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# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

I recall a story of a King who decided that he would help the poor in his land. He asked everyone in his kingdom to take at least a pint of milk and pour it into a huge vat that he provided. He then hoped to distribute the milk to the poor and needy. So as no one would know how much each person had given, the King arranged for the donations to be made at night. The next day the King and his subjects gathered at the huge vat to see the extent of their giving. When the vat was examined to their amazement it was filled with nothing but clean, pure water. You see each citizen had thought that a pint of water would not affect the milk nor would it show. So everyone had made a gift of a pint of water. Each member of the community had left the job to someone else and so nothing was achieved.

This simple tale has real significance for us. We are all members of a school community which in many ways is a replica of the society outside the school. Every student will shortly be taking his place in the community at large. The school community is basically a training ground for this.

Being a member of a community has its advantages but it also confers responsibilities. No community can function effectively if its members accept the privileges the community has to offer and then does not make a positive contribution to its well-being. This would be similar to being selected as a member of a sporting team, accepting the honour involved and then refusing to play one's best in the game.

Some of you might argue that you lack the talent and the ability to make a contribution. If you accept this point of view then you leave it to the other fellow, and as our story reveals if everyone adopted this attitude nothing worthwhile would ever be achieved.

The key issue in being a member of a community is YOU. A chain is only as strong as its weakest link. The measure of any community is the sense of responsibility and strength of character of each person within it.

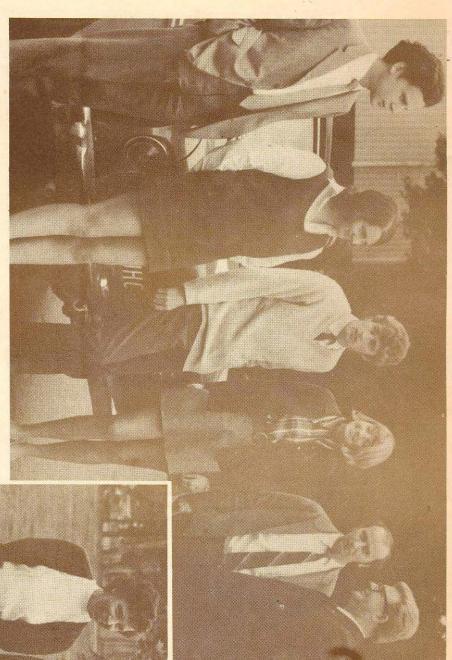


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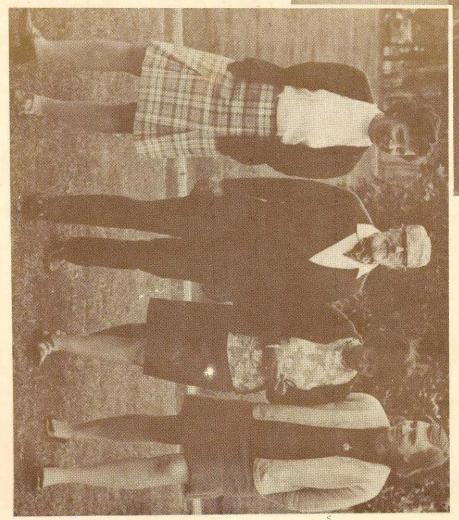
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# THE ADVISORY COUNCIL

Chairman, Cr. N. B. Thomson; secretary, A. C. Balfour. Members: Mrs. Gurney (treasurer), Mrs. H. Berg, Mrs. J. E. Clarke, Mrs. P. Courtney, Mrs. B. Webb, Mrs. B. Malpass, Mr. C. Gray, Mr. D. Davies, Mr. L. D'Alterio, Mr. G. Sim, Cr. J. Vinall, Mr. C. Spencer, Rev. I. Matthewson, Mr. I. Carse, Mr. L. Cooper.

This year saw a number of changes of membership in the Advisory Council: Cr. A. Lynch who had served as a member for fourteen years and chairman since 1966 left Yallourn. Cr. J. W. Wallace resigned due to ill health after seventeen years as a member of the Advisory Council. Mrs. Mullerkubold left the district having been an Advisory Councillor for the past five years. Early in the year Council lost another valuable member with the death of Mr. A. L. Sneddon. These Councillors served our school wisely and well and their contribution is greatly missed at Advisory Council meetings.

