

KAMBALA OLD GIRLS
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Front of Tivoli, 1968.

Original photograph by Max Dupain showing girls standing in the gardens in front of Tivoli.



*KOGU President
Melinda Hudson*

president's report

Melinda (Thew) Hudson '80

The theme for the Winter edition of *The Soubeiran* is 'The Whole Girl'. 2016 was a wonderful year for KOGU, the highlight being KOGU's 120 year celebration. This year we continue to grow as a high functioning Old Girls' organisation, servicing the 'whole' Kambala Old Girl and her needs.

In 2017 we will *communicate, connect and celebrate* through the launch of some exciting new initiatives:

- ♦ The introduction of the KOG Pilot Mentoring Program designed to offer guidance to Old Girls who are in the early stages of their career.
- ♦ The expansion, in conjunction with the School, of an Internship/ Fellowship program to help support the professional development of Old Girls.
- ♦ The creation of cohort specific Facebook pages and the appointment of cohort ambassadors to help disseminate targeted communications regarding reunions, KOG news and happenings.

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- ♦ The segmentation of KOGs. For example, 18 to 30 years. This will allow our organisation to provide opportunities, initiatives and communication relevant to the 'whole' KOG's needs at whatever age or stage she might be at.

As always, to ensure we reach our goals for 2017, we seek your feedback and continued support. There are many ways that you can help:

- ♦ register your interest to become a Mentor or Mentee
- ♦ offer a Fellowship/Internship opportunity to a Kambala Old Girl
- ♦ become a KOGU cohort ambassador for your year group
- ♦ join the KOGU Committee or a Sub Committee, or volunteer to assist in any way you can.



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judy playfair's record broken after 49 years

A swimming record that had been held for 49 years was broken this year by Year 9 student, Charlotte Hughes.

Charlotte broke the 15 Years 50m Breaststroke record at this year's Senior School Swimming Carnival with a time of 35.57sec. The record was previously held by Australian swimmer and Old Girl, Judy Playfair '71. Judy enjoyed an accomplished swimming career that, at its pinnacle, saw her compete at the 1968 Mexico City Olympic Games, the same year she set the Kambala 50m Breaststroke record. She was just 15 years old at the time. Representing Australia, she won a silver medal for the 4x100m medley relay.

Beating Judy's record of 35.90sec by a third of a second, Charlotte looks set to achieve her ambition and follow in Judy's footsteps. To celebrate this momentous event, Judy Playfair was invited back to the School to attend a special presentation alongside Charlotte at a School Assembly in May. A luncheon followed to honour our Old Girl swimming champions and supporters and to celebrate this long standing record being broken.

Coincidentally, both Charlotte and Judy are proud Wentworth girls. In 1971, Judy was made Prefect, elected as both School Deputy Head and Captain of Wentworth.



1. Swimming great Judy Playfair '71 with Year 9 student, Charlotte Hughes, the new 15 Years 50m Breaststroke record holder.

2. Members of The Playfair family at the Swimming Champions luncheon in May. Back row: Old Girl Louise Playfair '80, John Playfair and Diana Playfair. Front row: Morna Playfair and Judy Playfair '71

year 13 music festival

Brooke Kathriner

Fifty girls from the Class of 2016 rejoined the School community at the Festival of Music on Sunday 26 February at the Sydney Opera House, as guests of Kambala Old Girls and the School.

Kambala Old Girls hosted refreshments in the Concert Hall Northern Foyer Lounge, providing a perfect opportunity for the Year 13 girls to catch up with each other and some of their former teachers.



Sohana Melwani, Hannah Bablis, Elissa Comino, Ariella Bucci, Annabelle Jackson, Bronte Mendham and Rebecca Epstein.

The performances of music throughout the evening were incredible and the Class of 2016 proved themselves to be wonderful and supportive audience members, cheering enthusiastically for their former Houses.

Congratulations to 2017 winners Hawthorne!

inspirational old girl series

Kambala Old Girls' Union, in conjunction with the School, has developed a beautiful series of images of inspirational Kambala Old Girls.

Not only are these women outstanding in their chosen fields, but their humanity, passion and their courage are truly inspiring.

The Inspirational Old Girl Series was officially launched at KOGU's 120 Year Anniversary Celebration held at Kambala last year. The series was hung in the Alexander Hall for a celebratory Assembly and the Hall was open throughout the afternoon for Old Girls, family and friends to view at their leisure and learn more about these amazing women.

