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CAMBERWELL HIGH SCHOOL  
EX STUDENTS SOCIETY

**Annual General Meeting of the Camberwell High School Ex-Students Society**  
Held on Zoom (due to COVID-19 restrictions) at 8pm on Monday July 20, 2020

**Present:** Yvonne Giltinan, Theo Mantamadiotis, Ken James, Ashley Wah, Bob Taylor, Rory Hughes, David Markus, Frank Yourn, Rebecca Edwards, Graeme Cameron, John Worcester, Bernard Corser, Phil Giltinan

**Apologies:** Rick Cumins, Rosemary Faris, Phillip Richardson, Graham Scott, Marnie Kok, Luci Bombaci, Janice White, Gwendolyn Balk, Steve Callinan-Moore, Barry Barton, Marguerite Moors, Peter Blunden, Paul Shekleton

## MINUTES

### 1. Welcome and Apologies

Theo Mantamadiotis chaired the meeting, as asked by Yvonne (President of CHES S). Theo welcomed those present and noted apologies received from those unable to attend.

### 2. Minutes of 2019 Annual General Meeting

Yvonne noted that the meeting closed at 7.50pm rather than 8.50pm.

Accepting that minor change, the minutes of the 2019 Annual General Meeting were agreed by the meeting as correct.

*Yvonne Giltinan/Bob Taylor*

### 3. Reports

#### *President's Report*

Yvonne presented her report (copy attached) to the meeting. The meeting received the report.

*Yvonne Giltinan/Theo Mantamadiotis*

#### *Treasurer's Report*

Ken presented the Treasurer's Report (copy attached) to the meeting. The report was received and approved by the meeting.

*Ken James/Theo Mantamadiotis*

### 4. Election of Office Bearers

Nominations were received for the following positions:

President: Yvonne Giltinan

Vice President: Theo Mantamadiotis

Secretary: Rory Hughes

Treasurer: Ken James

Committee: Steve Callinan-Moore, Bob Taylor, Marnie Kok

Yvonne declared all nominees elected and thanked them for their willingness to serve CHESS in the coming year.

There is a vacant general committee position. Someone to fill this role will be sought in the coming weeks.

#### **5. General Comments**

Bernard enquired on the collection of student details following their graduation. The current process for this was discussed.

Bernard thanked Steve Callinan-Moore for his work on archives.

#### **6. Close of Meeting:**

Theo thanked all for attending and declared the meeting closed at 8.40pm

## **President's Report for 2020 AGM Camberwell High School Ex-Students Society (C.H.E.S.S)**

The Camberwell High School Ex-Students Society continues to be an effective not-for-profit organisation that is diligently maintained by our volunteer committee who contribute their skills, enthusiasm and time. Many ex-students have thanked us for our efforts and the committee appreciates this encouragement. On behalf of the members, I thank the 2019-2020 committee: Theo Mantamadiotis (Vice-President), Ken James (Treasurer), Luci Bombaci (Secretary), Ashley Wah (Database management), Steve Callinan-Moore, Bob Taylor, Jill Fletcher (Davies) and Marnie Kok (White). Audrey Broomhead and Phil Giltinan also assist throughout the year.

This report is a summary of the various ways the Ex-Students Society has connected with alumni and our school since the 2019 AGM.

### **Awards**

#### **Ex Students Scholarships and Well Being (from CHESS funds) \$4,000**

Your donations and memberships have enabled the Ex-Students Society to present the following awards and donations.

- Year 12 CHESS awards: SRC President Natalie Litsas and Churchill House Captain, Darcy Littlechild
- CHESS awards: Summer Metcalf (Year 11); Toby Stewart (Year 10)
- The remainder was contributed to the Principal's Well-Being Fund for students who need assistance with their education costs (\$3,300)

#### **2019 Robert Ewins Memorial Fund (REMF) \$1500**

- Literature awards for outstanding students: Roy Loveday (Year 11); Lucy Bui (Year 10)
- \$750 was donated to the library from REMF and \$500 from CHESS funds.

Other awards of interest to ex-students include:

- A writing prize in memory of former teacher Don Anderson
- A leadership award in memory of former teacher and Principal David Collins
- An award in memory of former student, Jurgen Tauchert (Class of '88) for a student who was a positive role model.
- A scholarship in memory of Jennifer Gibbs, (Class of '62) School Prefect, Dux in Humanities who excelled academically and in sport. She became an executive producer with ABC Radio and Television. She died in 1997 after a six-year battle with Multiple Sclerosis.

