



NEWS SHEET OF THE SYDNEY BRANCH
THE ARMIDALE SCHOOL OLD BOYS UNION

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"BINGHI" CONTINUES:

At the Annual Christmas Dinner on December 9th last, Old Boys who were present were asked whether they wished to see the publication of "Binghi" continue. Their reply was in the form of a spontaneous donation which covered the cost of the issue and assured the printing of the next.

The Committee greatly appreciates this demonstration of support for its policy regarding "Binghi" as outlined in the September issue and we present this edition with the hope that it contains in it, those notes and jottings which you think an Old Boys' publication should contain. In this regard we would appreciate any news of interest which you think should be published in our next edition (September).

In this edition we publish a list of dates of forthcoming events in Sydney at which we hope to see a good roll-up of Old Boys.

In particular we mention the Annual Ball, proceeds from which will be retained by the Branch in order to further the objects of the Old Boys' Union in Sydney. Last year's Ball was voted to have been a most successful one, and we anticipate this year's to be even better, so start making up those parties now.

MAKE A NOTE

Easter Reunion

The Old Boys' "Easter" Reunion this year will be held at the Hotel Plaza at 5 p.m. on Thursday 3rd April. Cost of the evening will be 9/6d. per head plus cost of drinks.

We hope to see a good roll-up of Old Boys and once again we will endeavour to introduce "new" Old Boys' to the Branch at the Reunion.

Coming Events

- Saturday 21st June 1958 - Annual Ball - Hotel Australia -
8.30 p.m. to 1 a.m.
- Wednesday 9th July, 1958 - Annual General Meeting - Schools'
Club - 8 p.m.
- Sunday 14th Sept. 1958 - Old Boys' Golf Day - Campbelltown.
- Thursday 25th Sept. 1958 - G.P.S. Combined Annual Golf and
Bowls Day - Manly Golf Club.

Football Matches

- Saturday 3rd May, 1958 - T.A.S. 1st XV versus Trinity
Grammar School in Sydney.
- Tuesday 6th May, 1958 - T.A.S. 1st XV versus Sydney
Grammar School in Sydney.
- Saturday 31st May, 1958 - T.A.S. 1st XV versus Shore in
Sydney.
- Tuesday 3rd June, 1958 - T.A.S. 1st XV versus Kings in
Sydney.
- Saturday 9th August 1958 - Combined G.P.S. Football - Sydney
Sports Ground.

We hope to see a large number of T.A.S. followers at these games.

Other dates of interest for 1958

April 12 G.P.S. Regatta, Nepear River.
19 1st XV versus Riverview at Armidale.
O.B.U. Extraordinary General Meeting and Dinner in
Armidale.
June 7 1st XV versus Newington in Armidale.
21 G.P.S. Football Competition begins.
Aug. 2 G.P.S. Football Competition ends.
15 Old Boys' Annual Reunion - Ball in Armidale.
16 Old Boys' Reunion - Games, Dinner, meeting in Armidale.
17 O.B.U. Chapel Service.
Sep. 16/17 G.P.S. Shooting Competition.
Oct. 11 G.P.S. Athletic Sports.
Nov. 25 Combined G.P.S. Cricket matches, cont'd 26th and 29th.
Dec. 9 O.B.U. Cricket matches v. The School. Informal dance.

DID YOU KNOW?

Warwick Lewarne is now spending another holiday at Lord Howe Island. He is becoming a regular and after hearing of his experiences there, we don't blame him. Other Old Boys have their eyes on the "island" for future holidays.

Tim. Johnstone is down from Armidale to work with city solicitors.

Will Penfold, B.J. Mattingley and Graham Bailey had a London reunion last November. Graham is now with the Wallabies in Canada and later will tour U.S.A.

H. E. Belfield was seen in town last month. The wool sales were on so that may have been the reason. He gave glowing reports on the School's present expansion. Numbers are now over 300.

Many Old Boys from Sydney and elsewhere seemed to find their way up to Surfers Paradise in January and February of '58. Johnie Parsons, Mick Burnett and Drayton Taylor motored up and eventually

