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1966 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The A.G.M. of R.O.C.A. will be held on Saturday, September 3rd, 1966 starting at 5.00 p.m. We are sure all members will be able to find the RICHMOND HOTEL, Rundle Street, Adelaide, and the meeting will be held in a room of this Hotel.

The agenda is:

- (i) President's Report
- (ii) Treasurer's Report
- (iii) Digest Report
- (iv) Aust. Diplomates Association
- (v) Cabaret
- (vi) Any other business
- (vii) Election of officers.

Nominations must be returned to the Secretary by 20th August, 1966.

	Present Holder										
Immediate Past President	G.P. Roe	W.S. Edge									
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President	W.S. Edge										
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	R. Norton										
	J. Sobels										
	C. Kay										
Hon. Auditor	B.C. Philp										
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1966 REUNION

The 1966 Reunion will be held on Saturday, September 3rd at the RICHMOND HOTEL, Rundle Street, Adelaide. The dinner is due to start at 6.45 p.m.

The sum of three dollars (\$3.00) must be sent to the Treasurer before the 27th August to ensure a place at the Reunion.

We hope Mr. B.C. Philp will be a guest as this will be his first renunion since his retirement. The Award of Merit Presentation will be made. The 25-year-ago group, organised by S.G. Williams of Murray Bridge are few in number but strong in spirit. The 10-year-ago group organiser Mr J. Sobels, has a much larger group to contact and assures me they are also strong in College spirit.

It is hoped to have some time for general talking after the formal proceedings.

FILL IN AND RETURN TO TREASURER BEFORE 27th AUGUST, 1966

Mr C.W. Hooper,
Agricultural College,
ROSEWORTHY. S.A.

* I will/will not be present at the 1966 Reunion on Saturday, 3rd September, 1966 Please find enclosed \$3.00 to cover the cost of the Dinner.

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1966 CABARET

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It has been decided to hold this at the Richmond Hotel on Saturday, 12th November, 1966. This will be a dinner-dance costing \$3.95 per person. Although this is primarily an Old Scholars function, friends will be welcomed.

This is the first function of this type arranged by the Association and it is felt it could be very popular if the first response is an indication of the general interest.

FILL IN AND RETURN BEFORE 5th NOVEMBER, 1966

The Hon. Secretary,
R.O.C.A.,
Agricultural College,
ROSEWORTHY. S.A.

Please book places at the dinner dance to be held on November 12th at the Richmond Hotel.

Find enclosed to cover the cost at \$3.95 per person.

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1966 SPORTS & VISITING DAY

This will be held on Sunday, October 2nd, 1966, the day after the Adelaide Football Grand Final.

The day will start with a service in the chapel at 11.00 a.m. Bring your lunch (College has some good barbecues and will provide tea, milk and sugar), and afterwards matches will be played against the present students.

If sufficient interest is shown by Old Scholars, cricket, golf, tennis and rifles will be arranged.

RETURN THIS SLIP TO REACH THE ORGANISER BY 26th SEPTEMBER, 1966

Mr R.S. Norton,
Agricultural College,
ROSEWORTHY. S.A.

I will attend the visiting day on Sunday, October 2nd and will play:-(Please indicate order of preference).

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(ii)	Golf	• •		 												
(iii)	Tennis	• •	• •	 * •												
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OENOLOGY NEWSLETTER

BY PHIL TUMMEL

An inaugural meeting will be held in the Barossa Valley on Friday, 22nd July to discuss the structure, aims and constitution of the proposed Oenology Society, and also to elect officers.

The society will be formed by Roseworthy Oenology Diplomates, and once formed, associates will be welcomed from the industry.

We hope to obtain full support from all concerned.

We wish Niel Lindsay all the best in his new venture as Manager of Southern Vale Co-operative; hence the Stoneyfell advert. for a new wine-maker.

UPPER MURRAY REUNION

The Upper Murray Reunion will be held on Wednesday, 28th September at Loxton, starting at 6.30 p.m.

Any R.O.C.A. member is welcome to attend and those interested are asked to contact

Mr K.A. PFEIFFER, Box 2, LOXTON. S.A.

FAMILY DAY - EYRE PENINSULA WAY

The seaside paradise of "Thuruna" hasn't any swaying palm trees, but it had everything else on 27th February, 1966, including Big Chief R.O.C.A. (Bill Edge) and his next in line, John Gore. This was E.P. Branch Family Day.

