

1999 saora newsletter



The Paynter Painting



Elsin Paynter (Holgate), Catherine, and her son.

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Mrs Nelson, Catherine Paynter and Val Beaumont at the Heritage tea presentation to the school of Catherine's painting



Rose Garden Revitalisation

The Rose Garden outside Founders' Hall is in need of regeneration and replanting. Donations from SAORA members and a bequest from the former Art Teacher, Mrs Meggy Jack, are being used to upgrade the Rose Garden and Kats Courtyard.

Old Girls who would like to make a contribution towards this project will be acknowledged with a plaque. Please send your donations to SAORA, P O Box 2737, Parklands, 2121. South Africa.

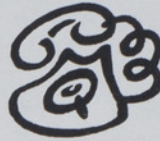


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1998 Matric results

Congratulations to the class of 1998!

Roedean has always been proud of the academic achievements of its girls. However, the 1998 Matric results seem to have topped even the achievements of those "giants of old".



4 girls achieved 7 distinctions
1 girl achieved 6 distinctions
4 girls achieved 5 distinctions
5 girls achieved 4 distinctions
6 girls achieved 3 distinctions

8 of the new old girls will be studying medicine this year and several have been accepted into overseas universities.

Your Committee and their duties in detail for 1999/2000

In the event of you corresponding with SAORA, please address your mail for the attention of the person concerned, c/o SAORA.

Task	Details	Person Responsible
Secretarial	Minute Secretary	Jean Merry
	Organisation of Meetings	Jean Merry
	Mailings and correspondence	Sasha Martalas & Jilly Frew
Financial	Treasurer/bookkeeping	Janet Saner & Jo Beverage
	Bursaries	Janet Saner, Val Beaumont & Frances Barbe
Shop		<u>Julia Pienaar</u>
		Xanthe Williams
		Jane Fauciglietti
		Jenny Shorten
		Veronica Devonport
Membership	Directory	Jean Merry
	Births & Deaths	Helen Norman
	Grandchildren Lists & Marriages	June Smith
Events		Val Beaumont
	Heritage Tea	Val Beaumont
	Cocktail Party (Old Girls with children at the school)	Wendy Floquet
	Jumble Sale	Caro Sands & Jane Fauciglietti
	Matrics and new Old Girls	Val Beaumont, Janet Saner & Frances Barbe
Representation	Foundation Day co-ordinator	Wendy Floquet
	School Board	Janet Saner & Frances Barbe
	School Trust	Sasha Martalas
	PTA	Julia Pienaar
Services	Archives	Amanda Furber
	Reporter and Photographer	Amanda Furber
	Newsletter	Samantha Louis
New Project	Recognition of Old Girls achievements	Val Beaumont & Sandra Woodhead

Jean Merry



Caro Sands



Amanda Furber

President's Report

Val Beaumont

The SAORA has had another busy and successful year.

Bursaries

The bursary programme is currently fulfilling an important need. The Dorothea Campbell Music Award has not been made this year as there was no pupil judged to be deserving of it. Happily, the bursary fund is still strong and we are in a position to assist anyone appropriately identified as requiring a bursary. Despite suggestions of using these funds for other purposes, we felt it prudent to preserve them at this stage to build up reserves. In the mean time, our financial position has strengthened enormously.

Donations and Gifts

This year we were able to make a magnificent contribution to our girls, and the school. Many of you were present at the Heritage Tea when the painting by old Roedeanian, Catherine Paynter, was donated to the school. The painting adorns the walls of the new Technology Centre. Catherine has done a wonderful job, enriching the school with the talents that the school helped to foster in her as a young girl.

Committee

Once again, I have had the most wonderful support from a very hard working committee. It is real pleasure to work as part of such a willing and capable team and my tendency to delegate has paid off handsomely - certainly as far as I am concerned.

We currently have 15 members on the Committee:

- ✓ Sasha Martalas
- ✓ Jean Merry
- ✓ Sandra Woodhead
- ✓ Gilly Frew
- ✓ Samantha Louis
- ✓ June Smith
- ✓ Amanda Furber
- ✓ Janet Saner
- ✓ Helen Norman
- ✓ Xanthe Williams
- ✓ Maryon Goodwin
- ✓ Frances Barbe
- ✓ Julia Pienaar
- ✓ Caro Sands
- ✓ Val Beaumont

Sasha Martalas - our new
Vice President



Pat Brink - senior mistress
for 10 years, now an
"honorary old girl"

The composition of the committee needs to be addressed as Maryon Goodwin has unfortunately decided to devote her energies to her son's school and is resigning from the committee. Maryon was the Vice President and Sasha Martalas will take over from her in this capacity. A special thank you to Sasha for accepting this responsibility.

Four new members have been nominated - Jenny Shorten, Jo Beverage, Jane Faucigletti and Veronica Devonport. Whilst it is not essential to have so many members on the committee, we are finding that more and more of us are heavily committed to careers and we value all the help we can get. I suggest that we ac-

President's report Continued

cept these new committee members onto the committee with a view to training them up to eventually take over from current committee members.

It is opportune to thank both Maryon Goodwin who leaves the committee now and Angela Lloyd who left during the year, for their generous contribution of time, effort and especially caring, to this association and the school.

The work done by the committee this year includes:

- ♦ Successfully running the **second hand shop** and thereby contributing both to the school and our funds.
- ♦ Organising an annual **cocktail party for old girls with daughters at the school**. The Cocktail party this year was a great success and hence our decision to hold it annually in the future. It is certainly of benefit to current old girls who are parents to identify and know one another.
- ♦ Running the annual **jumble sale** which brings in a substantial amount every year.
- ♦ Keeping the **archives and directory** current. The directory will once again have a major revamp after today's meeting. We are fastidious about recording any notification we receive and ask you to keep us informed of any changes.
- ♦ Our annual **newsletter**. This never made it onto the web last year but I hope it will happen this year. It does worry me that such an important component of our association is enjoyed by so few and I would still like to see everybody on an automatic subscription basis. We received a wonderful response to our request for news - whether this is the changed format or not I don't know but it is really exciting.
- ♦ Organising **Foundation Day** and the **Heritage Tea**, our two main meetings each year.

It is no mean task organising our various activities and on behalf of all of you I would like to thank my strong and enthusiastic team.

