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Front Cover: PAC staff and students gather on the front oval of the College to create "150" for our Sesquicentenary year



# from the headmaster

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Members of our community may have seen recent media reports, where I have expressed concern about the different outcomes for boys and girls under the South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE). I thought it would be helpful to share with our wider community the nature and scope of our concerns in this area.

In 2018 we commissioned an Adelaide University academic to research differences in results between boys and girls in SACE. We were concerned to find from this research that, consistently over the last seven years, girls had received over 50% more A grades proportionally than boys and that boys had received over twice as many D and E grades as girls.

The difference in outcomes was confirmed by the South Australia Tertiary Admissions Centre (SATAC), which provided us with data showing that the average ATAR for girls was over five percentile points more than boys for each of the last three years. Whilst we think it is wonderful that girls are achieving these outcomes, we believe that boys should have the opportunity to achieve similar outcomes. We do not believe that boys are fundamentally less capable, or that schools are doing a significantly worse job of teaching boys.

I wish to make it clear that our concern is not for boys at PAC, as they are performing very well, with our results placing us in the top two or three boy cohorts in the State. However, we were concerned to note that there was no one advocating on behalf of boys overall in the State. As a leading boys' school, we feel an obligation to speak up on behalf of boys, as others are not doing so.



We have pursued these matters with the SACE Board and Chief Executive over the last 18 months with a limited response. We have been told that in some other jurisdictions, girls are similarly achieving better outcomes than boys. But we believe that the gender differential evident in SACE is not justified by the fact that other systems are similarly failing boys. Is it right to justify gender difference in outcomes because other jurisdictions are also performing poorly? And there are education systems in other parts of the world, such as A-levels in the UK, which are achieving far closer to gender equity than we are.

What might be the reasons for this difference in outcomes? One area for further investigation is the role of examinations in the assessment program. In SACE, only 30% of the overall assessment is based on external assessment, with 70% being provided internally, in most subjects through a series of written tasks. A-levels in the UK are largely examination-based, in which it appears boys tend to perform better.

We believe that the pendulum has swung too far with internal assessment and multiple extended written tasks, which has been to the disadvantage of boys across the board. Moreover, these written tasks create other problems such as plagiarism and the use of third parties to assist students with their work. With examinations, we know that whatever a student produces is actually their own work. We are certainly not advocating for a return to 100% examinations, but we would like to see consideration given to the balance of assessment tasks.

It is also worth noting that further research has indicated that boys in boys' schools in South Australia are achieving significantly better outcomes overall, than boys in co-educational schools.

This is a relatively small sample, as there are only six boys' schools remaining in South Australia. However, these results are supported by a large-scale study in New Zealand, where there are proportionally many more boys' schools, which revealed that, across all socio-economic levels, boys perform better in boys' schools.

We will continue to pursue this issue as we believe it is important for the integrity of the education system in our State, affecting 50% of students undertaking SACE each year. We feel a responsibility to take a lead on this issue, because of our strategic focus on boys' education and the significance of this issue for all boys.

**Bradley Fenner**  
Headmaster



**PAC Gala Dinner the 'Sparkling Jewel in the Crown' of Sesquicentenary Celebrations**

Around 1,100 people donned their finery to attend PAC's spectacular 150th Anniversary Gala Dinner at the Adelaide Convention Centre on Saturday 20 June, 2019 – exactly 150 years and one day from the official opening of the College on its current site.

The evening commenced with VIP Pre-Dinner Drinks for sponsors and special guests in the specially commissioned 'Red Zone Lounge', prior to it being opened to all guests as the perfect spot to mix, mingle and chat over coffee, port and chocolate. Talented PAC musician, Edmund Black, provided background music on the baby grand piano as the first of the night's champagne corks were popped.

When doors opened to the main hall, attendees were captivated with both the size and grandeur of the room, the main feature of which was a shimmering golden chandelier perched above the dance floor.

The PAC String Quartet provided arrival music on stage in front of a beautifully lit Austrian drape reflecting the red and golden theme colours of the evening. 100 elegantly dressed tables ran the length of three large halls and each featured a stunning bowl of deep red roses, subtly lit with fairy lights, which one lucky person from each table was able to take home as a special memento of the evening. Each guest's setting had a souvenir program/menu and a monogrammed box of PAC 150 chocolates.

Following a rousing performance by the PAC Drum Corps, College Captain, Henry Hawkins, got proceedings underway with a formal welcome and an acknowledgement to Country and then introduced the Official Party including His Excellency the Honourable Hieu Van Le AC, Governor of South Australia.

Master of Ceremonies (and PAC Old Scholar), Steve Whitham, undertook VIP acknowledgements and also thanked official sponsors, Coopers, Thomas Foods, Auscold Logistics and Alfred James, before welcoming College Chaplain, Reverend Mark Dickens to the stage to say Grace.

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*Back Row: Robert Bria (Mayor of Norwood, Payneham & St Peters), Colin Dunsford (Sesquicentenary Chair), Bradley Fenner (PAC Headmaster), His Excellency, Hieu Van Le, AC (Governor of SA), Reverend Dr John Barrett (Chair, Methodist Independent Schools Trust), Barbara Fenner  
Front Row: Vanessa Lambert, Thomas Lambert (President PAOCA), Felicity Keeves and John Keeves (College Council Chair)*



As entrée was served, guests were entertained by the award-winning PAC Big Band, Camerata Strings, Piano Trio and Motown Vocal Ensemble who performed a fabulous medley of songs including an original student composition. Feedback on the quality of the PAC bands and vocalists has been overwhelmingly positive.

PAC Council Chair, Mr John Keeves, undertook the opening speech for the night and spoke proudly on the history and legacy of PAC across the past 150 years after which the entire 1,100 guests stood to sing the School Song 'Our School Colours' with the backing of the PAC Big Band.

Formalities continued with the introduction of the international Key Note Speaker, Reverend Dr John Barrett, current Chair of the Methodist Independent Schools Trust and a former President of the World Methodist Council, overseeing the World Methodist Conference.

Reverend Dr Barrett's speech was, in equal parts, historically relevant and highly amusing as he touched on PAC's Wesleyan roots and congratulated the College on its achievements.

Following Reverend Dr Barrett's address, Mr Thomas Lambert, PAOCA President proudly undertook the time honoured 'Toast to the School' – and in doing so provided attendees with the ideal opportunity to partake of the many quality wines sourced from members of the PAC Red & White Cellar.

PAC Headmaster, Mr Bradley Fenner, then took to the stage and commenced his presentation with a very special 150th Anniversary message from Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, before providing an informative pictorial overview of historical aspects of the College.

Over the main course, the crowd was entertained by the highly energised 'Oz Boyz' whose modern twist on that distinct soul-pop sound that is Motown quickly had people up and on the dance floor – and even singing along on the microphone!

The evening's final speech was undertaken by Sesquicentenary Chair, Mr Colin Dunsford, who had the unenviable task of getting people off the dance floor and back into their seats. Colin provided an overview of the Sesquicentenary events past and future and congratulated all

who have been involved. He also highlighted the 'hot off the press' PAC 150 Book compiled by PAC Old Scholar, Rob Linn, who was in attendance on the night. Before leaving the stage, Colin introduced the PAC Sesquicentenary video that had been compiled especially for the Gala Dinner. The video features students from across all levels of the college and provides an excellent overview of the historic importance of the Sesquicentenary milestone. At its conclusion, the video was met with a loud round of applause – and quite a few tears of pride. The video can now be seen on the PAC website.

From that moment, the partying kicked up a notch with local band the Baker Boys performing to a packed dance floor, while others took the opportunity to retreat to the Red Zone Lounge for barista coffees and a glass of port or to purchase Sesquicentenary merchandise or their copy of the newly released PAC 150 book.

Feedback from the event has been outstanding, the decor, the food, the wines, the speeches and the entertainment have all been lauded as befitting such an auspicious occasion. But perhaps the most memorable aspect of the night was the coming together of such a large and diverse group from across the PAC Community: parents, grandparents and other family members along with students, staff, friends, sponsors and special guests – all of whom enthusiastically revelled in being a part of this historic celebration.



this page:

1. PAC Drum Corps

opposite page:

2. Former PAC Headmasters Geoffrey Bean, Stephen Codrington and Brian Webber enjoy pre-dinner drinks in the Red Zone Lounge

3. Thomas Lambert, PAOCA President

4. Bradley Fenner, PAC Headmaster

5. The Webber table

6. David and Jane McGown, Richard and Caroline Hockney

7. International Key Note Speaker Reverend Dr John Barrett

8. The Gala Dinner Hall

9. Tom DuRieu, Nick Riddell, James Smith, James Admiraal and Luke Cooney



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### Sesquicentenary Service of Thanksgiving

Sunday 28 July saw over 400 people venture out on a glorious sunny winter's morning to attend PAC's Sesquicentenary Service of Thanksgiving at the Wesley Uniting Church, Kent Town.

A highlight of the Service was the music by the PAC Strings and combined PAC and Wesley Church Choirs, accompanied by special guest organist and PAC Old Scholar, Professor Mel Waters whose prowess on the church organ was both powerful and moving.

Following the warm Welcome to Country by Kurna representative Uncle John Lochowiak, Liturgist Reverend Mark Dickens, College Chaplain, was joined by an impressive array of speakers, including Reverend Sue Ellis, Uniting Church Moderator in SA, Dr Deidre Palmer, President of the Uniting Church in Australia and Wesley Church's Reverend Alex Rogers – all of whom spoke passionately about their ties with the College.

PAC was also well represented with readings from Headmaster Bradley Fenner, PAOCA President, Thomas Lambert and 2019 College Captain, Henry Hawkins.

After the Service, guests enjoyed a delicious morning tea supplied by PAC's outstanding catering team. A truly memorable Sesquicentenary event for all in attendance.

*Jenny Daly*

*Sesquicentenary Project Manager*



1. Kurna representative Uncle John Lochowiak
2. Dr Deidre Palmer addressing the congregation
3. Front Row: Reverend Sue Ellis, Professor Mel Waters, Mr Bradley Fenner, Dr Deidre Palmer, Henry Hawkins, Reverend Felicity Amery, Back Row: Mr John Keeves, Mr Thomas Lambert, Reverend Mark Dickens, Reverend Alexander Rodgers
4. Organist - Professor Mel Waters with the PAC and Wesley Church Choirs



**PAC 150 Book**

The much-anticipated PAC 150 Book has arrived from the publishers and is being eagerly received by those who bravely took the gamble of buying the book 'sight unseen' by pre-subscription – and it was a certainly a gamble that has paid off.

This pictorial history book has been over 18 months in the making, and the results are spectacular. Author and PAC Old Scholar Rob Linn, has done an incredible job of compiling this publication, ably assisted by his wife Jane and many other key contributors who volunteered their time and efforts.

The book is predominantly pictorial with photographs representing the decade by decade history of the College – many of which have never been seen in public before. The photographs are accompanied by a summary of each decade along with interesting vignettes on people and activities associated with the College.

The book is available in both a Premium and Classic Edition and order forms can be downloaded via the Sesquicentenary website: [150.pac.edu.au](http://150.pac.edu.au) or you can email [150@pac.edu.au](mailto:150@pac.edu.au) to request an order form.

