



# IRSEA NEWS

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*IRSEA enriches the lives of retired Senior Educational Administrators through engagement, collegiality, friendship, and support while deploying its intellectual capacity and educational expertise for the betterment of public education in New South Wales, Australia, and beyond.*

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

LINDSAY WASSON



Dear Members,

In days of yore, when hope, joy and aspiration pervaded this great land; when victory in the 'War to End All Wars' promised vibrant new horizons and opportunities for our people; in 1923, and despite the scars and sadness of personal loss and 40,000 dead, a group of retired senior educational administrators formed IRSEA's predecessor, **The Old Brigade**.

One can but imagine how those meetings of the Old Brigadiers may have unfolded. Cups of tea reminiscing over mates lost? Schooners of Tooths reminding Bill of his French sweetheart in Flanders' fields? Planning the next gathering at the new art deco extension of the Australia Hotel in Castlereagh Street over an elegant luncheon at the Ambassadors Restaurant in Pitt Street? Perhaps all, and much more. For much more was to come.

Over the last century and more, the grouping then known as the Old Brigade, set the foundations for what has grown into the thriving organisation we know today as the

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## Upcoming Meetings & Events

Annual General Meeting and  
Luncheon  
Friday, 20 March 2026  
Castlereagh Boutique Hotel

## Institute of Retired Senior Educational Administrators (IRSEA).

As a trained scientific historian (Manning Clark affirmed that view when he described himself as 'a poet historian'), I forever remind myself that the great honour of being President of IRSEA carries with it enormous responsibilities. Like my favourite Roman god, Janus, I look both to the past (and inward) to the traditions and achievements upon which my own role rests, and forward (and outward) to the future where new and grander opportunities might lie.

Crucially, Presidents are no more than the huge talent they work with and upon whose shoulders they are carried with an eye to the past and an eye to the future. Ironically for me, and for many historians (Graham, Raechel, Brian?), the future excites me more than the past.

But first 2025-2026. During this short period our team has delivered monumentally. Highlights include:

- our hugely enjoyable Northern Gathering at the Apollo in Newcastle (Janina Sulikowski and Gerry McCloughan);
- implementation of our Plan on a Page (Gerry McCloughan, Eric Jamieson, Lindsay Wasson and others);
- Life Membership awarded to our superlative Secretary, Dr Brian Davies (currently recovering from major surgery);
- establishment of the Hero of IRSEA award recognising members who consistently and passionately contribute to the positive culture of engagement, collegiality, friendship, sharing and support that characterises our Institute, and awarding the inaugural Hero of IRSEA to the recently departed Tony

Re by means of a presentation to his family (more in our next issue);

- the Memorandums of Understanding with the Department of Education and the Public Education Foundation (Deb Summerhayes PSM, Eric Jamieson, Dr Alan Laughlin, Gerry McCloughan, Lindsay Wasson, David Riordan, Dr Manisha Amin, Nick Magriplis). And special commendation to our legal eagle extraordinaire, Geoff Baldwin, without whose outstanding framing of the MoUs, we may well still be floundering;
- Kay Rigas, Executive Director, Met South and West, who has joined our Executive Committee as the DoE Rep. We are delighted;
- inaugural IRSEA Fellowships awarded to Tom Moth and Brett Stone with a major financial contribution from Kerrie Ikin matched by Murat Dizdar; and
- moves to bring TAFE, the Association of Retired Primary Principals (ARPP) and retired secondary principals into a broader alliance with us (David Riordan, Lindsay Wasson, John Allsopp, Kim Fillingham, Eric Jamieson, Robin Shreeve, Tom Croker, Jim McAlpine).



## A Grand Alliance for Public Education

In deference to Janus, and to the future-leaning disposition of my DNA, I am emboldened to suggest, backed by the brilliant thinking of Eric Jamieson, that IRSEA now has before it a truly leading-edge and boundary-breaking opportunity.

This opportunity was unthinkable in 1923 and even in recent years, a complete improbability. But now, I propose, it offers a compelling counterpoint to the apparently steady decline in public education enrolment share. ("**State schools suffer a seventh drop**" - "**37,000 fewer students in the past five years**" SMH 24 February 2026 p3).