#### **Naomi Harrison Trust (\$1,000 p.a)**

CHESS also administered the bequest given by Naomi Harrison (1942-1946) who wanted to support an aboriginal student with her education for 5 years. It was a great pleasure to work with Principal Jill Laughlin so that Jayde, who is in Year 7, could receive her first laptop and assistance with uniforms and school fees.

**Website:** <http://camhigh@exstudents.org.au>

We are very proud of our website. It is a wonderful archive that includes our history and over 4,000 photos. It is now accessible on all electronic devices. Under the heading Our Story, ex-students can find class and sports photos dating back to the 1940s. In addition, there are reports and photos from events and reunions, the Robert Ewins book as an E-book, the AGM reports and all the CHESS newsletters since 1991.

Details for payment of membership can also be accessed. Every Prospice from 1946-2019 is uploaded on the website thanks to the diligent work of Steve Callinan-Moore who scanned them all. Keen ex-student Phillip Richardson has scanned hundreds of photos that are being uploaded. CHESS would value the assistance of an ex-student to assist with uploading to our website. At the moment, CHESS is paying a university student to do this.

### **CHESS News**

The newsletter is published 3 times a year and is collated by KwikKopy Camberwell. The electronic version is sent to over 1,400 ex-students. 47 ex-students require a postal version and Audrey Broomhead assists with this task. I am the editor.

### **Finances**

The sound financial management by our treasurer, Ken James, has enabled us to receive and process members payments and donations. Many ex-students have taken up the option of 5 or 10-year membership and our funds are invested wisely.

### **Memberships**

Here is a summary of memberships over the last 5 years:

	<b>June 2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
<b>Financial Members</b>	215	217	194	224	210	186
<b>Honorary Student Members</b>	541			209	216	193
<b>Life Honorary Life Member</b>	1	1	1	1	1	1
<b>Total</b>	757	?	?	434	436	380

### **JoinIT**

Over the last 12 months, the committee has adopted the use of JoinIT, a database and payment software/program. Members can pay their membership and join online. The software issues receipts so that members don't pay multiple times or forget to pay! It's proven a worthwhile and strategic move.

### **Year 12 morning tea**

CHESS obtained the details of most Year 12 students by organising a morning tea, at the school, and also promoting CHESS, giving them a CHESS pen. Leaving students are automatically regarded as honorary members, given CHESS membership for 5 years, in the hope that they will choose to become financial members later.

### **Leader's Lunch**

In August, some members of the CHESS committee met with 8 student leaders over lunch. Principal Jill Laughlin led discussion about raising the profile of CHESS with current students.

### **Opening of D building**

In September, I attended the official opening of the new D Building for Years 7 and 8 and then gave the School Council a 10-minute update on CHESS. This was an excellent opportunity to share with the School Council what we are doing.

## **Social Media**

Social media is a strategic way to engage with our younger alumni. Many ex-students are also using Facebook to contact people in their year group and organise their own reunions. We continue to consider how to be active and relevant in this space.

## **EVENTS IN 2019/20**

### **2019 Mid-Year Luncheon Chapter 3 Maling Road Canterbury**

Graham Morris (class of '59) entertained over 45 ex-students and partners with stories about his distinguished career as Director of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park, Healesville Sanctuary and the Museum of Victoria.

### **2019 End of Year Dinner: Café Paradiso Camberwell**

In November, Assistant Principal Emmanuel Skoutas (Class of '80) along with 25 other ex-students enjoyed the opportunity to share a meal together. Cheques to the value of \$7,500 from CHESS and the Robert Ewins Memorial Fund were presented to Emmanuel for scholarships, the library and assistance for needy students.

## **REUNIONS in 2019**

We were delighted to be able to assist reunion groups with information from our database so they could plan their significant reunions. The Class of '59 had their 60th reunion at the Tower Hotel; the Class of '69 met at the Yarra Valley Country Club, and the Class of '72 had their annual catch up at Glenferrie Hotel. The organising of reunions often falls to a few keen ex-students, but everyone who attends finds their reunion most enjoyable and worthwhile.

