



Adelaide High School Old Scholars Association Inc NEWS

A periodical summary of news from the A.H.S.O.S.A. Inc.

From the President

Welcome to all. The year 2012, is well and truly upon us! Since the last newsletter in December of 2011, much has happened. First and foremost, Anita Zocchi, on merit, has won the position of Principal at Adelaide High School for the next seven years. She comes to us highly credentialed; she is viewed by the educational community as an outstanding leader in secondary education, not only in South Australia, but nationally. Anita Zocchi is the first female Principal of Adelaide High School. On behalf of the Adelaide High School Old Scholars Association, I warmly congratulate Anita Zocchi on this significant appointment and wish her every success in the pursuit of excellence for the students and the community of Adelaide High School.

It was Stephen Dowdy's decision to continue as the inaugural Head of the University of South Australia College, beyond 2011, that created the principals vacancy at Adelaide High School. Steve Dowdy's appointment at Adelaide High School in 1997 was historical, in the sense that he was the first non old scholar appointed to the position of principal at our great school. Steve Dowdy, however, ended up staying at the school longer than most, in fact he led our school with distinction for 15 years. A more expansive account of Steve Dowdy's leadership and achievements will appear in subsequent newsletters. I take this opportunity on behalf of our Association to thank Steve Dowdy for his outstanding contribution to our school and to our community and wish him well in the next phase of his brilliant career and life!

The new year, also marked the passing of Colin Brideson OAM. Colin Brideson, Principal of Adelaide High School 1978–1987, was an outstanding human being, educator and leader. He well and truly lived the core values and motto of our school. Colin was considered as an innovator in education, for it was he that pioneered the concept of Adelaide High School becoming a specialist language school, which later led to the creation of specialist programs state wide and nationally.

Colin Brideson is remembered for many accomplishments. However, his outstanding ability as a leader, manager and communicator was most evident when he brought Adelaide Girls and Adelaide Boys together to form Adelaide High School. This was a monumental task and only a leader of Colin Brideson's calibre could have succeeded with such aplomb.

Those that knew Colin Brideson well were able to experience first hand his passion and love for the great game of cricket. It was inspirational to

discuss cricket in his company! Colin Brideson advocated strongly for the development of cricket at Adelaide High School and the establishment of the Australian 5 Highs Cricket Carnival and creation of the Adelaide High School Old Scholars Cricket Club. In fact, he not only advocated but almost single-handedly dragged Adelaide High School Cricket into the modern world.

The community of Adelaide High School will be forever indebted to the vision, passion and high quality leadership of Colin Brideson. It is imperative that we continue to deliver on the wonderful legacy that he has left us all!

At our recent committee meeting a number of strategic decisions were made:-

- **The Annual General Meeting will be held at Adelaide High School on Monday 7th May at 7.00 pm.**
- **The Annual Old Scholars Dinner will be held at Adelaide High School in the Hall, on Friday 20th July at 7.30 pm.**
- **Our guest speaker this year will be Nick Scopelitis. He was Head Prefect in 1972 and SRC President in 1971 and is present Vice-President of the Old Scholars Association. We are confident that Nick will be an entertaining, captivating and illuminating speaker.**
- **The cost for the three course dinner will be \$60 for members and \$70 for non-members.**

As this may well be a sell out, I strongly encourage you to book and pay for your dinner as soon as possible. A significant number of old scholars have indicated a willingness to be a table captain. As such, where possible please organise tables of ten. The sub-committee organizing the dinner will be contacting all table captains in due course. The best method of communication is to email our highly skilled and hardworking secretary, **Scott Jones**, on adelaidehigholdscholars@hotmail.com.

In closing, I invite our old scholars to engage more actively and in a more meaningful manner, with the hopes and aspirations of the young members of our community. Please do not hesitate to email our secretary **Scott Jones** adelaidehigholdscholars@hotmail.com or email me directly on paul.volkov@adelaidehs.sa.edu.au with your suggestions and concepts. It is time that we became more proactive in the lives of our young people.

