

CHESS MOVES

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

always enjoy reading the quotes on my desk calendar and often find them quite appropriate. I found this one recently: "Never forget the days I spent with you. Continue to be my friend, as you will always find me yours." Ludwig Van Beethoven.

CHESS enables us to remember the days we spent with each other and re-connect with friends who were so much part of our lives at Camberwell High School. Even though distance often separates us, we meet again at reunions, renew our friendships and remember.

As a new committee, it has been encouraging that at least three reunions will occur in 2012. We hope that many more year groups will contact us about their 2013 reunion plans. This newsletter includes a "class of 1982" report and acknowledges the fine work that Pat Douglas has done with our extensive database and that Deb Johnson has done with the archives. We have a fascinating collection of memorabilia on our website www.chessmoves.com

CHESS represents the alumni of 70 years of education and aims to keep ex-students in contact with each other through the website and newsletters. It assists ex-students to organise events by providing a current database and information about reunions. CHESS also collects and archives documents and photos to maintain the history of the school for posterity and enjoyment.

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If you are an ex-student or current Year 12 student, you are encouraged to join CHESS. The annual membership is only \$25 for a calendar year. Please email chs.chessmoves@gmail.com for an application form. For those of you renewing your membership, we will send an invoice in future, because we are keen to stay in touch with you. As part of a vibrant community of ex-students may you: "continue to be my friend, as you will always find me yours."

Yvonne Giltinan (McLaren) Class of '65

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spreading the word on CHESS!

We are very keen to see our membership grow so that CHESS represents ex-students from all decades who will spread the news of our activities.

Please send this copy of Chessmoves to other former students and invite them to join CHESS.

An application form is included in this newsletter.

Like us on Facebook

CHESS is on facebook. You can find us at www.facebook.com/ Camberwellhighexstudents societyinc.

Births, Marriages, Farewells

Chessmoves would like to hear from you if you have celebrated a birth, marriage or are aware of the passing of a former student.

Contributions of up to 100 words are welcome, with photos if appropriate, to: chs.chessmoves@gmail.com

Principal's Message

Friday 14 September we celebrated the Moon Festival with a whole-school assembly organised and run by the staff, students and friends of the International Department and Language School. The assembly commenced with a video presentation prepared by Year 7 students and highlighting the importance of the value of Respect. The program featured the telling of the story of the Moon Festival, a song in Chinese from Year 7 students, a Martial Arts demonstration and musical items from our Language School students and Years 10 and 11 students.

Cabaret Evening

On the evening of Friday 14 we enjoyed the annual Cabaret Evening featuring a number of our school bands including the Junior, Intermediate and Senior Stage bands. It was an extremely successful evening with 14 tables of guests including current students, families and past students. The theme of Viva Las Vegas was interpreted in a variety of ways and in the diverse costumes worn by guests. Special entertainment was provided by the Esstee Big Band and a Swing Dance class was a highlight of the evening.

Student Attitudes to School

Our Student Leaders presented the 2012 Student Attitudes to School survey results at the staff meeting at the end of Term 3. Hugh, Kate, Louisa and Kai explained the data and the key features of the student responses at each year level. The students also explained that this year a Camberwell High School developed survey has been trialled to enable students to

provide feedback on specific issues such as Facilities, Netbooks and House activities. These ideas from the staff will be passed on to the School Leaders for 2013 who will be elected next term. An Action Plan for 2013 can then be developed based on the data and feedback. The Student Leaders were confident and articulate in their presentation continuing an excellent job they have done throughout the year in their positions of responsibility.

Celebrating Achievement

We have celebrated student achievement in a number of ways over the last fortnight. A morning tea was held to recognise the efforts of Maths and Science students who have participated in a number of competitions and achieved prizes. Excellence in Mathletics achievement was also celebrated. Year 11 students who have been judged by their teachers to have been striving for excellence in a number of areas of the school were given certificates at Assembly. Congratulations to all students who have achieved their personal best across many fields of endeavour.

Battle of the Bands

We concluded last term with the excitement of Battle of the Bands. It is great to see the skills of our students on show and their hard work in preparation for their performances. I am particularly impressed by the supportive and encouraging nature of the audience. It is a highlight of the school calendar and is always very special for the Year 12 students who regard the event as one of their final activities as part of the school community. We wish our Year 12



Jill Laughlin, Principal

students well for a productive study period combined with rest and recreation as they prepare for their final exams in Term 4.

Innovation Centre

The Innovation Centre is nearing completion but will not be ready for occupancy until later this term.

Jill Laughlin, Principal

Alumni@Work – Brian Horwood

Imagine how the partner I proposed to in 1970 would have reacted if I had said "By the way — if you marry me, you will live in 19 different houses in 35 years."

Luckily, the attraction of an imminent three-year posting to London took Gillian's mind away from asking such practical questions.

I was attracted to international business by Mr Horne, our excellent economics teacher in matric year. After graduating in Commerce from Melbourne University and working in stockbroking and engineering firms, I joined Rio Tinto in 1969 during the mining share market boom. With Rio Tinto having mines and smelters all around the world and a head office in London, it was an ideal company to join.

