

## What Ned Said...

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It was a clear case of déjà vu for me when a recent edition of the Rural Weekly featured Slade old boy, raconteur, bush poet and camp-oven celebrity master chef, the one and only Ned Winter. Ned was guest speaker at our 2017 Reunion Dinner where he clearly demonstrated a knack for taking his audience back to his droving days with his trademark sense of humour (extra dry).

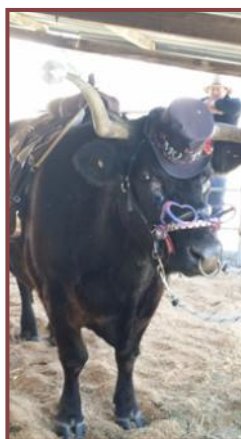
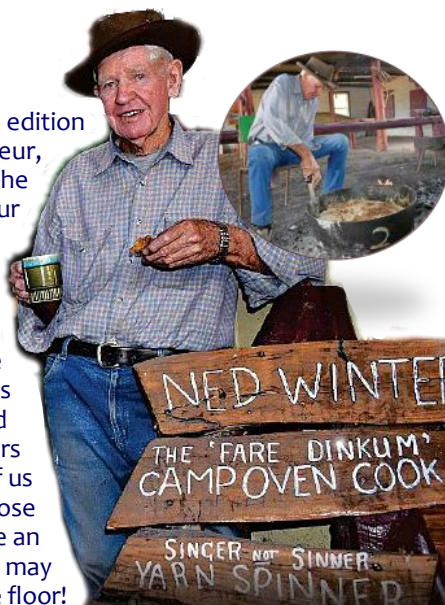
Ned's Shed and Ned's Corner is something of a local institution round Millmerran and Cecil Plains where he combines his bush know-how with introducing tourists to true blue country hospitality including billy tea and damper. The Ned Winter experience introduces visitors to a way of doing things that, while familiar to those of us with a country background, is mostly unknown to those who have never ventured far from the city and is quite an eye opener for tourists to Australia. A little leg pulling may also be part of the entertainment when Ned holds the floor!

Ned, 83 years young, has collected a vast assortment of authentic cast iron camp ovens of various sizes from all round the country and puts them all to good use preserving a way of life that many thought long gone and forgotten. He also has Ned's Corner on the market so if you know any cashed-up bush-loving entrepreneurs give us a shout! Now over to Ned...

*"I was involved in tourism going back to 1961. As a young fella I had some bright ideas. A lot of young fellas get bright ideas, but they can't carry them out. I started a six-day tour to south-west Queensland. I only did a few trips and I didn't have any money, and no idea, so I went broke so I went back droving. I did a lot of droving over the years, sheep and cattle.*

*"Droving back in the day you didn't have caravans or anything like that. You just had your horses and dogs, and maybe a truck. That was my occupation for years but I always had the idea I wanted to have another go with tourism.*

*"One of the first things I did was put up a big fence to keep in the kangaroos. I know that there's millions of kangaroos in Australia and they're a pest to the graziers and farmers and they're a hindrance on the road and create a lot of accidents and deaths but a lot of city and overseas people want to see kangaroos." And the rest, as they say, is history. Ned, Slade 1949 – 1950, is bound to be somewhere close at hand during Millmerran's biennial Camp Oven Festival October 6 and 7 this year. Several of our past students also live in and around Millmerran so this front page story focuses on things familiar to them.*



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## Editor's Notes...

### OUR GREAT BIG 100 YEAR CEGS REUNION

October 20-21, is approaching fast. We, the organising committee, will be making some final decisions in situ at the SCPSA AGM and Reunion on the first weekend in August. A colder winter than those we have been treated to in recent years has served to remind us of at least one of the reasons why we settled on October as the celebration date. The pictures on page 5 will also jog at least a few memories of what Warwick was like for us in winter!

**THIS KINAWAH** comes fairly close on the heels of the last one but gives a good opportunity to remind everyone about the August 4 date. Looking at the two old girls' reunion photos on page 6 brings it home to me how precious memories can be when we make the effort to attend such occasions. So many of the girls in both photos are now no longer with us—another excellent reason to take opportunities like this when they are offered to us.

We enjoyed a wonderful reaction to the photos of our PNG girls that were published in the last Kinawah. It is hugely rewarding to receive such great feedback. Some of your responses are printed in Mailbag on page 6. Leigh Nisbet has also reminded us that there are a swag of old St Catharine's photos in the museum for us to look at. No doubt there will be lots of memories to be rekindled from amongst that lot. Looking forward to seeing them.

