THE ANCHOR



Williamstown High School Ex-Students & Staff Association Inc A0041347A

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President's Report

Welcome to the September 2022 edition of the ANCHOR.

Starting on a sad note, I would like to pay tribute to **Phil Weate** who passed away earlier this year. Phil was one of the life members of WHSESSA and a very active member of the association in its early years. Phil died in Bowral, aged 94, in January 2022

AGM

We will be having our 2022 AGM on Saturday 15th October 2022.

We had our 2021 AGM back in March 2022 so once this one is done we will have caught up on our COVID induced delays.

All of the management positions for the committee of management will become available for nomination. If you know anybody who might be interested in joining us please let them know.

The AGM will be in the WHS library at Pasco St from 2:00pm.

Annual Reunion

We are also planning for the restart of our annual reunion. This will be held on **Wednesday 30th November 2022**. It will be held in the library at Pasco St from 10:00 am till 12:30pm.

In previous years we have tried to send targeted invitations to ex-students who are celebrating 50 years since their class graduated. Unfortunately we have arrived at a period in the schools records where there is scant information available to assist us in this task.

We have gleaned information from High Tide for the years 1970,71 & 72. The names of all the 6th formers are listed on page 4. If you know where any of these people are now please let them know that we are organising this function and they are welcome to attend.

There will also be a large number of people who were in these years but didn't go as far as 6th form. They too are very welcome as are all of our members of any year.

Hold Fast

Fred Cumming

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TED HUDSON------Legend of Williamstown and unsung HERO

By Geoff van Wyngaarden

Williamstown is a great place to live and the people who have lived there are basically all good, honest and hard working people. Occasionally you come across someone who stands out above the rest. Ted Hudson is one such person who is a community role model of the highest quality. I first met Ted on a personal level was when I was appointed Administrator of the Williamstown Juniors Football Club in 1979 and Ted was one of the coaches.

Ted is a single man and has lived by himself for several decades. He has devoted his life for the betterment of junior children, whether from youth groups, football coaching, Little Athletics high jump co-ordinator, cricket coaching, volunteer work at primary schools amongst other volunteer work for over 50 years.

"In the 1960's decade there was very little organised community based sporting activities available for children or youths under the age of sixteen. Professional sport and cinemas were not allowed on Sundays, most shops closed at midday on Saturday, therefore weekends could be very boring. However during the week there were the general purpose youth clubs, such as the Williamstown Youth Centre operated by volunteers behind the Williamstown Town Hall and nearly every church had its Boys and Girls clubs. Knowing that I was interested in youth work the Vicar of Holy Trinity Church invited me, although still a teenager, to assist in his Boys Club at the Holy Trinity Hall in Pasco Street opposite where I lived, and within six months the two adult leaders of the club had left leaving me in charge of a club with approximately thirty boys whose ages ranged from five to fifteen years. Several local churches became interested in setting up an organised football competition for boys in 1963. This letter which was signed by Mr. Hanson of Newport Methodists Church, was subsequently passed onto me as leader of Holy Trinity Boys Club in Williamstown. At the next evening of club activities, I sat the boys down and naively asked them if they wanted to play football. Of course, the over whelming reply was yes, notwithstanding that we had no administration, no oval, no uniforms, no money and no chattels such as footballs and equipment. I attended a meeting and a competition was formed with 7 other local churches." Ted became one of the coaches and administrator of this new club which is now known as the Williamstown Juniors Football Club. Ted spent over 20 years with this club before helping out at other clubs

Ted, a true Williamstown born boy, attended Williamstown High School from 1956 to 1961 and left with his Leaving Certificate. In 1961 Ted was on the "High Tide Magazine" committee, along with fellow student Noel Mackie and about 6 girls. Ted fondly remembers teachers such as Brian Halloran who taught him English and Keith Knight who was the Geography teacher. Keith also coached the football and cricket teams with great success.

"I went to the Olympic Games in 1956 on a school excursion, I saw John Landy when he got the Bronze medal in the 1500 metres. We went by train to the Olympics. The tickets were sold earlier in the year about March and the Olympics were in November. Various students went on various days."

Ted first did paid work with the Postmaster General's Department which lasted for many years. His unpaid second career has been voluntary youth work from 1960 to the present time. Ted is a Life Member of the Williamstown Juniors FC, Yarraville Juniors FC and the Newport Little Athletics Club. In 2000 he received an Australian Sports Medal, an award under the Australian Honours System. Ted has served the Williamstown Little Athletics Centre from 1968 to the present time. He was also involved with the Boys group at Holy Trinity Hall between 1962 to 1995 and served at the Williamstown Youth Centre between 1967 to 1985. From 2007 to the present Ted has volunteered as a helper in various Western Suburbs schools. A remarkable effort in a lifetime of community volunteer work.

Ted has been recognised for his volunteer work in schools across the community as part of the National Volunteer Week. "My life was horrendously wasted during the COVID-19 lockdown period, there is no sugar coating on it. Being a dedicated youth worker there is no way that I could keep busy and living alone, I found the time considerably boring. Of course there is housework, shopping and walking to be done but technology such as phones, computers and television is no substitute. When the lockdown was over, I was most looking forward to returning to libraries, gym sessions, junior sports coaching and assisting at schools." Ted is currently volunteering at Altona College, 2 days per week, where he listens to Grade one pupils read and helps out around the classroom. He finds it nice to be part of their learning journey........

Well Done, Ted Hudson......



Williamstown High School 1960 Form 4D photo

Back: Geoffrey Wallace, unknown, Graeme Kelly, **Ted Hudson** (Boys- Form Captain), Geoffrey East, David Sceats, unknown.....

