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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting was held in the Public Service Club on 10th April. A total of 29 members, partners and a guest attended. Gordon Wilson, Jim Uhlmann, Heather Clarke, Dave Morwood, Bill Eastgate and myself were re-elected to the Executive Committee places previously held. Lee Rogers is the new Treasurer replacing Jim Walls who declined nomination. Jim has given ten years of very capable service to the Association as Treasurer, and as a no-nonsense Committeeman, service that was acknowledged at the meeting by acclamation. Col Taggart was asked to continue as Auditor. A principal item of business was to consider minor changes to the Association's constitution. Briefly the more significant changes adopted are:-

- We are now the **Water Resources Retirees' Association Incorporated.**
- **Serving employees** can be admitted.
- An Honorary member's membership classification now exists for the partners of deceased members. They would not pay subscriptions, nor vote at meetings but would have all the other entitlements of members.
- Applicants for fully paid membership must have been financial up to reaching the age of 75 vears.
- The **Editor** of the Newsletter is to be an ex-officio member of the Executive.
- The Executive is to meet at least **four** times each financial year with no more than **four** months between successive meetings.

It was good to see Dave Coles, John Morse and Dave Munro at the meeting and the five ladies who accompanied their husbands. Peter Noonan, Chief Executive Officer of SunWater, also attended and during lunch he outlined the present activities of his organisation and the current storage position of SunWater's dams (which is not very good).

MID-YEAR LUNCHEON

Forty members and spouses attended the mid-year luncheon at the Southbank College of Tourism and Hospitality and enjoyed the company, the venue and its views of the city and the lunch. It was good to see new member John Connolly and Laurel attend. Prizes were won by Rhondda Ullman and Heather Clarke who had to face a protest before "correct weight" was declared.

FUNCTIONS FOR OUR YEAR

Functions so far planned for our year, 1st April to 31st March, are as follows. Notices will be sent out beforehand but please put the dates on your calendars now:-

Bowls Day at Aspley Bowls Club on Friday 9th August.

Visit to Boggo Road Gaol Wednesday 25th Sept. to be followed with a BYO picnic lunch at a Park to be named.

Christmas Lunch at Cotah on Friday 1st November.

BOTTOM LINE

A technologically aware older male from the north side believes prostate examinations are now done entirely with computers. He had been told that the investigation was totally digital! Appropriately this item came from The Courier-Mail's column **bottom line.** I think that the latter association was lost on The Courier-Mail.

GETTING BETTER

Jim Walls has been poorly and has had a couple of spells in hospital.

Mark Siebel had a short time in hospital and is continuing his recovery at home.

Noel Ullman is now at home after surgery to improve circulation and despite scars to his visage that would do credit to a Prussian Duellist, he is particularly chirpy.

Marcia Pont has also returned home after a time in hospital.

Ron Afflick is another who has been quite ill and who is still undergoing treatment.

Bob Dwyer has had surgery on his foot and is progressing well.

Adrian Muller has been in the Wesley Hospital in Brisbane following major surgery.

Len Redmond suffered a heart attack recently and was hospitalised in the Princess Alexandra. He is now back home.

We sincerely hope that these people continue their recoveries and that other members who are ill are quickly back to good health.

Alan Vizer had his 72nd birthday on the 22nd June, a most memorable date as it also marks the date of birth of the first Australian Test-tube baby in 1980 and the lighting of the first gaslights in Adelaide 1863.

STATE OF ORIGIN

The annual football match between the Gods and the mortals had just started. "Who is that character who looks half human and half horse?" asked one spectator. "He's our centaur forward", was the reply from his neighbour.

FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS

"Sorry son but I won't be able to go to your speech night tonight to see you get all your awards." "Why not Dad?" asked the disappointed boy. "I have to give a talk to my Rotary Club on good family relationships."

REST IN PEACE

Neil Pollard passed away in February after a short battle with cancer. He was only 29 years. His wife, Michelle of Tewantin, survives him. He was born at Gin Gin when his parents were at Monduran Dam. Neil is the son of Lois and Dave Pollard of Bundaberg and grandson of Norm of Mareeba. We extend our sympathy to Michelle, Lois, Dave and Norm.

