



Epsom Girls Grammar School Old Girls Association (Inc)

97th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING JUNE 2018 - REPORT

FROM THE CO-PRESIDENTS OF THE OGA

Having received feedback from last years survey highlighting the importance of communication, we thought that it was important to share the minutes, reports and photos taken at this years' AGM with the OGA. For those of you that have never attended an AGM, we would like to encourage you to attend next year as it is a wonderful opportunity to catch up and hear about the work the committee has been doing to support the school, students, Senior Leadership team and teachers. We look forward to seeing you at future OGA functions and appreciate any new ideas you may wish to share.

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Sally Blyth and Lynley Sheweiry, Co-Presidents 2016–2018

MINUTES of 97th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

DATE: Monday 11 June 2018, 7 pm

PRESENT:

Julie Goodyer (JG), Lynley Sheweiry (LS), Fiona Cottam (FC), Virginia Bishop (VB), Sally Blyth (SB), Donna Corse-Scott (DC), Ro Bellamy (RB), Annise Raea (AR), Margi Leech (ML), Mary Hall (MH), Tric Milner (TM), Lorraine Pound, Sarah Stenson, Rosemary Brock, Ehlin Young, Dora Green, Gae Griffiths, Heather Ash, Carolyn Guthrie, Brenda Perry, Jan Martin, Leila Corban, Robyn Bridgman, Irene Byrne, Isabella Tedcastle.

APOLOGIES:

Christine Black, Lisa Harrow ONZM, Kim Smith, Nicki Dawson, Madeline Gunn, Robin Hooper, Jeanette Thorne (nee Millar), Elisabeth Boa (nee Luscombe), Vicki Mackle, Alison Masters, Mary Robinson, Marion Fell, Peggy Bindel, Heather Simpson, Alison Ross, Charlotte Karaka, Suzanne Callesen, Alison Purdie, Janice McAdam (nee Emens) – Sydney, Carole Sorrell, Kathleen Fraser, Gay Durrant, Patricia Gardener, Diana Boshier, Letitia Isa, Marina Batham, Verna Dowdle, Yvonne Tait, Gay Bates, Barbara Valerie Nunn (née Brown), Alexandra Gateja, Jill Mandeno, Anne Baster, Mikayra Naidu, Katharine Collins, Ruth Church, Barbara Tucker (nee Taylor), Patricia Maud, Elisabeth Boag, Mavis Fénelon, Wendy Hare, Kathryn Seagrave, Lesley Murgatroyd, Heather Otton (nee Pitkethley), Diana Simpson (nee Herrington), Nancy Mullins (nee Hart), Mary Harding (nee Wilson), Dr Wynne Spring-Rice (nee Lennard), Kirsty Cooper, Jenny Woods, Margaret Guthrie, Judy Wilson.

Agenda item	Minutes
	Welcome – Sally Blyth
Minutes of Previous Meeting (96th AGM)	Held Monday, 12 June 2017. Accepted as correct: Moved Sally Blyth, Seconded Ro Bellamy. Passed.
Matters arising	Nil.
Correspondence In/Out	Apologies as listed Moved that correspondence be accepted as tabled: Moved Sally Blyth, Seconded Julie Goodyer. Passed.