**Sesquicentenary Memorabilia**

If you have not yet purchased your personal memento of PAC's 150th Anniversary, we urge you to do so soon as stocks of some items are very low and the Red Wine Glasses are now sold out.

Order forms are can be downloaded from the Sesquicentenary website [150.pac.edu.au](http://150.pac.edu.au) or you can email [150@pac.edu.au](mailto:150@pac.edu.au) to request a price list and order form.



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# boys' education



## What makes a well-rounded, well-grounded person?

What makes a well-rounded, well-grounded person? I ask myself this often as we work tirelessly to build strong, compassionate, confident and competent young men ready to face the next phase of their lives.

Most Friday evenings and Saturday mornings I have the pleasure of watching our boys participate in co-curricular activities. The thing I notice most over time is growth. As parents, sometimes, we are looking for that moment of brilliance that clearly says our child has 'arrived'. In reality, this rarely happens in a form that we can see easily. Watching as I do, from a distance, I am regularly surprised by the moments of growth that occur on the sporting field or in the debate. The 'ah-ha' moment for the boys comes usually after stretches of mediocrity, even failure. As educators, our role is to foster in our children that sense of worthiness which I believe can only come if we understand the struggle that it took to get there.

A young boy may struggle at football for a season or two, only to one day ride a bump or evade a tackle and you can see the physical change in his attitude. That bump didn't hurt, they shrugged off the opposition, or the ball fell into their hands and they kicked a goal. All of a sudden, weeks of nervousness and self-doubt are released and a belief takes over.



Raising children is hard work, but how lucky are we to have the opportunity to watch them grow? To guide, nurture and understand their struggle. To foster an attitude that sees them grow. Don't be in a hurry to see this. Experience has taught me that if we, you and the school, get the foundations right, the boy will flourish. It might not be until Year 11 or even well after school has finished, but it will happen if the foundations are set appropriately.



Prince Alfred College is a place that fosters this. We work with you and your son to help him realise who he is and what he can do. Over the last few years, we have been very determined to create a culture where boys learn to be overtly kind to each other. You will have heard many times our mantra, "Work Hard, Be Kind". I'd say this simple yet profound mantra is working if the way our boys are now naturally relating to the adults in the school and to their peers is any indication. It is working because we are consistent and genuine in our teaching of the skills required to be respectful, generous, inclusive, honest, fair and committed. Helping our boys develop into well-rounded young men is a journey and a process that we take seriously and one which fills us with genuine pride.



**Neil Andary**

*Head of Preparatory School & Deputy Headmaster*



1. Princes Men are balanced
2. Princes Men are communicators
3. Princes Men are knowledgeable
4. Princes Men are open minded
5. Princes Men are thinkers

# king's speech



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## 1. King's Speech Finalists:

Back Row: Lachy Hislop, Nicholas Henchcliffe, Alex Henchcliffe, Thomas Henchcliffe and Preshaan Thavarajah  
Front Row: Roshaan Ediriweera, Vivaan Sood, Seth Rocca and Julian Dawson

2. Vivaan Sood (Preparatory School) presenting his speech titled 'Check the Pack and Maybe Put it Back'
3. Nicholas Henchcliffe (Middle School) presenting his speech titled 'Open Your Mind'

After an initial line up of 23 boys from Years 5 to 12 battled it out in the heats for a place in the King's Speech Finals this year, the nine finalists (the best three speakers from each of the Preparatory, Middle and Senior School divisions) came together this week to fight for the honour of 'Best Speaker' within each division, and to have their name immortalised on Lionel Logue Award perpetual trophy and honour board.

With prepared speech topics ranging from issues to do with nuclear energy, palm oil and society's fixation on fashion, to challenging topics such as the therapeutic uses of hallucinogenic drugs and Trump's assertion that he would like to 'buy' Greenland, audience members were treated to a wide range of views and assertions in this year's competition.

At the conclusion of 18 excellent speeches, one prepared speech and one short-notice speech from each of the nine finalists, adjudicators from the Rostrum organisation were faced with the unenviable task of distinguishing first, second and third place getters within each division. Whilst there was very little separating this year's competitors, given the very high standard across the board

this year, the final results from this year's King's Speech Competition were as follows:

- In the **Preparatory School Division**, this year's Lionel Logue Award for Best Speaker went to Vivaan Sood, with Runner-Up going to Julian Dawson and third place going to Seth Rocca.
- In the **Middle School Division**, the Lionel Logue Award went to Nicholas Henchcliffe, with his brother Thomas Henchcliffe receiving Runner-Up and Roshan Ediriweera earning third place.
- In the **Senior School Division**, Preshaan Thavarajah was awarded this year's Lionel Logue Award for Best Speaker, with Alexander Henchcliffe receiving the Runner-Up award and Lachy Hislop coming a very close third.

Congratulations to all competitors in this year's King's Speech Competition and a sincere thank you to all the parents, staff and guests who came to support our boys, in what was a very high standard display of confidence and skill in the art of oral communication.

**Mark Bailey**  
*King's Speech Co-ordinator*

# development of the princes man



One of the most powerful books that I have ever read is *“Legacy: 15 Lessons in Leadership”* by James Kerr. It is a book that tells the inside story of the ‘All Blacks’, the New Zealand International Rugby team, who are the world’s most successful international rugby side of all time. The All Blacks make it look easy and their reputation as the most successful sporting team in history is justified. The team has won the last two Rugby World Cups, in 2011 and 2015, and they also won the inaugural tournament in 1987. They also have an 87% winning record in test matches and are the only international men’s side that has sustained a winning record against every other opponent.

Kerr’s book is special and shares an interesting story about how the All Black’s culture of success was set in place long ago and now their ethos is fully embraced by all who are involved. As a former rugby player, I love the anecdotes and insights into what makes this team ‘tick’, but I am particularly interested in the process of how the All Blacks actively sought to create a successful cultural legacy that would last long term. The book talks about how the All Blacks developed their competitive advantage by understanding the culture of their country and its people, as well as a narrative based upon the players’ personal meaning and their connection to a higher purpose. It was not so much about what the team does, but more importantly who they are, what they stand for and why they exist.

Kerr shows that being the best in the world is not just about technique – rugby, like life and business, is a game primarily played in the mind. He cleverly shares what makes this team so successful and in particular what the All Blacks can teach us about the business of life. One of the central themes is that of ‘character’ and central to this is the phrase

‘better people make better All Blacks’. One famous story is now folklore and emerged following a significant victory against Wales in Dunedin in 2010. Having won the game 42-7, the All Blacks could have been forgiven for having a significant celebration with adoring fans, family and friends, however, this did not occur. Kerr notes:

*“this is when something happens that you might not expect. Two of the senior players – one an international player of the year, twice – each pick up a long-handled broom and begin to sweep the sheds. They brush the mud and the gauze into small piles in the corner. While the country is still watching replays and schoolkids lie in bed dreaming of All Blacks glory, the All Blacks themselves are tidying up after themselves.*

*Sweeping the sheds.*

*Doing it properly.*

*So, no-one else has to.*

*Because no one looks after the all Blacks.*

*The All Blacks look after themselves.*

*It’s an example of personal discipline. It’s not expecting somebody else to do your job for you. It teaches you not to expect things to be handed to you. If you have personal discipline in your life, then you are going to be more disciplined on the field. It all begins with character and character begins with humility.” (page 6)*

Kerr’s book is about the power of values-led, purpose-driven storytelling, which has been embedded into a well-established sporting organisation. The title provides some indication of this theme and the collective desire of the All Blacks to represent those who have gone before them and all those that come after. It is about leaving a strong ‘legacy’ because at the heart of the All Blacks success is an expectation that the players, and all within the organisation, will be the best person that they can be.

These messages are both powerful and valid at a time when our own character, and that of others, is called into question. We are regularly reminded of this in the media with newsfeeds sharing examples of individuals and organisations, both nationally and internationally, who have acted in a way that calls us to question their 'character'. It would seem that character is relevant today with many boys implementing programs and approaches that seek to develop the 'character' either as stand-alone initiatives or through the framework of Pastoral Care, as is the case at Prince Alfred College.

Helping our boys, and young men, to understand what 'good character' looks like, is a priority for us as a school. Philosophically we also believe that we have an obligation to teach our young men that acting with 'good character' is simply the right thing to do as this ultimately sustains a well-rounded life and the ability to function in society. This is an area in which we feel we can add significant value to our students and as such our approach to character education is through the strengthening of virtues, or traits that help our young men flourish in life.

At Princes, we believe that opportunities for developing character are both 'taught' and 'caught'. It is caught in all interactions and activities in which our boys participate and engage with. We also teach virtues-based character education through our 'Princes Man Program', which is an explicitly timetabled course for all students in Years 7 to 12. The course is bespoke and was developed by Year Level Coordinators under the direction of the Dean of Students and using a revised philosophy introduced by the Head of Secondary School in 2016.

Of course, the development of character has always been at the heart of the Princes Man ideal throughout the College's history. This is clearly reflected in our core beliefs that guide our approach and inform the 'Princes Man Program'. Working alongside other College activities including Academic and Co-Curricular domains, we have developed a course that we believe will help our boys develop the skills to respond well and appropriately when faced with challenges, be able to live, co-operate and learn with others, and perform in whatever area they choose.

Ultimately it is about helping them to understand how to act ethically and that doing so for the right reasons is essential if they are to flourish in life now and beyond school, or to achieve a state of wellbeing.

In the past 18 months there have also been a number of significant improvements made to the Princes Man Program. A review of the program in mid-2018 by the Dean of Students sought to simplify our approach, strengthen the alignment of the program with the College Strategic Plan and develop a common language that was consistent and easily understood by all. It was felt that this would help us more effectively meet the needs of our boys. Key outcomes include:

- Streamlining the virtues underpinning the 'taught' Princes Man Program, which are designed to help our young Princes Men understand how to achieve a state of wellbeing. These themes include:
  - Character and Manhood;
  - Health, Safety and Risk;
  - Community and Connections and;
  - Learning Performance.
- Following input received from the community and after exploring key themes in our College's history, an 'infographic' was designed to present the key virtues that are most congruent with the development of the Princes Man ideal. These include:
  - Courage;
  - Integrity;
  - Wisdom and;
  - Gratitude.
- Developing a clearer understanding of the way in which a virtues-based approach helps young men develop a state of wellbeing. This philosophy acknowledges that students from time to time can, and will, 'go off track' on their journey towards a virtuous life and that they will require help and support along the way.

Examples of some of the work delivered this year in the Princes Man Program is outlined below:

#### **Years 7 - 9:**

- **How am I doing?**
- **Setting easy targets**
- **Character strengths, personal values and role models**

- **Safety and making good decisions online**
- **Friendship**
- **Role Models and Emotions**
- **Cyber safety**

#### **Years 10 - 12:**

- **Health, Safety & Risk taking**
- **Exam study technique**
- **Masculinity**
- **Respect, leadership, finding your passion, attitudes and serving others**
- **Intimacy**
- **Meditation**
- **Financial responsibility and management**
- **Home skills**

Pastoral Care at Prince Alfred College is thriving and our approach to its provision is constantly being improved. A key element within this is the Princes Man Program, which is an explicitly taught course designed to help our young men learn about what it means to be of 'good character'. Few would argue with our desire to equip boys at the College with the skills to achieve long-term wellbeing; to live a life that is healthy and prosperous. Our response to this is a virtues-based approach to the teaching of character and activities that provide our boys with the knowledge of how to respond the right way at all times, so that they can flourish in life and manage their own wellbeing.