The day of choice this year was perfect - just the type that inspires the desire for such pastimes as swimming, eating and/or drinking. Not a cloud in the sky, the sea gently lapping the shore and a big blue Holden Ute stuck down amongst the boulders. John McFarlane returning from the Reunion thought he was in the family aircraft, but co-pilot Jon Shipard, realising it wasn't a sea plane, landed safely on the seaward side of the camp. Sleeping conditions were excellent.

In this land of lotus eaters, one worker could be seen moving busily about shifting chairs, sweeping floors, etc. Just as well Andy Michelmore brought along young "Snowy" Philp to keep the camp in order. If anyone was wondering why all West Coast Old Scholars were so anxious for Mr Philp to visit us, now you know. No one was disappointed.

Families of Old Roseworthians either spent the night in the new and convenient camping quarters or began arriving mid-morning. Jack Jones, Ray Alcock, Bob Horne and Bob Stirling formed the welcoming committee. First of all they welcomed the liquid refreshments. These, like most other reasons for enjoyment, were cumningly concealed. A pit cushioned with seaweed and ice was prepared and covered. Investigating visitor, W. Bussel and his assistant Ian Holman soon worked out the combination, and from thence onwards Bill "held the fort", dispersing as he thought fit. Snake bite was on the list for treatment.

Hamish Patterson arrived with wife and several young warriors together with plenty of petrol in the tank. It took the last Reunion at Cowell to convince him that the A70 wasn't a Reunion proposition so he replaced it with something that does more than 7 miles to the gallon.

The local wives decided against forming a guard of honour for the arrival of President Bill Edge and Vice President John Gore, as they'd heard that Phil Tummel was in the official party and they didn't know where it would end. Could've been just like Gawler on a Friday night in the 30's.

Pat Marrie, our Branch President, was accompanied by the guest speaker of the previous night, W. Stephens, who could not resist the call of the waves - soon had his bathers on and into the surf. Pat wandered over to see Bill Bussel.

Children's necessities provided were cool drinks (\$16), icecream (\$7) and sweets (\$4). We saw all the various offsprings at the barbecue lunch, but then they disappeared into the sea until it was time to go home. This meant that towards the end we just about had to drown and suffocate them with cool drinks and ice-cream to dispose of the surplus. Pity they absented themselves as races on the beach had been organised and one Old Scholar - a very fine type by the way - was hoping to run a book.

The prize for the most spectacular arrival went to Graham Wishart. He was delivered by air. When the 'plane buzzed the beach, Bill Bussel nearly swallowed his glass and chefs Ken Hayman, Ray Alcock and Bob Horne burnt 35 chops. Never-the-less Graham reaped many admiring glances from the ladies, perhaps it was his shorts that caught the eye.

Another prize was to be presented to the R.O.C.A. Bathing Belle 1966, but we couldn't divide the 100 guinea canteen of cutlery into so many equal parts. Regardless, Phil Tummel drank the health of the ladies in Cleland's Liqueur Brandy, or was it T.S.T.? Jack Jones Andrew Michelmore and Ken Hayman all purchased new bathers for their wives with the coveted trophy in mind. Peter Thyer's wife, Judy, was too busy looking after sons to go in the parade. Have to get "Blue" Holder and his merry single men (Ian Holman, Tom Green, Ian Bidstrup, John McFarlane and Jon Shipard) to do the judging next year.

Now that Rus Daniel's wife has arrived to live at Cummins, he can have the job of operating the camera eye.

FAMILY DAY - EYRE PENINSULA WAY (CONTINUED)

Talking of cameras, a popular B.Ag.Sc. visitor, Tom Haney was official photographer for the day. The slides will be seen at the next Reunion Dinner to be held 25th February, 1967. Pat Marrie's stomach is seen to advantage.

Alan and Emily Lawes kept a strict eye on son Barry. Just made sure he did not get too far away from Mr Bussel who obviously was lecturing the surrounding past students. Dry work lecturing and listening!

Old Faithful, Roger Panser called in to see if everything was going along satisfactorily. It was.

Jim Chewings and wife brought along the youngest child on the day and Ray and Elsa Alcock provided the tallest - son Eric 6'5".

It is certainly a pleasure to meet and get to know families of fellow old collegians. This Family Day, we think, is well worth attending and next year the function will be held on Sunday, February 26th, at Billy Light Point, just out of Port Lincoln. Plans are well in hand - one committee meeting dealing with it has already been held. Visitors and families will be most welcome and can be assured of an enjoyable day. For an unbiased opinion, contact our official overseas ambassador, Bill Bussel.

