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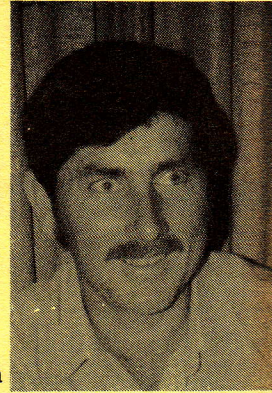
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The Director, Dr. Don Williams with the first graduating year of girl students to receive Diplomas
Standing: L to R. G. Kranenburg, ^(WINE PRODUCTION) & _{MARKETING}, C. Twigger, J. Stapledon, C. Schrank, M. Gale.
Sitting: J. Nickolai, R. Robinson, J. Munro, G. Skinson. (ROSEWORTHY DIPLOMA IN AGRICULTURE)

From the President...

ROSS DAWKINS



It was my privilege to attend the Eyre Peninsula Branch Annual Dinner and Reunion on the 26-27 February. Some 44 members and visitors attended the dinner to hear Mr. Duke Acton, General Manager of C.B.H., speak. To those who organised the weekend, which was a tremendous success, I extend my thanks on behalf of those present.

There were many "old" faces at this reunion and it was gratifying to see so many take the opportunity to attend such a weekend and renew old acquaintances.

I hope this can be a model for those other branches of our Association which do not function particularly well at present and that someone will take the initiative and get these branches on their feet again.

I attended Graduation Day on March 8th and saw the Lieutenant Governor present the Old Students Cup and Old Students Sports Award to Ruth Robinson and Christopher Tuckwell. On behalf of the Association I congratulate these two graduates and wish them every success for the future.

Some years ago, we initiated at the Annual Dinner a 10 and 25 year ago Reunion. It has been suggested we should have a 40 year ago group. We could have one this year!! How about sending us your thoughts!

Later in the year we will be calling for nominations for the Award of Merit.

If you know of someone who you think fits the bill, then do something about it NOW. We NEED more nominations and some could be renominated and brought up-to-date.

GRADUATING 1976 STUDENTS RDA III

ROSEWORTHY DIPLOMA IN AGRICULTURE

With Credit (in order of merit)

Malcolm Kingsley Bartholomaeus
Ruth Naomi Robinsion
Barry George Mudge
Brenda Gail Sinkinson
Mary-Anne Gale
Sydney Ronald Kylloh
Michael John Carmody
Jane Frances Stapledon
Anthony James Dodson

Passed (in alphabetical order)

Craig Anthony Adams
Timothy Edward Ashman
John Arthur Bartholomaeus
James Robert Bartlett
Robert Leslie Cawood
Christopher Andrew Dearman
Hugh Oliver Ellis
Stephen Scott Filmer
Graham Cameron Fisk
John Gerard Furst
Garnet Richard Halliday
Mark Leighton Hudson
James Kennedy Jackson
Allen Charlton Jenkins
Darryl Ian Lang
Donald George McCarthy
Richard Michael McKenna
Peter Michael McMahon
David Russell Martin
Janet Meredith Munro
David John Nelson
Judith Anne Nickolai
Richard Spencer Nolan
Mark Andrew O'Callaghan
Gregory Wills Pitcher
Graeme John Pope
Christel Irmgard Schrank
Paul Desmond Smith
Jeffrey Austin Stringer
Robin Seymour St. John Sweeting



Ruth Robinsion receiving Old Students' Cup and Prize from the Governor's Deputy, Mr. W.R. Crocker.

Philip Andrew Toy
Christopher David Tuckwell
Christine Fiona Twigger
Timothy Eric Walmsley
Mark David Weckert
Simon Grattan Wheaton
Murray Edward Whitehead
Peter Norman Wiencke
Mark Lawson Williams
Andrew Walker Wilson
Charlton Biven Yeatman

GRADUATING 1976 STUDENTS · RDAT · WM & P.

ROSEWORTHY DIPLOMA IN AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY

With Distinction

Barry William Philp, R.D.A.

With Credit (in order of merit)

Kevin Robert Smith, W.D.A.
Geoffrey Milton Page, R.D.A.
Andrew Johnston Staniford, R.D.A.

Passed (in alphabetical order)

Mark William Bazeley, D.D.A.
James Cranstoun Chewings, R.D.A.
David Andrew Creeper, R.D.A.
John Eric Hage, R.D.A.
Shane Geoffrey Hodgson, R.D.A.
John Richard Jones, D.D.A.
David Lithgow Lewis, R.D.A.
Dale Ashley Manson, R.D.A.
Bruce Leigh McCallum, R.D.A.
Stuart Fraser Oliver, R.D.A.
Basilis Panagiotopoulos, R.D.A.



Barry Philp R.D.A., receiving his Diploma in Agricultural Technology from the Governor's Deputy, Mr. W.R. Crocker.

Peter Kingsley Philp, R.D.A.
David Rex Pocock, R.D.A.
Stuart Evan Weckert, R.D.A.
Peter Jamse Williams, D.D.A.
David Andrew Woodard, R.D.A.
Simon James Wright, R.D.A.

ROSEWORTHY DIPLOMA IN WINE MARKETING AND PRODUCTION

With Distinction

Gerwyn Kaye Kranenburg

With Credit (in order of merit)

John Charles Baruzzi, B.Ag.Sc. (Adel.)
Timothy Wickham Bevan James
Gary Charles Farr
Kym Francis Tolley
Ronald Wilson Howard

Passed (in alphabetical order)

William Glyn Carl Burton
Brett Andrew Crittenden
Gordon Grant
Christopher Neil Hackett
John Henry Jens, B.Sc. (Santa Clara)
Trevor Neil Jericho
3 Ian Glen Slater



Gerwyn Kranenburg receiving her Diploma in Wine Marketing and Production from the Governor's Deputy, Mr. W.R. Crocker.

GENERAL PRIZE LIST

The Gramp, Hardy, Smith Prize:
For best all round character
and ability.

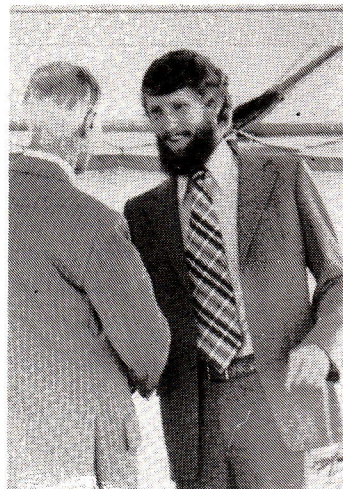
Senator Condor Laucke Trophy:
For the most outstanding
sportsman or sportswoman.