*Dr John C. Kinniburgh  
Head of Secondary School &  
Deputy Headmaster*



# academic

## The Attributes of a Scientist

Late last term whilst listening to Professor David Adelson, a Bioinformatics specialist from the University of Adelaide sharing with the boys his perspective on careers in scientific research, I reflected on the question; "Are we preparing our students as well as we could be for careers in science?"

This prompted me to ask the Professor what are the key attributes he looks for in his university students? He suggested he needs students who have the ability to think laterally, to interpret data (particularly when unexpected results occur) and make logical, creative decisions about the next direction to take with their research. High grades were not a prerequisite. Further, he had worked with several students who had completed undergraduate courses achieving regular high distinctions yet could not function effectively in a post-graduate research laboratory.

Whilst 'design' investigations have always been a part of the SACE courses, they were usually nothing more than a student changing what variable they were testing and using a standard method to investigate it. Now students have to first deconstruct the problem related to the practical. This process demands that students need to consider all possible variables that they could change with their investigation and those that they can and can't control. They then need to justify their final decision as to what they are planning to investigate and design their methodology around a concept that has an unknown outcome.

This year, my Year 12 students deconstruction investigation focussed on the problem "What factors impact apple juice production?" This is essentially an enzyme activity investigation, however once they deconstructed this problem, the range of variables and the various methodologies the

different groups chose to investigate were extensive. Several groups achieved results that displayed no trend, or even sets of identical results for the various levels of their chosen variable that they were investigating. However, despite this, they analysed these results and evaluated their methodology to a very high standard.

When I reflected on this process, I felt that what these boys had just worked their way through, may well have been the most authentic scientific experience that they had undertaken during their senior schooling. The boys were also developing the very attributes that Professor Adelson is looking for in his graduates. The challenge for us as science teachers is to find further opportunities for our students to develop these attributes - and ideally well before they enter Year 12.

*Peter Hopkins*  
*Academic Leader - Science*



### **Tall Poppies?**

Teaching. There are many and varied reasons for choosing this career. I doubt that wealth features on people's lists, but a deep interest in one's subject and a desire to communicate that subject should feature highly. So should a genuine commitment to educating children in the widest sense of the word – to model the sort of behaviour we wish to see mirrored.

When I taught in the UK, it seemed the majority of people felt they could do the job. Everyone has been to School therefore everyone has an opinion on School. However, on the flip side, it was generally accepted that one needed to be clever to be a teacher. When informing people that I taught chemistry, I was pleased to note a breeze of respect as they realised I must know some difficult stuff to teach a difficult subject.

In Australia, teaching is not a particularly competitive or desirable profession, as evidenced by low ATAR requirements for teacher education courses at university. Pay is generous, but one is unlikely to become seriously rich. We are left clinging to the fact that at least the public perception of teachers as being clever people is assured, right? Wrong.

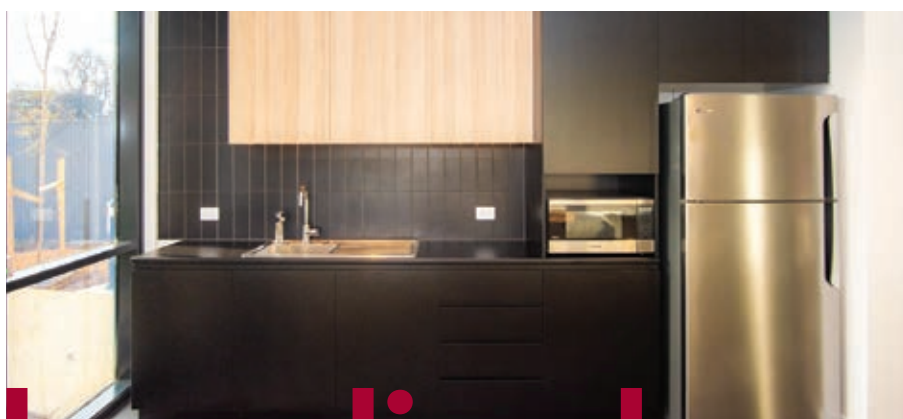
An effective teacher needs to understand their subject well, be able to communicate that subject well, and ideally have some charisma and intuition to accompany those essentials. The first point requires teachers to be clever. Flaubert said that 'writing history is like drinking an ocean and pissing a cupful'. We need anecdotes, historical context; weird, wonderful and forgotten stories; the people behind the discoveries, the lost manuscripts, the failures before the success and an ability to extend topics and stories in multiple directions.

It is possible to be a giant brain and to be poor at communicating this to children. But the first does not automatically lead to the second, and this is where things become problematic. There is an assumption that the cleverer you are, the worse you will be at communicating expertise. The exception has become the rule. I argue we are unlikely to be able to educate some of the finest minds of the next generation without employing some of the finest minds of the current one.

The above inverse relationship actively damages the profession to imply your intellectual ability is somehow irrelevant (or worse still, damaging) to your chances of being a successful teacher. Maybe we're in classic 'tall poppy' territory, which is a concept beloved by Australians. Maybe we need to ditch the image of teacher as 'Aussie battler' too, and instead respect the profession for its expertise and intellect.

*Ben Evans*

*Director of Teaching & Learning (R – 12)*



# boarding house

Friday 31 May, 2019 will be etched in many memories, as the final day in the old Boarding House and the day the boys move into their new home. This would be a start to a new chapter in Boarding at Princes. As the removalist trucks rumbled in early on the Friday morning, the boys bid farewell to their old digs; most without a hint of a tear of nostalgia.

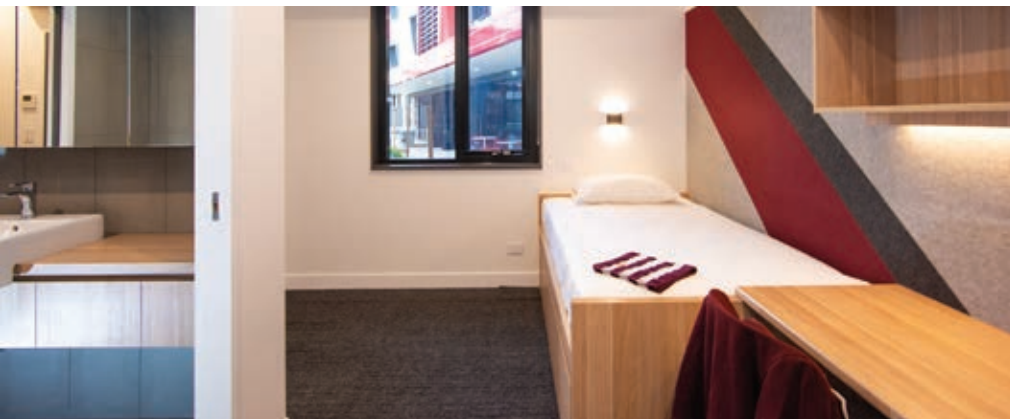
In the week prior, the excitement in the air was palpable as the boys (ably assisted by our Boarding staff) were allocated three boxes for their belongings (along with their suitcases, cricket bags etc) and were keenly packing their goods.

The previous 18 months had provided the whole community with the unique opportunity to witness the new building rising out of the ground, with boys and staff celebrating each milestone. The first milestone was the pouring of the concrete slab, the arrival and installation of each giant pre-fabricated wall panel and the delivery of the one-piece air bridge which provided the physical link between the College's main campus. All stages were unscrupulously critiqued at each lunchtime by the boys as they enjoyed their box seat view from the dining room. Questions and interest increased

as our new building made it's place felt on the eastern side of the Parade West and increased the College's footprint for the first time in many years.

After school on Friday, the boys quickly ate their afternoon tea which was being served in the dining room and some even ran to get to the new pathway, which led to the new bridge which led to the new Boarding House. The boys had every reason to be excited and in true boyhood fashion they had decided there was kudos to be gained for those first over the bridge and into the promised land.





A significant advantage of the new Boarding House's design has been the integration of all of the boys within one building. This has enhanced the already strong community and brings us together as one.

Our new boarding facility enables us to provide a state of the art residential building which provides accommodation for 150 students, plus eight staff and their families.

It offers a combination of twin-share and single rooms with the inclusion of ensuite bathrooms. We offer tutorial meeting rooms,

break out areas with their own kitchenette and lounge, music practice studios and a large common area which opens out to one of the two open area courtyards. A key part of the architectural design has been the incorporation of the Adelaide stone which has tied the new building in with the existing buildings of the College.

Designing such a building has provided us with an opportunity to work on crafting a building which suits the social and educational needs of boys and enables our boarding students to thrive.

It has been my privilege to play a part in this magnificent project and to help contribute my ideas and boarding experience to a building that is purposefully designed to ensure that boys thrive – both socially and academically.

Boarding at Princes now has a new home, a home which reflects the positive nature and strong sense of community which has been built over our 150 year history.

**Darren Roylett**  
*Director of Boarding & Boys' Education*

# archives



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It has been a wonderful year to begin as College Archivist here at Princes! As we celebrate our Sesquicentenary, I am getting to know more about the College and its amazing Archives.

I have been working on a variety of projects, including the following highlights;

- Researching for Headmaster, I rediscovered (thus conserved and digitised) an original letter from HRH Prince Alfred, to the Committee of the Wesleyan Methodist Church (SA), 1867. The subject of which, outlined the nomenclature of the College, interestingly articulated the intentions for the College to include non-Methodist denominations, and also decreed the School be unsurpassed by any other College.
- Attended the spectacular Gala Dinner.
- Visited the Murray Olsson Museum of Freemasonry to take receipt of a donation of the Prince Alfred Collegians No. 51 S.A.C. Lodge Banner.
- The Australian Society of Archivists, School Archives AGM will be held at Prince Alfred College, during their International Conference in Adelaide, October 2019.
- Grandies' Club Morning Tea – a special 'Antiques Roadshow' presentation by myself, David Cornish and Prince Alfred College 150 Years Author Rob Linn, of our Archival Collection Treasures.
- Delivered an exhibition and white gloves workshop for our Preparatory boys at the Preparatory Library about our Archives, towards celebrations for SA History Week.
- Compiled research about Boarding at Princes for Boarder's Herald, aligning with the opening of our new Boarding House. This included compilation of requirements for PAC Boarders in 1869.
- I was interviewed by SA Life magazine for a story entitled A Class of Their Own, about more unusual staff roles within educational institutions like our College.
- A significant increase in material donations and visits, particularly coinciding with our Sesquicentenary celebrations. Compared to December 2018, donations of archival materials have already increased by 140%.
- Did you know our motto used to be Ubi Non Est Scientia Anime Non Est Bonum? The soul without knowledge is not good. Following devastating losses to the College after WWI, WR Bayly (Headmaster 1915-1929) in co-operation with James E. Langley (Classics Master 1897-1931), established the motto, Fac Fortia et Patere Do Brave Deeds and Endure, which he announced on Speech Day, 1919.