Representation: We are well and ably represented in all facets of the school life. Janet Saner and Frances Barbe represent us on the School Board; Amanda Furber represents us on the School Trust; Maryon Goodwin attends PTA meetings on our behalf. I have found the close contact I have had with the Headmistress very rewarding and I value the involvement that I have had with every aspect of the school's activities.

Memorabilia: Since introducing the memorabilia a few years ago, the concept has made a definite contribution to our funds. Perhaps it is time to think of something new to add to our range and I would welcome any suggestions

Rose Garden

The school has decided to go ahead with redoing the Rose Garden outside Founders Hall. We have received some donations to support the project. Perhaps we can still squeeze a few more rands out of you today for this worthwhile cause? We look forward to seeing the results of Anne Lorentz's labour.

In conclusion I believe that we have been successful in achieving our aims and objectives this year as described in our constitution by:

- ♦ Keeping contact between the school and the old girls
- ♦ Rendering assistance to members of the association
- ♦ Supporting the school in every way

I look forward to the year ahead.

Valerie Beaumont (Scorer)

Our sincere thanks and farewell to Angela Lloyd

Just prior to her retirement from both the School Board and the SAORA Committee, Angela went to a great deal of effort researching the background to all of the treasures in the School Chapel. She has produced a document which is made available to visitors with interest in history who from time to time visit the Chapel. A copy of this most interesting text is reproduced here.

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THE CHAPEL

A text for visitors

This chapel is a treasured sanctuary, endowed through generations with beautiful gifts of all kinds, offered in loving memory, or in gratitude and affection. It is open from early morning until evening, a place in which to pray, or simply sit quietly; a place in which to give thanks for the gifts of life and love, in which to consider the living, and remember the dead.

The present main entrance to the chapel is on the north side, near to the altar. Looking to the right, it is at once apparent that the building has two distinct sections, one higher than the other. The lower part, in which the altar stands, is the more recent, and was added to the first building in 1958. The original chapel is reached at the top of the central staircase. This little building faced the other way: At the top of the stairs is a brass memorial plate which was once at the entrance, and the doors at the very end conceal the first altar with its embroidered reredos showing Christ the Good Shepherd under the text in Ancient Greek, BOEKE TA HPOBATA MOT ("Feed my Sheep"). The old altar niche, thus enclosed, has become a small vestry.

This earlier part, which is now the upper chapel, was first planned in memory of Nancy, the daughter of Mackie Niven, a well-known figure in early Johannesburg, who was involved in the fiasco of the Jameson Raid, and was chairman of the Stock Exchange in the fateful year 1899. Nancy was a pupil at Roedean from 1906 to 1913. In 1916 she helped to found the Diocesan Girls' Hostel, which gave a home to underprivileged girls for the next 40 years. Nancy married Maurice Carver, who founded the Ruzawi Preparatory School in Marandellas, Rhodesia. She died there in 1928 after the birth of her child. Designed by the architect Leonard Fleming, this first Roedean chapel was dedicated by the Bishop of Pretoria on 9 December 1934.

From its first beginnings as a little fabric with a beaten earth floor, no seats, and mere holes for windows, it has been built up, equipped and adorned in countless ways by Roedeanians, their families and friends. Doors, lights, pews, hassocks - all were gifts. On the south wall of the lower chapel, opposite the main entrance, is a bas-relief stone plaque (after Donatello) commemorating Nancy Carver. Below it is an aumbry of brass inlaid with enamels, which came from the chapel in the Girls' Hostel that Nancy founded. The Van Deventer family has greatly endowed Roedean. Two chairs in the sanctuary area near the altar recall that Titia served as sacristan here, and her little sister Marietjie, who died tragically while in the Junior School, is commemorated in a window of glowing red roses in the upper chapel. The distinguished painter Maud Sumner was a pupil at Roedean in the 1920's. Her Virgin of the Annunciation hangs on the south wall of the lower chapel, while opposite it is her Head of Christ, given in memory of her friend and contemporary Lucy Sutherland, who became a leading academic and Principal of Somerville College, Oxford. These are but a few specific examples.

The flag hanging on the end wall of the upper chapel is the white ensign from *H.M.S. Sondra*, the whaler converted to minesweeper that was adopted by Roedean in the Second World War. (The school supplied this gallant little ship with clothing, sweets, cigarettes, books and records throughout the war, and each member of the crew had a Roedean correspondent.) The School Bell, which tolls 22 times at the beginning and end of each day

(for the 22 original pupils) and once for each girl in the school at the beginning and end of each term, also came from *H.M.S. Sonda*.

A brass plaque on this same wall, the other side of the door-niche, enshrines the ashes of Ella le Maitre, Headmistress of Roedean from 1934 to 1959. Ella loved the chapel. Deeply religious herself, she saw it as the centre of the school's life. Girls in her care found her simple Sunday evening services, with her inspired sermons, unforgettable. There are other memorials to her, given by those who remembered her with love and gratitude: the three windows opposite the main entrance in the lower chapel, showing Faith, Hope and Charity, **and** recalling Ella's frequent readings of the great passage in St. Paul. Another window shows St. Catherine of Alexandria, patroness of young women and of scholars, with her emblem the spiked wheel of her martyrdom.

Other saints look through at us from beautiful windows in both the upper and the lower chapel: St. Agnes, by the upper entrance door, St. Joan in the south wall, St. Andrew to the north of the altar, with St. Francis nearby. St. Anne, in the organ-niche, instructs her daughter the Virgin Mary, while in the wall opposite is St. Clare of Assisi, friend and follower of St. Francis. St. Ursula's window shows her in her traditional pose, sheltering young people under her cloak, and St. Cecilia patron of musicians appears in a window dedicated to Dorothea Campbell, born Niven and Nancy Carver's sister, who trained as a musician, and served Roedean on staff, Board and Trust for much of her life.

In the upper chapel there are several wooden plaques carved in bas-relief by young black artists, who were pupils at the Rev. Ned Pattersons African School in Pietersburg. The Deposition panel on the north wall is by Israel Kuaho, aged 19 years, in Standard 1. There is also a notable Hail Mary tondo in similar style, on the south wall, done in 1940 by Job Kekana, who had been taught woodcarving by the remarkable Sister Pauline, a nun at the Grace Dieu Mission. He was to become an internationally renowned sculptor.