Paul Volkov
President

March 2012



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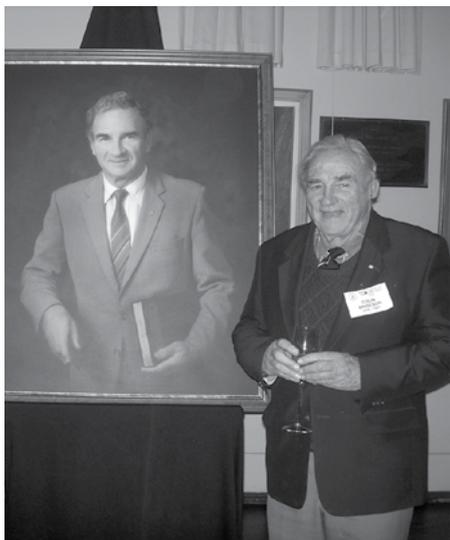
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Vale Colin Brideson OAM



Colin Brideson OAM, Principal at Adelaide High School from 1978 to 1987, passed away on 8 January 2012, aged 83 years.

Colin was born in Strathalbyn and he undertook his education in the town until he completed his Leaving Certificate. Then, in 1946, he boarded with an aunt to attend Adelaide High School for his Leaving Honours.

In 1947 he attended Teachers College, commencing secondary school teacher training. He was successful in his studies but was asked to move to primary training in order to make way for soldiers returning from the War who had priority in course selection.

His first appointment in 1950 was as Teacher at the one-teacher school in Bruce near Quorn. This was a period when tiny schools in remote areas were normal. Colin boarded at the hotel and held classes in the railway station.

By 1952 he transferred to Berri Primary School where he taught Grade 6 for some years and in 1956 he opened a temporary school at Devlin's Pound as students were unable to cross the Murray River to attend school due to the floods that year.

He moved to the secondary sector in 1957 when he transferred to Glossop High School. He was promoted to Senior Master (English) at Gawler High School and resumed his country service as the first Deputy Headmaster at Millicent High School in 1965.

In 1966, after years of part time study, he completed his qualifications with a Bachelor of Arts from Adelaide University, Diploma in Primary Education and Diploma in Teaching (Secondary). He was promoted to Headmaster at Jamestown High School the following year and again as Principal Class III at Port Lincoln High School in 1970.

In 1978 Colin completed a full circle when he was appointed to the position of Principal at what was to become Adelaide High School once again. He was charged with the task of combining two strong single sex high schools which had spent 26 years operating separately and reforming the oldest state high school in South Australia. Colin cherished this task.

With each of these schools maintaining a separate brace of foreign languages, and to enable current students continuity of study, the decision to develop a special interest language school arose. So started the concept in South Australia of "special interest" high schools which continues today.

Colin had to also deal with accommodation problems. The facilities of the boys school were insufficient to fully cater for a coeducational school. Accordingly he was responsible for the development of a huge new building complex to house the language, home economics, drama and music faculties, the library and Year 12 centre. And when you are dealing with heritage listed buildings this is no easy task!

Taking on staff from both schools Colin put considerable energy into finding a blend which valued the culture and traditions of the old schools and prepared the new school to meet the needs of the ever changing future. He was a strong and very effective educational leader who had a real passion for learning and this flowed over to his supportive staff. He lived the school motto, non scholae sed vitae, not only for school but for life.

Colin's worth as a school leader with vision was apparent before he came to the city. So, once he was based in Adelaide, his services were sought from a number of quarters. In 1978 he was appointed to the Public Examination Board and in 1983 the newly formed Senior Secondary Assessment Board.

The Education Department appointed him to many of its committees. He spent time in the Department following his recuperation from heart surgery in 1985. Despite overtures for him to stay with the Department, Colin was keen to rejoin his treasured Adelaide High School and remained there until his retirement in March 1987.

His work with the South Australian High School Principals Association was extensive and greatly appreciated. He was on the association's committee for many years and at one stage he was its Vice-President. He was certainly a leader among his peers.

Colin had been a member of the Australian College of Education for many years contributing to its deliberations. His status in this organization was such that he was made a Fellow of the Australian College of Education in 1985. A high honour indeed!

Even after his retirement, Colin continued his links with education as the chairman of the Non-Government Schools Registration Board. He held this position for nine years.

He also had a life in Rotary as a member of the Rotary Club of Adelaide, particularly after his retirement, and received significant international recognition for his contributions and leadership. Membership on several boards, Masonic Homes, Masonic Foundation, Australia Post Consultative Council and SA Genealogy Society kept him busy during his retirement years.

Colin was awarded the Medal for Order of Australia in January 2007 for services to both education and the community.