Pat Marrie and branch members are grateful to all visitors, particularly the President and Vice President of the Parent Body, Mr Philp and W. Stephen for their attendance. Also our thanks to Mesdames Alcock, Jones, Stirling, Horne and Habel for their camp organising and practical assistance.

No accidents occurred on the road, on the beach or in the sea with every child arriving home in one piece. We had much to be thankful for after such an enjoyable day.

The following day Des Habel washed and returned the glasses, returned the empty cool drink bottles, returned the ice-cream containers, etc. etc., and didn't grizzle at all. A labour of love - everything had been so worthwhile.

R.D.T.A, NOTES

BY ROBIN STEED

The next proposed gathering of R.D.D. members is on Sunday, 27th November 1966 in the East Parklands, Glen Osmond Road, at 11.30 a.m. Members are requested to bring families, food, etc., and a cordial invitation is also extended to Hawkesbury Dairy Diploma Graduates. The Annual meeting will be arranged at this gathering.

I have recently been advised that Viv Hannaford has departed from Werribee, Victoria, and is now with the Department of Agriculture in North Western Tasmania. We offer Viv our best wishes in this new position and hope to have some news from him shortly.

THE GRAPEVINE

Shortly after the February issue of the Digest was printed, I received a letter from Alan Martin (1922-25) who gives his address as 28 Goldsmith Road, Claremont, W. Aust. In his letter, Alan reports the death of R.J. "Dick" Wilson who was in Alan's year at Roseworthy. Dick spent part of his career as farm manager at both Muresk Agricultural College, Western Australia, and also at Roseworthy. From Farm Manager at Roseworthy, he moved to Tasmania as an adviser in the Department of Agriculture and in the war years did a great job in charge of potato production. In the late 1940's Dick shifted to Melbourne, where he set up business manufacturing potato products. It is with regret receiving notice of his death and we extend our sympathy to his wife and three daughters.

Alan himself commenced with the Agricultural Bank in W.A. in 1928 and continued with this bank until 1946 when it was absorbed via Act of Parliament by the Rural Industries Bank. During the earlier

THE GRAPEVINE (CONTINUED)

part of his career, Alan was a Field Inspector until being appointed manager at Katanning in 1935. In 1946 he was transferred to Head Office as Senior Valuer, and was in charge of reconstruction in the wheat and sheep districts for five years. From this position Alan was Manager at Freemantle for seven years, Manager of St. Georges Terrace for 3 years and Deputy Manager of the Perth Office. For the last three years he has been in Head Office Administration. Alan would welcome any visitors to W.A. at their modern Head Office in Barrack Street.

Congratulations to Daryl Hicks on his inclusion in the State Carnival football team which played in Tasmania.

Several Old Scholars have been married during the past few months and to them we extend our congratulations. Those noted were Bob and Marion Sampson; Reg and Judy Radford. Also married were Grant Paech and Robert "Red" Hodge.

Business in the engagements column has been very slack as far as our members have been concerned, and the only one noted was Keith Holder, to whom we extend our congratulations.

The stork has slowed down a little since our last issue, but the following couples were paid a visit:-

Sandy and Joan MacKenzie -

- a son

Rob and Anne Reeves

- a daughter

Bruce and Judith Hall

a daughter

Allan and Jenny McTagart

a daughter

It was with regret reading of the recent death of "Monty" Adams of Prospect and to his family we extend our sincerest sympathy.

Noal Myers called in at the College recently and his address is now 'Ashford', Private Bag 50, Branxholme, Victoria. He is on a recently purchased property of 500 acres between Hamilton and Portland. The rainfall is 28 inches. He is running sheep and a beef herd of 60 Hereford Breeders.

COLLEGE CHATTER

On the 3rd May Mr B.C. Philp retired after 45 years of extremely valuable service to the College as Secretary/Accountant. I am sure that all old scholars appreciate the effort he has put into not only the College but also to our Old Scholars Association and we look forward to seeing his happy face amongst our gatherings in the future.

The position of Secretary/Accountant is now held by Alan Footer who has been with us at College for several years. Also to join the office staff is Ray Jones who comes from Port Lincoln.

Ian Watt has decided that the West Coast is the place for him and he completed his duties here on July 15th. Also leaving at the end of July is Dave Woodruff, Lecturer in Biology, who has been appointed to a position in Queensland.