Old Scholars' Trophy:
For the best contribution
to College sport, not
necessarily on the sporting
field.

David Lighgow Lewis

Judith Anne Nickolai

Christopher David Tuckwell



ROSEWORTHY DIPLOMA IN AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY

The Royal Agricultural and
Horticultural Society of
South Australia Prize:

For the Dux of the Course

The Commonwealth Development
Bank of Australia Prize:

For the highest aggregate in
Farm Management.

The Max Burton Memorial Prize:
For Extension Principles and
Practices.

Barry William Philp

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Philp

David Lewis receiving the Gramps, Hardy, Smith Prize:
"For best all round character and ability" from the
Governor's Deputy, Mr. W.R. Crocker.

Barry William Philp

ROSEWORTHY DIPLOMA IN AGRICULTURE

GRADUATING STUDENTS

Gold Medal: Dux of the Year
Presented by the Royal Agri-
cultural and Horticultural
Society of South Australia.

Old Students' Cup and Prize:
Presented by Roseworthy Old
Collegians Association.

Caltex Oil (Australia) Prize:
For Agricultural Engineering

The Commonwealth Development
Bank of Australia Prize:
For Farm Management.

Noske Flour Mills Prize:
For Animal Science.

Morphett Prize:
For Dairying.

The Haselgrove Prize:
For Horticulture.

The Richard Maxwell Memorial
Prize:
For the Best Stockman

Malcolm Kingsley
Bartholomaeus

Ruth Naomi Robinson

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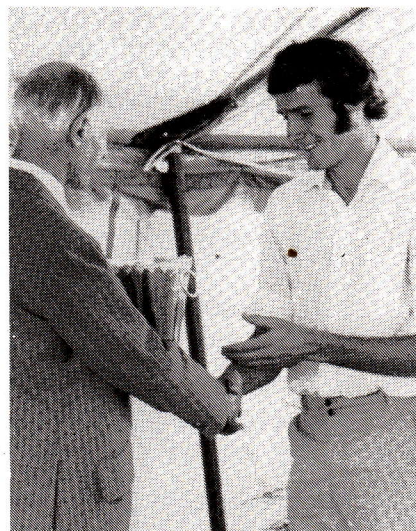
Malcolm Kingslev
Bartholomaeus

Barry George
Mudge

Malcolm Kingsley
Bartholomaeus

Sydney Ronald Kyloh

Allen Charlton Jenkins



Christopher Tuckwell receiving Old Scholars' Trophy

SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

Silver Medal: Dux of the Year Presented by the Gawler Agri- cultural, Horticultural and Floricultural Society.	Caroline Rowena Tarr
F.G.H. Buring Prize: For Horticulture.	Caroline Rowena Tarr
Albert Molineux Memorial Prize: For Outside Work.	Graham Errol Miegel
The W.J. Colebatch Memorial Prize: For greatest all round promise.	Julianne Dorothy Quirke
The Shell Prize: For the most promising student in work and citizenship.	Graham Douglas Johns

FIRST YEAR STUDENTS

Dux of the Year:	Judith Lee Loffler
Albert Molineux Memorial Prize: For Outside Work	Judith Lee Loffler

ROSEWORTHY DIPLOMA IN OENOLOGY

R.H. Martin Memorial Prize: For Sensory Evaluation.	Mark Anthony Turnbull
Wine and Brandy Producers' Association of S.A. Prize: For Practical Examinations.	Peter Eric Taylor
Australian Wine Consumers Co-operative Society Prize: For Viticulture.	Trevor James Drayton

ROSEWORTHY ASSOCIATE DIPLOMA IN WINE MARKETING AND PRODUCTION

The Savings Bank of South Australia Prize: For the Dux of the Course.	Gerwyn Kaye Kranenburg
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Precis of the address of
His Excellency the Governor's
Deputy Mr. W.R. Crocker.

After presentation of prizes Mr. W. Crocker congratulated the students of Roseworthy, expressing the thought that while young people of the calibre of these students were entering the work force, Australia's future was in good hands.

He was delighted to see the stand taken by the Director about breaking down the concentration on agricultural interest in Roseworthy College. Being now a part of a different system, it is no longer the Roseworthy that was in his boyhood days having a great tradition, not only in initiations but it had a tradition for producing farmers well equipped for carrying on a very difficult job of agriculture. All he hoped was that agriculture and the related subjects were still the core of the teaching programme and the life at R.A.C.

Productivity in agriculture has increased enormously over recent years and this means that fewer people are now needed to produce food. As an example in Holland only 8% of the population now produces the food required for 15 million people. Australia's figures are very closely related to these production figures, however, this has resulted in a gradual flow over the years of country people to the cities. Hence throughout the world most Governments are trying to do something about this proportion of population in the country and city areas.

There is a strong need, more than ever before, for more study, more research amongst the rural population - knowledge is of little value if left only in books.

Finally to the rural press their reliability of information could be improved particularly in relation to market trends to the farmer.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT



Dr. D. Williams

The Year 1976

This has been a year of active programming by the College resulting in Roseworthy College developing as a centre of agricultural progress. It has been a year of severe drought, but a year of results with the College Dairy and beef cattle winning Grand Championship ribbons at the Royal Adelaide Show. ... a year of continued shortage of facilities for students, and a year of yet more committees to review the structure and functioning of education in South Australia and in Australia.

Buildings

Student numbers have risen by about 70% in the three years in 1974 when the College became independent. This has been achieved without any increase in the amenities available to students or to the staff, apart from new accommodation facilities for 46 students. The new buildings in the three year period have been the new library opened in 1975, and the replacement of the old still at the winery; both of these buildings were designed to meet the needs of half our present student numbers.

Two New Courses

The first major new development in 1976 was the introduction of the Graduate Diploma in Agriculture (International), sponsored by the Food & Agricultural Organisation of the United Nations. Seven students are now enrolled from Afghanistan, Algeria, Cyprus, Iran, Jordan, Libya and Tunisia and fourteen sponsored applications have been received for the second course to begin in mid-1977.

