



CHESSTMoves

MARCH 1999

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1999 Program

CHESSTMoves recently spent \$2000 on filing cabinets for the ex-students archives and now will commence filing these as a resource for the school and ex-students.

The information is utilised for the computer database of ex-students listings.

Our annual mail out in March will be sent to approximately 4000 ex-students that are currently listed on our database.

Our annual Sausage Sizzle for the 1998 Year 12 students is to be held on May 7th starting at 6pm. This will precede the Friday night staging of the school's annual theatre production.

Our Annual General Meeting for election of new committee members will be held this year on 3rd May commencing at 8pm. All members of CHESSTMoves are welcome to attend.

Our committee meets every month on the first Monday at 6pm, at the school, and welcomes new members.

CHESSTMoves will sponsor again the end of year prize for a Year 12 student.

Our reunion this year is for those ex-students of the 40s and 50s. Devonshire tea will be provided and the event will be held on 23rd October commencing at 2pm. There will also be guided tours of the school.

Position Vacant

CHESSTMoves is seeking an editor for our next edition and would welcome any enquiries. Please phone Bernard Corser on 9427 9757.

Your current committee is:

Bernard Corser	Class 71
Marie Purcell	Class 57
Neil Bouvier	Class 74
Pat Douglas	Class 51
Jeanette Alcock	Class 60
Naomi Harrison	Class 47
Mary Hill	Class 60
Lawrie Hodgson	Class 46
Marnie Kok	Class 63
Desma Williamson	Class 70
Yvonne Wray	Class 46

DIARY DATES - 1999 CHESS

May 3rd AGM

June 7th

July 12th

August 2nd

September 6th

October 4th

November 8th

December 8th

Bernard Corser - President

MEMBERSHIP

DATABASE:

We are slowly adding to the school database of ex-students. This is being helped along by the reunions that we have been running. The school records are being shifted into new filing cabinets that have been purchased for the school

SCHOOL PHOTOS:

We found at the last reunion that we were very short of photos for some years in the 1970s. If anyone has any that they would not mind loaning to CHESS we could get copies made. If you could post them to the school with your name and address on the back we will get them back to you as soon as possible.

Pat Douglas - Secretary

DIARY DATES - 1999 - CHS

May 7th 1998 Year 12 CHESS BBQ

May 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th Drama Production

May 25th School Open Day

July 22nd Performing Arts Festival (drama and choral)

September 2nd AVG James Lecture

Guest Speaker - Sir Gustav Nossal

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The school has settled down quickly and I commend staff and students for this fine beginning. The enrolment as of February 3rd is **975 students** of which 200 are in year 7 and 285 in VCE.

What does 1999 hold for us at Camberwell High School? The pool and land around it will be cleared and improved for our use: and despite sadness that we can't open the pool one last time (because of the unrelenting trespassing and vandalism by outsiders and the delicate condition of the equipment) we are hoping to receive good news in April about funding of a **new complex**. A **new Charter** will be developed in Term 1 and your input to this key three-year plan will be sought.

Some academic successes of 1998 were achieved by some of our drama students taught by

Vic Pappas. The ensemble performers, Lauren Barnes, Karl McNamara, Eric Own, Brooke Colbert and Emily Gill won a “Top CAT” award for outstanding quality. Karl McNamara won a “Top CAT” for his solo performance and Lauren Barnes won a “Top CAT” and the Premier’s Award for Excellence in Drama.

Maureen Kiernan won a “Top CAT” for her fabric and was invited to exhibit at the National gallery of Victoria.

Elida Brereton - Principal

QUESTION:

WHAT IS THE PSYCHOLOGY BEHIND SCHOOL REUNIONS?

WHY DO PEOPLE, WHO HAVE NOT SEEN EACH OTHER FOR YEARS, GET A YEN TO CATCH UP WITH OLD SCHOOL FRIENDS?

If I knew the answers, I would be able to tell you why Lachlan Christie - 4th Form 1945 - rang me from Perth before Christmas. He asked me if I could possible organise a get-together of anyone who had been at school with him at that time. I was, and so I managed one lone male, Brian Malseed (thank you for coming Brian!) and some of our group of girls who were in 5th Form in 1945. So thanks to Faye Lucas (Moorhouse), Connie Brown (Davies), Margaret Molloy (Campbell) and Merle Forrest (Woollard) for also coming.

Along with Lachlan and his wife, Rhonda, there was Jean Younger, a friend of mine from Probus, who had known Lachlan in England when they were both ex-pat Aussies many years ago. We enjoyed a most pleasant afternoon at Lachlan’s motel reminiscing and consuming copious amounts of tea, coffee and sandwiches.

WHY DO WE DO IT?

I’ve no idea, but we all seem to enjoy it! Which leads me into this years reunion. It will be held on the afternoon of October 23rd, commencing at 2pm at the school. It is for the 40s and 50s decades and the cost will be \$10 for a “Devonshire Morning Tea”.

Give me a ring if you would like any further information.

YVONNE WRAY - 9813 1914

PROSPICE SNIPPETS FROM 1946

They were sitting in the corner of the Dew Drop Inn nearest the counter and were as alike as chalk and cheese.

I had been watching them with interest for some five minutes because the elder man had a meek, almost timid, appearance. While the other one was big and burly with a nose that looked as though it had been hit with a bread board.

At first it seemed to me that they were engaged in an argument but when I listened I realised that the big fellow was giving a lecture on football.

“Now I tell yer” he was saying, “never was there such a player as Howell. He’s the best I ever seen anywhere.”

“In my opinion the best of all pastimes is golf, I always.....”

“Ave you ever seen this ‘ere bloke. ‘Owell? You oughter see ‘im play. I tell yer. ‘e’s a real beaut. Gee! I’d like a cuppa tea.”

“I always use a number two iron for a drive....” and again his voice broke off as the big man continued.

“An’ there’s little ‘ines on the list of good ‘uns. But you oughter see ‘Owell. Gee! I’d like a cuppa tea.”

“As I was saying” continued the timid man. “for driving, the number two iron is.....” The rest of the sentence was inaudible because the big man had started again.

“An’ in cricket, I never seen such batsmen as Fothergill or Meuleman. They’ll play in the Tests, they will. An’ so will Tribe, the bowler. When Victoria played Queensland ‘e pretty well cleaned up the ‘old team ‘imself. ‘E’s a decent bat, too, but not as good as Fothergill or Meuleman.

“Yes, I dare say. Once I drove a hundred and fifty-sev.....” This time he stopped of his own accord. He could see that the other had thought of something. He was right. He had not long to wait.

“Once I seen a real beaut catch. Fothergill ‘ad just ‘it up ninety-nine when ‘e was caught. It was a beaut catch. Gee! I’d like a cuppa tea.”

Then, as if an afterthought: “What was that you was sayin’ about golf?”

“Before I continue” said the little man. “waiter, two cups of coffee!”

FRED ROBERTS (V)

POSITION VACANT

Education trainee - Literacy & Language

Camberwell High School is looking to employ an Education Trainee for this year. Education trainees are employed for one year under the conditions of the national training wage. This position involves two days work a week at the school as well as a study component, some of which is available by Distance Education. At the end of the year, a Certificate 111 in Education is awarded.

All enquiries to the school on 9836 0555.

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