I am increasingly intrigued and inspired by the rich history and strong culture of Prince Alfred College. Please feel free to contact me with any queries about the Archive. I would love to hear from you. [kpulford@pac.edu.au](mailto:kpulford@pac.edu.au)

*Kate Pulford*  
*College Archivist*

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1. HRH Prince Alfred Portrait
  2. Donation: PAC boy skiers at Mt Buffalo ca.1938
  3. Grandies' Club Morning Tea: Kate Pulford with c1940 PAC Boater
  4. Preparatory School Library Project: PAC Preparatory student group ca. 1935

# performing arts

*'He thinks too much; such men are dangerous.'*  
- Julius Caesar on Cassius

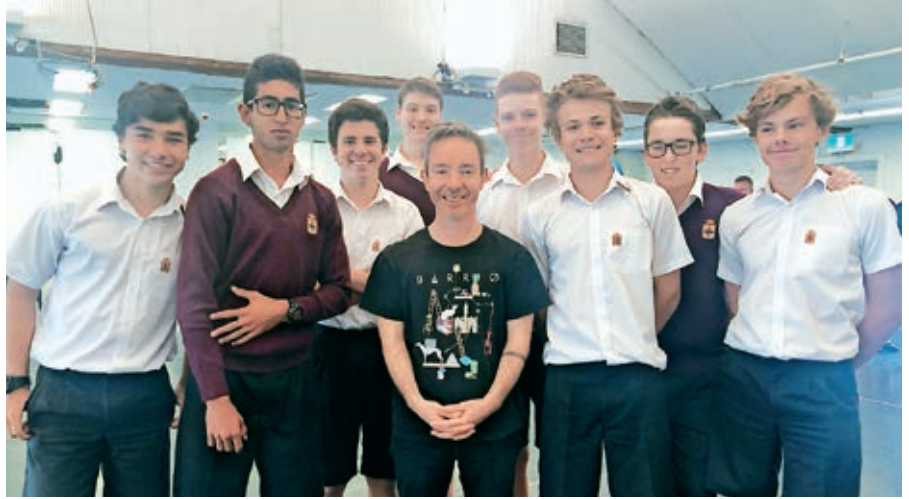
Following some excellent workshops this semester with the Bell Shakespeare Company, Australia's internationally-renowned Shakespearean theatre company and with Geordie Brookman, Artistic Director of the State Theatre Company (STC) of South Australia, Year 10 began studying 'Street Shakespeare'. As a style, it is a popular movement in the UK and across some parts of the US. Its aim is to bring Shakespeare to the people where theatres may not be available or are too expensive or inaccessible for the community. Year 10 have studied the ways in which Shakespearean plays are brought to the public including looking at how Sport For Jove's summer Shakespeare Festival is the largest of its kind in Australia.

Shakespeare looked to the Roman past not out of historical curiosity but to awaken us to the struggles, fears and possibilities of our present - our relationships to power, to loyalty, to freedom, to violence, to idealism and to civic duty. But above all he turned to the legendary characters and events of an ancient age in order to imagine new futures:

*'How many ages hence shall this, our lofty scene, be acted over in states unborn and accents yet unknown?'* (Caesar)

Shakespeare wrote about characters from every strata in society - Kings, Queens and nobility to those of much lower social stature. What is clear from his vast breadth of work is his determination to show that one's background does not affect what one experiences. Kings and Queens are just as susceptible to the full range of human emotions and experiences as those occupying a lower rung on the ladder.

Shakespeare was revolutionary in the way he represented human beings on stage. Before Shakespeare's plays, writers often presented characters as two-dimensional - audiences could easily identify who was 'good' and who was 'bad'. Plays were often didactic, conveying a message or a moral. 'Morality plays' were often performed on church steps to further emphasise religious messages, in particular.



Through their writing, playwrights made it very clear what they wanted the audience to think and feel - there was no room for nuance or interpretation.

Consider then the writing of Shakespeare, introduced into this society - suddenly, instead of seeing clear black and white portrayals of good vs evil, audiences were faced with characters such as Hamlet, Macbeth and Brutus (the real central character of *Julius Caesar*). Brutus' psychological struggle with the reality of what he does to his Caesar, and why, is fascinating. These characters deliver soliloquies about moral dilemmas, right and wrong, asking questions and debating themselves in the same speech. They decide to act a certain way and then do the complete opposite. They are flawed, inconsistent and complex; in other words, they are human.

We often think Shakespeare's great legacy is his language, however, it is his ability to effectively capture what it is to be human that has had a revolutionary impact on modern literature, theatre and art.

*Julius Caesar* is one of Shakespeare's greatest plays - famed for its clarity, political modernity, poetry and its extraordinary pantheon of characters, real men and women who defined the pulse of their age and who are rekindled in the possibilities of every political leader and every political machination of the present. Julius Caesar himself, Mark Antony, Portia, Calpurnia, Cassius and of course Brutus, the real central character whose psychological pain is what we

are most interested in. Their rise and thunderous fall throws down challenges we could ask ourselves: how should we lead a nation? How do we follow a leader? What sparks a revolution? What suppresses it? At what price, freedom?

Our dedicated cast, the Year 10 Drama class, was ably supported in their group production by a Year 9 ensemble and girls from Wilderness School. The responsibilities for the concept, poster design, costume design and props were taken on by the class in their first major ensemble performance piece.

## Cast

**Julius Caesar** Ethan Bald

**Brutus** Mitch Parker

**Mark Antony** Kyan Jenkins

**Cassius** Bailey Lock

**Casca, Metellus, Ensemble** Ripley Stevens

**Decius, Pindarus, Ensemble** Samar Dosanjh

**Soothsayer, Artemidorus, Ensemble** Jayden Selvanayagam

**Trebonius, Lucius, Ensemble** Elijah Oswald

We welcomed our audience to *Julius Caesar* in October on the front steps of the College's Main Building as we brought Shakespeare to the street. More photos will follow in the 2019 Chronicle.

## Paula Little

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*Year 10 Drama Workshop with Geordie Brookman. Jayden Selvanayagam, Samar Dosanjh, Kyan Jenkins, Ripley Stevens, Ethan Bald, Mitch Parker, Elijah Oswald, and Bailey Lock at STC*

# BUGSY MALONE

Our major College musical for the sesquicentenary year took place in June, when the Princes Players proudly presented Alan Parker's *Bugsy Malone*. Featuring girls from St Peter's Girls' School, Wilderness School, Mary Mackillop and Seymour College, over sixty students had the opportunity to be involved in this musical from across the College in Years 3 to 12.

Set against a backdrop of Prohibition, *Bugsy* pits two gangs of children - mini mobsters, if you like - head-to-head in a tiny turf war over new 'splurge guns' that shoot cream bullets like rat-a-tat tommies. The sheer joy of *Bugsy Malone* owes a lot to those splurge guns. Nobody - but nobody - can watch one child splurge another down with cream without wanting a shot themselves. In fact, one of the most memorable experiences during the entire rehearsal period was watching Mr Iadanza and Mrs Pascale try out many different kinds of cream, custard and paintballs just to get the right consistency for our guns!

Alan Parker adapted his original 1976 film for the stage eight years later. Its West End premiere lasted 300 performances, and until 2016 when Sean Holmes revived it for the Lyric Theatre in London (along with Drew McOnie, whose wonderful work we drew on) it languished in the doldrums. We are very proud to have brought a little bit of *Bugsy* to Adelaide - it is not new here, but it is not a well-known story either, so I hope that we introduced these characters to a brand new generation.

Despite the glamour of gangsters, however, *Bugsy Malone* is essentially an amateur musical and that's a large part of its appeal. The whole thing falls apart the moment adults attempt it (we did try the guns). We made a deliberate decision to ensure the orchestra represented a swathe of PAC's Middle School, and our cast is drawn from boys (and girls) in Year 3 all the way up to Year 12. And because it's made for children, it's built for participation. The songs, choreography and characters are all buzzing with energy and, despite the underworld setting, everything is shot through with total innocence. Nobody dies. *They just get splurged*.

From the insult-slinging, collar-grabbing boss Fat Sam (Thomas Howe in a star turn) to his showgirl girlfriend Tallulah (Seymour College's Hayley Binnekamp), this musical was full of roles with real character. Thanks to the stock gangland idiom, they all get memorable lines as well.

*'Hey Fizzy,' shouts Tallulah, 'will you cut the ivories and hit the shoe leather?'*

Musically, this production also kept expectations high. There was the doleful soul of *Fizzy's Tomorrow*, delivered highly emotively by Oliver Siegele, Year 5, in which a young man reduced to cleaning floors laments his lack of opportunity; the hopeful tones of *Blousey Brown* (Zara Blight, St Peter's Girls' School) singing *Ordinary Fool*; the runaway razzmatazz of *Fat Sam's Grand Slam* and the gutsy clarion call of *So You Wanna Be A Boxer?* sung with gusto by Angus Brill-Reed, Year 9.

This was a show about chasing down dreams and never giving up hope. While the main plot lets Fat Sam's hapless hoodlums get revenge on Dandy Dan's slicksters, various subplots give the eponymous Bugsy (played with such energy by Matthew Economos, Year 8) his big break, Fizzy his chance to dance, would-be actress Blousey Brown her escape to Hollywood and the tramp Leroy Smith (Jayden Selvanayagam, Year 10) a newfound talent for boxing.

*Bugsy Malone* is a timely reminder for adults in the audience that 'we coulda been anything that we wanted to be,' but, far more importantly, it teaches our students that they still can be.

This production had all of our hearts in it, and we are truly appreciative of the hard work and efforts made by the entire cast, crew, orchestra and staff involved. Thank you to everyone in the Co-Curricular Drama space in 2019. We look forward to bringing the Princes Players together again in our next major production, a hilarious take on a commedia classic, *The Servant of Two Masters* - Richard Bean's *One Man, Two Guvnors* at PAC in August 2020.



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1. Alex MacDonald and Stefan Drusian as part of Dandy Dan's Gang
2. Hayley Binnekamp as Tallulah and Matthew Economos as Bugsy

opposite page:

3. Beau Gemmell as Looney Bergonzi
4. Fat Sam's Gang doing their very best at being bad
5. Jayden Selvanayagam as Leroy and Angus Brill-Reed as Cagey Joe
6. Aidan Obst as the Magician
7. *The Down and Outs*
8. Zara Blight as Blousey
9. Roxy Robinson is splurged
10. Matthew Economos as Bugsy Malone
11. James Walters as Dandy Dan





# wambana

## Wambana & Innes National Park – A partnership worth celebrating

Since 2007, the Wambana program has partnered with The Department for Environment and Water (DEW) to survey a threatened bird species known as the Hooded Plover. This project aims to establish a systematic long-term monitoring program that regularly assesses Hooded Plover distribution, breeding activity and threats at beaches within the Innes National Park. The project focuses on building a long-term monitoring regime which involves our Year 9 students conducting Hooded Plover surveys on selected beaches within Innes National Park. Students monitor the Hooded Plover population, nesting activity, and the intensity of threats at each beach where Hooded Plovers occur. With this data, students contribute to decisions made regarding appropriate on-ground management for each of the beach sites.