We welcomed to the Advisory Council Mr. D. Davies (S.E.C. representative), Mr. C. Spencer (Yallourn Town Advisory Council), Mr. L. Cooper (parents) and

Mrs. P. Courtney (Ladies' Auxiliary).

During the year Advisory Council deliberations covered a vast range of School affairs including building alterations, grounds development, staffing, curriculum, employment opportunities for school leavers, school finance and so on. The Advisory Council sponsored the visit of the Family Life Movement to Yallourn, the meetings drawing an attendance of more than three hundred primary and secondary students and their parents. Two working bees on the grounds have been held. The Council has continued to subsidise the employment of our school gardener. A new duplicator has been purchased for school use. Overall steady improvement of the school and its facilities has been maintained.

Plans for the future include development of the basketball and tennis court areas, extension of the library, and improvements to rooms four and five.

In conclusion might I, as Principal, express my personal appreciation to the Advisory Council for its advice and assistance during my first year at Yallourn High School.

# LADIES' AUXILIARY

The Ladies' Auxiliary, which is held every second Wednesday of each month of the school year, has two main aims. The first is to provide the necessary finance for the purchase of amenities and equipment which will help to make school life happier and more profitable for both teachers and students. Secondly to give mothers and interested women an opportunity to meet each other and make new friends.

This year it has been very pleasing to have an increased membership from both Yallourn North and Hernes Oak from where so many of our pupils come. Under the Presidency of Mrs. J. Clarke we have had a most successful year, the main functions being held were the Debutante Ball and the Jumble Sale.

To mothers, if you are interested in the welfare of the school and the students, or would like to meet the mothers of your children's friends, why not join the Auxiliary next year? You will be most welcome.

Mrs. DELL, Hon. Secretary

# **COMINGS AND GOINGS**

There have been great comings and goings in the staff room this year, giving Mr. Synan plenty of time to practise his hobby of working out timetables. The beginning of the year brought a new principal, Mr. Balfour, direct from the farm freshness of Numurkah, and seven others—

Mrs. Evans, Miss Lockwood, Mrs. Gavin, Mr. Coventry

Mrs. Fox, Mr. Sault and Mr. Croker.

These replaced Mr. McAdam, who followed the sun to Golden Square, Mr. Lawson, who followed it to Darwin, and Miss Hay.

Within a matter of weeks Mrs. Fox left for Maryvale, and late in second term Mrs. Lewis left for Melbourne and Mr. Croker for Geelong.

In the office, Miss Cooper having left to be married and no replacement found, Mrs. Woodard filled in until Mrs. Morello was appointed.

## DEBUTANTE BALL

On Friday, August 14th, the Yallourn High School Ladies' Auxiliary held the annual Debutante Ball in Kernot Hall. It was the 17th annual ball and because this year was the Cook Bi-centenary the stage backdrop designed and painted by Mr. Sault and students, represented Captain Cook's cottage.

The debutantes and their partners were:

Vivianne Brown — Ron Boskma Joan Ashmead — Roger Dolphin Anne D'Alterio — Richard Kelly Anne Castell - David McLennan Lyn Mewett — Alan Dell Faye Courtney — David Thomson Celia Hibbert — Gary Deane Ketty Kelava — Peter Prosac Karen Brown — Gary Gallagher Merril Setches - Alan Hill Cheryl Holland — Barry Lilley Robyn Parry — Alan Radford Pauline Goss — Gorden Cook Caroline Sidebottom — Michael Reutson Rosemary Goddard — Peter Phillips Sue Harwood — Max Smaniotto Anne McLennan — Brian Robinson Janice King — Geoff Foggo

The debutantes were announced by Mr. R. Gubbins and presented to Mr. N. Wishart, chairman of the Yallourn Town Advisory Council, and Mrs. Wishart. Also in the official party were Mrs. Ashmead, representing the Yallourn High School Ladies' Auxiliary, and Mr. Ashmead; Mr. A. Balfour, principal of Yalourn High School, and Mrs. Balfour; Mr. M. Hopper, principal of the Gippsland Institute of Advanced Education, and Mrs. Hopper; and Mr. B. Thomson, president of the Yallourn High School Advisory Council, and Mrs. Thomson.