Lois, Dave and Norm all worked for the old Commission. In fact all of Norm's sons, six, did. Dave began with an apprenticeship at Tinaroo and after service at jobs that include Moogerah, Leslie, Wuruma, Beardmore and Monduran continues with SunWater today. Lois worked at Leslie, Wuruma and St George. and Norm served on the Tableland. The family connection with the Commission also included Lois' father, Wally Gurr, (Moogerah and other Dams). It is good to see the old friendships and loyalties continuing today and it is pleasing that our Association provides an important part in this.

Members who had close associations with the Local Government Department will be saddened by the death of

Arnold Horton formerly of the Town Water Section of that organisation. Arnold who has been retired for several years was cremated on 15th May. He is survived by four children and their families. His wife Kay predeceased him.

Bob Hamilton died in December 2001. Bob was an owner-truck driver, who worked at Coolmunda, Beardmore, Monduran and Bundaberg. "Hammo" and his family were well known, particularly for their interest

in sport, especially rugby league.

Mrs Morvyth Rowland died on 13th June in Hervey Bay. She is survived by two daughters, a son and grandchildren.

Her husband Harry who predeceased her in 1997 had his own drilling business in the west before working for the

Commission in St George, Roma and Head office and retiring in 1973.

RETIREMENT

John Connolly retired near the end of March and was accorded a farewell on the 19th. The function was most enjoyable and John was particularly thrilled by the strong representation of "Oldies and Boldies". He takes with him many pleasant memories of the great people he worked with in IWS, QWRC, DPI, DNR and SunWater over all the years and is looking forward to renewing friendship with the members of the Association.

Here is a brief run-down of his service history:

He joined the IWS as a Junior Clerk in Records Section on 28th March 1960. He then worked in Licensing Section (under Paul Kerswell) to 1963, in Accounts Branch to '64 (Col Taggart was the Boss Accountant), as District Clerk in Gympie District Office to '68 (Dave Coles in Charge), and in Supply Branch with Garney Johnson until '73. Then as Senior Clerk (Construction) for 3 years with Alan Taylor and Malcolm Pegg, and as Senior Clerk (Admin) until '86. He then worked as Admin Officer (in the Secretariat) (with Barrie Fawcett) for 2 years, before becoming

Divisional Admin Officer, Client Services in '88 when John Cantor was the Director.

Through the nineties and up until retirement he has been in various Senior Admin Officer (and more recently) Project Officer guises as the constant renaming and restructuring of the Business Group evolved into what is now SunWater. "There were so many changes that my memory of it all is somewhat confused!!"

A few personal details: Married to Laurel since 1971 with 1 married daughter - Leanne; 1 married son - Stephen; and proud granddad to Harrison.

We wish John and Laurel a long and happy retirement and we hope to see a lot of them.

WALLY'S WORDS OF WISDOM

Wally Stevenson was a Senior Boring Supervisor at St George after many years as a top artesian driller. He had a most interesting life having at various times been a publican at Dunkeld between St George and Mitchell and a Councillor of the Balonne Shire. He freely passed on his knowledge and experience to others and helped "educate" many people including Noel Eden (later Director of Water Resources in the Northern Territory), Don Beattie, Bill Sharp and myself. He was well endowed with common sense which he passed on when invited to do so. The following are three pieces of advice given to colleagues about to marry:-

"Be careful not to give up all your little 'freedoms'. If you are in the habit of having a few beers with the boys on Friday afternoon, don't stop the practice. If the boys were not available, it would be better to sit in the corner until your normal departure time than to go home early, because the earlier arrival time will be expected thereafter.

"When a child needs correction make sure that only one parent chastises him. The other parent comforts the child explaining why he is being punished but upholding the authority of, and respect for, the correcting parent."

"Buy the most expensive china you can afford. That way you will never be asked to wash it up."

