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School Notes

We extend congratulations to the Rev. Dr A. D. Hunt, the President of the Methodist Conference for the ensuing year, and therefore the President of the College, and to Mr M. B. McLachlan, upon his election to the position of President of the Old Scholars Association. Our warmest congratulations go to the College Chaplain, the Rev. R. K. Waters, on his election as President-elect of the Methodist Conference of South Australia. He has also been elected a new member of the College Council, in company with the Rev. G. H. Young and Mr M. B. McLachlan.

The chief guest at Speech Night this year was Professor N. T. Flentje, who gave a most entertaining and thought-provoking speech.

The prize-giving for the four youngest forms in the Preparatory School was held in conjunction with the Junior Prep. concert and Carol Night on the last Saturday of term.

There have been the following Staff changes in the Senior School — Mr H. Coombs has retired and Mr I. Houston has resigned after almost twenty years on the staff.

We welcome Mr P. B. Lang, who will be teaching

English and History, and also Mr D. L. Fairbrother, who will be teaching Maths. and Science.

In the 1970 Matriculation examination, seventy-four boys fulfilled the qualifications for Matriculation, and an additional eleven fulfilled the requirements for registration at the Institute of Technology. D. A. Jarvis gained "A" grades in five subjects, P. J. Fradd and Ng in four, P. D. Fisher, R. K. James, and J. G. Walsh in three

Thirty-three boys were awarded Commonwealth University Scholarships.

The Intercollegiate Cricket match held at PAC at the end of third term resulted in a victory.

Alterations are at the moment taking place in the basement of School House, in order to provide improved showers, toilets, locker room and recreational facilities, A new staircase is being constructed to the first floor of the north wing of the main school building, and it is planned to develop a Club for matriculation students in this area.

The grass that has been sown in front of the Preparatory School, on what used to be Pirie Street, is now fairly well established and will soon be available for use.



OUR NEW PRESIDENT

MALCOLM BOYD McLACHLAN

Attended PAC 1951 - 1956

He was a member of the school athletics team for four years, winning the 120 and 220 yards hurdles and the high jump in his final year. He also established school records for these three events.

He was a member of the first eighteen in 1955 and 1956 and a School Prefect in his final year.

On leaving school he attended the Royal Military College, Duntroon, for two years during which time he established a number of athletic records in the Australian Capital Territory. Since then he has been for 10 years in the investment and security industry and was elected a member of the Stock Exchange of Adelaide in 1964, and is now a partner in the firm of Young, McCulloch, McLachlan & Co.

He joined the Old Scholars Athletic Club in 1952 and is a former Treasurer, Secretary, Chairman, and now a Life Member of the Club.

He is a former State Athletics representative in hurdling and high jump events and in 1956 was S.A. and Vic. Junior Hurdles Champion. During his athletic career he has held various State hurdling and high jump records.

He was at one time a Councillor of the Adelaide Junior Chamber of Commerce and a former member of the Public Schools' Clubs Committee.

His main hobby nowadays is concerned with the running of a property at Nantawarra.

He is married with two sons.

He was elected to the Committee of this Association in 1962, became Junior Vice-President in 1968, Senior Vice-President in 1969, and President at the Annual General Meeting in November last year.

He was recently elected a member of the School

President's Message

At the Annual General Meeting held in November last year I was privileged to be elected your president for the ensuing twelve months. This is indeed an honour, but it is also a responsibility of which I am very conscious. I assure you that I will carry out the duties to the best of my ability and in so doing I hope to see and meet many of you during this year.

In taking over I am fortunate that the Association is in good heart and for this I must thank my predecessor, Mr Bill Johnson, present and recently retired members of the committee, and in particular Messrs Ern Hunwick, Robert Craven (both past presidents), and Andrew Jeffrey, all of whom gave of their time and talents over an extended period.

Our patron, Headmaster Mr G. B. Bean, has been in every way interested, helpful, and co-operative. We, like the school, are fortunate in having him as our senior official.

Following on the remarks made by the then President and the Treasurer, Mr Colin Newberry, at the Annual Meeting, I feel that members should be aware of the ever-increasing costs facing the Association. This matter is again being investigated by the finance sub-committee, but it would appear to be inevitable that within twelve months some steps will have to be taken to increase our revenue.