A second project undertaken within the Innes National Park is known as Marine Debris Research. Each program, our student's survey a stretch of coastline and search for Marine Debris. This Marine Debris is then sorted, identified and recorded on a national database through the assistance of Park Ranges. This is a collaborative project between National Parks and PAC to minimise impacts on marine species.

As we plan for 2020 and beyond, the Department for Environment & Water (DEW) and Wambana staff and PAC Academic Leaders are finalising plans to expand PAC's involvement within Innes National Park. DEW staff believe that we have a wonderful opportunity to build on the existing research projects with an opportunity to add some strict scientific design around future projects. Below are some survey topics being explored for 2020 and beyond:

- Monitoring around threatened species such as the Mallee Fowl
- Comparing the relative abundance (and density) of fauna through remote sensor cameras
- Spotlight counts to monitor for pest species such as rabbits, foxes, mice and cats
- Herpetology Monitoring (Goannas)
- Soil condition characteristics – relating to the reintroduction of the Brush Tailed Bettong.

One major project that is being considered for student involvement is known as 'Rewilding'. This is a long-term project focused on reintroducing native species to the southern part of the Yorke Peninsula. Rewilding is the process of restoring an area of land to its natural & uncultivated state, with the reintroduction of native animal species that have been extinct from that area. It encourages natural processes to take place, ecosystems to be repaired and landscapes to be restored resulting in healthier and more diverse natural habitats.



Innes National Park is committed to reintroducing a large number of species that have been extinct from South Australia for over 100 years. Such species include the Brush-tailed Bettong, Southern Brown Bandicoot, Red-tailed Phascogale, and the Western Quoll. The future is looking bright for our students and the threatened species that live on the Southern Yorke Peninsula.

**Dale Hobbs**  
**Director - Wambana**

1. Tom Harrison and Oscar Pledge record their findings on the Hooded Plover
2. National Park Ranger, Deb Furbank assists students in their monitoring
3. Term 3 boys studying Marine Debris, coastal care, and the Hooded Plover

# careers



1. Alex from University of Tasmania shares with students about the University's programs
2. MP for Narungga and Old Scholar Fraser Ellis opens the Careers Expo and shares about his own journey into politics
3. Tim Hobbs, former College Captain, explains ANU programs to Sam Nykiel, Year 12

The Year 12 students are very busy at the moment with future planning as SATAC and other tertiary admissions centres have opened their online application portals. As part of careers planning and preparation, we have had universities visit and share; the latest were UniSA, University of Adelaide and Flinders University. Presentations have been dynamic and interesting and the Year 12 students have been grateful to receive relevant guidance regarding applications and offers, admission pathways, international travel/study, scholarships and elite athlete entry programs. Many students (and parents) from Years 10 to 12, visited the university Open Days.

Normally, the school year starts a bit quieter and builds to a strong crescendo, however this year has started busy right from the very beginning.

In addition to our hugely successful Careers Expo held in April, we have had many visitors on campus this year including: The Australian National University (ANU), several USA Colleges, Bond University, Lincoln University (NZ), University of Tasmania (UTAS) and the University of Queensland. Alexander Hoysted from UTAS met with a group of Year 12 students to discuss different programs being offered across the Tasman. Students found out about Med entry, Engineering programs, Arctic and Marine Science, scholarships, re-location grants and residential accommodation.

Students have been able to avail themselves of a number of support sessions including a University Scholarship Preparation workshop, a National and International University talk and Preparing for Challenging Pathways (Med/

Dentistry and other). Interested students went on a Big Day in ICT excursion to hear about careers in this field.

I have been working with the Year 10 students on a journey of self-discovery related to future career interests. Year 10 students completed an online personality profile My CareerMatch, which I helped the Tutor Group teachers deliver. The MyCareerMatch profile [www.mycareermatch.com.au](http://www.mycareermatch.com.au) is a tool that our students have rated higher than other resources we have introduced. Each student received a 20 page profile emailed to them to consider. Following up on this online profile, I delivered training in preparing for the challenging pathways: Medicine, Dentistry, Vet Science, Film, Professional Athlete and more.

Year 11s will be receiving special attention via our Career Development Day which will include business professionals coming to PAC to assist with interview coaching and insight into employers' expectations.

Both Monash University and University of Melbourne flew me over to visit their campuses earlier this year, where I gained valuable insights into their programs. I have also visited UNSW, Bond University (QLD) and our local SA universities. These opportunities allow me the wisdom to provide careers counselling with information gained from actual experience.

It has been a fantastic year.

**Monica Magann**  
**Careers Counsellor &**  
**Indigenous Student Support**

# indigenous student support

2019 Reconciliation Week activities, as well as NAIDOC (Voice, Treaty, Truth) activities, brought an abundance of interest and learning to the campus. As part of our own professional staff development and learning in reconciliation, PAC flew in Mrs Roni Forrest and Mr Andrew Beck from Western Australia. Roni has demonstrated success in leading the Future Footprints Program for thousands of Indigenous students, under the umbrella of the Independent Schools of WA. Andrew Beck, Indigenous Student Co-ordinator is from Guildford Grammar runs a national award-winning program. These powerful leaders shared about their joys, challenges, and recommendations for PAC and spoke to the 2019 NRW theme of "Grounded in Truth, Let's Walk Together in Courage".

Prince Alfred College has been a part of a significant and historical Kurna language project for Australia and the rest of the world. Upon hearing of the University of Melbourne's 50 Word Project, we contacted Professor Rachel Nordlinger at the University and offered to get Kurna custodian (and fluent Kurna speaker) Jack Buckskin into the College to record 50 words in Kurna.

The project aims to provide 50 words in every Indigenous language of Australia. The words are provided online with community permission, and with audio provided by a language speaker. The languages and words are displayed on a map of Australia so that users can easily find the information relevant to their local area. It is hoped that this will be a useful resource for schools and educational organisations to learn 50 words in their local language, and for the general public to discover and appreciate the diversity of First Nations' languages around Australia. You may view this resource here: <http://50words.online>.

Jack came in, taught the Preparatory students language all day and did the recording after he was finished with his teaching. Jack was happy to do this, and the children loved him. Preparatory School Librarian Jason Coleman hosted the event, along with the support of team Jan Buchanan and Dan Woolford.

At the beginning of August, it was wonderful to have 80 students and staff gather at Bounce Trampolining from eight schools for a Yaitya Tita Social. Two new schools joined the fun – Rostrevor College and Sacred Heart.

There was so much laughing and bouncing and joy. One of the best moments was when young men from Wiltja Aboriginal Boarding were speaking in their Pitjantjatjara language, bouncing and laughing.

The Yaitya Tita goals of creating connections and building leadership and pride in identity are bearing fruit. It is good to see what PAC is achieving in this reconciliation space. We have now the following schools involved in our Yaitya Tita Aboriginal Youth Program, which has been running for three years: St Peter's Boys, Pembroke, Loreto, Rostrevor, Sacred Heart, Torrens Valley Christian, Concordia, Seymour, Wilderness, Scotch College and Wiltja Boarding.

**Monica Magann**  
Careers Counsellor &  
Indigenous Student Support

1. *Isaiah Dudley, Kozzy Kropinyeri-Pickett, Ronald (Concordia), Tex Wanganeen, Byron Pickett Jr and Caleb Thomas hang out at Bounce*
2. *Jack Buckskin teaches the Preparatory School boys Kurna language*
3. *Uncle John Lochoviak performs a smoking ceremony of the new Boarding House with Samson Andrews*





# charity

## World's Greatest Shave

Participation in the Leukemia Foundation's World's Greatest Shave has become a tradition now for the College Prefect group. This year they were joined by staff members Mrs Christine Papanicolas and Dr Daniel Kerrigan. In total, 24 participants had their hair shaved off in support of this fundraiser. Two Prefects went so far as to also have their leg hairs waxed for this great cause.

Fundraising for the Leukaemia Foundation was conducted over two months. In addition to the Shave, other events included crowdfunding from family and friends of the participants, the hosting of a Year 7/8 Social by the Prefect group, a Preparatory School sausage sizzle, and a yiros and drinks fundraiser during lunchtime in the Secondary School on the day the Shave took place.

By the end of July, the total amount raised had reached \$27,748.

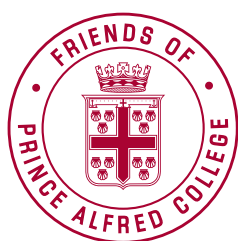
*Reverend Mark Dickens*  
College Chaplain

1. Headmaster Bradley Fenner shaves College Captain Henry Hawkins head and with Jackson Miller partaking in the fun also
2. College Captain, Henry Hawkins and Prefect, Alistair Phillips
3. Sam Bennetts having his legs waxed by Mr Mitchell Simpson
4. Mrs Christine Papanicolas having her lovely hair shaved off by Leukaemia Foundation volunteer and Blake Favretto, College Vice-Captain having his hair shaved off by Miss Ashleigh Schofield





# friends of PAC



Term 2 started with a new event for FoPAC. Following the success of last year's inaugural Father's Day Stall in the Preparatory School, we decided to hold a Mother's Day stall this year so boys could also choose a surprise gift for their mum. We were very grateful to the large number of mums who came to wrap gifts and help run the stall, even though it was for Mother's Day! We would especially like to thank Preparatory School Dad Ian, who joined us on the stall and helped the boys choose gifts (and also brought coffee for everyone!). Boys love their mums and it was very special to witness the care and deliberation they took in choosing just the right gift! We hope all the mums, grandmas and other special people loved receiving their gifts on Mother's Day.

In Term 3 we held the Father's Day stall for the second year. Again we had many helpers who came along to wrap and assist with running the stall on the day and we were delighted to have so many people join us at their first FoPAC event. There was an array of gifts, with BBQ tools and reusable coffee cups proving to be the most popular gift choices amongst the boys! Our helpers were very impressed with the beautiful manners and patience the boys displayed when they were purchasing their gifts as well. Happy belated Father's Day to all of our fathers in the Preparatory School.

1-3. Preparatory School boys making their Mums a present for Mother's Day, with the help of some Dads

Organising and running these stalls are a big undertaking and we thank Melissa Dales in the Preparatory School Office for always being ready to assist, Preparatory School staff for their support and all of our helpers, especially FoPAC members Kerrie Rawlinson and Becki Thomas for running the events.

Unfortunately we had to cancel our annual May Charity Morning Tea, as we didn't quite make the required numbers by the RSVP date. We know this was disappointing to a number of long-standing attendees and we thank you for your continued support of the event. As part of the booking process this year we trialled a new system whereby attendees could allocate a donation across three charities. This was welcomed as a great new initiative and one we'll look to implement going forward. Thank you to Julie Watson and other members of the FoPAC Committee and also to Felicity Roberston in the Finance department for the work they put into organising the event.

At every FoPAC meeting we raise and discuss issues that are important to parents. In response to members' feedback around reporting processes and information sharing, FoPAC was very pleased to welcome Director of Teaching and Learning, Mr Ben Evans to address our June meeting. Ben spent an hour fielding questions from parents and we greatly appreciated him making the time to meet with us in the evening. We would also like to thank the Headmaster and Deputy Headmasters for their continued attendance at every meeting and willingness to discuss issues raised by our members, and for the actions they have taken to address points raised at our June meeting.