He enjoyed being with people. And you would have to say people enjoyed having Colin in their midst. His opinions were keenly sought.

Colin Brideson was an outstanding leader of people. He had a compassionate, generous and gentle nature which endeared him to many. He earned the respect of all who worked with him and gained their support across a whole range of areas. He will be remembered by many especially for the work he did in bringing the separated boys and girls schools back to become proudly Adelaide High School once again.

Peter Sanderson

Adelaide High School Cricket Report



National Schoolboys Cricket Champions 2011

The Adelaide High School 1st X1 cricket team has had a wonderfully successful 12 months of cricket. It started the year by successfully retaining the Black-Downs Shield (an annual competition with Mt Gambier High School), winning back to back, the Les Burdett Shield (the public schools championship, beating Unley High in 2010 and Henley High in 2011) winning back to back, the Chappell Shield (the All-Schools championship, beating St Michaels in 2010 and Scared Heart in 2011).

Adelaide High Schools' cricket culminated in the prestigious carnival known as the Australian 5 Higs Cricket Carnival. In 2011, it was hosted by Kent Street Senior School, in Perth. The other 4 iconic schools that comprise this carnival are:- Brisbane State High School, Melbourne High School, Sydney High School and Adelaide High School. Each year this carnival is held in a different capital city, with boys having access to world class cricket grounds such as: WACA, GABBA, MCG, Sydney Cricket Ground and Adelaide Oval. Since 1996, Adelaide High School has won the carnival 6 times and have been runner-up 6 times. The pressure has been building

steadily, as we came second both in Brisbane in 2009 and in Melbourne in 2010. Thus, Perth 2011 was always going to be a defining carnival for Adelaide High School. It must be stated that our 1st X1 squad and the coaching staff have been outstanding in every facet of preparation, discipline and execution. Our 1st X1 team was undefeated and clearly the most accomplished cricket team in the carnival.

Game 1:

Adelaide 7/289 def Sydney 10/148.
Josh Hoffman 43, Matt Kemp 20, Trent Badman 101, Jamie Banfield 57, Cameron Craig 31 no, Liam Jacka 3 no. Brett Richards 1/12, James Miller 3/30, Trent Badman 1/26, Kieran Tregloan 1/22, Liam Jacka 1/25, Brett Simpson 2/11.

Game 2:

Adelaide V Melbourne (washed out)

Game 3:

Adelaide 10/188 def Kent Street 10/107.
Josh Hoffman 17, Matt Kemp 51, Ben Scowen 41, Jamie Banfield 28 no, Alex Schiller 18. Kieran Tregloan 2/8, Trent Badman 2/17, Brett Simpson 1/17, Liam Jacka 1/14, Josh Hoffman 2/3. Two magnificent run-outs were also executed.

Game 4:

Adelaide 8/183 def Brisbane 10/108.
Matt Kemp 26, Trent Badman 15, Jamie Banfield 21, James Miller 26, Liam Jacka 40, Alex Schiller 7 no, Kieran Tregloan 7 no. James Miller 7/28, Kieran Tregloan 1/9, Josh Hoffman 2/11.

Championship Ladder

1. Adelaide
2. Kent Street
3. Melbourne
4. Sydney
5. Brisbane

Carnival Award Winners

Award	Recipient
Spirit of Cricket	Brisbane
Batting Strike Rate	Tom Smith 91.3 (Kent Street)
Batting Aggregate	Kaden Smailes 227 (Brisbane)
Bowling Economy Rate	Brett Simpson 2.29 (Adelaide)
Bowling Aggregate	James Miller 10 (Adelaide) Owen Duffy 10 (Sydney)
Best Fielder	Jamie Gardiner (Melbourne)

Best Wicketkeeper Alex Schiller (Adelaide)

Jamie Thomas (Kent Street)

Player of the Carnival

Damon Shephard (Kent Street)

Champion Team: Adelaide

M Kemp, J Hoffman, B Scowen, T Badman, R Reavley, J Miller (VC), J Banfield (C), C Craig, A Schiller (VC), K Tregloan, L Jacka, B Simpson, B Richards.

All-Australian Carnival Team:

Adelaide: J Banfield, J Miller, T Badman, B Simpson

Brisbane: K Smailes

Melbourne: J Gardiner, T Ryder

Kent Street (Perth): T Smith, J Thomas, D Shepard, B Guest

Sydney: J Moffat, O Duffy.

