

## RAFFLE

We will be holding another major raffle this year.

To be drawn at the Luncheon, Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October

Tickets will only be available at the Memorabilia Display, Cocktail Party and Luncheon.

[This is due to the excessive workload associated with last years raffle (recording and banking) which was placed upon our Secretary and Treasurer.]

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David and Pat Welford, of Cape Cassini Wilderness Retreat on Kangaroo Island, have generously donated another prize.

1 night's B&B plus 1hr. wildlife tour. Value \$345-00

(Other prizes are still being organized.)

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Recently David and Pat Welford were nominated to represent Australia in the National Geographic Geotourism Challenge which has some 314 entries from 82 countries. When the competition closed, they were one of only 7 Australian entries and the only one from South Australia. Unfortunately, they have just been notified that they are no longer in the running.

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CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR INFORMATION ON FUTURE EVENTS & THE STUDENT DATABASE.

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## Adelaide Technical High School

Old Scholars Association Inc.

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## Tech Tales

Tall tales, strange but true, of the mysterious goings-on of Teachers and Students within those hallowed walls.

**WE....LL!!** Chicken Man. Did that last little story get a reaction. So much so, that the *President's Address*: has been pushed to Page 2. Goes to prove you do read your Newsletter.

### Reply A

That it was an urban myth and that it was purported to have happened at another school.

### Reply B

Another version of the story (from unknown male caller, who left a message on the phone) is that the Austin 7 belonged to teacher, Max Bone – the car was picked up and left between 2 trees. Apparently he had been visiting his fiancée at the time.

### Reply C

Dear Editor,  
My recollection of this event (or more likely a "re-enactment") was c 1963 and the new Fiat 500 that Mrs Kirsten won on the Coles \$64,000 quiz!!  
I believe that it was placed between the support stanchions of the fire escape at the western side of the Brookman Building. Given that this was an area that Berris Pittman patrolled this would seem to be a brave or foolhardy event indeed!!!

(I was an over-awed first year at this time so this may be apocryphal but that was how I heard it!!!)

Rgds John S R Anderson

## Editor's Note:

1963, being before decimal currency. So shouldn't it be £32,000 or was it Coles £30,000 Question?

More debate?

On seeing Mrs Kirsten's name, it jogged my memory of a very sad time back in the 70's or early 80's while watching an evening current affairs programme, I sat stunned as the image of an older, but very composed, Mrs Kirsten appeared before me telling of a vicious rape upon herself by a young lout and I think that was the exact word she used to describe him.

Any more half told stories that we can clarify?

## Sale of Major Peter Badcoe's VC

(and other Medals and memorabilia)

How many Old Scholars knew that Peter was an Old Scholar? He attended 1946-49, but his name then was spelt "Badcock".

We hope that the Association, or more specifically our President on the Assoc.'s behalf, played a part in getting the medals retained in Australia. Mark lobbied the Premier and Channel 7 owner, Kerry Stokes to purchase them on the State's behalf. The Premier's response was "NIL", but obviously Mr Stokes took it on board. And at the thirteenth hour Acting Premier, Kevin Foley, saw sense, (to take some glory) after a little nudge from Mr Stokes.

The Committee has sent a letter of appreciation, to Mr Stokes, thanking him for his generosity.

### *President's Address:*

2008 promises to be a great year of celebrations as we commemorate a number of milestones in the history of ATHS. In the months ahead, the committee has organised a number of exciting "get togethers". Past events have always been enthusiastically supported. Please make an effort to join us as we reminisce and celebrate our association with a great school.

The AGM was again held in Heywood Park. Not only was the attendance good, the weather was much kinder to us than it was last year. We had no difficulty in filling the vacant committee positions and, on your behalf, and on my own, I would like to thank all those whose ongoing-work makes the continuance of the Association a viable proposition. To those who continue in office and a number have been on the Committee since its inception, your efforts are noted and appreciated. To those many others who, for a variety of reasons (often age or ill health), can no longer assist in the same way, we remain indebted for the unique contribution that each of you has made.

One Old Scholar whose unique contribution has recently been commented upon both in the press and on TV was Major Peter Badcoe VC. The sale of his collection of medals and contemporary account of service in Vietnam resulted in a joint purchase between Kerry Stokes and the South Australian Government. Thanks to the vigilance of our Patron, Dr Don Beard, I believe that the Association can claim some credit for what has been a satisfactory outcome.

In this spirit of building from the past towards a better future, the AGM resolved to make a second scholarship available to Glenunga International High School in 2009. The Scholarship will be designated the Cedric J Cannell Scholarship in recognition of Mr Cannell's many years of service to ATHS.

As we look towards a time when we will no longer be able to participate in the preservation of our school heritage, our legacy will be remembered by what we leave behind. If any member is minded to donate towards further scholarships, your donations will be gratefully received. Please indicate when making payment that it is specifically for scholarships.

Mark Brindal

### *Introducing the New G.I.H.S. Principal:*

It is my pleasure to introduce myself to the members of the Old Scholars Association as the newly appointed principal of Glenunga International High School. One of the first meetings I had in first term was with members of the Association's Executive. They provided fascinating background information about the transition of Adelaide Technical High School to the Glenunga site in 1963 and the transformation into Glenunga High School ten years later.

My previous appointment was as Principal at Victor Harbor High School and prior to that, I held positions of District Superintendent in both Southern and Eastern Metro districts of Adelaide. My background is in English, Drama Counselling and Psychology.

I was delighted to be appointed to Glenunga because it is an excellent example of South Australian public education. It continues the fine traditions of academic achievement and community spirit, of history and innovations established by Adelaide Technical High School.