Treasurers Report	Treasurers report read by Julie Goodyer. Attached as Annexure A. Moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted Julie Goodyer, Seconded Mary Hall. Passed. Silver Road badge to be presented to Bridgette Sullivan-Taylor - absent therefore badge will be posted.
Archivist's Report	Donna Corse Scott read Archivist's report on behalf of Christine Black. Attached as Annexure B. Moved that the Archivist's report be accepted Donna Corse Scott, Seconded Julie Goodyer. Passed
Principal's Report	Principal Lorraine Pound read the Principal's Report. Attached as Annexure C. Moved that the Principal's Report be accepted Lorraine Pound, Seconded Lynley Sheweiry. Passed.
Co-Presidents' Report	Lynley Sheweiry read the Co-Presidents' report on behalf of Co-Presidents Sally Blyth and Lynley Sheweiry. Attached as Annexure D. Farewell to Fiona Cottam, Donna Corse-Scott and Bridgette Sullivan-Taylor. Moved that Co-Presidents' Report be accepted Sally Blyth, Seconded Lynley Sheweiry. Passed.
Election of Officers and Committee	Sally Blyth and Lynley Sheweiry – Co-Presidents; Julie Goodyer - Treasurer; Virginia Bishop – Secretary; Patricia Milner - Staff Representative; Rosemary Bellamy; Mary Hall; Margi Leech; Katharine Collins; Annise Raea, Rachael Banbury; Student Representative to be confirmed. Moved that all nominations for the Officers and Committee be accepted Sally Blyth, Seconded Julie Goodyer. Passed.
Honorary Memberships	Heather Ash - citation read by Julie Goodyer. Sarah Stenson - citation read by Patricia Milner. Christine Black - citation read by Rosemary Bellamy. Flowers and Certificates presented to Heather and Sarah. Flowers and Certificate for Christine to be delivered to her. Moved that all three Honorary Memberships be accepted Julie Goodyer, Seconded Sally Blyth Passed.
Approval of budget for next financial year	2019 budget presented by Julie Goodyer. Attached as Annexure E. Moved that the budget for the next financial year be accepted Julie Goodyer, Seconded Fiona Cottam. Passed.
Appointment of Accountants to Review Financial Statements	Moved that Crowe Horwath Accountants be appointed to review the Annual Financial Statements and Statement of Service Performance of the Association for the 2018/2019 year. Moved Julie Goodyer, Seconded Sally Blyth. Passed.
Proposed Name Change	Discussion around the proposal to change name from Old Girls Association to Alumnae Association. Comments and show of hands reflected a balanced 50/50 split in opinion. More consideration of this issue over next couple of years. Proposal to make the transition after the Old Girls Centenary in 2021 if agreed upon.
Old Girls Centenary 2021	Ideas how to acknowledge/recognise this significant milestone. Planning is underway. Cocktail evening proposed, also a Morning Tea, expanding on the Centenary event. There was a suggestion to make it around family gathering time, e.g. Christmas, Easter.
Meeting concluded	8:25pm
Next meeting	The 98th AGM will be held on Monday 10 June 2019, 6.30pm for a 7pm start.

Archives Report 2018

This will be my last report as Archivist and I will take this opportunity to summarise the history of the archives.

EGGS archives are now 21 years old and have become an established resource within the school.

Founded in 1997, with a partnership between the Board of Trustees and the Old Girls Association, the archives began in a small room off the library.

The archives opened four hours a week, as it has continued to do, and I have been the Archivist for most of that time. A quantity of historical material had been retained by far-sighted staff over many years and the archives began with a useful collection, including a full set of School Magazines, almost a full set of class photographs, all the Admission records, a good selection of uniforms and badges and a range of other material.

This was a much better foundation than many other schools and has contributed to the excellent collection that is now available, which is stored properly and able to be accessed. As I commented this time last year, the archives was able to usefully support the Centenary in a number of ways.

The archives have had two further locations;

- 1) About 2002 they moved to the old staff preparation room upstairs near the Hall.
- 2) In 2015 they moved to the current location in AC1 (the single-storey wing built 1946)

The archives now have a display/research room and an office with storage. The main part of the collection is still located upstairs in the old photocopy room. Donations of historical material are ongoing but this has become a small quantity and mostly items already acquired. However, surprises continue! And unseen and unique items occasionally arrive.

Research using the archives continues mostly from within the school, staff and students. Genealogical research by family members is undertaken occasionally. Most enquires for information now come by email and this allows for efficient replies and a useful way of having ongoing conversations with those making contact.

My vision for the future would include;

- a greater amount of information and photographs available through digital sources;
- more contact between the students and the archives.