Again I welcome reader content sent in for this issue. Paul Masson has let us know about National Cobb and Co. Day to be held again in his home town, Yuleba, on August 14 and Peter Ramsay has sent in a photo of a recent match up between him and Percy Tesch on the bowling green. Thank you, Helen Moloney for news of the special Benjamin Glennie celebrations in August. Thanks too, to David Brownsdon and Gillian Boucher for the information included in our tribute to John Boucher. David and John stayed close friends since their days together at Slade and some of us had the pleasure of meeting John and his wife, Gillian at Breakfast Creek last year. Thanks also are extended to Walter Robb who sent in news of the passing of Peter Crossman who was at Slade around 1963.

Please note the mention of Donald Dreher at right. Sadly this is often the only way we find out if someone has passed away. We will have more details to share about Donald in the next Kinawah.

Till next time I leave you with this thought

**Success is not final; failure is not fatal: It is the courage to continue that counts.**

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## LOST AND FOUND

*'Cast your bread upon the waters and it will return in many days'...*

All help is greatly appreciated with keeping contact details current. Happy to be put back in touch again with Rev. Colin Roberts after Gwenda Sorensen put me on his trail.

Last communication to Donald Dreher (Ocean Grove, Victoria) was returned 'not at this address'. A subsequent online search of death notices revealed a Herald Sun June 16 listing which noted 'A private funeral to be held for Donald Phillip Dreher'.

Here are the next few names of others we are currently unable to confirm contact details for.

Now, right down at the end of the alphabet...

Ruth Wishart '71-'72  
Richard Woolcock '37-'40  
Hank Chee Woo  
Allan Wood '46-'51  
Ben Wright '56-'56  
Suzanne Yates  
Wing Yip William Yuan

As always, if you know any of the above who may have died we need to know.

If you can otherwise help put us in touch with a missing contact we would be very glad to hear from you.

Some more names of old girls for whom we have no contact details are listed with the old photos on page 8 that someone has sent in, happily with a full list of names!



## Cookie's Corner

**I HAVE JUST ARRIVED HOME FROM A LONG AWAITED BACK-TO-BOLLON VISIT.**

You may or may not be aware that far western Queensland and New South Wales has been in the grip of prolonged drought for several years and I saw plenty of evidence of it in my travels including hundreds of dead wildlife carcasses on the side of the road. Lots of our past students have country roots and understand perfectly what is meant by doing it tough in the bush. Passing through all those western towns so familiar to me reminded me of so many of my former school fellows who came away from there to boarding school. Hats off to Thallon which featured on a recent episode of the ABC TV program *Backroads!* Thallon has made it on to the national stage big time by creating a giant signature landmark of its silos. I will keep Cookie's Corner short on words this time and let the pictures do the talking! The silos in the picture at bottom right are well worth a look if you are venturing south westwards!

In the meantime, I look forward to catching up with as many of you as possible August 4!

Until next time...



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### WHAT'S ON for SCPSA:

- **4 August, 2018**  
**AGM & Reunion Dinner**  
**Get Together**
- **October 20-21, 2018**  
**CEGS Centennial**  
**Celebrations**
- **1 November, 2018**  
**Awards Evening WCC**
- **3 November, 2018**  
**Breakfast Creek**  
**Get Together**
- **12 November, 2018**  
**Remembrance Day**  
**Observance WCC**

**STILL  
RECOVERING  
AT HOME AFTER  
RECENT ILLNESS**

Neil Dight  
Roger Frizzell

Rock bottom became the foundation on which I rebuilt my life. JK Rowling



## AGM and Reunion 2018

Our AGM and Reunion Dinner August 4, is shaping up to be one to remember. If you have not yet replied to your invitation be sure to respond ASAP as time is fast running out. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible and presenting our newly minted official Membership Certificates to all our valued financial members attending. As we mentioned last time, if you are not yet a member and wish to join please send the membership officer an email at: [scpsa.membership1@bigpond.com](mailto:scpsa.membership1@bigpond.com) or telephone me on **0418 987 900**. The committee will be unveiling a number of initiatives that we have in the pipeline on this, our reunion weekend and would be delighted for you to be part of the proceedings. John Bayliss



**Saturday, November 3**  
**11.00 AM FOR LUNCH**

**NEW  
DATE**

## Breakfast Creek Reunion

### 2018 ANNUAL GET-TOGETHER

### Slade/St Catharine's Past Students

**2 Kingsford Smith Drive - Breakfast Creek. 4020**

- There will be an area set aside for us at the front.
- Buy your own drinks and meals
- Partners etc. are more than welcome
- No speeches or formal proceedings
- Catch up with old classmates in a relaxed atmosphere

**TO FIND OUT MORE, CONTACT**  
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# Roberts House: Warwick Christian College Prep School

**F**OLLOWING ON FROM MY LAST PIECE IN KINAWAH, a school can also be measured by the state of its buildings. Over the last term, work was carried out refurbishing the ground floor of the street side of Roberts House into our new Prep room. The work is almost finished and the class has already been using the area since the start of term. It is beautiful.

