

## A sampling of responses from those who couldn't make it

Bill

When I got the 55 d to go I was listening to machine gun firing and watching the looting and fires from the balcony of my hotel room in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan. Two days later the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development quarantined us under heavy security at the Hyatt Regency until it was safe to get us to the airport. Things haven't improved enough to let us back in, a likely won't for sometime.

So I have my 1978 Okanogan MaxiVan all packed for a trip to Vancouver then today I get confirmation of a new project in Lut'sk Ukraine leaving May 25 returning May 30 (if I promise not to start another insurrection).

Sorry I can't make it, but if there is a prize for the person with the furthest away excuse please have Craddock drink it for me.

Best wishes to all and especially you and Nancy.

I promise to contact you next trip to Vancouver, hopefully this summer yet. Angella and I are still reasonably healthy as are Stefan and Katryna and spouses and 2 delightful grandchildren in New Westminster. Hope same for yours as well.

Jock (a.k.a. Al Scott)

*Hi Bill,*

*Just a short note to let you know that I won't be able to be at the 55th reunion. I hope there will be a 60th one and I will do my best to be at that one. I will miss seeing everyone, but say hello for me anyway.*

*Carol Roberts (Erith)*

Darn-darn! Dave may be home this weekend following a seizure and surgery removing a 2X2 chunk of his scalp to get at the removal of a clot - formed on/of, on/off, on/off etc for 3 months as the result of a nasty fall on ice in our barnyard in January. Doctors orders so far are for followup in about 6 weeks - and NO DRIVING for 6 weeks. And that puts us right at about the time we would be heading down the Coquihalla. Haven't yet had all the final orders, but I'm sure they'll interfere more, not less.

So - I'm afraid we're off the list for this reunion. Shall keep checking the web-site - it's been such fun! Does anyone ever get up this way - north OK, between Armstrong and Enderby - not far from Larch Hills vineyard - or even Recline Ridge. Small but exceptional! A chance for a "hello" would be fun!

Cheers! Wendy (Dave & Wendy (Fox) Reed)

Dear Maureen

Thanks for the e-mail. I looked up the pictures of your family and "the girls". Very impressive- both of them!

I'm sorry to say that we will not be able to attend the reunion this year. We have been planning house renovations and hoped that they would be done before the end of May--but they have not even started yet and will now run into June, A trip out west would be difficult at this time, obviously. However, if I can manage a couple of nights, I'll let you know.

Thanks for thinking of me and the communication- loved talking to you!

We, in the east (and I know everyone!) thought the Olympics were wonderful. What a wonderful job Vancouver did! You must be very proud! I was proud to say that I was born there!

In the meantime, say hello to everyone for me-- especially the girls.

Have a lovely time----Love Barbara (of Barb (McDonald) & Don Wright)

Hi Bill - I have been so remiss about replying to all your email notices. I do apologise for that. Thanks for all your work in organising it all and for the website which I have enjoyed immensely. I am currently in Vancouver, leaving tomorrow alas so I won't be able to attend the reunion. I do hope it goes well - I will be thinking of you all. Love to you. Judie (Leckie)

Hi Bill: [Just to let you know that I won't be attending the reunion. I have enjoyed the Magee website – have a great time. Pat Oswell \(Fair\)](#)

Bill

Sorry I will not be able to make. it to the reunion. All is well but I have had to come down to Vancouver 4 times in the past month for various functions and my dogs are getting lonely without me.

thanks

Gordon McGregor.

Bill:

Sorry I havent got back to you about attending the reunion. I've had 2 operations for cancer in the last 3 months so everything else as been put on hold. The doctors think they have got it all but to be sure I'll have some radiation treatments. This being the case I won't be able to attend the reunion unless you want me literally to "light up the room."

Hope everybody has a great time!

Regards,

Eric (Brown)

Hi Bill,  
I will not be coming but thanks for the website.  
Laird Stovel  
Kelowna

Dear Bill:

What a fabulous job the Magee Reunion Committee has done in organizing this upcoming reunion!! Its going to be great fun for all comparing notes about the years gone by, etc. I'm unable to attend but wish you all well.

Sincerely,

Toby Hannis (Sylvia Crisall)

p.s. The memories of Rowena, Sharon Blank, and their friends flipping over my sweater label to check it out to see the manufacturer or whether or not it was cashmere still sends shivers up my spine!!

Hi Bill,  
I will not be able to attend the reunion.  
Dick (Spibey)