



SCEGGS Moss Vale Old Girls' Union – formed in 1914

Newsletter April 2014. Let's celebrate 100 years of our OGU!

Greetings,

Thank you for responding to our questionnaire. After much discussion and consultation with those who attended the lunch in March it has been agreed that next year, 2015, we will hold only one reunion, this will be held as close as possible to the School's birthday in July, which will be Saturday 18 July and will be in Sydney. We will also send out a newsletter in June. This will help to keep costs down and money in the bank to pay for our website and postage. If you haven't done so already please send us your email address, this also helps to keep costs down. You will notice from the Treasurer's Report that we have not been paying printing costs, unfortunately this will not continue to be the case unless we have a member who can volunteer a high volume colour printer.

We have been holding reunion weekends at Dormie House in Moss Vale since 1996, and they have been very successful, but it is time to reconsider as attendance has dropped off. Previously they were held at the School for many years. This year, we will be holding our **last** Old Girls' Weekend at Moss Vale on 18-19 July, details below.

We also plan to meet for lunch (details below) on what would be the closest Saturday to Speech Day in December this year, to commemorate and remember our School, which closed 40 years ago in 1974. We will also be celebrating the longevity of our Old Girls' Union, which was formed in 1914 as the OGU for Bowral Branch (which opened in February 1906), more details in the Brief History available under the Archives tab on our website www.sceggsmovogu.org.au. I know there has been some interest in this reunion, so please pencil it in your diary and organise a table of your school friends.

We will of course be happy to help organise and join you for your special alumni reunions.

Luceat Lux Vestra, Anne Worboys, Hon President

Treasurer's Report SCEGGS Moss Vale OGU 2013-2014			
		Credit	Debit
	Balance carried forward		\$9,158.78
Acc 161599296	Balance 23.3.2013	\$900.28	
31.5.13	Membership	\$50.00	
31.5.13	Bank Interest	\$1.67	
26.6.13	Website fees		\$35.00
28.8.13	Website & hosting fees		\$379.95
9.9.12	Website fees		\$116.55
24.9.13	Term Deposit interest	\$198.18	
19.11.13	Website fees		\$70.00
		\$249.85	\$601.50
	Total Balance		\$548.63
Term Deposit	\$8,000.00		\$8,000.00
Cash on hand			
25.4.12	Balance	\$258.50	
16.4.13	Stationery		\$9.55
26.4.13	Postage		\$97.80
16.8.13	Stationery		\$4.90
20.8.13	Postage		\$66.00
		Total	178.25
		Cash Balance	\$80.25
	Total funds available		\$8,628.88

Martha Birch, Hon. Treasurer

SCEGGS Gold Coast Breakfast – 4 May 2014

We have just received an invitation to join the combined SCEGGS breakfast at 8am, Emerald Lakes Golf Club, Carrara. Please contact Lynne Shaw (Darlinghurst 1971).

Old Girls' Weekend 2014 - Moss Vale on 18-19 July

Please confirm your accommodation booking now with Dormie House: phone: 4868-1800
dormie@mossvalegolfclub.com.au.

Room Rates

Bed & Breakfast

Deluxe room \$229.00 per night twin share
Deluxe room \$165.00 per night single share
View room \$239.00 per night twin share
View room \$175 per night single share
Standard room \$155.00 single share

Dinner only Saturday night \$45

Dinner Bed & Breakfast

Deluxe room \$315.00 per room twin share
Deluxe room \$209 per night single share
View room \$325.00 per night twin share
View room \$219.00 per night single share
Standard room \$199 single share

Program

Saturday

Dinner Dormie House - Drinks 6.00 pm followed by Dinner 7.00 pm – book with Dormie

Sunday

9am Service and morning tea at **Christ Church Bong Bong**

Lunch The Briars 11.30am – book with Anne Worboys

Lunch at North Sydney in March and December 2014

We met for lunch in March, what a wonderful convivial reunion we had. We have so much to talk about our school years and catch up with what's happening in our lives now. The staff really looked after and seemed to enjoy our reunion as much as we did.

We enjoyed the lunch and venue so much that we are planning to have a big celebration of our **100 year anniversary on 13 December at LB's Restaurant, Harbourview Hotel, North Sydney. Cost for the buffet will be \$42; minimum number of 25.**



Photo on left: Jill Fisher, Sue Cooper, Sue Entwistle, Morna Staunton, Margaret Duckworth, Rhondda McCallum, Jan Neville, Ann Pollock, Anne Tyas, Anne Hardy with Shane Leddin, Ann Bartlett and Mary O'Connell (hiding somewhere), photos taken by Anne Worboys. (There were five Ann (e) s)

Vale

Barbara Joy Carlsen (nee Roberts) (25 July, 1938 - 4April, 2013)

Barbara Joy Roberts Carlsen – a native Australian, a resident of Sewanee, Tennessee and a summer resident of Shelter Island, New York – passed away on April 4, 2013 following her battle with cancer. Her memorial service took place on April 7, 2013 at St. Mary's Episcopal Church on Shelter Island with friends and family in attendance to remember and honor her.

