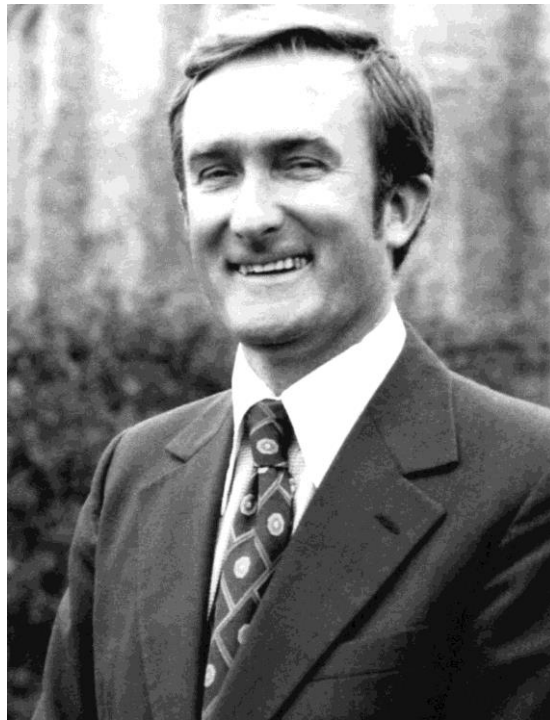


## Roderick West



Rod, an Australian and a Classics scholar, taught Latin at King Edward's in the mid-1960s, at the start of his lengthy teaching career. On his return to his native Australia, he accomplished many things. Two that stand out are his time at Timbertop, where he became (and remained) friends with Prince Charles, and being head of the Sydney Trinity Grammar School for more than 21 years. Rod was also appointed Chairman of the Australian Higher Education Review in 1997-1998.

Rod, born in 1933, was ably supported by his lovely wife Janet, and their four children. In 2013 he was in London, at their daughter's, to celebrate his 80th birthday, and enjoyed being able to visit Witley and meet up with Bertie and Rosemary Mawer. Last year (2015) they were back again, this time celebrating daughter Catherine's success in the May General Election.

It was on Christmas Eve that he learned he had secondary cancer of the liver, and, sadly, the end came in just a little over 4 weeks. He now lies buried at Mona Vale, a North Sydney suburb.

Rod's quite remarkable life is well summarised in the *Sydney Morning Herald* obituary, which may be reached [here](#). When you read the above, you will see that King Edward's was privileged to have a small share of such a full life.

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