In an increasingly distorted educational landscape, where over-funded, over-endowed and over-promoted non-government schools reap the rewards of government largesse at the expense of the local public school, we have reached an inflection point where, arguably, education has become the arena of predator and prey. As Ken Boston wrote to me and others in March 2025, and sticking to the jungle metaphor, it's time to give the:

*'full-throated roar of commitment to free and secular public education; to the unique importance of public education in bridging social, economic and religious divisions; to the critical role of public education in building and sustaining a pluralist, multicultural and civil society; and to the urgency of rebuilding public education as the mainstream educational provision'.*



So, drum-roll please!

NSW needs IRSEA to broker and lead a Grand Alliance of all the key stake-holders in public education and TAFE - a partnership to unite the uplifters, the societal builders, the improvers, the democracy upholders, the inspirational leaders, the teachers who ensure success in learning and bring a sense of wonder to every child, and those who share the great moral purpose that must underpin a robust democracy.

We need to form partnerships that bring together the following in a grand coalition to advocate for, provide leadership to, and help shape policy to lift public education to the state so well articulated by Ken Boston.

Here is the Grand Alliance for a united voice and a powerful lobby in education:

- **IRSEA**
- **Department of Education** (MoU signed)
- **TAFE** (MoU agreed by Chloe Read, Managing Director)
- **Public Education Foundation** (MoU signed)
- **Association of Retired Primary Principals** (ARPP) (MoU to be developed)
- **Secondary Principals retired** (MoU to be developed)
- **Tertiary Sector** (yet to be developed)
- **Australian Secondary Principals Association** (ASPA) (Meeting held between President

Andy Mison and Lindsay Wasson)

- **Others** to be identified.

This Grand Alliance for Public Education will never be the sole answer, but it has the potential to bring one voice instead of many disparate voices to the issues that matter.

I will continue to give unstinting support to the new leadership under Kerrie Ikin to make this a reality and will do so with an abiding passion and all the educational strength I can muster.

Our state needs this and our nation cannot do without it.

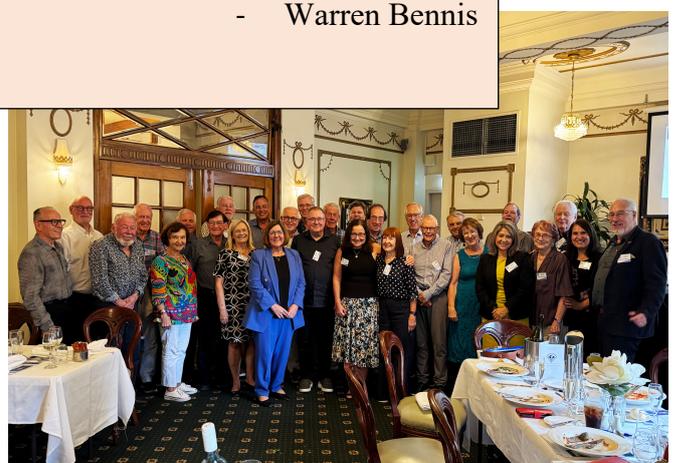
Thank you, Executive Committee, and to all those who have given me such support and the strength to stick my head out of the trenches.

All the best for a magnificent and exciting 2026!

**Lindsay Wasson, Hon Fellow President IRSEA**



*'Leadership is the capacity to translate vision into reality.'*  
- Warren Bennis



# NSW DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION UPDATE ON DEVELOPMENTS RAEHEL MCCARTHY, DEL AND IRSEA LIAISON



*Raechel McCarthy is the Director, Educational Leadership, Lake Illawarra North Principals Network. Raechel plays an important role in liaison between IRSEA and the Department. In this article she reports on an exciting development in public education.*

Hi all!

It was an absolute pleasure to catch up with IRSEA colleagues at the recent Back to School event at Sydney Town Hall on Thursday 19 February. The event showcased the musical and public speaking talents of students from NSW public schools and featured a powerful panel discussion with three principals, chaired by our Secretary, Murat Dizdar. I am hopeful this will become an annual opportunity for IRSEA colleagues to attend, as it truly affirms the power of public education.

