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School Notes

More complete accounts of happenings within the School since the publication of the last Chronicle will be given in the next large Chronicle to be published in May.

The Headmaster has now made a good recovery after an unfortunate accident early in November. He was not able to return to duty for the rest of the term. As a result of a fall in the Boarders' Library, he sustained eight broken ribs, and double pneumonia added to his discomfort.

Mr A. H. Dennis, who joined the staff in 1934, is taking his long service leave. He and Mrs Dennis, Frances and Richard left for Britain on 31 December. At present, it is not certain whether he will be returning during the course of the year or at the commencement of 1969.

Mr J. S. Steele retired at the end of the year after being on the teaching staff for forty-six years. A tribute to Mr Steele will appear in the May Chronicle.

Our senior French master, Mr J. M. Mills, found the call to service in Nigeria so strong that he has resigned to return to work in the field of education in that country.

New masters in the Senior School in 1968 will be Mr M. Haseloff who will be covering most of the work usually done by Mr Dennis and Mr J. Berlin who will be senior French master. Mr I. J. Houston will move to the Senior School from the Preparatory School where his place will be taken by Mr B. R. Fitzwilliam, formerly of the staff of Sydney Grammar Preparatory School at St Ives.

Dr M. W. Evans, vice-chairman of the College Council and a past President of the Old Collegians Association, distributed the prizes on Speech Day. His address will long be remembered by many of the boys. J. W. Howland was Dux of the School, and D. J. Heier of the Preparatory School.

Work has commenced on the construction of the Centenary Buildings. The tender of G. J. Rakauskas Pty Ltd was accepted for the Boarding House and the Preparatory Class Room Block, and that of R. P. Brimblecombe and Sons Pty Ltd for the Senior Class Room Block and the building to include the Masters Common Room and the Prefects Room. The total of the tenders was just under \$500,000.

We congratulate SPSC on their win in an exciting cricket match. Outstanding for PAC was the brilliant 95 scored by our captain in the first innings. He scored centuries in the match immediately before the inter-collegiate game and also in the match against Guildford Grammar School which followed that game.

Matriculation examination results are the only ones available at the time of printing. A. J. Bennett and M. J. Gerrard gained five A passes, J. M. Howland, D. C. Martin, D. G. Provis, M. R. Raupach and M. W. Reid four, and N. G. Martin, A. R. Nankervis, and I. E. Tregoning three.

We were all sorry to hear that our Captain of Athletics and school prefect, Richard P. Bond, was very seriously injured in a car accident on the day after Speech Day. He is making slow progress in his recovery.

The school congratulates Dr D. S. Riceman on his election as President of the Old Collegians Association.

Old Scholars Committee Visit

The President, Mr Brian Fricker, and members of the Committee attended morning assembly on 16 November. The service, conducted by the School Chaplain, Rev. Kyle Waters, commenced with prayers and responsive verses, followed by the Collect and the Lord's Prayer. The hymn 'Immortal, Invisible, God only Wise' was sung, after which the Captain of the School, M. John Pfeiler read the lesson from St-Luke's Gospel, chapter xviii. This was followed by further prayers, including a special prayer for all Old Scholars, and the service concluded with the Chaplain pronouncing the Benediction. In the unavoidable absence of the Headmaster through illness, the second master, Mr Ray Smith, welcomed the President, officers and committeemen. He said that the Headmaster, Mr Dunning, and the School always looked forward to these occasions, and were very mindful of the interest and support received from the Old Scholars. In asking Mr Fricker to address the boys, Mr Smith congratulated the President on his excellent year of office.

The President thanked Mr Smith for his warm welcome and invitation to the committee, and for affording him the opportunity of addressing the boys on the affairs

of the Association. Mr Fricker said that in 1878 the Old Collegians' Association was formed to further all that appertains to the welfare of Prince Alfred College, to promote unity and friendship among Old Scholars and to maintain the interest of the Old Scholars in the College.