I would like to conclude by saying how much I have enjoyed my time as Archivist, watching the collection grow and be enjoyed by the school community.

The support from Old Girls has been wonderful and I have had interesting and challenging questions from lots of you, most of which have been answered!

I have particularly enjoyed the contact I have had with so many Old Girls through the years who have told stories about their time at EGGS, assisted with naming class photographs and come to visit the archives with donations.

Christine Black
Archivist (retired April 2018)



Co-Presidents' Report

This is our second year sharing the role of Co-President; we enjoy working together, dividing the many and varied tasks and balancing our strengths and are pleased to present our Co-Presidents' Report for 2017/2018.

We'll start by acknowledging the OGA Committee. We meet as a group every two months – which is not too onerous, but there is no doubt that taking on a task or joining a sub-committee involves a lot of work behind the scenes and in between those meetings. Thank you for the work you've done throughout the year, for the Association, for the School and for the students.



The close of 2017 marked the end of the School's Centenary year. Our next big anniversary is the OGA's Centenary in 2021. Planning is under way on how we will mark the occasion and we'll let you know more on this further down the track. The main event will be a cocktail evening. If you're interested in helping on the Centenary Sub-Committee, or have any ideas for the event, please let us know.

Various reunions have taken place over the past year. This year's Morning Tea in April was a huge success and was followed by a Reunion Luncheon for 1957 and 1958 third formers. These are always uplifting events and this year was no exception, despite weather chaos and power cuts across the city. Thankfully there was power and calm at the hostel, where these events were held. And great food and laughter.

There was a reunion in Sydney last year to mark the Centenary, which Principal Lorraine Pound attended. We are really keen to expand our international connections and generate reunions in far flung places if we possibly can. As well as reconnecting with Old Girls, we also really enjoy supporting and liaising with current students, who always get involved with great enthusiasm and polish.

FOUNDERS' ASSEMBLY

On Tuesday 19th June, the OGA will have the pleasure of honouring three past students as Founders of the School at a special Founders Assembly.

This year's recipients are:

- Diane Morcom CNZM & CVO – For Outstanding Achievement in Public Service
- Frances Loo – For Outstanding Achievement in Business and Community Service
- Daisy Lavea-Timo – For Outstanding Achievement in the Arts (Poetry)

It is always wonderful to acknowledge special Old Girls who have achieved highly in their chosen fields and this year's recipients certainly fulfil the criteria, across three different domains. We look forward to welcoming them to the School next Tuesday.

COMMUNICATION AND MEMBERSHIP

Our newsletter, which comes out three times a year and goes to more than 6,000 Old Girls, continues to deliver news about current happenings within the school and OGA and is our main form of communication. Julie has edited this for a long time and has now handed over the reins. We have taken them up initially and it goes without saying that there is rather a lot of work involved in writing and compiling the newsletter. If you have stories and information to share, please let us know. We also run a Facebook page and send out regular emails so that all Old Girls are informed of news and events.

GRADUATION DINNER

The 2017 Graduation Dinner for Year 13 leavers was held at Ellerslie Events Centre on 29th December. Donna Corse-Scott has organised this event for the past few years, in association with the Year 13 Deans, and we want to really thank Donna for her efforts, and also for fine-tuning all the various parts involved in bringing it together. It's always a grand occasion and a highlight on the calendar. Not only is it a memorable evening, when the girls and their families celebrate the end of their high school education, it also raises much-needed funds for OGA so that we can continue to give back.

Last year, in addition to the OGA Scholarships awarded to three girls, we also awarded some special Centenary Scholarships, funded jointly by OGA, the School and the Chenery Trust – five to students and five to teachers. There was also the presentation of a special Tongan Scholarship. The recipients were all truly delighted. Planning for this year's event is now under way ...

COMMITTEE PLANNING WORKSHOP

On 4th November 2017 we held a Planning Workshop to help us determine the OGA's Purpose, Vision and Strategies moving forward. It was a productive session and a great opportunity for Committee members to engage beyond the usual OGA business and agenda items. The workshop was facilitated by Co-President Sally Blyth and Committee Member Katharine Collins and generated excellent discussion.

