

Wagga Appies Reunion.

On Saturday the 27 Feb, a bunch of ex-Wagga Appies and their ladies got together at the Transcontinental Hotel in Brisbane for their annual get together. They came from far and wide, blokes who were on courses from 8 Appy (Mangoes) who graduated on the 7 Dec 1956 to 31 Course (Porcupines) who graduated on the 1st December 1978.

The final Appy course at Wagga (46 Appy – Sprogs) graduated on the 29 March 1993.

The Trans Hotel (as it is known) is a popular spot for reunions and get togethers as it is directly opposite one of Brisbane's major train and bus stations and revellers can get to the event, enjoy the odd one or six, then just wander back across the road and get home again safe and sound.



This year's event, which kicked off about mid-day and rattled on until nearly dark, was organised by Bob Wilson.



Names in the following photos are set out left to right. They have been crunched to allow quicker opening. You can get the HD version which you can download should you wish, by clicking each pic.



Rob Wilson (15 Appy), "Lofty" Russell (14 Appy).



Al Uhlmann (16 Appy), Russ Tidd (16 Appy) Glenn Maher (16 Appy).

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Anne Bartlam Vicki Burton.



Barry Sillars (16 Appy), Peter Shaw (16 Appy).

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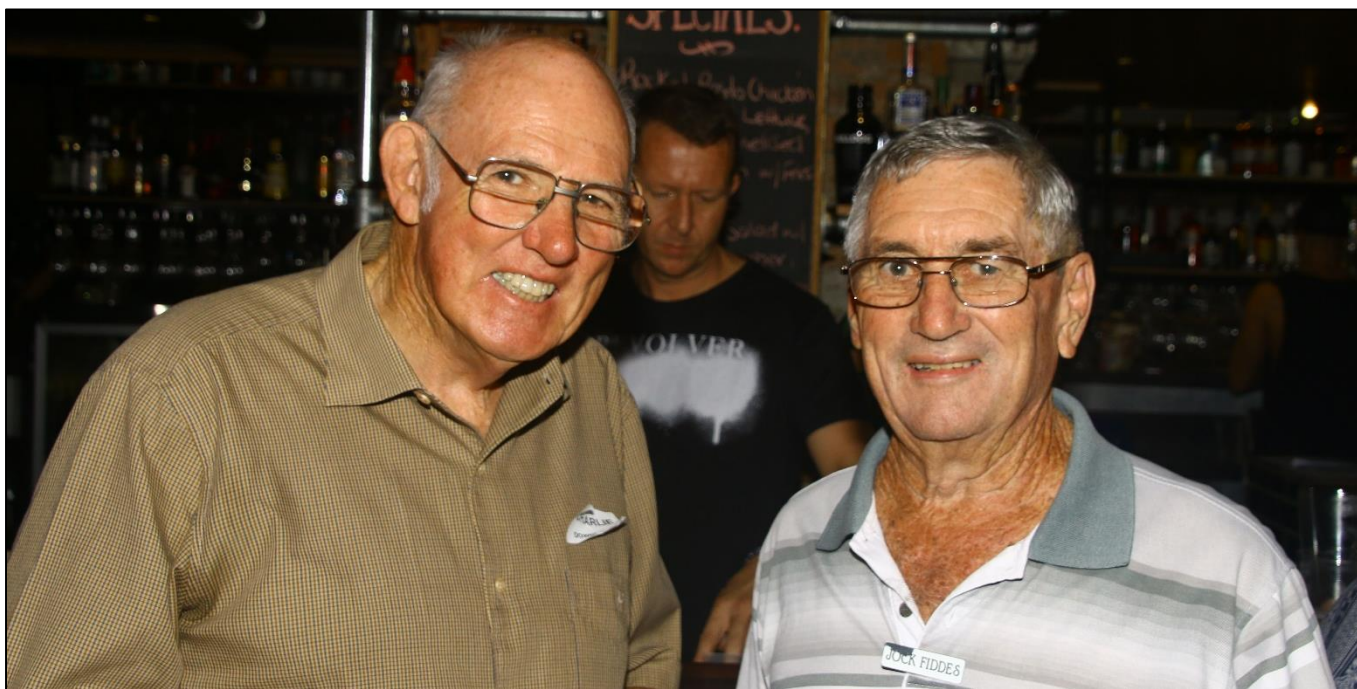
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Bill Black (8 Appy Gunny), Kevin Stapleton (8 Appy Gunny), Les Bunn (8 Appy Gunny).



