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Gone but not forgotten...

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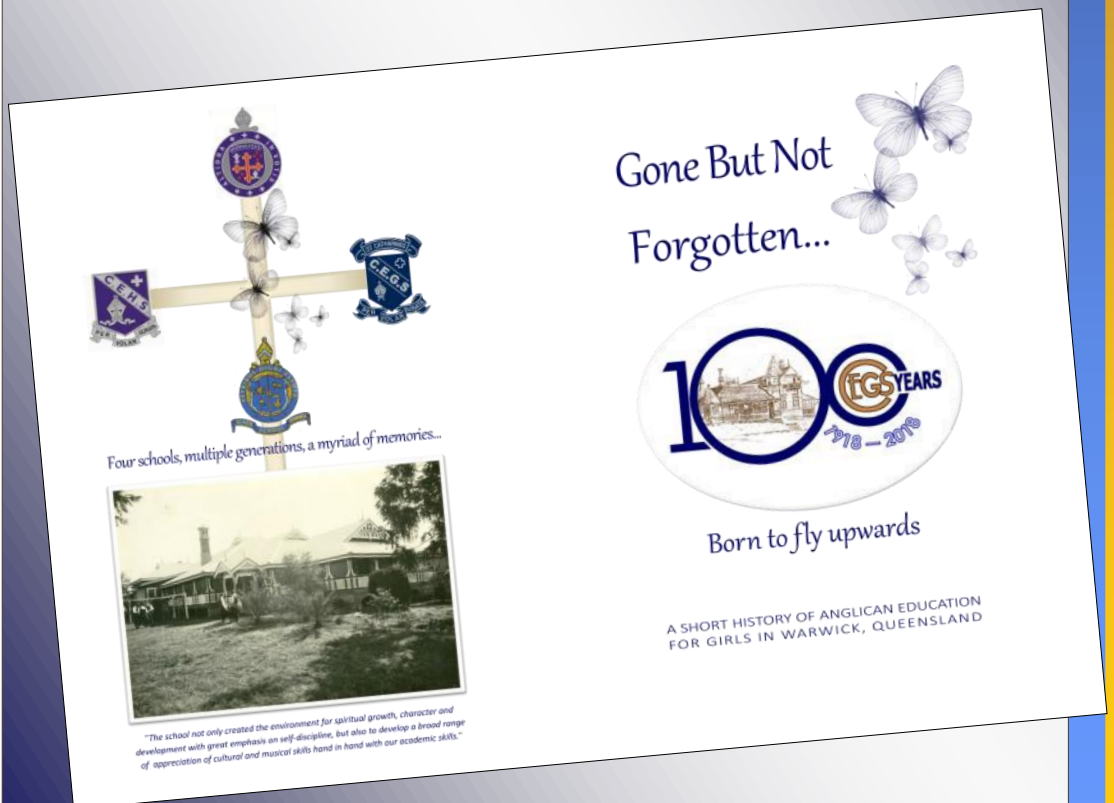
As we move into the final few weeks before the long awaited and highly anticipated October 20-21 celebrations in Warwick, there are just one or two i's to be dotted and t's to be crossed before all is in readiness for this once-in-a-lifetime event.

Who would have dreamed just a few short years ago when the future of the Slade Campus was in such dire peril that so many of us would be able to meet like this? In this place of huge mutual significance we have the privilege of celebrating the genesis of a school that no longer exists and of reliving old times together.

I am also happy to announce that the souvenir booklet now awaits no more than a few simple finishing touches before it goes to print.

By way of an teaser a thumbnail of the cover appears below. I feel that this production is one that is also likely to be of interest to many of the boys amongst us and not just the girls since many of the foundations are common to all of us.

To order your copy be sure to let us know ASAP. We expect the publication itself to be available at a cost of \$10 per unit and postage and handling within Australia to be no more than \$5.



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Editor's Notes...

THIS "SEPTEMBER EXTRA" KINAWAH IS A PRIMER FOR NEXT MONTHS CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS IN WARWICK...

As I was putting together the tribute to Dr Robert Goodwin for this Kinawah I found myself thinking that the October/November edition would be better given over to more of the positive content about the 100 year reunion plus what has come to be known as the **Brekky Creek Lunch** rather than focussing on Remembrance Day which quite obviously falls in November. With that in mind I thought I'd assemble this edition with an early memorial theme. Dr Bob's story dovetails neatly into this space and since we are currently in the process of investigating the best way to replace the Slade Campus silky oak trees I thought this would also be a good time to remember the past students that the memorial honours. This feature begins on page 5 and contains some sobering specifics. Several of you responded warmly to my email notifying everyone of the sad passing of Dr Goodwin and I have included some of your responses on his tribute page (9).

PAGE 8 looks at war from the perspective of those left at home while the menfolk were away in the thick of it.

I am also more than happy to include articles and information that focus on the Slade girls but obviously need a bit of input from them in order to do it. I had some great feedback from these girls when I was canvassing everyone for specific information to include in the souvenir booklet. All contributions will be gladly considered for future Kinawahs! Some responses are still trickling in from late starters for the big October weekend so if you intend to come and have not yet sent in your RSVP better do it TODAY.

Until next time, enjoy the read! Joan (Clothier) White

*My bed is a magical place
where I suddenly remember everything I
forgot to do.*

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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. Back at the start of the alphabet again enlisting your aid to track down lost contacts...

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If you know any of the above who may have died we need to know. Can you otherwise help put us in touch with a missing contact? Please let us know. We especially value the find of an email address when it comes out of cyberspace as this is the most cost effective means by far of communicating with our large group. Contact details for us appear below...