We intend to hold a second follow-up workshop at some stage during this year to define our Vision and flesh out the strategies and actions. Any feedback is always appreciated. Meanwhile, here is a brief overview of the outcomes from this first workshop.

Our Purpose: To grow lifelong School connections

Our Strategies (Goals):

- GROWTH – Sustainability and Progress
- CONTRIBUTION – Supporting Alumnae and the School
- ENGAGEMENT – Communication
- LEGACY – Past, Present, Future
- WELLBEING – Enhancing lives
- EVENTS – PAST and FUTURE

In addition to Centenary celebrations, we've also organised several other very successful events.

On 28th August we ran a Film Evening at the Rialto Cinema showing the Gaylene Preston film "My Year with Helen" which documented a year in the life of Helen Clark in her role with the United Nations. It was a well-supported and fun event, sponsored by Craig's Investment Partners and Aria Park Arvida Retirement & Care. We'll be running another Film Evening this year on 3rd September and it is sure to be another wonderful event. Thanks to Virginia Bishop for organising these fantastic events.

On 4th December 2017 we held a Reunion for all past recipients of the Kathleen Mandeno Scholarship. It was very well-attended and a great opportunity for everyone to meet each other. We did a roll-call and each woman spoke briefly about their career and life's journey and how receiving the scholarship had assisted them. The Scholarship Trust was set up in July 1993 by Jill Mandeno, with the assistance of Dame Judith Potter, in memory of her mother Kathleen Davies. Each year, the Trust provides a Scholarship for a 7th Form student to attend university to study a mathematics or science-based degree. It was wonderful that both Jill and Judith could attend this Reunion event and it was a very relaxed and truly inspiring occasion. Thank you to Julie and Jill for driving this.

Our next event is the "Women In Law Function" to be held here at the School on the evening of Wednesday 27th June. This is an occasion for Alumnae working in the legal profession to get together – a great networking and mentoring opportunity for Old Girls in all areas of law. We will also be honouring the late Dame Augusta Wallace. Many thanks to Julie Goodyer, Dame Judith Potter, Heather Ash and Fiona Ryan for bringing this event together. We're certain it's going to be an enriching occasion for all who attend.

We intend to hold more of these sorts of functions into the future. If you have ideas or would like to be involved, please let us know!

OSTEOPOROSIS PILOT PROJECT

Throughout last year, a small group has got together on various occasions to explore the possibility of bringing information about the importance of bone health into the school curriculum. Osteoporosis is a condition that can be avoided through good early nutrition and knowledge gained at a young age and we feel it's vital for all young women to be informed of this. On 27th November, alumnae Professor Jill Cornish, Dr Susannah O'Sullivan and Chris Gill, who work in this field, gave an informative presentation at RFAC which was really well received. Hopefully some of you managed to get to it.

Under the guidance of Jill, Susannah and Chris, and with input from relevant School staff, an outline plan is being formulated as to how a pilot project can be run within Epsom Girls. It is dependent on funding and various avenues are being explored in this regard. This is an exciting and ground-breaking collaboration and we're very pleased to be involved with it.

EPSOM HOUSE SCHOLARSHIP

Every year, the OGA offers a Scholarship to an Epsom House student. This is currently generously sponsored by Compass Group, who do the catering at Epsom House, and we really appreciate this ongoing support.



Applicants must have a strong family connection to EGGS and should be a girl who would benefit from attending EGGS either for sports or academically or for social reasons. This year, for the first time, the Scholarship has been awarded jointly to twin sisters, Anna and Kate Leader, who came to EGGS from Pukekohe Intermediate School. We attended their prizegiving and presented them with the Scholarship. What a lovely occasion it was. Both girls show all the attributes we are looking for and the family were thrilled. We'd love to see more applications come through for this Scholarship – please do spread the word.

