

**MINUTES OF THE
COMBINED OLD GIRLS' ASSOCIATION (COGA)
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Held on Sunday 20 August 2006

HELD: Ruyton Girls' School, Open Learning Area – Foundation Building

TOUR OF RUYTON: 1.00pm

MEETING COMMENCED: 2.00pm

WELCOME: Fleur Coldwell, President of the Old Ruytonians' Association

PRESENT:

Clonard Old Girls' Association
Firbank Old Grammarians' Association
Korovian Club
Lowther Hall Old Grammarians' Association
Melbourne Girls Grammar School Old Grammarians' Society
Mentone Girls' Grammar Old Girls' Club
MLC Old Collegians' Club
Morongo Old Collegians
PLC Old Collegians' Association
Presentation College Windsor Past Pupils' Association
Old Ruytonians' Association
Sacre Coeur Alumnae
Shelfordians' Association
St. Catherine's Old Girls' Association
St. Leonard's Old Girls' Association
Toorak College Old Girls' Association

APOLOGIES:

Beth Rivkah Ladies' College Old Collegians' Club
Eltham College Old Collegians' Association
Our Lady of Sion Past Students' Association
Sacred Heart Old Collegians' Association (Geelong)

CORRESPONDENCE: Nil

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Moved by Val Faultey (Lowther Hall Old Grammarians' Society) and seconded by Jill Griffiths (Toorak College Old Girls' Association).

BUSINESS ARISING:**Interschool Tennis**

Fleur Coldwell (Old Ruytonians' Association) advised on behalf of the Korovian Club that the confirmed date for the Interschool Tennis Competition is Sunday 25 March 2007. Venue is Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club. (Approximately \$250 for court hire). Please contact Jayne Dance of the Korovian Club for further details (Tel : 9500 8900 or gdance@bigpond.net.au).

COGA Minutes of Previous Meetings

Fleur Coldwell (ORA) advised that Jessica Piorun-Vernon (ORA) has scanned all previous COGA Minutes of AGM, and that electronic file copies are now available on the Ivanhoe Girls Old Grammarians Association website.

Internet presence for COGA

Fleur Coldwell (ORA) noted that the COGA page on the IGOGA website contains an example of a strategic plan from Loreto Toorak Past Pupils Association and an example of a privacy policy from IGOGA. Fleur Coldwell also inquired about the progress of installing links from the COGA page on the IGOGA website to other associations' websites, however no one from IGOGA was present at the meeting.

SPEAKERS:**GSV Golf Tournament**

Meredith Prime, Executive Officer from Girls Sport Victoria spoke about the 'GSV Past and Current Students Golf Event'. 'This event has been running for five years and is next scheduled to take place on 20 February 2007. Enquiries can be directed to gsv@mggs.vic.edu.au. Approximate cost is \$180.00 per team to participate.

Meredith stated her main purpose was to convey the importance of communication between the COGA members and their schools about this event. Relevant Old Girls' Associations are asked to convey the message back to their respective schools and to their past students, and to follow up any interest they have in being involved.

Fleur Coldwell (ORA) requested that this event be put on the calendar of events at the C.O.G.A. website (link from IGOGA website). As representatives from IGOGA were not present at the meeting, it was decided that the event could be followed up by contacting GSV directly (see above email address). This event will be placed under the GSV website's calendar of events.

Mentoring

Julian Sallabank, Business Manager from Potentiality, spoke about the topic of mentoring and the benefits of offering a mentoring service to past students. A PowerPoint presentation was made, using the example of the Old Geelong Grammarians' mentoring service to past students.

Julian explained that Potentiality offers an online mentoring service which can be tailored to suit needs of each individual school. This includes selection of staff involvement with the mentoring site; who selects how the mentoring site will operate; direct contact between the past student and her mentor, or alternatively, the school's interception before contact is made between mentor and mentee) etc. Julian can be contacted by email at julian@ptly.com.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Future meetings

The following schools have offered to host future COGA meetings:

2007 St. Catherines
2008 Genazzano
2009 Toorak College

Fleur Coldwell thanked the guest speakers and all those present for their attendance and invited them to remain for afternoon tea.

Meeting closed at 3.05 pm.