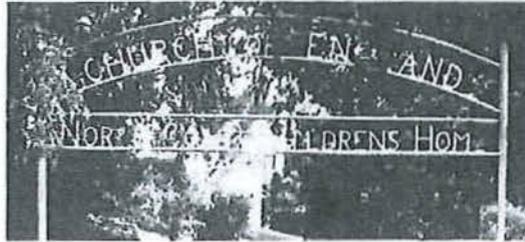


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Dear Bishop Slater

Church of England North Coast Children's Home (Photo detail at bottom of page)

In a letter to me dated October 2, 2005, Mr. Pat Comben, acting as Diocesan Registrar of the Anglican Church Diocese of Grafton, wrote of his intentions in response to my complaint of abuse – the abuse I suffered while I lived in the Church of England North Coast Children's Home (CENCCH).

In the 2005 letter Mr Comben was referring to two clergymen from St. Andrew's Anglican Church Diocese of Lismore who abused me as a child. Apart from other words of support, Mr. Comben wrote: "I'll be away for just under three weeks and will call you when I return. This will let me progress matters towards at least internal discipline towards one of the clergy you mentioned".

The clergymen mentioned are, Mr. Campbell Brown and Mr. Winston Morgan. However, as Mr Comben did not elaborate I do not know which clergyman he wrote of concerning "internal discipline".

{According to my notes, Morgan, commenced work in 1957 at St. Andrews Anglican Church in Lismore. Brown, in Deacon's Orders from England, took up residence in the Clergyman's House (Anglican clergy residence next to the CENCCH) in 1960. He also worked for St. Andrew's Anglican Church. As part of the Church structure Morgan and Brown had free access to any of the children day and night - and they could come and go as they pleased. Some time during 1962, Morgan became Rector of Caboolture and Brown was appointed Assistant Curate at Kempsey}.

According to my notes, during a phone call, when Mr. Comben returned after being away for three weeks, he said: "After all these years clergy who abuse others are usually happy to confess and get it off their mind."

I gathered Mr. Comben needed much time to take action against the member of clergy but as it has been a number of years I wish to know if Mr. Comben followed through with the "internal discipline".

An answer would be much appreciated.

Regards,

Richard "Tommy" Campion

Photo Facts: The Church of England North Coast Children's Home sign in Lismore was erected near the entrance of the Home. The sign was there when I arrived in 1949 and was there when I left in 1962. It was there when I left Lismore in 1970 and was still there when the above photograph was taken in 1977. The sign was still there in the early 80's – yet it was removed when the Home ceased to function as a "shelter" for children. The Anglican Church denies they run the Home or had the responsibility of care for the 100's of children and that is a cold hard lie. That lie is a sin against God and all those who were tragically and horribly abused in it. It was a hell-hole full of hated and brutal bashings. It was an Anglican place that should have been safe, but which was clearly not.