Wally did have an occasional failure such as one time when one of his friends, Ted Stubbs, the Patron of the local cricket team, died. The funeral coincided with a surprise visit from a Public Service Inspector. I had been out of the office and when I returned I was met by the PSI anxious to get his inspection under way. As Secretary of the Cricket Club I had also been asked to represent it at the funeral, much to the annoyance of the PSI who had began asking a lot of questions. Finally as we left the office I asked Wally about the time and place of the service. "I think it is three o'clock from the Presbyterian Church". Wally and I drove around to the Church and stopped behind many other cars parked there. After a while a radiant Patsy Thompson (nee Crothers) emerged from the Church on the arm of her new husband. "Ted must have been an Anglican," said Wally and we went around to that Church to find that the cortege had already left for the cemetery. So back to the office. The PSI somewhat gruffly asked how the funeral went. "It was over when we got there." The PSI's mood instantly changed and he apologised profusely, believing that he had caused us to be late. I asked Wally if we should tell the PSI what had really happened. I took his advice, which was to "Let sleeping dogs lie." Anyhow the PSI was most cooperative thereafter and his subsequent report was a good one and seemed to overlook a lot of glaring irregularities in our work.

Wally had snatched victory from the jaws of defeat.

The Cookbook, "Watery Sauces" p 35 contains a little of Wally's life story.

HE NEEDS IT MORE THAN ME

On occasional Saturday mornings I help my daughter distribute sandwiches and hot drinks to the destitute and homeless for the Ecumenical Coffee Brigade. It is a sad sign of the times that sometimes the demand for food exceeds the supply. On one occasion a teenager asked for a second sandwich. He had to be refused because we were running short. An old bloke who hadn't yet been served told me to give the teenager his own sandwich.

"He's a growing lad and needs it a lot more than me." Said the old gentleman.

ST GEORGE - JACK TAYLOR WEIR REUNION

A function and reunion to mark the 50th anniversary of an official ceremony on 14th February 1953 to mark the completion of construction of the Jack Taylor Weir and the St George Bridge is being planned for early 2003. We understand that the function will be expanded to recognise the construction of Beardmore Dam and the Irrigation Area. Cr John Barrett has promised to keep us informed of the function so that our members can attend if they wish.

"THE GREAT CHINESE INVASION"

The current turmoil about illegal immigrants prompts the inclusion of the following extract from a chapter bearing the above title in the book "History of the Australian Gold Rushes" edited by Nancy Keesing. "In 1858 there were

33 000 Chinese on the Victorian gold-fields, while five years before there had been fewer than 2 000." The article also said that in 1855 Victoria passed an Act imposing a poll-tax of 10 pounds on each Chinese immigrant and forbidding ships to carry more than one Chinese passenger for every ten tons of the vessel's tonnage. The shipping masters evaded the tax by landing their coolie passengers in

South Australian ports, particularly Robe, from which they made their way overland to the goldfields. During 11 months of 1857 no fewer than 32 vessels brought 14 600 Chinese to Robe.

The book comments that generally the diggers on the Victorian goldfields were mostly law abiding and peaceful

(Eureka excepted). By contrast miners in the North Queensland mining areas in later years could be particularly violent.

One story is told of a Chinese storekeeper, Ah Silah Joy, on a far northern field who accumulated a large quantity of gold by stealing small quantities of gold from the individual hiding places of a many diggers. When the thefts were discovered the storekeeper was immediately suspected and when he invited the miners to search his premises they found nothing and their suspicions and hostility abated. As they were leaving they saw huge German sausages hanging from the roof. "Let's have one of those saveloys each, Joey,' said one of the men. They then

climbed on boxes to get to the roof to cut down the sausages. "Half of one of those big 'uns is enough for me," said Joey, and whipping out a knife he cut it in two on the counter. As he cut the skin out poured the gold dust. By this time Ah Silah Joy had bolted but the miners gave chase and soon came back with the miserable wretch. The book records:-

"...his pigtail was cut off, and his hands tied behind his back with it. He was then made to stand on the top of a

bucket with his back to a tree. His ears were then nailed fast to the tree, and the bucket kicked away from under

his feet. Thus the poor devil was leftuntil... the police came and took him away."

And on a lighter note have you heard about the two peanuts were walking through **Chinatown** in the Valley late one night? One was a salted.

SURVEYING AND CAMP LIFE

Des Foster continues with his earlier experiences in the "outback";

After a spell in Gympie scrambling over great mullock heaps assisting with a survey of what is now the major by-pass, Main Roads sent me to Burketown via Townsville, Cloncurry and Dobbyn. I had to travel "second class sitter to Cloncurry. You do meet some most interesting types travelling second class on the mail train, especially west of Townsville.

