

A CONDENSED HISTORY OF THE OLD BOYS UNION

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it was just before the financial crisis of the 1890s, funds of that magnitude were simply not available.

Despite the fragile state of the Union's finances Old Boys involved themselves fully in raising the funds to build the Chapel.

In 1895 a joint committee of the General and the Old Boys' Union was set up to raise £50,000.

Road and Sailors Bay Road. This land was owned by the Royal North Shore Hospital and in 1917 Council bought a section of about 4 hectares for £3800.

At about this time the area between the old wharf and the new wharf was used as a

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The Schools Club

In 1923 the Union formed a committee to examine the possibility of establishing an Old Boys' Club with permanent premises in the city. The committee reported that such an idea was feasible provided the membership was not less than four hundred. The club opened in 1924 in a building in Dhillin Street which already contained the club rooms of the Old Boys of

three year terms). If a member retires in the middle of his term the committee of the Union elects a replacement. Elections by members for these places, however, are quite rare and have occurred only three times in the last thirty years.

Although the Union has always been prominent in raising funds for the school, that is not its role. Instead, its aim is to keep Old Boys in touch with the school and with each other and to provide representatives to the Council. In recent years it has been very active in providing careers advice to school leavers, which, because of its varied membership, it can do with a great deal of expertise.

Every year the annual general meeting of the Union, which is held at the school, is now