No doubt some will look with nostalgia at the change of use of this area. But most, today, after so many years without boarders, are excited to see the space being used every day by the many keen, young students who will one day have so many stories and memories from their own, hopefully happy, schooling days. The theme in this era is 'bright, colourful, functional and fun'.

While the outside is not completely ready at the time of writing, the photos will show how very different the area now looks. The bunya pine was removed so the kids could roll down the hill – that was the idea. But then the hill was terraced for a better playing surface with only the corner being a good rolling-down hill – I insisted some hill for rolling be left. The big bunya pine near Slade House is safe as long as it stands strong.

We are now turning our gaze to the other side of Roberts House to refurbish this ground floor wing into the Year 1/2 room for the start of next year. It is a very pleasing measure of our school to see the student numbers grow and hear how parents are telling their friends to bring their children here for a better schooling experience. Buildings alone will never make a great school.

A great school community is needed to make a great school and we are definitely moving in that direction. The ongoing support of the Slade Campus Past Students' Association helps us remember and value the many hundreds of people who have contributed so much to building the school up over the last ninety-two years. I hope to meet many more of you over the next few months and especially at the hundred-year celebration of St Catharine's.

At right is part of a very pleasing email from Independent Schools Queensland (ISQ) that arrived two weeks ago:

*ISQ has identified 12 out of 212 Independent schools that are making significant gains in Reading, as identified by NAPLAN results - over a period of many years.*

*Warwick Christian College is one of [these]12 schools and we would love for Warwick Christian College to participate in this research.*

This helps confirm what I already knew – we have great teachers!

It is a very exciting time in the history of College and I look forward to seeing God's blessing on our work together.

Thank you for all your support of the College

May God bless you, *Carmelo Rubio, Principal*



*If you could turn back time...*

**YOU ARE INVITED**  
to attend a special gathering:

Bull's Head Inn at Drayton  
to celebrate 170 years since

Benjamin Glennie  
conducted  
his first church service  
on the Darling Downs.



**Some shared history...**

**B**enjamin Glennie 1812-1900, was ordained priest in 1849. In 1850 he transferred from the temporary St John's Church in Brisbane to Drayton on the Darling Downs. 1850-60 he was responsible for the whole of the Downs but after the diocese of Brisbane was created and his territory divided into parishes, he served at Warwick 1860-72 and Drayton 1872-76, undertaking long and arduous pastoral tours, in the early years averaging (4828 km) a year on foot or horseback. He laid the foundations of a parochial system by establishing congregations, buying strategic sites and building churches including those bearing the names of the four Gospel writers, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. In 1868 he married Mary Brougham (1826-1890), daughter of William Crawshaw, master mariner, and his wife Mary. They had no children.

Glennie may rightly be ranked as the pioneer of the Anglican ministry in Queensland. He won widespread affection and respect for his devoted pastoral work, his long, patient ministry in the face of many setbacks, his extensive travels and his foresight in laying the foundations of a parochial structure that provided for the future growth of the Church of England. Although often poor through the failure of his people to support him adequately, he was generous with money and by personal exertion raised the nucleus of the fund which made possible the foundation in 1908 of the Glennie School in Toowoomba. He is often referred to as the 'Apostle of the Downs'. *Australian Dictionary of Biography*

## **Program for Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2018**

- 10.30 to 10.45 am** Parishioners from St John's Dalby, St Mark's Warwick, St Luke's Toowoomba and St Matthew's Drayton gather and walk to the inn as early settlers would have done
- 10.50 to 11 am** Arrival of 'Glennie' at the inn on a horse drawn sulky
- 11 to 12 noon** Church Service followed by recognition of St Matthew's Church parishioners for donation of the timber fence.
- 12 to 1 pm** Picnic lunch in the grounds
- 1pm to 1.30 pm** Historic talk on Benjamin Glennie
- 1.30 pm** Entertainment by Drayton State School students
- RSVP** 0490 363 719 or toowoomba@nationaltrustqld.org
- NB no parking at the Inn. Parking at Drayton State School and surrounding streets.**

*Remember when... Wintry Warwick and Southern Downs*





## More PNG Connections...

## Calling All Old Girls



First ever Old Girls' Reunion Dinner, Mytton 1951

Repurposed old shop being moved into place where it became Massey House



Old Girls' Reunion Toowoomba, August 1991



**T**HE ORGANISING COMMITTEE that has been putting together this year's celebrations is now getting down to the pointy end of our planning for the big weekend October 20 and 21. A few people are getting anxious about a final program. We are still juggling a few possibilities which include as many of the suggestions that you sent in after our initial expression of interest went out as will be possible.

