

1 October 2011 newsletter #15

It is almost midnight on Saturday 1 October and I still have to pack before driving to Melbourne tomorrow. I'll be away for a week so no more emails until I return. I will be able to receive emails from you still, and reply.

At last count we are approximately 61 for the Friday school visit Methodist Hall event, 84 for Saturday at the bowling club, and 69 for the Manuka Pool gathering. I know there will be more. If you want to see who is attending [click here](#). This list isn't exact or complete, there needs some cross referencing with [this form](#) and the payments received. We will sort out any problems later.

It isn't too late to make your decision to come but tell us soon because we will have to make final catering decisions when I get back from Melbourne.

Volunteer meeters and greeters. Who would be prepared to meet those flying in for the reunion? I have offered this service to Nigel Murray-Harvey and his partner Jennie arriving on Friday morning and Kaye Hargreaves on Saturday morning. Would any other interstaters like to be met?

Believe it or not I found another person who qualifies for the reunion today. This morning I spent 90 minutes with Mr March at his house, looking at his marks books. I was hoping to find class lists to help me to put names to faces where there are still unnamed students. I was also checking spelling. There in 2E were a lot of familiar names and Rodney Plows. Rodney used to fix my wrapping machines at Garran Newsagency in the 1980s. I didn't know that he had been to Telopea. Does anyone remember him from school and/ or where he might be?

Thank you to all those people who have contributed their story and/ or a recent photo. There are now over 50 stories and they make really special reading. Over 100 'NOW' photos sit next to the 'THEN' photos, some are more recognisable than others. Test yourself - look at the now photo before you look at the then photo and try to guess the names. I know there are more photos and stories on their way - keep them coming. The website traffic counter shows that more people are visiting the site, we are rapidly approaching 2000 hits.

We haven't taken any paid advertising - yet - but I do have one worthy unpaid public notice for you.

Fred Schodt, as you will know if you have read his story, is an authority on [manga](#) (Japanese comics). He is giving a talk at the University of Sydney on October 13th. If you might be interested in this "arcane and eccentric subject" (Fred's words) here is the information: <http://t.co/wS2NvqZ0>

There is another Telopea reunion being organised at the moment, the year that finished in 1971. If you are interested or curious you can visit their website here: <http://www.wix.com/michelehall/TPHSreunion40years1971>

The weather has been cold and wet this week, I do hope we can provide better conditions for the reunion. It is at least improving this week but you might still want to bring an extra jumper.

All for now,

Best wishes,

Brett