As an ongoing source of inspiration to current students, the images will remain on display in the Alexander Hall in acknowledgement of the profound achievements of many women who come from different walks of life. It is expected that the series will expand over time as Kambala graduates continue to make an outstanding contribution to the world.

To discover more about these Inspirational Old Girls visit our website: <http://kogu.kambala.nsw.edu.au/#inspirationaloldgirls>.



Alanna (Conlon) Nobbs '61



Diana (Hodgkinson) Page '39



Gabrielle (Briger) Thompson '76



Jennifer (Lewis) Learmont '55



Jessie (Aspinall) Freeman



Jillian Segal AM '73



Josephine (Brazil) Linden '69



Judy Playfair '71



June (Finlayson) Montague '52



Lyndall Crisp '65



*Margaret (Nebenzahl)
Gutman '46*



Margaret Zhang '10



Marie Breckenridge '32



Penny Cook '74



Grace Emily (Gordon) Munro

Grace Emily (Gordon) Munro OBE
(1879 - 1964)

Grace was born on 25 March 1879 at Gragin, Warialda; a town in the north-west region of NSW. She attended Kambala before 1897, with many of her relatives attending the School throughout the years and continuing to do so to this day.

She was said to be a very skilled horsewoman and a strong shooter.

On 14 July 1898 she married Hugh Robert Munro and the couple had four children. The tragic death of her youngest child encouraged Grace to work to improve the conditions of medical services for women and children in regional areas. She trained as a sister of St John of Jerusalem (St John Ambulance Association) and then ran first-aid classes in the country. In addition, she travelled to Papua and the Trobriand Islands with Sir Hubert Murray between 1911 and 1914. During the First World War, Grace was the honorary organising secretary of the Australian Army Medical Corps and worked for the Australian Red Cross Society. She was qualified in first-aid, home nursing, and hygiene with the St John Ambulance Association and continued to give first-aid classes following the war. Her success was so profound she became the first woman to serve on a hospital board in rural NSW.

Following the war, Grace organised a three-day conference during the Sydney Royal Easter Show in 1922, at which the Country Women's Association of New South Wales was established and she was elected the President. The aims of the organisation were to improve the living conditions and health care facilities for women and children in rural areas. In one year, she helped establish 68 branches of the Association throughout NSW and Queensland. Additionally, she established the first Country Women's Association rest room in Bingara in 1924 and helped found the first regional baby health centre in Moree. She continued to campaign actively for maternity wards and pushed for gender equality in government. She stepped down from her role as President in 1926, leaving behind an Association with over 4,000 members in 100 branches across NSW and Queensland. She was awarded the Order of the British Empire in 1935 and died in Sydney on 23 July 1964.



Sally Herman '74



Sarah Fagan '98



Sarah Grunstein '75



Sheila (Stark) Copp '28



Valery (Humphrey) Dayas '37



Vida Breckenridge '27

1976 reunion

*Di (Rose) Pembroke and Victoria
(McDonald) Brunninghausen*

Old Girls of the Class of 1976 gathered on Saturday 8 October 2016 at The Beauchamp Hotel in Darlinghurst for their 40 year reunion.

It was a very happy evening with loads of chatter and laughter until well after 'lockout', reminiscing about days gone past. It was great to see so many of our country girls attend. We extend a huge thank you to our Head Girl, Meg Merriman, for organising the event and to Sue Ritchie and Claude Bereny for the warm welcome we received at The Beauchamp Hotel.

1986 reunion

Stacey Small '86

On 22 October 2016, an impressive 49 Old Girls from the Class of 1986 gathered to celebrate their 30 Year Reunion upstairs at the old stomping grounds of the Royal Oak in Double Bay.

Organised by Stacey Small, the evening was a great success. Over drinks and finger food, we all had a chance to move around and speak to everyone. It was lovely to see Mish Fletcher who travelled all the way from New York to be there on the night. A number of other girls who are based overseas were sadly unable to attend and sent their apologies.



Samantha (Baker) Marwedel, Cherie Lucas, Julie Blanks, Jacqueline Clark, Fiona (Martin) Hamilton and Susannah (Lydiard) Tuck enjoy the Reunion.