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Cookie's Corner

FOLLOWING ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL AND ENJOYABLE AGM we move on to the girls' gala get together next month. The organising committee has been working hard and co-operatively to put it all together and I know their efforts will be richly rewarded.

Have you sent in your response to Richard Cleal yet for the Brekky Creek Lunch on November 3? The Slade class that graduated in 1968 is pulling out all the stops to make contact with lost members and ensure a good roll up on the day and most likely an hour or two into the night!

As you scroll through the long list of names represented by all those silky oak trees we are looking to replace on the campus, it is hard not to feel saddened and a whole lot emotional about all the implications behind the frequently repeated "they shall grow not old" line immortalised by Laurence Binyon. When he penned his *Ode to the Fallen* 100 plus years ago I am sure he did not imagine how many tens of thousands of times his words would be echoed around the world. Looking at all the youthful faces that belong with the names of our own past students brings it all sharply home to us. Such a devastating loss of life and potential. Many of the details are sketchy and all are worded in the bare "just the facts" style that we expect from such accounts but they tell a sobering story indeed.

The SCPSA website continues to be a work in progress. While it is not yet complete this new "front door" to our Association is inviting, simple to navigate around and the links are easy to follow. We have had some especially positive feedback from our members so far.

Watch this space.

Enjoy!

Until next time...

PLEASE NOTE

DOMAIN NAME NOW
for old website:
www.scpsawarwick.com

WHAT'S ON for SCPSA:

- **October 20-21, 2018**
CEGS Centennial Celebrations
- **1 November, 2018**
Awards Evening WCC
- **3 November, 2018**
Breakfast Creek Get Together
- **15 November, 2018**
Remembrance Day Observance WCC

Every new day brings with it another chance to change life.



Membership

New memberships continue to grow and we greatly appreciate your ongoing support. We encourage you to maintain your connections with the Association and to keep your contact details up to date via the membership email at: scpsa.membership1@bigpond.com or you may choose to call me on **0418 987 900**. *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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100 Girls for 100 Years in 2018!



Calling All Old Girls

AFTER A SOMEWHAT SLOW START WITH RESPECT TO returned RSVPs for our 100 Years celebrations next month, I am happy to report that acceptances have now exceeded the 100 mark! Next month's event will be a well attended and highly nostalgic one with a wonderful cross section of ages and eras. The most senior attendee is 91. We have also had a pleasing response from those younger girls who attended Slade and there are plenty more in between.

Excitement is mounting and final preparations are well in hand. We have mother daughter duos, several sister acts and some ladies bringing family members who have never seen Warwick before—an all round wonderfully heart-warming response! All those who are joining us can expect to enjoy a gathering which will be entertaining, informative and inclusive. May our celebrations allow all of us to soar aloft together.

Why? Joan Clothier White 9 August 2017

Why did you go to the war, Pa?
Tell me, why did you fight in the war?
Why these rows and rows of red poppies, Pa,
And those medals... what are they for?

Problem is... that's a very big question,
Many different answers to that...
Many years of dark introspection...
Far off lands... youthful faces... slouch hats...

Fact is, that some of the problem
Is that men are too quick to fight,
We'd rather see others as villains
Than put all our own faults to right.

And you see, the solution's not simple,
You ask why can't it... just stop?
Men fight for kingdoms and temples,
Take up arms, seize and kill, bomb and drop.

Men fight for resources and power,
Many die to achieve others' ends,
Red is for blood on these flowers, my son,
For enemies and for lost friends.

Who wins and who loses? Who calls the score?
More and more, I am sure, awards in a drawer
Mean that war spawns more and more war boys
Than calls to restore broad accord.

Who won the war, you ask, Son?
Can we say that anyone won?
This truth is key: men still can't agree,
Someday... it may be we will wake up and see
War's no weekend game, inhumanity gained,
While the arms manufacturers won.

It's hard to explain just who is to blame,
Perpetuity's built year on year,
Let's look at the question all over again...
Mankind has learned little, I fear.

Greed, hate or fame, it's too often the same,
The truth, it appears, is to find the right gear,
For loss or for gain, we must all seek the same,
With like minds, walk together as one.

Here you stand in your jeans, asking what this all means,
And this I will tell you my son:
I fought in my khakis while still in my teens
So your teens might be lived without guns.

These medals, my son should mean freedom won,
While the blame games run and re-run,
The best I can say, is forge wiser new ways
Don't let what's been earned come undone.

So why did I fight in the war, Son?
You asked why I went to the war,
And these medals and miles of red poppies?
I fought so there'd be no more wars.



Slade School Memorial trees ... They shall grow not old

As has been stated previously we are now in the process of finding the best means of replacing the silky oak trees that were originally planted as a memorial to each Slade Old Boy who had passed away. Many of these trees have since been lost through natural attrition and Warwick Christian College is keen for the memorial to be restored. This September Extra issue, we look at those in whose honour the trees were planted. We'll be keeping you posted on future progress.

PLEASE NOTE: Of necessity this information has been compiled from the information that is available to us. If you have more complete records or personal memories of other plantings we would be pleased to hear from you.



1 - PENFOLD, Richard Lyall – 1939 to 1943 Member of Slade's 1943 swimming team and the 1942 boxing team.

Student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: Alan Murray.

Richard was born 4 August 1929 at Inverell, died on 26 August 1947 in Moree and was buried 27 August 1947 at Macquarie Park Cemetery, Ryde, NSW. Plot reference COE/E1/0004P.



2 - JONES, Richard Cecil – 1927 to 1929.

Died in the Cloncurry Hospital 11 October 1934 as a result of an accident at Stanbroke.

Student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: John Stevens.



3 - SHAW, John Towart - 1934 to 1937.

School Captain, Dux and Rhodes Prize winner in 1937.