THANKS

It's fair to say that just about all of the Committee members have faced trials and tribulations over this past year or two – but despite health, family, personal and work setbacks and challenges, we have all soldiered on and kept the OGA ticking. We've coped with broken bones, surgery, illness, death, disruption and more – makes us realise now, more than ever, what a resilient lot we are! There are always many people to thank but we'd like to single out two in particular this year who are stepping down from the Committee.

Donna Corse-Scott

Donna attended EGGS from 1983 to 1987 and came on the Committee in June 2012 when her daughter started at EGGS. She organised a very successful Reunion of 1983 third formers in 2013. One of Donna's main roles on the Committee has been organising the Graduation Dinner which she has done brilliantly for last two years. Donna has refined some of the processes and introduced a number of new touches to make the event extra special. There are many layers involved in organising this event and Donna has done a fabulous job bringing all the various pieces together.

Donna returned to University as an adult student to complete her BSc in Psychology and was capped last year. Congratulations Donna! Donna is stepping off the Committee to enable her to take a more active role on the Committee of her youngest son's school. We will miss you, Donna. Thank you for all your input through the years, especially for Grad Dinner. You are welcome back any time!

Fiona Cottam

Fiona attended EGGS from 1973 to 1977 and was Head Girl when the Senior Common Room was opened by the Governor General. She coordinated a very successful reunion for her year group in 2014. She has been on the Committee since 2007, first as Staff Representative when she was Deputy Principal at EGGS – a role she held for eight years – and then she stayed on as an Old Girl when she left EGGS to take up a position at Botany Downs Secondary College. Fiona is currently Head of Senior School and Deputy Principal at St Cuthbert's where she began her teaching career. Fiona has also taught at Dio and Sacred Heart College and was the first full-time female classroom teacher at Auckland Grammar School. It's an illustrious teaching career indeed. All this, combined with her busy life as an active member of Auckland Land Search and Rescue, and involvement in the world of baroque music, does not enable her enough capacity to give the time and energy she would like to the Committee, so she has decided to step down.

Fiona has always been a voice of wisdom and reason and we'll really miss your clear-thinking and ability to make sense of just about anything and everything! Thank you Fiona for all you have done over so many years.

Acknowledgement – Bridgette Sullivan-Taylor

We'd also like to acknowledge Bridgette who came on to the Committee in 2016. Alas, it has been tricky for her to attend meetings as they clash with her busy work schedule at Auckland University and the juggle of three young children. Bridgette will take a break and is keen to re join the Committee at a time when she is able to get to meetings and contribute her time and skills. Bridgette, we look forward to welcoming you back when that time comes, especially as you will have daughters attending the school in the not too distant future.

Meanwhile, we'd like to present you with a Silver Road Club badge. (Julie to present).

Thanks to all the Committee members, especially:

- Tric Milner, our staff rep, who works tirelessly in so many ways;
- Virginia Bishop, who is so full of energy and enthusiasm and great ideas that it takes our breath away;
- Julie Goodyer and Kirsty Cooper, who take care of our finances and accounts so well – they are a great double-act!
- Annise Raea, who has been doing a great job with our Minutes – she has certainly got to grips with the many things we do in a short space of time and is a willing and capable member of the team.

Thanks also to all Old Girls for your support and encouragement – we always enjoy hearing from you and meeting up with you. We look forward with anticipation to another great year.

Per angusta ad augusta
Sally Blyth & Lynley Sheweiry
Co-Presidents 2016/2018

Principal's Report

Co-Presidents Sally and Lynley – thank-you for the opportunity to report to the Old Girls Association here tonight at the 2018 Annual General Meeting. It is a real pleasure to report on the previous year.

I reported on the Centenary at this time last year, so won't go back into detail, but just to say again how good the collaboration was of the OGA and the School to make the centenary year a very happy time of celebration. The Graduation Dinner last December was a very successful occasion. The OGA's commitment to this event is appreciated by all.