2017 reunions

- 2012** 5 Year Reunion
Organiser: Tania Saleh
Date: 23 September 2017
- 2007** 10 Year Reunion
Organiser: Jacqui Minell
Date: 8 December 2017
Venue: Mrs Sippy, Double Bay
Time: 7.00pm
- 2002** 15 Year Reunion
Organisers: Sophie Tindle and Holly (Gray) O'Neill
Date: TBC
- 1997** 20 Year Reunion
Organisers: Kate (Williams) Sellors and Krista Shearer
Date: 21 October 2017
Venue: Meet at Tivoli Drawing Room at Kambala for a glass of champagne and a tour of the School followed by drinks and canapés at Regatta Restaurant, Rose Bay.
Time: 5.30pm
- 1992** 25 Year Reunion
Organiser: Melissa (Matiske) Bowman
Date: 26 August 2017
Venue: The Oak, Double Bay
Time: 5.00pm
- 1987** 30 Year Reunion
Organiser: Tina Clark
Date: 12 August 2017
Venue: The Centennial Hotel, Woollahra
Time: 6.30pm
- 1982** 35 Year Reunion
Organiser: Belinda Cassidy (belgaicas@icloud.com)
Date: TBC. Belinda Cassidy has offered to gauge interest in a reunion towards the end of 2017 and will be contacting 1982 leavers in due course. If you are interested in a reunion or would like to help Belinda organise the reunion please contact her on the above email.
- 1977** 40 Year Reunion
Organisers: Tanya (MacBride) Barbour (rob@majorconstructions.com.au) and Natalie (Waters) Ofner (nofner@optusnet.com.au)
Date: 16 September 2017
Venue: Vaucluse House Tearooms for Buffet Lunch Grazing
Time: 12.30-3.00pm
Cost: \$65 per person excluding drinks.
- 1972** 45 Year Reunion
Organiser: TBC
Date: TBC
- 1967** 50 Year Reunion
Organisers: Sue (Vlaming) Smith and Kerry (Watson) Shearer
Date: 23 September 2017
Venue: Kambala
- 1962** 55 Year Reunion
Organiser: Carolyn (Coombes) Williams (plonkydonk@hotmail.com)
Date: Friday 13 October 2017
Venue: Vaucluse House Tearooms
Time: 10.00am
- 1957** 60 Year Reunion
Organiser: Gail (Waddy) Hewison
The Class of 1957 will be celebrating their 60 Year Reunion in 2018.

For any reunion enquiries please email kogu@kambala.nsw.edu.au



KOG pilot mentoring program set to launch

Melinda Hudson '80

This year, KOGU will officially launch a pilot mentoring program to draw upon the wealth of knowledge and experience among Kambala's Old Girl community.

The program, *Connecting Through Life Experiences*, will engage our community of Old Girls to offer a unique opportunity for younger Kambala graduates to be inspired by, and learn from, the life experience of Old Girls. It also provides a chance for our Old Girls to give back to the community and to contribute to the development of aspiring young women.

The pilot program will run from July 2017 to June 2018. Open to Kambala Old Girls aged over 21, the program has initially matched 12 mentors with younger graduates based on their career aspirations; needs in terms of 'soft skill' development; and the mentor's area of expertise.

It is expected that both mentors and mentees will acquire new insights beyond their own education and experience.

We have been delighted with offers of support from our community, and are hoping to expand the program beyond the successful completion of its pilot.

We look forward to providing an update in the next issue of *The Soubeiran*. In the meantime, if you wish to become involved please email mentoringKOGU@kambala.nsw.edu.au.



Save the date Vintage Lunch

for Kambala Old Girls from 1966 or prior
to be held on
Wednesday 25 October 2017
at Kambala

794 New South Head Road Rose Bay
11.00am to 3.00pm

Invitations will be distributed closer to date

For more information please
email kogu@kambala.nsw.edu.au
or phone +61 2 9388 6888

"The greatest good you can do for another is not just share your riches but to reveal to him his own."

Benjamin Disraeli

kogu meetings and events 2017

Term 3

Wednesday 26 July
Thursday 31 August

Monday 14 August

Wednesday 23 August

KOGU Committee Meeting - 6.30pm

KOG Generations Morning Tea - 10.00am

Archibald Prize 2017 Morning Tour - 9.00am, Art Gallery of NSW

Archibald Prize 2017 Evening Tour - 6.00pm, Art Gallery of NSW

Term 4

Wednesday 11 October

Wednesday 25 October

Wednesday 22 November

KOGU Committee Meeting - 6.30pm

KOGU Vintage Lunch - 11.00am

KOGU Committee Meeting - 6.30pm

my experience as a linden fellow

Annie Handmer '11

When Josephine (Brazil) Linden '69 spoke at Kambala's Speech Day at the Sydney Town Hall in 2015, she noted that the School song includes the line "our paths may scatter o'er the world's wide spaces."

