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Dale Manson (right), President of the Roseworthy Old Collegians Association congratulates recipients of prizes awarded by the Old Collegians at Roseworthy's Graduation ceremony on Friday, 6 April. They are from left, Ray Farrelly, Best Contribution to Sport; Sonia Ronson, Dux of Natural Resources Management and Lisa Sergeev, Second Aggregate in the Bachelor of Applied Science in Agriculture.

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President's Report



Graduation Day

It was my pleasure to be a guest of the College at the 1990 Graduation ceremony earlier this year.

All 170 graduates were a credit to the College, and I am certain that future graduates coming from the Roseworthy Campus of the 'new' Adelaide University will be no different.

ROCA supported the graduating students with three prizes:

- **Sonia Ronson** *Gold Medal*
Dux of Natural Resources Degree
- **Liza Sergeev** *Old Students' Cup*
Second Aggregate, Agricultural Degree
- **Ray Farrelly** *Old Scholars' Trophy*
Best contribution to College Sport

Aboriginal Graduates

Of particular significance this year was the graduation of the first two Aboriginal students from RAC.

With the College's 100 year history in the provision of training in agriculture, winemaking and natural resource management, it was pleasing that Peter Peckham and Bruce Tilmouth were able to Graduate from **Roseworthy Agricultural College**, rather than a campus of the Adelaide University.

Bruce Tilmouth obtained a Degree in Natural Resource Management, and is now Deputy Chairman of the Central Lands Council at Alice Springs, while Peter Peckham, who graduated with an Associate

Diploma in Farm Management, now has a management position with the Bureau of Rural Resources in Canberra.

I applaud the College's initiative at inviting prominent Aboriginal spokesman, Charles Perkins BA. AO, to be the occasional speaker at this historic graduation.

Amalgamation

Discussions with the Adelaide University Alumni are proceeding extremely well.

It is anticipated that the joint body will be in place at the start of 1991.

I can guarantee that after this date, there will still be an organisation in place within the overall Alumni body, to look after the interests of Roseworthy graduates.

AGM and Dinner

I would like to extend a cordial invitation to members and non-members alike to attend our AGM Dinner and BBQ at the College on the weekend of 22 - 23 September.

Limited accommodation is available (single rooms) at the College on the Saturday evening.

During the weekend, the two ROCA Honour Rolls will be unveiled, and the upgraded "Roseworthy Old Students" grandstand will be open for inspection.

Please book early to assist with the catering and accommodation arrangements.

College Fund

I am pleased to report that donations to date are nearly to the \$3,000 mark.

As donations are tax deductible, we are not permitted to specify a use for the funds, however the College administration has indicated that they will be directed to the reconstruction of the grandstand.

Dale Manson
President

Merger of Roseworthy Agricultural College with The University of Adelaide

The following information is provided as general background on the merger between the two institutions:

- The merger will take place as from 1 January '91.
- Roseworthy will become a campus of the University of Adelaide.
- The new faculty incorporating Roseworthy Agricultural College and the old Faculty of Agricultural Science at the University of Adelaide will be known as the Faculty of Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences.
- The University of Adelaide Alumni Association (hereinafter 'UofAAA') represents past students in a similar manner to ROCA.
- Each faculty of the University is entitled to be represented by a Chapter (subbranch) of the Alumni.
- The existing Agricultural Science faculty has recently formed a Chapter.

The executive of ROCA, in response to the resolution at the last Annual General Meeting, negotiated the following merger terms with the UofAAA. The proposal will need to be ratified at our Annual General Meeting on the 22 September 1990. The terms and conditions are as follows:

- Roseworthy will become a non-voting Chapter of the UofAAA.
- ROCA will have a representative on the Board of Trustees of the UofAAA.
- No member of ROCA will be required to pay any fee to the UofAAA.
- ROCA's assets will remain the property of the ROCA Chapter.
- Life members of ROCA at the time of the merger will be entitled to join the UofAAA at a discounted rate (\$700 for life membership, \$35 for annual membership).
- The UofAAA secretariat has agreed to provide administrative support on a fee for service basis.

