



Class of '61 – Reunion

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Founders Day 2013



The Reunion is over but the memories linger on

A slight drizzle every now and then did nothing to interrupt the annual Selborne College Founders Day event.

It went off like clockwork with all the normal pomp and ceremony: the bugle, the bands, the speeches, the handing over of the key.

Old Boy **Tony Grogan**, a well-known political cartoonist, was the guest speaker and delivered a simple yet powerful message – “Decide what you want to do in life – then do it with determination”. His speech was peppered with political comment and delivered with a simple sincerity. It reflected his inspiring love of Selborne College and South Africa.



The Class of '61 was not hugely represented but Owen Thompson, Peter Turner and I thoroughly enjoyed the event. Jeff Fetting was, of course, very busy with the organization of Founders Day.

We later went on to the Old Boys Club and had lunch and some “medicine”. The Class of '63 who are celebrating their 50th Reunion were also lunching and it was good to meet up with some of the “youngsters” again. Of course the Old Boys pub was littered with a number of the “locals” and it was an opportunity for much “highly intellectual” banter.



Having taken a few doses of our “medicine” Peter, Owen and I resolved to have a “Board Meeting” in the near future and I guess I will have to get in extra supplies of beer and Bell’s. Life is really tough here in East London – work, work and very little play.



A new book on the History of Selborne Schools written by Trevor Webster is due for release in 2014. This is not a rehash of "bearers of the Palm". I suggest you pre-order your copy – go to <http://www.selborne.co.za/images/osa/History%20of%20Selborne%20Schools%20Book%20-%20Pre-Order%20Form.pdf> for details.

No doubt we **did** work together to make it a truly memorable 50th Reunion – after all, it was the only 50th we will ever have! **Only three years before the 55th Reunion – prepare!!!**

Kind regards,

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Class of '63 on the right and some "Oldies on the left (higher res pic attached)