The other new course in 1976 was the Associate Diploma in Farming. It is a two year course and is designed to provide a practical training in the management of farms for farm people who have had experience on farms after leaving school.

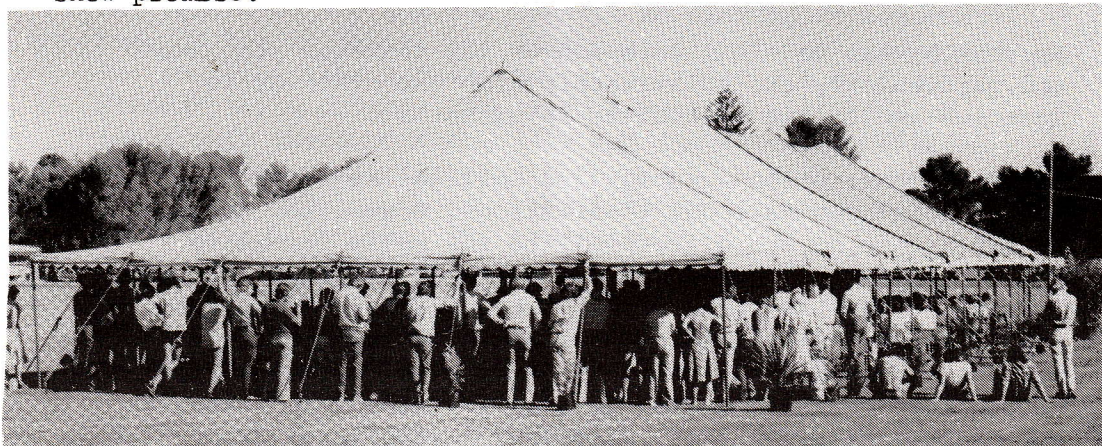
The College Farm and Practical Experience

For our Diploma of Agriculture students, our attitude is to teach practical skills to enable graduates to cope with day to day farm situations. On-site plant breeding and animal research linked with lectures and demonstrations introduces many students to the problems associated with the search for new knowledge. Some off-College farming experience in the Diploma course is preferably obtained on commercial farms, though the College now recommends to students in the agriculture and wine courses that they defer entry once they have been accepted for enrolment. This then enables students to mature and see the purpose of further study in a clearer perspective.

The Farm

This is an experimental farm as well as a teaching unit.

The wheat breeding programme is bringing R.A.C. 266 towards commercial release - it is now being tested for milling quality on a commercial scale as a soft standard white variety. It will fill a gap which the market has been seeking. Two other cross-breds, R.A.C. 88 and R.A.C. 311 show promise.



The Graduation Ceremony held on the College Oval in a large marquee.

Roseworthy's programme of research in education is continuing with interviews with 300 families in the Balaklava and Kapunda areas.

Our agricultural museum is making some good acquisitions, assisted by grants from the Commonwealth Banking Corporation.

Drought

By the end of September except for 1944 and 1957, it was the driest year experienced. With some rains in October, crops averaged one-third of their average yield, and with little pasture growth stock numbers were almost reduced by 50% on the dairy and sheep sections.

Roseworthy as an Agricultural Centre

Short courses and Seminars have been held at Roseworthy in the past year and we plan to continue these activities as part of our responsibility to serve the community of South Australia.

Professor Vernon Singleton of the University of California, the first Walter and Carew Reynell Fellow who spent some time at Roseworthy met leaders of the wine industry and was able to contribute to the development of more knowledge of this important topic.

Roseworthy as an Independent College

Roseworthy has made a submission on its academic programmes and particularly its relationship with the other State agencies and Colleges involved in education.

Although other State agencies and Colleges have been absorbed into educational institutions, Roseworthy expression is far better served effectively to the whole community if it remains an independent agricultural College. By co-operative teaching programmes between different institutions, any disabilities or inadequacies could be overcome by a State central planning unit. This then allows Roseworthy to put more emphasis on the development of applied research and management of natural resources, on the rural urban interface, or non-commercial aspects of farming and the time to develop as a College of Advanced Education.

Staff

We have continued to make outstanding new academic appointments which has widened the range of professional skills and experience available at Roseworthy. It is appropriate to pay tribute to Mr. J. Foot who retired in February, serving as House Master since 1966. His influence on College activities and on students has been most significant and he has made valuable contributions to the work of the College.

The kitchen and dining room staff efforts in provision of meals for students and for visitors are receiving a reputation which threatens to engulf us with requests for access to these facilities.

Assistance by the Community

Many people from the educational institutions and from industry have served on Course Advisory Committees and kept our courses tuned to the needs of the working world, farmers have given time and access to their farms for visits by students, firms have provided visits for students to see how commerce serves the rural industries, and uses science and experience to do it. We are grateful to all our friends for their continued interest and help.

Students

I am glad to pay tribute to John Furst and Mick Carmody who served on the College Council as elected representatives of the students, and made most significant and helpful contributions. David Lewis, as President of the Student Union Council displayed exemplary qualities of leadership throughout the year and Tim Walmsley, Chairman of the Student Discipline Committee who had the important task of attempting to contribute to the development of self-discipline among the students.

The College was saddened by the sudden death of David Halstead during the year who had earned the respect and affection of staff and students.

In hockey and netball, the sporting girls led by Judy Nickolai have done themselves proud by winning the Grand Finals of the local Competitions.

1977 EYRE PENINSULA REUNION

26th February old collegians from all parts of Eyre Peninsula and Adelaide met in Port Lincoln for the 27th union of the Eyre Peninsula Branch.

ere were 30 members present with seven associates from iversities and other colleges and seven invited guests th a particular interest in the guest speakers address.

cal members travelled from Penong, Ceduna, Streaky Bay, nupa, Koongawa, Cleve, Cowell and Ungarra with strong presentation from Cummins, Tumbay Bay and Pt. Lincoln areas.

was a delight to again welcome Andy Michelmore, Philpy, lly Coulter, Ian Rice and Jack Richards who all travelled ch a long distance to share this weekend with us.

w faces included Neil Condon, Brian Ashton, Ross Dawkins resident R.O.C.A.), Reg Hutchinson, Philip Toy, Chris Wurst, lcolm Catt, Locky McLaren and the welcome return of ll Bowles.

llowing Branch President Ken Haymers address of welcome all essent introduced themselves with interesting anecdotes being vealed. Des Hatch, ably supported by Philpy gave a short story of the Branch. A lot of this information came from e files of the late Pat Marrie who did so much for the anch.

proposing the toast to the Association, Jack McFarlane ressed the Association's ability to assist in maintaining nctact with past friends.

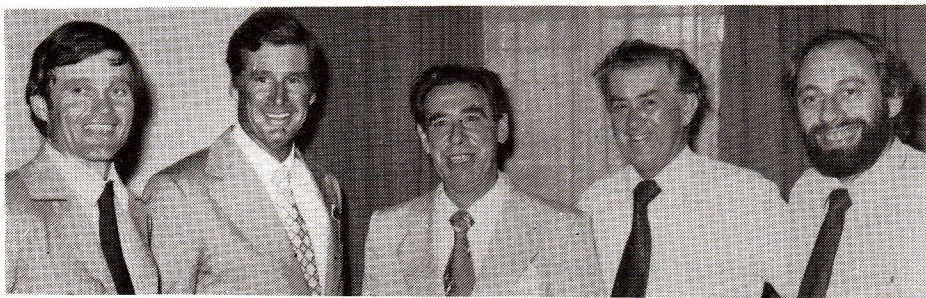
ss Dawkins, in response summarised the year's activities by O.C.A. and asked us to be alert for candidates for the ard of Merit.

hn Shippard, in toasting the College, pointed out that one of e College's strengths is its ability to adapt and keep ead in a constantly changing world. In response Ian Rice -tailed one of the latest changes. This is the encouragem-nt of students registered to take a year of absence to get actical experience on farm or in the rural commercial world. e highlight of the evening was provided by Duke Acton with amusing and interesting address on grain handling. This s been reported elsewhere.

ecial thanks must go to the generous wineries who through dy Michelmore providad the quality wines which graced our oles, and to Adelaide & Wallaroo Fertilizers who covered e cost of printing menus.



Seated from L to R. Mr. Bob Hood, Mr. Lloyd Woolford, Mr. Andy Michelmore and standing Mr. Jim Chewing and Mr. Jack Jones at the Reunion Dinner.



Mr. Ian Newland, Mr. Ken Hayman, the guest speaker, Mr. Duke Acton, Mr. Des Habel and Mr. Ken Holden at the reunion.

WHEN WILL HE GROW UP?

or TRUTH IS STRANGER THAN FICTION

This is fact!!

Philpy after enjoying a very convivial Eyre Peninsula Branch Old Scholars Dinner left the "Pier" Hotel, Port Lincoln around 1 a.m. on 29/2/76 to return to the "Tasman" Hotel where he was booked in for the weekend.

As Philpy departed he noticed three suntanned, shapely young ladies smoking cigarettes at the entrance of the "Pier" Hotel.

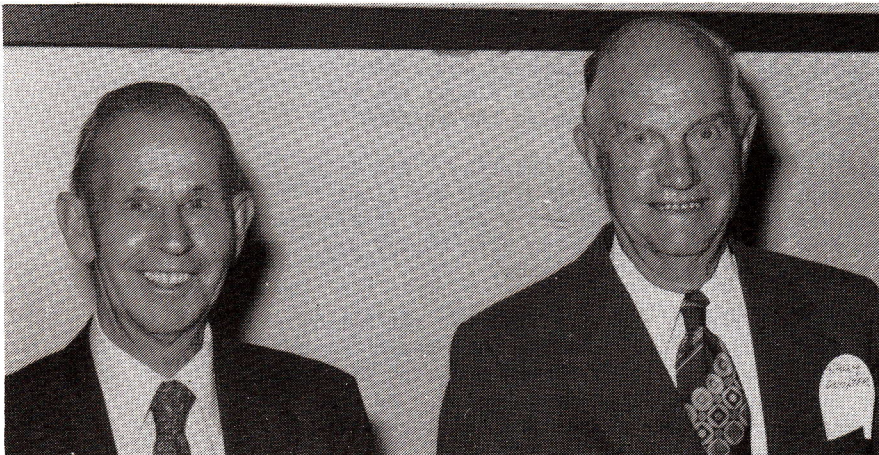
After briskly striding along (as only Philpy can do) for about a chain he heard voices calling "young man", and foot-steps right behind him.

Wasn't just one of the girls, but the three of them hoping for a quick return.

They kept on his heels as far as the Post Office Corner when either the girls found they couldn't keep up or had decided that the "young man" hadn't quite reached puberty.

Philpy reckoned that if Wally Goulter, who was staying at "Kingscourt" had been with him the story might have had a different ending.

Philpy and Wally were there again this year - I'm sorry to report that the girls were not waiting!!



Philpy, (B.C. Philp) and Wally Goulter at the Eyre Peninsula Reunion.

PT. LINCOLN FAMILY DAY 1977

Whoever originally chose the last weekend in February for the annual branch reunions must have had extra sensory powers - again the weather could not be faulted.

How much longer can our luck hold with the sunny family days? Anyhow it was really pleasant for the droves of youngsters, but I think the adults would have enjoyed the company regardless of the weather. For proof remember the day - and night - we all spent at the Peter Thyer residence years ago?

Nevertheless the 1977 day was perfect with a few sunburnt backs around by going home time. Noticed one guy with sunburnt lips having a job to kiss Elizabeth Michelmore goodbye.

Yes, the "Andy's", all five of them turned up again to give the show a lift - their presence was appreciated as always and so was their cargo comprised mainly of watermelons and the produce from the grape.

"Snowy" Philp and Wally Goulter added tone to the proceedings. Mrs. Ethel G. displayed the latest in beach wear - shocking pink witches britches - to advantage.

All branch members and wives wish Mrs. Philp, who has been with us on numerous past occasions, a speedy return to her previous good health.

Ken and Grant Hayman catered for a variety of clientele in their boat "Maybe" - some of the saturated young ladies looked most becoming in their clinging blouses when they returned to land.

The prize, if there was one, for the longest underwater swim went to the "Locky" McLarens' entrant, who almost reached Boston Island before his father got him to the surface.

Geoff Eime again had his movie camera operating. His film of the 1976 family day, shown at the men's dinner the night before, was well worth seeing - think every one in attendance was featured at some stage of the showing with Philpy and Rosemary Holden being the stars of the show.

A poignant note encountered in the 1976 film was Pat Marrie's presence at his last picnic - many remarks were heard during the day praising Pat's super efforts in the boosting of branch activities over the many years of his presidency. He was missed by all and I noticed many youngsters still catching tiddlers by the "Pat Marrie" method.

Wouldn't have a clue what the official attendance figures were, but I counted 56 big kids and 38 little ones lining up for their steaks, sausages and hamburgers - voted the best meat we've encountered at a family day - provided by Eime Meats of course!!!!

By the way, "Jon and John" were counted in with the big kids now they have family responsibilities.

Chefs were numerous but were well controlled by Bob Stirling and Darryl Hall, although some visitor favouritism occurred - noticed Ross Dawkins, parent body president, getting some specialised attention.

We thank Ross, Reg Hutchinson and Ian Rice for being with us for the day with their wives in attendance.

Jack Richards was another old west coaster to return, but without his wife, Ena - she couldn't make it back from Scotland in time.

I sincerely hope Reg Hutchinson gets plenty of copy for Digest over the next 12 months from the branch after his strenuous efforts of appeal. Please, Eyre Peninsula members, take heed - how about a few contributions - individually or in collaboration.

Everyone spoken to at the beach agreed that the weekend was the equal of any previous functions. This was partly attributable to the presence of that good mixer Duke Acton. He had given an excellent after dinner address at the men's dinner exhibiting an uncanny knack of combining points of extreme interest and value with a sense of humour - may he continue to thrive with his red hot poker, springs and bolts.

He and his wife appeared bright and chirpy at the picnic - remarkable seeing he not only turned 50 the day before, but also had to weather a hard losing day at the Port Lincoln races.

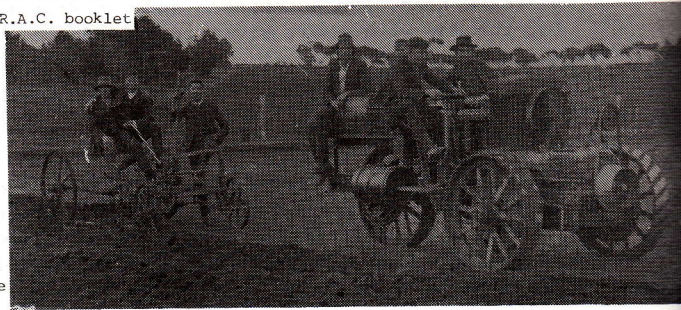
Would like to mention all in attendance at Billy Light Point, but space is the problem.

Nevertheless it was a mighty day and it is hoped that as many as possible (members, wives and/or girlfriends) can attend another social gathering next July planned to be held at the "Sea Breeze" Hotel, Tumbay Bay as a mid year event. It's to be organised by Bob Horne and if successful will become an annual happening. All that is required is numbers - more details later, but I know there's to be a screening of both the 1976 and 1977 family days in colour featuring the belle of the beach, steak eating and bottle opening contests.

HISTORY IN THE MAKING...



Mowers and Binders at Work. Photo from R.A.C. booklet printed about 1906.



The original photo of the first tractor used at the College.

The photographs reproduced above are typical of the many pictorial records being gathered by Jeff Daniels, the College Agricultural Historian as part of a long term plan to preserve a full record of the history of R.A.C. and its role in agriculture over the years. The shot of the mowers and binders was taken by R.K. Lawrence, a student of 1903-1906. The tractor displayed in the other photo is Messrs. Saunderson & Co's 50 B.H.P. Universal Agricultural Motor, being tested at R.A.C. in 1909. Unfortunately, the machine proved to be a failure, and, in the words of the Principal of the day (Professor A.J. Perkins), "...not an implement...which can in any way be recommended to farmers."

Progress is being made towards establishing the R.A.C. Agricultural Museum, and a number of exhibits including stationary engines, a winnower and a stripper both of 1910 vintage, a 32 volt generator and a number of old ploughs have already been collected. A restoration and storage building will shortly be a reality as well.

Work in progress on the research side includes a biography of the late Professor Perkins (Viticulturist at R.A.C. 1892-1904, Principal 1904-1914 and subsequently Director of Agriculture). The historian would be pleased to hear from old collegians who may have

ROBERT IRVING HERRIOTT OBE



ROBERT IRVINE HERRIOT, OBE

Received the Order of the British Empire in the 1977 New Years Honours for his service to Agriculture spanning a period of over 40 years.

Bob Herriot was one of the first two students to graduate from the University of Adelaide in 1932 with the "new" Bachelor of Agricultural Science degree. His service to agriculture began as an agricultural science teacher at the Balaklava High School in 1932 later transferring to the Mt. Gambier High School until 1937 when he joined the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (now CSIRO) in the division of soils. He was associated with soil survey work at Waikerie and in the South East of South Australia, Cobram in Victoria and the Wakool irrigation area in New South Wales.

In 1941 he joined the South Australian Department of Agriculture. It was his experience with C.S.I.R.O. that enabled him to give outstanding service as Soil Conservator and virtually "save" much "borderline" soil, but later valuable soil for South Australia. From Soil Conservator he became Chief of the Extension Service and finally Deputy Director of Agriculture.

In 1962 Mr. Herriot was appointed Principal of Roseworthy where he remained until his retirement in 1973. It was during his term as Principal of the College that much of the updating and replacement of many outdated facilities and buildings took place. The College gained much in status and stability under his leadership.

Bob Herriot received the R.O.C.A. Award of Merit in 1967 and a Fellowship of the Australian Institute of Agricultural Science in 1962 for "outstanding contributions in the field of Agricultural Science". The Award of the Order of the British Empire this year is a fitting culmination for his service to Agriculture as an Educator and Administrator.

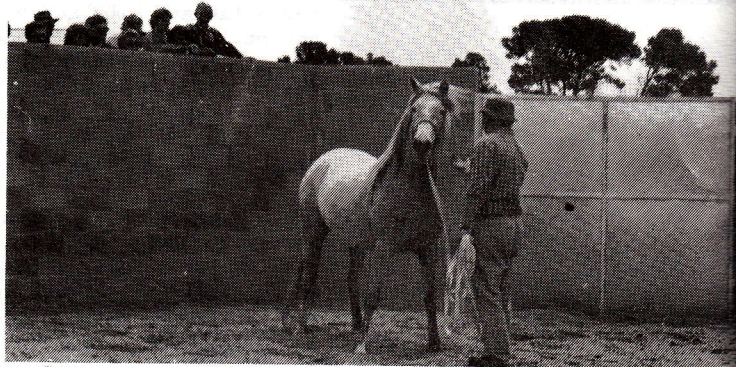
RAC 1977



Unloading of grapes at the winery delivery section.