In an impressive international career, Josephine has pushed geographical, intellectual and professional boundaries to rise through the ranks at Goldman Sachs, become a mother and grandmother, and establish her own wealth management firm.

Linden Global Strategies, located on 5th Avenue in New York City, manages portfolios and provides advisory services to an international clientele.

For the past 18 months Josephine has been offering Fellowships for Kambala Old Girls who are curious about the world of finance and the life of a New York professional.

I completed the Linden Fellowship in December last year. After earning a Bachelor of Arts (Hons) in Philosophy, I am now working in corporate finance at a global investment bank.

My experience at Linden Global Strategies led me on a corporate career pathway and inspired me to gain a deeper understanding of investing from a markets perspective. The Fellowship experience exceeded all expectations. Not only did I learn a vast amount about stocks, hedge funds, and the markets in general, I was also privileged to sit at the table alongside clients, fund managers, Josephine and her phenomenal team from day one.

One of the best things about the experience was how flexible it was. Josephine encouraged me to spend occasional afternoons in art galleries face-to-face with famous paintings (they are so much bigger in person than they looked in the Kambala art textbooks!), to walk through Central Park in 'fall', and to experience some of the very best of opera and musical theatre performed live. In the office, I had the time and the freedom to go deeper and understand financial concepts from multiple angles and on different levels. It was also an historically significant time to be in the United States.



Annie Handmer '11 and Josephine (Brazil) Linden '69.

In the latter months of 2016 the eyes of the world were on New York and Washington DC as the US election cycle reached a conclusion. I hadn't realised before I arrived, but Linden Global Strategies was actually located directly opposite Trump Tower. The meeting room looked out on the hotel where Hillary Clinton was staying. I will never forget sitting with Josephine and discussing the latest political events over a cup of tea and a packet of musk sticks. Nor will I forget the morning we watched the Clinton family walk to the motorcade and deliver Hillary Clinton's concession speech.

The school prayer includes the line, "teach us ... to give and not to count the cost." The spirit of generosity within our diverse community is one of the most wonderful benefits of being a Kambala graduate. Having seen how hard Josephine and her team work, I have been astounded by her willingness to devote so much of her time, energy, and attention to my professional development, and that of the previous and future recipients of the Fellowship.



fellowships the key to enhancing career prospects

In celebration of the Kambala community's efforts to support the professional development of Old Girls, a morning tea was held in March, with special guest Josephine (Brazil) Linden '69.

Ms Linden was visiting from New York City and took the opportunity to meet with fellow Old Girls to talk about the ongoing fellowship opportunity she offers to Kambala graduates at her firm, Linden Global Strategies.

Ms Linden believes the main barriers to female leadership in 2017 revolve around promoting women in the workforce. While the majority of men are confident to strive for CEO positions, some women do not have confidence in themselves, despite having the same skill sets. As a result, it's important for younger generations of women to have confidence in their ability to be leaders of the future.

Opportunities like the Linden Fellowship expose Kambala graduates to an increasingly complex and competitive global workforce. The whole girl is not just an academic, she is a person of good character with a passion for community, who can demonstrate leadership.

As a community, it's important that we help our graduates in building future networks. However, to stand out is more challenging than ever, so the support of Old Girls who offer their help and guidance is vital, whether with counselling, career advice or internships.

At the morning tea, Carolyn Harris '10 was announced as the next recipient of the Linden Fellowship and will commence at Linden Global Strategies in New York in Semester 2 later this year. Currently in her final year of a Bachelor of Laws at the University of Sydney, Carolyn will use the experience to support her interest in finance law. In 2015 she was awarded First Class Honours in Economics at the University of Sydney.

The inaugural recipient of the Linden Fellowship, Lucinda Bradshaw '07, described her three-month internship at Linden Global Strategies as having laid the best possible foundation for her career.



1. Carolyn Harris '10, past Linden Fellow Annie Handmer '11, Josephine Linden '69 and inaugural Linden Fellow Lucinda Bradshaw '07 at the Kambala Fellowships Morning Tea.

2. Old Girl and President of the Kambala Council Sally Herman '74, Lucinda Bradshaw '07 and Old Girl Jillian Segal AM '73 attended the morning tea.

A fellowship of this kind is just one example of the many ways our community can support graduates beyond their years at Kambala.

