

# Newcastle Boys' High School Old Boys' Association Incorporated

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT – 2016

Once again, I was grateful to accept re-election of the same Committee members as in previous years. Their enthusiasm is waning despite the achievements of the year. It would be extremely gratifying if others would put up their hands to assist. So thanks to Clive Cooper, David Trimble and Neil Williams for their attendances at meeting during the past year.

Last year was the first dinner I was actually able to attend as President. Other commitments meant I had been unable to attend for the previous 2 years. I was also able to present the full round of scholarship monies to the recipients at the various schools we support for the first time. It is quite an experience listening to how some of the students intend to use their prizes.

The Historical Subcommittee consisting of Bill Storer, Peter Scaife and Dick Sanders have continued working on getting things of historical importance catalogued for future reference at the Museum but we are still unable to locate 2 of the original admissions registers. Anyone who might know their whereabouts can talk to any member of the Committee about it.

Once again, in addition to thanking the gents named above, special thanks must go to Web Master Greg Kentish for the amount of work he has put into our website. Greg is very good at getting most things of interest onto the site for all to see. The index page is at <http://www.nbhsoba.net/index.html>. Should you like to contribute class or sports/activities photos that are not on the website, please contact Dick Sanders at [dicksanders@optusnet.com.au](mailto:dicksanders@optusnet.com.au).

Our Active Membership has maintained a fairly steady level over recent years with membership standing at 1060 at the end of 2015.

During the latter part of 2015 prizes for academic achievement were presented to:

*Newcastle High School -*

Roy Davis Prize for School Community Achievement \$200

Lewis Keys Bursary \$1000

Keys Family Prize for Best Science Student Year 10 \$200

Dr Alan Knott Scholarship \$1000

Margaret Howard Bursary \$1000

Caesar Smith Prize for Creative Writing (Junior) \$200

Caesar Smith Prize for Creative Writing (Senior) \$200

OBA President's Prize for Legal Studies \$200

Colin Keys Dux of the School \$1000

Lydia Corcoran Eagleton

Max Galbraith

Mikaela McMahon

Lydia Corcoran Eagleton

Maija Spencer Karinen

Ollie Ashton

Jerissa McLachlan

Oliver Lewis

Irini Kassas

*Waratah Campus of Callaghan College -*

F.H. Beard Prize for School Community Achievement \$200 Shared between Blake Parsons & Ty Rickard

Brian Donegan Prize for Most Improved Mathematics Student \$200 Shared between Arrabella Beal-

Attwood & Samuel Reinersten

Charles Goffet Prize for Creative Writing (Junior) \$200 Shared between Lara Heslop & Niamh Currey

Charles Goffet Prize for Creative Writing (Senior) \$200 Shared between Hannah Riley & Benjamin

Currey

Keys Family Prize for Best Mathematics Student \$200 Shared between Simon He & Thomas O'Brien

Dr David Stewart Scholarship \$500 Shared between Jayden Baker & Tayla Van Zeist

Students at Newcastle East Public School are also awarded books courtesy of your Association.

As always, we are anxious to welcome newcomers to the Committee. Not only does it alleviate the responsibility on those who have served for many years but it allows for new ideas to be introduced. May I ask that you seriously consider putting your name forward? Does this paragraph seem familiar? It should as it has been here for a few years and we are ever hopeful!

I think all who attended last year's dinner would agree that the after-dinner speaker, Trevor Sorensen, a noted rocket scientist, was both very entertaining and informative. He certainly has had an amazing career.

This year our guest speaker will be Paul Jeans who is Chancellor of Newcastle University which many of us would have attended.

The Committee extends its sincere condolences to the family and friends of Old Boys who have passed away in the past twelve months.

I wish all of our members good health and look forward to greeting you at the Annual General Meeting as well as the Annual Dinner.

Norm Rodgers (President)

4 May, 2016

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**Notice of Annual General Meeting**

**To be Held in the Staff Room of the Newcastle East Public School.**

**Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2016, at 5:00 p.m.**

You are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting of the Old Boys Association at the time, date and place shown above.

All Committee positions will be declared vacant on the night. The positions to be filled are:

President	Vice President	Treasurer	Secretary
Public Officer	Publicity Officer	Web Master	Committee (7 positions)

Should you wish to nominate for a position please complete your name, contact details and the position you are nominating for in the space below and return this form to the Post Office box above by 17 June 2016.

Name:

Years of Attendance at NBHS

Address:

Contact Details:

Home Phone

Mobile Phone

Email address

Position nominated for:

**Agenda for the Annual General Meeting**

- 1 Present
- 2 Welcome from the President.
- 3 School Song
- 4 Apologies.
- 5 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 2015 Annual General Meeting.
- 6 Business arising from the Minutes.
- 7 President's Report.
- 8 Treasurer's Report.
- 9 Sub-Committee Reports.
  - a) Membership
  - b) Historical
  - c) Education
  - d) Functions
- 10 Election of Committee 2016 – 2017.

President	Vice President	Secretary	Treasurer and Public Officer
Publicity Officer	Web Master	Seven Committeemen	
- 11 Appointment of Honorary Solicitor
- 12 Expressions of interest in Sub-Committee Membership.

Membership	Historical	Education	Functions
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- 13 Next Annual General Meeting.

The next Annual General Meeting will be held in the Staff room of the Newcastle East Public School at 5:00 pm on Thursday, 22 June 2017 prior to the normal Committee Meeting.

Norm Rodgers,  
President