Bob Bromage (21 Appy), Ken Bishoff (18 Appy), Daryl Dawes (19 Appy),
"Blue" Bock (19 Appy), Paul Pingnam (26 Appy), Daryll Macklan (18 Appy).



Charlie Downes (11 Appy), Jock Fiddes (8 Appy - Framie)



David and Patricia Dinsdale, Julianne and "Frosty" Williams.

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Part of the crowd....



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Dick Wills (15 App), Don Worner (15 App), Bart Vanderheld (15 App).

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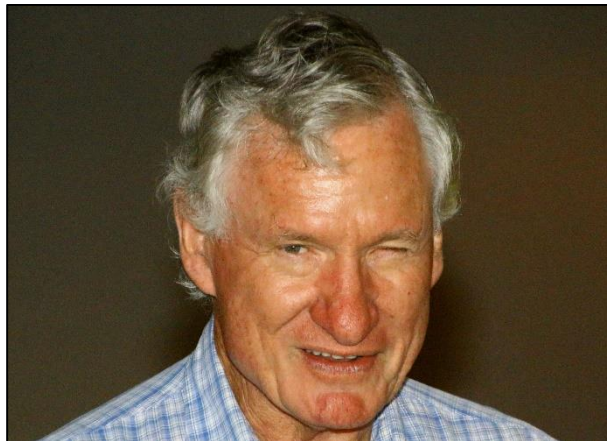
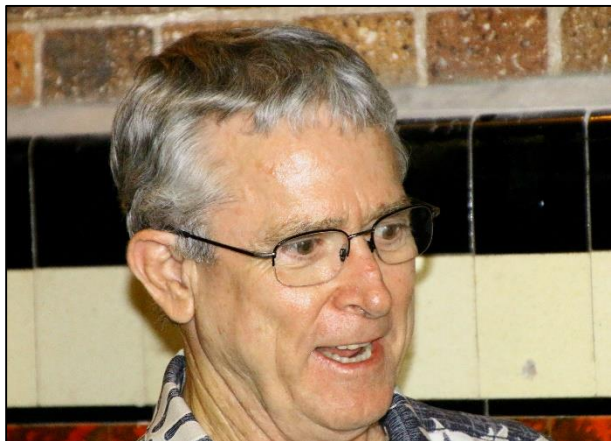
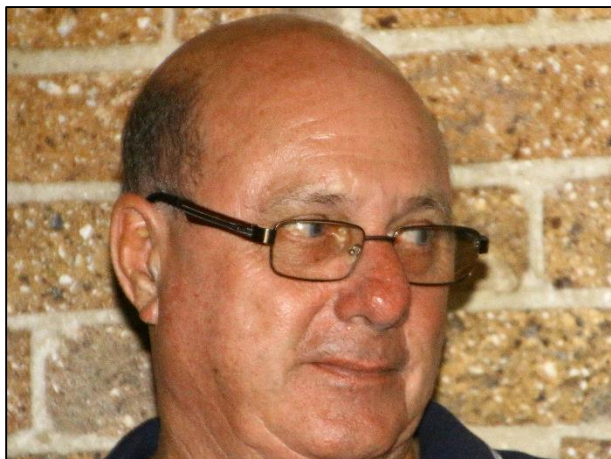
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Some faces in the crowd.



