



**SCEGGS Moss Vale**  
**Old Girls' Union Newsletter**  
**September 2013**

*Girls of the Grammar School, girls old and new,  
 Gathered or parted, all the world through.  
 Still to the motto that binds us keep true -  
 Luceat Lux Vestra*

Dear Members,

What a wonderful time we had in Moss Vale reminiscing about old times at school and past reunions, remembering old friends. Nonetheless we think it is time for some change, it will be 40 years next year since the School closed in 1974 and we should do something different to commemorate this special anniversary.

We would like to hold an afternoon tea to commemorate the last Speech Day, which would have fallen on the first Monday in December, 1<sup>st</sup> December 2014, the first Sunday. This is also the day the school closed. The venue we have in mind is the North Sydney Harbourview Hotel, this is convenient for public transport and has in- house car parking. We will need an idea of numbers **now** so that we can gauge the size of room to book.

It has been suggested that we get together in Moss Vale, as usual, to observe the School's birthday next year and this event coincides with the announcement by the School Council, in July 1974, of the closure of our School. This may be the last reunion in Moss Vale as numbers have been down, please let us know if in future your alumni year plans to have a reunion in Moss Vale, as we will certainly keep this event on the calendar if there is interest.

It would be good to continue to meet for Lunch on the first Saturday in March, perhaps also changing the venue to North Sydney.

We do of course celebrate the ongoing strength of our Old Girls' Union at all these functions, we have a membership of 271 emailers and 144 snail-mailers plus a few who have joined our Facebook, and although there are not great numbers attending reunions, we do receive correspondence and encouragement from many members and our membership is steadily growing.

*Please let us have your thoughts and comments on our plans for change and for the special 'one off' Speech Day reunion, which may substitute for the November Dinner that year.*

**Proposed dates for your diary 2014:**

Lunch	Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> March
Old Girls' Weekend	Friday 18 – Sunday 20 July
Speech Day function	Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> December

**November Dinner, Monday 19th Nov, 2013:**

There has been some interest in holding this event again in 2013. If you are wish to attend, can you let Martha know, by email preferably, as soon as possible, so she can book the usual venue and let you all know? The price will be about the same, \$45 per person, including wine.



**Vale**  
**ENDICOTT, Dorothy Irma 2.3.1929 - 10.4.2013**

Eldest daughter of Linda and Frank Hall of Hurstville. Wife of Denley (deceased) and loving mum of Beverley and Ruth. Mother-in-law of Garry Crockett and Gary Jones. Fond Doty to Toby, Aaron, Fergus, Em, Mim, Lawson and Ellie and great-grandmother of Keira, Abby, Denly, Lewis, Aston, Taylor, Cooper, Layla, Eli and Ruby. A very special lady.

One of our favourite and much loved school mistresses, AW.

(Miss Hall, image cut from 1950's Mistresses' annual photo)

**Photos from Old Girls, Weekend 2013**



**Jan (Kirkwood) Gluth, Jo (Sutton) Surgeoner, Meg (Iredale) Foster and Ann (Rudder) Anderson**



**Fran (Furner) Staplefeldt, Rae (Abernethy) St Clair-Groth & Robyn (Witney) Weller**



**Judy (Cameron) Friend, Rhondda (Hellyer) McCallum, Di Gould, Joyce (Thorpe) Milligan, Katharine Moss, Sue (Wilson) Cooper**



**Jo read the 1<sup>st</sup> Lesson Psalm 73 v1-11**



**Morning tea at Bong Bong**



**Thank you to Kathleen Bone, Warden at Bong Bong for supplying this photo**

In the words of the school Hymn “Winds, off these uplands blowing, unseen but felt by all;” they were blowing on Sunday so morning tea was served in the Church (imagine eating in Church when we were at school!). All in all a very pleasant weekend, no frost and no snow, this was a disappointment to some of the 17 ‘girls’ who attended.

*Anne Worboys,  
Hon President*

*Martha Birth,  
Hon Secretary/Treasurer*