## **2020 PROJECTS**

### **TV Hall of Fame**

The Principal is enabling CHESS to use a mounted television in the school foyer so that post 1991 alumni can be added. A list of notable ex-students who have received national and international recognition and made a significant contribution to society and their community, will be profiled. Robert Monaghan (Class of '59) is assisting CHESS by compiling short summaries for the TV and longer profiles for our website.

### **Memberships**

Ken James, our Treasurer, is continuing to assist members with their ongoing membership. Members are advised that: membership renewal starts from the day you pay; you can pay for 5 or 10 years (for a discount) and make a donation. Members can update their information by logging onto: [www.joinit.org/o/camhighexstudents](http://www.joinit.org/o/camhighexstudents)

### **Reunions**

2020 is a significant year for those who attended Camberwell High School in 1950, 1960, '70; '80; '90 etc. It is also 25 years since the class of 1995 graduated. We have an extensive database that may help a reunion group with names and contact details. We can also assist by advertising in the newsletter and on Facebook.

The Class of '60 is already gathering names for a post-Covid 19 reunion later in the year.

### **Archives and Website updates**

Donations of photos and other memorabilia continue to be received from ex-students. Harvey Broadstock assists with the archives so they can be sorted, scanned and uploaded to the website or donated to the school. The library takes items of clothing, books and badges which are displayed from time to time. Ex-students are also encouraged to assist by adding names to the many 'unknown' photos on our website: <http://camhigh@exstudents.org.au>

### **2020 Mid-Year Luncheon**

Our Mid-Year luncheon was postponed due to Covid 19 restrictions. If government regulations are lifted, we hope to again invite Lyn (nee Murray) Gilbert (Class of '59) as our guest speaker. Professor Lyn Gilbert AO is a senior researcher at the Marie Bashir Institute for Emerging Infections and Biosecurity and at Sydney Health Ethics at the University of Sydney. Until recently she was Director of the Centre for Infectious Diseases & Microbiology Laboratory Services and Director of Infection Prevention and Control for Western Sydney Local Health District at Westmead Hospital.

In conclusion, I thank the committee and other volunteers for working with me. CHESS can only function because of your ongoing interest, commitment and conscientious contributions, and I am very grateful that I have your support.

Yvonne Giltinan (McLaren)  
President

## CAMBERWELL HIGH EX-STUDENTS SOCIETY INCORPORATED Inc

**PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019**

<b>A0048378R</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
<b>Income</b>		
Bequest	5,000	
Donations From Members	1,215	587
Subscriptions	6,987	8,125
Xmas Dinner	1,170	1,120
Book & CD Sales	38	216
Mid-Year Luncheon	2,115	2,596
Interest	541	308
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>17,066</b>	<b>12,952</b>
<b>Payments</b>		
Annual Consumer Affairs	58	57
Awards	6,750	4,750
Bank Charges	291	271
Book REMF		
Membership Joint	1,061	
Dinner Year End	1,170	1,328
Mid-Year Luncheon	2,187	2,644
Hall of Fame	0	4,833
Postage	183	127
Printing and Stationary Newsletter	1,112	1,034
Petty Cash		
Reunion Expenses	0	
Website- Development	929	4,604
Year 12 Promotion	435	544
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>14,176</b>	<b>20,192</b>
<b>NET OPERATING INCOME</b>	<b>2,890</b>	<b>-7,240</b>
Retained Income at the beginning of the Financial Year	19,659	26,899
<b>RETAINED INCOME</b>	<b>22,549</b>	<b>19,659</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

This report should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report

## CAMBERWELL HIGH EX-STUDENTS SOCIETY INCORPORATED Inc

### BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

A0048378R	2019	2018
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Cash at Bank NAB Cheque Account	6,494	9,145
NAB TD Robert Ewins Memorial Funds	9,934	10,408
NAB Deposit IBTD	16,029	10,764
Other Debtors	0	0
	<u>32,457</u>	<u>30,317</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>32,457</u>	<u>30,317</u>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Funds Held in Trust	0	0
Robert Ewins Memorial Fund	9,908	10,658
	<u>9,908</u>	<u>10,658</u>
	<u>22,549</u>	<u>19,659</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>		
Members Funds	22,549	19,659
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>22,549</u>	<u>19,659</u>

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### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

#### Statement of Significant Accounting Policies

AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements

AASB 1031 Materiality

No Other Accounting Standards Australian Accounting Interpretations or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied

The Financial Report is prepared on a cash basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets