



BLACKTOWN HIGH ALUMNI ASSOCIATION INC
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COMMITTEE REPORT

20 August 2011

The Association has now been in existence for about a year and a half and we now have 105 members and nearly 300 former students on our email list.

The Committee thanks all members and former students for their assistance and interest in the last year. In particular we would like to thank Sue Gurling for her valued assistance as Secretary of the Association for which she held that position.

The finances of the Association disclose:

Account	1 July 2010	30 June 2011	Movement
General Account	\$1,536.41	\$1,843.91	\$307.50
Donations Account	\$431.35	\$451.25	\$19.90
School Building Fund	\$5,374.65	\$5,387.97	\$13.32

The current balance of the accounts is:

Account	1 July 2010
General Account	\$2,033.91
Donations Account	\$451.25
School Building Fund	\$5,397.97
Total	\$7,883.13

The Association had no liabilities as at 30 June 2011 and apart from the liability to the Workers Club for today's event of \$270.00 the Association has no liabilities as at today.

In June 2010 we obtained our Deductible Gift Recipient Status which allowed us to not only operate our general and non tax deduction donation account but also to open a School Building Fund account where donations are tax deductible.

The Committee thanks all members who have donated towards the BBHS Sports Lab. This project has been stalled for a long time. This has been due to an injury to the handyman who did a lot of work on the lab and subsequent fire. The project is fully funded from existing funds of the Association. Recently, the Association received an offer of free equipment to supplement the lab. The Committee is exploring this option with a view to buying any additional equipment to see it set up and operational shortly.

The cost is not expected to exceed \$5,000 even if the Association buys all equipment. A special thanks to Graham Blackman for his assistance with this project.

The Association's website and has continued to attract former students and has assisted in expanding contact with former students and between former students from the same year. The site now has 5,491 hits. The website has been hit 1,636 times since our last AGM on 11 December 2011. Our Facebook page has 123 friends up 13 friends from 11 December 2010.

In July 2010 the Association held our second event at the Blacktown Workers Club which attracted many new faces from both BBHS and BGHS with some from the BBHS 1964 year not having met each other for about 46 years. I believe participants get a lot out of these events.

We are now represented at both BGHS and BBHS graduations and presentation nights. Graham Blackman spoke at 2010 BBHS graduation emphasizing the feelings the boys would feel as they left the school for the last time. Sue Gurling attended the BGHS graduation.

It's pleasing to see that both schools are recognizing the Association and can see the benefits that can be obtained from an association with us. No doubt this will blossom into the future. I thank both principals for their involvement with the Association.

We encouraged leaving students from the schools to sign up with the Association free of joining fee and first year membership fee. This offer resulted in an amazing number of applications from BGHS being over 60 applications.

We have been refining our rules so that we can make life easier for Committee members to do their work by email.

I thank members for their support of your association and I especially thank Committee members for their voluntary work for the Association.

Looking to the future we look forward to continuing to make contact with former students and helping them to be in contact with their mates and to working closely with the schools on projects that improve the educational experience of current and future students of the schools.

Lastly and very importantly I thank those members who have attended this AGM today for their time.

Yours sincerely

Chris Bryett
President.