All-Australian Team Captain:

Jamie Banfield, Adelaide

All-Australian Team Coach:

Trent Carter, Adelaide

All-Australian Team Manager:

Anthony Tucker, Adelaide

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Anita Zocchi and the Leadership Team, Staff, Coaches, Old Scholars and players for expecting, supporting and engaging positively in our quest for excellence!

Paul Volkov

Director of Cricket

Lord Mayors Shield 2011

The annual match for the Lord Mayors Shield, against St Peters College brings to conclusion the Adelaide High School 1st X1 cricket season. I am pleased to report that St Peters College were wonderful hosts in 2011. The ground and the pitch were first class and we were privileged to have the new electronic scoreboard operational. Peter Warnes, his team and staff were once again welcoming, hospitable and the game was played in the right spirit.

The origins of this annual match go back to 2005, when Mr Michael Harbison was the Lord Mayor. He kindly donated the shield and thereby instigating a highly competitive cricket match between two great schools in the city of Adelaide.

Since 2005, Adelaide High School has



Adelaide High School Cricket Report (cont)

won this shield 5 times, including three consecutive wins since 2009. The match of 2011 was dominated by an outstanding unbeaten innings of 104 by our opener Jacob Fisher. This high quality innings was laced by numerous drives through the V; it was an innings of maturity, technical brilliance and focused concentration. Whilst the bowlers once again, "hunted in packs" and the fielding was intense and polished.

Adelaide 5/229 defeated St Peters 10/106, M Kemp 31, J Fisher 104 no, B Scowen 18, J Miller 34, J Banfield 6 no. K Tregloan 2/11, L Jacka 2/26, J Hoffman 2/28, B Simpson 2/5.

Award Winners

Batting Medallion: J Fisher
Bowling Medallion: K Tregloan
Fielding Medallion: A Schiller
Lord Mayors Medallist: J Fisher

Paul Volkov
Director of Cricket

State Representatives 2011-2012-

Adelaide High School is proud to announce that its Cricket Program of Excellence has once again been recognised by the South Australian Cricket Association. This recognition is the result of the significant number of Adelaide High School cricketers who have been selected to represent SACA in a variety of age groups.

For example in the Under 19's we had Trent Carter, Jeremy Allison, Josh Hoffman, James Miller and Trent Badman. In the Under 17's we had Cameron Valente, Connor McLean and Ravi Baltutis. In the Under 15's we have Jake Winter, Michael Cormack and Sandul Fernando. In girls cricket we had Sarah Thamm and Jade Conlon playin the Under 15's. Jade Conlon also played in the Under 18's. Having 5 state representatives in the Under 19's is unprecedented and a real feather in Adelaide High School's cap!

Congratulation and best wishes to all concerned!

Paul Volkov
Director of Cricket

From the Editor

At last we seem to have the yearly plan for the Newsletter in order and we plan three more after this one.

Closing dates for articles, to reach me at sin999@bigpond.net.au or 6 Stow Court Highbury 5089, will fall on the following,

Term 2: 1st May 2012

Term 3: 10th August 2012

Term 4: 1st November 2012

All articles should be a word document but if this isn't possible, send it as email text and I will cut and paste it into a word document.

All photos should be 300dpi and 8 cm width. Please try to reduce the size of photos from digital cameras to this size as the files straight from the camera are usually very large and take a while to download. If the reduced size is 72dpi (screen density) ensure that the width is 33.34 cm as this is the size needed to produce an 8 cm 300dpi image.

Old photographs, sent for interest, may be sent by post with a return address and these can be scanned to form a digital image.

Sinclair Mann
Newsletter Editor

Adelaide High Old Scholars Bowling Club

The 2011/2012 season has been a roller coaster one so far with some very close losses and good wins. In a very tight pennant competition we have been hovering between 2nd and 4th most of the time. As a 'one team only' Club, we often come across teams bolstered by players who have been dropped from higher grades for a number of reasons which makes for some very interesting competition.

Club Captain Mark Hyland won this

years Club Singles Championship with a win over Mike Blackeby.

As the only Old Scholars Club playing pennant competition in Australia we maintain our camaraderie playing an enjoyable game and respect the traditions established in the 13 years of competition.

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2011/2012 Bowling Club Photo

