

Some of the Younger Old Boys at the Dinner on June 1st

THE RECORD IN SPORT-FIRST TERM, 1967

SWIMMING.

The School swimming team this year was one of the strongest ever.

It had all-round strength and depth. Led by Ken Watts, ably supported by John Moncrieff, the team swamped the opposition at the Quadrangulars. A week later at the Inters, we gained third place behind Hale and Guildford, holding off a strong Wesley fight-back during the relays.

Members of the Under 16 Section of the team deserve special mention for some magnificent swimming. Kel Pallot, John Moncrieff and Richard Martin were outstanding in freestyle, breaststroke and backstroke races, while David Craig joined them in setting a record time in the Under 16 relay.

With only the final round left to play, the first XI was second equal with Aquinas. Aquinas beat us in the first match of the season, and so they fought it out for the cup with Hale, while Christ Church was forced to beat Guildford for the second time in order to retain third place.

Captain of cricket for 1967 was John Cox with Marshall vice-captain. A remarkable bowling performance by Mark Harrison was a feature of the season. He secured 24 wickets during the six one-day matches. The "Old Boys" bat was won by John Allen Williams, our most consistent batsman.

Despite strong play at times during the season from captain of tennis, Warwick Harrington, and vice-captain Kevin Hamilton, the team did not distinguish itself in the P.S.A. competition this year. However. from form shown in the Middle School competition, the team should improve its position in the next few years.

ROWING.

This year will go down in the history of P.S.A. rowing! After a storm the previous night it was heavy going on the Swan River for all crews and it was not until the 2nd Eights that Christ Church gained a third place. However, the event of the day really was the Head of the River. The closest fought race ever seen on the Swan ended in a tie between Christ Church and Scotch, in record time. Not more than six inches separated the two boats. It was indeed "our 'finest' hour"!

SURF BOARD RIDING.

This is now a very popular sport and this year the Surf Board Association conducted an all Schools' Championship at the beginning of May. Congratulations go to Ashley Jones for winning the individual

HOCKEY:

It is impossible to complete a review of the first term's sporting activities without mention of the Prefects' hockey match between Christ Church and M.L.C. On a sparkling day and to the roars of a crowd upwards of 200 strong, the Prefects romped home to a 4-0 victory over their opponents, and this despite the fact that only one member of the team plays hockey.

HISTORY (Continued)

Now in 1966, the final phase of development at Mt. Claremont has begun. The new Rugby field is in use. When completed. the playing fields will be able to cope with all winter sports at the same time.

Progress during the last 15 years has been remarkable. During that time the School has spent in the region of \$560,000 on the purchase of land, on new buildings and renovation of old buildings. Of that sum the Parents and Old Boys' Associations have donated more than \$60,000.

A Notable **Old Boys' Occasion**

Despite wet weather more than 100 Old Boy sportsmen and supporters competed with the School in five matches at the Winter Sports Day at Mt. Claremont on June_5.

Two football teams were run ragged by the 1st and 2nd XVIII's; two hockey teams showed too much guile for the School 1st and 2nd XI's; the rugby team overpowered the School's 1st XV.

The slippery conditions prevented the Old Boys' football team from developing a controlled high-marking game and the much improved 1st XVIII used speed, the front position and determined tackling to wear down their elders.

The Old Boys' team this year had better footballers, including Tony Groves, who played for Claremont this year, and a sprinkling of players from the University and Collegians' amateur football clubs. But the veterans were also there to slow or, perhaps, steady the game down.

Geoff Bevan complained that by the time he had found his judgment he'd lost his stamina. By the time his contemporaries had got their second wind they'd lost the

Best players for the Old Boys were Mick Halleen, Geoff Bevan, Chris Ablett and Len Verios.

The sensation of the 2nd Old Boys' game was 6ft. 5in. John Carroll, who dominated the ruck in a topless football jumper after having arrived 30 minutes late. The team was led by veteran Terry Newton, and Dave Law, Ted Gifford, Don Telford, Peter Marshall and "Stumpy" Treadgold gave tigerish support, but to no avail.