- ① One of the things that we need to take into account is the fact that a few people are attending on Saturday only and we want to make both days as meaningful as we can manage and still build in lots of 'natter time'.
- ② Saturday's events are centred firmly in the hall which many of us remember as the cultural centre of the school. We will have lots of memorabilia on display and have some entertainment planned as well.
- ③ Some of the girls have already sent in photos for us to put on display. These are mainly formal school photos that were available for purchase at school each year but we would also love to include any snapshots you might have taken with a camera if you were lucky enough to have one at school. (Photography was so much more expensive then as I'm sure you will recall.) Things like hair washing on Saturday morning and photos taken in front of our old school buildings which we never dreamed would be demolished in a few short years. It's amazing how things we never spared a thought for at the time can become significant memories later on.
- ④ Last thing I will mention now is that we are producing a simple booklet outlining the history of all four schools... so stay tuned!

## Mailbag



**Kim-Maree Burton 11 June**

... the photographs brought back many memories of the New Guinea and Papuan Girls; thank you! With regard to the Reunion, I will be in attendance on Saturday (and Dinner) however a pre-engagement as guest speaker at a Mount Isa Reunion in Brisbane the next day will see me depart Warwick early Sunday morning.

**Lyn Kennedy 11 June**

... I'm sure lots of people recognised Bozo the school dog, actually the gardener's [dog]. He's sitting at Marion's feet. Haven't a clue who the corgi is. Great to see the PNG pix.

**Raymond Hammond 15 June**

Great to get the latest Kinawah--thanks for sending it. Re the "Ghost" of Highfields...as I remember it, the house was a Queenslander-style construction supported by timber posts. On the South (Warwick) side it was quite high and had a cement-floored room under the

verandah. This was not lined and you could get a fair way underneath. (Most of us left an autograph on the floor boards). Housemaster at that time was Colin McPherson (Who--for some reason--we called "Heifer") The Housekeeper was Mrs Walker--nice old lady who made a good cup of cocoa. They both had rooms at the North (road) side of the house and we weren't allowed up that end--except when Mrs Walker took pity on us and let us watch her TV. Seem to remember there were grape vines and an apricot tree on that side that we used to raid too. There may have been a cellar underneath the kitchen (North side)....but if there was, we never saw it, and no one ever talked about it. (With a mob of teenage boys, you would think that if a cellar was there, somebody would have found it....Makes a good story anyway!

**Ted Ross 24 June**

Re the latest Kinawah...there is information that a Buruka Morea (Tau) has passed away as per information from our PNG ladies. In the St Catharine's roll there is no record of a Buruka Morea having been enrolled. There is

a record for a Buruka Tau (left 1963 no enrol date available). This leads to another question which you may be able to solve through contact with the PNG ladies. Enrolled at St Catharine's were Dea Margaret Morea ('72-'73) and Dia Morea ('70-'75). Enrolled at Slade was Raka Morea ('57-'58). Is it possible that Buruka Tau married Raka Morea? From the above information I will assume that it was Buruka Tau who has passed away. The reference to Ted Diro is great. Ted (Edward Ramu) was at Slade in 1962 in year 11. Attached is some information which gives an insight to his colourful career. Ted also has a son, Edward, who attended Slade from '82/'84 and completed years 11 and 12.



### \*Editor's Note

Thanks Ted. We'll run the other Ted's story in the next Kinawah.



# Relive Australia's historic past August 14, 2018: National Cobb & Co. Day, Yuleba...

**MARKING THE HISTORY OF HORSE DRAWN TRANSPORT IN AUSTRALIA**

On the 14<sup>th</sup> August 1924, Australia's final Cobb and Co. Coach ran from Surat to Yuleba. This marked the end of 70 years of mail, passenger, and freight service being delivered by horse and coach. Coach No 112, a white coach, was built at Charleville and completed the last run on Mail Service 177 (Surat to Yuleba).

This historic vehicle, on display in the Cobb & Co. Museum in Toowoomba, is on loan from the National Museum in Canberra.

Starting in Victoria, 1853, Cobb and Co. Coach runs were crucial to the development of our emerging nation from Queensland all the way through to the just-beginning-to-be-explored country all the way over in Western Australia at that time.

You may be surprised to learn that a journey by coach was regarded as first class travel despite dust, heat, floods, insects, poor roads and cramped conditions not to mention the possibility of being accosted by Bushrangers!