I wish all members and their families a happy and successful 1971.

CALENDAR OF PRINCIPAL EVENTS FOR 1971

February 10—Bowls v. Saints, South Park (Mervyn Evans, convener, phone 79 3033).

February 19—New Old Boys 'Get Together'. Assembly Hall, PAC (Robin Greenslade, convener, phone 65 8376).

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

*March 17—Tennis v. Saints (Bill Johnson, convener, phone 7 3456).

March 20—South-East Dinner, Keith. (Cyril Cook, convener, phone Keith 30).

April 17—Head-of-the-River, Old Scholars Eights. (Alan Crompton, convener, phone 3 5387).

May 1—Upper Murray Dinner, Loxton. (George Clarke, convener, Phone Loxton 7428).

May 8—Mid-North Dinner, Appila. (Murray Reichstein, convener, phone Murray Town 205).

May 29—Yorke Peninsula Dinner, Maitland (Don Gunning, convener, phone Maitland 258).

*June 3—Close Golf, Grange. (R. M. Wilson, convener, Phone 71 1097).

July 26-31-Old Boys Week.

*September 25—Dinner Dance (Eric Cox, convener, phone 31 2380).

October 3—Picnic Golf, Strathalbyn. (John Bundey, convener, phone 31 2758).

*October 22—Eyre Peninsula Dinner, Port Lincoln. Jeff Pearson, convener, phone Cockaleechie 52).

October 26—Committee visit school.

November 18—Annual General Meeting PAC.

* Date and/or venue to be confirmed.

PAOC MONTHLY LUNCHEONS Roster of Chairmen

19 January	B. J. Potter
16 February	A. W. Crompton
16 March	R. J. Byrne
20 April	D. J. Tucker
18 May	M. W. Evans
15 June	J. G. Bundey
20 July	W. M. Johnson
17 August	G. C. Marshall
21 September	I. B. Gemmell
19 October	K. J. Parkinson
16 November	R. I. Clarke

Annual Dinner

This year the Annual Dinner will be held again on the Friday of Old Boys Week, namely Friday evening, 30 July 1971, at the Dining Hall of Chrysler (Aust.) Ltd, at Tonsley Park.

Eyre Peninsula Dinner

Held at the Lincoln Hotel on the 23 October when a slight drop in the number of locals who attended was somewhat offset by the very good party which came over from Adelaide.

The Chairman, Trevor Pearson, gave a particular welcome to the Headmaster who visited Eyre Peninsula for the first time.

Peter Rehn proposed the toast to the school and the Headmaster who referred to the growth of the school in recent years and the closing of Pirie Street which had added tremendously to the appearance of the school. He referred to Mr Bean's career and congratulated the school authorities on their excellent appointment. Given a standing ovation when he rose to reply, the Headmaster thanked the Chairman for his words of welcome and expressed his appreciation to the retiring Association President, Bill Johnson, for what he had done during the year.

The Headmaster warned of inevitable difficulties in times ahead in the changing system of education and that it was essential to maintain a standard of excellence and 'the spirit which is Princes'.

Jack Gerard led community singing, with Sir Glen Pearson at the piano. David Kelly proposed the toast to the Association and referred to its objects which he said had been eminently fulfilled. The President in responding, thanked the locals for their welcome to the Adelaide party and urged country members to maintain their faith and interest in the School and the Association.

The evening was concluded with the singing of 'Auld Lang Syne'.

The Adelaide contingent spent the remainder of a very pleasant weekend in the care of Hubert Mellor at Coffin Bay. A full report of this dinner will appear in the next issue of the Chronicle.

Committee Visit School

On Tuesday, 27 October, an excellent representation of committeemen attended morning assembly when the President, Mr Bill Johnson, addressed the boys.