The debutantes and their partners, excellently trained by Mrs. G. Ellis, ended the presentation with a Parma Waltz.

The Debutante Ball was not only a delightful social success, but also raised a significant amount of money due to the Ladies' Auxiliary's efficient management and catering.

# S.R.C. REPORT

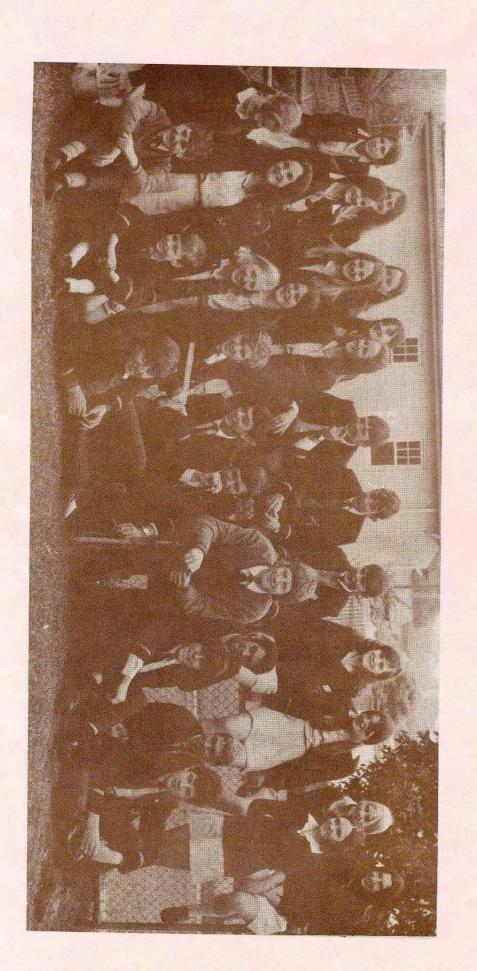
ROGER DOLPHIN URSZULA HORBACZ

In the last term of school a Student's Representative Council was founded. All sections of the student body are represented in this council which is still in an experimental stage. It is hoped that the council can consolidate the position it is required to hold in the school in future years so that it proves to be a benefit to both the school and community.

ROGER DOLPHIN,
President.

CHERYL POWER
ALAN HILL
JOAN ASHMEAD
JEFF GRAY
ANNE McLENNAN
JOHN PEMBERTON
ANNE GRAY
ROBERT BARNARD
IRENE HORNE
ROBERT BOSKMA
ANNE CASTELL
LIDIA INGRAVELLE
TERRY CARLTON

IAN HANSEN BRIDGET ROGOWSKI PETER SMITH **ELIZABETH HAYES** BRUCE MORRIS STEVEN SAMBELL GEOFF HILL CAROLYN LEE GEOFF HAYES HEATHER STALLWORTHY BRIAN COWPER LUCIA D'ALTERIO VERA MILOJEVIC KERRY SULLIVAN PETER LOFTUS MARILYN WARING



# **EXIT STUDENTS 1969**

Publication of results in January meant the future of another Matric. class had been decided. The tension and problems were temporarily over. The pace had already proven too great for two of our comrades. Barry being employed locally, Liz escaping to New Guinea, the wonders of tropical life and the Boroko chemist shop. Liz is expected home in early

January for a short visit.

Results had meant varying degrees of success. Those amongst us who met with the least success could look forward to a further year (whether voluntarily or not) in the honourable role of Matric. student. Cheryle, Merril, David and Paul returned to Y.H.S. to the joys of all concerned (another year of Mr. Woodard's freudian slips), Bronwyn escaping to Morwell High (one dares not ask why) and Rosemary to St. Annes to revel in boarding life once more. Those who could not tolerate further education sought employment - Bruce to a Sale bank, Carol-Ann to the Head Office of the T.A.B. and its dungeon, Christina to Nursing. Ross we herald as the only one amongst us with enough initiative and courage to lead the role of a wandering minstrel, fruit-picker, vagabond on the dole, etc. He was rewarded with a stay in hospital, following an accident in South Australia and is still recovering.