Student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: John Armbruster. John passed Junior 1935, Senior 1937, was Head Prefect, Sergeant of Cadets, Captain of Shooting and awarded the Brotherhood Prize in 1937. John Shaw was killed in action at Lae on 12 September 1943. One of the early ones to join the A.I.F., he worked his way to Lieutenantcy in the 2/25th Batt. He was stationed for a time at Darwin, returned to work as Instructor, then sent to New Guinea, where he met his untimely end. John kept in close touch with the school, and always had news of the whereabouts and doings of his old school fellows.

4 - MCLEOD, Roderick Scott - 1929 to 1931.

Student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: Gordon Cox. The only war service details we have: Roderick, known as Scott, was a POW, apparently, in the same camp as Ian Fairbairn (reportedly with Scott when he died). MCLEOD, RODERICK SCOTT Warrant Officer 404512

24/09/1943 25 Royal Australian Air Force 34 Sqn per AWM RoH AUS404512 W/O Roderick Scott MCLEOD RAAF*- No.34 Sqn, RAF, (held Java, Singapore and Thailand), died 24-9-1943, of malaria and dysentery in Thai POW Camp, Tarsao, Thailand.

W/O McLeod RAAF, was originally buried in Tarsao Cemetery, Thailand (No.2 Cemetery) Grave 286. Later reinterred 16-2-1946, Kanchanaburi War Cemetery, Thailand.

5 - POLLARD, Edward Henry Trevor - 1928 to 1934 School Captain 1934.

Student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: Colin Johnstone.

Tpr. E Pollard. Ted, who had been seriously ill for months, passed away just after Christmas 1944. He served with the AIF in the Middle East and in New Guinea. He came to the school 1928 as a small boy and finished up as a Senior Prefect.

He was an outstanding sportsman but quiet and unassuming and extremely popular. His brother, "Young Snub" Pollard was in England with the RAAF.



6 - WEBSTER, Howard Gordon (Toby) – 1944 to 1949.

Student nominated to look after the tree planted in memory of Howard (Toby): Max Smith. Toby died 14 June 1949. Toby came to school in October, 1944, and at the time of his death had reached Sub-Senior Form. He had taken a keen part in sport, and was in the Athletics team in 1945, 1946 and 1947. The Toby Webster Prize for Cadets was set up in his honour.



7 - CLARK, Thomas Welsby – 1934 to 1937.

Student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: Bruce Davis. Thomas was lost during the sinking of H.M.A.S. Sydney. He was a member of the First XI in 1936 and 1937, the First XV 1935 and 1936; a member of the School Swimming and Life-Saving Teams in 1935-6-7, awarded Colours 1937. Soon after the declaration, Tom joined the Navy, and had completed two years' service.



8 - WOLLEY, Thomas Beech – 1933 to 1936.

The student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: Kerry Gray. Thomas, R.A.N.R. (S) was declared drowned 1 March, 1942 when HMAS Perth was sunk.



9 - ROWLAND, Henry Barrymore – 1933 to 1936.

Student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: Peter Roberts. Pilot-Officer H. B. Rowland died in England and was buried at Slinfold by the Rev. A. E. N. Hughes, Headmaster while Barry was at the School. Barry passed Junior 1934 and Senior 1936, aged only 16. He was a member of the Shooting team in 1935-6, and awarded colours, a keen member of the Cadets, Sergeant in 1935 and 1936. He was a Life-Saving,

Instructor, Prefect and Dux in 1936, when he was awarded the Rhodes Prize for Service to the School. After school, Rowland joined the staff of the Queensland Trustees, Brisbane, where he worked until he enlisted in the R.A.A.F. in July, 1940. After training at Linfield, Wagga and Archerfield, he was sent to Canada under the Empire Air Training Scheme. Here he secured the highest pass at two different training schools before being sent to England. Barry's young brother, Peter, was at Slade at the time of his death.



10 - STEPHENSON, Peter Owen Ivangh – 1937,

and 1941 to 1942. Student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: Arthur Winter. Peter was the fifth of the Stephensons, went into the Commandos, was sent to New Guinea and killed by the Japanese in an ambush. "Although wounded in the shoulder he continued to charge the Japanese Post alongside his section leader and was killed instantly."

His father, one of the School Benefactors, died shortly after Peter's death.



11 - GILLMAN, Mervyn Durham - Initially enrolled as HOOPS - 1929-1929 and 1933-1936.

Student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: Tony Martin.

Pilot Officer M D Gillman D.F.C. Merv, was awarded the D.F.C. 1943. Official citation: "Gillman is an exceptionally able captain of aircraft, who has consistently completed successful sorties. On a recent raid on Hamburg he displayed outstanding determination. To reach and bomb the target he was compelled to fly through very severe weather. After reaching his objective he searched for 20 minutes before establishing his target and releasing his bombs. Pilot Officer Merv. Gillman D.F.C. was killed in an air operation over Germany January 1944 not long after he had won the D.F.C.. Merv. was noted for his fool-hardy exploits and this adventurous spirit made him invaluable in the Air Force.



12 - FLITCROFT, Noel Oliver Boyd – 1927 to 1929.

Student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: Gary Spillman.

"Nobby" was one of the earliest members of the school, belonging to the "Twenties." After he left at the end of 1929, he was always one of the leaders in all O.B.A. activities. He worked in the mechanical branch of the Post office, and had a long struggle to be released to join the Air Force. Eventually he became a member of

the R.A.A.F., as an air-gunner. He visited the school just before embarkation to England where he died in an air accident.



13 - KILLE, Francis John – 1939 to 1940.

Student nominated to look after the tree planted in memory of Francis was Peter Stehr. It appears that Frank was killed in 1946 as a result of a motor bike accident after a reunion weekend.