However, the hockey teams, recruited from the Old Boys' Hockey Club by John Bell and John Woodman, regained prestige for the veterans. Showing more skill and experience they defeated the 1st XI 9-3 and the 2nd XI 6-0.

A fast and fit Old Boys' rugby side led by Dick Hammond overpowered the School 1st XV to win 15-8. Both the 1st XI and the 1st XV won their P.S.A. competitions last year.

It was the best Old Boys' Day in years. The long weekend Monday holiday freed many Old Boys from their normal sporting competitions and this led to a big roll-up of sportsmen.

Kegs were broached in the pavilion after the game to revive some of the flagging players, most of whom expressed the hope that the Winter Sports Day will be held at the same time next year.

FIXTURES — 2nd TERM MID TERM WEEKEND Saturday 15th, Sunday 16th, Monday 17th July

Football, Hockey and Rugby

Saturday, July 22nd, v. Aquinas, at Mt.

Saturday, July 29th, v. Scotch, at Scotch, Saturday, August 5th, v. Hale, at Mt.

Saturday, August 12th, v. Wesley, at Wesley.

Saturday, August 19th, v. Guildford, at Guildford.

CADET CAMP AT NORTHAM

From Sunday, 20th August to Sunday, 27th August.

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\$150,000 APPEAL LAUNCHED

Sir Eric Sandover opened the Christ Church Grammar School Building Fund Appeal at two special dinners held last month.

Sir Eric, the Appeal President, whose father owned the land on which Christ Church was built, promised his strong support for the Appeal and spoke of the benefits it would bring to the School.

The Headmaster, Mr. P. M. Moyes, in his reply to a Toast to the School said:

"The previous Christ Church Chronicle showed something of the School's progress achieved in spite of frustrations.

Mitres from 1917 onwards and Minutes of the Council for Church of England Schools indicate that one of the outstanding qualities of earlier generations of Old Boys has been their faith in the School and their loyalty in periods of crisis.

The School was tempered by adversity. It has been better able to face the challenges, conserving and nourishing all that it valued most, while never shrinking from the need for development.

There has been that quality of imagination which is capable of foreseeing and welcoming the future, and the growth of the past seventeen years fulfilled the needs of this period. That this phase coincided with the appointment of an independent governing body led by Old Boys is not strange. Indeed a new spirit was engendered and a new school emerged. It was a phase of unprecedented growth in buildings, land and enrolments and the development of a new attitude to learning and scholarship.

Thus tradition grew — what had been valued had been conserved, nourished and added to: a belief in God; faith in the School and loyalty to it; stamina in physical activities; a thoughtfulness for others; a love of learning and an appreciation of scholarship.

Today the life of the School is vigorous and there are opportunities which never existed before.

Everyone connected with the School has been made aware of the productiveness of the combined efforts of the School Council, Old Boys' and Parents' Associations.

But this is a new age, an age of increasing complexity and the School Council is conscious of the need to provide buildings and to develop an environment in which creativity is encouraged and a boy learns to think clearly, feel deeply and act wisely. It is an age which demands emotional stability and strength of character.



Sir Eric Sandover welcomes the Parents and Friends to a special Dinner at the School last month

To this end the Council has started the next stage in the Master Plan. There are four major buildings in the next phase of the developmental plan:

- ★ The dining hall, kitchen, sick room, hospital and the luncheon service block.
- ★ The Chapel.
- ★ The Physical Education Centre.
- ★ The Senior School tutorial and administrative rooms and facilities.

THE DINING HALL BLOCK.

This will include a dining hall for 225 persons; kitchen and ancillary rooms; School Hospital with its dispensary, two sick rooms, quarters for Matron and a relieving Matron; a luncheon service for day boys; quarters for housemothers and female domestic staff.

This is the key building. Its erection will enable Craigie House to be demolished and so make free this central site for the School Chapel. Craigie House maintenance costs are high and demolition was recommended before 1951. With the removal of the kitchen and dining room from Queenslea this boarding house can be provided with study rooms and facilities for 75 boys, common rooms, a locker room, an adequate Housemaster's flat, and bed-studies for three assistant Housemasters. At present boarders study in the building erected for the woodwork centre and maintenance shop. The locker room is a very old wood and plaster building adjacent to Queenslea.