Through a typical Education Department mistake, Ballarat Teachers' College claimed Robyn, Bev, Irene, Sally and John. Despite its apparent conservatism (short skirts tarnished the reputation of at least one girl), it was revealed as NOT the last place on earth. Barbara found herself at the Geelong Teachers' Colledge. All appear to be enjoying college life and even sound quite knowledgeable with their spouting of

child psychology.

David Mc. and Russell could not escape beyond the Diploma Block of Gipps. Tech. and its Engineering Courses (sufficient to be able to scorn their ignorant

school associates on Open Day).

Our more intelligent comrades whether by hardwork or luck) took the path to higher education, Monash claiming Heather (arts), Kathy (arts/eco) and Peter (eco.pol). The three quickly became involved in the "affairs" of the said Uni, Heather gracing the Admin. building more than once. Colin entered Melbourne Uni. to do a P.E. course astounding all concerned with his prowess and physique.

He was the only one to make the sentimental pilgrimage home each weekend. Suzanne escaped interstate to Canberra to do a library course at the National Library. She quickly found herself dissatisfied with Canberra's offering of social activities and high price of living and happily is being transferred to Mel-

bourne.

Once more the outside world had engulfed the products of Y.H.S.

MERRIL POTTER

# THE FAIR

Panic struck Yallourn High School on the morning of the second Friday of third term. Rain made the fete look like being a washout. Visions of soggy sponges and drowned "popular pets" dampened our enthusiasm. But the sound of crashing desk lids and puffing and panting told us that the day was saved — we moved inside.

Although we were without Miss Yallourn High School, Pre-Fair activities were again successful. Form 1B emerged victorious as the best fund-raisers and won a form picnic for themselves. A new departure was the raffle, an ambitious affair offering a Toshiba Stereogram as first prize. The success of this raffle augurs well for something bigger and better next year. Other pre-fair activities included lucky buttons and the selling of votes for the Popular Pets Contest.

The fair itself was as successful as ever; a grocery stall groaning under its weight of tins and packets: irresistable cakes and sweets, and the ever-popular White Elephant stall. Games of skill, pony rides and lucky envelopes catered for the more adventurous, while the familiar sound of Mr. Dophin's voice and bell re-assured us that the vice of gambling lives on. Endless quantities of hot dogs, pies, pasties, chops, sausages, hamburgers, drinks and ice creams were on sale to relieve the pangs of hunger during the day.

In the new building some novel attractions greeted us. The Form 5 Coffee Lounge Amusement Parlour and Disco — "The Spiders Web" — not to mention the radio station, kept things lively. Next door a movie was showing and further along the Mouse

Derby.

In the evening things really got under way. The Talent Quest got its first airing: "The Vacant Lot", The Lollypop Raiders," "This Day Tonight Junior," to mention just a few. Many parents attended and it was

a great favourite.

On Saturday morning the brave ones dragged themselves to school to survey the wreckage. Monday morning completed the clean-up. Still, all agree that a term of soup and toasted sandwiches, followed by a day of fun and another of confusion were worth it. Net profits for fair and pre-fair came to about \$1300 and will be devoted to sporting and Library development.

# A CHANGED CONCEPT OF THE SECONDARY SCHOOL LIBRARY

"The emphasis on the value of individual study as a vital part of the learning process has changed the view of the role of the library — it now becomes the centre of the school's learning programme, providing access to the whole range of resource materials, such as books, periodicals, tapes, records, slides and films. It provides specialist staff to organize these materials in the way best suited to the school's educational programme and to guide students and teachers in their use of the wide range of activities involving the use of the Library materials."





"What shall we do with the Drunken Sailor?"

(Or what shall we do if the pianist doesn't hurry up and start playing?)