14 - DALY, John Ambrose – 1936 TO 1938.

Student nominated to look after the tree planted in memory of John was John Harrys. John passed away around 1942.



15 - WYNNE (Wynn), Wallace Ellis – 1929 to 1932.

Student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: Richard Parry.

Information found in the WEB NSW:

Paybook photograph, taken on enlistment, of NX32416 Corporal Wallace Ellis Wynn, Headquarters 22nd Infantry Brigade, Australian Imperial Force. He was one of over 2000 Allied prisoners of war (POW) held in the Sandakan POW camp in north Borneo, having been transferred there from Singapore as a part of B Force. The 1494 POW's that made up B Force, were transported from Changi on 7 July 1942 on board the tramp ship Ubi Maru, arriving in Sandakan Harbour on 18 July 1942. Corporal Wynn, aged 27, died as a prisoner of the Japanese on 21 March 1945. He was the son of Neville and Ina Wynn, and the husband of Heather Wynn, of Goulburn, NSW. He is commemorated on the Labuan Memorial Panel 9. (Photograph copied from AWM232, items 4 and 5. Personal information from the Commonwealth War Graves Commission Database.)



16 - MARSTELLA, Frederick Keith – 1933 to 1936. Student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: Paul Bailey. Frederick died around 1939



17 - MCCASKER, Evered Austin – 1934 to 1936. Student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: James Biggam. W/O E A McCasker. "Dad" Mccasker was reported missing believed killed, on air operations.



18 - HINDMARSH, Basil William – 1933 to 1934 – Dux 1934. The student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: Robert Martyn. Records indicate that Basil passed away around 1939



19 - COLLAS, Cyril – 1936 TO 1937. Student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: Digby Cooper.

F/Sgt. Cyril served with the RAAF in England. He was involved in an operation over Germany and was killed when two allied planes collided in mid-air, killing the entire crews. Cyril was the twin brother of Peter who was a prisoner of war in Germany. Peter and "Squirrel" along with Dew

Williams did much to brighten up our dull lives in Bro. Hughes first year. Cyril is buried in the Harrogate (Stonefall) Cemetery, England. Section H Row C Grave 1



20 - RUDD, William Brabazon – 1932 to 1935. Student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: Rodney Swain.

"Rudder" was with the 6th Division 2\10 RAAF in Malaysia and was first reported to be a prisoner of war but this proved to be incorrect. He was a good all-round sport representing the School in Football, Cricket, Athletics and Swimming.

RUDD, Gunner, WILLIAM BRABAZON,

QX12055. A.I.F. 2/10 Fd. Regt. Royal Australian Artillery. 13 September 1944. Age 24. William died when the Rakuyo Manu was sunk.



21 - ROWE, John (Jack) Lewis – 1928 to 1929.

Student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: William Deshon.

The Last Post Ceremony commemorating the service of (402207) Flight Lieutenant John Lewis Rowe, 79 Squadron, Royal Australian Air Force, Second World War

402207 Flight Lieutenant John Lewis Rowe, No. 79 Squadron RAAF
KIA 19 January 1944

Photograph: P02028.019 Story delivered 11 February 2014: Today we remember and pay tribute to Flight Lieutenant John Lewis Rowe, whose photograph is displayed today beside the Pool of Reflection. John Rowe was the only son of George and Mary Rowe. In 1936 he married Dorothea Eliza Webb and they went on to have 4 daughters. The youngest girls, twins Diana and Yvonne, were born after he enlisted

in the Royal Australian Air Force. Rowe enlisted in June 1940, having considerable experience as a pilot and owning A-and B-Class pilot certificates. He underwent air force training in Australia after which he was commissioned a flight lieutenant. Rowe proved to be a hard-working flight commander who had the welfare of his men very much at heart. He took his first operational flight on 1 November 1943. On 19 January 1944 Rowe was ordered to take a Spitfire from Horn Island to Port Moresby in a ferry flight with eight American fighters. Their route took them over 335 miles of sea, and the fighters were escorted by a B-25 medium bomber.

About an hour into the flight, Flight Lieutenant Rowe's aircraft was seen to fall back, and then disappeared. The rest of the aircraft continued on to Port Moresby before the B-25 turned back to look for the Spitfire. Despite an extensive search, neither Rowe nor his aircraft were found, and he was presumed to have been killed.

According to the American officer in charge of the flight Rowe had predicted no problems with his aircraft; on the contrary, he had seemed to be in good spirits, and was engaging in mild aerobatics early in the flight. Rowe's mother felt very strongly that this was out of character, and wrote to say she resented this allegation, which she took to be "a callous description". She suggested that they may have been witnessing her son "engaged in a desperate struggle for his life". Flight Lieutenant Rowe has no known grave. He was 28 years old.

His name is listed on the Roll of Honour on my left, along with around 40,000 others from the Second World War.

This is but one of the many stories of courage and sacrifice told here at the Australian War Memorial. We now remember Flight Lieutenant John Lewis Rowe, and all of those Australians who have given their lives in the service of our nation.

26 - CHAPMAN, Henry Holmes – 1931 to 1933.

Student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: Graham Donovan.

Pilot Officer Henry Holmes Chapman RAAF disappeared 16 October 1944 on a non-operational training flight involving night-dropping of flares when the Halifax HX158 he was navigating faded from radar 18 miles to the south of RAF Stornanway Air Base. A naval vessel reported an aircraft had crashed into the sea about 10 miles south east of Shiant Island towards the Isle of Skye. The vessel proceeded immediately to the spot and located the wreckage of the aircraft. There were no survivors. Born 12 April 1916 in Toowoomba, Henry enlisted in the RAAF 28 March 1942 in Brisbane, service number, 425488. At the time of his death he held the rank of Pilot Officer in the 58th Squadron. His memorial is at Runnymede, Surrey, England.