These objects have been fulfilled over the years, during which the membership has grown from 70 to almost 4,000 today. In outlining some of the activities of the Association, Mr Fricker mentioned the participation of Old Boys in the Centenary Building Appeal, the Old Scholars' sporting clubs, Old Boys' Week, the Country Dinners and the Interstate and Overseas Branches. He congratulated the School on its success and achievements during the year and added that with the approaching centenary arrangements a great deal of attention would be focused on Prince Alfred College as a School. He asked the boys to remember that at all times the School would be judged by their actions and behaviour, and the challenge and responsibility was theirs. The President's message was received with acclamation by the boys and he was thanked by the Acting Headmaster.



OUR NEW PRESIDENT

DR DAVID RICEMAN

Attended PAC, 1919 - 1928.

Gained Roseworthy Agricultural College Diploma (First Class) in 1931.

Studied Agricultural Science and graduated B.Ag.Sc. in 1934. Admitted to the degree of M.Sc. in 1947, and D.Sc in 1959. Is a Senior Principal Research Scientist in the CSIRO Division of Nutritional Biochemistry in Adelaide.

Awarded the Australian Medal of Agricultural Science in 1953 and the Roseworthy Old Collegians' Association Award of Merit in 1962. During World War II served with the 13th Aust. Field Regiment in New Guinea.

Is a Vice-President of Adelaide Legacy and a member of the Council of Westminster School.

Member of PAOCA Committee since 1960.

Foundation member of the Public Schools' Club, and a member of the Naval, Military, and Air Force Club, the Commonwealth Club, and the Goolwa Aquatic Club.

Member of a number of professional societies and was S.A. Branch President of the Australian Institute of Agricultural Science in 1953.

Played lacrosse and squash at the University. Present interests are on a sheep farm at Keith and in boating and sailing at Goolwa.

Married with one son who attended PAC, and a daughter, both Honours graduates in Science.

President's Message

The Association year just ended has been a most successful one in all ways and a great deal of the credit for this must go to our active and keenly interested Past President, Brian Fricker. On behalf of the Association I wish to thank Brian for a job well done.

At the Annual General Meeting in November 1967, it was my honour and privilege to be elected to the office of President for the forthcoming year. The Association again has a strong and experienced committee. All the retiring committeemen were eligible for re-election and were returned to office. I welcome to the committee Andrew Jeffery and Peter Freburg, who were elected to fill the vacancies caused by the resignations during the year of Geoff. Hall, who wished to devote more of his time to advanced studies, and Mark Skinner, who moved to a post in Melbourne.

The success of the Association clearly depends on the support of its members. There are many who are regular attenders at the Association's many sporting and social activities. There are others whom we rarely, if ever, see on these occasions, and I suggest to these members that a little effort on their part will be well rewarded with new or renewed friendships and interest. You are assured of a warm welcome at any of these functions, details of which may be obtained from the calendar in this Chronicle or from any of the committee.

Our Sporting Clubs—cricket, football, athletics, squash and basketball—are still attracting record numbers and it is a pleasure to acknowledge the enthusiasm and consistent efforts of the officials and the players. The fortunes of each of the Clubs are described on other pages.

I would remind members especially of the Dinner Dance, which is to be held again this year on Grand Final Night, 28 September. This is a great opportunity, particularly for country members, to meet other Old Reds from all over the State.

Next year is the School's Centenary. It is a pleasure to advise members that Alan Crompton and Senior Vice-President Ern Hunwick have been appointed the Association's representatives on the Celebration Steering Committee.

To that overworked and underpaid section of our Association—the regional and interstate branch secretaries—may I offer thanks for continued loyal support in the organization of country and branch dinners and much other valuable work.

Finally, to all members in the city and in the country, interstate and overseas, I wish a happy and prosperous 1968.

CALENDAR OF PRINCIPAL EVENTS FOR 1968

February 7—Bowls v. Saints, South Park. (Mervyn Evans, Convener, phone 79 3033).

February 16—New Old Boys 'Get-Together', PAC (Andrew Jeffery, Convener, 821 Marion Road, Mitchell Park).

March 6—Close Bowls, Toorak. (Ted Stephens, Convener, phone 3 3073).

March 23—South-East Dinner, Penola. (Andrew Keeves, Convener, phone Penola 7 2372).

* March —Tennis v. Saints. (Bill Johnson, Convener, phone 7 3456).