The Yuleba committee for this year's festivities has sought support and assistance from the Toowoomba Cobb and Co. Museum. It has also contacted David Iliffe about the possibility of an outside radio broadcast with ABC Southern QLD at the Museum.

Janelle Insley (nee Horriban) recorded this ABC Open Southern Queensland video in 2013.

Janelle's family were at the Bainbilla Changing Station between Surat and Yuleba and changed the horses on Australia's Last Run on 14 August 1924. Visit [ABC OPEN: The coach that did the final Cobb & Co run || From Project ... https://open.abc.net.au/explore/58759Oct](https://open.abc.net.au/explore/58759Oct) for Janelle's story. Cobb and Co represents an enormously significant, if sometimes forgotten, part of a great many Australian communities.

2018 marks 94 years since the last Cobb and Co. coach run in Australia and Yuleba State School is hosting a town parade beginning at the school at finishing at Garth Cox Park to celebrate this occasion. Individuals, schools, historical and community groups and Councils are invited to revisit and explore their own links with history every year on 14 August. Check it out!



## Two Slade old boys

met in combat and not a drop of blood was drawn! Several of our members lead, or have led extremely active lives as sportsmen and women and/or sports officials. Just a few of these pursuits that I am aware of personally include rowing, hockey, golf, cycling, swimming, ½ marathon running, cricket, flying and athletics. Active bodies go hand in hand with active minds and social lives (or so we are led to believe!)

Peter Ramsay ( Manly ) and Percy Tesch ( Belmont Services ) recently played in opposing teams in a round of the Gateway District Bowls Pennant competition.

Peter is a long standing active committee member and Percy is someone that we recently regained touch with. Both are keen to re-establish contact with old school buddies and would love to meet up with a few more at our usual gathering at the Breakfast Creek Hotel this year on November 3.

If you have any stories of this nature to share we'd all love to hear from you!

# Walking back through time:



◀ THE GIRLS IN GRADE 7 AND 8 IN 1964 WITH MISS FLOOD WERE:

Back Row from left:

Mabel Willie, Ruth Postle, Margaret Miller, Christine DeVene, Mary Tutuana, Joan Eastwell, Kathryn Beech, Susan Gale, Annette Hockings, Jean Barber, Margaret Manabona

Middle Row:

Sharon Maloney, Trudie Redmond, Katherine Elwing, Gail Koina, Shirley Jorgenson, Linnette Minton, Miss Flood, Elizabeth Kinane, Cheryl Donahue, Catherine Abbott, Pam Dixon, Marlene Erdman

Front Row:

Suzanne Baker, Susan Bramley, Elizabeth Hutton, Jan Slader, Koi Rima, Susan Hirshfeld, Helen Frost

Knelling at front: Betty-Ann Loney

↑ So many girls in these two classes we know little more about all these years later. Sadly we are aware of some who are now deceased but we have no knowledge of the whereabouts of Joan Eastwell, Christine DeVene, Susan Gale, Annette Hockings, Katherine Elwing, Shirley Jorgenson, Cheryl Donahue, Liz Kinane, Suzanne Baker or Susan Hirshfeld. Can you help fill us in?

**FIVE SHORT YEARS ON FROM THE OPENING OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND GIRLS SCHOOL, WARWICK:**

We know little about this photo apart from the CEGS 1923 marking the basketball. Can you identify the building or any of the players? ➔

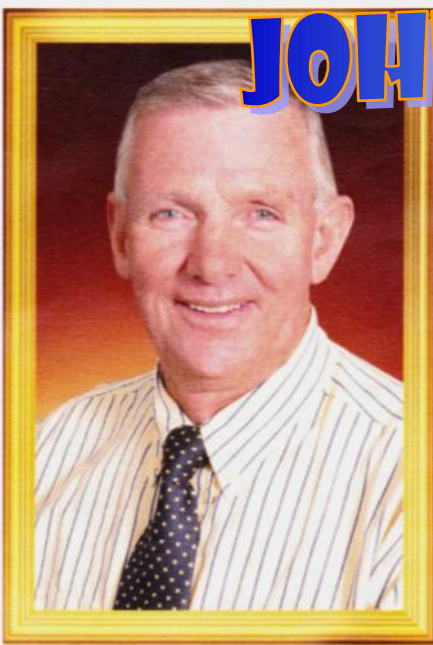
**MYTTON HOUSE, BELOW AS IT MUST HAVE LOOKED IN ITS HEY DAY:**

Serving as school refectory, laundry, dormitory and even class rooms at times, Mytton was purchased for the school by JHS Barnes in 1918 for the sum of £3200.