As we go to press we are preparing for many events in the latter half of Term 3. As always, we would like to thank the College community for its ongoing support of our efforts. Our membership has continued to grow this year and we've had a broader cross-section of our parents and carers volunteer at events, all of which helps to bring our College community closer together. We always welcome all parents and carers to attend our meetings or to contact us if they would like an issue raised at the meeting. Events and meetings are advertised in eNews and on the College Facebook page and we are always happy to receive emails via [fopac@pac.edu.au](mailto:fopac@pac.edu.au).

**Mary Read**  
President – FOPAC



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1-2. Preparatory School boys with presents for their Dads for Father's Day



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# winter intercollegiate series



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Princes has once again, shone in our annual Winter Intercollegiate series against our great rivals from St Peter's College. Matches across all levels, from eight different sports have punctuated a super winter season, culminating in a strong 5-3 advantage in First level competition.

After being approached by St Peter's College with a request for a reconsidered, compressed format – Princes hosted all eight fixtures across a condensed four days, with two events held each day.

In our 150th year, it was our honour to host each and I am proud to say that our people and resources shone through despite all the challenges that come with such an undertaking.

## Soccer

In a tightly fought contest where both teams had their chances, the teams tied at 1-1, after regular time. With five minutes each way 'extra time', Saints created and converted a good opportunity to win the game 2-1. Our boys, although disappointed, should be proud of a strong season.

The boys have played some compelling football in 2019 and should not be judged by anything other than their efforts which have been strong throughout.

Special thanks to Soccer Co-ordinator Joe Russo, Coaches Phil Stubbins and Ed Scalzi as well as Captain Blake Favretto, on the season.

## Hockey

In a historic first ever Hockey Intercol under lights, Princes continued its dominance of the 2019 season with an emphatic 11-0 victory.

While the blue boys toiled to the end, they struggled to combat the system and skill of the Princes First XI. Our boys, visibly humble in victory, capped off a great week in which they earned the title of State Champions for the 4th consecutive season - an incredible performance!

Congratulations to Co-ordinator Andrew Stace and Coach Mark Dell'Oro on the season and to Captain Charlie Keeves for the manner in which he led the team throughout the

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1. Stefan Casalbare in action for the First XI Soccer Intercol match
2. Charlie Keeves, Captain of Hockey, accepts the Intercol trophy after a convincing victory
3. Hanno Jacobs outstanding as goalie in the First XI Soccer Intercol match

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4. The First XV dominate the 32nd Rugby Intercol
5. Edmund Black argues his point in the tightly contested Debating Intercol
6. Don Bui gets a serve away in the Table Tennis Intercol
7. Robbie Brennan in full flight for the First V Basketball Intercol match



season, particularly during a tough campaign of matches at the back end of the season.

### Rugby

The First XV dominated the game in the early passages of this year's Intercollegiate, yet were unable to convert pressure into score. Down 3-0 at the half-time break, the boys came out with aggression and vigour and put two quick tries on their Blue rivals. Two late tries to both teams saw Princes victorious 24-10.

A very deserving Carl Arnold was named the Scott Heaslip Medallist (Best afield).

Congratulations to Co-ordinator Jeremy Rylatt, Team Manager Shaun Oakey and Coaches Peet Arnold and Rob Smedley. Captain Patrick Eteuati led the team with distinction and oversaw the retention of the State Schools Championship, to cap off a fantastic season.

### Debating

In a packed ANZAC Hall, Princes were extremely gallant in an absorbing and passionate debate.

Elias Raptis, Seran Perera and Edmund Black were outstanding in their argument and rebuttal on the topic of "We should encourage students into trade rather than university", yet we were unable to overcome the boys from Saints.

Captain Elias' speech during the presentation epitomised everything that we expect in our young men, being extremely gracious in defeat.

Congratulations to Co-ordinator Cathryn Harris and Coach Will Thomas on a strong season as they head into the Grand Finals of the SADA School Competition.

### Table Tennis

Having played Saints multiple times this year, without victory, the First Table Tennis team knew this year's Intercollegiate would be a true test. However, our boys were up to the challenge and really worried their opponents.

After sharing the doubles two rubbers all, our players went to the singles and competed strongly, with five games going to five sets - a

testament to our unwavering spirit. The final score saw Saints victorious 13 sets to 7.

Thanks to Co-ordinator Phil McLaughlin, Coach Kevin Malyschko and Captain Thomas Roberts who led the program very strongly, leaving a legacy which we believe will be the bedrock of future success.

### Basketball

In front of a bulging RED Centre crowd, our First V dominated this year's Basketball Intercollegiate, from the outset. Captain Blake Cranna, led from the front and was ably supported by a task oriented Ethan Bryan – who confined Saints' best player, to run away with the victory, 40-20.

The intensity and passion that our boys demonstrated was impressive and a credit to all who took the court, for what was an amazing spectacle.

Congratulations to Co-ordinator Jack Harford and Coach Paul Rigoni on the dominant season they have had, which augers well for the future of the sport at Princes.



**Chess**

Princes' Open Chess team has again secured the Intercol Trophy with a strong 8-2 victory, yet it is fair to say that the matches themselves were tight and absorbing throughout, with many of the rubbers going well beyond 90 minutes in duration.

Both teams were expertly led and should be proud of the manner in which matches were played. The match played historically on the final day of the Winter Intercollegiate, showcased Chess as one of our most successful sports.

Congratulations to Co-ordinator Peter Serwan, Coach Richard Thorne and Captain Steve Wu who led our boys to victory in typically fine style.

**Football**

Coming off a stirring State Championship win on Tuesday evening, our boys were always going to need to compose themselves for what loomed as a big challenge against an emerging Saints team.

The match was fiercely contested throughout and to our oppositions great credit, it was a thoroughly enjoyable contest.

With 15 minutes remaining, the score line of 33-31 saw the result truly in the balance. Thankfully, our class shone through and two late goals got us across the line with a 48-31 win.

Congratulations to Co-ordinator Phil Noble, Coaches Martin McKinnon, Craig Tasborski and Jarrad Jackson on a superb season, with only a single loss. Karl Finlay led his team wonderfully well and we are excited for what 2020 will bring given the large group of Year 11s in the team.

**Summary**

2019 – Princes sesquicentennial year, has proven to be one 'for the ages' – emphatic performances, four state titles, terrific support from our community and a show operational unity in hosting all eight First fixtures, whilst

still maintaining our high standards is something which we can be proud of.

More than this, the opportunity for us to show our true colours as a College was a challenge duly accepted, carefully managed and expertly executed, thanks to the work of many people.

Special and sincere thanks to our events, grounds, portorage, catering, cleaning and teaching staff for the many unseen hours of work that they put in, which ensured our success and showcased the strong unity and pride at the College. On behalf of the boys – thank you!

*Troy McKinnon  
Director of Co-Curricular Activities*

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- 1. PAC dominated an intense Chess Intercol
  - 2. Our first Intercol food hub was a great success
  - 3. Classic ruck contest during Intercol
  - 4. Karl Finlay leads his team and the Auskickers out onto the main oval for the Football Intercol





# foundation

## **PAC Grandies' Club – keeping Grandies involved and busy!**

A little over 30 years ago the PAC Grandies' Club was established as a way of involving grandparents and older family and friends in the lives of the students and their school. In that time countless Grandies have enjoyed one another's company as they share the successes of their boys and join in the activities offered by the Club.

Through its activities the Club has financially supported projects which benefit students now and in the future, and Grandies have personally supported the fundraising programs of the Prince Alfred College Foundation through gifts and bequests.

The Club's annual program provides the opportunity for Grandies to learn about aspects of the life of the College, to visit sites away from Kent Town, and to share in the joy of Christmas. Here's a review of Club activities this year.

### **Grandies' Morning Tea**

Annually members of the Club are invited to morning tea in Piper Pavilion to enjoy a presentation on an aspect of the life of the College. This year Grandies were treated to a presentation by recently appointed Archivist Kate Pulford and author of the Sesquicentenary history Rob Linn. Kate presented several key items from the collection including the mallet used by Prince Alfred to lay the foundation stone in 1867, the album presented to Headmaster Chapple upon his retirement in 1915 and a sweet 1960s double breasted Preparatory School suit coat.

Rob provided a sneak peek of several components of his book and showed photographs received during production, which were new to our collection and from many sources.





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### Grandies' Wambana Trip

The promise of a day in the country and Year 9 hospitality saw a group of nearly 30 Grandies visit the College's Wambana campus at Point Turton. This opportunity occurs from time to time and enables Grandies to visit the facility, be escorted on tours by students participating in the extended stay program, and to learn from staff of the components of the program. As is customary, the Grandies were treated to a selection of baked items for their second morning tea (the first was at Port Wakefield on the way) followed by wood oven pizzas for lunch. The excitement of the day combined with plenty to eat, not one Grandie could say they remembered the trip home!

### Please Join the Grandies' Club

The next function is the Grandies' Christmas Lunch on 27 November at the College.

The PAC Grandies' Club welcomes anyone with a link to a current student. For further information and membership please contact Molly Dyer at the College, (08) 8334 1200 or [mdyer@pac.edu.au](mailto:mdyer@pac.edu.au)



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1. Grandies enjoy their second morning tea
2. Students sharing Wambana with the Grandies
3. Kate Pulford shows Bill Menz his father, Bill Menz in the 1914 Prefects



### Boarding House Opening

Donors to the Foundation who supported the development of the Boarding House were welcomed at the official opening and acknowledged for their gifts. At the conclusion of the ceremony donors were invited to tour the building and to see how their generosity has been acknowledged.

### Foundation Scholarship Fund

The Scholarship Fund is delighted to announce the endowment of two new scholarships by members of the College community.

### Brett Gooden Space Science Scholarship

For several years the Scholarship Fund committee has valued the membership of Dr Brett Gooden (1953-1960) and students in Year 10 for his work with them on the science of the space suit. Dr Gooden places great emphasis on the developing space and aeronautical industry in South Australia, and his scholarship will support a student who hopes to achieve a career along this path.

### Kirkby Family Scholarship

The generosity of the Kirkby Family Scholarship has enabled the establishment of the Kirkby Family Scholarship. Stephen Kirkby and Petra Heeg along with their son Max Kirkby (2004-18) look forward to welcoming the inaugural recipient to the College in 2020.

### The Work of the Foundation

Since its establishment in the mid 1970s, the PAC Foundation has provided funds for College projects and scholarships. This proud record of achievement has only been through the generosity of the Princes community and many lives have been touched as a result.

Recently the Foundation produced and launched a video which presents its work through the eyes of students, old scholars and grandies. You can enjoy the PAC Foundation video at [www.pac.edu.au](http://www.pac.edu.au)

*David Cornish*  
*Executive Officer,*  
*Prince Alfred College Foundation*

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*In our day... Ken Grundy and Alistair Francis enjoy the view of the College campus from the McBride Wing of the new Boarding House*



# princes men gallery inductees



## **Our Princes Men Gallery Induction - Senator David Fawcett**

Prince Alfred College inducted Old Scholar David Fawcett, into Our Princes Men Gallery on Thursday 15 August, 2019. The Princes Men Gallery is in honour of our Old Scholars who have achieved distinction in their respective fields.