2017 NCEA results of 92.3% at Level 1; 96.6% at Level 2 and 91.1% at Level 3 are a real credit to the students and to their teachers. Students gained a total of 88 Scholarships across 21 different subject areas (81 Scholarships and 7 at Outstanding level).

High NCEA endorsement rates also mean that a large number of students have been able to meet the full range of university rank score requirements.

We are also very pleased that, once again, more than 40 tertiary financial scholarships were awarded at last year's senior prizegiving.

During the second half of last year we conducted a communications review and I know the association also sent out a tailored comms survey to your membership. A major finding of the review was the need for a new website and we are now underway with that project. We will work closely with your committee on association content once we get to that stage. We are also in the midst of a uniform review, and the feedback received to date has been very worthwhile.

This year we have continued our involvement of increasing numbers of alumnae in careers talks for students – women alumnae pilots, to lawyers, to business women. The students really appreciate hearing about their working life journey and experiences.

I know that we will hear more about this later in the meeting but I would like to acknowledge the significant contribution that Sarah Stenson has made to Epsom Girls Grammar School in the sixteen years that she has been here as Deputy Principal. Once again – congratulations Sarah – we will miss you but are all delighted for you on this well-deserved appointment to Kelston Girls College as Principal.

In building projects the second pod – Manuka – is well underway at Epsom House – part of the redevelopment of boarding facilities spearheaded in the time of Sally Dalzell and continued under Sarah, who has been closely involved with both pods' design and construction.

The redevelopment of L Block is due to start in December and I can recommend the Women in NZ Politics fundraising event that will be in the RFAC on the evening of 30 July – Jeanette Fitzsimons, Chlöe Swarbrick and Tessa Berger – in discussion with MC/interviewer Rawdon Christie.

The Founders Award assembly is next Tuesday and I would like to thank Sally, Lynley, Tric, and their committee in anticipation of what is a wonderful annual opportunity to recognise alumnae who have made such significant contributions in their fields.

Per angusta ad augusta
Lorraine Pound
Principal





Jan Martin, Carolyn Guthrie, Sally Blyth, Margi Leech & Julie Goodyer



Singing the school song



Lynley Sheweiry, Sally Blyth, Sarah Stenson & Tric Milner



Lorraine Pound, Gae Griffiths & Heather Ash



Sally Blyth & Donna Corse-Scott



Ehlin Young & Rosemary Brock



Sally Blyth & Fiona Cottam



Brenda Perry & Dora Green



Virginia Bishop, Lynley Sheweiry & Sally Blyth



Julie Goodyer, Sally Blyth, Heather Ash & Lynley Sheweiry



Leila Corban & Robyn Bridgman

Treasurer's Report

Last year, 2017, was the EGGs Centenary year and the Old Girls Association worked closely with the School to hold a very successful week of Centenary celebrations in the week of 5 April 2017. Fortunately for me, as Treasurer, the financial side of the Centenary events was largely handled by the School which meant a lot less work for me as Treasurer.

The OGA did handle the bookings for the special interest group events including collecting the registration payments and scholarship donations towards the very successful Tongan Centennial Dinner which was held at Sorrento on the Thursday night of the Centenary week. The OGA also managed donations and payments that allowed bookings for complementary tickets that were made available to some of our volunteers who were working at the evening Centenary Dinner and Centennial Cocktails events. The Centenary themed events continued throughout 2017 and the OGA also held a number of other functions in the financial year from 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018.

These included:

- Founders Awards Assembly;
- Group booking to Film Festival showing of My Year With Helen movie;
- Film Night fundraiser at Rialto to see the My Year With Helen Movie prior to its official release;
- 2017 Graduation Dinner at Ellerslie Event Centre in November;
- Reunion of Kathleen Mandeno Scholarship winners in December.

The Graduation Dinner was a well-attended and successful event and we made just over \$3,700 profit on ticket sales after expenses. We also had good memorabilia sales of over \$2,000 at the Graduation dinner. We presented 5 Centennial Graduation Scholarships of \$600 each at the dinner (which included one Scholarship donated by the Tongan alumnae) and we presented the Head Prefect with a Graduation ring.