It has been restored as a private residence today. ↓



# JOHN BOUCHER 1945-2018



*Slade old boy, a dedicated local community supporter and family man.*

local real estate agency which was where his love for real estate had its birth more than three decades ago. John subsequently went on to run his own real estate business from home and was awarded the highly prestigious honour of 'Fellow of the Real Estate Institute of Queensland'.

While John was, without doubt, a respected businessman, his other contributions to the community will perhaps be what he is best remembered for and what led to his recent nomination for Australia Day Honours.

John's first involvement with the Stanthorpe Agricultural Society was as a ten year old helping his parents with fruit displays at show time. As an adult he went on to work with the Ring and Rodeo Committee, was Chief Steward of the annual Fruit and Vegetable Display and served for a time as President of the Agricultural Society, working with Showgirl entrants to raise funds for the continued successful operation of the Show Society and Stanthorpe Showgrounds, all in a voluntary capacity.

John was an executive member of his local Chamber of Commerce, serving as Chamber representative on the Road Safety Consultation Group. In 2016 the Chamber granted him Honorary Life Membership, the only time such an honour has ever been conferred.

As a volunteer fire-fighter for more than 40 years John saw extensive front-line service and also served as Group Chairman and Fire Warden. In 2017 he was awarded Queensland's Fire and Emergency Services Medal.

Obviously not one to lie about, John also played soccer for Glen Aplin and Carlton and United and was actively involved in fund raising for many years including collecting and selling sheep manure.

John was also the inaugural President of the

Stanthorpe and District Men's Shed overseeing the establishment of Shed premises in the Stanthorpe Showgrounds. He was actively involved in securing financial and in-kind support from the community giving the group a strong foundation to build on.

In 2016, Stanthorpe Rotary awarded John a Paul Harris Fellow, an award given by Rotary to persons who they believe are deserving of formal recognition for their contribution to the community.

John's résumé reveals that he was also a founding member of The Stanthorpe Sporting Car Club (Carnell Raceway), a Councillor on Stanthorpe Shire Council for three terms, a volunteer organiser of 'Light the Night' Leukaemia Foundation fund raiser in Stanthorpe, a member and supporter of Landcare, Stanthorpe Art Gallery and a long term member of the National Party and LNP.

Notwithstanding, John is probably best remembered as one who never sought public recognition for his community service. In line with this, John was an active and tireless member of his local St Paul's Anglican Church in Stanthorpe. He served as a Parish Councillor for 35 years and was appointed as Rector's Warden continuing on in this capacity, by popular demand beyond the mandatory retirement age. Through his church, John also organised and supported many projects such as raising funds for Chaplaincy. One such activity involved organising the procurement and picking of apples and arranging teams to assist and in their delivery for juicing and then transporting the bottled juice.

For John Boucher, the Granite Belt and in particular, Mt Tully, remained 'God's country'. He loved the area, the people and community that he worked so tirelessly for. Just weeks before his untimely passing, John, with his wife, family and extended family and friends, joined with his mother, Agnes, to celebrate her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday in the main Exhibition Pavilion at the Stanthorpe Showgrounds. ↓

**J**OHN ROY BOUCHER may have spent his entire life living on the Granite Belt apart from the years he attended Slade School as a student but he left an extra large footprint there. A précis of his involvement in the Stanthorpe community could easily be a standout model for what giving back to those we live and work with can aspire to be.

The first-born of twins, John was a baby boomer who grew up on a farm at Mt Tully. He attended several primary schools but completed his formal education at Slade where he made life-long friends. Returning to the family farm he worked hard but enjoyed life to the fullest. He has been described as someone who burned the candle at both ends, enjoying an active social life with good friends. Hand in hand with this was his love of entertaining and unfailing support for others, less fortunate who might need help.

Professionally his career took an interesting path. Although he never lost his rural roots he, his wife Gillian and children, Peta and Cameron, left the family farm in 1980 to work for Peter Diamond as a photographer for Southern Queensland and New South Wales business brochures. It was an outcome of this that the opportunity presented itself to join a

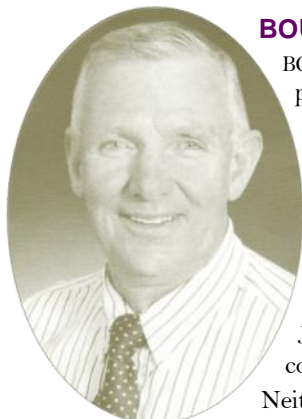
**“ He ... never sought public recognition for his community service ”**



PER VOLAR SONATA – PATRIBUS DIGNI ESTOTE: *Born to fly higher – Be worthy of our forebears*

***"Lives are like rivers. Eventually they go where they must. Not where we want them to."***

*Richard Russer*



### **BOUCHER, John**

BOUCHER, John Roy, late of Mt Tully, passed away peacefully Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2018 aged 72 years after a struggle with lung cancer and pneumonia. A funeral service for John at St Paul's Anglican Church, Stanthorpe was held Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2018 where he served faithfully all his adult life.