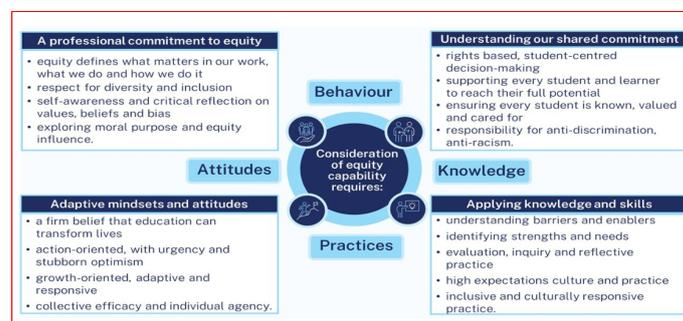
In this article, I would like to unpack a much-anticipated new resource for school leaders: *The Equity for Excellence Guide*. The promise of public education is that every student—from preschoolers to young adults—can transform their life through learning. As a system, we strive to provide equitable opportunities and experiences for every student in every NSW public school so they can achieve equitable outcomes.

School leaders are being encouraged to think about equity as a form of literacy or professional capability. Developing strong equity capability is essential to ensuring that every student is known, valued and cared for. With strong equity capability, leaders can:

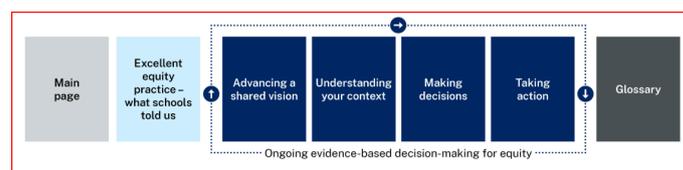
- Understand the drivers of inequity and the systemic barriers some students experience
- Recognise even the subtlest forms of inequity, bias, discrimination or prejudice

- Respond effectively to inequity in the immediate term and contribute to longer-term systemic change

To support this work, the department has developed an Equity Capability Model (see below), designed to provide a clear and practical framework for strengthening equity leadership across our schools.



The guide also includes practical advice on how to engage in evidence-based decision making for equity, encouraging school leaders to analyse their context and actions through the following lenses:



This is deeply important and exciting work for DoE, as schools are being actively supported to improve the lives of all students through an informed and deliberate approach to addressing systemic and individual barriers to student achievement, growth and attainment.

I look forward to continuing this conversation and to speaking individually with IRSEA members about this work when we next connect face to face.

Warm regards,  
**Raechel McCarthy**  
IRSEA/Department Liaison

## COMMITTEE REPORT UPDATES

### Treasurer's Update: Ray Gillies

#### Annual subscriptions are now due

I thank members who have paid their IRSEA subscriptions of \$30 for 2026. A renewal form was sent to all members. Many members took the opportunity to include their very much appreciated donation to Stewart House and/or a donation to our worthy new additional charity, the Public Education Foundation.

If you have not yet paid your annual subscription, please send your payment as soon as possible.

#### IRSEA finances are sufficient to meet current commitments

On 18 February 2026, the IRSEA Society Account had a balance of \$13,723.20. So far this year, IRSEA receipts total \$5,115. Members' subscriptions are at \$2,130. We will soon send accumulated donations of \$2,260 to Stewart House and \$725 to the Public Education Foundation. There has been no expenditure to date. Our Term Deposit is valued at \$11,134.16 (maturing 14 July 2026).

#### Proposed increase to the annual subscription in 2027

The IRSEA Annual Financial Report for 2025 is included in this newsletter. While we had a \$23.42 surplus, this was due to the personal generosity of several executive committee members paying some of our expenses. IRSEA costs have continued to increase.

With your executive management committee's endorsement, I intend to recommend to the 20 March 2026 Annual General Meeting that the IRSEA annual subscription be increased to \$35 in 2027.

**Ray Gillies**  
IRSEA Treasurer

### Secretary's Update: Brian Davies

With this being the last newsletter before the new executive is elected at the 2026 Annual General Meeting, I would like to thank Lindsay Wasson for his leadership as President and his dedication and enthusiasm in enhancing the role of IRSEA into the future. Our organisation is certainly gathering momentum. I would also like to thank all the members of the executive for their support in my role as Secretary.