Alighting at The Curry" I was "press ganged' by the local Works Supervisor into helping establish the new District Office. Hot, dry, dusty work, and don't forget I was a "double sars" bloke then.

Sunday came and I caught what was described as a mixed goods train, which consisted of three or four goods wagons and one very ancient passenger carriage. There were about eight passengers, including me. Seven of them were headed for Doomadgee Mission station on the Nicholson River. I kept a very low profile.

The train rattled on to Kajabbi where the train crew strolled across the road to the local pub and no doubt sank a glass or two of "double sars". A few miles out of Dobbyn the train stopped and the crew again alighted. But no, this was work! They were gathering firewood to light up the boiler for the next morning's return trip to Cloncurry.

At Dobbyn all and sundry plus the mailman who was to transport me to Burketown met us. Here we also collected a lady who was en route to "Augustus Downs". She was a governess. The truck left about 10 pm and headed

north. With the arrival of the governess I had to sit on top of the load with my fellow train passengers. The truck was a great "Super White" and had no muffler. Its vibrating bellow could be heard for miles into the black night. Sleep was impossible and dozing only very occasional.

At piccaninny daylight (just before dawn to you "townies"), the truck stopped at a mustering camp for one and all to have breakfast and a cuppa. I recall the cook asking me would I like corn beef fritters, and if so, how many. Yes please, I'll have three (recalling my Mum's fritters). Boy, what a shock! They were about ½ inch thick and six or seven inches in diameter. My overcoat pocket came in handy and the fritters also served well as "smoko".

Most of the load was left at "Augustus Downs" and thankfully the governess stayed there as well and I now had a front seat.

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Talking to the mailman was an interesting experience as he was an ex RAAF tail gunner and had been awarded a

DFC for shooting down the first V1 Buzz Bomb over England. His name was Alf Taylor, not the Alf Taylor of Clare. He was about 30 and had snowy white hair. He told me he had once been caught in "The Wet" and his truck had been bogged on the track for 13 weeks.

The truck dropped me off at the survey camp and the hard times continued.

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THE "STELLA" AWARDS

The recent publicity given to massive awards to surfers who suffered injury when diving at patrolled beaches and to others who apparently didn't exercise common sense when undertaking foolhardy actions prompts the following story:-

In 1994, a New Mexico jury awarded \$(US)2.9m in damages to 81 year old Stella Liebeck who suffered third degree burns to her legs, groin and buttocks after spilling a cup of McDonald's coffee on herself. This case inspired an annual award - The "Stella" Award - for the most frivolous lawsuit in the U.S.

The ones listed below are clear candidates. All these cases are verging on the outright ridiculous and yet with the right attorney you could win anything!

- 1. January 2000: Kathleen Robertson of Austin Texas was awarded \$780,000 by a jury of her peers after breaking her ankle tripping over a toddler who was running inside a furniture store. The owners of the store were understandably surprised at the verdict, considering the misbehaving little b..... was Ms. Robertson's son.
- 2. June 1998: A 19 year old Carl Truman of Los Angeles won \$74,000 and medical expenses when his neighbour ran over his hand with a Honda Accord. Mr Truman apparently didn't notice there was someone at the wheel of the when he was trying to steal his neighbour's hubcaps!
- 3. October 1998: A Terrence Dickson of Bristol, Pennsylvania was leaving a house he had just finished robbing by way of the garage. He was not able to get the garage door to go up since the automatic door opener was malfunctioning. He couldn't re-enter the house because the door connecting the house and garage locked when he pulled it shut. The family was on vacation. Mr. Dickson found himself locked in the garage for eight days. He subsisted on a case of Pepsi he found, and a large bag of dry dog food. He sued the homeowner's insurance claiming the situation caused him undue mental anguish. The jury agreed to the tune of half a million dollars.
- 4. October 1999: Jerry Williams of Little Rock, Arkansas was awarded \$14,500 and medical expenses after being bitten on the buttocks by his next door neighbour's beagle. The beagle was on a chain in its owner's fenced-in yard. The award was less than sought because the jury felt the dog might have been just a little provoked at the time by Mr Williams who was shooting it repeatedly with a pellet gun.

