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Transfers and Stickers	\$ 5.00
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T Shirts Sizes: 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22	\$10.00
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It's our 1st newsletter for 1989 and I would like to take the opportunity to thank Carmel McCartin and Ray Higginson for the excellent and very professional way they ran our club over the last couple of years.

They and the other committee members paved the way for Susie Grant and myself to follow on and keep the club running at such a high standard.

I look forward to the next two years as President and working with Susie and the newly elected committee members.

Our 1989 reunion was an outstanding success as all who were there can confirm. The 100% participation in the fancy dress shows just how enthusiastic everyone is about the annual reunions.

In our next newsletter we hope to announce a new venue, we are also working on some of the suggestions put forward at the A.G.M. regarding keeping everyone together on the Saturday.

On going over our membership numbers, I have found alot of members have not rejoined or paid their dues, we are going to find out why this is so, if any of you know anyone who is in this situation could you ask them to please contact me or Susie as I would like everyone to remain a member and participate in our annual reunion.

The work the past Presidents and Secretaries and Committee members have done over the last 10 years is invaluable and it would be a shame to loose some of the old members. Remember a club is only as strong as its members, so please contact anyone you know that is eligible to join or any past member to re-join.

Finally, thankyou to Lance Grenda for donating his Coach and Keith Grant for his time driving everyone safely. Lance has been kind enough to have donated his coach on several occasions to assist the club with transport. Thankyoy Lance.

John Blanch

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new members:

Paul Phillips	SA
John Sword	SA
Pam Mattson	NSW
Kim Edwards	VIC
Roland Leitch	TAS
Peter Kavanagh	NSW
Ron Brien	VIC
Steven Damm	VIC

NEWS

Congratulations to John McAlister and Margaret Rock who tied the knot on March 26 at the Gold Coast.

Another recent wedding was that of David Stafford and Lillian Muirhead in Devonport Tasmania. Our best wishes go to them for a happy and healthy marriage.

Congratulations to Vicki and Ian Gallagher on the early arrival of their daughter Tammy Pearl. After Vicki had arranged a night out for dinner with friends, the baby decided she didn't want to go out for dinner, so baby Tammy arrived early, one month. Mum and baby are now doing well. At a recent BBQ at Ian and Vicki's place a raffle was held to raise money for the Royal Children's Hospital. Vicki was donating herself as the prize, that is a dinner for two cooked by Vicki, congratulations Greg Reid.

Congratulations goes to one of our committee members Grace Cadzow for being named **Charlton's Citizen of the Year**. Grace received her award for her truly remarkable work in the Bicentennial Year. Grace compiled two books dealing with the History of the area. The first "In the Vale of Avoca" a comprehensive publication of the towns history since settlement and the second "The First Twenty Five Years" documents the life story of Charlton High School. Grace was also a dedicated member of the Bicentennial committee, valued member of the Golden Grains Museum and worked for many other community organizations during 1988. Her community spirit is undaunting and she has used the major part of her expeence remuneration to purchase and donate a TV and Video for community use. Conratulations Grace.

We have a few thanyou's to make after our 10th Annual Reunion. A thanks to Graeme Hayes for the donation of the magnificent wood carving of our name "ALDECC". This board was made from Jarra wood marker pegs, borrowed of course. It kept Graeme of the streets of Woomera for a few weeks, well done Graeme we didn't know of your hidden talents.

Thanks also to John Blanch for the Coach he had made for the reunion. It was interesting how it appeared on stage, good performance John.

We can't forget Ray Higginson for the donation of the Scroll which will be used to keep a record of all Presidents and Secretaries. Thanks Higgo.

One new industrious committee member arrived a little early for his first committee meeting. Seems daylight saving got the better of him, well done Greg.

Seems some of Kevin Bryants mail has been sent to Joanne Wiggs post box in Leitchfield, we cann't work that one out.

Lananda Tours went camping for the Labour Day Holiday weekend, guess who got washed out?

Mary Meyer is trying to bluff the people at her new job that she doesn't drink, but is constantly seen in the Safari Store with a brown paper bag and a can of coke. The only identification at this stage is a yellow top protruding from the bag. Inside investigations in the Landmark organization are trying to find out whats in the paper bag ?

The Hillmans from Sydney went away for a 17 day holiday recently. Bryn packed his own case and put in 17 pairs of socks and jocks. Maybe he hasn't heard there's Plenty of water in Central Australia at present.

The video taken at the 10th reunion at Feathertop will be available for sale, at the moment it's in the hands of Garry Mathewson and prices are yet to be decided.

At a recent brochure launch a certain travel agent from the NTGB (member of the committee) was seen crawling around under the kitchen tables of a Safari Trailer looking for a bottle of Rum!!!

It seems John Gullock has given up Tour Driving and is moving to Oodnadatta. You'll find him residing at the Nursing Sisters House, do drop in if you happen to be passing!!!!

Congratulations to Carmel and Dub on the safe arrival of the two new additions to their family, Fanny and Dicky. (Calves that is!!)

Jeff DeJersey is tying the knot in May with Lisa not "Bundy" the blue heeler.

The formation of the ALDECC Spinsters Club created some excitement for the Saturday night live entertainment. After members were asked on stage to receive their membership, they were actioned off to the highest bidder. Seems some were sold off for as low as \$3.00 and some went as packages- 3 for \$20. Not bad value for the guys!!!!

The new look Ian Purtil was out to collect on a bet that was made with a certain female, two reunions ago. Ian " If I losse two stone will you S_____ with me" the answer was "Yes". So this female was seen hiding from Ian all weekend. What a poor sport!!!

The theme for our saturday night party at the reunion was the letter P. Some costumes were hard to relate P too, until a Koala was seen stumbling around Feathertop with a beer in hand. We now know what the letter P stands for!!!!!!

Have you ever seen three grown men in Bra's and TuTu's performing the Smith's Lites Chip add. Well you'll just have to watch the video of Saturday Night Live! Congratulations go to the Ballerina's or should we say Bellyrina's. Thank's Dub McCartin, Ross Eldred and Dieter Sternberg!!!

We wish Susie Grant a speedy recovery after her resent operation.