With the new luncheon service facilities the Preparatory School can take back the undercroft for its Arts and Crafts centre.

THE CHAPEL

The Chapel will seat 700 — the entire Senior School. The Preparatory School

will start school 15 minutes later and use

the Chapel for morning prayer. The uses to which the Chapel will be put include:

Services — week-day and week-ends; addresses and talks; dialogues; religious plays; music — choral and instrumental; confirmation classes; form periods.

THE PHYSICAL EDUCATION CENTRE.

This is also a key building in the Master Plan and will include:

The gymnasium (90' x 50'), office and store room. The Senior School change rooms, show-

ers and lavatories. The swimming pool (50 metres x 50 ft.). The Cadet offices and stores, e.g., Ex-

The Groundsman's shed and open

storage space. Quarters for male domestic and ground

Sportsmaster's office and store.

The completion of this Centre involves the moving of the cricket practice wickets to the Junior Oval, the placing of the swimming pool where the wickets are at present, the demolition of the old cottages, cadet sheds and groundsman's shed, and extending the oval or adding two-three tennis courts.

The pool will save considerable time in physical education periods since boys will no longer have to go down to the river. The facilities will obviously be much better.

The provision of Senior School change rooms will make it possible to demolish the existing change rooms and Senior School at a later date.

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HEADMASTER'S SPEECH

THE SENIOR SCHOOL.

The Senior School block will contain the tutorial and administrative rooms and specialist facilities. This building must of necessity come fourth on the priority list because:

New change rooms have to be provided elsewhere as I explained earlier.

Since educational ideas, needs and organisation are changing so rapidly it will be wise to examine all carefully before building. Changes in Secondary education are under discussion and alterations to Matriculation pre-requisites foreshadow changes to come.

There is a real possibility that the Commonwealth and State Governments will provide further aid and that this will be in the form of assistance for tutorial facilities.

The Council is undertaking the dining hall now. Preliminary plans have been drawn and we would expect to call tenders in August-September. It should be a reality by mid 1968.

Estimated cost of the Chapel and Physical Education Centre is \$270,000.

The project is an ambitious one but necessary and vital for our future. Undoubtedly much has been achieved in recent years but the needs of the School are urgent for the growth has been spectacular.

If we are to continue to provide leadership in education under modern conditions and to fulfil the aims of the Founder we must press ahead. We must get on with the game. We are members of a great fellowship and we have received "a goodly heritage" to which it should be our duty and our privilege to contribute each in his own time and according to his abilities.

Let us catch the vision of our Founder, Canon W. J. McClemans, and help turn this Appeal into a reality."

Headmaster to Visit Country Centres

Arrangements have been made for Dinners to be held in several country centres.

Those scheduled for the present include Katanning on July 8, Moora July 21, and Merredin July 29.

These Dinners will provide the opportunity for the Headmaster, Mr. P. M. Moyes and other speakers from the Appeal Committee to explain the development plans for the School in some detail to informal gatherings of the School "family"

Local Committees set up in these districts have assured the Headmaster of a great deal of interest among Old Boys, their wives and parents of present and past students of C.C.G.S.

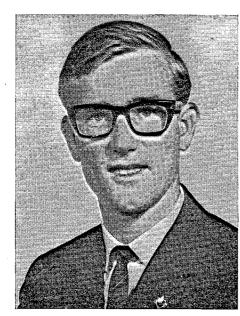
The Chairmen in the Regions are Mr. R. L. Lewis at Katanning, Mr. K. G. Topham, Moora, and Mr. A. P. Gribble at Merredin.

Invitations to the functions have been mailed. Anyone not in receipt of an invitation who would like to meet the Headmaster is asked to contact the Regional Chairman of the district concerned.

THE FIRST RHODES SCHOLAR

Peter Edwards, Christ Church Grammar School's first Rhodes Scholar, returned to the land of his birth last month to study at the Oxford University.

The Rhodes Scholarship is a £1,000 sterling (\$2.500) annual grant for outstanding scholars with sporting qualities. It is awarded in Commonwealth countries and the United States for two to three years study at Oxford.