# talent

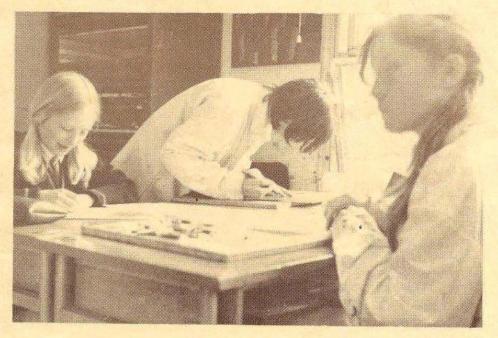




# quest

We are Yallourn High girls, We wear our hair in curls. We are the biggest flirts, We wear our daddies' shirts.

We have young Sault for Art; He thinks we're very smart. In class he lets us chew If he can have one too. Etc. . . . etc. . . .





### MAWSON

Mawson, what a House! We knocked 'em out all year (won the Aths. anyway). With dominating D. Burns in the aths, and Chug-alug Charlie in the swimming. We were supported by Mr. Gubbins and Mr. Sault whenever we needed them.

Thanks fellas, without you what would we be? Our policy: "On the field and in the factory teamwork is essential."

JOHN PEMBERTON

Mawson fared well in both interhouse competitions, winning the Aths. in what has become almost a traditional way. This success was due to unselfish co-operation, and I personally would like to thank everybody concerned. On behalf of the House, thanks to Mrs. Wallis our House Mistress, Lyn Mewett our vice-captain and Brenda and Janice for organizing the swimming sports. Best of luck for next year.

ANNE McLENNAN

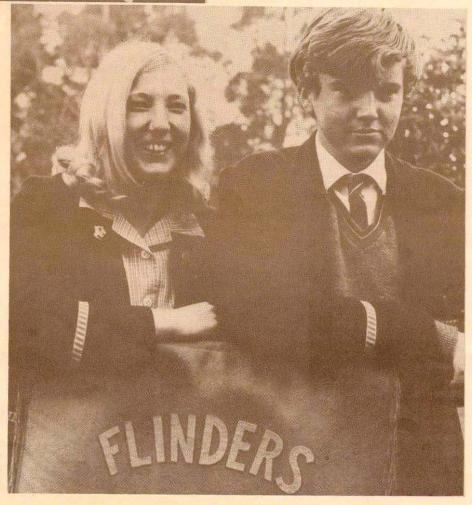
# **FLINDERS**

Well Flinders this has been a great year with great wins in 'er some things. Well anyway we won something. With courage and determination they fought on (whoever they were), so keep at it. Yes, Flinders will go down in Yallourn High School history. Well dun chaps.

JEFF GRAY

It was a "seconds" year - in the Aths, in the girls' shield, in the boys shield and in the aggregate. My congratulations go to all those who competed and especially those who did well in their events - especially to the Gallagher family because both Debbie and Garry won indivichampionships. Another champ was Jill Peacock and unfortunately the only champ we had in the swimming was yours truly, but next year I hope we have more speedy rubber duckies. The best of luck for next year.

JOAN ASHMEAD



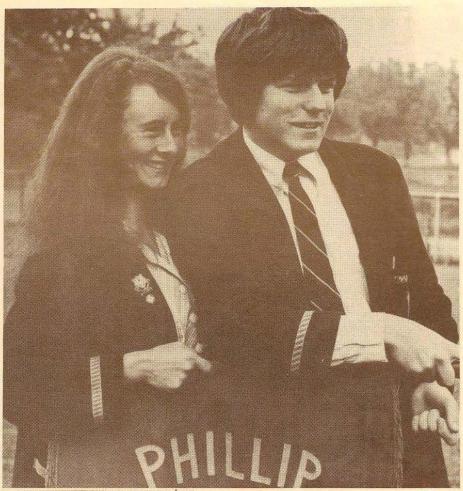
### PHILLIP

With the sterling help of Mr. E. L. Woodard and his capable assistant, Mr. R. J. McLean, mighty Phillip have dominated the school scene once again. The House rose in all its magnificent splendour, to back up our associate members of the fairer sex in annihilating all-comers in the swimming. Phillip's position in the Aths is easily explained by the fact that we were told the wrong venue and did not turn up—a foul trick by some opposition House.