And the winner is:

Mr Merv Grazinski of Oklahoma City. In November 2000 Mr Grazinski purchased a brand new 32 foot Winnebago motor home. On his first trip home, having joined the freeway, he set the cruise control at 70mph and calmly left the driver's seat to go into the back and make himself a cup of coffee. Not surprisingly the Winnie left the freeway, crashed and overturned. Mr Grazinski sued Winnebago for not advising him in the handbook that he couldn't actually do this. He was awarded \$1,750,000 plus a new Winnie. (Winnebago actually changed their handbooks on the back of this court case, just in case there are any other complete morons buying their vehicles).

In his column in The Courier-Mail Brian Williams told us on 23rd May that Mr Damian Scattini a lawyer of Brisbane was irked by these Stella Award stories and wished to correct them. He said that Stella wanted to settle for \$20 000 but McDonalds refused. The jury awarded \$200 000 compensatory damages (reduced to \$160 000) and \$2.7 million punitive damages because of McDonald's callous conduct. This was later reduced to \$480.000. Mr Scattini offers \$1000 to anyone who can prove other "Stellas" are real.

The more discerning amongst us might be wondering just who is pushing all the media coverage of outrageous compensation and why.

FOUR CORNERS

Viewers of the ABC's Four Corners programme of $26^{\rm th}$ June would have seen Danny Weise featuring in a story on the Papua/New Guinea Government and the banking business. Danny was then employed by the World Bank and will be remembered as a draftsman and as a water-adviser in the old Commission before moving to the Queensland Treasury.

PRESIDENTIAL PERAMBULATIONS

Gordon and Barbara have returned from a one-month visit to England and Ireland via Japan. They attended the International Conference of the Royal Commonwealth Society, a meeting arranged by its Secretariat which was addressed by Mrs Mary Robinson who is the United Nations High Commissioner on Human Rights, on the question of refugee migration, and various functions to mark the Golden Jubilee of the Queen's coronation. They also attended a Trooping of the Colours parade.

Before his departure for the "Old Dart" Gordon was absolutely ecstatic about his treatment by a Brisbane City Council bus driver who asked to see proof of his age when he presented his Seniors Card. The driver said Gordon looked a lot younger than his years. This of course raises the very serious question of how one with such impaired vision could obtain a bus driver's license.

YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE?

Of course you do, but quite a few at our functions might not know you because they worked in different areas or eras. So please wear nametags when you attend.

HELPLINE

A new helpline is available to provide telephone assistance to those of us who become a bit confused at times.

Here is what you get when you dial the service:-

"Hello, and welcome to the Confused Hotline,

"if you are obsessive-compulsive, press 1 repeatedly,

"if you are co-dependent, please ask someone to press 2 for you now"

"if you have multiple personalities, press 3, 4, 5 and 6,

"if you are paranoid, we know who you are and what you want, stay on the line so we can trace your call,

- "if you are schizophrenic, listen carefully and a small voice will tell you which number to press,
- "if you are a manic-depressive, it doesn't matter which number you press no one will answer anyway,
- "if you are dyslexic, press 9696969696969,
- "if you have a nervous disorder, please fidget with the star and hatch keys until a representative answers,
- "if you have amnesia press 8 and state your name, address, phone number, date of birth, social security number, and your mother's maiden name,
- "if you have bipolar disorder, please leave a message after the beep or before the beep, or after the beep, or wait for the beep,
- "if you have short-term memory loss, press 9,
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- "if you have short-term memory loss, press 9,
- "if you have low self esteem, please hang up, all of our operators are too busy to talk to you.
- "Thank you and have a nice day."

We seem to have forgotten the Confused Hotline number but a call to David Whatshisname should be able to get it for you because we think he did contribute this article.

WATERY SAUCES

"When we were at Millaroo, they decided to have a cricket match against the Colts football team of Ayr.

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There were 18 men a side. Most of them at Millaroo were New Australians and they didn't know one end of a cricket bat from the other. The match was written up in The Sunday Mail by Jack Reardon because one of the Colts bowlers took 10 wickets for none including a hat trick twice. Strange as it may seem, Colts only won by a few runs because we actually had a few batsmen like Ronnie Block who made a half-century. Others didn't have a clue. Mick King fell over twice on his way to bat." This is another story from "Watery Sauces" this one is from **Pat Walsh**, on page 386.