27 - MARSTELLA, Raymond Thomas – 1933.

Student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: Barry Woodworth. Ray was in England with the RAAF. He was the second Old Boy to be married in the School Chapel. He came to Slade in 1933 with his brother Keith, one of our best sportsman in 1936 and who died under tragic circumstances a few years later when a flooded creek delayed his entry to hospital.

PLANTING AFTER 1950

CURTIS, Michael Vaughan – 1947 to 1951.

Details extracted from WWW - Aircraft A94-977 - Model CA27-77 - Mark 32 Sabre. Served with 77 Squadron- Crashed 10 June 1961 at Sunei Patani – Malaysia. Flying Officer M Curtis' Sabre flamed out just after take-off from Butterworth Air Force Base.

HOOD, Allan James – Allan attended Slade from 1938 to 1939. Allan passed away in 1957

WILSON, Hector Thomas – Hector attended Slade 1948 to 1950. According to Queensland BDM records Hector passed away in 1952. No other information found for Hector but as he was only 17 at the time of death, special arrangements may possibly have been made.

Missing from the above would be the following

Boden, Neil – Attended Slade 1944 to 1946. Deceased 1953 - Killed in Falmouth England 9.12.53 - Fleet Air Arm training. Neil was killed when, on returning from operations in the North Sea, his aircraft crashed on landing on the aircraft carrier.

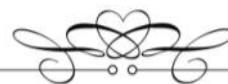
DAVIES, John Sydney – Attended Slade 1956 to 1959. Died 1964 as a member of the crew of the HMAS Voyager which was involved in a collision at sea with HMAS Melbourne.

22 - WITHERS, Robert William – 1930 to 1930. Student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: Errol Donovan. William died 1947.

23 - WICKHAM, Hector Reginald – 1934 to 1936. Student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: Jon Schnitzerling.

24 - FLITCROFT, B Powell – 1936. Student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: Neil Cooke. Flitcroft died ca 1939

25 - FREEMAN, Hubert Thomas – 1935 to 1936. Student nominated to look after the tree planted in his memory: James Housden. Sgt Pilot H T Freeman was attached to an Australian Spitfire Fighter Squadron operating with the RAF in England. He was mentioned in dispatches early in 1942 for flying his Spitfire with the main controls shot away over 100 miles to his base. He crash landed, but stepped out unhurt. He was later moved to Burma and one day failed to return from a patrol. Tom was a member of the 1st XV and the Shooting Team. His father was the Rector of Miriam Vale.



Australia's war on the home front...

Recently I was interviewed over the telephone by my ten year old granddaughter in England. She had been tasked by her teacher to talk to older family members about their personal recollections of war time experiences and what they meant to them. So, across miles and oceans and between hemispheres we cobbled together what would be, for her, an Australian perspective to bring to her classroom and one that would differ somewhat from the stories her English classmates would talk about...

England today still echoes with the memories of two World Wars, one fought to the death in home skies and over its towns and cities and that earlier war—"the War to end all wars". During WW2 every last piece of England's signage was removed so that enemy paratroopers invading by that most modern of means at the time would literally be in the dark about exactly what landing zone they might have found themselves in. Military convoys travelled in complete darkness during the standard nightly black-outs and driving according to the signs in England to this day can still cause confusion for the uninitiated.

Back home in Australia, with so many of our men of fighting age away on foreign battlefields, farms, homes and families were largely, if not entirely defenceless, then far from well fortified.

Most people know that Darwin was bombed but fewer people are aware that Townsville was also bombed and that Japanese midget submarines found their way into Sydney Harbour.

Australians of the time knew about the loss of HMAS Sydney off the Western Australian coast and the costly loss of other naval ships but were told precious little about the Battle of the Coral Sea—no doubt a tactic to preserve morale and help mitigate panic.

I explained to my granddaughter about the Brisbane Line and the fact that children from schools along the Queensland coast were evacuated inland for their own safety. I told her about the slit trenches that were dug in our school grounds and the air raid drills that the whole school practised.

Many families lost several of their menfolk during this time, young women lost their sweethearts and after the war were left with very few men remaining that they might marry.

The baby boomers may not have lived during wartime. Rather they grew up directly in the dark shadow of the aftermath of war with fathers and other family members forced to get on with their lives coping as best they could with debilitating injuries, illness and ongoing post traumatic stress.

In my case, our family grew up on a Brigalow block under the War Service Land Settlement Scheme. There were dozens of other families in the area settled similarly, all with one common thread—nobody's father ever talked about his war experiences whether they be in Palestine, New Guinea, Borneo, Egypt, the infamous Western Front or with the famous Fuzzy-wuzzy angels. Too many families lived under the dreadful cloud of their loved one classified as "missing in action, presumed dead". In recent years the full scope of the Battle of Villers-Bretonneux and the Battle at Fromelles, France, has been brought to light and surviving members of many families have been able to find closure.

When I was a child I clearly remember my mother referring to WW1, her parents' talking about it and how it all seemed in the past and remote to her. Then she herself lived through WW2 and the story was perpetuated with her own children. Again, Korea and Vietnam happened and then Iraq and Afghanistan.

War casts a very long shadow.

THOSE WHO WERE LEFT BACK HOME IN AUSTRALIA were far from content to be passive observers. The following was gleaned from *St Catharine's Chronicle* @ 1/- (1 shilling), May 1916 and gives a small insight into what was going on during this time at our predecessor school in Stanthorpe.

