

KOUE KON KUIER NIE KEER

In bibberende koue weer, reën en ysige winde het die 1969-finalejaarsklas gedurende die naweek van 28 April tot 1 Mei vanjaar opgeruk na Golden Gate.

Een-een en twee-twee het hulle begin opdaag; van Pretoria en Johannesburg, van Rustenburg en Potgietersrus, van Harrismith, Durban and Ixopo, van Oos-London en Grahamstad, van Val en Kanada. Die Vrydagaand het stil verloop, maar teen Saterdagoggend kon die reën en koue nie meer die geesdrif demp nie. Binne minute was ou vriendskappe hernieu en 20 jaar se "isolasie" en verwydering het skielik verdwyn.

In 'n atmosfeer van "Onthou jy nog" is baie ou koeie uit die sloot gegrawe en is menige slapende hond genadeloos uit sy slaap gewek. Tussenin het die families, die "aangetroudes" ook outdooi en was daar ten spyte van die weer, tog geleentheid vir stap en bergklim en familie-ontspanning. Met verbasing het menige klasmaat self gesien hoe die waaghals van 1969 verander het in 'n bestendige gesinsman van 1989 ... en tog..

Saturday evening provided an excellent opportunity for a social get-together and by Sunday, the weather had cleared a little to allow for a nice family braai and the customary photo-session, some of which appear below. Those coming from afar included Ferdie Bingle (Potgietersrus), Bruce Fivaz (Grahamstown), John Thacker (East London) and Bert Barrett and his wife Sue all the way from Canada. Altogether 21 ex-members of the 1969 final year student class attended the



Starting at the top left: Peet Delport, Kotie (Fourie) Pieterse and Stan Miller. John Thacker and behind him Morkel Terblanche, Gareth Bath, Graham Saunders, Angus Pringle, Chris Palmer and Nev Marais. Bruce Fivaz, Dave Freeman, Mits Morford, Ferdie Bingle. Sitting in front: Glynn Catton Chns Thirion, Theo Taljaard.

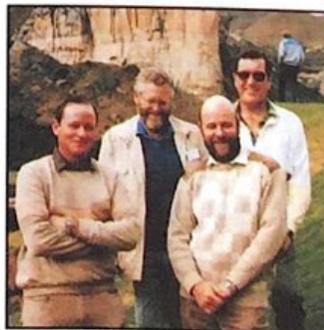
reunion.

"Should old acquaintance be forgot" was the theme of a final sun-downer on Sunday evening after a nice long walk to the amphitheatre. A final resolution accompanied by farewells at Golden Gate and at a satellite meeting in Pretoria a few days later at which a few more attended, ended a wonderful reunion with all the class vowing not to wait another 20 years before getting together again.

The Organising Committee of this reunion sincerely recommends this locality as it offers a fabulous range of facilities, the accommodation is ideal for families, it is not too expensive and the Parks Board staff are very helpful. (Bookings must be done well in advance.)

And finally, a word of many thanks to a great friend, Glynn Catton, who was the driving force for a memorable week-end.

Morkel Terblanche



Above: Angus Pringle, Stan Miller and Dave Freeman. Below: Dawie Kruger, Nev Marais and Ferdie Bingle.



Left: The Organising Committee: Glynn Catton, Gareth Bath, Morkel Terblanche and Peet Delport.