She is survived by her husband of 52 years – Andrew B. Carlsen; three children – Miles, Gregory and Andrea; four grandchildren – Zachary, Graysen, Ellery and Maximilian; a sister – Adella Roberts Wright; a brother – Noel Roberts; three nephews – Andrew, Jamie and Nicholas; two nieces – Catriona and Melanie; and, other family members in Dubbo and Warialda, New South Wales, Australia.

Barbara was born in Adelong, NSW, Australia on July 25, 1938. She attended Sydney Church of England Girls Grammar School.

She left her native Australia with her girlfriends in 1955 and travelled around the world eventually reaching Montreal in 1958. She met her future husband and lifelong mate – Andrew – in Montreal. They married on April 29, 1961 at St. John's Episcopal Church in Brooklyn, New York.

She gave her talents and energy to numerous charitable and civic endeavors including devoted service as President of the Amarillo Symphony Guild and President of the Junior League of Amarillo, as Co-Chair with Andrew for the Harpeth Hall Annual Fund in Nashville, as Co-Chair (again with Andrew) for the Parents Committee for Bryn Mawr College's Annual Fund Drive and as a volunteer for civic organizations in Nashville helping battered women rebuild their lives and teaching children how to read. Barbara also served in various capacities in support of St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

Barbara attended Bryn Mawr College where she was a McBride Scholar receiving a B.A. Degree in Political Science. She was fluent in French and was pursuing an M.A. in Children's Literature at James Cook University in Queensland prior to her illness. She was an intrepid offshore sailor with a Transatlantic Crossing to her credit and extensive service as Andrew's navigator during their voyage through the South Pacific.

Barbara was a loyal, supportive and creative woman with lifelong friends around the world including friendships with the girls from Australia who travelled the world with her 58 years ago. She was blessed with loving and supportive friends at St. Mary's Episcopal Church and in the Shelter Island community.

She will be missed and never forgotten. Remember Barbara Carlsen in the days ahead.

OBITUARY FROM SHELTER ISLAND REPORTER 28/5/2013

Morna Ellen Staunton (Davey) Class of '53 – December 1936 – April 2014



Loving mother and mother-in-law of Joanne and David, Stephen and Michelle. Beloved Normie of Jennifer, Timothy, Jarrod, Philippa, Kendall and Lachlan. Proud great grandmother of Madeline and younger sister to Jeanette.

I shall miss Davey for all her special talents and I am so glad I was at the SCEGGS lunch in March. She had such an optimistic outlook and a strong determination to overcome adversity, a good time girl she revelled in a party. I shall miss her laugh, it was so infectious... Bouf (Mary O'Connell (Bouffler))

My first memories of Morna are her singing in the bus; Morna knew all the words and was such fun. Also of the Pre's room when I was invited to Her group was always a happy and smiling group. I also remember

hear her play the accordion.

reunion afternoon teas at Del's and at school with her mother's special bone china cups and saucers. Another more recent memory is of her 50 year reunion at her home, when I washed up all day and got blisters! In more recent times we had started sing-alongs in her nursing home – once again Morna knew all the words and the music. Jo (Joan Sutton) Surgeoner.

I loved to sit at Morna's table; she was not as scary as the other seniors to a 9 year old starting boarding school. We have remained friends from working together on the OGU Committees over the years. We have had a lot of fun travelling, socialising and lunching. I am not scared of her friends now! Anne Worboys (Bennett)

Both Barbara and Morna will be missed at our reunions. Anne

Correspondence

<p style="text-align: right;">8-3-14</p> <p>Dear Martha,</p> <p>I think you give so a wonderful job organizing old girls events and keeping us up to date with the News Letter/magazine. The idea of a December celebration to mark the closing of the school appeals. There is mention of a Sunday or is it Monday at the beginning of December?</p> <p>I am interested in attending this function as I understand are :-</p> <p>Rosemary Manusu (Campbell), Janet Palmer (McKee), Margaret Sharpe (Noble), Diana Holgate (Henderson), Janet Jones (Nisbet), Jennifer Nisbet and Pam Baird.</p> <p>(I have removed contact details from original letter in the interest of privacy.) Anne</p>	<p>I was at SCEGGS M.V from 48 through to 52 when I left to attend SCEGGS Darlington? - we have our 60 year reunion since leaving school at the school in May!</p> <p>I think the venue you have suggested is perfect and so central with public transport easy.</p> <p>I look forward to hearing more of the arrangements.</p> <p>Incidentally as an only child who at that stage lived in the bush I loved every minute of my boarding school days.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yours sincerely Ellen Talbot (Combes)</p>
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