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50TH REUNION OF THE GRADUATES OF 1965

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Special thanks to: Peter Forrestal and Alex Martin for their contribution to our entertainment and to John Beaton for the music.

We would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the following whose generosity and support has so greatly contributed to this celebration of your graduation 50 years ago.

- Peter and Lee Fogarty of Deep Woods
- Travers O’Rafferty of Mandoon
- Bill and Sandra Pannell of Picardy
- Ken Allan of Rosily
- Grant Brinklow of Sandalford’s Winery
- Peter and Jane Thompson of Thompson Estate Winery
- Paul and Zara Holmes à Court of Vasse Felix

FOREWORD
This booklet includes a précis of the information submitted by the 1965 graduates who responded to our request for biographical information. May we apologise in advance for any errors or omissions.
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APOLOGIES

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Roland J Bishop
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Jim N E Connor
Brian J Cosgrove
Keith P Croker
Neil R Crosby
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Keith H Dawson
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Peter J Filmer

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Kevin E Forward
Ian E Fraser
Graeme D Gargett
Charles C Gobolos
Peter G Goss
Michael T Graham
Martin J Greay
David L Greenhill
May Hayes-Thompson
Kenneth W Hedley
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Mary M Ingram
Carolyn E Ingvarson
Paul Johnson
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Peter Kelly
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Charles J Kuiper
Bernie H Laurence
George A Lefroy
Anthony P Marrion
Gordon F Marshall
Edward F Medina
Elizabeth A Meylan

Frances L Muller
Neil K Patterson
James Quinn
Donald R Retallack
Bill H A Rigg
Jim E Ryan
Lawrence J Sainsbury
Eleanor A Sanders
Colin C Sanders
Jennifer Searcy
Helen M Sewell
Brian W Shepherd
Jerry Skivinis
Ric C Smith
Bill L Streat
Douglas G Tait
Jan Thompson
Terry N Tresidder
Bevan L Uren
Alan Vidler
Brian S Walsh
Wendy D Watts
Paddy K Walsh
Elizabeth E White
Graham H Whitehead
Helen Wildy, Dean,
Faculty of Education
Margaret Williams
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DECEASED

May Anderson
Allan F Bagley
Charles L Banath (Bangs)
John R Bassett
Brian G Beresford
John A Biggins
Edith G Biggs
Margaret I Bilsby
(L Johnson)
Laura A W Bisset
Cameron H Blakemore
Colleen R Blanchflower
(Gomm)
Brian J P Boland
Jack Booker
Ronald A Bowman
Derek C Briggs
Jonathan R Britten
Maxwell W Brown
Trevor J Broxton
Peter H J Bubb
Winsome M J Byrne
Dick A Cairnes
Lucy M Callaly
Peter J R Chivers
Kerry B Clarke
Jacqueline P Clift (Barr)
Andrew L Clifton
Peter M Colombera
Barbara O C Connor
Nora P Cook
Keith R Cook
Deirdre A Coops
Trish M Crawford
Desmond R Crowe
Ken F Cumming
Peter R Dalton
Neil J B Daly
Peter F B Dignam
Ronald J Downie
Thomas D Draber
Denis F Drake
Norman F Dufty
Robin A Edgar
Graham B J Edmondson
Harold J Edwards
John R Ellis
Ian W Fawcett
Clive M Francis
Frank J Franklin
Roy P Gardner
Bryan E Gell
Terrance F Gent
Lawrence D Gild
Peter N Gorton
Alan W Gray
Malcolm D Green
Charles D Hamilton
Ian A Hansen
Darryl K Hollingworth
Diane M Honton Barbara
M Humber Phillip J
Ibbotson
Alton A Jackson
Ian B Jenkins
Robert J Kagi Raymond
W Kershaw Margaret J
King (Payton) Peter C
Klemm
Charles Kowala
Juri S Kuuse
Waverley H Ladyman
(Shields)
Keith H Lissiman
Mark Liveris
Sydney A B Mazzucchelli
Robert E Mazzucchelli
Letitia M McCormack
Robert McCredin
Terence J McDonnell
James R McIlwraith John
J McLaughlin John R
Mercer
Richard R Merritt Darrel
D Middleton Anthony W
Minchin Vincent Mitchell
Asta Molyneux
Michael J Murphy
Francis Murphy
Ian R Nankivell
Kelvin J Novell
William W O'Grady
Michael J Ottaway John
W Padley
Eric R Palmer
Jack W Paterson
John H Phillips
George W Pickering
Harry W C Pickett Kevin
A Pownall
John R Prestage
Bruce Proud
Eric Ramshaw
Russell P Raynor
Edward J Reeve
Judith G Richardson
Bill H Robertson
Kenneth N Robinson
Colin E Rogers
Henry J Rossell
Peter T Russell
Peter J Ryan
Ralph C R Sadleir
Gordon A Sarfaty
Matthew F Scouler
Peg-Foo Siew
David C Sinclair
Gordon A Smith
Raymond J Smith
Leon W Smith
Ailsa M Smith
(Brockman)
Jan L Sobkowiak
Carmelo L Spiccia
Helen M Stafford
John A Stewart
John T Sullivan
Edward Summerville
Johannes A Swarts
Eng Tan
Frances J Taplin
(Berrigan)
James Tate
Frederick E Thornett
Lois J Tilbrook (Sim)
John R Tonkinson
Peter J Topham
Frank J Usher
Peter G Van Der Kuil
John Videnieks
Tihamer Wachtel
Arthur M Wainwright
Robert L Weiland
Ian M Wells
Geoffrey M Wild
Brian R Williams
Colin T Williams
William J Williamson
Ian J Witham
Sei Wong
Michael G Wood
Mervyn C Woods
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**LOST – GRADUATES OF 1966**
We have lost contact with a few graduates listed below. If you have any idea of their whereabouts please contact the Convocation Office on +61 8 6488 3006 or convocation@uwa.edu.au.

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Graduating from Claremont Teachers' College in 1965, I became a teacher and teacher-librarian at several secondary schools, including one term at Gnowangerup District Junior High, where I met the man who was later to become my husband and father to our two sons. We married and settled in Maida Vale, where I still live. In 1974, I returned from a year’s postgraduate study in Besançon, the recipient of a scholarship awarded by the French Government. I graduated with a Licence (Licentiate) de Français Appliqué.

I was appointed a lecturer and later, senior lecturer in TAFE, where I lectured in TEE English and Business English courses. My position was made redundant, and I retired in 1998.


In the real world, during the mid-90s, I was Vice-President of the Gifted and Talented Children’s Association for two years, and Group Leader of the First Maida Vale Scouts, also for two years. More recently I joined the CWA in Kalamunda, and for three years I have been International Studies Co-ordinator for the Branch; currently, I am the Secretary.

At home, I enjoy working in my yard, and the garden is doing reasonably well.

After completing my Masters at UWA, I joined the Physics department at UNSW in 1964 before taking up a lecturing position at the NSW Institute of Technology (now UTS). In 1982, I was invited to assist Nepean CAE to establish a School of Science and Technology and, when that was up and running, to found the School of Engineering at the University of Western Sydney. This was an exciting period of rapid growth involving entrepreneurial activities, with schools, students, teachers and the wider community, to showcase the educational opportunities at the new university, to a population traditionally poorly represented at tertiary level.

In parallel with this I helped develop a small company ’Science on Show’, that travelled around NSW providing in servicing to teachers and exciting interactive programs to primary school students. In 1993/94, I spent six months in Pakistan working with the MOE to introduce a new science program for years 9 and 10 students emphasising the use of demonstrations and experimental activities particularly in Physics. Retiring from UWS in 1996 I pursued my interest in primary school education as Science & Computing Coordinator at the Kings School Prep School.

Although now formally retired, I am still involved in running courses for Gifted and Talented students and have a continuing involvement with the NSW Central Coast branch of U3A both as a student and as a presenter. Married in 1965 to Carol Mathieson (BA Hons, UWA), 3 children and 2 grandchildren. David is unfortunately unable to attend the 50th reunion.
Erica BAKER  
BSc (Hons) 1965, PhD 1970

1970- Postdoctoral Fellowship, (MRC, Wellcome Trust, at Biophysics Department, King's College London, University College Medical School London, Clinical Research Centre Harrow.
1978- ARC Research Fellow at UWA to 1981.
1982- NHMRC Research Fellow. Supported continuously for 25 years. Also received grants from Telethon and Prince of Wales Children's Hospital. During that time more than 100 research papers were published in international journals or presented at international meetings. Contributed to various book chapters. Also reviewed numerous papers for journals and grant applications for the NHMRC and other funding bodies. Invited speaker to many national and international universities.

Research interests included a study of the regulation of high and low potassium levels in the red blood cells of West Australian possums.

Principal research interests were concerned with transferrin and iron metabolism in health and disease of iron overload including (haemochromatosis, thalassemia) and cancer including hepatoma and melanoma. The effects of iron chelators on these processes were characterised with the aim of reducing iron toxicity and cancer cell proliferation.

Later studies involved an assessment of anti-cancer potential of plants reported by indigenous people to have medicinal effects.

Member of the Thai-Australia Committee for the development of oral chelators for the treatment of Thalassemia. State representative of the National Association of Research Fellows funded by ARC, NHMRC and other granting bodies.

UWA Radiation Safety Committee member, Senate representative on Kingswood College Council, academic staff committees, MBBS Selection Committee. Foundation Committee of Scientists Against Nuclear Arms.

Undergraduate teaching for more than 30 years, and supervised eleven doctoral candidates including implementing and organising a program for training graduates intending to take higher research degrees. Organised weekly research seminars.