In the changes and extensions of 1958, the chapel was swung round, and a new altar built at the east end of the lower chapel. Some years later, in 1965, the original wooden cross and candlesticks were replaced by a cross, candlesticks and "reredos" lettering in wrought iron and copper made by the gifted goldsmith and metalworker Kurt Jobst, who had trained in the Bauhaus era in Germany, but fled from the Third Reich and found haven in South Africa. The words were chosen by the girls: I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS EVEN UNTO THE END OF THE WORLD.

Visitors to this beloved place, so full of cherished memories, may like to stay awhile, and reflect upon those who have worshipped here, and perhaps recall the words of Sir Thomas More in his last letter to his daughter Meg "Pray for me, and I shall pray for you, and all your Friends, that we may merrily meet in Heaven."

(Researched by Angela Lloyd, 1998)

THE ROEDEAN PRAYER

Almighty Father, we pray for Thy blessing upon this school, and our sister school in England. May whatsoever things are true, pure, lovely and of good report forever flourish and abound in them. Preserve to them an unblemished name, enlarge them with a wider usefulness, exalt them in the love and reverence of all their members, and use them as instruments to Thy glory. Through Jesus Christ our Lord Amen.



L-R: Angela Lloyd (Read), Val Beaumont (Scorer) and Maryon Goodwin (Hearn) at Angela's farewell luncheon.

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We welcome our new old girls ...

Presenting the class of 1998

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Blaire Bartholomew
 Louise Bennetts
 Natalie Buchanan
 Davina Dickinson
 Christine Gibson
 Hayley Goodwin
 Razina Laher
 Claire Lamb
 Sarah Lambert-Porter
 Alexia Leitich
 Kerry-Ann Louw
 Nomvuyo Mafunga
 Emily Middleton
 Deborah Pearce
 Palesa Ramodibe
 Sarah Schoeman
 Shereen Seedat
 Palesa Semenya
 Kate Walters
 Odette Weedon
 Sarah Wainwright
 Stacey Whittaker

MATRIC 2

Catherine Bell
 Vindana Chibabhai
 Wei-Chieh Chiu
 Christine-Marie de Villiers
 Michelle Dunlop
 Cindy Feng
 Victoria Grulke
 Samantha Kretzschmar
 Natalie Le Clezio
 Samantha Martin
 Mandisa Mzizi
 Taryn Rochat
 Carol Roos
 Sachelle Ruickbie
 Claudia Schmidt
 Nicolette Solomon
 Vanessa Son
 Faradane Spence
 Aparajita Tayal
 Taryn Thorpe
 Alexandra Ward

MATRIC 3

Marie-Inez Botha
 Lianne Cox
 Jenna Crawley
 Kim Czerniak
 Caroline Davidge-Pitts
 Shaeera Essop
 Ada Fraser
 Patricia Hime
 Emma Leighton-Morris
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 Belinda Lo
 Victoria McFarlane
 Serai Ogle
 Naledi Rasekoala
 Alexandra Schudel
 Geraldine Snow
 Precious Taeli
 Mbali Thubisi
 Katharine Turner
 Reeshika Vallabh
 Gina Wessels
 Kirsten Whitworth

65 new girls in total!

CONGRATULATIONS



Marriages

Kathy Williams to Peter McCloy in February 1999.

Josephine Stegmann married Andrew Beverage in January 1999.

Susan Crouch married Hugh Hart in June 1999.

Births

To Vivien (Paynter) and Roger Saadia, (Paynter) a son, born on December 17, 1998

To Pamela Robinson (Smilg), a daughter.

To Jacqueline Berger (Smilg) a son, born on November 30, 1998.

To Alison Munroe (Sandilands), a son, born in August 1998.

To Cassy Basset (Holliday), a daughter, born in March 1998.

To Richardine Domnick (Perdikes), a daughter, born in October 1998.

To Sarah Walters (Hamilton) a daughter, born in 1998.

To Emma Cibras (Deeble-Rogers), a son, born in 1998.

Patricia Mitchell (Sturrock), twin sons, born in June 1998.



Here is the news

1930s

Dawn Haggie (Wentzel) 1933 writes that her granddaughter **Kate** started in the Senior School at Roedean this year. She is still involved in African Self Help though less actively. She wrote a book about the organisation some years ago.

Ida Wolstenholme (Hildick-Smith) 1933 writes that she still sees **Beryl Webster** (Ohey) occasionally. Her chief interest is her four grandchildren and she has a happy time going to football matches and concerts. She lives in East Sussex.

Diana Pentelbury (Webb) 1939 is living in the St James Retirement home at St James in the Cape and would love to hear from anyone who remembers her.

1940s

Karin Iuel (Carst) 1948 is still living on Glenshiel farm and is kept busy looking after grandchildren and doing the gardens at Glenshiel Lodge.

Alison Graham (Brydone) (Hon) of Zimbabwe left Roedean Brighton in 1941. She writes that her mother and sisters were at Roedean in the 1900's. She visited Roedean South Africa for our Golden Jubilee when Dame Tannur came out to visit the school.

Shelagh Stuttaford (FitzPatrick) 1941 visits the Health and Racquet Club three times a week and travels when she can. She keeps in touch with **Barbie Wernli** (Cannon), **Mary Hopkins** (Kemp) and **Pat Reitz** (Herbert) who lives in Hoekwil, Wilderness. Another Roedeanian at Helderburg Village where Shelagh lives is **Naomi Forbes** who left Roedean in the early 1930s. Shelagh's husband, Jack, died in 1997.

Sheila Hepburn (Forsyth) 1943 has three grandchildren in the Junior School - Jessica, Melanie and Gina Ferguson.

Jenifer Hallett 1943 writes, "after having been retired for 10 years, I became very un-retired in 1997 when I was asked to assist in a part-time capacity with an in-service diploma course for pre-primary, primary, junior and senior primary teachers at the Johannesburg College of Education where I previously lectured. My job is to visit students where they are working - which is from Krugersdorp to Katlehong, and Sandton to Soweto in a variety of accommodation from purpose-built schools to halls, garages, churches or shacks. Most students are mature and highly motivated and I am finding my new occupation fascinating and stimulating."

Dr Marilyn Partridge (Phillips) 1949 is still practicing as an Anaesthesiologist in private practice and also helps her husband, Professor Tim Partridge, on his various expeditions.