Being the Centenary year last year the focus of our fundraising was on Centennial Scholarships. We applied to the Chenery Memorial Trust for a grant of \$5,000 towards scholarships which we were successful in receiving and combined that with fundraising from our Film Night fundraiser and other Funds from the 90th Jubilee that we had invested for the Centenary to enable us to donate \$10,000 to the School. The School was able to augment this allowing 10 Centennial Scholarships of up to \$1,400 to be awarded for the Centenary. These were awarded to 5 staff and 5 students. These scholarships enabled the recipients take part in an extracurricular course or learning experience.

Special mention must be made of the generous sponsorship we received for our Film Night Fundraiser from:

- Claire Dower, Advisor, with Craigs Investment Partners of \$2,500 and from
- Aria Park Rest home owned by Arvida Retirement and Care of \$1,250.

We are also still holding \$1,000 donated from our Tongan alumnae to go towards the planting of Centennial tree which will be coordinated with the upgrade of the historic Quad area.

We did not sell our OGA memorabilia stock at the Centenary events as the Centenary committee designed the lovely new Centenary memorabilia. We still generated some income from OGA memorabilia sales at our Graduation dinner including from the sale of the Centenary Silver charms made for us by Pascoes. Owner Anne Norman is an Old Girl of the School. Since the end of the Centenary celebrations the OGA has paid \$2,100 to take this stock over from the School. We also purchased new Memorabilia stock in the form of EGGs OGA Key Rings at \$2,449.

We still made our regular donation of \$3,000 to the School towards School prizes and \$1080 for our Old Girls Association Service Awards of \$30 each for the junior school tutor group leaders. The number of these awards varies each year depending on the number of tutor groups but totals approximately \$1080 each year.

The sponsorship we have secured from the Epsom House caterer Compass Group for the OGA Hostel Scholarship again paid for the \$2,500 Hostel Scholarship so we did not have to withdraw this payment from the Scholarship capital fund corpus and income. You will recall that back in June 2016 we invested our Hostel Scholarship fund of then \$26,040 in the EGGs Foundation's Forsyth Barr fund. As at 31 March 2018 the investment value was reported as 29,166 which is the amount reported in our YE 31/3/2018 Statement of Service Performance. The EGGs Foundation acts as a bare trustee for the OGA in facilitating this investment and reports to us quarterly on the value.

We also donated \$3,000 to the School in the YE 31/3/2018 towards the cost of running the EGGS Archives. As of the end of Term 1 2018 our Archivist Christine Black has retired so the committee will be discussing how best to apply this donation moving forward.

We still have 9 Old Girls signed up to our Silver Road Donors Club. These generous Old Girls are forgoing the cost of a cup of coffee per week and donating a monthly amount of at least \$10. Most have now been running for over 12 months and have received their limited edition Silver Road Club badges. These badges are presented to anyone who continues their Silver Road Club donations for 12 months or makes a donation of \$120 or more per annum. We have one new Silver Road club badge to award to Bridgette Sullivan-Taylor.

Last year after the AGM Kirsty Cooper offered to help me with the monthly accounts. She runs a business using Xero and since June our accounts have been coded in the Xero accounting format. It has been a learning curve for both of us working out the best coding system and doing the first lot of YE accounts in Xero but we expect things will be much smoother this year. We are into the third year of the new Charities format of Statement of Service Performance but still require a lot of support with the completion of the form from Crowe Horwath who review our accounts.

We decided to stay with a review only of our accounts again this year as the School ran all the Centenary accounts and the justification to pay the higher audit fees versus review fees did not seem to be there.

The review costs for this year are still \$3,840 which reflects the extra work interrogating the move to Xero accounts format - last year they were \$2,334. The assistance we have had from Crowe Howarth again this year has been most helpful in finalising our accounts in time for the AGM. Now that we are into our third SSP reporting year we have to report on our actual performance as well as complete the budget for the current year and include the previous year's figures.