April 20—Head of the River, Old Scholars Eights. (Alan Crompton, Convener, phone 3 5387).

May 3—Upper Murray Dinner, Berri. (Dick Morris, Convener, phone Monash 278)

May 11—Mid North Dinner, Appila. (Murray Reichstein, Convener, phone Murray Town 205).

June 1—Yorke Peninsula Dinner, Maitland. (Don Gunning, Convener, Phone Maitland 258).

* June 6—Close Golf, Grange. (Bob Piper, Convener, phone 65 3269).

July 22 - 28—Old Boys' Week.

September 28—Dinner Dance, South Australian Hotel.

October 18—Eyre Peninsula Dinner, Port Lincoln (Jeff Pearson, Convener, phone Cockaleechee 52).

November 5—Committee Visit School.

November 21—Annual General Meeting, PAC.

The following other points should be noted:

* Date to be arranged or confirmed.

It is hoped to arrange a Picnic Golf Day during the year. There is no visit to Broken Hill this year—it is a biennial arrangement.

The Squash match against Saints will be played in Old Scholars' Week.

PAOCA MONTHLY LUNCHEONS

Roster of Chairmen

16 January	A. Jeffery
20 February	D. L. Davies
19 March	J. H. Gerard
16 April	B. K. Hobbs
21 May	B. A. Fricker
18 June	E. C. Stephens
16 July	W. M. Johnson

Dinner Dance

The Dinner Dance last year was booked out! Note that this year it will be held at the South Australian Hotel on Saturday evening, 28 September.

New Year Honour

Old Scholars will be delighted that one of their number, Sir Robert Murray Helpman, who was made a CBE in 1964, has been made a Knight Bachelor in the recent New Year Honours conferred by Her Majesty the Queen.

The Association extends its sincere congratulations to Sir Robert to whom more detailed reference will be made in the next issue of the Chronicle.

Eyre Peninsula Dinner

The Tasman Hotel, Port Lincoln, on 20 October was the setting for this well-attended dinner, chaired by Ian Pearson. A brief silence in memory of the late Glen Walkom was the first of several tributes paid during the evening to him and his long service to the Association. Dean Dennis ably proposed the toast to 'The School', stressing the importance of the lesson in living, given to boys, particularly boarders, at PAC. Mr Doug Provis, representing the Headmaster, responded in his usual excellent manner and included details of many important changes occurring at the School. Brian Treloar proposed the toast to 'The Association', mentioning many of its activities in town and country, and the Association President, Brian Fricker responded. The recording of the toast to 'The School' given by Secretary, Ross Johnston, at the last Annual Dinner was played and, after the appointment of officers for next year, the dinner closed with Auld Lang Syne.

Annual Dinner

Following the success of the previous two Annual Dinners, the Dinner this year will be held again at the Dining Hall of Chrysler Australia Ltd, at Tonsley Park. Make a note of the date, Thursday evening, 25 July.

Annual Get-Together

The Annual Get-Together for young old scholars who have just left School will be held at the College on Friday, 16 February, at 7.45 p.m. The purpose of this function is to introduce new old scholars to the Association. Notices will be sent out and supper will be provided. A member of each of the sporting clubs will give a short talk on the club which he represents. This year Captain Stephen Gower, a Duntroon graduate and Adjutant of the 13th Field Regiment R.A.R., will speak on 'Experiences in Vietnam'.

All recent students are urged to attend to make this Get-Together a success. Further information from the convener, Andrew Jeffery, 821 Marion Road, Mitchell Park.

Sporting Clubs

Cricket Club—With six of the eleven minor round matches played, our A team is second in grade A1 although undefeated; the Bs are second, and the Cs third, both having one narrow first innings loss. Much credit for this is due to coach Ernie Clifton who has practices well organized, with attendances larger, and enthusiasm greater than previously. The captains Myles Fuller, Malcolm Doley, and Murray Olsson must also be congratulated on their teams' performances.

A match against the School in December resulted in a handsome win for us, Craig McIntosh scoring 91.

Myles Fuller (captain), Ray Lyon and Rod Wicks were in the Adelaide Turf Cricket Association side which defeated the Victorian Sub-District Association outright. Bob Gibbs and Tom Watt were in the practice squad.