1950s

Jennette Johnstone (Jones) 1957 writes from Brisbane that she and her husband visited **Nola Goldsmith** (Nailand) and her husband in Sydney, where they live. **Reina Powell** (Albert) 1951 and her husband visited at the end of March when they first visited to Australia.

The three were all close friends at school. She is also planning to see **Elizabeth Dyer** (Hamkin) 1950 is the USA in June.

Patricia King (Kidger) 1952 retired from the University of the Witwatersrand at the end of December 1998 having worked there for 20 years. However, she has since returned in a temporary capacity. She spends Thursday afternoon teaching dressmaking at a Centre of Concern.

Prinia Riordan (Macpherson) 1952 has lived in New Zealand for 29 years. During this time she has worked the agricultural seasons, tobacco, hops, berry fruits, apples and kiwi fruit and studied natural healing. She is now enjoying librarian work, researching the family history.

Here is the news

Adrienne Wedepohl (De Villiers) 1952 and her husband moved to Somerset West from Randburg. To her delight she has found that there are many old girls living in the Western Cape. She writes that "a group of us had a pre-Christmas lunch at the Morgenhof Wine Estate. Present were **Mavourneen Voortman** (McIlldowie), **Brigid Lawrence** (O'Connor) 1952, **Anne Whitelock** (Archibald), 1952, **Jean Archibald** 1956, **Marie Penberthy** (de Klerk) 1955, and **Shelagh Lawson-Craig** (Tomkyns) 1952."

Claire Brown (Anderson) 1952 is living in Oxford and would love to get in touch with old Roedeanians living in France, Spain etc.

Elizabeth Williams (Wingfield) 1953 writes that 1999 will be quite a year for her three daughters. **Kathy McCloy** (Williams) 1982 is Group Media Head at Ogilvy and Mather and was married to Peter McCloy in February. Her sisters were the bridesmaids. **Julia** (1986) visited from Belgium where she has a scholarship at Lauven University to complete her Masters Degree in Architecture at their Post Graduate Centre for Human Settlement. **Susan** (1988) is an Ophthalmology Registrar at the St John's Eye Hospital.

Elizabeth Lane (Bristowe) 1953 is still greatly involved with the Employment Centre NOEL (Norwood Orchards Employment Link). She writes that the "stars" are **Suzanne van Ryswyck** 1988 and **Jennifer Goudemond** (Miller) 1988. Elizabeth and her husband are also editing the Boer War diary of his grandfather, Jack Lane.

Susan Watermeyer (Murray) 1956 is now settled and very happily retired at Erinvale Golf Estate in Somerset West. She writes that it is a most beautiful place to live, at the foot of the Helderberg with a fynbos garden and fine views wherever you look.

Ginny Mettillie (Jacob) 1956 apologised for missing Foundation Day this year. She was on board a ship en route to Cape Town from America. She is lecturing on the ship which will travel up the East

African Coast, through the Suez and on to Athens. She is living in Scottsdale, Arizona.

Brigid Limerick (Murray) 1958 has recently been promoted to the status of Associate Professor at the University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia. She is also Head of the Department of Education Policy. Her sister **Jennifer Kromberg** (Murray) 1956 is an Associate Professor in the Department of Human Genetics at the University of the Witwatersrand. Both sisters have PhD degrees.

1960s

Maeve Franklin (Gain) 1960 has three children (2 boys and a girl) all at university. The family lives in Denver, at the foothill of the Rocky Mountains, and loves it. She writes that she has lovely memories of Roedean and is sorry that she couldn't make Foundation Day.

Heather McEwan (Farquarson) 1960 writes that her eldest son is now at UCT in his second year. He achieved outstanding results last year - Electromagnetism 104%, Classical and Quantum Mechanics 109%, Maths 94% and Applied Maths 94%. He won three class medals!

Elizabeth Howard (King) 1961 is living in Melbourne and working as an Occupational Therapist. She has recently had contact with **Hilary French** (Newth) 1961 and **Sally Payne** (Milligan) 1961. She hopes to be at Foundation Day in 2001.

Hilary Aubert (Mackay) 1966 has been teaching Grade 7 at Herbert Hurd Primary School since 1992. The school is co-educational and has approximately 900 students. In 1997 she became HOD Senior Primary and Head of English, Geography, Monitor System and the Swimming Department. She went overseas in September 1998 and had a wonderful couple of days with **Margaret Grafton** (Richardson) in Wimborne, Dorset.

Here is the news

Hilary Hide (Prince) 1962 is still working as a professional artist. She divides her time between Canada and England with the majority of time spent in Canada with her husband, Peter, and son Michael (18). She continues to visit South Africa regularly. Her mother **Hilda Prince** (Frye) 1931 died in 1998 and her father still lives in Durban. Her brother **Nicholas** (a Junior School old boy) lives in Johannesburg with his wife and 2 children

Yvonne Bennison (Small) 1962 lives in Umhlanga Rocks and was promoted this year to Head of Junior Primary School and Deputy Head of Durban Girls College.

Frances Winckworth (Wells) 1966 is still headmistress of the Nottingham Road Primary School and in spite of the cutbacks has managed to keep the school going and participating in sports and competitions. She and her husband celebrated 25 years of marriage in 1998. Frances writes that **Viv Lindsay** (Smith) 1966 and her husband Rob popped in to visit in August 1998 before leaving for the USA where they are to live for three years.

Dagmar Zavichak 1966 was divorced in 1997 and has reverted to her maiden name. She is running the branch of the "Foreign Link" and is translating Italian and French. She also runs a life improvement centre specialising in injury and stress management and Dianetics counseling. On a part-time basis she is involved with "the Business Doctor" training as a consultant. She leaves for Sydney in 2000 to do her OT5 level in Scientology.

Helena Carrara (Ferrão) 1967 is still living in Geneva with grown up children. The youngest of 3 is nearly 19! She spends a lot of time in Portugal and Italy. She is hoping to finish her first book soon.

Jillian Carman (Barry) 1968 is doing her PhD through the university of the Witwatersrand in the Foundation of the Johannesburg Art Gallery.

Gael Cameron (Crawford-Nutt) 1968 lives in Perth, teaching French. She lives on the beach and has

two daughters, Nikki (23) who works for Coopers and Lybrand and Angeline (21) who is at University studying Primary School teaching. Her son, Carl (16) is still at school.