Roseworthy successful Ho
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BACK ROW. L. Kirchner,
J. Stapledon, I. Piper
FRONT ROW. G. Sinkinson,
J. Curkpatrick, J. Qui



Lungeing of "Smokey" in
horse groom, Mr. Peter



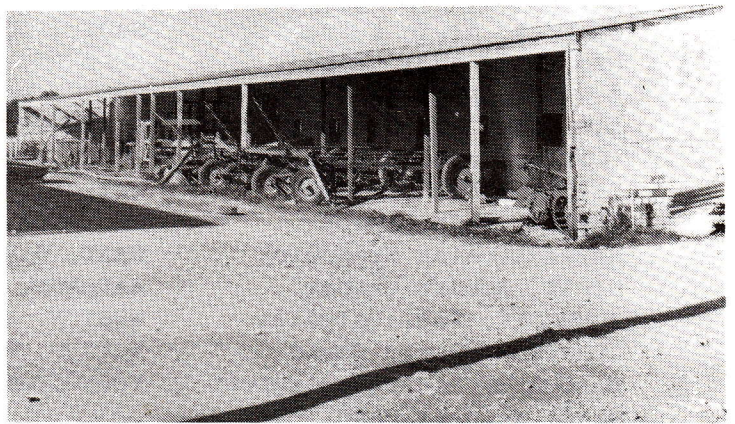
Dr. Brian Taylor and Mr. John Jones
of first year students in front of
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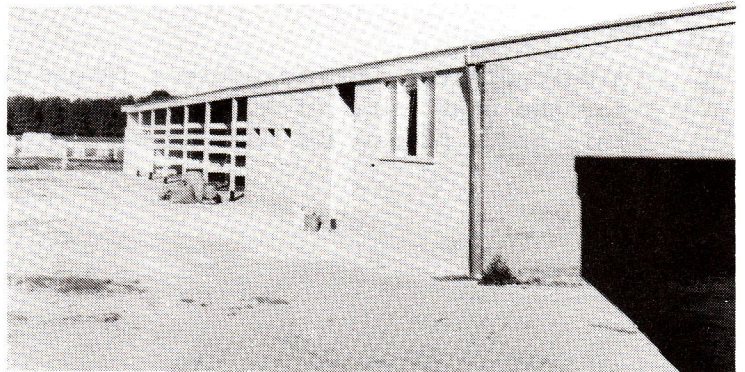
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Riggs.
Nickolai, R. Robinson,



The "old and the new". Under the Red Scheme in 1975,
the old stable complex was given a facelift.



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REUNION:

September 9th · Berkey Hotel

25yr. ago group

This includes all people who entered the College in 1949 or graduated in 1952.

ANDERSON, Rex Athol
BOWER, Roderick St. Clair
BUICK, Malcolm John
CRAFTER, Alwin Lofrene
CROSBY, Raondl David
DeGARIS, Kenneth Lio
DINNING, John Clement
GORDON, Douglas Waterhouse
HARDY, Robert Gordon
HARKER, Brian Scott
HAYWARD, Alan Frederick
HIRST, Robert Graham
JOHNCOCK, Paul Melville
JOHNSTON, Barry Rorke
McDONALD, Alexander Rupert
MEAD, Michael John

NICOLSON, Donald Andrew
PALTRIDGE, Geoffrey Russell
PRICE, Donald Murray McLian
SABEY, Douglas John
SEPPELT, Karl Josef
SMITH, Robert Duncan
STEVENS, Donald John
STORY, Donald Frank
TAYLOR, Raymond John
TUCKWELL, David Martin Roy
WARD, William Patrick
WARLAND, Gordon Leo
WESTON, Kenneth James
WOTTON, Badin George
YOUNG, Gavin John

A co-ordinator and his address (Phone No.) is also required for the next issue of R.O.C.A. If you know of anyone in this group please let them know.

OLD SCHOLARS REQUIRED

TO ASSIST STUDENTS WITH VACATION JOBS

Last issue of R.O.C.A. contained an appeal for assistance in finding vacation jobs for students. To assist them in fulfilling their five weeks of "Off-College" experience requirement.

We are still looking for any farmers who are able to assist and would welcome any enquiries.

If you can offer a job to a student for any of the vacation periods (May 16 to June 3; August 22 to September 9 or November 28 to end of February), please fill out the slip below and mail it to:

Vacation Employment,
C/- Agricultural College,
Roseworthy. S.A. 5371.

Name

Address (Postal)

Location of Property

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Type of Property

(e.g. Wheat/Sheep; Citrus/Vines, etc.)

REUNION:

September 9th - Berkley Hotel

10 yr. ago group

This includes the students who received their Diplomas in 1967 or entered the College in 1964.

BAKER, Brenton Thomas	McGOWAN, Christopher James
HERRIOTT, John William	MERCKENSCHLAGER, Max
ANDERSON, Ian	MILLER, Russell Thomas
CARTY, Richard Irving	O'CONNELL, John Raymond
CLANCY, Anthony James Roach	OLDFIELD, David John
CLEMENTS, Ross Maxwell	OSBORNE, Robert John
COONEY, Cameron John	OSMAN, Harold John
COOPER, David John	PANNACH, David Donaldson
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DOUBE, Andrew John	PICKETT, Ian James
FREEMAN, Michael Owen	PIERCY, William Lloyd
GAITSKELL, Anthony Claude Edward	STACY, Robert Thomas
GOURLEY, Peter William	TWIGDEN, Trevor Kingsley
GREENFIELD, Philip William	WAKE, Donald Roger
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HUMPHRIS, Peter Donald	WESTERN, Ian Clyde
KEAIN, Kevin Thomas	WIGNEY, Bruce Leslie
KLINGBERG, James Robert	WOODS, Malcolm John
LAWTON, Jonathon Graham	WRIGHT, Peter Sydney
LEWIS, Timothy Robert Stanley	YOUNG, Terrence Howard
McCLINTOCK, Peter John	WILLIAMS, Ian Hartley

A co-ordinator and his address, phone no. is required for the next issue of the Digest. The success of the groups reunion depends on someone doing some organising and not leaving it to be done by "the other bloke".