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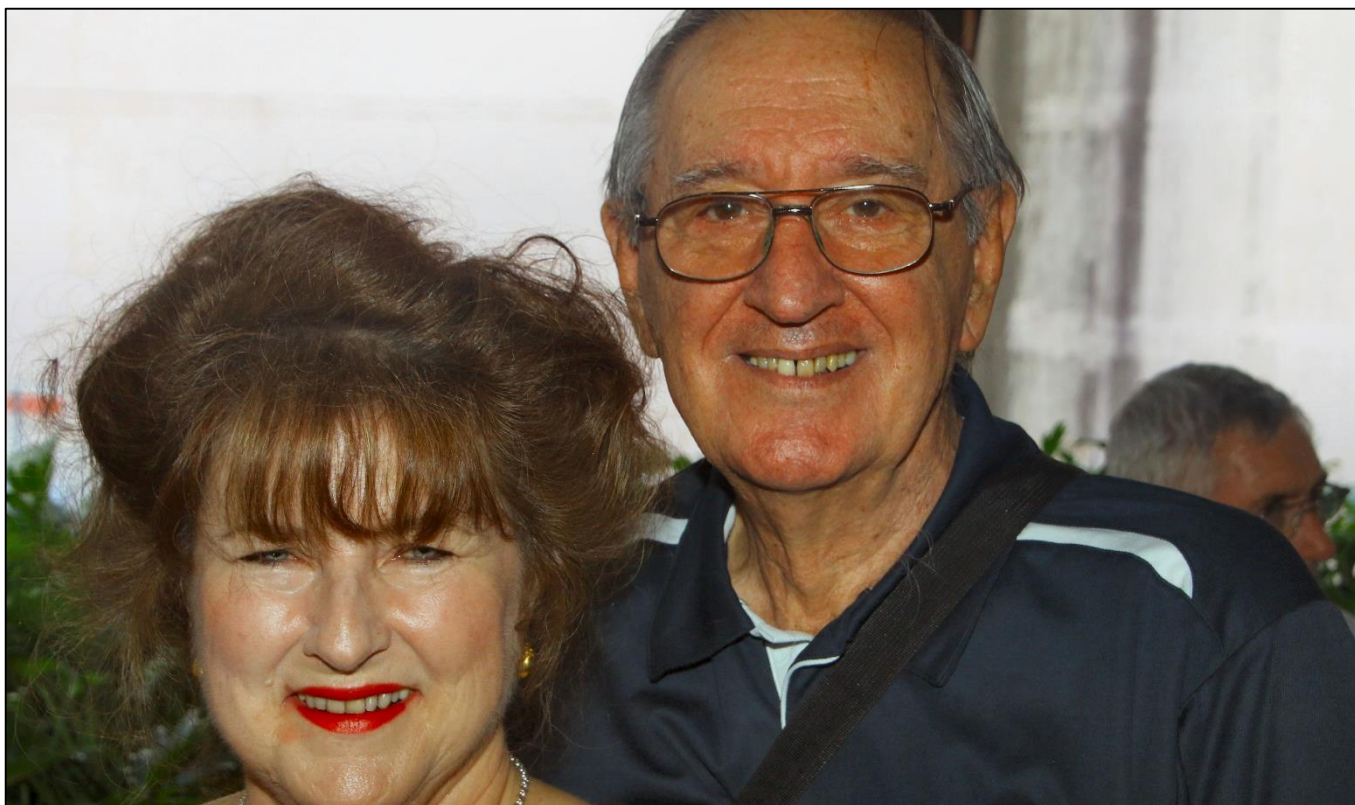
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Jasmine and Barry Jacka (8 Appy).



Jim Herron (15 Appy, Framie), Dave Lee (15 Appy, Elec).

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Jon and Lyn Welch (20 Appy Sumpie).



8 Appy troops (Mangoes)

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Ken and Beverly Kane (11 Appy Gunny).



Mick Yarrow (31 Appy), Tim Heyman (31 Appy), Greg Heck (31 Appy), Mark Bartlam (31 Appy), Derek Hibbs (31 Appy), Bob Burton (31 Appy), Mark Curlewis (31 Appy).

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Peter Smith (8 Appy Elec), Merv McDougal (8 Appy Elec).



Robyn Tidd, Maureen Maher.

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Tom Roberts (17 Appy), John Hockett (17 Appy), Daryll Macklin (18 Appy),
Bruce McNaughton (22 Appy), Bob Hemsworth (17 Appy).



All the troops.



Parking assistance.

Most cars these days have those little buttons on the back bumper, and some on the front too, which transmit/receive a small pulse and then emit a tone when an object comes into close contact with the car. They make parking a lot easier as you don't have to rely on the mirror to judge distances when backing or driving into a car park.

What a lot of people don't know is this aid originated in Italy many years ago.

You can see the prototype [HERE](#).