Gil Hollamby, Assistant Plant Breeder and Lecturer in Entomology is doing a twelve months course in Plant Breeding at the C.S.I.R.O. in Canberra and is due back with us next June (1967).

It is pleasing to be able to report that Colin Bungey, who was involved in a car accident earlier in the year, is improving steadily and we hope that it is not long before he is back at work.

The rainfall is down considerably on the average but most crops have been sown and up at the time of writing.

COLLEGE CHATTER (CONTINUED)

FOOTBALL

With the season drawing to a close both College teams have their eyes on the Premiership honours, and with both teams playing particularly well should hold their positions at second on the premiership table at the end of the minor round.

The final round commences on July 30th with the Grand Finals on August 20th. The students would welcome and appreciate any old scholar who is able to attend any of these matches.

If you would like any further details contact Mr Jack Wood, Football Manager, he will be only too pleased to give you further information.

"Mr R.A.C." DEPARTS

In a unique event unprecedented in College history Mr B.C. Philp and Mrs Philp were farewelled by a gathering of approximately 140 former and present staff members and their wives. Mr Philp, Secretary/Accountant retired after 45 years on the College staff.

The evening took the form of a buffet tea provided by the ladies was held in the College dining room.

Farewell messages were extended to the guests of honour by Mr J.W. Goulter (Housemaster 1935-40) who represented earlier staff associates of Mr Philp; Mr Rex Kuchel (Oenologist and Biologist 1943-62) representing the more recent former staff and Mr Rex Krause, Vice-Principal representing the present staff.

Among nearly 40 former staff members present were four former Housemasters - Mr J.W. Goulter, Mr J.H. Chambers (1941-48), Mr B.C. Westley-Smith (1948-50) and J. Oates (1950-57). Also three former Farm Superintendents, O. Bowden (1932-38), R.H. Jones (1938-47) and D.D. Suter (1947-58).

Several former staff members travelled over 600 miles to be present at this occasion. Numerous greetings from former staff unable to be present were read to the gathering. These include two from former Principals, Dr A.R. Callaghan (1932-48) and Dr R.N. McCulloch (1947-61).

A presentation of two lounge chairs, a nest of tables, a standard lamp and magazine rack plus an envelope containing a little extra. A guest book signed by all present was also handed to the guests of honour.

A staff-student dinner was also held to farewell Mr Philp and was attended by Mr Bywaters, Minister of Agriculture, who spoke very highly of the guest of honour.

Recently an old scholar came across the notice below posted on the Employees' Notice Board of a firm, which certainly sounds as though it is enforcing a drastic change.

TO ALL EMPLOYEES: Due to increased competition and a keen desire to remain in business, we find it necessary to introduce a new policy.

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY We are asking that, somewhere between starting and finishing time and without infringing too much on the time usually devoted to lunch period, coffee breaks, rest period, story telling, ticket selling, vacation planning and re-hashing of yesterday's T.V. programme, that each employee endeavour to find some time that can be set aside and be known as the "Work Period"! To some this may seem a radical innovation, but we honestly believe the idea has great possibilities, it can conceivably be an aid to steady employment and it might also be a means of securing regular Pay Cheques. While the adoption of the "Work Period Plan" is not compulsory, it is hoped that each employee will find enough time to give the plan a fair trial.

THE MANAGEMENT.

IF YOU ARE A ROSEWORTHY OLD SCHOLAR
YOU SHOULD SEE THAT YOU SUPPORT R.O.C.A.
IF YOU MILK COWS
YOU SHOULD SEE A PSYCHIATRIST
UNLESS YOU MILK JERSEYS

Then you really should see Gnangwea Jerseys at Inman Valley

JOHN AND MRS GORE WOULD WELCOME YOU

R.O.C.A. DIGEST

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Mr. C. Phillips,

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EYRE PENINSULA BRANCH A.G.M. AND REUNION

Plan your holidays now so that you can attend the Eyre Peninsula Branch A.G. and Reunion on the 25th February next year plus the picnic on the following day.

These two events held last February were a tremendous success and thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. A little planning now will help you to join in these functions.

The A.G.M. AND REUNION is again to be held at the Great Northern, Port Lincoln, and the picnic at Billy Light Point, which is just out of the town.

For further details plus accommodation booking arrangements, contact:-

Mr Des Habel, Box 5, PORT LINCOLN. S.A.