

BALLARAT TEACHERS' COLLEGE 1949 EX-STUDENTS REUNION 6.4.2009

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Invitations were mailed to 72 ex-students. 43 were able to attend, some with their spouses; Total attendance was 59 Fortyniners comprised 15 men and 28 ladies, there were 14 apologies and no reply from 24. See attached lists for names.

Proceedings commenced with a 9am assembly at Dana St Primary School in the same hall we gathered weekly for assembly 60 years ago. Also present were Clare Gervasoni, her sister Ann (daughters of the late Jack Gervasoni) and his wife Kathleen. Clare, an Author, Historian and Publisher is currently curator of the Art and Historical collection at the University of Ballarat and was invited to take into her care our 'Jubilee Book' A history of the forty-niner fraternity compiled by Margaret Reynolds Bennett.

After welcoming all present the chairman Peter Fryar made a roll call after which, Neil Tippett was cheered by all for arriving late after his early morning flight from South Australia.

A valedictory was read to honour known deceased fellow students, the most recent being Len McRae, our College President, John Pentney, Jim Lannen, Janet Page Sanders, Sister Valda Ward and David Collins, our Author of 'A Gladness Found' and constant newsletters, sadly this list now holds the names of 30. Nineteen men and eleven ladies.

The Secretary then read the apologies all of which passed on good wishes to all. Unforseen circumstances prevented our only living lecturer Peg Aldred and her husband Harry from attending. This apology took the form of a 40 minute phone call from Mt Martha.

A piano was hired for the occasion and our original college pianist Graham Bartle played the college anthem which was proudly sung by everyone. Graham had also printed and distributed the words of two other popular songs from the old days and with help from Nancy Lee Sedgwick conducting, this session was greatly enjoyed. Many thought they heard the late Monica Miller saying "*well done!*"

Volunteers were then called upon to come forward and share reminiscences of their college days. Most recollections referred to the harsh disciplinary actions and idiosyncrasies of our highly war decorated principal Frank Lord. There was much merriment surrounding this topic as both teacher training and methods of teaching have now changed so dramatically since the nineteen fifties. Projected images of 1949 college life were set up in the room for continuous display by our Wallace Wall who at the close of the Assembly made a floral presentation of native Australian flora to the reunion secretary in appreciation of her hard work in the planning and outcomes of six happy reunions in the past 35 years.

Monday April 6th 2009

ROLL CALL

Joan Addinsall
Janet
Carmel Fitzgerald Ryan
Kath Bunworth Drummond
Margaret Collins Mountford
Val Cook Culton
Mavis Court Blackie
Joan Dunne Kercher & daughter
Sue
Margaret George Freckleton
Maureen Godfrey Fithall
Maureen Heinrich Boldiston
Bill Boldiston
Margaret Hives Coghlan
John Coghlan
Pam Hudson Pentney
Nancy Lee Sedgwick
Laurie Sedgwick
Verna Lees Kaye
Kathy Lliston Kenna
Pat Nield Callahan
Isabel McMahan Young
Kitty O'Shannessy McGurrin
Margaret Reynolds Bennett
Shirley Russell Rae
Ron Rae
Cynthia Silver Lewin
Betty Webb McGuane
Gladys White Hogg
Ilysa Witney Robertson
Jean Clarke White
Stan White
Clare Gervasoni and sister Ann
Kath Gervasoni
Pat Ryan Roberts

Wallace Baker
Graham Bartle
Max Bridges
Doris Bridges
Lindsay Campbell
Jim Dunne
George Fordham
Janice Fordham
Peter Fryer
John Holloway
Judith Holloway
Keith Lampard
Marjorie Lampard
Bob Laurence
Dorothy Laurence
Bill Lister
Betty Lister
Ron Neville
Wilma Neville
Neil Tippet
Ian Ryan
Wal Wall
Rosemary Wall

VALE

JOHN BRENNAN

JEAN BARNETT

MAX DAVIES

RITA BUTT

CAMPBELL.

