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It will be a bit of a trip to come back for the reunion but I hope I can make it. Thanks to Garry Watts for making contact. Despite travelling to Pennant Hills/Cheltenham nearly every year for the family Christmas celebrations, there are unfortunately very few people from school with whom I have kept in touch - so it would be great to be able to meet again. As it turns out my father is having a party for his 80th on the same night. I don't know if we will make it before or after but definitely will be there on the Sunday morning. All the best for the re-union.

After having endured a second 6th form (made easier by you lovely people), I left Penno with a love of agriculture, which has remained. My other love, Janet (nee Rush) from Cheltenham Girls High has also remained, now married 25 years ! - where did they go?

After uni (agriculture) in Sydney and Armidale and some years in consulting, accounting, we moved to Albury for a few years (Coopers & Lybrand - like many of you accountants) and finally settling in the western district of Victoria at Warrnambool in the late 80's. Here I lectured in business management at the Victorian College of Agriculture, which has since become part of Melbourne Uni and Janet taught primary - a great way to bring up our 3 kids. Over the years we have done a few stints working overseas in the UK and the South Pacific.

Now we have some acres and pursue our love of horses by breeding, agisting and pleasure riding. Janet has developed into a noted local painter and finds great material in the fantastic land and seascapes down here. For day jobs, Janet still teaches part-time and I now work in regional economic development in the state government.

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(Message from Greg to Bronwyn Edwards)

Well the smoke signals are working. Peter Leszinsky contacted me. Yes, I am very interested in being included. It's been most interesting wandering around what we have all been doing over the years.

A little while ago I toyed with the idea of dragging out my copy of our yearbook scanning all the head shots and posting on the web to see if anyone tripped over the site but what you guys are up to is far more sophisticated.

I still only ever stand behind the camera, so there are no current mug shots

around but I'm doing the pictorial duty for a friends 50th tomorrow so I'll set the self timer on and see what happens.

As for bio stuff I don't know if this is useful or can be turned into anything it runs in basic chronological order and I've left out all the humdrum address changes etc from my earlier wilder days.

Having bombed in maths in the HSC I was determined to pursue a career in the film industry. Landed a job at a film lab (Atlab - Channel 7) where a variety of jobs were tackled, unfortunately, the cyclic nature of the industry kicked in and being last hired I was first fired. Continued on with my photography partnership with Steve Workman and my rise through the ranks of the Australian Citizens Military Forces (now Army Reserve).

By the end of the 70's I had been promoted to Senior NCO (Staff Sergeant) spent some time overseas developing and delivering course in intelligence stuff and when I came back to Oz decided on a career change from photography. Discovered that I could program and went off and did a 12 month course at Sydney Tech.. When the year ended I eventually found a job as a junior programmer for Tandy Electronics. Discovered the dirty side of the DP industry and went freelance programming.

Meanwhile, back in the Army I was invited to take a commission, so after doing the necessary promotion courses was duly commissioned. Now that the system knew that I had a computer qualification I was used to write some very interesting software and be a part of the Army's first administrative computing project apart from my normal work in Intelligence. This finally ended in 1986 so I looked around for a high paying job and discovered computer training. I've worked for a variety of training organisations ever since while continuing on as a contract programmer. I pulled the plug on the military in 1988 due to the then government's decision to cut funding to my area of expertise and I was not interested in a desk jockey position.

In 1987 the chance to learn to glide came up and I did. Then in 1988 a friend introduced me to a girlfriend of hers (Sandra Villanova) who had just returned from the USA where she had been a commercial pilot (among other things). I convinced (conned) her that gliding was great and after witnessing her silky smooth landings we got married in 1990. We live in Lilyfield and have great views of the city and if you stretch there is even a glimpse of water.

I always thought that by the time I cracked 40 I'd be ready for uni so signed up for a Computer Science degree and I'm somewhere in the middle of that degree, majoring in Geology.

Currently I contract lecture for IBM Learning Services for Australasia in a variety of areas but mostly in Object Oriented programming and enterprise systems development using the internet as a backbone.

I also keep my hand in photography by running digital photography and darkroom and digital film and editing classes for UNSW Learn 4 Life division.

Cheers  
Gregory Foulds

PS I'm sure you know but Sydney has just had the worst week of heat and humidity for at least 30 years!

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HI Bronwyn,  
Congratulations, this is a wonderful website! Great to hear of your news, love to hear of your music (you taught me guitar for a bit back then).

The prospect of a 30 year reunion is daunting but fantastic - we will have to appeal to Greg Foulds to produce a photograph of each of us back then to wear so we are recognisable! (Remember those fantastic photos he took during the last term of school?)

And now to sum up life in the last 30 years...

After I left PHHS I studied architecture at Sydney Uni (only took 7 years! ) mixed with a bit of travel through Europe and then Arnhem Land. I won a competition in Pacific Architecture as an undergraduate, so worked in a remote island in the Solomons, then worked as an architect for a year in Sydney before landing a job at the Powerhouse Museum, designing firstly the building (under supervision of real architects) and then moved on to designing the exhibitions.

I worked there for 13 years (!) during which time I also married Adam Bowen in 1984, had son Marty Bowen in 1991, lived in Berlin for a year in 1993 for Adam's work (Kathy Dunesky and husband Nigel Piercey came to visit) , Rome in 1995, and London in 1997 where Marty started school, I taught at Westminster University and Kathy Dunesky and husband Nigel Piercey came to visit! (this time with their 2 gorgeous daughters).

I left the Powerhouse Museum and now have a small design company in Surry Hills called Freeman Ryan Design, we do museum and gallery exhibitions in Australia and New Zealand. There is a (very out of date) website.

We live in Bondi Beach, Adam writes for TV and film and is a broadcaster on local ABC radio. Marty is 12, has just started High School, is passionate about surfing, playing drums and Warhammer.

My life, no doubt like many of us, is a constant juggle of work, remembering to feed the cat, agonising over what to make for school lunch, trying to find something to wear to work (just pick the black again), juggling sport arrangements, sleep-overs, dirty sport uniform the morning we need it clean and so forth but still manage to get to the beach early each morning for a walk, a swim and the salt air.

I look forward to seeing more potted histories hitting the site, then in the flesh in June.....well done!

Best wishes,  
Susan

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