PETER EDWARDS

Peter, who was born in England, went to Malaya with his family at an early age. He came down to Christ Church when his family settled in W.A. in 1950.

He proved himself a brilliant scholar and determined athlete in his twelve years at the School. Topping his class every year he became Dux of the School in 1961. That year he passed seven subjects with six distinctions in the Leaving public examinations.

He was awarded a General Exhibition (for the State's top 20 Leaving results), a Subject Exhibition (for the best English paper) and the University English Prize (best literary section of the English exam).

Peter returned the following year to the post-Leaving class and was made Captain of School. He added another pass and another distinction to his Leaving and was awarded Honours for debating and Colours for athletics and shooting.

POST LEAVING YEAR

On the merits of a post-Leaving year at school, Peter said: "The extra year is particularly worthwhile if you are going on to University. It makes the transition from the wholly controlled school system to the fairly free education system at University a lot easier."

In his first year at University, Peter passed with three A's and took off the French Prize. He passed with another three A's the following year and decided to direct his studies towards politics and history.

Last year Peter graduated from the two-year History Honours course with first class honours. He was also President of the Guild of Undergraduates,

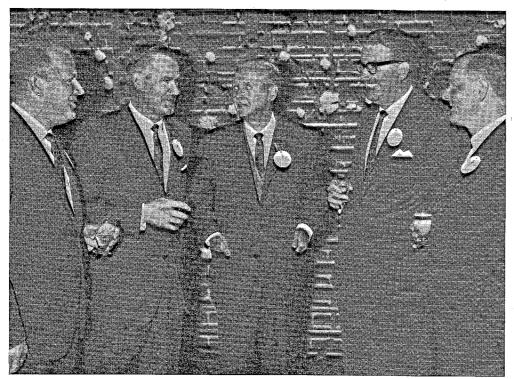
POLITICAL SCIENTIST

He was tutoring at the University before he left, though Peter insists he is still a student. He said he could be called a political scientist after he had completed his Oxford studies.

During University vacations Peter studied journalism as a casual reporter for The West Australian; he hopes to write political commentaries in the future. And despite a youth crowded with activity and achievement, his academic life is all in the future — he is 21.

Peter's brother also left his mark at Christ Church. Alan (27), left the School in 1958 after ten years as an outstanding student and successful athlete. He was also a prefect for two years and rowed in the School's first Head of the River win.

Alan married a Sydney girl in January and they are living in Saigon, where he is Second Secretary at the Australian Embassy.



Mr. Jim Battye surrounded by Old Boy Presidents Past and Present

The Story of Christ Church Part Two

• In the first issue of Christ Church Chronicle the history of the School up to 1949 was told. The story is completed with . . .

THE NEW APPROACH

In 1950, at the request of Synod, a commission was appointed by the Archbishop to consider the secondary schools owned by the Diocese and to pay particular attention to the prospects of Christ Church Grammar School becoming self supporting. To obtain an accurate estimate of the financial position of the church schools, four laymen not connected with the working of the schools were selected.

The most important recommendation of the commission's report was that the Council for Church of England Schools should be replaced by three separate councils; one for each school (Christ Church Grammar School, Guildford Grammar School and St. Hilda's).

On January 1st, 1951, this radical change in administration was initiated, coinciding with the appointment of the new Headmaster, Mr. P. M. Moyes, B.A. The new system has proved itself far superior to the old. The combination of an able Headmaster, an enthusiastic and co-operative Council, and a new awareness of the value of Church education had a remarkable effect, as shown by the enrolments: in 1951, 250; in 1966, 840.

PATTERN OF PROGRESS

The new Council, the Council of Christ Church Grammar School, decided to begin building two more classrooms for 1952. For the first year however, their efforts were directed at improving classroom lighting and furniture and the laying down of two more tennis courts.

When the curriculum was reviewed it was found to be too rigid and so changes were made. Monthly tests were introduced in the classrooms to maintain a sustained effort by pupils. As a result, schoolwork improved considerably and relatively less importance was placed on achievements in sport.