- Each year, ROCA members will receive 1 or 2 copies of Lumen, the Uof AAA newsletter.
- At this stage no name has been decided on for the Chapter.

In providing this information we seek a response from as many as possible on your attitude to the proposed merger arrangements as set out above. This information will be collated and tabled at the Annual General Meeting before any vote is taken.

Could you please fill in the coupon below, cut it out and return to either the President, Mr Dale Manson, 8 New Era Avenue, Murray Bridge SA 5253 or the Vice President, Mr Barty McFarlane, 167 Flinders Street, Adelaide SA 5000.

Name: _____

I approve the terms and conditions of the merger negotiated on the Association's behalf.

I do not approve of the terms and conditions of the merger negotiated on the Association's behalf.

If you do not approve, could you please indicate your reasons and in particular what aspects of the proposed merger concern you.

"My role after the merger"



I am pleased to confirm that the Council of The University of Adelaide, at its last meeting, agreed to establish a consortium of the universities of South Australia to market the State's higher education overseas in an integrated manner.

The Council agreed also that I would be seconded from the University to the position of Executive Director of the consortium from the beginning of next year.

Finalisation of these arrangements is subject to the agreement of the other higher education institutions, firstly to the establishment of the consortium, and secondly to my appointment in it.

I welcome this opportunity, but I will leave my direct association with Roseworthy Agricultural College with regret. The next few months will be exciting ones as the merger with The University of Adelaide is brought to fruition, and I will continue my best endeavours to maximise the College's opportunities in its new configuration.

I extend my thanks to all members of the College for their work on the College's behalf while I have had the privilege of being the College's Director.

BARRIE THISTLETHWAYTE
DIRECTOR of RAC

Work Experience

If you are farming please consider adding your details to the list of potential providers of work experience for RAC students. Let Graham Brookman know if you are interested.

Farewell to Roseworthy

On the evening of 1 December 1990, a massive party to mark the passing of Roseworthy Agricultural College will be held in a marquee at the College. All Collegians and their spouses will be welcome to join with past and current staff and students for a dinner/dance with entertainment never before seen. A 60/40 band will provide music for those old Collegians still capable of a gallop around the dance floor. Organise a table of your friends now. Ideas for special entertainment will be welcomed by Kym Melders, Graham Brookman, Paul Evans or Graeme Lavis at Roseworthy.

1990 Reunion Groups

The **TEN** year group includes all who received awards in March 1980, and will be coordinated by Michael Michelmore, 10 Richardson Cres. Pt. Augusta 5700.

They are looking for help to contact courses other than Agriculture. Any starters, please contact Michael.

The **TWENTY FIVE** year group will be coordinated by Richard Campbell and Richard Fewster, 40 Anzac Highway, Everard Park.

The **THIRTY** year group are looking for a few of their members. See separate item.

The **FIFTY** year group will be coordinated by Jack Reddin and Andrew Michelmore.

The **SIXTY** year group are being rounded up by Harvey Hooper, who hopes to have more than a handful of his era.

Any other groups are welcome to have a 'get-together'. Lets know if you need any help.

Roseworthy College Fund

Many ROCA members may remember this fund by another name. The change has become necessary in order to ensure that all donations are tax deductible. To date, nearly \$3,000 has been raised by ROCA members as a donation to Roseworthy Agricultural College. The College administration have indicated they intend utilising the funds to improve the grandstand and change rooms at the oval (see floorplan).

If you wish to make a donation to this fund please send your cheque made out to 'Roseworthy Agricultural College' to ROCA c/- RAC Roseworthy SA 5371.