The assembly service was conducted by the School Chaplain, the Rev. Kyle Waters, who led responsive verses, The Collect, and The Lord's Prayer. Hymn No. 620, 'Who Would True Valour See, Let Him Come Hither', was then sung, with Peter Waters at the piano. Prior to the scripture reading the Chaplain explained the rights of majorities 'and minorities, with which the lesson dealt and said that whilst we assume that the majority must rule, it is not always that they have all right and truth on their side and every endeavour should be made to carefully examine the viewpoint of the minority.

The lesson was read by Gordon Hoad, a School Prefect, and was taken from Romans XI verses 1-17.

The service concluded with general prayers of thanksgiving followed by a special prayer for old scholars and benediction.

The Headmaster, Mr. G. B. Bean, then welcomed the committeemen present and in introducing and asking the President to address the boys, gave some details of his career. The President thanked the Headmaster for his welcome to the committeemen and for the kind words of introduction about himself. The President divided his address into two parts which he referred to as the tangibles and the intangibles. In relation to the former he referred to various social sporting clubs of the Association, the Country Dinner, Old Boys Week including the Dinner, the Service and the Assembly for Old Old Boys. He referred to the activities of the sporting clubs and the opportunities which they afforded their younger committeemen to learn how to conduct meetings and organise various functions. He referred to the regular issue to all members of the Association of the two main Chronicles and two Bulletins in each year which kept them in touch with the news and activities of the School and the Association and the Old Boys.

Turning to the intangibles, the President said he hoped that all boys realised how fortunate they were that their parents had provided the opportunity for them to attend PAC and that it was natural that when they left school that they should join the Association. He referred to the tradition of the School and to the memories of school days which would return to one's thoughts time and again as one progressed through life. The School, he said, would always be judged by the actions of scholars and old scholars and that we should ensure that our motive and standards are always as good as we can make them.

He urged the boys leaving school to lead a balanced life, to work and to study, to play some sport and engage in some social activities, and to prove that the cause of the School and the Association was a worthy one.

In concluding, he wished the boys the best of luck in their examinations.

In thanking the President for his address, the Headmaster congratulated him on his successful year of office and the committee members for their attendance.

Sporting Clubs

Cricket Club — With three matches to be played before the finals the A and C teams are ninth and the B side are placed tenth.

The position in A1 is particularly interesting as although our side are ninth, they are within one outright victory of the 4th team, and still have quite a good chance of being in the semi-finals if they can win the three remaining matches.

The last match resulted in a good victory over the second team, Tea Tree Gully, and lifted our chances considerably.

The B team (although tenth), if they can win a match outright will also be within striking distance of the final four.

As in A1, they are on the lower side, a very closely packed group, and in the last three matches play currently positioned teams over themselves on the premiership table.

The C team, although they have won three matches and are placed ninth, have little chance of being able to make the semi-finals. The top side are well ahead on points. Unfortunately this team has been affected by a shortage of players able to play regularly although the club is particularly indebted to those who have helped

The Club is still very grateful to obtain new players and a warm welcome will be given to all at the Club's practice held at the School on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 5.30.

Further information can be obtained from the Secretary, Richard Blake, 23 2957 business, or 7 4674 home.

Squash Club — The Squash Club completed a most successful spring season with three of its eight teams competing in the finals. The Division 3 team unfortunately was beaten in a semi-final and the Division 10B team (captained by Don Meller) narrowly lost its third successive grand final by 2—3. Such a fine record deserves success which we hope will come in the next autumn season.

Our top team, composed of Ron Byrne (captain), John Barton, Robert Day, Andrew Woodroffe, John Miller, and Bruce Walker, after being down 1—2, went on to win the premiership in Division 2A by 3—2. Congratulations to these players whose success has assured the Club of having a team in Division 1 in the coming autumn pennant season.

The Club is anxious to maintain its strength and any Old Boys interested in playing are asked to contact the secretary, John Barton (51 1623 business, 7 3164 home).

Football — The Football Club is busy preparing for the coming season and will again field four teams in the S.A. Amateur Football League.

INTERCOLLEGIATE BOWLS—The annual Intercollegiate bowls match against Saints will be held at South Park on Wednesday, 10 February. The convener is Dr Mervyn Evans, phone 79 3033.

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 Keith, Loxton, and Appila. Contact your local conveners (who are also named) as soon 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.