STH. EAST REUNION

Stony Point reserve at the Naracoorte Caves complex was the site for a Sunday reunion of South East Roseworthy Old Collegians on November 9.

Thirty five members, their families and friends, gathered under ideal weather conditions in surroundings which were not altogether unlike the famous College quarries (or rubble pits). There were two major differences.

- (1) Unfortunately they did not have the shady trees
- (2) Fortunately we did not have the vice-squad.

Fortunately for all concerned we did have Ross Ford, Peter Mowatt and Michael Milne who organized a most enjoyable day, highlighted by

- * Barbecues both plentiful and busy.
- * A keg of delicate riesling delightfully presented so as to look and flow like ginger beer, but definitely a different taste and effect.
- * The inevitable "eskies" to complete the scene.

Formality was furthestmost as members, families and friends gathered in groups to happily chat and remember.

Alec Grieve handed around some early 1900 College photographs which had most trying to remember but mainly guessing.

Over the occasional glass and a few chops with many friends (that may not have been quite the correct order), serious discussion did not intervene until John Downing, greatly moved by the occasion, reminded the gathering of its purpose and obligations with some carefully chosen words.

Animated discussion ensued with the upshot that a Committee consisting of Lewin Robertson (President), Michael Milne (Treasurer) and Peter Mowatt (Secretary) was formed to examine the possibility of future functions as an aid to the advancement and establishment of R.O.C.A. in the South East.

Suggestions are sought and some thoughts on barbecue versus dinner, venue, the time of year and format would be appreciated by the Committee.

All present heartily endorsed a vote of thanks to the organizers and to John Vickery for looking after the refreshments.

Perhaps it was the Rex Anderson and family caravan that gave many the "linger longer" feeling - or was it the wine?

Whatever it was, a number stayed on in true Roseworthy style to see it out. And clean up.

The following old boys are those who "made" the day with their presence.

Jim Wiese, John Downing, John Prance, John Gore, Michael Milne, David Brown, Andrew Oliver, Colin Hopkins, Alec Grieve, Rex Anderson, Dick Buckett, Melton Mowbray, Ray Driver, George Breaker, Gerald Shipway, Bob Jeffrey, Pete Young, Dick Sage, Lewin Robertson, John Bennett, Trevor Wagner, Bruce Crosby, Wally Elsdon, Mike Riley, Jack Fuss, Edgar Pike, Peter Jones, Vic Patrick, Steven Hogg, Lionel Dawes, Joe House, John Vickery, Wally Jenkins, Ross Ford, Peter Mowatt.

ADDRESSES UNKNOWN

Assistance is required in locating the addresses of the following members.

If you can help please fill in on this page and send to R.O.C.A. Digest, c/- Agricultural College, Roseworthy.

- 1958 Ballantyne, G.P. _____
- 1972 Bateman, D. _____
- 1925 Bested, M.O. _____
- 1946 Bishop, R.J. _____
- 1959 Brown, P.M. _____
- 1971 Chambers, D.K. _____
- 1945 Chinnick, M.F. _____
- 1951 Coat, J.L. _____
- 1956 Crompton, P.D. _____
- 1957 Cunningham, J.D. _____
- 1945 Day, L.J. _____
- 1958 Donald, Jill _____
- 1959 Findlay, A.D. _____
- 1954 Gregory, R.G. _____
- 1947 Harrison, D.H. _____
- 1969 Hill, J. _____
- 1946 Hill, R.J. _____
- 1955 Hilpern, C.A. _____
- 1959 Hincks, G.S. _____
- 1927 Johnson, J.L. _____
- 1958 Jones, J.E. Britten- _____
- 1951 MacGillivroy, W.A. _____
- 1941 MacLeod, A.N. _____
- 1959 Madden, D.W. _____
- 1936 Mann, L.S. _____
- 1947 McLachlan, J.S. _____
- 1952 Mead, M.J. _____
- 1959 Merrigan, B.J. _____
- 1933 Packer, R. _____
- 1941 Pearse, S.F. _____
- 1956 Pennells, J.B. _____
- 1953 Sands, W.R. _____
- 1954 Sexton, R.P. _____
- 1937 Shepherd, W.L. _____
- 1962 Smith, H.K. _____
- 1926 Stott, R.C.H. _____
- 1959 Tan, S.L. _____
- 1945 Verco, J.W. _____
- 1963 Willison, T.J. _____
- 1966 Young, R.M. _____

My address has been changed.

Name

Address

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir,

I have retired from farming and now live at the pleasant coastal town of Geraldton. My wife and I are taking advantage of the opportunity to see this marvellous country of ours. We have a 4 wheel-drive vehicle, and spend quite a lot of the cooler months travelling inland and in northerly areas.

Was pleased to note that Len Laffer had received the "O.M." Very few of the students of my era seem to get a mention. I notice that enrolment is likely to be 330 in 1977. This seems remarkable when I recall that we were less than 50 in 1932.

I also vividly remember the working horses - some 8 odd of them; and never cease to wonder that we knew them all by name. Moffat and Lanark were still there in my time.

Regards to any who may remember the eventful years of 31-32.

Dear Sir,

Alf Benzie

I would like to congratulate all those concerned with the editing of R.O.C.A. Digest and Roseworthy News. I have just received my December 1976 issue which I found most interesting.

I now live at Springton and am employed as Secretary/Manager of Mt. Pleasant District Hospital and have my agricultural pursuits confined to those of a "weekend farmer".

I was particularly pleased to see the photographs of Cliff Hooper and B.C. Philp - they certainly do not look a day older as I remember them.

Ron Foulds.

T.R. Cartledge,
P.O. Box 17,
MENINGIE.

Tim Cartledge is studying in U.S.A. for a year with the Minnesota University International Agricultural Student-Work Programme.

Dear Sir,

Our new property 'Umtali' at Bridport (Tas.) is 1000 ha. of coastal sand to sandy loam - the type deficient in just about everything - rainfall 750 mm. It was running 350 cows and replacements, 50 various other cattle - plus 150 ewes. We now have 1180 ewes and intend to get to about 2000 in a year or so when we get the feel of the place. Cattle then should be 150-200 cows.

The property has not been developed long and has 200 ha. of sown pasture which needs slashing regularly and re-sowing sometime when we can get around to it. Also a shearing shed with subdivision are required just for starters. The home is right by the sea at the estuary of the Little Forester River with a lovely beach which makes work hard to get to on a lovely day. Should any old College friends be in the N.E. of Tasmania we would love to see them, i.e. wife Mary and 2½ children - girls so far.