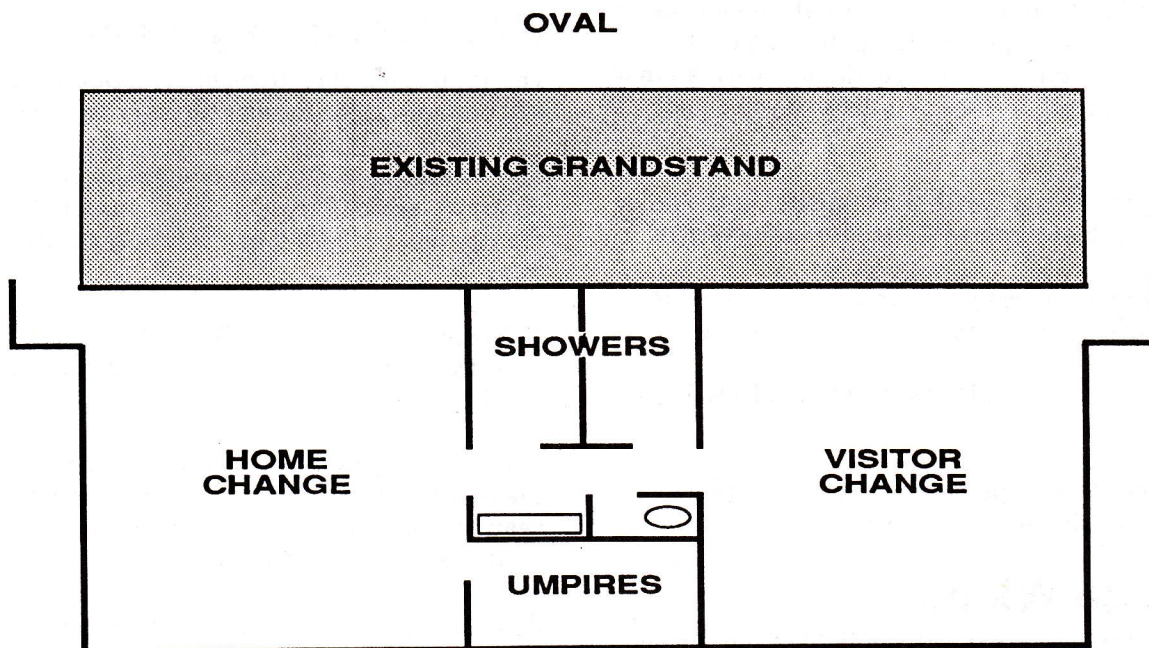
Please donot specify the grandstand in your donation.

The College will issue an official receipt which ROCA will forward to the donor.

Thank you to the following people who have already made donations to the fund:

<i>B. C. Eastick</i>	<i>M. Salter</i>	<i>I. Verner</i>
<i>D. A. Manson</i>	<i>J. W. Reddin</i>	<i>E. L. Wheaton</i>
<i>D. S. Riceman</i>	<i>D. L. Nicholls</i>	<i>R. N. C. Smyth</i>
<i>B. C. Jefferies</i>	<i>S. G. Williams</i>	<i>T. Presser</i>
<i>R. Butterfield</i>	<i>K. J. Mack</i>	<i>K. Bond</i>
<i>K. A. McWhinnie</i>	<i>M. B. Dawkins</i>	<i>M. C. C. Cotton</i>
<i>M. L. Gramp</i>	<i>P. B. Clark</i>	<i>D. Rendell</i>
<i>A. G. Summers</i>	<i>R. P. Haensel</i>	<i>A. C. K. Beviss</i>
<i>K. Holder</i>	<i>D. G. Purser</i>	<i>T. Codd</i>
<i>W. A. Michelmore</i>	<i>E. V. Cowley</i>	<i>J. D. Habel</i>
<i>A. Newton</i>	<i>H. Hooper</i>	<i>R. J. French</i>
<i>W. R. Stacey & Son</i>	<i>J. Bowering</i>	<i>P. Laffer</i>

Floorplan of the Grandstand extensions



1959/60 GRADUATES (30YR. GROUP)

The 30 year group is looking for a few of their members:

- **Peter Brown**
(last known location - Singapore)
- **G. P. 'Jungle' Fromm**
(last known location - Tanzania)
- **S. L. Tan**
(no known location)

Please contact either:

Ian Mosel,
22 Seaview St. Fullarton SA 5063
Telephone (08) 795306 (H) (08) 3546111 (W)
Leith Yelland,
72 Moseley St. Glenelg SA 5045
Telephone (08) 2952036 (H) (08) 2167922 (W)

ROCA Badges

Membership badges are available again and YES, you guessed it! ...the price has risen to \$12.00 for the 'saw pierced' type and \$6.00 for the plain badge which now comes in two styles - either pendant or with a pin on the back. The pin has a safety lock so you do not lose it.