Leighton Williams, who has served the Club for many years playing over 400 matches, has been appointed coach and with his enthusiastic approach we are looking forward to a year of improvement and better perform-

We have a strong social committee under the guidance of Colin Dunsford and the past year has been both happy and successful.

Another progressive programme can be expected.

The Annual General Meeting will be held at the Public Schools' Club on Thursday, 11 February, at 7.45 p.m., and all who are interested in football are welcome.

We are looking for recruits of all standards of football, so support the Old Scholars by contacting John Edwards, office 63 4506, home 6 3154, or Ted Stephens, office 8 5323, Home 3 3073.

Basketball - Unfortunately there are no teams entered in the 1970-71 summer competition due to a misunderstanding with the D and MABA but once again two teams will be playing in the winter competition.

Andrew Jeffery has retired as Chairman due to a new appointment at Tennant Creek and the Club wishes him success in his new position.

A Christmas wind-up was held at Mr A. Shuttleworth's home, with a small presentation being made to Andrew and Mrs Shuttleworth.

The Annual General Meeting will be held in March and all interested persons are welcome to come.

For further information contact Ian Shaw, 49 6889 (after hours).

CLOSE BOWLS

The Close Bowls event, which is held at Toorak, is for bowlers with or without ability and of all shapes and forms. It is always a most enjoyable affair and you are urged to fill in the application form which appears at the foot of the last page of this Chronicle.

Annual Get-Together

The Annual Get-Together for young old boys who have recently left school will be held in the Assembly Hall on Friday, 19 February at 7.45 p.m. Notices will be forwarded to those who have just left school and they are urged to attend to make the occasion a success. A representative from each of the sporting clubs will give a short talk and it is hoped that a suitable short film will be shown.

Further information is available from the convener. Robin Greenslade, 19 Robe Terrace, Medindie, phone 65 8376.

Purely Personal

Frank Parsons has been appointed Manager of the Adelaide office of the State Bank of South Australia.

Dr Fred Dibden has been appointed a member of the Radiological Advisory Committee.

Barry Smith is Manager of Compunet Ltd and National Vice-President of the Australian Computer Society.

Jim Faehse, of Cummins, was a member of the combined country team which played against the MCC at Port Pirie last October.

Brian Hawkes has been appointed General Manager for South Australia of Dalgety Australia Ltd.

Roger Holdich is a member of the three man 'Think Tank' for the Department of Foreign Affairs.

John M. R. L. Castle obtained a degree of B.Sc. at the University of Adelaide 1968 and an Honours De-gree at the Flinders University in 1969. We apologise for having omitted reference to his successes in earlier Chronicles.

Brian Cox and Doug Newman were recently appointed Queen's Counsel.

Bern Basedow, a member of the School Staff, has been appointed Federal Chairman of the Market Research Society of Australia. This is an honorary position and he will remain on the School Staff. We regret that details relating to this item were incorrectly published in the previous issue.

The Rev. Dr A. D. Hunt was installed as President of the South Australia Conference of the Methodist Church of Australasia.

Alan Statton retired after many years as Secretary of the South Australian Amateur Football League.

Brothers Ian and Greg Chappell created cricketing history when they were the first brothers to be selected in an Australian Test Team this century. The Chappell brothers, Ashley Woodcock, and John Causby are members of the State Cricket Team.

A. J. Bloomfield is the Federal President of the Australian Dental Association.

Names seen regularly in golfing notes are D. K. McKenzie, K. Babidge, R. Mason, B. Cox, B. Ferris, C. Dewar, and G. S. Rinder.

Robert Hastwell has been appointed to the Board of Bagots Executor Trustee Co. Ltd.

Former State fast bowler Alan Frost was selected to play for the Adelaide Turf Cricket Association against a Victorian team.

Dr Michael Smyth was one of a party of naturalists surveying the natural history of St Francis Island and other islands in Nuyts Archipelago.

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.			
1. Bowls v. St Peter's Old Boys, South Park, 10 February	YES	NO	
2. Close Bowls, Toorak, 3 March	YES	NO	
3. Tennis v. St Peter's Old Boys, 17 March	YES	NO	
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