I am married with three children, and our interests ranged from terrible tennis, water-skiing in winter-long ago-, pick-nicking on the water, fishing and crabbing, camping in the outback, and bush walking. We relax with books, movies and music.

Eleanor BENNETT (née SCRYMGEOUR)  
BSc (Hons), MSc, PhD, DipEd 1965

On completing my teacher qualification in 1964 I was appointed as a science teacher at Northam Senior High School where I taught for 3 months before being appointed as a botanist at the Western Australian Herbarium. I worked there for 5 years.

When my children were young I worked 1 or 2 days a week assisting Emeritus Prof Grieve with ‘How to Know Western Australian Wildflowers’ and lecturing to Horticulture students at Bentley Technical College. When my husband was appointed the Principal of Ravensthorpe District High School I undertook the research for my PhD.

On returning to the city I was appointed on a part-time basis to assist with the writing of the ‘Perth Flora’. In 1985 I commenced as a botanist at Kings Park and Botanic Gardens, a position I held until 1995 when I joined Mattiske Consulting. In 2000 I set up my botanical Consulting company. I still enjoy this work and continue to undertake botanical assessments. My husband (who is also a graduate from UWA) retired in 2000 and has been my botanical assistant since then.
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We have 2 children both of whom have degrees from The University of Western Australia. We have done quite a bit of travelling both within Australia and overseas particularly to our son and his family in the USA.

Rowena BIRRELL
BA 1965

Along with so many of my graduate friends, I set off for another continent after I finished studying. Pietermaritzburg, South Africa was where I had grown up so I returned to see old friends and find a job. I joined the Education Department and a year later was transferred to Durban. In 1968, I married Bruce Birrell and we went to Canada as that was to be the stepping stone for USA and a marketing career. However, after 18 months I wanted to get back to South Africa. Bruce went into business, first disastrously then starting again in a small way and growing it, till the origination work for printing was well established. We sold that and tried lots of different things till I got fed up and we parted company. We have two lovely daughters.

I had looked after the girls, helped with Bruce’s ventures, now on my own and in Johannesburg, I went to work in admin at the University of the Witwatersrand in the Science Faculty Office, the Zoology Department and finally the Chemistry Dept. I enjoyed the last position the most, overseeing the staff in administration, accounting and laboratory work and assisting the academic staff with admin matters. I was in that position for eight years. My girls left home and South Africa and my family became more and more concerned about the situation in South Africa so I left in 1998 for UK.

I worked happily in aged care till I discovered I could migrate to Perth and care for my own aged! My parents were 82 in 2000; Dad lived to 95 and Mum is now 99 and a half! I was not allowed to be gainfully employed when I returned to Perth so I became involved in the Save the Children book sorting for the annual sale which still operates from Winthrop Hall undercroft. I also volunteered for the Red Cross, became treasurer of a garden club and discovered ballroom dancing – it’s great exercise, I enjoy the music and it’s social.

Nicholas BLAIN
B.Econ 1965, M.Econ 1967, PhD (LSE)

Business and Private Sector experience
  o Workplace Relations Strategist, providing strategic advice to Australian employers, employees and unions (7 years).
  o Wide ranging senior management experience in large private sector organisations in Australia (5 years).

Judicial experience
  o Deputy President of the Australian Industrial Relations Commission (7 years).
  o Conciliation and Arbitration of some 1,700 cases.

Government experience
  o Chief Ministerial Adviser to the Minister for Labour Relations (and 10 other portfolios) in Western Australia (8 years).
  o Member, Cabinet Subcommittee on Labour Relations.

Academic experience
  o Senior Lecturer in Industrial Relations
  o Head of Department of Industrial Relations, Master of Industrial Relations Course Controller, Chairman Community Committee in Industrial Relations (16 years)
  o Ph.D. and Master’s Degree supervision
  o Senate Member (Ex Officio), University of Western Australia.
  o President and Committee Member, Academic Staff Association, UWA (10 years).
Bill Bowden graduated in Agricultural Science in 1964 with an initial posting as a research officer with the Plant Research Division, Perth, working on soil testing for phosphorus. He did a PhD in soil Chemistry at UWA (1975), had a Reserve Bank Fellowship to UNE (1980), winning the Donald Medal from the Australian Society of Agronomy (2006) and the GRDC Seed of Light Award (2009). Bill retired in 2010 and now does part time work with the West Midlands Group.

Major contributions involved putting the D into the RD&E of fertiliser recommendation systems for broad scale agriculture in WA. The response curve prediction method he developed is used in different forms by the two major fertiliser distributors in WA. In recognising the multitude of factors which govern a farmer’s fertiliser decisions, Bill assured that growers could have better information in the form of sensitivity analyses which provided answers to the questions “what happens to yield, quality and dollar returns IF I spend more/less on fertiliser and experience a good/bad season”. Growers were given the tools to make choices because “one size does NOT fit all!” Different runs of seasons, cash flow, stages of life and personalities dictate different choices in identical biological circumstances and our recommendation systems now can reflect that fact. The yield potential (demand) also is now an integral part of our recommendation systems.

Besides his work on plant nutrition Bill has had major roles in projects such as sub-soil constraints, soil acidity, non-wetting soils, crop rotations, the nitrogen cycle and grazing management. He has promoted a quantitative approach to agricultural science and was involved in the development of simple decision support systems as well more complicated, daily time step simulation models.

Overseas work trips:
- 1975 Argentina FAO visitor (fertiliser recommendation systems)
- 1977 USSR scientific exchange (fertiliser recommendation systems)
- 1984 China scientific exchange (soil science)

Bill is sometimes seen as being very negative (eg “bring back the match and the mouldboard” at WANTFA meetings) but claims that it is just that he likes to see both sides of any argument presented. He usually has to argue against the proponents of “new” ideas and so has to show the downsides because they usually only promote the upsides.
“Iconoclastic” was the word used in describing him in the Seed of Light publicity = yes, he had to look it up as well!

Professional leadership
- President, Industrial Relations Society of Western Australia.
- Fellow, Australian Human Resources Institute.
- Counsellor, Committee of Economic Development of Australia.

Brenda BUCHANAN

I began my B.A. studies as a part time student while working in commercial offices then continued while a student of Claremont Teacher's College, also when teaching in the High Schools of the State Education Department. After completion of the B.A. I was appointed to the Guidance Branch of the Education Department and continued within the high schools until I was appointed, in 1972, to lecture in Education and Psychology at Mt. Lawley Teacher's College.

I remained within that Institution through its various name changes. During those years I continued studies for a Diploma of Education, a B.Ed. and further studies in Psychology to become a Registered Psychologist. In 1983 I was appointed as a Student Counsellor and worked in that field until retirement at the end of 1991. After retirement I engaged in voluntary activities within migrant groups and other areas within society. I remain interested in interfaith activities, the Arts and Politics.

Robert BURTON (aka Beefy)
LLB 1965

A boy from the bush; born in Morawa Western Australia 19.9.1940. A Pommy farmer father who later also became a butcher and a ‘gun’ infants teacher mother. I was sent away to boarding school at Hale for better maths to do physics. Had none! Snuck into St. George’s College and a year in Arts then swapped to law. I was so good they asked me to do several subjects twice.

Graduated and completed articles at Parker and Parker, a short period with R.J. Stoddart then a couple of years with the State Crown. Later I was asked if I would like to be the Magistrate at Narrogin. I said yes (2 years). Back to Perth Petty Sessions then 17 years in the Small Claims Tribunal until it was absorbed into the Local Court. Most famous moments: Caused a Royal Commission into the charging of Narrogin aboriginal with drunkenness when he wasn’t drunk. Caused a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly into the operations of the Small Claims Tribunal where I got rid of an unfit committee member who had defamed me and was allowed to refuse to answer questions about my previous decisions.

My decision in Bunning v Cross relating to the admission of illegally obtained evidence in a drink driving charge finished up in the High Court of Australia where I was rolled and only got Murphy’s vote. The case still causes anguish to prosecutors and defence counsel. Does a court admit the evidence or reject it? One of the claims I decided went to the Full Court of Western Australia because of a cent. The originating claim sought $2000, not up to $2,000. I made an order for $1,000. It was quashed and then relisted by me and the claim was amended and the same order made. At the time of my retirement I was the second longest serving judicial officer in Australia (33 years 6 months) beaten only by Kirby J. in the High Court whose statutory senility was 75. Mine was 65. C.J. Dennis was a favourite of mine. Being a lawyer I did a little plagiarism.

THE LAWYER ‘R.H.Bee’ It was published in ‘Brief’

"I’d like to be a lawyer, the sort who works in court
Taking every tricky point, never giving justice thought.
I’d take all sorts of briefs, but I’d specialise in one sort,
The getting off of thieves after they get caught.
But I wouldn’t be a lawyer
If I wasn’t paid to enjoy the sport,
Would You?"
Florence CAWLEY (née Bebich)
BA 1965, DipEd 1966

I thoroughly enjoyed my University experience that contrasted with my life as a daughter of Croatian migrants on a vineyard in the Swan Valley.

I started teaching in Albany on the day decimal currency was introduced in Australia on 14 February 1966. I went on to teach in a variety of country and city schools until my semi-retirement in 2003. I embraced the ‘Student Centred Learning’ approach of the late 1980’s and 90’s and found it a very rewarding way to engage students.

I also enjoyed mentoring young teachers. I married another teacher, Tony Cawley and had 3 children and now have 9 grandchildren. In my later years I became a Carer for my husband and involved in volunteer organisations such as Alzheimer’s Australia, WA and the Red Cross. I appreciated all that UWA had to offer and the way it enabled me to contribute to educating young people. Former classmates can contact me at: florence.cawley@yahoo.com

Keith CROKER
BSc (Agric) 1965, MSc 1972, PhD (Sydney), FAIA

After I finished my degree in 1964 I was appointed to the Sheep and Wool Branch of the State Department of Agriculture based at the Head Office in South Perth. Apart from a four year period from mid-1969 to mid-1973, during which I undertook post-graduate studies at the University of Sydney. All of my career in the Department was in the Sheep and Wool Branch.