The badges are 'gold' with pink enamel in the outer border with black enamel lettering in the centre.

The 'saw pierced' badge has the medal around the central RAC removed to give better contrast.

Order yours from the Digest editor, Andrew Mich-
elmore.

Please specify 'saw pierced' for \$12.00 or 'plain
pendant' or 'pin on back' for \$6.00.

College Wines

High quality wines are still available from the winery. Ring, write or call in and tell the staff ROCA sent you and you can taste before you buy.

News from Members

Martin Cochrane (1968) has moved to Sydney and is researching family history and renovating a 'Terrace'. His wife, Golda, is working with the Department of Agriculture & Fisheries.

Martin corresponds with **Laurie Spencer** who graduated from Roseworthy in the '20's. Laurie was a Group Captain in Singapore after the Allied Reoccupation. He then settled in Devon where he had an apple orchard. He has asked Martin for information about RAC, with particular interest in the dairy, poultry and old swimming pool sixty years ago. Perhaps he will join ROCA and get on our mailing list.

Contact:

Martin Cochrane
5 Hordern Parade, Croydon NSW 2132

Laurie Spencer
'Longacre' Wiggaton,
Ottery St Mary, Devon EX11 1PY United Kingdom.

RAC Open Day 1990

The 1990 Open Day, to be held on Sunday 14 October will be the last for Roseworthy Agricultural College. The day is well into its planning stages and promotion will begin in the next few weeks. Major sponsor for this year are Farmers Union and the theme for the day will be 'RAC Open Day ... a naturally good day'!

The popular Roseworthy Open Day's will continue from 1991, but as The University of Adelaide, Roseworthy Campus.

The day will give old scholars the opportunity to see the new buildings that have been completed this year, the new dairy, the \$2.7m Library Resource Centre and the new CFS shed.

Roseworthy will be present at the Royal Adelaide Show again this year with the University of Adelaide stand in the Jubilee Pavilion.

Obituary

Ken Hayman graduated 1943, Dux of his year, and returned to the family farm at Cummins. He took an active part in local activities, and help re-open the Cummins branch of the Agricultural Bureau which he served for several years as Secretary and as President.

Ken was a most successful and respected farmer in the Cummins district, and was elected as a Member of the Advisory Board of Agriculture which he served for more than ten years with two years as Chairman. He did the major work of gathering information for the book "One Hundred Years On The Land" - the history of the Agricultural Bureau in South Australia.

He was an active member of ROCA, helping with the annual reunion on Eyre Peninsula, and in recent years, after retirement to Adelaide, as EP representative on the ROCA Committee. He was also a foundation member of ATA.

We extend our sympathy to his wife Beryl and family.

Frederick von Doussa graduated in 1930 and worked in the Mt Barker district for a few years before going to the South East where he farmed in the Wattle Range district until his retirement to Robe. He died on 4 April 1990, aged 80 years. We extend our sympathy to his family.

William Keith Tamblyn graduated in 1912. He enlisted in the 10th Battalion in 1915 and saw service at Gallipoli and in France. Keith returned to Renmark where he worked his fruit block until his retirement some years ago. Keith's many friends in ROCA extend sympathy to his family.

Reunions

Reunion Weekend

The reunion weekend will be held at Roseworthy College on 22 - 23 September 1990.

Program:

Saturday 22 September (RACSUC Tavern)
5.00pm Annual General Meeting.
7.00pm Dinner.
Award of Merit presentation.
Unveiling of ROCA Honour Rolls.
10 & 25 year reunion groups.