John attended Slade in 1961 and completed Junior.

Neither John's twin brother, Michael, or other brother, David, attended Slade but his older sister, Nicolette attended St Catharine's 1949 -1950. The family is shown below with their mother Agnes on the occasion of her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2017.



Left to Right: David, John, Nicolette and Michael with their twice widowed mother, Agnes McKechnie.

Our thoughts at this time are with his wife, Gillian, daughter, Peta, son-in law, Cameron and family and son, Cameron and daughter in law, Susan and family. (Seven grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.



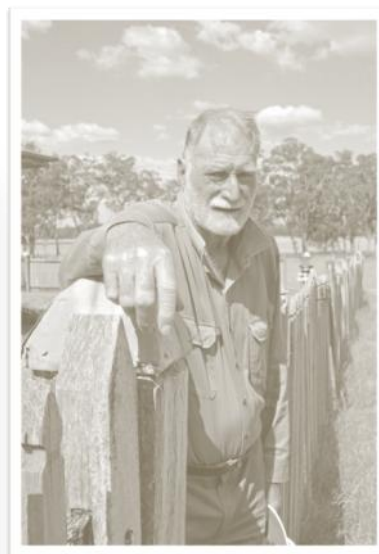
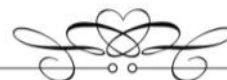
### **CROSSMAN, Peter**

CROSSMAN, Peter John, late of Chapel Hill, and formerly of Townsville, passed away Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2018 aged 68 years after a battle with melanoma.

A funeral service to celebrate Peter's life was held at St Andrew's Anglican Church, Indooroopilly Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> July.

As is sometimes the way of things, Walter Robb worked with Peter for many years before both realised they were fellow old Slade boys. The photo of Peter in his Slade uniform and supplied by Walter was part of the Order of Service for his funeral. Peter attended Slade briefly aged 13, around 1963.

His family then moved up country before he returned later to finish his high schooling at Warwick SHS. Peter then went on to complete a PhD in Economics at James Cook University where he became Associate Professor in Economics and Statistics. He later moved south to the Queensland Treasury to lead the Economics Division, before taking up the position of Assistant Under-Treasurer and Government Statistician. Peter also spent two years as advisor to the Director-General of the Statistics Centre Abu Dhabi (where Walter also worked for a time) before his retirement. Our thoughts are with his wife, Deborah and their family at this sad time.



## **Alan Gilbert Wickham: an Enduring Legacy...**

**A**s reported in the 2017 September October November Kinawah, Alan Gilbert Wickham was lost to us suddenly as the result of a horrific road accident in August last year. Alan's two sisters, Jean and Hazel, both attended St Catharine's and a number of other members of the Wickham family were also students at our schools including Edwin Charles Wickham (Slade, 1959-1962).

Following the sad loss of her husband, Alan's wife, Carmel, was kind enough to donate a substantial sum of money to the Association which we have put to use for a much needed upgrade of our SCPSA website. The totally redesigned website is still a work in progress but we are confident everyone will be delighted with the result. Vice President, John Bayliss, has been liaising with the company which has been engaged for this project and the results so far speak for themselves.