arrived at Surfers after spending five days at Grafton with Nev Weilly and a broken down car. Nev, who is just serving his first term as an alderman of the city, turned on the hospitality in typical "Once and for all" style. The travellers also ran into Tom Beacham who seems to be enjoying married life up North. Fred Schwinghammer is still at Grafton running a very successful bus company. Immediate past president of the Union, Herbert Croft was also in the area holidaying at Yamba. Other Old Boys at Surfers included Ross Whitfeld from Sydney who was up there with Peter Cole, Ted Coupland, David Green, Freddie Mulligan, Willie Wentworth and Bill Cannington all who seemed to be enjoying life at the Delaney's and in the back of a truck. Latecomers on the scene were Ian Dent and Peter Forsyth. Don Cameron, who is at Paul's College was down from Ipswich along with Lloyd and Gerald Hancock from Brisbane. Johnnie Lawrence and John Ede were also down on several occasions on their way through to Lismore, as too was John C. Moore for several weekends. John Short was seen frequenting the inevitable "Garden". Barry Jakins arrived down to set up house with six mates from the Talwood, Queensland area for a couple of weeks at the beginning of February. All in all Surfers Paradise seems to be quite a popular spot with T.A.S. Old Boys in summer.

Marshall Phillips, Ross Whitfeld and Dennis Magoffin together with Phil King (Grammar) had a very successful canoeing trip on the Manning River. It was a six-day venture and proved to be a great experience for all.

Ted Copeland and David Green join other old T.A.S. boys David Bragg, John Pope and Peter Board at Hawkesbury Ag. College this year. Ted still has his most familiar plastered arm and will not be playing football again. Our heartiest congratulations go to Ted for winning The Royal Agricultural Society's Scholarship. We may see the two Davids at the S.C.G. on G.P.S. day if they are playing as well as last year.

John Russell is still mixing things with great enthusiasm out Pymont way.

Campbell Swan is to be seen these days with a little badge in his lapel and one topic of conversation, namely VW's.

Many familiar faces are to be seen down at Bilgola Beach during the summer months. Regulars include Marshall Phillips, Drayton Taylor, Mick Burnett, Campbell Swan, Johnnie Parsons, and Anthony Bowden, while Ross and Campbell Anderson, Dick Vyner, Ted Coupland, David Green, David Bragg, David Andrews, Dennis Magoffin, Ross Whitfeld and Will Wentworth are to be seen down there on odd occasions.

Donald Downes was down in Sydney to pay us a visit before Christmas. But this time it wasn't a social trip, for Don had contracted a rare food poisoning whilst attending Tamworth's Town and Country Ball. Don is now ship-shape again and we are expecting to see him during Show Week.

Welcome back to Geoff O'Brien, who has been putting in some hard work at those cane fields up north. Geoff intends to take up Pharmacy where he left off a few years ago.

Mr. E. F. Whitfeld who retired this year after many years service to the School has come to Sydney to live. We look forward to seeing Mr. Whitfeld in the near future.

John Caiger who is teaching at Cranbrook will be off to England soon where he will further his studies at London University.

As well as studying Accountancy, Stephen Bailey has found time to continue his training in the Royal Australian Naval Reserve in which he was recently commissioned.

The School is to be congratulated on some very good passes in the 1957 Leaving Certificate. It is worthy of note that John Atkinson came 17th in the State and we offer him our heartiest congratulations.

Reg. Magoffin is back on his feet again after a long illness. He celebrated his return to work by taking a trip to Armidale.

VARSIY NOTES

With Varsity starting again this month, several new faces are to be seen. Willie Wentworth who is back in Sydney after a year's jackerooting in Queensland is starting Economics this year. Other newcomers include Bill Gannington, John Atkinson and Julian Hartley who are Freshers at Pauls. Reliable reports tell us that Ian Johnstone will be at Andrews College this year to commence Law, after doing two years Arts at Armidale Uni. Ross Anderson is also starting this year. Most faculties still seem to contain a few T.A.S. Old Boys after last year's exams. In Medicine Graham Coupland and Jack Murray are in their final year or two. Donald Cameron is in third year and Percy Chauvell in second year. Economics faculty is represented by Warrick Sturt (4th year), Mick Burnett and Russel Lander (3rd year). John Brennan is doing Law II this year while John MacGregor and Graeme Finlayson will be doing Law II and I respectively again. It seems that Phillip Street is a little close to establishments other than those of learning. Drayton Taylor passed well in Ag. Economics last year and is in second year this year, Mike Brooker is in 3rd Year, Warren Pengilley and Tony Ohlsson are doing Arts II this year while John Pidgeon will be in Science II after switching from Engineering last year. Ross Whitfeld is doing Engineering I this year and Peter Vail Engineering II. Dennis Magoffin has joined the ranks of Architecture II and Lyn Speedy we assume will be back again in some faculty or other.

On the sporting side we will probably find many Old Boys taking part in Uni. inter-collegiate and inter-faculty sport again this year. Drayton Taylor, Bill Gannington and Willie Wentworth are already training with the Uni Football Club.

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