

SCEGGS Moss Vale Old Girls' Union

April 2009 Newsletter

Greetings!

Once again a very busy year going to reunions in NSW and Queensland. I can recommend all the reunions to you. You will have a good time! Even if you don't know anyone when you arrive, you will by the time you leave. It doesn't matter which SCEGGS school we have attended, we all have so much in common. If you don't want to come on your own, gather together your peers and come with a group.

Best wishes,

Anne

Reunions

Queensland Combined OGU Breakfast – Sunday 24th May 2009 – Gold Coast

8.30am Sunday buffet at the Palm Meadows Golf Club Parkview Restaurant, Gooding Drive, Carrara (near the Carrara Markets).

Queensland Combined OGU AGM and Lunch – July 2009 - Brisbane

Date to be confirmed. Contact Marilyn Cook, Alumni Relations Co-ordinator, SCEGGS Darlinghurst. Direct line: 9339 9439 or email <u>marilyn@sceggs.nsw.edu.au</u>

Old Girls' Weekend at Dormie House – 24-26 July 2009

Friday – many of us travel down on the Friday and make a weekend of it – you are welcome to join us! Some of us will be travelling down by train on Friday morning; we will go to a restaurant in Moss Vale for Dinner. Contact me if you would like to join us on the train or for dinner, Anne.

Saturday - we are planning a lunch or afternoon tea in a garden somewhere - contact Anne for details.

We will meet in the Dormie House bar @ 6.30pm for the School Birthday Dinner in the Dormie House dining room at 7.30 pm.

Sunday - Holy Communion at Christ Church Bong Bong at 9.30am and then adjourn to The Briars for morning tea / lunch. Please book with Anne by 14 July if you are joining us at The Briars for lunch.

Room rates per night		Weekday	Weekend	
Standard	Dinner, bed & breakfast	\$235.00	\$265.00	per night 2 people
		\$165.00	\$185.00	per night 1 person
	Bed & breakfast	\$159.00	\$189.00	per night 2 people
		\$119.00	\$139.00	per night 1 person
Deluxe	Dinner, bed & breakfast	\$265.00	\$295.00	per night 2 people
		\$175.00	\$195.00	per night 1 person
	Bed & breakfast	\$189.00	\$219.00	per night 2 people
		\$129.00	\$149.00	per night 1 person
Dinner	1 course \$22.50 - 2 courses \$31.50 - 3 courses \$42.50			

Please try to join us for all or part of the weekend as you are assured of a wonderful reunion. Book now before you forget! For accommodation, please book direct with Dormie House: phone: +61 (2) 4868-1800 <u>dormie@mossvalegolfclub.com.au</u>

Old Girls' Dinner – Monday 9 November 2009. Meet 6.30pm for 7.00pm dinner

Please contact Martha if you have any questions or need contact details for your classmates.

November Dinner – 2008

A gathering of twenty two Old Girls from the years 1940 to 1970 inclusive, enjoyed a very pleasant evening of reminiscing, catchingup and laughing, for which we must thank Martha Birch (1970, our secretary and treasurer) for arranging the event.

Our enjoyable dinner commenced with Grace by Margaret Duckworth reminding us of the Blessings our school years had given us, evidenced by the gathering present.

The dinner concluded with coffee and an excellent cake made by Martha, during which the School Hymn and Song were sung in remarkably good voice. The evening was highly successful with good food, good wine and good friends, resulting in a very happy event enjoyed by all.

Attendees were: Barbara Williams (43), Pam Paterson (45), Judith Bray (42), Robyn Le Mercier (44), Betty Payne (46), Anne Saunders (59), Margaret Duckworth (48), Judy Friend (55), Rosemary Ryan (53), Rhondda McCallum (57), Anne Hardy (58), Shane

Leddin (68), Helena van Breda (70), Susan Berry (70), Robyn Geale (70), Jennifer Schneller (70), Martha Birch (70), Wendy Gowland (74), Vicki Caruana (74), Lynda Molyneaux (74), Wendy Smith (74), and Pip Palmer (72). **Rhondda McCallum and Anne Hardy**.

Lunch in the city 2009

The lunch was once again well attended, 28 'girls' in all from the 40's to the 60's. Class of '59: see report below.

Others who attended: Vicki Popper (Kemp 62-65), Janelle Ruizavia (Irvine 63-67), Sue Entwistle (Moore 51-53), Rosslyn Fraser (Nicholson 40-47), Ann Bartlett (Saunders 45-49), Rhondda McCallum (Hellyer 1953-57), Jill Fisher (Slade 48-53), Ann Hardy (Roberts 55-58), Sue Cooper (Wilson 50-58), Pamela Gillespie (Oakes (55-57), Elizabeth Payne (Ash 41-47), Chick Gordon (Marcia Petherbridge 42-44), Judy Young (42-45), Judith Smith (Bray 34-42), Shane Leddin (Browne 57-62), Barb Williams, Robin Lemercier (42-44), Elizabeth Payne (41-47), Cherry Archer (Miles 46-48), Rae St Clare Groth (Abernethy 1951-52).