Jillian Paynter-Paine (Paynter) 1968 married Alan in March this year in Greyton where they have a weekend cottage. She writes that as she has been a Paynter for 47 years she decided to 'hang on' to her maiden name.

Melanie Cooke (Rice) 1968 has emigrated to the USA.

Fenella Trevillian (Macgregor) 1968 is currently a manager in a London Borough Social Services department, responsible for mental health, HIV, drugs and alcohol services. She has two children, Rachel (13) and Phillip (11).

Susan Dey (Jack) 1969 works in the IT business specialising in storage solutions. She has two children. Tamara (19) is studying Musical Theatre at Pretoria Technikon and Michael (13) has just entered high school. Her husband, Rodney, is an office planning and design consultant.

Melanie Hicks (Stuart) 1969 had hoped to be at the 30 year reunion but it was not possible. She would love email at gnu67@dial.pipex.com.

Elizabeth Besseling (Russell) 1969 is practicing as a clinical psychologist in Plettenburg Bay and living just outside Plett in Coldstream with her husband Bernard. She has three children, all over 21 now, 2 living in Vancouver and 1 in Port Elizabeth.

1970s

Monique MacArthur completed four years of nursing training at Greys Hospital in Pietermaritzburg. She passed with distinction and won 2 prizes in her final year. She has a son of 12 and a daughter of 9.

Here is the news

Pippa Schou (MacArthur) 1972 is living in the Cape and teaching at Mickelfield School.

Mary Graham (Lawrence) qualified as a physio-therapist at Wits and spent three years travelling and working round the world. She married Mike in 1979 and spent a further two years cruising on a yacht. She is living in Sheffield Beach on the North Coast and has two children, Stuart (13) and Kate (10).

Maryon Goodwin (Hearn) 1970 writes that **Julia Sursok's** (Girdwood) 1970 son Shaun finished matric (HSC) last year and is going to do a degree in Medical Science. Tammy her daughter is involved in Speech and Drama and has been in many shows in Sydney this year. She loves to sing and act - just like her Mum and Dad. Julia hopes to get more involved in her music this year and hopefully put together a CD. Maryon also has news from **Lesley Heming** (Evans) 1970, now living in Paris, who met up with Janet Burgess (Beilstein) 1970 and her husband in New York. Janet is doing remarkable work on women's issues through the United Nations. Lesley's eldest son, Nicholas, has started Medical School in Paris and Jonathan is hoping to study International Commerce.

Valerie English (Somerville) 1974 is working for IBM in Auckland, New Zealand. They emigrated in January this year. The children, Stuart (10) and Laura (8) say it is just as if they have moved their furniture into a holiday home. They ride their bikes to the shops, to school and to friends and end the day on the beach if it isn't raining.

Alison Delaney (Wardrop) 1974 and her family moved to Cardiff last year. Claire, now 18 and the eldest, got her driving licence and drives her sibling to school.

Liz Mellish (Murray) 1974 is busy completing the research for her PhD at the University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia.

Gael Taylor (Somerville) 1975 has moved from Howick to Curry's Post. She has little black pigs (with curly tails) in the kitchen with the dogs and cows and horses in the field. Her children are at school in Howick, where Gael gives Drama classes at Howick Primary. It is a very social, very happy life - but hard work.

Elizabeth Handley (Swemmer) 1975 has been presenting adult Musical Appreciation courses after leaving a most interesting career as Assistant to an international impresario. These have been great fun and she has met some interesting people including Roedean old girls from other generations for example **Heather Stewart** and **Gillian John** (Hon) (Recently Deceased).

Vivienne Saadia (Paynter) 1976 and her husband Roger had a son, Benjamin, born on 17 December, 1998

Dairne John (Huggins) 1976 has three children and is permanently settled in Australia. She works as a sub-editor at The Age, Melbourne's morning newspaper.

Philippa Sauvenier (Stratten) 1977 is still working for the Johannesburg Stock Exchange although her husband has been working in Mali, West Africa, since July last year. They only see each other every 2/3 months. She found Mali fascinating when she visited in December. She saw **Jane Hutton** 1977 in December as well. **Michaela Carr** 1977 (Pronotto) moved, with her family, to England last year. Philippa still sees **Lesley Morphet** (Adams) 1977 and **Marianne Blunden** (Sharpe) 1977 and a few others quite often.

Sue Adams (Rodwell) 1977 is working at the Endangered Wildlife Trust in Johannesburg, running a group for endangered species of crane.

Lindsay McTeague (Duncan) 1977 tells us, "after living in London for 10 years, the hectic pace of daily living eventually got to us and my husband,

Here is the news

Jeremy and I moved to Glasgow in 1998 where we spent a very happy year living near his parents and renewing friendships." In March 1999 they moved to Lausanne where Jeremy has been appointed Director of Public Affairs at IMD Business School. I am particularly pleased as **Michelle Stoudmann** (Ahlers) 1977 and her family live there so I will have a real friend on the doorstep." Lindsay also writes that she had lunch with **Rosemary Green** (Snow) (Hon) who was headmistress of the Junior School. She has now retired to Edinburgh but spent a long time living near Lausanne.

Pamela Robinson (Smilg) 1979 had a daughter, **Laura Scott Robinson** in September 1998. She is working part-time as a radiologist in private practice.

Anne Crawford-Nutt (1972) is working as Sales Leadership Consultant (Asia Pacific) for National Australia Bank. A keen long distance runner (5 Comrades Marathons) and all local marathons, she gives seminars on Self Management to Business Conference, Stress Management, Change Management and Time Management. She plays golf and is a keen dancer, mainly Latin American and Rock and Roll. She would love to hear from any old Rodeanians in Australia. She is still friendly with **Delia Tonks** (Parnell) 1972 who lives close by with twin sons (12 years).

Marietta Iuel 1981/2 is very involved running Glen-shiel Country Lodge in Haartenburg.

a few years before joining a Human Resources Consultancy. After six years she branched out into her own small business contracting her services back to the company. This enables her to work from home and look after her two daughters **Anna** (3) and **Rebecca** (1). She is married to **Jeremy** a property administrator and they live in **Hilton** - a pretty village with a wonderful community.

