive Officer will be pleased to provide information to any who are interested in playing hockey with the OGC Hockey Club.

OGCA TIES AND INSIGNIA

The following items may be purchased by Old Collegians.

Woolen Ties (10 cm)	new stocks on order
Polyester Ties (10 cm)	\$5.50 ea.
Badge	
(Lapel type — screw in)	\$2.50 ea.
Brooch (Bar type)	\$1.50 ea.
Tie Bars (Crocodile Clip)	\$3.40 ea.
Cuff Links	\$6.00 pr.

The following items are available for purchase by all:

Car Stickers	
(The Geelong College)	.50c ea.
History of College	
1861/1961	\$10.00 copy
Lives of Frank Rolland	\$9.95 copy

Orders may be addressed to:

The Executive Officer,
O.G.C.A.,
The Geelong College,
P.O. Box 5,
GEELONG, 3220.

Please enclose remittance with order and goods will be sent post free.

presented to each to record the honour conferred.

It was evident that Old Collegians enjoy the opportunity to meet each other for a social chat. Sometimes friendships are renewed after many years and, as usual, it was necessary to dim the lights in order to clear the floor at the midnight hour.

OFFICE-BEARERS 1979-80

President: I. C. Everist

Vice-Presidents: B. G. Thom
one further appointment to be made by the General Committee.

Hon. Secretary: R. W. Farrow

Hon. Treasurer: B. G. Thom

Hon. Auditor: D. L. Cameron

GENERAL COMMITTEE

Elected Members:

Misses K. M. Elliott, V. G. Law, Messrs. G. D. Amezdroz, I. T. Forsyth, A. G. Gray, D. A. Jarman, A. J. E. Lawson, R. A. Leggatt, A. F. McIlwain, I. M. McIlwain, K. A. I. MacLean, J. B. Morrison, R. J. Nation, W. C. Phillips, T. J. Rooke, R. J. Sheringham, J. S. Weddell, D. L. Whitcroft

Co-opted Members:

S. J. Coulson, D. H. Wallace Smith

Ex-Officio Members:

The Chairman of the College Council,
The Principal, Branch Presidents.

Hon. Life Members of Committee:

Past Presidents

Executive Officer:

T. L. Clark
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A NEW PRESIDENT

Mr. Ian Everist ('40) was elected President of the OGCA at a meeting of the General Committee on September 11.

His election followed the resignation of Mr. Alan Scott who was elected President at the Annual General Meeting in July and who, under normal circumstances, would have held office for a term of twelve months.

ALBERT BELL CLUB

SIXTH ANNUAL RE-UNION DINNER

Friday,

April 11, 1980

at

Kirrewur Court
77 Prospect Road, Newtown

At present the important thing is to keep this date free

All financial members and members of decade crews (1920-1930-1940-1950-1960-1970) will receive detailed information by mail with the February, 1980, newsletter

TRY TO KEEP THE WHOLE DAY FREE

Head of the River:

Heats — Friday, April 11
Finals — Saturday, April 12