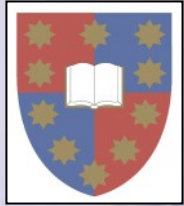




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An occasional
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Greetings from the Club

Welcome to the very first publication of *In Situ Posuit* - an occasional newsletter of the Public Schools Club. That Latin phrase roughly translates as “set in position” and it may be seen on the foundation stone here at the historic Bragg residence located at 207 East Terrace, Adelaide.

Since 1960 it has housed the Public Schools Club, which is pleased to extol the life and work of William Henry Bragg and his son William Lawrence Bragg - who jointly shared the Nobel prize for physics in 1915 for their pioneering investigations concerning x-ray crystallography. Their discoveries are foundational to modern science.

In the above picture, William Henry Bragg is seated at the right (with moustache), and also seated is young William Lawrence Bragg, here at East Terrace in about 1902. The Club is greatly privileged to occupy their residence.

While much has changed since Professor Bragg resolved to build the premises for his family, many original features persist. What we refer to as the Library in the house was in fact the Bragg study. There he did some of his key work.

Today the Public Schools Club continues the ethos upheld by William Henry Bragg, who noted famously that:

The most important thing in science is not so much to obtain new facts, as to discover new ways of thinking about them.

Imagine him gazing across the parklands and dreaming of a better world in which science will benefit humanity, as new ways of thinking are freely and openly explored.

Perhaps the Public Schools Club will provide for you and any group to which you belong, a fresh opportunity to discover new ways of thinking. Consider the Club facilities to be at your disposal for such purposes.



Club happenings

At a Special General Meeting held in September, Members re-affirmed their ambition to obtain a redevelopment proposal to help secure our future.

Informal meetings of Members have occurred in recent times, under the able leadership of newly elected Committee member Grant Cooper. Matters are somewhat delayed because architect Steve Grieve is overseas currently. It is hoped that a development report will become available in the new year, and it will be provided to Members.

In other developments, Club caterer Michael Crossley received a Five Star rating for excellence in food hygiene, after a recent un-announced inspection by Adelaide City Council. He continues to serve a very high standard of fare.

At the Annual General Meeting held on 28th October, Members elected a new committee which has met as often as weekly in recent times, with a view to helping the Club achieve full potential. Our Treasurer Keith Gustavsson FCPA is very pleased to report that we are on target with budget and expect to make only a quite modest loss this year.

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*They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old.
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun, and in the morning,
we will remember them. Lest we forget.*

Club members and supporters gathered alongside the flagpole for a Remembrance Day event at the Public Schools Club on 11/11/2016

Pausing to remember

At the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month, Club Members and supporters paused in solemn remembrance of those who served in time of war, and especially those who paid the ultimate sacrifice.

Retired Army Lieutenant Colonel Nick O'Connor recited *The Ode of Remembrance*, while Club President former Private Chris Ashton manned the flag pole.

The flag properly should be flown one banner's depth below the peak so as to indicate the temporary triumph of death over life, said Chairman of Committee David d'Lima.

"That provides room for the 'Black Ensign' - the imaginary Flag of Death," he noted.

"Then comes one minute of silence, denoting the soldier asleep in death, awaiting the playing of *The Rouse*."

At that point the flag is to be raised vigorously to the peak, to denote the triumph of life over death, by faith in Christ, he explained to the meeting.

After the commemoration, Member and supporters enjoyed traditional military favourites, including fish in beer batter, roast lamb, and bread and butter pudding.



Giving at Christmas



Bearing in mind the Club's educational heritage, the Committee has resolved to run a special Christmas project each year, with an educational and philanthropic aim.

Since a number of people in the Club are well acquainted with one of our Honorary Members (Michael Musale from Kenya) it was recently decided by the Committee that our Christmas project would help raise money for the building of an additional classroom in the school he runs for impoverished children, in the city of Turbo, West Kenya.

Eighty children who may be very poor, orphaned or HIV positive are fed, clothed, educated and encouraged by Bishop Michael's school - mainly funded from supporters here in South Australia and also in Perth.



Pictured above are children at the school, who are given hope through supporters in Australia. Also pictured above is Bishop Michael Musale addressing a dinner held by Club President Chris Ashton recently. To support this project, please credit the Club account 024 506 140 [BSB: 105 148] giving the reference: "Christmas gift". Thank you kindly!

The Club Committee extends to Members and supporters a very merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.