First-aid Lecture

"In the course of last year the senior girls attended a course of First-aid Lectures which were given by Dr Roberts. Preparatory to these lectures Miss Edwards gave us practice in bandaging and she also helped us in the theory part of the subject. This was a great help as it prepared us for the bigger lectures of Dr Roberts. The course of lectures began on Wednesday, September 15th, 1915 and was continued for seven weeks on the successive Wednesdays. The aim of everyone was not only to be proud to show a First-aid Certificate but to qualify to be of great service to a sufferer. Another dim notion at the back of some girls' minds was that their services might be accepted in times of special suffering as the present...A "first-aid" knowledge is invaluable on a far away mission field."

War Lecture

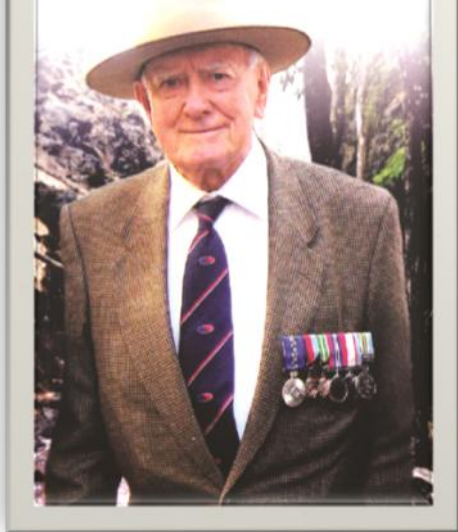
"On the anniversary of the declaration of the war—August 5th—the morning was devoted to a long lecture on the war by Miss Collisson. Miss Collisson gave us a very clear idea of all that had happened and greatly added to our knowledge of the war. Though the lecture extended over the whole of the morning none of us felt the length of it at all. Most of us took notes and drew plans of the different battles &c.—the first battle of Ypres and Neuve Chappelle, also the retreat from Mons...So interesting was the lecture that almost all the girls went from the school-room making resolutions to follow the events of the war more closely. For a long time the common cry of those who had not had their turn with the newspapers was "What is the war news?" or "Explain to us the war news". Often Miss Collisson when in charge on a Sunday afternoon would read to us the war news from the Melbourne "Argus". This news we very much appreciated as the Melbourne "Argus" is much fuller and more definite than our modest little Brisbane "Courier".

Miss Collisson ended her lecture by quoting Sir Lloyd George's "Vision".

Women below wait for soldiers to return in Sydney, 1919 (ABC)



DR ROBERT GOODWIN OAM 1921-2018



ROBERT MOLESWORTH GOODWIN OAM was born 25/02/1921 in New Zealand while his parents were working overseas. His family returned to Brisbane where he attended the Church of England Grammar School, leaving after successfully completing his Junior Public Examinations. Gifted musically he was a classical guitarist and one of St John's Cathedral choristers. During the lead up to World War II he joined up with the local militia, subsequently enlisting in 1940 with the AIF, 2/10 Regiment at Redbank. Posted to Malaya and captured as a 20 year old Lieutenant he became, as he termed it, a guest of the

Returning from WW2 he went back to school and matriculated in 1946

Japanese Emperor, Hirohito for 3½ years. Working on the Burma-Thailand Railway, with its infamous Hellfire Pass, also referred to as "the bloody cutting", he was part of a POW workforce that shrank over the period from more than 800 personnel to around 300. He then spent time in Changi POW camp where about 13,000 of the 50,000 imprisoned allied soldiers were Australians.

Returning home after the war he went back to school, matriculating in 1946 then graduating from the University of Queensland School of Medicine in 1952 with a young family.

His children, Chris, Jim, George and Lois recall his distinct focus as being "Mum, (Marie) Medicine and the Military" and this never wavered. As a GP his focus was his patients, not the money he earned as a physician.

Between 1959 and 1970 he worked as a GP in Warwick during which time he served as school doctor for Slade and St Catharine's. His daughter Lois attended St Catharine's as a day girl 1959-1962. While in Warwick he set up his own private pathology service which

went a long way to overcoming the tyranny of distance experienced by those living outside the bigger cities.

"After Warwick" the family moved to Brisbane where they settled in Rochedale. Dr Bob worked as consultant physician and for 20 years was actively involved in the National Heart Foundation at State and National level, serving as its Medical Director for some time. In this role he was an innovator and mentor. The defibrillators that are now standard equipment in ambulance units are just one of his initiatives. He convened an International Cardiology conference as yet another. Outcomes for those suffering cardiac episodes have improved exponentially as a direct result of his work. He was awarded the Order of Australia Medal in 1988.

Dr Bob remained loyal to his military brothers following his war service. He marched every year at Anzac Day and frequently officiated for the RSL at the funerals of other veterans and POWs. He was also a CMF member post war and retired with the rank of Captain.

Many of his professional colleagues had no idea he had been a prisoner of war until he embarked on yet another career as an author. He will be remembered always as a teacher by example, one of nature's true gentleman who exhibited patience, generosity, tenacity, resilience, humility and compassion...

“ Soldier, POW, Physician, Cardiologist and Author, Bob Goodwin was a leader in the Army, in Medicine and in Life”

Many of our past students have remembered Dr Goodwin at school and elsewhere following the sad news of his passing...