### ROBERT BARNARD

Although we won the swimming, we didn't do as well in the Aths, but as the results were very close it didn't matter so much. Congratulations and thanks to everyone. In the volleyball matches at lunchtime we were eventually tossed after a good battle. Thank you Mrs. Gavin and Miss Lockwood. Best of luck for future years Phillip and keep up the swimming record.

ANNE GRAY



# BASS

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Bass had a fantastic year all told, winning major sports competitions such as swimming, football and carpet bowls. Prominent competitors included "Corporal" Vandabelt, "Superboy" Hoy, and "Captain Australia" — Graham Ure.

We may have been small and skinny once but now we are rising to supremacy.

ALAN HILL

Although this year has not proved to be extremely successful for the Bass girls, we defeated all the other teams concerned in the interhouse volley ball with a combination of team spirit, and mainly due to the efforts of the boys we at least managed a second place in the grand aggregate.

There were no really outstanding athletes or swimmers this year, but the newcomers to the house show great potential, and with continued co-operation and enthusiasm as shown by the younger girls this year I think the future looks quite

promising.

CHERYLE POWER





# PREFECT REPORT 1970

The duties assigned to the prefect body this year mainly consisted of two which were first introduced in 1961, those of reading at Religious Instruction and street duty. The most enjoyable task was the organization of the school social in Term 2. A lot of effort was put into the transplantation of gum trees to produce an atmosphere reminiscent of the Ned Kelly days. The most important aspect of being a prefect is still the honour of receiving the badges of office and this in itself makes the tradition of many years worthwhile.

URSULA HORBACZ ROGER DOLPHIN MERRIL POTTER! BRENDA JAMES ALAN DELL DAVID LEWIS VIVIENNE BROWN JANICE KING



It's exam time.
Oh why, on a clear blue sky,
Can the clouds float by
While I am a prisoner.

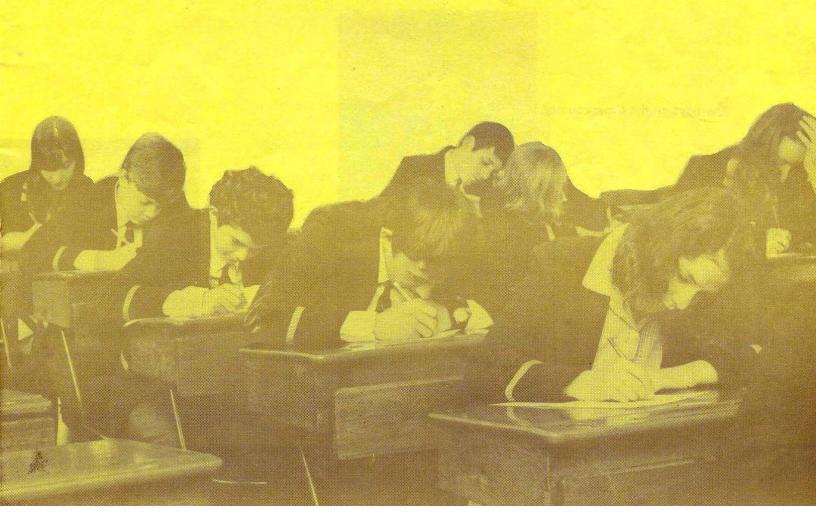
It's exam time.
From the window I can see
A tree.
It's free.
I am a prisoner.

It's exam time.
The sun beats down upon the ground,
I look around,
I am a prisoner.

It's exam time.
And in this room I must stay,
I must not go away.
I'm a prisoner.

It's exam time.
I hear the bell,
And all is well.
I'm no longer a prisoner.

LINDA BICKNELL





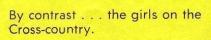
The answer to last week's Sunball?



Decisions, decisions . . . .



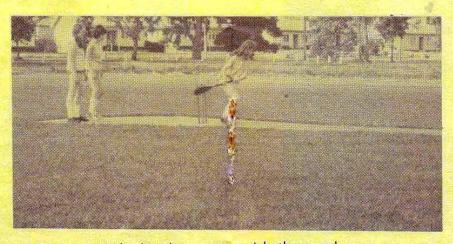
The boys on the Cross-country.







"The Fellas" — On and off the field.



Confidence in the bowler — two wicketkeepers!