In 1952 there were seventeen permanent and seven visiting teachers on the staff. The Old Boys' War Memorial Fund was opened to provide a modern classroom wing, and building was begun in 1953. In 1952 improvements were made in the playground area near Romsey, a library was added to Queenslea, the Preparatory School and Senior School libraries were augmented, the tuckshop was also opened and was run by the boys under the direction of members of staff.

For 1953 the School Council offered for the first time Scholarships for under 13-year-old boys entering IVth form. Later in the year the original Memorial Block of three classrooms was dedicated by the Archbishop and opened by the Governor Sir Charles Gairdner. The tuckshop financed the purchase of three flights of athletic hurdles.

Enrolment at first term 1954 was 328 and there were 19 members on the permanent teaching staff. That year the Memorial Hall was begun, a drive for money to finance it was launched and the school band was formed in 1954. The hall was completed in 1955 and work commenced on the new library, tuckshop and masters' change room, at the western end of the administrative block.



Many ladies joined their husbands in supporting the Appeal

A strong feeling of purpose at the School among the boys, the staff, Council and the Parent's and Old Boys' Associations was reflected in excellent scholastic achievements and in sporting results.

In 1956 the roll had grown to 420 and the staff to 27. The new Preparatory School (replacing the building on the Stirling Highway corner) and infant classrooms were commenced. In November, 1956 came the eagerly-awaited announcement that Christ Church Grammar School had been invited to join the Public Schools' Association.

Here was the fulfilment of Canon Mc-Cleman's dream, and the reward of all those who for so long had worked for the School

In the School's first full year in the P.S.A., 1957, a new boatshed was built and in the Junior and Leaving Examinations the results were outstanding; the first Government Exhibition won by a Christ Church boy was secured.

More building was carried out in 1958 when 439 were enrolled. The new Queenslea House dining room, ablution block and dormitories, were constructed. Land in Queenslea Drive was bought. The School won the Head of the River (and again in 1959).

In 1959, when there were 504 boys at the school, the new change rooms and ablution block at the Middle School were completed for £5,000. The science wing in the Memorial Block was also built at a cost of £20,000. This is now the Junior Science wing.

Agreements were made for the purchase of the Giles block of land between Elders house (now the Headmaster's residence) and Knutsford, and also for the purchase of 20 acres of land at Mt. Claremont. Work was begun immediately on the levelling and planting of ovals.

1960 saw a temporary halt in this remarkable rate of progress and improvement while the school prepared for the next phase.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

The Manual Training Centre, now being used as the Queenslea House Common

Rooms, was erected in 1961 on the northern side of Craigie for £4,250.

STOP PRESS

Appeal total to date

\$69,300 towards

\$150,000 target

Going well

In 1962 a start was made to the completion of the Memorial building. A second storey was built on the memorial classrooms, and a new staff common rooms and senior school library was constructed, joining the memorial classrooms and the science wing. This work was completed in 1963 at a cost of £23,000.

A memorial pavilion at Mt. Claremont was erected in 1963, at a cost of £13,000, all of which was provided by the Parents' Association and the Old Boys' Association. During 1964 the School commenced full use of the ovals at Mt. Claremont. The total cost of developing this area was in the region of £33,000.

Also in 1964, construction of the Advanced Science Wing was begun, and later a groundsman's shed and scorer's box was built at Mt. Claremont. The scorer's box was paid for by a donation of some £350 from the School Tuckshop Committee.

In 1965 the Advanced Science Wing was completed. The building, with facilities reputed to be the best in W.A., cost £53,000. Towards this, the Industrial Fund for the Advancement of Scientific Education made available a grant of £15,000 and a further £3,800 was provided by the Commonwealth Government.

During the year negotiations were entered into with the State Government for the purchase of Knutsford Hospital. This property was opened as a new boarding house "McClemans" for 1st term, 1966. This new boarding house will cater for 60 boarders. The cost, about \$65,000.

The School also purchased the Elders house in Queenslea Drive during 1965. That has now become the headmaster's residence. The former headmaster's residence has been converted to an Arts Centre with facilities for music, pottery, painting and silk screening. There is also a conference room which can be used for meetings by any of the Committees associated with the School.

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