Helen Pons (Smith) 1981 is happily settled with **Jonathan** at **Mabula Farm** in Swaziland. She has her hands full with four children - **Emma** (6), **Tim** (4), **Daniel** (2) and **Ruth** (6 months). She is home schooling **Emma** and **Jono** is doing cataract surgery at the local hospital as well as farming.

Mary Ann Dove (Jardine) 1981 spent 10 years working as a management consultant after qualifying at UCT. She now runs her own consultancy specialising in Employment Equity, Performance Management and Staff Development. Married to **Andrew** she has a son **Alistair** (5) and a daughter, **Jennifer** (3). She saw **Carey Haouach** (Duncan) when she visited from Morocco last August. Carey also has a son and a daughter.

Jacqueline Berger (Smilg) 1982 had her second child, **Matthew Scott Berger**, on November 30, 1998. Her daughter, **Megan Leigh** is 2 years old.

Kathy McCloy (Williams) 1982 is Group Media Head at Ogilvy and Mather and was married to **Peter McCloy** in February. Her sisters were the bridesmaids

Heather Auchterlonie (King) 1982 now has a daughter and son and continues to teach Geography at **Brescia House** in Bryanston.

Sarah Hatch (Burrus) 1982 lives with her husband and two children, **Natalie** (6) and **Jason** (4) in Australia. They moved to Sydney in June 1998. She has renewed contact with a number of friends from SA who live there including her sister **Janine Burrus** (1978) and **Anne Hanna** (Morris) 1982.

1980s

Fiona Farquarson (Macaulay) 1981 writes that after school she completed a BA (Hons) at Natal University (Pietermaritzburg), majoring in English and Psychology. She worked in Cape

Town for a year and won a scholarship to York University where she completed a Masters in Medieval Studies. She returned to South Africa where she lectured and taught for

Here is the news

Samantha Louis (Tugwell) 1983 was appointed Director of the South Africa Division of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants in 1998. She also represents the public relations industry on the National Standards Body for Business, Commerce and Management Studies, part of the South Africa Qualification Authority. She keeps contact with **Josephine Beverage** (Stegmann) 1983 who married Andrew in January and **Alison de Villiers** (Wiener) 1983 now living in Somerset West with her husband and three daughters - Katherine, Sarah-Jane and Francis. She writes that **Susan Crouch** 1983 married Hugh Hart in June.

Lynn Soicher (Ushpol) 1983 married in 1995 and has a son, Gabriel, born in August 1997. She works from home doing commercial and retail property broking.

Pamela Dubowitz (Leigh) 1984 is living in England and now has three children.

Susan Morris (Voysey) 1984 writes that **Alison Munroe** (Sandilands) 1984 is married and living in Pietermaritzburg. She has a baby boy, James, born in August 1998. **Cassy Basset** (Holiday) 1984 is married and living in London. She has a baby girl, Roseanna, born in March 1998.

Richardine Domnick (Perdikis) 1985 had a baby girl, Tatiana, in October 1998.

Madame Mihailovich 1985 (hon) apologised for not coming to Foundation Day but she has too many French pupils on a Saturday. She is still teaching French at a college and giving lessons at home.

Julia Williams 1986 visited South Africa from Belgium where she has a scholarship at Lauven University to complete her Masters Degree in Architecture at their Post Graduate Centre for Human Settlement.

Mary Pieters (King) 1986 has had a little girl and was recently appointed Business Operations Manager (second-in-charge) at Sodwana Bay Marine Reserve which, in addition to a beautiful coral reef has the largest camp site in the Southern Hemisphere

Venetia Kerith (Joubert) 1987 writes that she is a fashion/headshot photographer in Los Angeles. She has a degree in Cinema Studies and is working on her own film project - a fiction film of 90 minutes. She also spent time studying at the Sorbonne in Paris and Cambridge in England and has lived in Hawaii and Canada. She loves skiing in winter and surfing in summer. Her sister **Camilla Metzler** (1988) (Joubert) is happily pregnant, lives in Canada and is studying Aromatherapy. She and her husband, David, live in a beautiful home nestled in the mountains and overlooking the ocean. Venetia also writes that **Sarah Cavanagh-Downs** has a child and is very contented living in Australia.

Nikki Wagner 1987 completed her doctorate in Engineering at Wits last year and opened a coal consultancy and laboratory. She is happily living in Bordeaux with her son Joseph (in Grade 1 this year!), her boyfriend and two dogs. She still sees **Phillipa Roper** 1987, and **Francesca de Gasparis** 1987. She also writes that **Sarah Walters** (Hamilton) had a little girl last year and **Emma Cibras** (Deeble-Rogers) 1987 had a son.

Titia van Deventer 1987 is still involved with the family farm and business (mainly the Total filling station and liquor outlet). She was lucky enough to win a trip to France for the World Cup Soccer in 1998 and also a trip to Mauritius in 1999. She had a great time visiting her fellow Rotary Exchange Students from 1988. She hopes to meet up with old Roedeanians on her next trip.

Natasha Monckton 1989 studies French and Italian at UCT. She then went to Europe and taught in Cyprus, England and Sweden. In 1977 she moved to Lusaka, Zambia and started to work at the Baobab Trust School, which was then only a Primary School.

Here is the news

In September 1997 she was involved in starting the Secondary School. She is getting married in August to Anthony Barker.

Susan Williams 1988 is an Ophthalmology Registrar at the St John's Eye Hospital.

Patricia Mitchell (Sturrock) 1988 married in 1996. She had twin sons in June last year - James and Christopher. She is living in Cape Town.

Sue Bainbridge 1985 writes that her sister **Lyn Bainbridge-Lane** 1982 married in 1997 and is living in Johannesburg.

1990s

Sheila Boniface 1990 is currently working in London as Assistant Editor to the publishers Kyle Cathie.

Frances Craigie (Brooks) 1990 Completed her BA LLB at UCT in 1995 and then spent a year overseas working and travel-

ling, returning to begin her law articles in 1996. She married Dirk in April 1997 and this year was admitted as an attorney of the High Court of South Africa.

Harriet Crawford 1993 is currently studying at Lausanne University.

Danielle Gautier 1996 is still enjoying Stellenbosch, studying a Bachelor of Economics. 1999 is her third and last year and she may do an Honours year at UCT or travel to parts of Africa or Europe.

Penelope Jarvis 1997 played Under 21 hockey for Western Province 'B' side and played cricket for Boland Ladies.