While in the Department I undertook a range of research activities throughout the Agricultural Area aimed at improving the sheep industry in Western Australia. Most of the research I did was aimed at increasing the reproductive performances of sheep flocks. This involved investigating a number of factors that affected the performances of ewes and those that affected the efficiency of rams. In addition, I was involved in research to improve the nutrition of sheep with more efficient use of pastures and stubbles from cereal and sweet narrow-leaved lupin crops and stands of WA Blue lupins. I was a Senior Research Officer when I retired from the Department in early 2009.

While at the Department of Agriculture I was member of the Australian Institute of Agriculture and the Australian Society of Animal Production. I was closely involved with these organisations and held a range of positions on the State committees including that of President. I was also on the Council of Convocation for about six years in the early 2000s. During this time I helped initiate the lifetime email addresses provided by Convocation.

Since retiring from the Department of Agriculture I have undertaken voluntary work with the Friends of Kings Park Bushland Carers and the Cambridge Coastcare group. I also am a member of the Royal Agricultural Society Agricultural Hall of Fame Committee.

Travelling overseas and spending time with my four grandchildren are also important activities for me.

Alison DOLEY (née Ruddock)
BEc 1965

Completed BEc 1962-64 funded by a scholarship for £1,000 ($2,000) awarded by the P & O Orient Line. In early 1965 I married John Doley and we assumed management of “Koobabbie”, the farm selected by my grandparents in the Coorow district in 1906. Both my parents had died while I was at University.

Besides growing wheat, barley, oats and lupins we run sheep for wool and prime lambs and produce some beef. Of 7,173 ha 41.5% or 2,977 ha of salt lake country, timber belts and rocky rises are fenced from livestock, reflecting our keen interest in conservation and Landcare.
Two species of plants, *Eremophila Koobabbiensis* and a Samphira are found only on “Koobabbie”, and the endangered Carnaby’s Cockatoo breeds here.

Early in 2007 John died of cancer. With the assistance of good labour, I am continuing to farm “Koobabbie”. We did not have children.

**Wayne FAIRHEAD**  
BA 1965, DipEd 1966

Wayne remembers fondly his time at UWA, especially working at the Dolphin with many UDS productions. A highlight was playing the young soldier in Jeanna Bradley's wonderful version for the Festival of Perth. Ms. Bradley was a major influence in his life. He developed lifelong friends during this time with whom he still spends precious time.

Wayne lives and is in semi-retirement in the fabulous city of Toronto, Canada. He is the Executive Director of the Sears Canadian Drama Festivals which involves thousands of students and teachers from BC to Newfoundland and Labrador. This year the Festival in Ontario celebrates its 70th Anniversary.

He is an advocate for arts education for all students and has been actively involved during his teaching and administrative career. He has taught at OISE, University of Toronto and York University as well as stints for New York University in their Study Abroad Programs. The recipient of many awards in the field, Wayne has also sat on many boards for arts organizations and theatre companies. He has led many major arts in education organizations.

He was married to well-known Canadian Arts and Travel Journalist the late Mira Friedlander with whom he developed a love of travel and a deeper understanding of the power of theatre. Most of his immediate family live in the Perth area to which he is a frequent visitor. He still calls the area "home".

**Peter FARR**  
BE (Hons), BEc, MASc, C.Eng, FAIM, FAICD

At UWA from 1959 to '63, I got involved in student life and served on Guild Council in 1963. Later I did an Economics degree and most of the units towards a Psychology degree. Having won a scholarship to study for a Masters degree at the University of British Columbia, I headed off by ship in 1964 to Vancouver, Canada. There I met my future wife Karen who was an Arts student - so going to Canada was life changing! After graduation I was hired as an engineer by the British Columbia Telephone Company.

Karen, our baby daughter Lisa and I travelled back to Australia and the first port of call was San Francisco - that was 1966 - the flower-power era! From then till 1984 I worked as an engineer and senior manager for Telecom Australia (now Telstra) in Perth. I then became a management consultant with PWC, and in 1990 I started a consulting practice specialising in the growing field of telecommunications and IT. I’ve also worked as a strategic planner on many interesting projects. I’ve enjoyed being an engineer/consultant and have had plenty of job satisfaction. In the past few years I have taken on company directorships, as well as running a SMSF, and being Treasurer of a scholarship foundation. I've sailed at Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club as well as being on the Club's Offshore Committee.

On the home front, we built in Wembley Downs in 1967 and we have lived there ever since. Our three children all got their degrees from UWA. Two of them have given us five grandchildren and as they live very near, we have a lot to do with them. My wife, who was a primary school teacher, and I are fortunate to have travelled quite frequently overseas.

Happily, I’ve had continuing associations with UWA, having served on Convocation for several years, with St George’s College through the Georgians, with St Catherine’s College (on the Council and Treasurer), the University Club, and as a mentor to several students as part of the Uni's Career Mentor Link programme. Last year I helped organise the 50th reunion of the 1962 and 1963
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Engineering classes, which went off really well. Looking back, we were very privileged to attend UWA as carefree young people. It's most unfortunate timing that I'll be in Europe at the time of the Convocation 50th Anniversary Reunion as I would greatly have liked to catch up with friends.

Peter FORRESTAL
BA 1965, DipEd 1966

Peter Forrestal regards those formative years on campus as the halcyon days and remembers the times, and the friends he made, with great affection. While at Uni, he was a key player in the re-formation of the Uni Soccer Club, which flourishes 50 years on.

Peter had a 20 year career in education including 15 years as an English teacher and head of department and then as a consultant in English, literacy and collaborative learning. Peter is the author or co-author of 17 educational books, which have been published in Australia and overseas. His reference book, Look it Up! is still in print, 28 years after publication. The Whitlam years were a wonderful time to be in education. Peter was given an Innovations Grant to run an influential regional project which investigated the role of talk in learning; and was foundation chairman of the Geraldton Community Education Centre, still a vital force in the region's education scene 40 years on.

A successful spell as a writer of English text books lured him into the impoverished life of a wine writer where he languishes to this day. Some say that the high life of a Platinum frequent flyer, with lengthy bacchanalian dinners and exhaustive tastings of the iconic wines of the world beats marking essays and yard duty. Peter is more circumspect as he ponders the next tasting of 90 pinot grigios (before lunch) and yet another impossible deadline.

He has worked from home since 1987 as a freelance wine writer for local, national and international publications. He was founding editor of Gourmet Traveller Wine magazine and author, co-author or editor of 16 books on wine. He has been chairman of judges for GT Wine's Winemaker of the Year Awards (since 1998), Australia's Wine List of the Year (since 2008) and China's Wine List of the Year since its inception in 2012. In 2009, he was WCA's Wine Communicator of the Year. Recently he has pulled back from much of the hurly-burly to work on a history of the early days of Margaret River's wine industry and investigate his family's history.

He has been married for 34 years to children's author Elaine Forrestal and they have travelled extensively, developing particular affection for Northern Ireland and France.

Marina FOSTER (née Oreb-Kare)
BA 1964, DipEd 1972

Looking back at my time at UWA, misspent as they were, they were never dull and always eventful. Days were spent in the coffee shop with my best friends, Ken Thomson and Rodney Prider, and a small coterie of like-minded artistic types, trying to find clever quotes from Thurber to suit any occasion. We were particularly fond of a caption from one of his cartoons: ‘I said the hounds of spring are on winter's traces… but let it pass, let it pass.’ Hilarious to us but totally impenetrable to others.

Nights were spent in the louche environments of the Coffee Pot in Wellington St, CJ’s night club upstairs in Barrack St, the Daffodil Club in Hay St, Subiaco and an assortment of random flats in East Perth occupied by art students from the tech.

In the early evening, a favourite place to sit was at the western end of the Reflection Pond, and I remember the sky as being a smoky purple, something I never see these days. Maybe it wasn’t ever purple at all, but that’s how I like to remember it. The best years of our lives!
Robert FRY  
BSc (Agric) 1965

After finishing his degree Robert did not join his family agricultural produce company. Instead he decided to go farming. He moved to Needilup in 1965 where he developed a new light-land wheat and sheep farm over a number of years. In 1975 Robert then sold this farm and bought another farm at Miling (Lehlands) on which he grew crops and ran sheep for close to 21 years. Unfortunately he had a problem with his back which affected his ability to conduct physical activities and as a result he sold the farm in 1996.

While Robert farmed at Miling he was very active in a number of organisations. Positions he occupied during this period included that of Secretary of the Miling P & C, being a Committee Member of the Ryder-Cheshire Foundation and in the Pastoralist and Graziers Association (PGA) where he was a member of the Executive and a range of their committees. While a member of the PGA Robert was a strong advocate of private enterprise and the reduction of Government interference in agriculture.

For a period after moving off the farm at Miling Robert owned an IGA supermarket at Morley. However, this obviously wasn’t what he was happy doing and so he then bought another farm near to Kojonup in 2000 and named it Lana Serica. It was here that he decided to pursue his passion and he started a breeding program to develop Merino sheep that produced ultra-fine wool that would minimise the discomfort of apparel items made from the wool that were to be worn close to skin. Although Robert did produce a flock of ultra-fine wool sheep, the economics of the wool industry in the late 2000s made it difficult to sustain farms where wool was the main source of income. So, the farm was sold to his neighbour in 2009.

Sadly, Robert has since developed Alzheimer's Disease rapidly and now is not involved in his lifetime interest of farming. This biography was prepared by a fellow agric graduate, Keith Croker.