#### Annual General Meeting

**Our Annual General Meeting is to be held on Friday 20 March 2026 at the Castlereagh Boutique Hotel, 169 Castlereagh Street, Sydney.**

The Annual General Meeting is an important opportunity to learn about what is happening in your organisation and enjoy a good lunch with your colleagues. If you would like to bring any business to the meeting, please let me know by **Friday 13 March** using the email address below. We value input from our members. The booking-slip and details for the meeting can be found on the last page.



An important part of the Annual General Meeting is the election of the 2026-27 Executive Committee – and we need help. The role of the committee is critical to our organisation and there will be vacancies to be filled. You do not have to be at the AGM to nominate. Any member of the Institute,

other than Associate and Honorary members can nominate. Please consider volunteering. You will find that there is a great deal of support and encouragement for each other amongst the executive members. There are only four executive meetings per year.

Nomination is easy. You can nominate for one of the office-bearers that are listed on the nomination form, or to be an ordinary committee member (the number is not limited), to help play a supporting role. You can also nominate for more than one position. All you have to do is complete and sign as a nominee. If there are issues with organising or getting the signature of a nominator or seconder, please don't let that put you off; just contact me at the email address below and I will help. The nomination form is on last page with details as to where to send. Nomination forms need to be to me **by Friday 13 March.**

Please note down these dates for your 2026 diary. You will note that this year we are varying the day of the week of the general meetings. There will also be social gatherings and regional meetings to be added.

**Dates for your Diary**

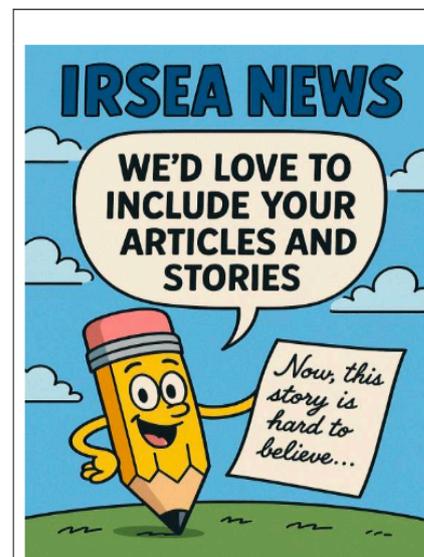
	Friday	Annual General Luncheon Meeting
	20 March	
	Thursday	General Luncheon Meeting
	11 June	
	Tuesday	General Luncheon Meeting
	22 September	
	Friday	General Luncheon Meeting
	4 December	
All meetings @ the Castlereagh Boutique Hotel		

Please also note that when the details are received about the ANZAC Remembrance Service that is held at the Department's head office at Parramatta, members will be emailed the information.

**Contact**

The secretary's contact email is [secretary@irseas.org.au](mailto:secretary@irseas.org.au) If you feel that you might be missing out on receiving emails, or do not get a response that you are expecting, please check that it is not there in your "junk" mail as this has been the case at times. Otherwise contact Ray Gillies on [treasurer@irseas.org.au](mailto:treasurer@irseas.org.au)

**Brian Davies**  
Secretary ([secretary@irseas.org.au](mailto:secretary@irseas.org.au))



**Michael Murray, Editor of IRSEA News, calls upon IRSEA members to contribute to their newsletter.**

**IRSEA News is a forum for members to share their thought and experiences – of work, retirement, or life in general. Your reflections on the past, analysis of current state of play or future projections make wonderful reading for other members.**

**If you have a 100-500 word article to contribute to IRSEA News  
OR you would like to discuss an idea you have before writing  
OR if you are happy to be interviewed and for the transcript of the interview to be published  
PLEASE contact the Editor, Michael Murray on  
[michaeljfmurray@gmail.com](mailto:michaeljfmurray@gmail.com)**

## IRSEA Charities Update: Alan Laughlin

### The Public Education Foundation: A Shared Commitment to Public Education

#### Context

IRSEA has recently signed an MOU with the Public Education Foundation (PEF) to achieve our mutual objectives in promoting and supporting Public Education and providing help to those students with special needs.

Some members may not be aware of the Public Education Foundation. Virginia Timmins from the Foundation has written this small article to paint a brief picture of their background and activities, and develop our complimentary aims and objectives.