Amy Stewart 1997 writes that she took a "gap" year in 1998 living and working in and travelling from London. This year she has resumed her studies, having enrolled at the AAA School of Advertising for its three-year Diploma in Advertising with specialisation in Art Direction.

Natasha Doody-Pestell 1997 is returning for her second year to Rhodes University where she is studying a Bachelor of Economics. She has received a squash bursary and is enjoying being a member of the Rhodes Rowing team.

Kim Czerniak 1998 is studying her A-levels at St John's College and thoroughly enjoying it. She writes that she misses the close relationships she had with some teachers. "They were unique!"



40 year reunion

Forty Years on, the class of '59 attended Foundation Day. Of the 17 girls able to spend the day together only 6 were from Johannesburg while the others travelled from the Cape, Natal and as far afield as England and Australia. Neroli Hansen from Melbourne read the chapel reading for us.

After a most enjoyable lunch and tea we headed off to Jenny Hall's home for dinner. Happily husbands joined in and by home time we all agreed that we had become a better looking group and older and feeble of foot was not for us.

The names of the girls who attended the 40 year reunion were Veronica Boniface; Lyn Bonsma; Pam Borchers; Jill Bronner; Elizabeth Dalhuisen; Rosemary Falcon; Jenny Hall; Neroli Hansen; Joan Hardy; Jane Hulley; Christine James; Patricia MacKay; Gail Peter; Aisne Rasher; Ann Stead; Val Thomas and Di Zehnder.

Jenny Hall



30 year reunion

The cliches "time flies" and the "older one gets the faster time flies" are so frighteningly true! In January while trying to organise our foundation day reunion Shirley Baillie and I found it almost impossible to believe that we could have left Roedean 30 years ago! We decided that in order to celebrate this momentous occasion and to give everyone a chance to catch up on news we would have breakfast at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Sandton on the Friday before Foundation Day. Pat (Tickey) Abraham (Ludwig), Shirley Baillie, Liz Besseling (Russel - flew up from Tzitzikama), Sue Dey (Jack), Pam Durrant (Smith), Di Grenier (Barke - flew out from California), Geraldine Platt (Kirby), Ronwen Matterson (Lewis), Sue Passmore (Ellis Brown), Helen Whitfield (Davis) and Jane Wood (Grimmer) joined us and it was great to catch up on everyone's news. We had phone calls from Anne Dickens (Rohmann), Maureen Ellis (Forrest), Virginia Little (Cross), Caroline Tsilimigras (Sutton), Penny Madden (Milford) who lives in Cape Town, Titch O'Flaherty (Linda Bailey) who lives in Nelspruit, Shirley Wessels (van der Bijl) who lives in Durban as well as from Gillian Antrobus (van Hasselt) and Melanie Hicks (Stuart) both living in England, all giving their apologies for not being able to join us. It was lovely hearing from them and we appreciate their calls and news. We received a letter from Sally Antrobus who was also unable to join us. She and her family live in Texas and intend visiting and seeing the turn of the century in S.A. and thus could not make two trips here in one year but she sent her best wishes. Happily Mary Ritchie (Waddington), Rose Antrobus (Logie - now Headmistress of St. Catherines School) and Gill Eichler (Whiting), who flew up from Cape Town, were able to join us for Foundation Day which we all thoroughly enjoyed. We parted all vowing to definitely meet for our 40 years on - we know from experience that the next ten years will go so quickly!

Pam Durrant (Smith)



30 years on table showing Helen Whitfield (Davis), Sue Passmore (Ellis Brown), Di Grenier (Barke), Patricia Abraham (Ludwig) and Sue Dey (Jack).

L - R: Biddy Snow (Rhodes-Harrison), Mary Ritchie (Waddington), Rosemary Antrobus (Logie), Shirley Baillie, Caroline Tsilimigras (Sutton), Anne Dickens (Roman).
Front row: L - R Pam Durrant (Smith), Jean Managh (Black).





25 year reunion

5 year reunion



From L-R: Francis Rogan, Shelley Biddulph and Eloise Malan.



From L-R: Sarah Christiansen, Nicky Drake and Nicky Durrant.



THREE GENERATIONS IN ONE FAMILY AT FOUNDATION DAY

June Smith (Campbell Begg) 60 years on (1939),
Pam Durrant (Smith) 30 years on (1969) and Nicola
Durrant 5 years on (1994)

SOME FAMILIAR FACES?



Old Girls Deaths:

SURNAME	NAME	MAIDEN NAME	LEFT SCHOOL	DATE OF DEATH
Cook	Eve	Sutter	1948	13.6.98
Knight	Mavis Beryl	Hallamore	1923	5.4.97
Silva	Barbara	Zoellner	1967	Dec 1998
Agnew	Joan	Agnew	1920	1998
Cassidy	Mary	Reading	1924	1998
Yeats	Joy	Dare	1921	? 1990
Fowler	Phyllis	Cox	1934	2.3.99

Our deepest condolences to:

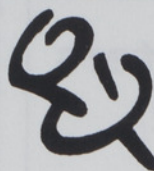
NAME	MAIDEN NAME	LEFT SCHOOL	RELATIVE	DATE OF DEATH
Joan Webster	Wagner	1943	Husband	1998
Hazel Polonsky	Lipschitz	1939	Husband	1998
Tanya Hochschild	Polonsky	1962	Father	1998
Julia Pienaar	Fergusson	1968	Mother-in-law	1998
Anita Nettleton		1966	Mother	1998
Kirsten Otten	Sharpe	1978	Husband	1998
Liz Curry	Matterson	1956	Mother	1998
Sue Jackson	Matterson	1972	Mother	1998
Janet Farrant	Grieverson	1963	Father	1998
Molly Smollen	Raphaely	1939	Husband	1998
Beatrice Bernstein	Barry	1937	Husband	1998
Bev Thorn	(Hon. Member)		Father	1998
Delia Tonks	Parnell	1972	Father	1998
Phyllis Fowler	Cox	1934	Husband	1998
Erica Jankowitz		1973	Father	1998
Gail Breitenbach	Daughter of Vivien Whitten - Matron of Lambs for 10 years			1998