Robert Charles GINBEY  

I commenced my teaching career at Bunbury Senior High School in 1965. Over the next 15 years I taught at schools in WA (Gnowangerup District High, Wesley College and Maddington High) with five years in Papua New Guinea. Between 1969 and 1974 I taught at Port Moresby High and was appointed as the inaugural Principal of the Gordon High School (dual curriculum and multi-cultural) in Port Moresby. I was also elected as the first President of the PNG Teachers’ Association.

My first public sector position was with the Commonwealth Schools Commission in Perth and Sydney between 1977 and 1982. Then for over a decade I worked within the WA public sector with positions with the Premier's Department, Principal Private Secretary to Hon Ian Taylor MLA, Office of Industrial Relations, and the Department for Community Development.

From 1995 until my retirement in 2009 I was the Head of Administration and Corporate Services at the Telethon Institute for Child Health Research in Subiaco with Professor Fiona Stanley AC as the Director. Member of the Australian College of Educators (since 1978).

Former teacher Marie Gardiner and I married in 1970, and our first 4 years of marriage were in PNG. We have three children, Andrew, Peter and Emily, and nine grandchildren. We now live in Dunsborough WA.
Helen GREEN (née Novakov)
BA (UWA), DipLib (UNSW)

In 1950 I arrived in Perth as a migrant. I attended 3 primary and 1 secondary school in various suburbs in the metropolitan area. This was followed by a BA from UWA and a post-graduate diploma in Librarianship from UNSW.

While in Sydney, I met and married my husband (Dr Barry Green, PhD in Physics, University of Sydney).

After graduation in Sydney, I worked in the Public Library of New South Wales (cataloguing and reference) before being appointed Reference Librarian at the Teachers' College Library at Sydney University. In July 1967 I resigned to accompany my husband overseas where he continued his research. We lived in Princeton (USA) 1967-8, Garching (near Munich, Germany) 1968-73, Abingdon and Oxford (UK) 1973-93, Tokyo and Mito (Ibaraki-ken, Japan) 1993-2003 and Brussels (Belgium) 2003-6. We retired to Perth in 2007.

We have 2 sons (who live in the USA and the UK) and a daughter (who lives in Sydney), and 5 grandchildren (who all live overseas).

While in the UK I was heavily involved with the children's schools (serving as Chairman of the Parents Association and as Governor on the board of my daughter's primary school). I also served as a magistrate in the Oxford Magistrates Court sitting in the General Court, the Fines Court and the Children's Court until we left for Japan in 1993.

Interests include languages, music, literature, travel, swimming and bridge.

Marshall HALL
BSc (Hons) 1965, DipEd 1966, PhD (UNSW) 1974

CAREER
1. 1966, high school maths teacher, Armadale WA
2. 1967-2006, research scientist in underwater acoustics, DSTO Sydney
3. 2007-2008, oceanography analyst, Navy directorate of oceanography and meteorology
4. 2009-2011, part-time sessional maths tutor, UTS
5. 2010-13, free-lance consultant in underwater environmental and structural acoustics
6. 2014-15, voluntary research in underwater structural acoustics

FAMILY
First marriage, two children: Wendy b. 1968 (has two sons) and Stephen b. 1973 (has a daughter)
Second marriage: wife Jennifer, one child: Edward b. 1982

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS
Presenting talks at both Australian and American Acoustical Society meetings (one each per year)
Tennis (weekly)
Bushwalking (occasional)
Touring and relaxation holidays in Australia and abroad (usually during winter).
Felicity HAYNES (née Freeth)

Born in Katanning in 1943, one of twins, to Gordon Freeth, who became a Federal member for Forrest for twenty years under the Menzies government and was knighted for his service to Foreign Affairs.

Educated at Perth College, studied Honours in English and French at UWA, she completed a Master of Arts on Creativity, Insanity and Mysticism, and then went on to complete a BEd with Honours, having been refused teaching qualifications by Claremont Teachers’ College because of her marriage to Bruce Thomas Haynes in 1965.

Her first employment was lecturer in English at Meerilinga Teachers’ College in West Perth. After the birth of her three children, she went with her husband to study for her PhD at The University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, returning to teach in the Department of Education at UWA in 1978. Her interests are in the relation of words to the world, particularly in the form of metaphor and symbol, so she has published widely in the arts, epistemology, ethics, philosophy for children, even on the enmeshment of the gender binary in our language.

She served as Dean of Education the first female Dean at UWA, and for a time was the Chairman of the then Committee of Deans. She also served on Senate, Academic Board and Academic Council and many University committees. She became Administrative Dean of Education in the new Education Building, teaching Philosophy of Education which has since been discontinued. She has been active in the Philosophy of Education Society of Australia for many years, receiving awards of teaching and having an international lecture in her honour.

Following her retirement, she has established a large farm in Margaret River with a meetinghouse which offers luxury accommodation, spiritual retreats, and monthly thinkfests. She is currently a councillor on the Augusta-Margaret River Shire Council pursuing her dream of a sustainable democratic community both on her property and in the region. You may read more details on meetinghouse.tingrith.com.au

William Stanley HEARN
BSc (Hons) 1965

1965 to 1969 worked part-time as a tutor in the Department of Mathematics, UWA, while undertaking post-graduate studies in classical electromagnetism. 1970 I moved from Perth to Sydney and then in 1984 I moved to Hobart.

1970 to 1999 worked full time for CSIRO investigating mathematical models for exploited fish populations, mainly regarding analyses of tag and recapture information from southern bluefin tuna, and also abalone. I have been principal- or co-author of almost 30 refereed research papers, and numerous reports.

1988 Awarded a Doctorate from the University of New South Wales for thesis entitled “Mathematical Methods for Evaluating Marine Fisheries”. Soon after, one chapter of the thesis became the basis of a report about the seasonal growth rate of southern bluefin tuna which indicated its suitability for aquaculture.

1999 I moved back to Western Australia to live in Carine, which is close to sunny beaches. 2000 to 2009 worked with CSIRO on a part-time basis. 2009 to 2012 worked for CSIRO on a voluntary basis until retirement. Presently in collaboration with co-authors, I am preparing two research papers (my last) for publication.

1964 I married my adorable and gifted wife Frances. Subsequently we have had three children, Stephen, Martin (wife Kathryn) and Carolyn (husband Richard). We now have two grandchildren, Sean and Jasmine, to whom I sometimes teach mathematics and the scientific process, but mainly we just have fun. I can be contacted at whearn@bigpond.net.au
Peter INGRAM  
BSc 1965

Peter writes that during his undergraduate studies, he worked part-time for a consulting geological company working mainly on mineral sands in the South West of WA. Since 1966, he has been involved in mineral exploration and mining, predominantly with WA, but also more recently in both Finland and Mexico. He can be contacted at pingram2@bigpond.com.

John JEFFREYS  
BE 1968

After completing my Honours Degree in 1964, I joined the Australian Bureau of Statistics, first in Perth, then Hobart and subsequently in Port Moresby. In 1968 I commenced my tertiary and secondary teaching career as a Lecturer in Economics at the Administrative College of Papua New Guinea, preparing indigenous public servants for self-government and independence. At UPNG I commenced a Master’s degree in economic development.

Returning to Perth, I taught in the UWA Faculty of Economics from 1971 to 1974, lecturing and tutoring in Economics 100, while completing both a degree in Commerce and my Masters by thesis. In 1975 I commenced a 28 year career at the Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School, teaching economics, accounting, mathematics and Christian Education. With my wife Kerry, we ran the boarding community at the School for eight years. I was Deputy Headmaster for 18 years.

A Uniting Church appointment took us back to PNG, where I spent 1980-81 as Headmaster at Wesley High School in Milne Bay Province. Subsequently, while on LSL, six months were spent as a teaching volunteer in Kiribati.

After retirement in 2003, I sought the opportunity to further contribute to education and development in PNG as a Uniting Church supported volunteer. Culminating in a final visit in 2015, I have completed ten placements, as a consultant in education and management at Salamo both with Wesley High School and a church company, Papuan Islands Region Enterprises. These placements have been supplemented by a deputation and fundraising programme fostering partnership relationships between MBP primary schools and women’s groups with supporters in the South West of Western Australia.

I have been a lifelong member of the Uniting Church both as youth leader and lay preacher. I continue with Board Membership of Juniper [Uniting Church Homes], serve on a hospital research ethics committee and am Board Chairman of Maidens Park Primary School in Bunbury.

Our small rural property, in the family since 1954, has been the venue for countless family activities, shared with my wife Kerry, of almost 50 years, our two children and four grandchildren.

After 50 years, I look back with immense satisfaction on a teaching career and the enduring relationships created.

Patricia JONES  
BA 1963, DipEd 1965, PhD 1978

Patricia Jean Jones completed a Bachelor of Arts, Diploma of Education and PhD from UWA as well as a Diploma of Education Administration from WAIT and a Masters of Education Administration with honours from the University of New England, Armidale NSW. She had an interesting career in education as a teacher in country junior high schools as well as senior high schools in the metropolitan areas.

In 1966, she was seconded as a Principal Advisory Teacher to assist with the introduction of commerce which replaced commercial methods and bookkeeping for the Junior Certificate. She wrote the textbook for this subject and became Assistant Chief Examiner of Junior Commerce and Leaving
Accountancy for the Public Examination Board. Patricia became Principal Mistress at the Harvey Agricultural Junior High School (1966-67) before being seconded to the Secondary Teachers College to introduce the Diploma of Commerce course. From this position, in 1969, she was seconded to lecture in the Technical Teacher Training and Industrial Training Officers courses. In 1972, she was appointed a lecturer in Education Administration at WAIT and in 1975 she became the Senior Lecturer in Education Administration.