... the passing of Dr Bob Goodwin: I knew him when he was a physician practising at St Andrews War Memorial Hospital Brisbane many years ago. He wrote a note of the history of St Andrews Hospital which I enclose (see p 10). There is always something more about a person we don't know of. [Fred Nussey, Indooroopilly](#)

...about Dr. Goodwin. Some of us boys from Slade went to him as well. He was always kind and attentive. [Gordon Shirley, Darwin](#)

I'm pretty sure he was also the Slade School Doctor. We had a matron at school

and I believe if we needed more treatment we "walked" with a pass... "exeat" in fact down to his surgery, which I think was much closer to St Cath's than Slade. [Steve Cooke, Logan](#)

... the news about Lois Goodwin's father. I remember Lois Goodwin during school days and I am sure Sally Bagita, Koi, Mabel and Ueri will remember her and I will pass the message on to them at our next meeting on Saturday 15 September. [Vaili Kekedo, Papua New Guinea](#)

... Bob never mentioned his experiences as a POW and everyone was most surprised when the book described below

was published in 1959. Bill and Doug Deshon's father, Frank Hubert, my father's first cousin, died on the Sandakan death march 24 April 1945 and is recognised in the book:

Mates And Memories: Recollections Of The 2/10th Field Regiment R. A. A.
by [Robert Goodwin](#)

...The author Dr Bob Goodwin was a member of the Regiment. *Mates and Memories* is the history of the Queensland-raised 2/10th Field Regiment during WW2. The book records the recollections of members from the formation and initial training of the 2/10th at Redbank Ipswich, through the Battle of Singapore, the surrender and the men becoming POWs. They were jailed at Changi, being then split up into slave labour groups. These groups were alpha

coded into A Force, which were sent to Burma, D F and H Forces went to the Railway camps of Thailand, B and E forces to Borneo (Kuching, Sandakan). G and J forces were sent to Japan. Many members were on the Rakuyo Maru when the ship was sunk while going to Japan. Importantly the book includes a Nominal Roll upon being taken POW, an Honour Roll and Military Honours.

Published 1959 Boolarong Press
ISBN 0646221663 (ISBN13: 978 0646221663)

I took a copy to England in 1995 to attend my own father's memorial service at Middleton-by-Youlgrave. I gave it to Maj-Gen Peter Boucher Cavendish CB OBE who organised the event. [John Deshon AM, Noosaville](#)

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

Richard Russer



DAVIDSON, Alan 1952-2018

DAVIDSON, Alan Tristram, late of Clayfield, Queensland passed away 3rd July, 2018 aged 66 years.

A service to honour Alan's life was held at Mt Thompson Crematorium 17th July.

Alan attended Slade 1967-1969 after completing Sub Junior at Churchie.

His valeté is as follows: Junior 1967; Senior 1969; First XV; Rural Youth, Half Colours Swimming (Open Champion); Scott McLeod Cup (Open Champion).



GOODWIN OAM,

Dr Robert Molesworth "Bob" QX 17001 1921-2018

Late of Highfields, and formerly of Rochedale and Warwick, passed away peacefully on 31st August 2018 aged 97 years.

A large gathering of family and friends attended Bob's funeral in Toowoomba, 11th September including the many community groups who had been associated with him throughout his long life.

SCPSA remembers Dr Bob as Slade and St Catharine's school doctor during the 1960s.

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

In memory of the fallen

St Andrews War Memorial Hospital STORY: Dr Bob Goodwin

In 1944, when a favourable end to World War II seemed to be in sight, the principal of Brisbane's Presbyterian Emmanuel College suggested that when the College moved to its new site at St Lucia, its empty Wickham Terrace site be used for a Presbyterian Memorial Hospital in memory of the fallen.

Dr Alec Mayes, a Brisbane General Practitioner, Sheffield Shield cricketer and ex serviceman, successfully persuaded the Church in May 1946 to investigate its practicability under the leadership of Dr Harold Crawford. A statewide fundraising appeal was quickly organised including a house-to-house door knock appeal and an extensive personal approach to newspapers, business houses, voluntary organisations and individuals throughout the whole of Queensland. St Andrews War Memorial Hospital can well claim citizens of Queensland provided almost all of their establishment funds.

The foundation stone was laid on 14 May 1949 by Sir William Glasgow

who commanded the first Australian Division in World War I and whose statue has recently been repositioned in Post Office Square, Brisbane.

Under the driving command of Dr Crawford, building operations were completed. The purchase of the Terrace Hospital on the corner of Bradley Street and Wickham Terrace expanded the facilities on opening on 17 May 1958, to 80 beds catering for public, intermediate and private patients treating medical, surgical and children's cases.

Dr Harold Crawford performed the first operation on 2 June 1958, and on behalf of the board of governors, he presented the first report of the hospital to the 1958 church assembly. Dr Harold Crawford died on 25 August 1958, 10 days after being awarded the Order of the British Empire.

Leadership continued under Dr Alex Mayes until 1983: Dr William (Bill) Crawford followed in his father's footsteps until 1987; and more recently Dr John Rivers served as chairman of the Board of Governors.

Miss I.M. Harrison, the hospital's first Matron, retired in 1965. Miss I.M. Annat (Pixie), formerly in the Royal Australian Army Nursing Corps, was then Matron and later Chief Executive Officer for three decades. During this period Pixie saw the development of coronary care units, cardiac catheter laboratories, nuclear scan and x-ray units, cardiac, orthopaedic, eye, ear, nose and throat, gastroenterology and in general surgery, with medical specialties today second to none in Brisbane.

Pixie convinced the directors of Medical Benefits Fund that supporting cardiac rehabilitation was more economical for them than waiting for patients to be admitted to hospital. With this understanding Cardiac Rehabilitation commenced at St Andrews Hospital in 1991.

This hospital was established to honour those who made the supreme sacrifice, dying for us so that we can enjoy our wonderful country and a free life. In World War I, over 60,000 servicemen were killed and some 150,000 wounded. In World War II, over 40,000 servicemen were killed and some 65,000 wounded.

Dr Alfred Langan, my father-in-law, was a doctor serving with an infantry battalion at Fromelles in World War I. I have a copy of his letter to his father after a battle on the Somme, and I quote: "for sixteen hours we worked with blood up to our elbows on the poor battered wrecks that were brought to us in a dugout that was not wide enough to swing a cat in nor high enough to stand upright in; men with shattered arms staggered in carrying or dragging men with battered legs and they begged us to attend to their more unfortunate mates first. Not one of them murmured or complained: I will never forget this as long as I live. We lost half of our battalion."