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I held a range of management positions in Papua New Guinea, England and Australia. These ranged from being financial controller of a copper miner on Bougainville Island to having responsibility for a computer company in Melbourne, a metal processing business in Birmingham, a solar salt producer in WA and a coal miner in Queensland. These companies had a mix of overseas customers, foreign shareholders and locally staffed offices in Asia and Saudi Arabia, so the desire for international experience was satisfied. Rio Tinto was also the leader in engaging with Indigenous communities in Australia, which reflected the values of the company. My last position was to represent Rio Tinto in Australia.

The constant moving of my family did cause some challenges, but as my daughter Alex says, "Moving was a way of life which we accepted as normal". Gillian bore the brunt of the challenges of constant moves, for which I thank her enormously.



Mr Brian Horwood, CHS Alumni

Having retired from Rio Tinto, I now chair the board of an oil and gas producer which is building a large LNG project in PNG. I still love the excitement of the resource industry.

Brian Horwood horwoods@iinet.net.au

Contributing to Alumni@Work

If you would like to share your workplace story since your days at Camberwell High School, please forward details, preferably less than three hundred words, with a high resolution photo, to:

chs.chessmoves@gmail.com



CLASS OF '72 FORTY YEAR REUNION THE YEAR OF THE RAT

WHEN: SATURDAY 10 NOVEMBER 2012 ■ 7.00 FOR A 7.30 START

WHERE: THE GLENFERRIE HOTEL, 324 BURWOOD ROAD, HAWTHORN,

COST: \$20 (PAY AT THE DOOR) = FINGER FOOD PROVIDED = DRINKS AT BAR PRICES

CONTACT: GEOFF HEAD: wlmailhtml:Geoff.Head@bakeridi.edu.au *OR*

DAVID TYSON: tyson.david.d@edumail.vic.gov.au









REUNION

WHEN: FRIDAY 30 NOVEMBER, 7.00PM TO 11.00PM

WHERE: BOX HILL GOLF CLUB, 202 STATION STREET BOX HILL

MELWAY 61 D3

COST: \$45 INC. FINGER FOOD & WELCOME DRINK

FULL BAR AVAILABLE

RSVP: EMAIL: JILONA@BIGPOND.NET.AU

PHONE: 9754 2702

PLEASE INDICATE IF YOU ARE COMING AND HOW YOU ARE PAYING:

PAYMENT: CHEQUES MADE PAYABLE TO 'CAMBERWELL HIGH SCHOOL 1962

REUNION' MAIL TO: JEFF BURMAN, PO BOX 105, BELGRAVE, 3160

DIRECT DEBIT: 'CAMBERWELL HIGH SCHOOL 1962 REUNION'

BSB: 633 000 ACCT: 146 383 120

('TAG' WITH YOUR NAME SO WE CAN MATCH PAYMENT)

CHS 30th Reunion – Class of 1977-1982

- the night of the middle-aged teenagers

Originally suggested as a coffee get together for someone coming from NSW, this reunion grew to become a competition of who could contact the most past students. With the power of the Internet, the CHESS database and friends' networks, a great many past students were contacted and despite many not being able to attend, the contacts were made and old friendships rekindled in the process.

The night of the middle-aged teenagers of 1977 – 1982 was a huge success with over 30 attending and the feeling among many was that nothing had changed amongst us. Our private room at Di Palma's Restaurant in Glenferrie

provided dimmed lighting which took care of what ravages of time might have been in evidence and nametags assisted with any awkwardness of recognition. The free-flowing alcohol and gourmet canapés also added to the success.

Of course the music was all '80s originals that were drowned out by the shouting and screaming of meeting up with past friends. People had travelled great distances; Susan Duncan (nee Lancaster) from Gippsland, Desiree Valentina Mathias and Graeme

Towart from NSW's northern beaches, Anne McKinstray from Tasmania and Richard Goldberg travelled from Norway. The organisers, Belinda Robson, Tim Boyle and David Gray were astounded that the night was such a success and happily abandoned their planned 'getting to know you' games; certainly not required, as conversations and friendships took off as if we had just come back from term break.

A second event has been suggested and this might be a casual BBQ lunch and family day in late Spring 2012.

Thanks to President Yvonne and CHESS for their assistance with contacts and the CHESS website was a wonderful resource for images, historic articles and a great collection of class photos. Let's hope the guests who took home CHESS membership forms will see fit to follow through!



Thinking about a reunion in 2013?

CHESS has an extensive database that will enable you to start contacting people in your year group. Let us know your plans so we can assist you with advertising in our first CHESSMOVES next year.

Photos by Yanni Florence

Top left [I-r]: Marion Frere, John Gardiner, Gordon Openstein, Susan Wright-Jones, Peter Thornley Above right [I-r]: Mina Kianouras-Carmeni, Maurice Carmeni, Susan Duncan (nee Lancaster), David Gray, Anne McKinstray, Dr Richard Goldberg, Graeme Towart, Dr Marion Frere Bottom left [I-r]: Dr Marion Frere and Dr Belinda Robson



Camberwell High School Ex-Students' Society Application Form for Membership

(Membership is for a calendar year)

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