I am really interested in your ideas on how our current school community and the ATHS Old Scholars Association can work together to advocate strongly for public education and to support each other. We are happy to offer our facilities to the Association. Perhaps our students could provide catering and other support services for Association functions as part of their assessment requirements. Our Staff and students could share with members their international experiences. One example would be the recent trips to India and Malaysia where students performed significant community services and had life-changing experiences.

Another aspect of the conversation between our two communities is the role that might be developed for similar associations for Glenunga students. The ATHS Old Scholars might take on a mentoring role with the Glenunga group while they get their organisation started.

I look forward to our ongoing work together.

Wendy Johnson

### **FOR SALE**

@ Anniversary events  
or from your nearest Committee Member

**Old Scholars Badge \$5-00 ea**  
(butterfly clip)

**Cuff Links \$15-00 pr.**

**Buy both for \$17-50**



Shown actual size  
(Blue background, gold lettering)

### **REMINDERS:**

#### **MEMBERSHIP:**

Now over-due and payable.  
(Financial Members, please find receipt enc.)

#### **MEMORABILIA DISPLAY:**

**22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> August**

**Fri. 5-8pm: Sat. & Sun. 11am-4pm**

(To assist with catering for Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug,  
R.S.V.P 8<sup>th</sup> Aug. to any Committee Member.)

If you wish to receive the booking form for the  
**LUNCHEON: Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October**  
**Membership must be paid by 31<sup>st</sup> August.**

Due to the cost of mailing, the next Newsletter  
will be sent **only** to Financial Members.

### **Class of '53 Re-union**

Following our successful 50-year Reunion in 2004, we are looking to repeat the exercise this year to mark the 55<sup>th</sup> year since we started at the school. That it is also the 110<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the commencement of the school under its original name and the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its re-naming as the Adelaide Technical High School, makes the year even more worth celebrating.

The function will take the form of a dinner and will be open to all who started school in 1953 in both the Technical and Commercial streams. It will be held at a near-city venue on Wednesday, 27 August 2008. Further details will be provided nearer the date, but in the meantime, please refer any queries to Warren West on 8234 7810 (W), 8376 0938 (H), 0417 816 603 (mob.) or [warren@gjc.com.au](mailto:warren@gjc.com.au) and add the date to your calendar of "must go" events.

### **URGENT NOTICES:**

**COCKTAIL PARTY:** From the survey forms received, very few indicated their intention to attend.

**The Committee deliberated whether to cancel the event or to send invitations to all traced Old Scholars in an endeavour to "get a crowd".**

**We voted to send to all 4,200 Old Scholars, at a cost of approx \$3,000.**

**If we do not receive at least 150 paid RSVPs by 1<sup>st</sup> August the event will be cancelled.**

**Future lack of response to Survey Forms and expressions of interest for Class Reunions, could put into jeopardy any or all future reunions and functions.**

#### **POSITION VACANT – Membership Secretary:**

Due to an increased workload in David Swift's paid employment he is unable to devote enough time to maintain the duties of the Membership Secretary.

**Qualifications needed:** Sound knowledge of Access Database. Apply to the Secretary/Membership Sec.

**A T H S Old Scholars Assoc. Inc.**

**Cordially invites North Terrace & Glenunga Old Scholars**

*to a  
Cocktail Party*

**Celebrating the 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the "New School"**

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2008, 6:30pm-9:30pm**

**PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE  
Glenunga International High School  
L'Estrange Street, GLENUNGA**

**R.S.V.P. & PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY 1st AUGUST**

Bookings will only be accepted from the Order Form

**POST COMPLETED ORDER FORM TO:  
THE TREASURER, PO BOX 4041, NORWOOD SOUTH SA 5067**

**(Tickets to be collected at the door)**

**Please reserve .....Cocktail Party Tickets @ \$30-00ea. \$.....  
2008 Membership (if not already paid) \$25-00 \$..... TOTAL \$.....**

Please attach list of Names (as below) for group bookings

PRESENT SURNAME	GIVEN NAMES	SURNAME AT SCHOOL	YEARS

Contact details: (in the event of cancellation)

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Payment by Cheque / Money Order / Visa / Mastercard (Please circle card type)  
Please make Cheques and Money Orders payable to ATHSOSA Inc.  
Card Number \_\_\_\_\_

Expiry Date

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Name on Card: (Please print) ..... Signature.....

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Receipt No	Receipt Date	Amount	Ch/MO/Visa/Mcd	Date Recorded

PTO Membership form



**Adelaide Technical High School  
Old Scholars Association Inc.**

**MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION / RENEWAL - 2008**

TITLE	PRESENT SURNAME	SURNAME AT SCHOOL	GIVEN NAMES	YEARS

STREET

SUBURB

STATE

P/CODE

Postal Address:.....

Residential:.....

A/code

Home Phone: (.....)..... Mobile..... Fax:.....

EMAIL (Please print).....

- Enrol me as a Financial Member for Year 2008. \$ 25-00
- Accept my Donation for  \$5  \$10  \$25  \$.....Other (please tick box)
- Record changes to my details.
- Do not divulge my contact details to other Old Scholars without my permission.
- Email me notification when a newsletter is posted on [www.athsos.com.au](http://www.athsos.com.au)

Payment by Cheque / Money Order / Visa / Mastercard (Please circle card type)

Please make Cheques and Money Orders payable to ATHSOSA Inc.

**Card Number** \_\_\_\_\_ **Expiry Date** \_\_\_\_\_ **Amount** \$.....

Name on Card: ..... Signature.....  
**(Please print)**

Please post with completed form to :  
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