Copies of the Pullar/Cook People's History of the Water Resources Commission Queensland) and its predecessors, now known as '**the Cookbook**' are still available from Lyndal Warren of the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Box 2454, Brisbane 4001,'phone 3224 8965. the book is priced at \$15 if collected from Lyndal or \$20 if posted.

MAY PEACE BRING US-

When 17 returning servicemen were welcomed home at a public function in Northern Victoria in 1946 one of them with a very fine war record said in his thank you speech that he hoped peace would "remove from the minds of men the fear of poverty as a result of illness, or accident, or old age. We must turn our schools into institutions which will produce young men and women avid for further education and increased knowledge. We must raise material standards of living.... so that women may be free from domestic drudgery..... We must raise the spiritual standard of living..."

The speaker was **John Gorton** who died recently.

From The Courier-Mail of 21^{st} May

GEORGE TOONE

In the March 2002 Newsletter we told of the death of George and said that we hoped to add a story or two about him in a future edition. The is from Hec Macdonald who as a University student worked in George's survey party on Yabba Creek at the site of Borumba Dam. On several occasions George had to repeat work to confirm or correct measurements previously taken from Hec who writes- "George often gave me advice but he was never critical of my efforts."

After his time with George, Hec was in Head Office and bumped into a large, imposing gentleman whom he did not know although he had previously met him. Hec mentioned he had been working with George and gave a report on aspects of the work, morale and the camp and ended with the comment that George was a conscientious officer. Hec received the reply, "Hec, George went in at Arnhem". After the conversation Hec was told that the man he had been talking to was Commissioner Fred Haigh.

"With my limited social studies knowledge at the time I couldn't see any significance in Fred's comment that George had ever visited the Northern Territory. When my knowledge of military history improved, I realised that George was a member of an elite parachute force sent in by Field Marshal Montgomery at the Dutch town of Arnhem in September 1944 to try to establish a bridgehead across the Rhine."

I gathered the impression that George was one of those World War II soldiers who went about his job in a quiet, methodical and proficient manner, never looking for accolades but content to do what was expected of him.

Thanks Hec.

MAREEBA NEWS

Sheila Turner continues to keep us informed of news from Mareeba. She reports that SunWater has recently donated one of the original guard valves at Tinaroo Dam to the Mareeba Heritage Centre. The valve was one of three on the Dam, has an opening of 1.5 metres and weighs 10 tonnes. It has seen more than 40 years of service. Its replacement is part of SunWater's ongoing programme of renewing ageing assets in the Mareeba Dimbulah Scheme.

Mareeba Shire Council Mayor Mick Borzi took delivery of the valve on behalf of the Mareeba Heritage Society from the local SunWater area business manager, Brett Stevenson.

Sheila also reports that a draft discussion paper prepared by consultants GHD for the Department of Natural Resources and Mines has been distributed for comment. The paper is designed to review policies to protect the quality of water in Tinaroo Dam and seeks to identify the community's priorities for water protection in the Tinaroo catchment including its views on limits on development and land use practices.

Finally Sheila enclosed a Tablelands Advertiser article on one of our members Mick Henderson and his war service. Our July 2000 edition included a photograph of Mick laying a wreath at the Rocky Creek War Memorial.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The many friends of Pauline Wright, widow of Harry, should note that she has moved from her old Greenslopes address to Indooroopilly where she will be near her daughter Trish and family. She is looking forward to spending more time with her three grandchildren (and spoiling them?). We all wish her the best at her new home.

JAMES'S JOTTINGS

Stan has kindly sent these wise words taken from **Cross Stitcher** and **Your Chiropractor**. Thanks Stan:

"A man never stands as tall as when he kneels to help a child."

"I'm careful with the words I say, To keep them soft and sweet, I never know from day to day, Which ones I'll have to eat."

"The length of a minute depends on which side of the toilet door you are standing."

"Nobody notices what you do until you haven't done it."

"When (my wife) married Mr Right, (She) didn't know his first name was Always."

And the following benefits of growing older:

You have a party and the neighbours don't even realise.

There's nothing left to learn the hard way.
It's harder and harder for sexual harassment charges to stick.
You constantly talk about the price of petrol.
You no longer think of speed limits as a challenge.
Your ears are hairier than your head.

Cheers,
Bernie Credlin,
Editor