Front: Robin Rowe, Hilda Schlipalius (Girls- Form Captain), Margaret Farrar, Margaret Clark, Elizabeth Berry, Mrs. Kathleen Lawson (Form Teacher)

This was actually the smallest form at the school.

Authors at WHS

Following our request in the June ANCHOR we need to add **Charles Mollison** to our list of authors.

Vagenhofer Bill

Virgona John

1970 Bamford Julie Bloom John Conway Jim **Dearing Rod** Dogger Marjoke Dow Lorraine Fitzpatrick Anne Fraser Janice Gantidis Maria Gibson Mick Goetz Regina Granger Pam Grech Marianne Grenfell Ian Hall Jenny Halley John Hatty Dave Hatzis Bill Hayes Jim **Higgins Leslie** Jamieson Sandra Johnson Robyn Livingstone Janice MacBain Adrienne Mackerracher Sandra Mekisic Nick Moses Lynette Murrells Jenny Neil Marie Norman Paul Paine Margaret Papadopoulos Mike Penter Karin

Webb Cathy Wilhelms Janet Wilhelms Geoff Wilkinson Debbie Williams Alan Williamson Clive Wyatt Barbara Xydias Angelo 1971 Black Alexander Brabham Dale **Burgies Leonie** Bury DeArne Collins Jillian Congdon Alison Connell Christine Curnan Judith Dann Kevin Davis Bruce Davison John Dillon Dianne **Duffy Roselyn** Eichler Geoffrey **Evans Heatherbell** Ferguson Lynda Fitzgerald Eric frills Peter Gadd Bill Gammon Janet Geotz Ulrich Gillespie Linda

Goetz Regina Haden Glenda Hansen Robin Harkin Keith Healey Phyllis Higgins Michael Holmes Suzanne Holzer Evelyn Howard Ian Hurst Graham Ironside Steven Ishac Edward Kazara Sula Kerr lan Krupinski Frank

Lambden Dawn

Lees Terry Lornie Patricia Mallett Tony Manser Allan McCarthy Kim McTaggart Rae Moorhouse Janet Nelson Vicki Newman Peter Owen Jan Page Susan Papastergiou Bill Pilavokis Dorothy Porter David Price John Reade Benita Saarelaht Helbe Sahhar Cleopas Sahhar Janette Sheers Alan Shilton Robyn Vagenhofer Bill Wells Denise Wood Carolyn Zaparas Peter 1972 Blackley Alan Boardman Vicki Brabham Dale **Brown Susan** Bruzzesse Angelina

Diver Kerry Dogger Simone Elias Paul Elmshe Ruth Foord John Gantidis Sophia Gravett John Haining Lynda Haynes Brian Havnes Bruce Higham Marion Holzer Evelyn Ishac Leo Jellis Peter Jessup Joanne John Kerr lan

Krupinski Francis

Dey John

La Volpicella Nicholas Lafcharis Charles

Poole Laurel Rapley John Ravenscroft Colin Rolley Pam Rosenberg Helen Saarelaht Indo Sandells Dianne Shearer Jim Shilton Robyn Shultz Russell Sibley Alison Stephens Lynne Strogonow Lana **Thompson Warren** Tzambazis George

Notice of Annual General Meeting 2022 - WHSESSA inc. A 0041347A

The 2022 Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on <u>Saturday 15th October 2022 at 2pm</u> at the WHS Pasco St Library.

This is a special AGM to allow us to present the financial statement and elect office bearers. We haven't been able to have our latest 2 scheduled AGMs as a result of COVID lockdowns.

Nomination forms and Proxy voting forms are attached. In accordance with the WHS Covid requirements we won't be having any afternoon tea or setting up any displays as we have previously. You are all welcome to attend but we will be having social distancing and request that only fully vaccinated people attend in person.

PROXY Voting

We have attached a PROXY form for those people who would like to have a vote but cannot or don't want to attend. You can give your proxy to any financial member of the association who is attending in person. You can also give your proxy to the President (Fred Cumming), the Vice President (Iris Whitehurst), the Secretary (Ray Price), Treasurer (Geoff King) or committee members (David Wood and Barbara Muster).

Proxy votes count for the purposes of a quorum so it would be appreciated if you could return your Proxy forms if you cannot be in attendance.

Ray Price Secretary & Public Officer. WHSESSA Inc. A0041347A.

Committee Nomination Form - WHSESSA inc. A 0041347A

Nomination for Election at AGM 2022 for WHSESSA Committee. All positions are vacant.
(Forms will be available at the AGM on Saturday 15th October 2022.)
Please print & sign name in all areas. I,, wish to nominate
for the position ofon the WHSESSA Inc, Committee for July 2022-June 2023 I,seconded this nomination.
I, as Nominee, accept this nomination
Post to:-WHSESSA Inc. PO Box 81 Williamstown, Vic 3016 or hand to Secretary Ray Price, by 2pm, Saturday 15th October 2022
XXXXX
Proxy Vote - AGM 15th October 2022 - WHSESSA inc.A0041347A
Any financial Member, who is unable to attend the AGM on the 15th October 2022, may complete this Proxy vote. (Print & sign name in all areas required.)
I,, delegate my proxy vote to (enter name)
on any matters (if required) at the AGM on Sat 15th October 2022
Post to:- WHSESSA,. PO Box 81.Williamstown, Vic, 3016. Email:- Ray Price, sealbook@iinet.net.au
Acceptances ONLY - WHSESSA Inc. AGM Sat 15th October 2022 @ 2pm- Pasco St W'town
I,will be attending the AGM.
Post to:- WHSESSA Inc., PO Box 81 .Williamstown, Vic.3016 or
Email to: sealbook@iinet.net.au or text only, no calls, to 0405692217 (include your name please)

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