During her career, Patricia attended and presented papers at many state, national and international conferences. In 1978, she spent her sabbatical leave at both the University of Illinois and Western Michigan University. She received Fellowships from the WA Institute of Education Administration; the WA Chapter of the Australian Institute of Management; the Australian College of Education; and the Australian Council of Education Administration. Patricia was President of the WA Institute of Education Administration in 1979 and Vice President of the WA Chapter of the Australian College of Education in 1982. In 1968, she married Edwin Jones, a fellow educationist who encouraged her in all her endeavours.

Peter KENNEDY
BA 1965, DipEd 1969

Peter graduated with a BA (economics major) in 1965, as the prelude to a working career which included five years teaching and lecturing, and a further 40 years as a journalist, starting with newspapers, and later in radio and television.

Peter was initially appointed to the Bunbury Senior High School, where he taught economics, geography and social studies between 1965 and 1968. While in Bunbury he completed a DipEd, and played three seasons in the South-West Football League with the South Bunbury club. He then lectured at the Leederville Technical College.

In 1970 he changed course to full-time journalism, being appointed to the reporting staff at The West Australian newspaper. He became the paper's education reporter before covering industrial issues, including the turbulent period of unrest in the fledgling Pilbara iron ore industry. In 1977 he joined The Sydney Morning Herald and within six months was the paper's state political correspondent for the 1978 NSW election. He was later chief-of-staff for the SMH's Canberra office, before returning to Perth in 1984 as press secretary to then Deputy Premier, Malcolm Bryce.

He rejoined The West Australian in 1986, and started a 20 year association with the ABC in 1990, initially presenting the Morning and Drive radio programs on ABC 720, and later as the state political reporter for ABC Television News. Peter retired from the ABC in 2010 and was appointed an adjunct professor at the University of Notre Dame Australia where he researched and wrote "Tales from Boomtown", about the 11 WA premiers - from Sir David Brand to Colin Barnett - he had met and interviewed.

Peter lives in Perth and is married to Chris. They have two children - both UWA graduates, and also six grandchildren.

Jan KNIGHT
BA 1964, MEd 1983

Potted histories are all very well but how much history remains after severe potting? Let’s find out.


I developed into a committee woman with a strong volunteering ethic. Some of my favourite non-profits are POD (Playgrounds on Demand), Meerilinga Young Children's Foundation, Rotnest Voluntary Guides Association (Hon. Life Member), Volunteer Centre of WA (Hon. Life Member), Women in Publishing WA, Lake Mealup Preservation Society, The Greens WA and Society of Editors (WA).
My employment record began with Volunteer Task Force in 1986 (as a coordinator of volunteers). In 1988 I moved to Scitech Discovery Centre to set up our recruitment and training program for volunteers. In 1991 I went to Agriculture WA as state coordinator of the Decade of Landcare.

After three years I decided to take a new direction and became a professional editor with Agriculture WA. When the Information Services Branch was privatised in 1997, I decided to set up Flying Edits, my freelance editing business.

Editing is the love of my life! I particularly enjoy turning technical information into clear and interesting material for the general reader. My editing work covers a wide range of publications – non-fiction books, technical reports, extension information, policy statements, newsletters, annual reports, procedures manuals, conference presentations and journal articles, community awareness leaflets, submissions, CVs, posters and displays. I have edited fourteen non-fiction books for self-published authors on diverse topics from clinical psychology and self-help to local history, overseas travel and autobiography and several books for government agency clients.

In June 2015 Flying Edits celebrated eighteen years of editing, and a proud record of satisfied clients. I am now semi-retired, working with favourite clients and doing pro bono work for my charities and non-profits. Life is good. Four grandchildren (Michael 1994, Daniel 1998, Lauren and Matthew 2001) and my very special partner, Peter Wilmot, keep me stimulated and cheeky.

Leon KOWOL

Leon was a Science Teacher at Bridgetown HS and John Curtin SHS and Head of Science at Northam SHS, Hamilton SHS, Como SHS, Balcatta SHS. He was Deputy Principal at Cunderdin Agricultural College, Governor Stirling SHS and Duncraig SHS. Retired 2005, Leon is married with two children and three grandchildren.

He has travelled extensively, with one of the most notable journeys in 1975 BC (Before Children) travelling by bus on a 72 day overland journey through Nepal, India, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Iran, Turkey and eventually ending in London.

Rodney LENANTON
BSc 1965, MSc 1971

Dr Rod Lenanton retired as Senior Principal Research Scientist with the Western Australian Fisheries Department in 2012. With more than 50 years’ experience in the field, he is regarded as one of Western Australia’s most highly regarded finfish fisheries scientists. Rod’s early research experience included assisting with various fisheries research projects including Western rock lobster, Shark Bay prawns, and the Exmouth Gulf turtle fishery. His first dedicated research project was on the status of the whiting species that were the main target of the Shark Bay beach seine and mesh net fishery, which was submitted for his Master’s Degree in 1970.

During the years that followed, he has spearheaded a number of groundbreaking projects in the management of economically important species, including how coastal finfish fisheries are affected by the Leeuwin Current, and how critically important nursery habitats of these finfish species function and should be managed. This latter body of work was submitted for his PhD degree in 1988.

In the years before retirement, his research included risk assessment and prioritisation of sustainable harvest level estimation of indicator species, the development of monitoring and assessment strategies within a broader Ecosystem Based Fishery Management (EBFM) framework, and the implementation of the Integrated Fisheries Management Initiative.

In 2000, following many years of collaborative research, he was made an Adjunct Associate Professor of Murdoch University’s Faculty of Science, Engineering, and Sustainability. In 2002, he was presented with an Outstanding Service Award (nominated by peers), for service to the fishing
50th Reunion of the Graduates of 1965

sector in WA. In 2011, he was the recipient of the prestigious Australian Society of Fish Biology K. Radway Allen Award in recognition of a lifetime of excellence in fish and Fisheries research.

He was also admitted to the ASFB Hall of Fame. Along with these notable achievements, he has mentored/supervised many young scientists and made a broad contribution to the subject's body of scientific literature. Presently, he continues on a part-time basis with the Department of Fisheries, working at the Marine and Fisheries Research Laboratories at Hillarys in an ongoing mentoring/research role.

Larry Manno
BSc 1965, DipEd 1966, BEd 1968

As a Claremont Teachers’ College student, I attended UWA between 1962 and 1965 and completed a BSc, with a major in Chemistry and a DipEd. While teaching Physical Sciences and Mathematics at Manjimup Senior High School from 1966-1967, I completed the B.Ed externally.

I then continued my teaching career at Governor Stirling Senior High School. In 1971 I was appointed as Senior Master Science at South Fremantle High School and later in 1972 when it became South Fremantle Senior High School, I was appointed as Senior Master Physical Sciences. In 1974, I transferred as Senior Master Physical Sciences to John Forrest Senior High School, a position I held until 1986. During my time at John Forrest Senior High School I became greatly involved with the Chemistry Syllabus Committee and the Science Teachers Association. I was a contributing author of the Science Teachers Association’s Chemistry publications and of the “Foundations of Chemistry” textbook that was used widely in Western Australian Schools for a period of over 20 years.

The succeeding appointments as Deputy Principal Senior High School followed: Katanning 1987, John Forrest 1989 and Mount Lawley 1996 (retired in 2003). During my time at John Forrest and Mount Lawley Senior High Schools I had periods as relieving Principal. I have been happily married to Joy since 1971 and we have a daughter and a son and three grandchildren.

In 1998, I joined The Rotary Club of Mount Lawley, have been treasurer since 2001 and was granted a Paul Harris award (twice) for service. I enjoy the fellowship and service the Rotary Club offers and being part of a great international service organisation that seeks actively to develop understanding between nations and to bring peace to our world. The grandchildren and all their activities keep us occupied, but there is still time for Rotary, golf and travel.

Donald Martin
BSc (Hons) 1964, PhD

After graduation with a Bachelor of Science, with Honours in Physical Chemistry, and completion of a PhD in Inorganic Chemistry, he obtained a position in the fertilizer and chemicals industry as a chemist. He then transferred to the Western Australian Government as a scientist for 18 years in what eventually became the Department of the Environment. During this period a Graduate Diploma in Natural Resources was completed at the West Australian Institute of Technology, followed by a Master of Applied Science in Natural Resources at Curtin University by part-time study.

This was followed by 15 years in the Department of Resources Development as a Project Manager. In 2006, after three years of retirement, he returned to work as the Executive Officer for the Minerals and Energy Institute of Western Australia, and retired again after three and half years.

Don has two daughters, one UWA graduate and one Edith Cowan graduate and four grandchildren. His other interests are rose growing and British sports cars, in particular the Lotus Elan +2.
Nick MELIDONIS  
B Sc, Dip Ed

Three of my great passions in life are photography, travel and teaching and I am very fortunate to have made these my life’s vocation. Nothing pleases me more than to share those experiences and it has led to photo and cultural tours to Greece, Borneo, Africa, Spain, Indonesia and Iceland.

I co-founded the consulting group ‘Integra’ in 1987 and was a consultant and corporate trainer for 17 years prior to becoming a professional photographer. Music and sailing are also passions of mine. I enjoyed singing and playing guitar with many Australian folk and pop groups with one hit record with the group ‘Gemini’. I have been skippering my boat ‘Hellas’ in yacht races from Royal Perth Yacht Club for many years.

A near fatal fall off a cliff in Karijini National Park during 2010 profoundly changed the way I look at life now. As one kind soul put it in a ‘Get Well’ email she sent me; “Maybe you were spared because your best work is yet to come”. I live each day knowing that’s possible.

