

## **Known classmates from Priory Boys' School**

### STUDENTS :-

Peter "Shorty" Hiles was Deputy Head of Carisbrooke High School, now retired

David Holbrook runs his architectural practice in Scarrot's Lane, Newport

Alan Shepard still around, visited me at the B&B when I was on the Island

David Paddon became a Prison Officer and died of a heart attack

Dougie Osbourne came out to Australia and died of a heart attack

David Smith the photographer retired, lives in Wootton and is still a freelance photographer

Tony Wadham married three times, the last time to an African girl for whom he had to find a bride price, which he borrowed then disappeared.

John Lashmar worked for British Telecom and now retired to Sheffield

Dave Thomas still around, think he lives in Cowes

Eddie Walder still on the Island

Rory Angus owns and runs a small restaurant in Lymington

Charlie Leigh was a nurse in Whitecroft Hospital

Terry Metcalf now a barrister in the Old Bailey, I think he was the chubby one who swam the Solent

David Freeman manages a sheep property outside Seymour, 4,000 acres and 10,000 sheep, about 5 hours drive from me.

Robin Whitehead(?) Still around – his father carved figureheads for boats

Me, known as Dusty, now living in Melbourne

Jim Shynn now retired and living in Queensland

### STAFF :-

Brian Lansley, (email :- [brianmarilyn.lansley@virgin.net](mailto:brianmarilyn.lansley@virgin.net)) is still living in Newport, 49 Avondale Road and supplied the following information in April 2008:-

Most of the older staff members have now died, and 2 who were nearer my age. Mr Flux, Mr Boyland, Mr Milton, Mr Blackmore, Mr Lambert ( last winter after going blind). Sadly Mr Binch ended up in a bad state in a nursing home, and he has now died. Sadly, too, Mr Rann ( who used to visit Mr Binch regularly at his Old Mill at Ludlow). Mr Mitchell--who ended up as Deputy Head of Ryde High, is still with us, and lives in Carisbrooke. Mr Higgins is still alive and mobile ( I taught him to drive many years ago, and his 2 daughters and his son) and so is Mr Stanbrook. I don't know about Mr Petrie, or Mr May-Miller or Mr Saunders. Mr A.K.L.D. Herbert Gustar died several years ago. Mrs Doherty the School Secretary died in a car crash at long time ago when she was doing something with Wakefield Prison. Mr Healing died about a year ago.