

To: All OCS Alumni Members via Class Orderlies' Network and OCS Website at: www.ocsportsea.org

PORTSEA STATUE – PROGRESS REPORT No 17



References:

- A. Statue Proposal sent to Class Orderlies for Distribution on 1 Feb 2019.
- B. Email dated 23 April 2020 from Paul Asbury – Call In of Pledges.
- C. Progress Report No 16 dated 25 November 2020.

Organising Committee Members:

Since Reference A was distributed the Organising Committee now consists of:

- Ossie Kleinig ~ OCS Class of Dec '57 and Co-ordinator of OCS Project 2013.
- Paul Asbury ~ OCS Class of Dec '67. Co-founder with Bob de Haas [dec'd] of OCS Alumni and Administrator of the Alumni.
- Terry Dinneen ~ OCS Class of Jun '63.
- Kevin Lunny ~ OCS Class of Dec '64.
- John Wilson ~ OCS Class of Dec '66. President of the Rye RSL and Local Parks Victoria Liaison Team Member.
- Robin McBride ~ OCS Class of Jun '68. With John a Local Parks Victoria Liaison Team Member.

OCS Webmaster:

Rob Murray ~ OCS Class of Dec '72

Finance Sub-Committee:

- ❖ Ossie Kleinig ~ Sub-Committee Chair.
- ❖ John Matthews ~ OCS Class of Jun '78 ~ Finance Sub Committee Member.
- ❖ Geoff Robinson ~ OCS Class of Jun '85 ~ Finance Sub Committee Member.
- ❖ Graham Cobb ~ OCS Class of Dec '65 ~ Internal Auditor.

Now for a Quick Update ~ Work in Progress/Completed

Since the Statue's approval, the following is the current state of play:

Everlon

Everlon has now completed Stage 5 that included the adding of the dark green patina (colouring) to the Statue. Once the Organising Committee gives its final approval to the colour, the firm will commence the final lacquer coating. The Statue then will be ready for delivery to The Headstone Company's Geelong Factory. This delivery is planned for mid to late Jan 2021.

The Headstone Company

John Wilson and Robin McBride, our Local Liaison Team, have advised the work outlined in Progress Report No 16 has been completed and is now waiting for the delivery of the completed Statue from Everlon's Foundry for its final installation. Photos of the Portsea installation work completed to date can be found on the OCS Website at www.ocsportsea.org once our Webmaster Rob Murray inserts it into the latest post.

The “Virtual Unveiling Ceremony” Video

Again, due to uncertainty around COVID 19, the “Virtual Unveiling Ceremony” video has gone ahead. The current situation is as follows:

- As mentioned in Progress Reports No 15/16, Rob Murray our Alumni Webmaster, is well into the production stage of the video for its release on the Website. There are gaps that still need to be photographed or filmed, e.g., both Contractors’ progress works on both the Statue (Everlon) and its installation (The Headstone Company) plus also the “Virtual Unveiling Ceremony” itself.
- Detailed planning has been carried out in preparation for these additions to the video and we are now waiting for the segments to come together.

The Electronic Version of “Loyalty and Service”

As also advised in Progress Reports No 15/16, Neville Lindsay’s Epub Book is also nearing completion with one inclusion to go. It then should be ready for its relaunch, with thanks to both Neville and Rob and others who were, or still are, involved.

Current Situation

While COVID 19 restrictions (now in another state of flux) may again be imposed, future activities still are uncertain. If major changes occur, Members will be kept informed through both the Class Orderly network and the Website.

Financial Report

Since the last report, payments to Everlon (Plaques ~ \$1366.20) and The Bunurong Land Council (Final Clearance ~ \$1320.00) have been made. A donation of \$100.00 has also been received.

Ossie Kleinig

For and on behalf of the Statue Organising Committee

22nd December 2020

THE OCS STATUE ORGANISING COMMITTEE
WISH ALL OCS ALUMNI MEMBERS AND FRIENDS
A WONDERFUL 2020 CHRISTMAS
AND A GREAT 2021 AND BEYOND.



THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT SINCE THE START OF
THE STATUE PROJECT.