We invite you to learn more of David's commendable achievements, by reading the speech given by the Headmaster.

"As you know, it is our practice to induct an Old Scholar into our Princes Men Gallery each term. In this way we honour Old Scholars who have achieved distinction in their respective fields. And we also gain the benefit of hearing something of their story and what messages they might want to give us.

Each term we recognise someone who has achieved distinction in a different field, which indicates the range of pathways undertaken by Princes Men. Today's induction is significant in that it recognises someone who has given great service to this Nation in two separate fields.

David Fawcett commenced as a Year 6 Boarder at Prince Alfred College in 1975, having returned from Thailand where his father was working with the Colombo Plan. During his time at PAC, David did all the things that Princes Men do. He was involved in performing arts, sport, leadership and of course the academic program.

In his final year at school, 1981, David was Deputy House Captain of Blacket House. David excelled in soccer, as a member of our

First team. Although they lost the Intercol soccer that year, they were far from disgraced and were highly competitive.

After matriculation in 1981, David entered the Royal Military College Duntroon in Canberra, graduating as an Army Officer in 1985 with a Bachelor of Science and was posted to the Aviation Corps. David went on to serve in the Australian Defence Force for over 22 years, flying both fixed wing aircraft and helicopters.

David was the Senior Flying Instructor at the School of Army Aviation in Queensland. Graduating as an experimental test pilot from the Empire Test Pilot School in the UK in 1993, he finished his full-time defence service in 2004 as the Commanding Officer of Australia's Flight Test Centre.

David then sought a change in career and was elected to the House of Representatives as the Member for Wakefield, South Australia, in 2004, serving in Parliament until 2007. David then continued to fly as a test pilot and ran a small business working in the defence and aviation sectors.

However, he was not done with politics and was elected to the Senate in 2010 and again in 2016, representing South Australia. In the 45th Parliament, David was sworn in as the Assistant Minister for Defence and served in this role until the 2019 federal election.

David's experience in aviation has helped to facilitate change in Australia's aviation policy and approach to aviation safety regulation.

With tertiary qualifications in Science and Business Administration, he provides an evidence-based approach to policy development and oversight with a focus on outcomes that are in the national interest.

David is a strong advocate for a more effective and efficient national Defence Force, including the development of a sustainable defence industry. His appointments include Chair of the Parliamentary Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade, being a member of the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Intelligence and Security, and Assistant Minister for Defence in the 45th parliament.

As Chair of the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services in the 44th Parliament, he led an enquiry into the educational and professional standards of the financial advice industry. This work has played a major part in legislative and industry-led reforms in the finance sector.

In reading David's first speech in Parliament as a Senator, a few key messages shone through. David quoted from the Bible: "Of those to whom much is given, much will be expected" and he made it clear that, as a fortunate Australian, he knew that he must give back. He declared himself a loyal and proud Australian, but also a realist who recognised that "We can do better" and he committed himself to making a difference. He noted we must be prepared to innovate and to fix problems, to ensure, in a memorable phrase that David used as a former experimental test pilot, that we have one landing for every take-off. And he also acknowledged the importance of family, whatever form that might take, in all our lives and to our society.

In pursuing a career, and life, of service to our nation, David has indeed demonstrated consistently the highest qualities of the Princes Man."

**Bradley Fenner**  
Headmaster

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*Bill Riceman, Geoffrey Bean, David Fawcett,  
Bradley Fenner, Don Millard and John Keeves*

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Prince Alfred College inducted Old Scholar Shaun Ewen, into Our Princes Men Gallery on Thursday 20 June, 2019. The Princes Men Gallery is in honour of our Old Scholars who have achieved distinction in their respective fields.

We invite you to learn more of Shaun's commendable achievements, by reading the speech given by the Headmaster.

"Good afternoon students, staff and special guests, past Headmaster Mr Geoffrey Bean, and in particular Professor Shaun Ewen, family and friends. It gives me great pleasure to welcome our special guests here today for this induction.

As you know, it is our practice to induct an Old Scholar into Our Princes Men Gallery each term. In this way, we honour Old Scholars who have achieved distinction in their respective fields. And we also gain the benefit of hearing something of their story and what messages they might want to give us.

Today's induction should give us all great satisfaction in the year in which we celebrate our 150th anniversary. For today, in this milestone year, we celebrate another significant milestone for PAC, by honouring for the first time in this way, an Aboriginal Old Scholar. We do so with the desire and conviction that Shaun will be the first of many Aboriginal Old Scholars who will join Our Princes Men Gallery.

Shaun is an Aboriginal man who now lives on Wurrundjeri country, in the area known as Narm (or Melbourne). He has been welcomed to that area by the Elders over very many years. He grew up here in Adelaide on Kaurna country, and his Aboriginal family connections are in the Western District of Victoria, Gunditjmurra.

Shaun was a student at Prince Alfred College from 1976 to 1986. He was involved in a range of school activities and won a number of prizes throughout his school career. He excelled in basketball in his senior years, playing in three Intercol games with the First team. He also had a strong passion for the opportunities provided at Scotts Creek and regularly went back in his senior years to engage with the leadership development of junior students and class groups.

Shaun was appointed PAC College Captain for 1986. Shaun's conduct in that role can be gauged from the following extract from a reference written for him at the end of that year, by Mr Bean."

"Shaun has given outstanding service as School Captain at Prince Alfred College. In this role, he has impressed everybody by his enormously high sense of responsibility and his extremely sensitive and perceptive way of handling the wide range of human relationships. He is a person of high ideals and impeccable personal standards who can be relied upon and trusted absolutely."

"Upon leaving school, Shaun studied for a Bachelor of Applied Science in Physiotherapy at the University of South Australia, during which time he also worked for a time as a Boarding House Tutor here at PAC. He later completed a Master of International Studies from the University of South Australia and then a Doctorate of Education from the University of Melbourne.

After working as a Physiotherapist in a variety of settings in Australia, the United Kingdom and South Africa, he embarked upon an academic pathway. This has included working as a visiting researcher at the University of Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, South Africa, and lecturing at the University of South Australia, Flinders University and then the University of Melbourne.

A series of positions specialising in indigenous health, have led to Shaun's current appointments as Professor and Director of the Melbourne Poche Centre for Indigenous Health in the faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health Sciences at the University of Melbourne. He also holds another very significant, senior role, at the University of Melbourne as Pro Vice Chancellor for indigenous matters.

Shaun has received a series of awards and fellowships, most recently winning the Limelight Award for excellence in indigenous

health education leadership in 2017. He has served on a large number of committees and boards and is the inaugural Chair of the Association of Commonwealth Universities' Peace and Reconciliation Network. He has published widely, particularly in his area of indigenous health, in which he is regarded internationally as a leading voice and expert. The issue of indigenous health is hugely important, not only to our Aboriginal community, but to us as a nation, and we should be proud to have one of our Old Scholars leading the way in this area.

Having corresponded with Shaun, and then subsequently I met with him in Melbourne, and spent some time discussing his journey and how that relates to Prince Alfred College, I know Shaun to be a man of the highest integrity and principles. I also know that he is someone who will not simply accept the way things are; he is prepared to challenge institutions, beliefs and practices. He is committed to equity, fairness and justice, and to taking action to make this world a better place. In that sense, we have every reason to be proud of Shaun Ewen, as an outstanding example of the very best qualities of the Princes Man, just as his reference written at the end of his school years suggested.

Professor Shaun Ewen, it is with great pleasure and pride that I induct you into Our Princes Men Gallery. I now present you with this tie, which is worn only by members of this distinguished group.

Prince Alfred College congratulates Shaun Ewen."

**Bradley Fenner**  
**Headmaster**

*Geoffrey Bean, Ben Hanisch, Shaun Ewen, Bev Ewen, John Ewen, Bradley Fenner and Milton Haseloff*



# old scholars



## PRINCE ALFRED OLD COLLEGIANS' ASSOCIATION

### President's Update

As the year draws to a close, I can honestly say it has been another wonderful and successful year for the Old Scholars' Association, coupled with celebrating the College's 150th birthday.

As always, our prime objective is to offer all members, regardless of their stage in life, an opportunity to remain connected with the College and fellow Old Reds.

Following on from my May update, where I spoke about the year ahead and all our events, it was wonderful to see participation by our members at all-time highs at the majority of our events. I recently returned from our Sydney dinner which was held at Establishment on Friday 30 August where we had 85 Old Reds in attendance, our largest on record.

The flagship event of the year, however, was the 150th Gala Dinner held on Saturday 20 July at the Adelaide Convention Centre. Over 1,100 guests, including hundreds of Old Scholars, their partners and families attended to celebrate this significant milestone for the College. Whilst there was some reservation within our community around the PAOCA Management Committee's decision not to hold our traditional Annual Dinner, the Association firmly stood by this decision and the feedback received to date since the event has been overwhelming. The Gala Dinner provided an opportunity for others within the Princes' community to get a firsthand look at what it means to have attended PAC, attend one of our events and see why the Old Scholars Association and all that it stands for, is so special. The Gala Dinner exhibited that PAC is so much more than just a place of education for boys and young men. The Old Red spirit was truly alive.

The week after the dinner, in true tradition, we celebrated Old Scholars' Week. The week commenced with our winter intercols and, as is the case every year, the results were mixed!

**Badminton:** PAOC 7 defeated SPOC 2

**Basketball:** A loss

**Bridge:** SPOC 430 defeated PAOC 375

**Chess:** PAOC 3 defeated SPOC 2

**Hockey:** PAOC 10 defeated SPOC 1

**Squash:** SPOC 5 defeated PAOC 1

On Friday 26 July, the Old Old Boys' Assembly was held, yet again another enormous success which saw a record attendance of 219 Old Old Boys, including centenarian Mr Warwick Rowe (1934-1936), and who was recognised as our oldest Old Boy.

The week concluded with the Sesquicentenary Reunion Day held on Saturday 27 July in Piper Pavilion. In conjunction with the College, each of the 1959, 1969, 1979, 1989, 1999, 2009 and 2014 year groups joined in a morning tea and assembly, hosted by Headmaster Bradley Fenner and me, then a tour of the College and new Boarding House. Each group then celebrated at their respective lunch or dinner.

The 20th Annual Vintage Reds Luncheon, to be held on Thursday 17 October is the last of our significant events. This is always a wonderful afternoon in the RED Centre, and sees around 350 Old Reds, over the age of 60, in attendance.

November will see us close the year with our Annual General Meeting, to be held on Thursday 28 November, open to all our members should they wish to attend.



In closing, I wish to advise that I will be stepping down from the role of President at the AGM, and thank each of you for the opportunity to serve as your President. It has been a true honour and privilege to be President of PAOCA since 2017, a role that I have taken very seriously. I step down knowing that I have given my all, leaving the Association in a robust position for my successor, and I will remain on the Management Committee for the foreseeable future.

Our Association is truly special, and the support and interaction that we receive from our members all over the world is why we remain as one of the most successful Old Scholars organisations in the country. For that, I thank you.

The Association remains in a very strong position and like always, I sincerely thank all our valuable members for continuing to uphold the tradition that is Prince Alfred College, making our Association what it is.