#### Alan Laughlin IRSEA Charities Contact Officer



#### **The Public Education Foundation**

*Partnerships in education matter most when they are grounded in shared values and lived experience. The relationship between the Public Education Foundation and the IRSEA reflects exactly that kind of commitment.*

*At its core, this partnership is not about formality. It is about a shared belief that education remains one of the most powerful tools we have to create a more equitable, inclusive and vibrant future, and*

*that supporting a young person at a critical moment can change the course of a life.*

*Both organisations bring a deep understanding of what it takes to make education work in practice. IRSEA members carry decades of lived experience from within the public education system, having seen its strengths, its challenges and its extraordinary potential. That wisdom is what makes this collaboration so meaningful. Together, we can build on shared values while contributing distinct strengths, shaping not only what we do, but how we do it, with rigour, generosity and care.*

*At the Public Education Foundation, our work focuses on supporting students and educators through life-changing scholarships and on championing the value of public education across Australia. Behind every scholarship sits a story that reminds us why this work matters.*

*As a brief example, Mark was a student who received a scholarship from PEF. He lived in a regional NSW town. The particular scholarship Mark received had a mentoring component, a subscription to Studiosity and a refurbished laptop.*

*Mark lost most of his sporting team in a bus accident during his senior years and the mentoring component really encouraged him to seek extra help, but continue to focus.*

*He had a rough two years and it was only with his mentor's help that he started to dream bigger than his country town. His mentor helped him apply to Sydney Uni and he is now in his 3<sup>rd</sup> year. He had previously believed it was out of reach for him. Mark constantly states without his PEF scholarship and all it entailed he wouldn't have applied for uni himself. His mentor had helped him find part-time work in the area of his study and prepare him for what that sector entails.*

*This partnership with IRSEA complements IRSEA's on-going commitment to Stewart House. While Stewart House provides vital health, wellbeing and respite services for children, the Public Education Foundation focuses on educational continuity and opportunity through scholarships. Together, these efforts form a broader ecosystem of care that*

*supports young people academically, socially and emotionally.*

*This collaboration has been shaped by the commitment of many people. On the IRSEA side, we are grateful to Lindsay Wasson, Gerry McCloughan, Eric Jamieson, Alan Laughlin and Geoff Baldwin for guiding this partnership with clarity and care. At the Public Education Foundation, the work of staff has helped lay the foundations for partnerships that are strategic, values-led and focused on impact.*

*Ultimately, this is not simply a partnership between two organisations. It is a partnership between people who care deeply about public education, fairness and opportunity. As we look ahead, this partnership creates space to build something lasting together, in service of young people and the public education system that supports them.*

*The scholarships offered by the PEF in 2025 supported some 477 new student scholars who received a scholarship, with a value of over \$1.6 million. Since PEF's inception, 15 years ago, more than 4,090 scholarships have been awarded, totalling \$11M in funding.*

*167 scholarships have been awarded to principals and teachers for additional tertiary study. The "Premium" Partners for the Foundation are the NSW Teachers Federation, Teachers Mutual bank and Teachers Health*

*Examples of the moving stories of the many children who have been supported to stay at school and prosper can be found on the website : [www.publiceducationfoundation.org.au](http://www.publiceducationfoundation.org.au)*

*Many members of IRSEA contribute to the Foundation.*

*Some pictures are included here of the Proudly Public Awards ceremony held in 2025 at the Sydney Town Hall, where PEF scholarships were presented to recipients. You will recognize some familiar faces.*



## IRSEA Fellowship Update: Kerrie Ikin

### The inaugural year of the IRSEA Fellowship

A quick background in case you missed it. In 2025, IRSEA in collaboration with the Department launched the *IRSEA Fellowship*. It is a prestigious award that will be presented each year to an outstanding senior educational administrator.



Our two recipients (both applications were outstanding and inseparable) Brett Stone, Leader Formative Assessment and Online Reporting, and Tom Moth, Director Educational Leadership, Mount Druitt Network, are now underway with their respective studies and research.