Daughters, granddaughter and great granddaughters at Roedean

PUPIL	DAUGHTER OF ...	GRANDDAUGHTER OF ...	GREAT GRAND-DAUGHTER OF ...
Sarah Ball	Colette Bulterman		
Wendy Beaumont	Valerie Scorer		
Justine and Sarah Bell		Marion Barlow	
Sarah-Jane Blackie	Rosheen O'Meara	June Minnaar	
Leigh, Megan and Michelle Blanckenburg	Lindsay van Reenen		
Jenna Bleloch	Susan Falcon		
Claudia Bleyenheuft		Paddy Brendell	
Emma Boshoff	Paula Joubert		
Gina Braun		Audrey Grange	
Mary Carman	Jillian Barry		
Gabriella Christiani	Judy Wells		
Annabel Combrink	Noel Anne Cheyne		
Stephanie Comper		Marjorie Hornby (UK)	
Catherine Cresswell	Clare Mitchell		
Kimberley Cunningham		Virginia Vale	
Nicola Devonport	Veronica Devonport		
Alexandra and Stephanie Diepering			Annie Barca (ORA)
Katherine Donald		Joan Summerley	
Kathryn and Robin Dreyer	Linda Boyce		
Lianne du Toit		Robin Ransom	
Nicola Duff	Susan van der Veen	Rhoda Knight	
Magdalena Erasmus	Hester de Klerk		
Tessa Erasmus		Nora Hobson	
Natalie-Anne Fauciglietti	Jane Pick		
Jessica , Melanie and Gina Ferguson		Sheila Forsyth	
Anna and Katherine Fitzgerald	Nicola Farnell-Watson		
Roxanne Floquet	Wendy Mullins		
Emma-Jean Gilpin	Sylvia van Heerden		
Emma Glynn		Mevagh Laing	
Georgia Gordan	Marylise MacArthur		
Claire Hahn		Mary Feetham	
Sarah Hallier		Noreen Craib	
Katherine and Jessica Handley	Elizabeth Swemmer		
Kerri and Katherine Harden		Yvonne Lategan	

Daughters, granddaughter and great granddaughters at Roedean

PUPIL	DAUGHTER OF ...	GRANDDAUGHTER OF ...	GREATGRAND- DAUGHTER OF.
Tandi Hatting	Michelle Powell	Reina Albert	
Sharon Hazelton	Margaret Weehuizen		
Tamara Henderson	Hilary Hampton	Bridget Kerr	Madge Bell
Hayley Johnson		Kathleen Power	
Annabel Kimber	Shelley Bennet		
Olivia Kock		Adrienne Waring	Joyce Barlow
Joanne-Kelly Labuschagne	Tania Smart		
Diana and Alessandra Leary		Diana Webber	
Stephanie-Anne Legh	Merylle-Anne Hawken		
Lara Mallen		Rosemary Montgomery	
Tessa and Penelope Matthews		Penelope Mudd	
Davina, Victoria and Jane Mendelson		Joan Jacobson	
Nicola Merry	Jean Snow	Margaret Fouche	Queenie Fouche
Bronwyn Morphet	Lesley Adams		
Alice Nevin	Louise Gordon-Smith		
Paula and Robyn Olsen	Penelope Adair	Jeanette Colere	
Tessa and Lisa Otten	Kirsten Sharpe		
Leigh Anne Phillips	Nicola Wilshire		
Deborah Pienaar	Julia Fergusson		
Victoria Pilcher	Gillian Vincent	Millada Boucek/Diana Martin	
Catherine Reed	Elizabeth Fieldgate		
Cassidy Reid			Eustacie Baines
Penelope, Claire, Gillian and Helen Robartes	Rowena Hersov	Antoinette Herbert	
Chelsea Sanders			Daisy Hamilton
Heather Sands	Caroline Waddington	Joan Hogson	Heath Hudson
Nicola Shorten	Jennifer Marais		
Sarah Shorten	Catherine Crouch	Rosemary Davies	
Paula Somerville	Kathryn Laroque	Sheila Henderson	
Alessandra Tonello	Cheryl Morey		
Monica and Amelia Vernede	Brigid Hamilton-Russell		
Nicola, Tracy and Tiffany Vize	Karen Grobblor		
Elizabeth Wepener	Elizabeth de Klerk		
Xanthe Wessels	Bridget Hahn	Mary Feetham	
Ashley White	Alison Moffitt		
Caroline Whittle	Beverlie Wilson		
Pamela Woodhead	Sandra van de Pol		



Heritage Tea

The annual heritage Tea and old girls General Meeting will take place on the 20th October at the School Technology Centre at 14:30. It will be followed by a presentation of pupils' activities, a stroll around the school including the newly decorated boarding facilities and tea.



Annual Jumble Sale

The annual jumble sale in aid of the SAORA will take place on Monday November 1. Last year we raised in excess of R5000. Jumble can be left at the School Office or contact Caro Sands Tel: 805-2491.

SPECIAL FUNDS

Bursaries

The SAORA maintains several bursary funds for daughters of old girls at the school. These awards are made in confidence and details of the available bursaries can be obtained from Val Beaumont, Janet Saner or the Headmistress.

SAORA Reserve Fund

This fund is maintained at R15 000 and is available to any old girl in serious financial need. Enquiries should be made to Mrs Janet Saner (Treasurer) and will be treated in the strictest confidence.

Reunions - Foundation Day March 2000

Please contact the organisers of your year group if your class is having a reunion as they may not have your contact details.

The reunions for 2000 will be as follows:

70 years on - Class of 1930

Organiser: Lucy Bramwell-Jones (Martineau) Tel: 788-6011

60 years on - Class of 1940

Organiser: Kathleen Vincent (Wallace) Tel: 786-0329

50 years on - Class of 1950

Organiser: Contact Helen Norman Tel: 463-2528 (H)

40 year on - Class of 1960

Organiser: Wendy Floquet (Mullins) Tel: 783-6623

30 years on - Class of 1970

Organisers: Susan Wassung (Clarke)
Tel: 880-8770 & Maryon Goodwin (Hearn)
Tel/Fax: 453-6067 hayley@global.co.za

20 years on - Class of 1980

Organisers: Judy Christiani (Wells) Tel: 706-3012 & Clare Bourne (Whiting) Tel: 787-5227

10 years on - Class of 1990

Organiser: Helen Dagut
Tel: 880-2156(H)
0823361084 788-3788 (fax)

Any other years wanting to host a reunion should contact Val Beaumont to get a class list and details.