Tony MIDDLETON  
BE 1964

I was born in India where my grandfather was a surgeon in the British Army and my father a senior officer in the British Imperial Police. For me it was a carefree and privileged lifestyle.

While I was still a boy we left India for Kenya and finally back to England. My family migrated to Perth in 1956 and I completed my schooling at St Louis Jesuit School in 1959.

At UWA, I was a cadet with the State Public Works Department (PWD WA) to which I was bonded for four years. I worked for it for 24 years on iconic projects like the Comprehensive Water Supply scheme, Port Hedland and West Pilbara water pipelines and sewerage works, Ord River Main Dam and Irrigation Areas, Moochalabra Dam (never heard of it? Wyndham Water Supply) and SW dams constructed by day labour and contract. Still in the country I was then District Engineer, Northam before being promoted to Regional Engineer in Perth managing the South West Districts.

At this time, I lectured part time to final year civil engineering students at UWA in construction management, did consulting work for the UN Food and Agriculture Organisation in Rome and Libya and worked one year full time as Project Director of a water supply project in Sarawak, Malaysia. I also completed an MBA at UWA and a Company Director’s Diploma.

I left the PWD/Water Corporation in 1988 and joined Transperth to co-ordinate the suburban train electrification, the Northern Suburbs railway projects and the Bus Port. This led to various roles in transport including CEO and Chairman of Transperth responsible for all of Perth’s buses, trains and ferries.

I left the WA Public Service in 1997 and was appointed Director General of Transport NSW. I did not take up the position for personal reasons and instead joined, as MD, AEC Limited, an ASX listed company providing technology and components worldwide enabling buses and trucks to run on natural gas. During my time in transport I was WA State and then National Chairman of the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport. I ceased full time work in 2012 but as a registered builder, I am still active with two of my sons in Perth and Busselton based building companies, Middleton Homes and QEST Developments.

My pastimes include my family, travelling, non-executive work and investing, attending and supporting the Catholic Church and mild fitness. My vices include pleasure power boating and owning race horses. I have enjoyed a successful career in the Public Service and an interesting career in the private sector but the most rewarding highlights of my life are manifest in my wife Francine, a pharmacist and in our four children and eleven grandchildren.
Lloyd NIXON  
BEd 1957, BA 1965

Following four years full time at UWA, living at the University Hostel 1952 – 1955, I began my teaching career in 1956 at Northam Senior High School. In 1959 I was promoted to the position of Senior Master (Biology and Science) at Governor Stirling Senior High School and taught there 1960 to 1964. I completed a B.A degree with majors in Psychology and Anthropology and was appointed lecturer in Psychology at Claremont Teachers’ College for 1965 and 1966.

My next promotion was to Deputy Principal at Busselton Senior High School, followed by promotions to Deputy Principal positions at Collie, Hollywood, Carine and Swanbourne senior high schools. I retired from the Education Department as principal of Northam Senior High School in 1986.

Upon retirement my recreational interests were Nedlands Tennis Club (life member), Veterans’ Tennis Club, Nedlands Golf Club, WA Bridge Club, travel and camping overseas and interstate. I moved to Busselton in 1999. My recreational interests here have been Busselton Tennis Club, Busselton Golf Club, Busselton Bowls Club, Busselton Bridge Club, Busselton Stamp Collectors’ Club, Naturalists’ Club, Busselton Men’s Shed, where I have enjoyed wood-turning and furniture-making. Swimming and gardening round out an enjoyable retirement lifestyle.

Kathryn NORRIS (née Moore)  
BA 1964, DipEd 1965, Grad Dip Sec 1980 (ECU)

Born in Lake Grace, I am the daughter of a UWA graduate and a farmer whose family came to WA in 1831. I was brought up on a farm near Narrogin, educated at the Sacred Heart Convent and then at Narrogin Senior High School, followed by four years living at St Catherine’s College while completing a BA and a Dip Ed. In the early 1980s as a single mother I gained a Grad Dip in Secretarial Studies from ECU.

I taught at Pinjarra HS, Geraldton SHS, Rossmoyne SHS, Distance Education, Chisholm College and Scotch College, Swanbourne as well as at Curtin University (then WAIT). I also taught at Geraldton, Scarborough and Subiaco TAFE evening schools and I ran a Pathology Office in Maylands for a year.

In 1969 I married Nick Norris and have two daughters: Natalia, who has Honours degrees in Law and Politics (Murdoch), and Marite, who has a BA (UWA) and is studying part-time at UWA for a Fine Arts degree. My voluntary commitments have involved University Camp for Kids, the State School Teachers’ Union, Tarcoola Progress Association (Geraldton), William Goodenough House kindergarten in London, Floreat and City Beach kindergartens, Holy Spirit School Council, Parkinsons’ Association, The School Volunteer Programme and Read Write Now.

I retired from the English Department of Scotch College at the end of 2002 to enjoy participating in the life of my first grandson Mo Maslin. In the following four years, Mo's sister Evie, brother Otis and their cousins Harry and Michael were born. Woodlands has been my home since September 1984.

John PEARCE  
BSc 1965, DipEd 1966, BEd 1968

My Science degree was a double major in Maths and Applied Maths, and led to my appointment as a Maths teacher at Mt Lawley SHS. Three years later, I was sent to Albany SHS as Acting Senior Master of Maths. Then followed eight years as Senior Master of Maths at Governor Stirling SHS, and then eight years as Principal of Darkan DHS. Then I returned to Perth as Deputy Principal Kwinana SHS for five years, and then Deputy Principal of Rossmoyne SHS for just over eleven years before retiring in 2003.
I met my wife at Governor Stirling and have now been married for 42 years. We have two daughters and now two grandsons. One of our daughters was sick for five years and missed all of her secondary schooling. She was miraculously healed and after a year or so of re-adjustment now leads a normal family life. Because of that healing I later became a Christian and have spent considerable time helping others with spiritual problems and health matters.

As a Senior Master I introduced calculators into the classrooms at Governor Stirling S.H.S. Later as computers started to become available I introduced those also to Governor Stirling. Later in Darkan, I built a computer from a kit of parts, and then had several game-type computers. On my return to Perth the Education Department was starting to use computers to help Deputy Principals timetable the new option subjects being introduced at that time. This led to the purchase of my own computer, and many others since then. I use my computer for a lot of different things, and spend considerable time at it.

Over the years I have always been busy at home doing the gardening and nearly all maintenance around the house. I had a back operation in 1987. However, I have been fortunate to have had good health for most of my life, and have been to a doctor only once in over the last twenty years.

James PHILLIPS
BA 1965, DipEd 1966

Following graduation Jim started off teaching in the country and then transferred to what is now the School Psychology Service in the Education Department. The rest of his working life has been as a school psychologist, mostly working in Primary schools in the area of students with special needs, learning difficulties, and behaviour problems.

Along the way he married Megan and after the almost obligatory, at the time working holiday in London and a tour of Europe, they returned to Bunbury, then Albany, and eventually back to Perth. With four married children and three delightful grandchildren life in (almost) retirement is pretty hectic but does allow time for more travelling, photography, and some woodcarving.

There are many fond memories of revered lecturers, times in the "Ref", the old Dolphin theatre and Uni Revues, and the New Fortune Theatre in the new Arts Building.

Valerie PRESCOTT
BA 1964 Dip Ed 1965

I married Nigel Prescott in 1964 but continued studying and completed a Diploma of Education in 1965. I was then appointed Library Assistant at the Education Department’s W.J. Rooney Library. I resigned in 1967 to start a family. We have two daughters, both graduates of UWA, and three grandchildren.

After many years I returned to the workforce in 1991 to work with the Western Australian Electoral Commission until retirement. Since then I have assisted at most State and Federal elections in a temporary capacity. Having been a resident of St Catherine’s College as an undergraduate, I have maintained a long association with the College since graduating. I was a member of the St Catherine’s College Auxiliary for many years and became President in 1976.

I was appointed to the College Council in 1971 and was for a short time Acting Warden of the College.

Since school days I have had an active interest in athletics (I still run and throw the javelin and discus). I was made an honorary life member of Athletics WA and of Masters Athletics WA.

With our elder daughter living in London, we have the excuse to travel to England twice each year and include a variety of interesting side excursions while doing so.
From 1965 to 1967, inclusive, I spent three years at Royal Perth and Princess Margaret Hospital as a resident medical officer. In 1968 I moved to Melbourne to complete my specialty training in anaesthesia. In that year, I began my research career in the laboratory of Dr Blair Ritchie, of the Monash University Department of Medicine, at Prince Henry’s hospital. The completion of this research led directly to an invitation to join the faculty of the new Medical School at McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario, in 1972.

I joined a multidisciplinary group, established by the Founding Chair of Medicine, EJM Campbell, and developed my own team of researchers funded by MRC Canada and other agencies to investigate various aspects of the impact of Anaesthesia on the control and mechanical properties of the respiratory system.

I returned to Perth in 1981. It was my good fortune to have the opportunity in Canada to collaborate with David Sackett and his many colleagues in the Department of Clinical Epidemiology and Biostatistics at McMasters. This provided me with the knowledge base in research methods to facilitate my collaboration with Professor Konrad Jamrozik at UWA and form a team of anaesthetists to establish the Multicentre Australian study of epidural anaesthesia, funded by NHMRC from 1997 to 2001.

The success of our group established a new culture of research collaboration across Australia and internationally, particularly in Melbourne, among anaesthetists and other clinical scientists in the newly emerging discipline of Perioperative Medicine. As a consequence, the Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists established a Clinical Trials Network in collaboration with Monash University, in 2003. Since then more than $25m in NHMRC funding has been awarded for national and international research endorsed by this CTN. In 2005, I was awarded the Robert Orton medal by ANZCA, on the sole criterion of distinguished service to the specialty of anaesthesia; only the third occasion, since the inception of this award in 1967, that the medal has been awarded to an anaesthetist based in Western Australia.