We welcome support from former Kambala students and the broader community to expand our fellowship program in 2017. If you are in a position to offer an internship or fellowship opportunity to a Kambala Old Girl, please contact kogu@kambala.nsw.edu.au.

why i wrote a book

Patricia (Dudley) Brown '61

I was well into my 60s when documenting my life experiences became a powerful reason to write a book. Never before had it been an ambition or a creative urge, but events and subsequent discoveries had presented a template that could be a helpful guide for others who experienced profound loss. With suicide so prevalent, I felt compelled to share what I had learned about grief.

The loss of my eldest child, Justin, to suicide at the age of 24 took me to unimaginable depths of suffering and despair. Even though the family had managed the challenge of our second child, Christina, being profoundly disabled, nothing prepared us for the devastation of Justin's death.

Twenty years ago there was little help available for the bereaved. My family just continued on as best we could, unaware that our world was eroding. There was a huge cost. With our grief suppressed and unresolved, the family was broken and finally shattered. Health problems began to emerge. Eight years after Justin died, I was still struggling to reconstruct myself. Everything I had taken for granted and relied upon was long gone, but I was determined somehow to fully engage with life again.

Grief is complicated, there is no particular way through it, and every person's experience is different. Solutions for me were not found in conventional thinking, cultural attitudes or society's expectations. The books I read provided heart-wrenching stories, they offered laments, words of prayer and hope. It was comforting to know I was not alone, but there was a gap. No specifics were offered, no actions, no tangible steps to move beyond.

I realised I had to find my own truth, and understanding myself was the first step. I studied philosophy, personal development, life coaching, and emotional therapies. In combination with my own experiences and research, I interviewed other bereaved parents. And so the book began to take shape. I documented my journey and the steps I took to renew myself and, in so doing, honoured Justin's life. The book is his legacy.



Patricia (Dudley) Brown '61

There were gifts along the way. I've learned how fragile life is, that there is no promise of tomorrow, no guarantees. I've learned not to take anything for granted. I've learned the importance of self-love, forgiveness and gratitude. And I've learned to accept what I cannot change. I now work with those bereaved, with the focus on resuming a loving and meaningful life.

Grief can be triggered in many ways, not only by the death of a loved one. From reader's feedback it seems the book has relevance for those who've suffered abuse, miscarriage, divorce, trauma, retrenchment and many other aspects of loss.

I came to respect Justin's journey, and my own, as part of the overall story. Indeed, with a deep sense of peace and purpose, I have come to know myself and accept myself, gifts without equal.

I wrote the book to explain grief, to raise awareness of the consequences of leaving it unattended, to debunk the myths that surround it and, primarily, to help others avoid needless suffering.

It is called RECOVERY: Learning to love and live after loss.

For more information on grief management visit www.recoveryfromloss.com. For crisis or suicide prevention support, please call Lifeline on 13 11 14 or visit www.lifeline.org.au/gethelp.



year 12 kogu morning tea

The annual Year 12 KOGU morning tea is a wonderful way to help cement the links between current students and Old Girls, establishing a continuity of connection to Kambala.

Guest speaker Angela Begg '15 returned to the School to offer her insights to the current Year 12 girls, providing them with some practical study tips and valuable advice.

Angela left Kambala in 2015 and is studying a dual degree in Photovoltaic and Solar Energy Engineering and Science at the University of New South Wales. Although she is only in her second year at university, Angela has already become very immersed in life at UNSW. In addition to being an active member of the Renewable Energy society, Angela has been selected by the university to participate in an engineering course with Arizona State University in the USA. She was also awarded a scholarship for the entrepreneurial program 'Innovation Dojo' where, competing against a mixture of graduate, post graduate and undergraduate students, Angela, along with another Kambala Old Girl on her team (Queenie Liu '13), placed second.



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1. KOGU Committee Member Tracy Yaffa '79 and Old Girl Angela Begg '15

2. Students at the Year 12 KOGU Morning Tea.

We thank Angela for the gift of her time and for sharing her story.

KOGU Committee Member and current Year 12 parent Tracy Yaffa also spoke to the Year 12 girls about the importance of staying connected with the KOG community beyond Year 12.

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births

Sophia (Cassimatis) Conomos '03 and her husband Peter welcomed their first child, James Peter, on 19 July 2016.

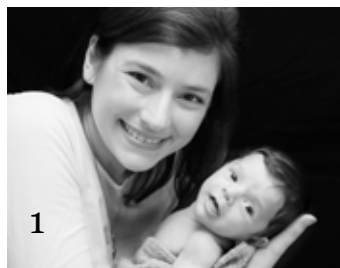
Emily (Dale) Agar '06 and her husband Christopher welcomed their first child into the world on 27 October 2016 - a son, Harry James.