If anyone would like to talk to me about further assisting or taking on the running of the OGA's financial matters see me after the meeting.

The OGA owns the trustee company EGGS OGA Trustee Limited that is a trustee of the Endowment Trust that manages to Kathleen Mandeno Scholarships. Jill Mandeno has transferred a share portfolio to the Endowment Sub-trust and it is on the way to being self-sufficient in funding the Kathleen Mandeno scholarship. Currently Sally Blyth and I are the directors of the trustee company.

In summary if you are looking at the Statement of Service Performance it shows that the OGA's total Bank accounts and cash at the end of the financial YE 31/3/208 has gone down by \$12,761 on the previous financial year. That reflects the use of long term funds from the 90th Jubilee that were held for Centennial scholarships and the extra expenses during the Centenary year. Are there any questions about the accounts?

I move that the Financial Statements and Statement of Service Performance for the year ended 31 March 2018 as reviewed by Crowe Howarth are accepted.

Julie Goodyer
Treasurer

MAKE SURE YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS ARE IN THE OGA LOOP

If you know of someone who is not receiving correspondence
but would like to keep in touch, please let us know.

Contact us via email: oga@eggs.school.nz

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Statement of Service Performance

"What did we do?"

For the year ended

31 March 2018

Description of the Entity's Outcome:

During the year ended 31 March 2018 Financial Year, the Association's Committee was mainly involved on the School's Centenary Committee organising with the School, the Centenary events held from 5 - 9 April 2017. It also awarded 3 Founders Awards to high achieving past students and brought these women back into the school to speak to the current students at a special assembly. It financially supported the continued provision of the School Archivist who is herself an Old Girl. A filmnight fundraising event was held. A Graduation Dinner was also held for the 2017 Year 13 leavers. The Committee also held a planning workshop and conducted a survey of its members. In addition to its regular donations for School prizes, the Association contributed to additional Centennial Scholarships this past financial year.

Description and Quantification (to the extent practicable) of Entities Outputs:	This Year	This Year	Last Year
	Actual	Budget	Actual
Donation for EGGs Archivist's expenses	\$3000	\$3000	\$5000
Donation towards EGGs School prizes and year 9 and 10 Service Awards for 2017 prizegiving	\$4080	\$4080	\$4080
5 Graduation Dinner Scholarships awarded at \$600 each (4 OGA Scholarships and 1 Tongan Alumnae Scholarship)	\$3000	\$3000	\$1200
Contribution to 10 Centennial Scholarships (5 for students and 5 for staff) funded jointly by OGA, the School and Chenery Memorial Trust	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0
Tongan Alumnae Centennial Scholarships (4 for: Art, Sport, Junior, Senior)	\$1300	\$1300	\$0
Donation to Fiona Wu as sponsorship of Miss NZ competition entry	\$200	\$200	\$0
Donation to putting Headstone on Grave of Sophia Stoddard	\$500	\$500	\$0
Hostel Scholarship of \$2500 towards fee (awarded to a 2017 year 9 hostel student). The OGA has currently secured sponsorship to cover the cost of this scholarship from Compass Group, the Epsom House Hostel Caterers	\$2500	\$2500	\$2500
Annual Morning Tea and School Tours followed by 70 years on and 60 years on Luncheon	None due to Centenary	None due to Centenary	One held
Founders Awards Assembly - three recipients	One held	One	One held
Annual General Meeting - three Honorary Memberships awarded in 2017	One held	One	One held
Newsletters	Three published	Three	Three published
Social Media - Linked In, Facebook page and EGGs Centenary page updated weekly and OGA website Tab on School website updated after each newsletter is published	Social Media	Social Media	Social Media
Graduation Dinner	One held	One	One held
Group Booking to Film Festival Showing My Year with Helen at Civic	One held	One	None held
Film Night - My Year with Helen at Rialto	One held	One	One held