Kerry Ann ROSS (née Lumsden)
BPsych 1966, BA 1980

After agonising over whether to major in Classics, I ended up doing Honours in Psychology and enrolling for a PhD that involved research into the memory techniques developed by the Ancient Greeks and Romans. Life intervened at the writing-up stage, and instead of finishing the thesis I started lecturing in Educational Psychology, first at Graylands, then at Claremont Teachers College. In the late 1970s to the mid-1980s (the glory days when it was entirely free) I completed a BA part-time at UWA, majoring in Italian. Reading Dante, Petrarch and Boccaccio was a great joy, and the language came in very handy when I was in Italy (mainly in Pisa) with my husband on his study leave. We have travelled quite a bit over the years, mainly in Europe and the United States.

In 1988 there was a major career change when I took up a position as advisor on tertiary education to the new State Minister for Education, Dr Carmen Lawrence – this was the time of the Dawkins revolution of higher education, when the Minister chaired a review of higher education in WA and UWA almost amalgamated with Murdoch; I subsequently worked as speechwriter to the Premier, then in a range of policy areas that included Commonwealth/State relations, constitutional reform (the Constitutional Committee), government reform (the Commission on Government), and community development.

Along the way, I married twice, first in 1967 and then in 1983. I have a son from my first marriage and two step-children from my second, plus step-grandchildren and even step-step-great-grandchildren (that’s a modern family for you). We live in Perth and have a house west of Denmark that we built in 1986 and have never ceased to delight in; whenever people ask how often we go there, we say ‘When we have nothing better to do’. I retired from the State Public Service in 2006 and have continued to do some part-time and voluntary work.
Jennifer SEARCY OAM
BSc 1954, BSc (Hons) 1958, DipEd 1965, BEd 1969

After graduation, Jennifer spent twenty years teaching, rising to Senior Lecturer in charge of Mathematics, Science and English at Wembley TAFE.

After retiring from TAFE, Jennifer worked on a voluntary basis at Murdoch University delivering formal and informal tutorials. In 2002 was appointed an Adjunct Professor and introduced the innovative After School and Vacation Program in Mathematics and Physical Sciences for secondary students. In 2003 the program was expanded to include students from 10 years of age. Interested students in the program were given training for the National Qualifying Examinations for Physics and Chemistry.

Students were also given the opportunity to study for Open Universities Australia examinations. Now an Adjunct Professor, Jennifer is currently expanding the After School and Vacation Program to introduce more children to the joys of studying Mathematics and the Physical Sciences.

Jennifer was awarded the Murdoch University Senate Medal in 2001 for outstanding service to the University. She was invited to become a Fellow of the Australian College of Educators in 2004, was nominated for Australian of the Year in 2008 and received a Vice Chancellor’s Award for excellence in enhancing learning by Murdoch University in 2008. In 2015 Jennifer was awarded an OAM for services to education in the disciplines of science and mathematics.

Philip SMITH
BEd 1965


In 1962, I was Editor of the Education Union’s journal “Purpose” and, in 1963, achieved a Full Blue in athletics (Pole vaulting). In 1964, I married teacher, Vanna Latham and completed my degree externally. We had three sons who all have UWA connections. Trent, Guild President 1988. B.A. (Hons) 1990. Jason B Sc (Hons) 1992 and Cameron 1994.


A year after Parliament, I returned to Teaching on a part-time and casual basis. I taught every age from Pre-school to Year 12 over a wide range of subjects, specializing in Physical Education and several years teaching children with special needs. I retired in 2013 aged 75. The enthusiasm was still there but the body was growing weaker.

I have always been active in sports and sports administration. Competed in hockey, basketball, athletics and, until a few years ago, spearfishing. I still compete in cross country running and triathlon. Over the years, I held positions at various levels of organisation in all of these sports. My highest sporting achievement was Australian Veterans Pole Vault Champion in 1984. My highest administrative positions were Chairman of both the WA and the Australian Spearfishing Divisions of the Australian Underwater Federation during the 1960s.

Present involvements: Keeping in contact with my scattered family, particularly grandchildren. Fund Raiser for the Bunbury Branch of Amnesty International. Education Officer for the Astronomical Society of the South West and helped arrange a memorial to Bunbury’s 150 year old jetty, which was demolished in 2013 after thirty years trying to preserve some of it. Collecting and displaying colonial and antique bottles.
Richard H SMITH  
BE (Hons) 1965, PhD 1975

I matriculated to UWA from Perth Modern School. My undergraduate and postgraduate years at UWA were happy times. The Gledden tour of the Eastern States was particularly memorable. During the period of my post graduate study the Post Graduate Students' Society was formed and I was privileged to be its Inaugural Chairman.

After completing my post graduate studies I joined an international consulting firm initially in the design office in Perth and eventually became Senior Electrical Site Engineer in the Pilbara during a major expansion.

As mining expansion was winding back I applied for a lecturing position at the Western Australian Institute of Technology (now Curtin University), I was subsequently Senior Lecturer, Head of Department of Electrical Engineering, and Head of School of Electrical and Computer Engineering.

I was elected State Chairman of IEE, International Representative of Council, Inaugural Australasian Regional Board Member. Board member of the Centre for Marine Science and Technology, Chairman WA Branch of the Australian Electric Vehicle Association. In 1980 I went on a one year Sabbatical to the Control Engineering Department, Bradford University where I researched Self Tuning Regulators.

In 1994-5 a Sabbatical was arranged with five months at Glasgow University Control Engineering Department. They were keen to learn of any different methods we had of teaching and tried some of the methods I described that we used. They were also very interested in the high speed ferry research carried out through CMST. Here I started to develop a mathematical model to describe an effect known as Cobble stoning in Surface effect Catamarans.

I then spent three months at UMIST continuing the modelling of Cobble stoning. This showed the effect was inherent and not caused by external influences requiring a rethink of the hull design. The final three months of this sabbatical was spent at the Control Theory Applications Centre at Coventry University again concerning high speed ferries but also sparking an interest in remotely piloted drone aircraft.

I married Beth in 1966 and we have two daughters. Since retirement from Curtin I have been active in the Australian Shareholder Association, being State Vice Chairman and Chair of the state Company Monitoring Committee, positions from which I have now retired.

Laurie STONEHOUSE  
BSc 1964, BA 2014

After finishing my Science degree and enrolling for a PhD, I bummed around the Uni, first as a student then as a Demonstrator in the Chemistry Department, for 9 years. Then, having got married and had a child, I had to get a real job so took up a position as Lecturer in Metallurgical Chemistry at the School of Mines in Kalgoorlie. I stayed there for 5 years and had two more children and then it was time to do something else.

In 1979, I was fortunate enough to secure a job with Alcoa at Kwinana, which satisfied my interest in things chemical and also allowed me to live in a capital city. During the next 34 years, I had a varied and satisfying career, passing through such jobs as Technical Manager of the Kwinana refinery and R&D Manager first for Western Australia then for the worldwide Alcoa refining system. I went into Operations and managed a refinery in Brazil, situated in one of Brazil's most remote areas just off the equator. I moved to Pittsburgh as Alcoa Business System manager for Alcoa Refining then returned to Australia as Vice President of Technology for Alcoa Refining. I returned to Brazil as Vice President Operations for Alcoa Atlantic Refining, based in Sao Paulo. Returning to Australia, I retired in 2013.
On retirement I returned to UWA and completed an Arts degree, graduating in 2015, majoring in the Classics (Latin) and French. Now my wife of 43 years and I love our life in Perth, but travel extensively to indulge our interest in seeing the world and my interest in walking and language. We have walked the Camino in Spain and France, the Coast to Coast, Offa’s Dyke and a couple of others in England, as well others around the world. Travel also gives us a chance to catch up with our children and grandchildren (four) as unfortunately our children seem to have caught the travel bug, and none of them live near us. Indeed, only one lives in Australia. With luck I will still be doing this for years to come.

**Terry TRESIDDER**
**BE 1965**

I was born in Katanning WA, in 1941. I am the oldest of three brothers all of whom subsequently graduated with engineering degrees from the University of Western Australia, myself in Electrical Engineering, Graham in Civil Engineering and John in Electronic Engineering.

My early upbringing and education up to Junior Level occurred in the country wheat belt town of Merredin after my father, a PMG technician, accepted a posting there for work. At the end of this period the family returned to Perth where I completed my secondary school education to Leaving level. In 1959, I enrolled in the PMG’s Technician Training School and completed the first year of training.

In 1960 I enrolled as an Electrical Engineering undergraduate at the University. After completing the first two years of study I was awarded a cadetship with the Federal Government’s Department of Supply. This provided financial assistance for my university education and also Christmas vacation employment at the Government’s Weapons Research Establishment (WRE) in Adelaide. On completion of my Engineering degree I transferred to Adelaide where I continued to work at WRE later renamed the Defence Science and Technology Organisation (DSTO).

Over the years, facilitated by promotion into different departments at WRE/DSTO, work was challenging and varied. It encompassed acoustic sounding of the lower atmosphere, telemetry data links, underwater acoustics, computer modelling, design and programming of embedded microprocessor projects, radio surveillance systems and digital signal processing.

I met my wife at DSTO where she worked in the Computing Services department. We have two sons and two three year old grandchildren, non-identical twin boys. I retired in 1998. We purchased a caravan and a four-wheel drive vehicle and have toured extensively through all states and territories of Australia. We have also toured overseas to New Zealand, France, Italy and Canada/Alaska.