Had a card from Lindsay H. Moulden who has also changed his address, the new one being Private Bag 25, Ballarat, 3351.

The Old Collegian I have seen most of recently is Dave Wilson (D.A.O. at Sorell) from the old rehab days. He hasn't been terribly well of late but I feel he's on the right road now. Also saw Mick Tandy recently and Phill Loney not so long ago also.

Thanks to all who work for R.O.C.A. and the Digest. Hope to get over for a reunion one of these days - perhaps the 20 year on one.

R.J. Ramsey
57-59

Dear Sir,

Jim Cuthberston mentioned the stallion CYRUS in his December Digest letter. He was still there in 1934 and was most notable for the fact that when we drove the teams past his year he would look them over very carefully. Anything under about 4 years old used to send him off his brain but the older brood mares only raised the odd eyebrow - my first illustration of male chauvinism!

"Stables" started at 4 a.m. every morning and, along with "dairying" was virtually a preserve for 1st year students only. It was said to be good for our souls.

My very first experience when helping to muck-out manure, feed, curry comb, brush and harness the ninety odd horses was when one of the largest of them stood on my toes and refused to budge in spite of the screams of rage, pain and mortification.

In 1935 the Caterpillar Tractor Coy., presented the College with an RD4 (track-type, 3 cylinder) tractor and great was the excitement as it trundled out to compete with the beautiful 6 to 12 horse ploughing teams.

The College rapidly divided into 2 camps; "Pro-horse" and "Pro-tractor".

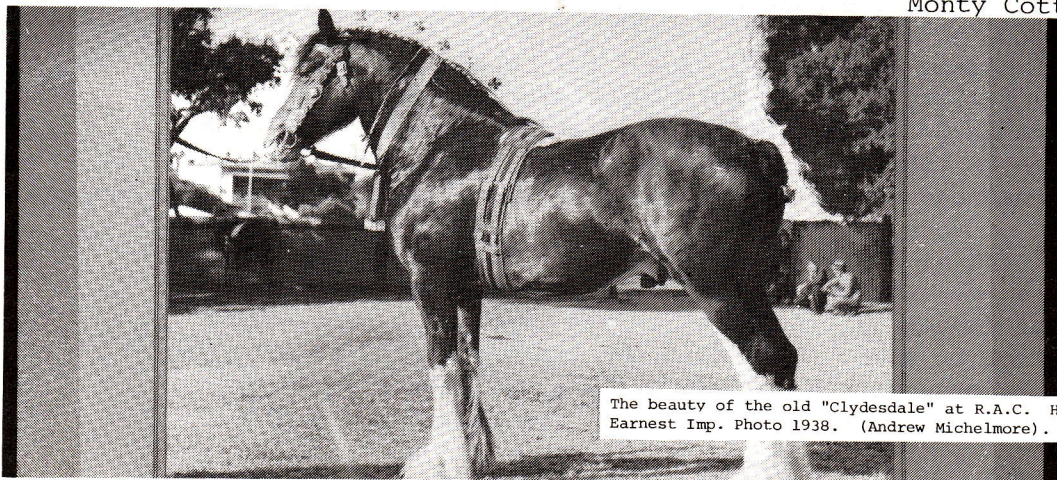
A formal debate even took place at one stage and the "Pro-horse" team won with the final clincher - that tractors were not likely to succeed on farms in the long term because they returned no manure to the soil.

No one could ever forget one of the grandest sights seen at harvest times.

A big German wagon with 2 shatters - 3 leaders and a load of hay sheaves as high as a skyscraper, all hand-tossed up by pitchfork.

You wouldn't see fitter young men anywhere in the world nor more beautiful animals than the College Clydesdales.

Monty Cotton



The beauty of the old "Clydesdale" at R.A.C. Harviestown Earnest Imp. Photo 1938. (Andrew Michelmore).

WILLIAM CHRISTIAN KEANY

Bill Keany, aged 89 years, one of our eldest members died on January 21, 1977 in Adelaide.

He entered Roseworthy College in 1905 with a scholarship and graduated in October 1907.

After graduating he managed the Poultry Station at Roseworthy College for 12 months until the supervisor Bill Day returned after a long illness.

When he left Roseworthy he joined the South Australian Department of Agriculture and in this period he set up the poultry station at Kybybolite Experimental Farm and another poultry station at Murray Bridge. He assisted many farmers in South Australia to enter the poultry field.

With the end of the I World War in 1918 many return Soldiers in Queensland were being settled into poultry farming by the Queensland Government and Bill Keany was co-opted by the Queensland Government to help settle these soldiers and to develop two poultry farms near Brisbane. He also built, at that time, the largest incubators (20,000 eggs) in Queensland to supply chickens to the farmers from their own breeding stock. He was appointed to the Queensland Land Settlement Committee.

Bill became the poultry expert for Queensland and judged many poultry shows in North Queensland. After some six years in Queensland he resigned and returned to Adelaide to enter into a manufacturing agency business which represented many overseas farms in the U.K. and U.S.A.

Bill was at the 1976 Old Collegians Reunion Dinner and while talking to the gathering he mentioned the three wheel Sanderson tractor which was imported by Roseworthy College in 1906. Bill said the tractor failed to live up to the manufacturer's claims and quickly overheated when any attempts were made to use it for ploughing despite

the addition of a second watertank, eventually it was used for general cartage from Roseworthy to the College. The tractor finally ended up at the Wayville show grounds as a museum piece and last year Bill understood it to be housed at the Swan Hill museum.

This article was written with information taken from a tape recording between Bill Keany and Jeff Daniels, the College historian, on 21 October, 1976.



- Starting from front row (not including 3 seated)
1. Second fr. right, 2nd row: William C. Keany
 2. On Keany's right: Eddie Clark
 3. With high collar in front of left door portal: Seymour Hawker
 4. Centre, light coat: Carl Lepinas - "Roseworthy Rogue" - finally shot in Mexico
 5. To right of Lepinus, Bill Aldridge
 6. 2nd from left, front row: John Tassie
- Identified by Wm. C. Keany in Oct. 1976.

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Some notable names in Agricultural circles show up in
this 1938 R.A.C. Premiership Football team.