

DUBBO HIGH SCHOOL & DUBBO COLLEGE EX-STUDENTS BINDYI CLUB

BINDYI CLUB NEWS

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35th Annual Bindyi Club Lunch

The Committee has reluctantly decided that the lunch should be postponed for 6 months while NSW struggles to deal with the Omicron variant of Covid 19.

We will not cancel unless the situation worsens.

It is our hope that by August our members will feel that it is safe to travel to Sydney to join us for the Annual Lunch at the Castlereagh Boutique Hotel and, accordingly, we are sourcing available dates in August and September 2022. We will advise in the next newsletter.

Michael Willing, our planned guest speaker, has recently resigned as Deputy Commissioner of Police in NSW, but will, we hope, still be available to speak with us on our new date.



The Class of 2021 Graduation Ceremony

he ceremony was a very happy and inspiring event attended by Bindyi Club President, Jill McCann and EQV Treasurer, Neil Wykes. It's difficult to imagine a time when a Year 12 Class had to overcome so many obstacles for their final two years, but this ceremony was a positive affirmation of resilience and co-operation.

The group included the largest cohort of Indigenous graduates ever, and the largest in NSW. There were 71, many of whom have already received offers from a wide range of Universities.

There is a committed program at the College from the Junior school level to encourage students to set goals. There is also an Aboriginal Parent Body and 2 Cultural Captains are part of the student executive.



Forthcoming Reunions

Class of 1972

Paul Elliott is keen to hear from any of the Class of 72 who might like to get together to celebrate their 50-year anniversary later this year. He can be contacted at paul.elliott4@optusnet.com.au or 0411 331 549.

Class of 1973

Including those who shared time at DHS from 1968-1973-both staff and students

Sandra McGuigan (Peters) and Margie Gleeson

It is nearly 50 years since we left the old school and though we had a gathering at 25 years we perhaps have more time now to gather and reflect on lives spent, lives shared and dreams fulfilled or changed.

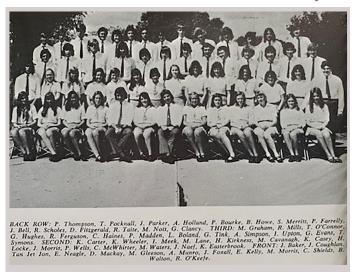
The last 2 years have profoundly affected the way we meet and enjoy the company of friends and family. We don't know if we can meet in 2023 so perhaps now is the time to gather and who knows we may be able to do it again next year.

We have an opportunity to come together at the Annual Bindyi Club High Luncheon which this year will be in August (details in this newsletter). This event has occurred over manyyears, but the legends are getting older and it's time some youngsters like us joined in.

If you are keen to get more information, contact sanmcg@optusnet.com.au or margie56@bigpond.net.au and join the Bindyi Club.



Class of 1972



Class of 1973

ESSE QUAM VIDERI FOUNDATION

Perhaps you could donate your unspent 2021 Luncheon money to the Esse Quam Videri Foundation? The EQV was unable to hold their planned fundraiser in 2021 because of the COVID restrictions.

BUT... if everyone who would otherwise have come to the lunch donates \$65, this will go towards the next Rawdon Middleton, Frank Heather and Ruby Riach Scholarships Payment can be made with your annual subscription (see back page) or by visiting the EQV webpage www.eqvf.org/donate



AWARDS 2021

At the Class of 2021 Graduation Ceremony, EQV Treasurer, Neil Wykes made the presentation of the following Awards.

• Ruby Riach OAM Scholarship - Isabella Fernando

Isabella is the first member of her family to finish the HSC and will be the first to go to University. She was planning to study Indigenous Youth Work at Charles Darwin University in the Northern Terrritory, but is also considering UNE. Her ambition is to return to work in her Dubbo community.

• Frank Heather Scholarship – Lisa Baylis*

*Lisa has decided to defer for two years so the Committee will reconsider this prize.

• Bindyi Club Citizenship Award - Thomas Peacock

Thomas is an all-round achiever who plays cricket and the piano and was Arts Captain in 2021. He entertained the crowd by playing at the Year 12 Graduation and has been rewarded with a Band 6 in Music in the HSC.

JUNIOR CAMPUS AWARDS

Dubbo South Campus • Caroline Wallace • Alannah Ridley Delroy Campus • Kaymelea Roberts-Barker • Clay Thornton

Winning 2021 Mulvey Cup Team

Pictured right are the 2021 Mulvey Cup Team: Sophia Hayden, Henrietta Bourke, Sydney Davies and Liam Boon. *Photo: DUBBO COLLEGE*.



Vale: Esse Quam Videri

Allen, Ronald Graham (Ronnie) Died 25 November 2021 at Kincumber, NSW Class of 1965

Husband of Lindy (nee Hornadge) and father of Sharni and Kristy. Ronnie was a musician who played for many years with the Dubbo Jazz Band. Students from the 1960s will remember him as the "Last Post" bugler at Anzac Day ceremonies.

Matthews, Trevor Vivian Died 19 January 2022

Late of Elizabeth Bay. Partner of Lye and brother of Alan (Class of 1961). Trevor was Vice Captain and Dux of the school in 1957.

Rich, Larry Leroy Died 7 October 2021 in Wagga Wagga, NSW DHS Class of 1970

Larry trained at Mitchell College and became a Maths teacher, returning to DHS as such, for a short period in the 1970s. We have recently been made aware of the death of Jill Wheatley (nee Campbell) Died 12 August 2012 at Bathurst, NSW

Sister of John and Jan Campbell, both ex-DHS.

McGrath, Malcolm Died 18 November 2021 DHS 1961 - 1963

DHS Class of 1957

Uncle of the cricketer, Glenn McGrath.



Your Membership

- With your support we are able to provide for the Rawdon Middleton, Frank
 Heather and Ruby Riach scholarships across all three campuses of the College.
 We also produce three newsletters per year, full of news, events and nostalgia and
 are also on line with a Bindyi Club website at www.bindyi.com
- All annual memberships will commence from January 2022 and be valid for 12 months.

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YEAR COMMENCED AT DHS/COLLEGE
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POSTAL ADDRESS:
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Membership Payments (please tick):
Annual Membership: \$30 per member for twelve months to January 2023
Paid Life Membership: \$300 per member
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