**Deirdre TWADDLE**
**BA 1965**

1958 was the year after she finished school and it was the year, when she enrolled at Claremont Teachers College and at the same time she enrolled at UWA. Her first year at UWA was as a full-time student as it was regarded as part of her teachers training course. By the end of 1959, she had gained her teachers certificate and was appointed as a primary teacher to a country position in Mt Barker.

For the next seven years, she taught in a variety of schools both country and metropolitan. During that time, Deirdre completed her degree both externally and part-time with an emphasis on English and History. Unfortunately, she was unable to attend her actual graduation ceremony in 1965 as she was working in London, where she did relief teaching. She returned to WA in 1966, and re-joined the Education Department and continued teaching in schools in the Perth metropolitan area.

Deirdre has always been interested in fine arts and enjoyed painting and drawing, so she enrolled at WAIT (Curtin University) to begin part-time in an Associateship in Art Teaching. There she was able to take advantage of the presence of some of the best local artists, who
taught on the staff and so honed her skills in painting, drawing, sculpture, lettering and silk-screening as well as studying art and children's development through art expression.

She completed her associateship in 1974 and has continued to enjoy art as recreation. She has also taken advantage of holidays and extended periods of long service leave to travel within Australia and overseas.

Deirdre retired from teaching in 2000 and was a volunteer for a short time with the charity, People who Care. She also enjoys reading, walking and playing contract bridge a few times a week.

Alan VIDLER
BSc 1965, BA 1974 (ANU)

His Science degree was in Physics and Maths. Alan writes that life at UWA was not good as he was a trainee teacher. In 1965, he went to Canberra and worked as a Programmer in the ABS until 1985, with a few diversions elsewhere.

His part-time BA was in Stats, Operations Research and Computing. After 18 months in a private sector company, Alan was self-employed, contracting in various Australian cities, mainly Canberra. Alan of course now has a large colony of PCs.

In 1973, he became fanatically interested in bushwalking, met and married his wife in 1974, then honeymooned with friends X-C skiing in Kashmir and walking in Nepal. They both retired in 1996 and their formerly active lifestyle of walking and travelling in Australia and overseas stepped up a gear. They have no children.

Alan will be unable to attend the reunion as we will be in Taiwan attending his (only) nephew's wedding.

Martyn WEBB
MA 1965, MA(Oxon), Freeman of the City of Nedlands, Hon Fellow ANZAAS, RAPI, AIUS

As the Foundation Professor Geography, I took the opportunity as gradem to have my Oxford degree incorporated with that of UWA - I am very glad I did.

As an active applied geographer I have concentrated my efforts on Western Australia over a wide range of subjects and problems beginning the 1960s and 1970s with the environment with what became the Conservation Council and then moved into Western Australian problems of planning, development and local government.

I have also worked in the alleviation of poverty women in West Bengal and Tanzania for ILO. My proudest and greatest scholarly achievement was to write with my later wife GOLDEN DESTINY: the Centennial History of Kalgoorlie and Boulder and the Eastern Goldfields (1992) and described by Professor Geoffrey Blainey as one of Australia's finest mining histories.

I am still actively engaged since retiring in 1986 in local affairs lately with special reference to the failed metropolitan local government review and, most recently with the City of Perth Act.
Graham WHITEHEAD
BE 1965

After finishing at UWA, I moved to Sydney for a job with CIG. I quickly realised a few things; I didn’t like living in the Western Suburbs of Sydney, there was still a lot to learn about Engineering (particularly computers) and I wasn’t going to be a very good Engineer.

Within a year we had moved to the Eastern Suburbs, I was enrolled to do a MEngSc at UNSW and I had changed jobs to work for British Tobacco Co. (where I basically stayed until retirement). The attraction of BT was that while they had a vacancy for an Electrical Engineer, they really wanted someone who would do Operations Research. After several years in OR, I spent a few years in Economic Research before nearly a decade in Corporate Planning. The early years of Corporate Planning were focussed on seeking out diversification opportunities, but in the later years the emphasis was more on Strategic Planning for existing operations. This lead to a transfer to the company’s Snackfood Division (now known as The Smiths Snackfood Company).

After years of splendid ivory tower isolation, I was suddenly thrown in the deep end, and expected to implement my recommendations! Firstly as State Manager NSW, where I had responsibility for Sales, Production and Profit and after 18 months the organisation structure was changed from a State based one to a national Functional Structure and I joined the board of Smiths as Technical Director, with responsibility for all the State Manufacturing operations, R&D, Logistics and of course the Engineering Department.

However, the best thing that has happened to me since University is meeting and marrying Liz and bringing up three children. Unfortunately our two eldest children have chosen to live overseas, with our four grandchildren, which is very disappointing to us. We try to console ourselves with the thought they are acting out the independence we taught them.

Lindsay WOLFE
BEc (Hons) 1965

After completing his degree at the end of 1964, Lindsay moved to Canberra and spent several years working for the then Commonwealth Bureau of Census and Statistics and the Department of Housing. During this period, he spent two years at the United Nations Statistical Office in New York. In the 1970s, Lindsay left the Public Service and began working for the International Monetary Fund in Washington DC. During his more than 26 years with the IMF, he worked in a number of departments before running the IMF’s Budget Office for a number of years.

In 1998, he moved to Vienna as the Director of the Joint Vienna Institute, a teaching organization set up by various international agencies to teach market economics to young officials from countries of Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union.

Lindsay has been married to Margaret for more than 48 years and they have three daughters and six grandchildren. Since his retirement, Lindsay spent more than a decade chairing the board of a large aged care agency in Western Australia. Now, he enjoys travel and golf which he continues to try to master with limited success.
50th Reunion of the Graduates of 1965

Edit WOOD
BA 1965

I was born on the 6 March 1941 in Debrecen, Hungary. Debrecen is a beautiful University City, where my father was working as a Civil Engineer and my grandfather was a Professor in Zoology. Then World War II arrived, changing everything. The Russians entered Budapest, and our whole family (my mother, father, older brother and two sisters) fled to Austria and then, to Germany.

After five years there, we travelled to Australia, arriving in 1950. Our family was focused on education, and it was expected that we would all attend University. I still remember the first time I saw UWA, with its beautiful buildings and lovely gardens. It was my aim to study there. Which, thankfully I did, commencing in 1959.

Studying Arts and Majoring in Anthropology, under the tutelage of Prof Berndt, was the highlight of my University days. That is, until I met my future husband, Michael Wood, who was studying Geology. Two wonderful years at University flew by and I decided that I needed to support myself. So I switched to part time Uni, while working at the Commonwealth Bank, full time. As soon as I graduated, I started work with the Child Welfare Department, which I found to be more interesting and rewarding.

Then in 1966 Michael and I were married, and went to Batemans Bay where Michael was working as an exploration Geologist, for an American company. Batemans Bay was a lovely little coastal town, in NSW, similar to Albany in WA. We had a wonderful time and most importantly our beautiful daughter Angela, was born there. Then it was back to WA, where we were blessed with three more beautiful children, Jackie, Caroline and Michael.

All four have since graduated from UWA in various disciplines, and now our oldest grandson Nicholas is at UWA, in his first year. This made it the third generation at UWA, for our family. Sadly, Michael passed away in 2011. But his legacy lives on, in his children and grandchildren.

My contact with the UWA, is ongoing, such as volunteering at the Information Centre and keeping in touch, through Convocation.

Michael WOOD (Vale)
BSc 1965

Michael Wood was born in Subiaco, on the 13th October 1941, the youngest of three brothers. He attended St Louis Jesuit College Claremont and went on to study at the University of Western Australia, studying Engineering then switching to Geology. While an undergraduate Engineering student, Michael was chosen to go to Koolan Island to help develop a BHP iron ore mine. There he survived a fierce cyclone, which devastated the place and nearly killed him. After the cyclone had passed, three barges were missing, sunk at their mooring. It was an experience he would never forget.

During his time at University, he met his future wife Edit Turchanyi, who was studying Arts. They were married in 1966, and had four children. Our first daughter Angela was born in Bateman's Bay NSW (while Michael was working there as a Geologist for an American Company, IMC International Minerals and Chemicals), followed by Jackie, Caroline and Michael in quick succession.

Michael loved his country, especially the outback and working as an exploration geologist in the Northern Territory, the Kimberley and North Western Queensland, during the 1960s, when the top end was still regarded as the final frontier. On returning to WA he joined his two brothers, Peter and Bill in a successful family business.

Michael had a great sense of community and commitment. This was evidenced through his work for the Rotary Club. He was past President and a Paul Harris Fellow of the East Perth Rotary Club,
where he was an active member for 26 years. A tireless volunteer worker, he organized countless exchange students to travel overseas and also welcomed others to stay with his family. He was a deeply spiritual person and a loving father who took delight in his children’s achievements. All four of his children have achieved university degrees in various disciplines at UWA. And now his oldest grandson Nicholas, has started university studies, making it the third generation at UWA for our family.

Michael passed away all too early, aged just 69 on the 12 February 2011 after a long battle with cancer. At his Requiem Mass, his four children paid tribute to a wonderful, caring, father, husband and loving grandfather to seven grandchildren.

Allen YEOW
BA 1962, BCom 1965

After completing a Bachelor of Arts (Economics) and a Bachelor of Commerce (Accounting), Allen spent 50 years working in accounting and financial management in Australia and overseas. He worked in the Institute of Agriculture UWA and engaged in research in the interrelationships between the primary, secondary and tertiary industries in WA.

He then joined the Commonwealth Public Service in Canberra, where he moved from Treasury to Trade and Industry and Housing, doing research and policy work. Next he lectured at the Central Queensland University and Deakin University.

He went overseas to Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand and China working as company director for many trading and manufacturing companies until his retirement in 2010. Currently, he is an advisor to a number of companies.
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