Sunday 23 September (RAC)
am Inspection of College (bus tour).
12.00 BBQ lunch
pm Winery Sales.
Inspection of ROCA Grandstand.
College Inspection (bus tour)

Cost:

Saturday evening dinner will be \$20.00 per person. BBQ on the Sunday will be \$6.50 per head (children half price). Single room accommodation is available at the College on Saturday evening at a cost of \$18.50 (bed and breakfast). The number of available rooms is limited, so early bookings will gain preference.

Please make your bookings on the invitation included with this Digest.

Please return your bookings to:

Dale Manson

8 New Era Ave., Murray Bridge SA 5253
Telephone (085) 32 5624 (home) (085) 322266 (DofAg)

Western Australia ROCA Branch Reunion

Following the successful reunion held in Perth last year, members in WA will once again be holding a Dinner and get-together.

This year it will be held on Saturday 14 July at Miss Maude's Restaurant in Perth.

All members in WA are encouraged to attend this year's reunion as it promises to be even better than ever.

For further details and bookings, contact Steve Tidswell at Waroona Veterinary Clinic, or ring either Steve or his wife, Shona at home on (097) 331 447

Eyre Peninsula Group

Meet in Port Lincoln the last weekend in February every year. (enter 23 - 24 February 1991 in diary).

Lost Members

Thanks for the addresses of many of the 'lost' members. Some had shifted to another town; some had married and were getting their spouse's Digest and some found a more convenient Post Office Box number.

Unfortunately, we lose a few each Digest, mainly because members move and forget to let us know. A few members have rang/written and we do not correct the address. Apparently, we make mistakes too, so keep trying, please.

If your address needs to be changed or if you are the one who has to redirect a Digest, please contact ROCA c/- RAC Roseworthy SA 5371.

Can you help with these recent returns?

S. R. Klose, Toowoomba	Max O'Neil, Parkholme SA
K. Favilla, Pt. Moresby PNG	N. Marquis, Pipers Brook TAS
S. J. Dohnt, Woodside SA	Ian Donald, Toowon
P. L. Jones, Hobart TAS	D. M. Appleton, Walkerville SA
R. C. S. Durant, Naracoorte SA	J. K. Tidswell, Adelaide SA

Change of Address

Name _____
Address _____

Course attended _____ Year _____

Old Address _____

1990 Graduates

Welcome to ROCA. We hope that we can help you maintain contact with RAC. Please let us know your address so we can keep you posted with information from Roseworthy. One year free membership is extended to all new graduates.

1989 Graduates

Your free membership will entitle you to this Digest. Use the application form (below) to ensure continued contact with your College and friends made at Roseworthy.

Annual Members

Accounts will be forwarded, but please send your subs now if you have not paid. This will save postage!

Why not become a Life Member? It is good value at \$40.00

APPLICATION FOR ROCA MEMBERSHIP

I wish to join Roseworthy Old Collegians Association Inc.

Name _____

Address _____

Course attended _____ Year Graduated _____

Cheque herewith: _____

\$40.00 Life Membership/\$5.00 Annual Membership

ROCA Committee

Elections are an essential part of an Annual General Meeting, and the ROCA Constitution states that nominations can be received at the meeting only if no nominations are received in writing prior to the meeting.

Please return your nominations to:
ROCA Secretary, c/- RAC Roseworthy SA 5371.

1989/90 Officers

1990/91 Nominations

President: Dale Manson
Vice Pres: Bardy McFarlane
Immed. Past President: Peter Lewis
Secretary: Jack Richards
Treasurer: Peter Fairbrother
Grad. Year: Ray Farrelly
2-10 Years: Geoff Stanhope
Paul LeLacheur
Cheryl Kernick
Ordinary Mem: John Hill
Locky McLaren
Harry Stephen
EP Rep: Jack Richards
SE Rep: Alan Richardson
David Brown
Digest Editor: Andrew Michelmore

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