We also received apologies from 12 'girls' and staff who were unable to attend (they had notes!). Looking forward to seeing you all at the lunch next year, **Anne Worboys**.

Alumni year '59 reunion

It was the first time that all 5 of us had been together since we all left SCEGGS. That was the year of our Leaving Certificate and Miss Graham's last year too. There were 8 of us in our class, only the 5 attended - Margaret MacDonald was ill and could not come at the last minute. Unfortunately, we couldn't find Lynn Jones or Emily McLaurin (any information re these girls would be welcome).

Fifty years seemed like only yesterday when Sue (Bell) Beaumont, Sue (Kennedy) Wright, Annette (Peters) Wolstenholme, Julien Brackenreg and I met each other downstairs before lunch!! We reminisced and laughed about many events at school, including the trouble we got in when we performed The Volga Boatmen – dragging a potty behind us, trailing toilet paper!! They were good days!

We all promised that we will try to make it again next year and hopefully we shall be able to get Lynn, Emily and Margaret to come as well. Sue Goble (Kasper)

Alumni year - '60 reunion

How about we attend the lunch in the city in 2010? Please contact me and help me find everyone – this includes those of you who left after the Intermediate Certificate in 1958. Anne Worboys and Sue Cooper.

Lost

Please help us find Renata Pollack who attended from 1951-52 – Rae St Clare. We would like to find Bev West 1951-52 – Leaving class of 1953.

Found

Susan Booth, class of 1970, living in New Zealand with her 3 children and working and living near Christchurch. She would love to hear from anyone who remembers her.

Vale

Mary Ash (1948) died in February. Her funeral was at St. Peters Church, Neutral Bay.

Correspondence

Thanks you for organizing our lunch yesterday. Even being the youngest, Vicki (Kemp) and I had a wonderful time, especially learning of the way things were, before our time, 1962-67, with the different names for some of the buildings and the uniform variations. It was an enjoyable lunch and the venue is very pleasant. Thanking you, Janelle ("Nellie" Irvine)

Many thanks for organising a wonderful lunch! Cheers Shane

Thanks Anne for sending this on (Queensland breakfast), I would have loved to have been there, but unfortunately I have another long standing function happening on that day this year – normally it's the week before, but them's the breaks I guess. I see there is a similar lunch in May? If possible I will hope to be able to get to that – will you let me know about it? Hope everyone has a great time, wish all well. Cheers, Pat McKay

Hi Anne I assume you received my acceptance to attend 2nd Nov reunion. This is my first opportunity to make contact with SCEGGS friends and I am looking forward to the breakfast. Nona (Gordon) Bevan

November Dinner 2008



Rosemary (Searle) Ryan '53 & Rhondda (Hellyer) McCallum



Helena (Boddinton) van Breda, Susan Berry, Jenny (Hind) Schneller, Robyn (Warner-Bubb) Geale, all 1970.



Ann (Roberts) Hardy '58 & Judy (Cameron) Friend '55



'57Vicki (Forrest) Caruana '74 & Lynda (Molyneaux) Patrick '74



Shane (Browne) Leddin '68 & Pip (Berry) Palmer '72



Rhondda (Hellyer) McCallum '57 & Margaret Duckworth'48



Pamela Patterson '44, Judith (Bray) Smith '42 & Barbara Williams '43

Betty (Ash) Payne '46

& Robyn (Hume)

Le Mercier '44



Wendy (Warner-Bubb) Smith '74 & Wendy (Gowland) Negroh '74



Martha (Knox) Birch'70 & Judith (Bray) Smith '42



Ann (Saunders) Bartlett '59 & Ann (Roberts) Hardy '58



Judith (Bray) Smith '42

Lunch in the city



Class of '59 - Sue Kasper, Annette Peters, Sue Bell, Julie Brackenreg, Sue Kennedy



Shane Leddin, Claire Dippert and Annette Peters



Nellie Irvine & Vicki Popper



Annette Peters, Sue Kennedy, Sue Kasper, holding a photo of the four of us at school in 1959, Sue Bell



Annette Peters and Sue Kennedy



Identifying school photos. Elizabeth Forsyth where are you? Sue Bell & Anne Worboys



Singing the School Song! Shane conducting, Annette Peters, Julie Brackenreg & Anne Worboys.



Shane Leddin, Sue Kennedy and Sue Bell

Dates for your diary (they remain the same every year)

Lunch in the City - March

First Saturday in March, Restaurant Mosaic, Westin Hotel, Martin Place

Old Girls' Weekend at Dormie House - July

Falls on the weekend of the 4th Sunday

Old Girls' Dinner - November

Second Monday at twin Towers Motor Inn, Pacific Highway, Artarmon.

Queensland Combined OGU

Gold Coast Breakfasts

May and November

AGM

Brisbane - July

Best wishes

Anne and Martha

Anne Worboys Honorary President

Martha Birch Honorary Secretary