Brett is exploring the impact of Generative AI (NSWEduChat) on enhancing student writing. He reports that he is well underway with his research and will be enhancing his own knowledge by

completing a 14-week course with MIT on applied AI and data science.



Tom is researching the extent to which contextualisation of Stage 5 curriculum enables students of low socio-economic, culturally, and linguistically diverse backgrounds to 'see themselves' in their learning, and in turn, enhance attendance and engagement. He is focussing on a small-scale study with Chifley College Campuses, with the Mount Druitt and Dunheved Campuses as the focus campuses for the study. Tom is also considering some formal learning for himself and the Head Teachers.



Stay tuned for further updates.

**Kerrie Ikin,**  
**IRSEA Fellowship Officer**

## FINAL IRSEA GENERAL MEETING FOR 2025 IN PICTURES



## POETS' CORNER

### TWO POEMS PRESENTED AT THE IRSEA GM, NOVEMBER 2025

#### *A Sonnet for Retired Senior Educators and Administrators*

*With love from*

*Deb Summerhayes, PSM*

*Deputy Secretary, Public Schools, NSW Department of Education*

*Upon your path, the torch has long burned bright,  
A steady flame that shaped our public schools.  
You taught us how to lift each child to light.  
To lead with heart, with wisdom, and with rules.*

*Though seasons change, your legacy remains,  
In every classroom's hope, your echoes stay.  
Your counsel still enriches what sustains,  
Our work, our purpose, guiding us each day.*

*For even now, your passion has not ceased,  
You gather still in friendship, truth and grace.  
Ensuring every voice is heard, increased,  
By collegial ties, no time can displace.*

*So, thank you, leaders, mentors, exalted throng  
Your steadfast commitment keeps Public Education strong.*



#### **Treasurer's Blues** (Apologies Eddie Cochran)

("Ray's Song")

Well, I'm gonna raise a fuss, I'm gonna raise a holler  
Workin' all day just tryin' to get a dollar  
From those superannuated dudes, the IRSEA crowd  
I'd like to pull a gun, but they say it's not allowed  
Sometimes I wonder what I'm a-gonna do  
'Cause there ain't no cure for the Treasurer's Blues

They told me when I got the job that it's a piece of cake  
Just rake the money in; how much effort can it take?  
Send it through to the bank, via EFTPOS EFT  
Don't even have to leave your chair, it's easy can't you see?  
But it didn't quite work out that way, I'm a-tellin' you  
That there ain't no cure for the Treasurer's Blues

The fly in the ointment was the guy who paid by cheque  
I think his name was Baldwin, but who cares, what the heck  
I had to walk to the bank, risking life and limb  
Thinking all the time why it's me and not him  
And standing in line in a twenty-metre queue  
Yeh, there ain't no cure for the Treasurer's Blues

But my prayers have been answered, after years and years of fight  
The last one to pay by cheque now has seen the light  
And gone for the use of Internet banking  
Which he fin'ly realised wasn't just wanking  
And now I know what I'm a-gonna do  
For that is the end of the Treasurer's Blues!

GB Dec 2025

## VALE: Brian Gillett

**Brian Gillett**, a familiar name in the Department of Education, passed away recently at the ripe old age of 95. Brian began his teaching career as a Secondary Teacher of Commerce/Economics in 1952 and taught around NSW until he reached Inspector level in 1966. He was a well-known identity in the “People” area better known as Staffing in the earlier days. He was promoted to the Assistant Director of Resources in 1983 and then a Regional Director in the South Coast. He made Mt Keira his home and he moved into the Deputy Director General of Education position in 1983, retiring in 1989.

As a well-respected educator, he had strong involvement with the University of Wollongong to assist with their policy work in education. He also gave sound advice in the administration area and was described as a “practising teacher, an administrator and a policy maker” in the citation written for the award of the degree Doctor of Letters, Honoris Causa in 1989.

Brian was not about small talk or being diverted from an important conversation as he was focussed but shrewd with a balanced view of education. The NSW Teachers’ Federation will remember his reputation as a skilled negotiator in times when education was undergoing massive changes.

Brian was a social man and could “read the room.” He had the added skill of being able to select capable people and support them as part of his team.

Brian was recognised in 2004 with an Order of Australia Member award.