All interested old scholars, especially those who have just left school, will be welcome at practice held every Tuesday and Thursday at the School's back oval wickets.

Squash Club—The squash season ended just before Christmas and the Club is now preparing for the coming season. Teams will be chosen from club members by the selection committee and all players interested in joining the Club are requested to contact the Secretary, M. J. Barton, 71 8058 (home) or 71 1188 (day), without delay.

Last season the second team made the four, and after winning their semi-final were defeated in the Preliminary Final match.

Notices will be sent out shortly for the A.G.M. at which grievances can be aired and suggestions for improved management welcomed. The success of the Club depends on your interest.

Basketball Club—The Basketball Club, with one team entered in B grade at the Bowden Stadium for the summer season, has not been particularly successful up to the Christmas break. Unfortunately many players had studies and could not play, but we hope to be back in force when we recommence on 19 January.

Ian Shaw was elected captain coach as Keith Hocking has had to retire for a season with injuries.

All interested in joining the Club please contact the Secretary, Keith Hocking, 21 Penny Street, Semaphore. Phone 51 2136 (business).

Athletic Club—This club can report another successful season with our five teams all in the top three.

However, we are lacking in pole vaulters, javelin, discus and hammer throwers. Anyone who can throw a cricket ball would succeed as a javelin thrower, and if you have done any weightlifting you could succeed at the other events. Please contact Trevor Siegle—business 51 6661, home 71 6338, or Malcolm McLachlan—51 5292, 31 2288 if you can help.

Outstanding performances this season have given three athletes State records. Peter Brebner junior 400 metres, 47.9 secs. Robert Hill equalled Herb Elliott's sub-junior 800 metres record, 1 minute 55.7 secs, and Peter Berkfeld (Westminster) sub-junior 400 metres, 49.4 secs.

Football Club—The annual general meeting of the football club will be held at the Public Schools' Club, East Terrace, Adelaide, on Tuesday, 6 February. At this meeting, last season's reports will be adopted, and office bearers for the forthcoming season will be elected; so all present members, intending members, and all interested parties are urged to be in attendance.

Our present Secretary, Ian Hall, is resigning, and his successor will be elected at the Annual General Meeting. The club is surely in Ian's debt for his services over the past two seasons. Our standing with the Amateur League has never been stronger, and this is mainly due to the close co-operation and liaison which has existed between Ian and the League's officials. The Club, particularly the Executive, recognizes the part he has played, and knows that he will remain on the scene, vocal at matches, even more vocal at social gatherings.

INTERCOLLEGIATE BOWLS—The annual Intercollegiate bowls match against Saints will be held at South Park on Wednesday, 7 February. The convener is Dr Merv. Evans, 51 2353, or 79 3033 (private).

COUNTRY DINNERS—Three Country Dinners will be held before our next issue of the Chronicle. Reference to the Calendar of Principal Events will advise you of the dates of these functions at Penola, Berri, and Appila. Contact your local conveners (who are also named) as early as possible.

INTERSTATE BRANCHES—Old scholars residing interstate are particularly requested to make sure that Branch Secretaries have their names and addresses so that details of various functions can be sent to them. Your continued support of Branch activities would be appreciated.

Doug Standley has been re-appointed coach, which is probably the most popular thing the Executive will do for the year. We know Doug will do well, but implore all players to support him to the fullest, and from as early in the year as possible.

CLOSE BOWLS

The Close Bowls event, which is held at Toorak, is for bowlers—good and bad. This is also a very pleasant occasion and the best attended old scholars sporting event of the year. An application form appears at the foot of the last page of this Chronicle.

Purely Personal

Dr. W. A. (Bill) Dibden has been appointed Director of Mental Health Services in S.A. He is president of the S.A. Association for Mental Health and was for several years on the executive board of the World Federation for Mental Health.

Captain Roger Wainwright has been ADC to the Chief of the General Staff, Gen. Sir Thomas Daly, at Army Headquarters, Canberra, since his return from Vietnam.

Robert Johns, David Miller, Lyn Walter and Haydn Wheeler are with the 3rd Btn RAR which left Adelaide in December in HMAS Sydney for twelve months' service in Vietnam.