Nadusa (Thongchua) Sinelnikov '00 and her husband Alex welcomed baby boy, Ben Alexander, on 22 November 2016 in Thailand.

Peita-Maree (Kazacos) Pyne '99 and her husband Clayton welcomed daughter, Ava May, to their family on 4 August 2016.

Emilie (Franklin) Wotton '07 and her husband Benjamin Wotton welcomed a healthy son, Arthur in March 2017.

1. Sophia (Cassimatis) Conomos '03 and baby James Peter
2. Nadusa (Thongchua) Sinelnikov '00, her husband Alex and baby Ben Alexander
3. Emily (Dale) Agar '06 and baby Harry James
4. Baby Ava May, daughter of Peita-Maree (Kazacos) Pyne '99
5. Emilie (Franklin) Wotton '07 and baby Arthur



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marriages

Georgie Sawyer '07 married Cameron Crawford on September 10 2016 at Vacluse House. Old Girl Louise (Bunninghausen) Redmond '07 served as one of her bridesmaids.

Dr Melissa Sharpe '03 married Chris Izod in a ceremony at Whale Beach in NSW on 30 September 2016. Melissa is the daughter of Prof Louise Sharpe, and the eldest granddaughter of Dr Michael Sharpe AO and Old Girl Mrs Patricia (Harding) Sharpe '60. Melissa is working at Princeton Neuroscience Institute in the USA and in 2016 was awarded the CJ Martin Overseas Biomedical Fellowship from the Australian National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) which will continue to fund her research at Princeton University until she returns to Sydney in 2019.



1. Georgie Sawyer '07 and Cameron Crawford on their wedding day.

2. Melissa Sharpe '03 and Chris Izod were married at Whale Beach in September last year.

deaths

Fleur Stranner '64 sadly passed away on 19 June 2016. We remember Fleur for her good company, ready humour and laughter and for her kindness and generosity. She was always someone who acted mindfully and was accepting of others. Fleur was always elegant of speech, dress and manner. She was a loyal friend and is greatly missed by her friends **Sue Leabeater '64, Christine (Trollope) Bambach '64 and Penny (Burnham) Roddom '64.**

Joyce (Higginbottom) Best '47 passed away in August last year. She was a loving mother to Sarah and Peter. Despite moving back to England in the 1950s she remained in close contact with many Kambala classmates, including **Charlotte (Engel) Shelton '47, Helen (Harrison) Brennan '47, Judith (Armstrong) Lane (dec) and Head Prefect, Merrilee (Addison) Boydell '47.**

Joan (Galbraith) McCallum '46 of Lake Munmorah in NSW sadly passed away on 29 September 2016. She was a loving mother of John, Andrew and Elizabeth McCallum and sister to Old Girl **Dawn (Galbraith) Boxsell '48.**

Rhona (Bates) Walker '45 passed away peacefully on 30 October 2016. She was a beloved wife of William Bruce Walker (dec); dearly loved mother of Melinda and Annabelle; cherished grandmother of Josephine, Rosemary, David, Georgina and Amy; and, loving great grandmother to Madeleine, Billy and Clara.

Jennifer Louise (Stewart) Ball-Ham '61 passed away on 10 November 2016 after many years of ill health, bravely endured. She was the sister of Old Girls **Pam Stewart '59 and Nicola (Stewart) Wyllie '64.** Jenny was the loyal wife of Michael Ball (dec'd '92) and David Ham, proud mother of Alexandra, Chloe, Nicholas and Timothy and grandmother to Zara and Byron. She is greatly missed by family and many school friends with whom she was constantly in touch.

Margaret (Stewart) Peters '56 passed away on 17 November 2016. Margaret was a boarder from Bodalla on the south coast and first cousin of **Pam Stewart '59, Jennifer (Stewart) Ball-Ham '61 (dec) and Nicola (Stewart) Wyllie '64** together with Penny and Jill Stewart. Soon after leaving school she travelled around Europe in a Kombi van with other adventurous Old Girls including **Rewa (Barrett) Gemmell '56.** Her married life with Ken and children Stewart and Melissa was

spent in Sydney. She recently retired to Port Macquarie where she was enthusiastically involved with her family and the community.

Betty (Ledgerwood) Braithwaite '46 passed away on 25 January 2017 at the age of 88. She will be remembered as wife to Ken Braithwaite; loved mother and mother-in-law of Paul and Jane, Jane and Peter McGrath and Keith and Heather; loving mama of Penny, Dylan, Keira and Nathan; cherished great grandmother to Hugo and Angus.

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