Brian Gillett’s name was at the bottom of many documents that were sent from Head Office. A name at the end of document means little until you understand that he was a moving force in negotiating much of the information, led a team that composed the information and was fully supportive of what that page of information outlined. He provided us with dedication, commitment and a strong faith in public education.

His own secondary education was at Fort Street Boys’ HS and he often extolled the value of the education he received there.

Well deserving of a rest, he leaves a strong legacy to his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren who loved him dearly. The funeral was a private one.

We thank you Brian. A stalwart in our system.

## VALE: Ron Pickles

**Ron Pickles** passed away last week and brought back many memories to the people who spent a lot of their education lifetime in the Metropolitan West area. He was a practising teacher and a former Principal in Met West where many educators benefitted from his leadership.

Ron was promoted to District Inspector of Shalvey continuing to spread his knowledge and advice about the young people and the need for quality education in that area.

Ron had a lot of interests and socially had wonderful stories of his sporting expertise in cricket, golf and fishing. As a single figure handicap golfer, he was a well-respected member of Muirfield Golf Club for many years.

He attended many IRSEA meetings over the years and enjoyed cups of coffee on his way to York Street with mates Gwen Dalton and Rex Gardner. Their chats solved many of education's problems at the time!

Ron was well known for offering assistance to others. Ron's lifelong contribution to education is acknowledged and we thank him for the hours that he devoted to students in NSW. Rest easy Ron, job well done.

Ron will be sadly missed by his loving family.



## VALE: Denis O'Neill

Denis O'Neill, former Cluster Director South-West Sydney, passed away recently. An opportunity for our colleagues who worked with Denis to spare a moment for another educator who committed a lot of time to the students of NSW.

IRSEA member, Janina Sulikowski, remembers Denis when he was the Principal of Swansea High School. She recalls how he was affable, easy to work with and open to suggestions for improvement in his school. He was very approachable to his staff and students.

Rest in Peace Denis.



*Institute of Retired Senior Educational Administrators*  
**IRSEA Annual General Meeting & Luncheon Booking**

Castlereagh Boutique Hotel, 169 Castlereagh St, Sydney 2000

**FRIDAY, 20 MARCH 2026**

10:30 -11:15am (NOTE earlier start!): Pre-meeting gathering and refreshments - Level 2

11:15am - 2:30pm: Meeting followed by luncheon - Cellos Grand Dining Room, Level 4

Please return the booking slip below and make payment for the lunch meeting by **Friday 13 March**.

**BOOKING SLIP**

Name (please print): .....

Guest's name/s (if applicable): .....

- I have transferred OR enclosed my payment of \$70.00 (or additional for my guest/s @ \$70.00 per head) for the above listed to attend the IRSEA luncheon, at the Castlereagh Boutique Hotel, which includes a 2-course main meal with bread roll, coffee and tea.

Please indicate in the space provided if you require a special meal.

Meal type ..... Meals required .....

- I agree / do not agree** (cross out one) that photographs of me in professional or social situations may be published in IRSEA media and publications, including newsletters and on the website.

Signed: ..... Date: ..... Phone no. ....

**NOTIFICATION and PAYMENT OPTIONS ~ Payment by direct deposit/bank transfer is preferred.**

- Payment by **Electronic Funds Transfer** – Details are:  
**BANK:** Commonwealth Bank of Australia  
**BSB:** 062300  
**ACCOUNT NUMBER:** 10466684  
**ACCOUNT NAME:** Institute of Retired Senior Educational Administrators (IRSEA)  
**YOUR REFERENCE:** Your **Surname, Initial, and ‘Meeting’**
- Email or message your booking slip to Ray Gillies, IRSEA Treasurer, at **rcgillies@yahoo.com.au** [Phone images or scans are acceptable]
- If paying by cheque**, please make the cheque payable to *Institute of Retired Senior Educational Administrators*, or *IRSEA* and cross it **‘Not negotiable’**. Mail your cheque and booking slip to:  
**Ray Gillies, 79 Albyn Road, STRATHFIELD, NSW 2135**

**For further information or notification, please call or text Ray on mobile: 0412 763 242**

**PLEASE NOTE:** Money cannot be refunded for cancellations made after **Monday 16 March 2026**.