Jack Gerard has been inducted President of the Eros Club. He has also been appointed to the executive of the Chamber of Commerce.

Neville Yates has returned to S.A. and joined the staff of the Waite Institute after completing his Ph.D. at the University of Western Australia.

Ian McKay has recently taken a position with Rice Forbes Re-insurances in London; he expects to return to Sydney in mid-year after some three years in the United Kingdom.

Arthur Bradshaw, formerly district manager for the T&G Society at Albany, has been transferred to a similar position at Geelong.

Max Pontifex is manager of the Commonwealth Bank at Wagga, New South Wales.

R. E. (Bob) Honey, who lives in Sydney, is general manager of United Dominions Corporation.

Geoffrey Trott, having gained his B.Sc., B.E.(Hons.), is continuing his studies in electrical engineering at the University of Alberta, Canada, to obtain his Master's degree and Ph.D.

C. R. L. (Rick) Patten, Lieut.-Commander, R.A.N., is at present serving on the staff of the Naval Representative at Australia House, London.

Adrian Craig graduated from the Royal Military College, Duntroon, in December.

Gar Hone withdrew from the exhibition doubles at the opening of the Memorial Drive grasscourt season following an injury and was replaced by David Rowe.

Ashley Woodcock, John Causby, Ian and Greg Chappell and Brian Hurn are members of the State cricket squad.

Gary Brown, S.A. Rhodes Scholar in 1964, completed his Ph.D. in engineering at Oxford last July. He has a fellowship with the Californian Institute of Technology and is doing further research in the field of fluid mechanics and heat transfer.

Peter Brebner was a member of the S.A. athletics team which competed against Victoria in their annual carnival meeting held this year in Adelaide.

Howard (Howie) Treloar was recently admitted to the Institute of Chartered Accountants.

Dr John Jackson is president of the Australian Table Tennis Association, capping a long career as player, State and Australian non-playing captain and administrator.

John Stephens, who completed his Veterinary Science course at Sydney University last year, is now practising at Chatswood, N.S.W.

Rob (Rupert) Smith obtained his B.E. degree in chemical engineering at Adelaide University, and is superintendent of a sulphuric acid plant at ICIANZ in Yarraville, Victoria. He is an opening batsman for Carlton.

Hubert Mellor has been elected to the board of management of the Old Folks Homes at Port Lincoln.

Gavin Battye is superintending engineer (design) with the S.A. Highways and Local Government Department.

Rodger Todd won the President's Trophy at the Naracoorte Golf Club.

Dr Richard Kimber is head of the Division of Haematology at the Institute of Medical and Veterinary Science.

P. A. McBride has been reappointed to the Australian Wool Board's wool production research advisory committee.

Don Brebner is a council member of the Law Society of S.A.

K. L. Babidge and R. E. G. Mattison are members of the committee of the Commercial Travellers' Association.

Dr Raymond Binns and Ralph Newman are official visitors to Glenside Hospital.

Dr Gary Kneebone has been awarded a grant from the Life Insurance Medical Research Fund of Australia and New Zealand to continue his research into obesity and its relation to heart disease.

Heard at the Eyre Peninsula Dinner—

Dean Dennis is secretary of the Yeelanna Emergency Fire Service, president of the Agricultural Bureau, and former captain of the Yeelanna A cricket team and a member of the football club.

Brian Treloar is playing coach of Ramblers Football Club and president of the Flinders Tennis Association. He plays tennis for Cummins.

John Richardson and Bruce Tonkin were members of the Mortlock Shield football team which played against Whyalla.

Lyall Swaffer won the trophy for best player for the Eyre Peninsula Combined Baseball team against Port Adelaide. He was also a member of the winning Port Lincoln side in a carnival against Whyalla and Port Pirie.

If you are interested in any of the following events, please indicate as shown.

Tear off slip and post to:

SECRETARY PAOCA, 185 Melbourne Street, North Adelaide, 5006.

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| 1. Bowls v. St Peter's Old Boys, South Park, 7 February | YES | NO |
| 2. Close Bowls, Toorak, 6 March. | YES | NO |
| 3. Tennis v. St Peter's Old Boys, March | YES | NO |

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