This article is extracted from a speech delivered in late 2008 by Dr Bob Goodwin at St Andrews War Memorial Hospital while launching the book 'Remember Them' by J. S. D. Mellick. Doctor Q April 09 - 14



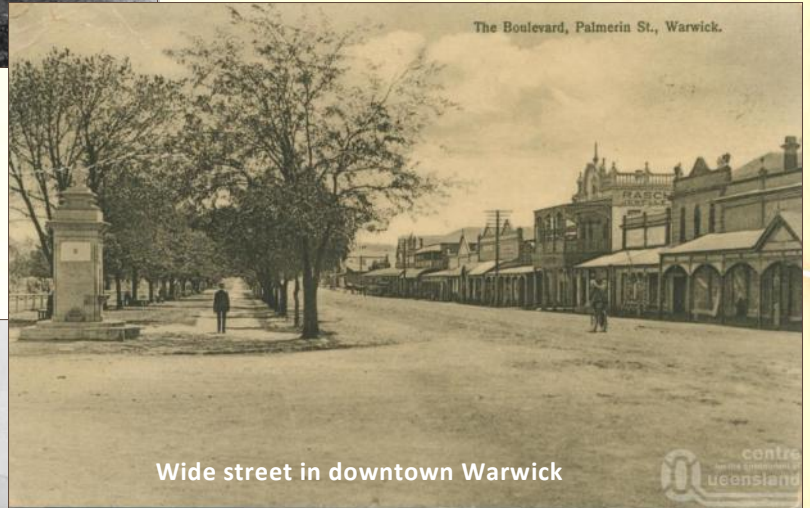
worthy of their forefathers

OLD AND INTERESTING:

Historic Warwick

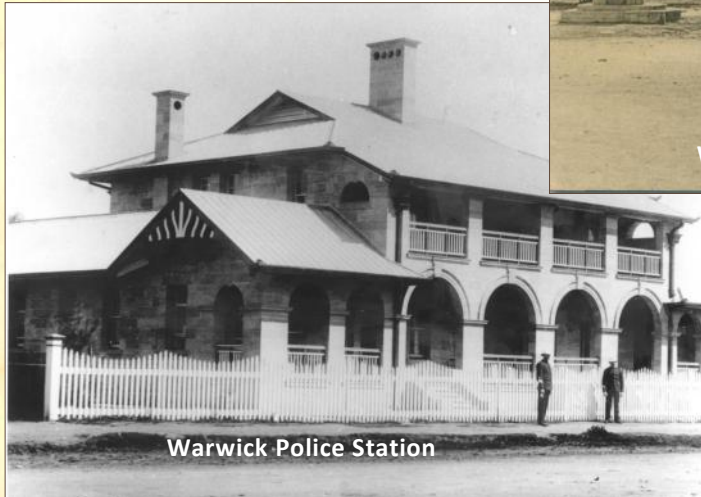


Railway Crossing below Weewondilla Hill

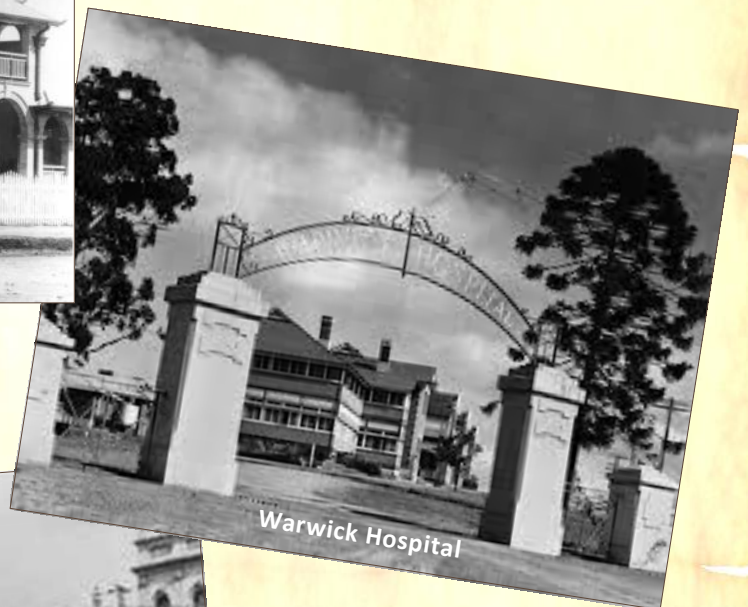


The Boulevard, Palmerin St., Warwick.

Wide street in downtown Warwick



Warwick Police Station



Warwick Hospital



St Patrick's Day 1915



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St Catharines/Slade School Facebook

Our Facebook page is 288 members strong as of September 13, 2018...



Scholastic linguistic gymnastics?

- 1 changed my iPod name to Titanic. It's syncing now.
- 1 tried to catch some fog. 1 mist.
- When chemists die, they barium.
- Jokes about German sausage are the wurst.
- A soldier who survived mustard gas and pepper spray is now a seasoned veteran.
- 1 know a guy who's addicted to brake fluid. He says he can stop any time.
- 1 stayed up all night to see where the sun went. Then it dawned on me.
- 1'm reading a book about anti-gravity. 1 can't put it down.
- 1 did a theatrical performance about puns. It was a play on words.
- They told me 1 had type A blood, but it was a type-O.
- Why were the Indians here first? They had reservations.
- The Energizer bunny arrested and charged with battery.
- 1 didn't like my beard at first. Then it grew on me.



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