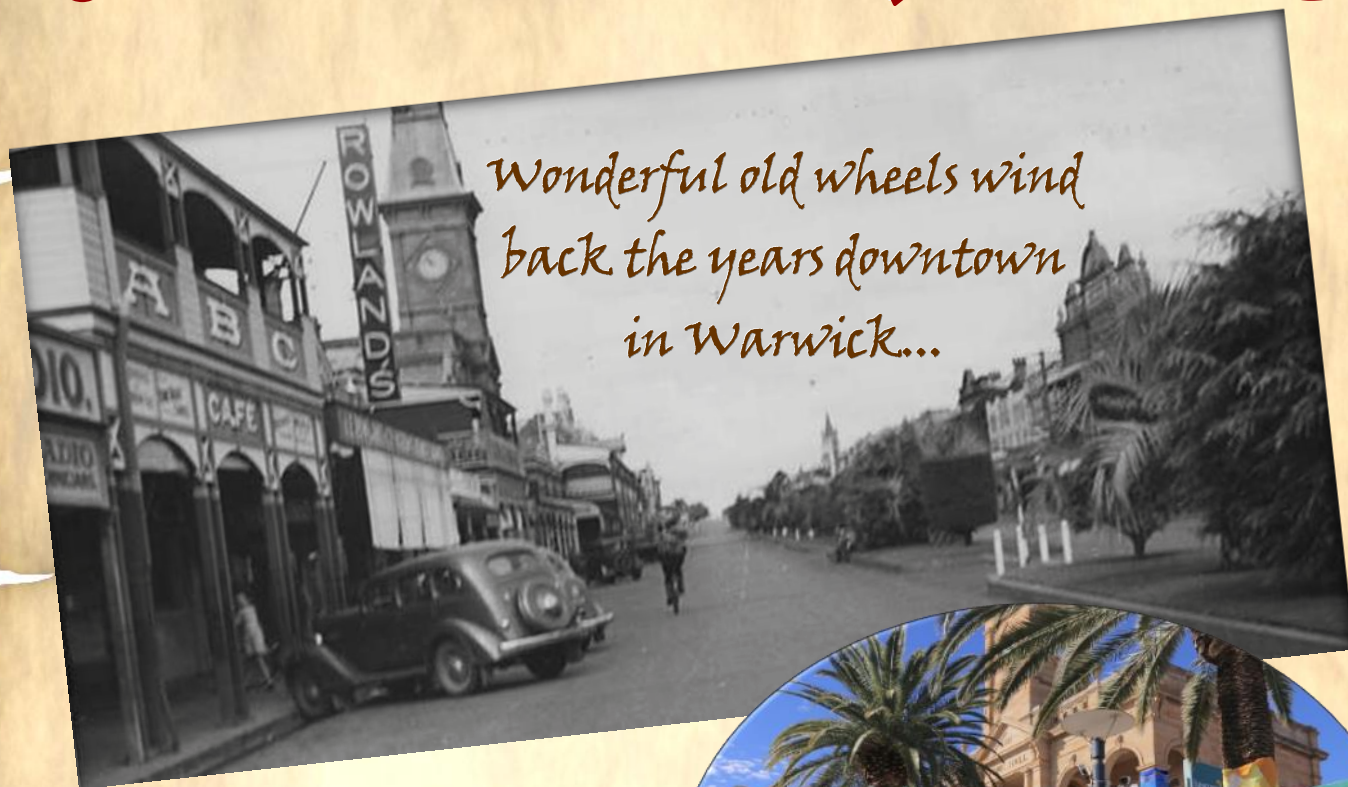
When the work is complete, acknowledgement will be made on the site for those benefactors who have made it all possible.

Mention must also be made here of the late Harry Haxton whose original donation and ongoing sponsorship of the site until his death last year made this present-day necessity a reality for us.

***"Death is not extinguishing the light. It is putting out the lamp because the dawn has come."*** *Rabindranath Tagore*

worthy of their forebears

# OLD AND INTERESTING...



*Wonderful old wheels wind  
back the years downtown  
in Warwick...*

↑ Nose-in parking in Palmerin Street 1938 and, 80 years later, still near the town hall, a lovingly restored FJ Holden, at Jumpers and Jazz 2018. ➔



↑ Social gathering at St Mark's Church of England rectory around 1895



Members of the Slade Campus Past Students' Association are committed custodians of the history of Slade School and St Catharine's Church of England Girls School, and of the two schools which preceded the formation of St Catharine's Warwick, St Catharine's Church of England Girls High School, Stanthorpe and CEGS Warwick and the Warwick Christian College. Members of the Association may include past students and members of staff of Slade School or of St Catharine's Church of England School, or of the St Catharine's Church of England Girls High School Stanthorpe, or the Church of England Girls School, Warwick or Warwick Christian College and their descendants, past students of any other school, who have attended the campus and members of staff of any other school, who have attended the campus.



## St Catharines/Slade School Facebook

Our Facebook page is 281 members strong as of July 22, 2018...



## More Humour with byte

- ☺ I finally got around to making a New Year's Resolution...to procrastinate less.
- ☺ The Dublin pensioners club go on a mystery tour every Wednesday and to make it interesting they have a sweep to guess where they are going. Shamus, the coach driver, has won five weeks on the trot.
- ☺ "A gossip is one who talks to you about others, a bore is one who talks to you about himself whereas and a brilliant conversationalist is one who talks to you about yourself."
- ☺ I was doing an overnight at a hotel away from home. I took my computer down to the bar to do some data entries. I sat down at the bar and I asked the bartender, 'What's the Wifi password?'  
 Bartender: 'You need to buy a drink first.'  
 Me: 'Okay, I'll have a beer.'  
 Bartender: 'We have Molson's Canadian on tap'  
 Me: 'Sure. How much is that?'  
 Bartender: '\$8.00.'  
 Me: 'Here you are. OK now, what's the Wifi password?'  
 Bartender: 'youneedtobuyadrinkfirst'...No spaces and all lowercase.'



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