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| Subject: | RE: Earle Bloomfield |
| From: | Claire L. Hay (Claire.Hay@bgs.vic.edu.au) |
| To: | rett139@yahoo.com; |
| Date: | Sunday, December 1, 2013 5:44 PM |

Hi Kent,

He must have completed those studies at some other school.

Thanks,

Claire

Claire Hay

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From: Kent Madin [mailto:rett139@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, 2 December 2013 11:33 AM

To: Claire L. Hay

Subject: Re: Earle Bloomfield

Thanks very much Claire. So that means Earle left without graduating?

On Sunday, December 1, 2013 5:13 PM, Claire L. Hay <Claire.Hay@bgs.vic.edu.au> wrote:

Hi Kent,

The Archivists have advised the following regarding Earle Bloomfield:

Earle arrived in 1966 and left during Term 2 in 1967.

Hope this helps!

Kind regards,
Claire

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From: Kent Madin [mailto:rett139@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, 29 November 2013 8:14 AM
To: Claire L. Hay
Subject: Re: Earle Bloomfield

Hello Claire,
I wonder if the archivists have had any luck confirming the dates of Earle's attendance and whether or not he graduated.

Thanks much,

Kent Madin

On Monday, November 18, 2013 4:41 PM, Claire L. Hay <Claire.Hay@bgs.vic.edu.au> wrote:

Thanks Kent. The Archivists will be back sometime next week and I'll ask them to check further regarding the dates of Earl's enrolment.

Kind regards,
Claire

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From: Kent Madin [mailto:rett139@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, 19 November 2013 10:36 AM
To: Claire L. Hay
Subject: Re: Earle Bloomfield

Dear Claire,

Thanks for your quick response. I take it that determining whether Earle had graduated would require access to your archives? My primary interest is just chronology. Below are two examples of what Earle has represented about his time at Ballarat. As you can see, there is a two year discrepancy. I wonder if he could have been enrolled initially in 1964, then left the school at some point and re-entered in 1966? That would explain it. And in fairness, Earle simply says he was at Ballarat during those years, not that he graduated from Ballarat.

The article would take a look at Earle (now [Earl de Blonville Bloomfield](#)) and one or two other self described "explorers" and examine how they have leveraged their exploring careers into business endeavors. There are plenty of authentic explorers who make great motivational speakers, authors, etc. but there appear to be a good number who, aided by the "[what I tell you three times is true](#)" quality of the internet have built personal narratives which owe much of their substance to simple repetition but, upon scrutiny, ring hollow.

It's not my intention to impugn Mr. de Blonville or question his authenticity at this time. Instead, I am trying to gather the most factual and unbiased information that can be compared to Mr. de Blonville's stated record. And I certainly do not suggest that any of this reflects poorly on Ballarat, which I understand has a really sterling reputation.

Just clarification of the dates Earl attended is all I am looking for. If Earl had claimed to be valedictorian or captain of the rugby team, I'd ask for confirmation of those claims but I understand and respect the importance of protecting the privacy of your alumni.

I look forward to any further clarification of whether Earle might, in fact, have attended all four years, 1964-67.

Thanks very much for your time.

Kent Madin

From [Earl's CV](#) submitted to Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology (RMIT):
"1964-67 Ballarat Grammar School, Victoria, Australia"

From [LinkedIn](#):

[Ballarat Grammar School](#)

1964 – 1968 *Activities and Societies*: www.bgs.vic.edu.au

On Monday, November 18, 2013 3:09 PM, Claire L. Hay <Claire.Hay@bgs.vic.edu.au> wrote:

Good morning Kent,

Many thanks for your email regarding Earle Bloomfield. I have checked our handwritten register from this period and yes, he was enrolled here from February, 1966 until December 1967. I can't offer you any other information without checking with our School Archives and the staff who work there are away on leave at the moment.

What kind of information do you need? Can you also give me some idea why you need it? We don't usually give out other people's information to total strangers.

Kind regards,

Claire

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