NOEL DOOLEY

ALMA LLOYD

BEVERIDGE.

GRAHAME FITHALL

WILMA GARDY

BYRNE.

JACK GERVASONI

JOAN JOHNSON

BINNS.

EDWIN HILL

LESLEY LATCH

FRANK.

ROBERT LEWIS

MARGARET PANTHER

LEASK.

IAN McINTOSH

MARGARET BLABY

CLEOHILL.

JAMES RANKIN

MOYRA AHERN

SMITH.

GEORGE RICHARDS

JANET PAGE

SANDERS.

JOHN STEWART

VALDA WARD SM.

RICHARD STOWELL OAM

ARTHUR WHITE

LEN McRAE

JOHN BLACKIE

JOHN PENTNEY

JACK DRIDEN

DAVID COLLINS

FEB99

JIM LANNEN

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BUS LIST

- JOAN ADDINSALL
- 'JANET' ?
- BARRON ?
- KATH BUNWORTH DRUMMOND
- MARGARET COLLINS MOUNTFORD
- VAL COOK CUTTON
- MAUIS COURT BLACKIE
- JOAN DUNNE KERCHER + SUE FRASER
- MARGARET GEORGE FRECKLETON
- MAUREEN GODFRY FITHALL
- NORMA HEINRICH BOLDISTON
- BILL BOLDISTON
- MARGARET HIVES COUGHLIN
- JOHN COUGHLIN
- PAM HUDSON PENTNEY
- 'SUE' ? (NOT STAYING)
- NANCY LEE SEDGWICK
- LAURIE SEDGWICK *can?*
- VERNA LEE'S KAYE
- KATHY LISTON KENNA (LUNCH ONLY)
- PAT NIELD CALLAHAN
- ISABEL MCMAHON YOUNG *rang 2/4 A? MEMBERS.*
- KITTY O'SHANNESSEY MC. GURRIN
- MARGARET REYNOLDS BENNETT
- SHIRLEY RUSSELL RAE ** RANG 2/4*
- RON RAE *IN HOSPITAL NOW, BUT ABLE TO COME*
- CYNTHIA SILVER LEWIN
- BETTY WEBB MC. GUANE
- GLADYS WHITE HOGG
- ILTSA WITNEY ROBERTSON
- JEAN CLARKE WHITE
- STAN WHITE
- CLARE GERVASONI
- KATH GERVASONI
- PAT RYAN ROBERTS

~~L. HARRIS ?~~
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 37
 27

FORTYNINERS, ATTENDING 6th APRIL

27 LADIES	→ 5 PARTNERS	
17 MEN	→ 11 PARTNERS	
<u>44</u>	<u>16</u>	Total <u>60</u>

B	• WALLACE BAKER	B
B	• BERTH BAKER A	B
B	• GRAHAM BARTLE	B
B	• RUTH BARTLE A	B
B	• MAX BRIDGES	B
B	• DORIS BRIDGES	B
B	• LINDSAY CAMPBELL	B
B	• JIM DUNNE	B
B	• GEORGE FORDHAM	B
B	• JANICE FORDHAM	B
B	• PETER FRYER <i>can?</i>	B
B	• JOHN HOLLOWAY 9-10	30 B
B	• JUDITH HOLLOWAY	B
B	• KEITH LAMPARD	B
B	• MARJORIE LAMPARD	B
B	• BOB LAURENCE	B
B	• DOROTHY LAURENCE	B
B	• BILL LISTER	B
B	• BETTY LISTER	B
B	• RON NEVILLE	B
B	• WILMA NEVILLE	B
B	• NEIL TIPPETT	B
B	• MARGARET TIPPETT	A
B	• DAVID L'UREN	B
B	• MERLE L'UREN	B
B	• IAN RYAN	B
B	• WAIL WALL	B
B	• ROSEMARY WALL	B
B	• DON EVANS	B

27
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at
 31 MARCH BUS
 1st APRIL
 3rd "

(60)
 (55)
 (59)