*Thomas W Lambert (2004)*  
*PAOCA President 2019*



## Old Scholars' Week

### Old Old Boys' Assembly

On the morning of Friday 26 July, 2019, Old Reds who entered the College sixty years ago or more, gathered in the RED Centre with students and staff of the College to celebrate a special Old Old Boys' Sesquicentenary Year Assembly. With a record number of 219 Old Old Boys in attendance, there were many special moments. However, a standing ovation for our oldest Old Boy, Mr Warwick Rowe at a sprightly 100 years of age, and a meeting between the three oldest and three youngest present, were definitely highlights.

1. Old Old Boy Malcolm Catford with PAOC Management Committee member, Rex Wilson
2. Ian Tregoning, John Tucker and Peter Buttery enjoying a yarn!
3. Our oldest Old Boys with the College's youngest boys: John Haigh, Yichen Wang Xu (Rec L), Warwick Rowe, Nash Noble (Rec L), Colin Coker and Theodore (Teddy) Teasdale (Rec O)
4. Brian North with his grandsons, Matthew and Tom North
5. Ivan Venning with his grandson, Harrison Haynes
6. David and Robert Wehr with Robert's grandson, Daniel Murray

**Sesquicentenary Reunion Day**

Prince Alfred College was swamped on Saturday 27 July, with Old Reds from across the decades as they participated in the special PAC Old Collegians' Reunion Day, one of the key events in Old Old Boys' Week and the College's Sesquicentenary celebrations.

Heading the list were the boys who left the College in 1959, followed by those from 1969, 1979, 1989, 1999 and the young men of 2014. Over three hundred men attended a special assembly followed by a tour of the College, for some it was the first time they had been back to the school since their graduation. Old Boys enjoyed the opportunity to hear of the life of the College from the Captain of the School, Henry Hawkins, Headmaster Bradley Fenner and Association news from PAOCA President, Thomas Lambert. The assembly concluded with a rousing rendition of Our School Colours.

Decade groups then gathered for reunion gatherings at venues across Adelaide.



1. Peter Leckie, Gareth Lewis and Tom Whittenbury (Class of 1999)
2. Rob Johnston and Peter Wiadowski (Class of 1959)
3. Gervaise Heddle, George Carvin, Timothy Janenko, Nick Rutherford and John Carvin (Class of 1989)
4. Karl Siebels (2009) with Will van Dissel and Jack Lang (Class of 2014)
5. Garth Palmer and Antony Craven (Class of 1959)
6. Ben Papandrea, Rohan Pratt, Michael Schiller, Lewis Perks, James Acott, Andrew Lukowicz, (Class of 2009)
7. Chester Osborn, James Hall, Michael Brett and Andrew Nairn (Class of 1979)
8. Ross and Oliver Philpot





### **Class of 1959 Sixty Year Reunion**

Thirty Old Boys, plus retired Master, Ian Houston, attended the PAC owned Royal Coach Motel for the celebrations. Four came from interstate, and eight from regional South Australia. Prior to the 12:30pm start, 22 attended the Sesquicentenary Assembly in the ANZAC Hall (Assembly Hall), followed by a walk across The Parade West sky bridge entrance to tour the new five-storey 150 bed boarding house.

After canapés, Grant Laidlaw welcomed everybody. Peter Buttery read out the 75 apologies and Robert Humphris, third member of the reunion Committee, read out the known 18 boys who had passed away. There were 15 we never found, and 16 failed to respond to our two letters and email. So we had a grand potential total of 138 boys to identify.

Garry Brown of Melbourne, proposed an excellent Toast to the School with stories about the Headmaster John Dunning and our old masters Messrs Alan Dennis, Rajah Coombe, Ray Smith, Jimmy Duff and Mrs Christobel Mattingley and her book, *Battle Order 204*, all about her husband, David Mattingley. Garry summarised, "... PAC had left an indelible mark on him, for which he was eternally grateful. Please join with me in a Toast to the School as we take the opportunity to express our gratitude to those who helped us so greatly to find our paths forward. To PAC... *Fac Fortia et Patare*".

Immediately following, many comments were made about our school memories. One focus related to the then, but not nowadays, school trip to Alice Springs and back on the Ghan, via Maree and the good company of the Burwood PLC girls we met on the three day train trip there! We painted the Australian Inland Mission during the first week, and the reward in the second was travelling in Land Rovers to Glen Helen Gorge, Hermannsburg Mission, Palm Valley, Simpsons Gap and Standley Chasm.

There was little doubt everybody was very happy that they made the effort to attend the reunion, and contribute to the day.

1. *The Class of 1959 at the Royal Coach*

2. *Garry Brown, Peter Rehn, Rob Reeves and Alex Brown*

**Grant Laidlaw**  
**Class of 1959**



### Class of 1969 Fifty Year Reunion

50 years ago at PAC, there were 139 fine young specimens of adolescent manhood, testosterone at full capacity, finely honed athletic bodies and academic minds, full heads of hair, handsome and eligible, in Matriculation.

Fifty years later, 70 of those 139 assembled for the 50 year reunion. They were all now well matured men, testosterone reduced, comfortable bodies and minds, varying amounts of hair, matured looks and attached!

Fred Hamood was MC, and spoke of the school in 1969, and evoked many memories

of the teachers, school activities, school landmarks and events that were relevant to all present. Tom Hawkes proposed a "short" speech to the school and David Rees paid tribute to the undefeated First XVIII, of which 14 were in attendance. Peter Crouch responded on behalf of the school with a wonderful tribute speech about his father, Colin Dudley "Killer" Crouch, who had a special affinity with this alumni year.

Phil Cox came especially from the USA to attend the reunion, and Gary Kallin, Nyck Jeanes, Jay Hetzel, Joe Green and Bill Monfries all came from interstate.

Many thanks to Graham Mitchell and Craig Roberts for their assistance in convening the reunion. A great day of laughter, rekindled memories and camaraderie was had by everybody in attendance. They were all truly representative of "Keepers of the Tradition, that is PAC".

### Fred Hamood Class of 1969

1. The Class of 1969 at the National Wine Centre
2. Tim Wood, Andrew McPhee, John Russell and Kym Bannister
3. Graham Mitchell, Bronte Mumford, Keith McBride, Kym Davis, Craig Roberts and Mark Dimond



### Class of 1979 Forty Year Reunion

The day started with the significant years reunion assembly and school tour followed by lunch upstairs at the National Wine Centre. David Coventry was our MC who presented a humorous lead throughout the day, including his welcoming of significant guests comprising past masters Roger Marshman, Andrew Fergusson and 1970-1987 Headmaster Geoffrey Bean. We were also visited by past master Peter Morris, who timed his attendance until late in the day due to other reunion commitments. Valetes were included and Michael Hihimanis finished the introduction with a toast to the school covering some reminders of our previous time at PAC.

Throughout the afternoon we were treated to wine tastings with descriptions from Chester Osborn and some of his special d'Arenberg wines. After lunch we experienced a very professional "on the couch" style interview session hosted by David McGown with three speakers from the 1979 year being Brett Duncanson, Michael Penniment and Chester Osborn on their respective subjects of sports,

science and arts, being closely aligned themes with their professional lives. "On the couch" was so well received it went overtime with the crowd wanting more.

Lastly, we were then lucky to witness the world wide premiere of the digitally remastered version of the 1979 Red & White film called "The Force". This was a silent movie tribute incorporating a classic music sound track and 'cutting edge' special effects, which took the form of a science fiction thriller about a day when an evil invisible force attacked the school and the attempts by the School Captain, together with a team of mercenaries, to triumph against it. David Coventry completed the narration of the film and closing remarks for the afternoon.

Attendees expressed it was an action packed and fun filled day and was concluded with an exciting visit to the Hackney Hotel after the event by many. Congratulations to all involved in the day. Let's do it again!

*David Coventry*  
**Class of 1979**



1. Jeremy Allen, David Southwell, Peter Williams and Wayne Smith

2. The Class of 1979 at the National Wine Centre





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### Class of 1989 Thirty Year Reunion

A solid turn out for the Class of 89's reunion at The Gallery, with special thanks to those who made an extra effort from country areas, interstate and overseas.

The lunch started and finished in similar fashion to our time at school. There was much excitement and anticipation of what lay ahead with the usual sizing up of fellow attendees followed by a succession of belittling comments, some engaging in excessive and irresponsible behaviour resulting in memory loss of anything that was said or learnt while we were there.

Doug Chapman did a tremendous MC job keeping the program rolling and we managed to raise a significant amount of money through raffles and auctions for the HAS and Variety charities. With noted thanks to the school for 150 Sesquicentennial year prize pack, and very generous wine donations from Yalumba and d'Arenberg.

After 30 years it was a pleasure to catch up with past teachers Messer's Murphy, Morris, Watson with apologies from Dr Rowston. Gervaise Heddle gave a riotous speech and Toast to the School, that not only brought the room together with sharp and humorous commentary, along with a more sobering reflection by the group on those from our year who are no longer with us.

A great day all round with humour, old stories and friendships rekindled.

We hope not to leave it another 10 years before the next reunion however the recovery has proven to be a lot more drawn out and punishing than expected

Red Red Red!

*Philip Jeffries*  
Class of 1989



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1. Gervaise Heddle, John Burfield, Doug Chapman and Andrew Morris

2. The 89 Boarders:

Back: Mark Bailey, Chris Bennett, Timothy Hawkins, Simon Drew, Nick Rutherford, Ben Marshman, Paul Paterson, Greg Ambrose-Pearce and Shane Venning  
Front: Past Master Ken Watson, Rob Heaslip, Sam Holmes and Andrew Davey

3. Chandran Vigneswaran, Chris Chong, Nick Rutherford and Andrew Davey

4. The Class of 1989 at The Gallery



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### Class of 1999 Twenty Year Reunion

Approximately 50 Old Reds from the Class of 1999 joined together for the formal assembly, a tour of the College led by Chris McGuire, and onto evening celebrations at the Kings Head Hotel. Old collegians reconnected, current friends picked up where they left off, and new connections, conversations and friendships were formed – all in the spirit of a reuniting cohort that has now seen 20 years pass by since their schooling years together.

Special mention goes to teacher Chris McGuire, who offered a surprisingly highly tailored and tuned in commentary of developments around the school drawing comparisons and contrasts with the personalities, people and places from the year 1999, and for his generous spirit of enthusiasm all the way through to late evening drinks. The response from those able to attend and who made the effort was genuinely positive, with an unexpected heir of appreciation and reflection on the privilege afforded to us through a good education, and an enduring network of friends and connections.

Chief Operating Officer Tom Whittenbury provided quality pre event comms, planning and logistics management for the day's proceedings, whilst the evening venue was, as always, reliably delivered by the Kings Head Hotel under the stewardship of Gareth Lewis. Thanks to both gentlemen for their generosity and efforts in ensuring a smooth operation and entertainment was provided throughout the schedule.

*Oliver Philpot*  
Class of 1999



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1. The Class of 1999 at the Kings Head
2. Tim Whitham, Angus Mitchell and Tim Moffat
3. Simon Jones, Nick Worthley, Andrew Ross and Jarred Tilley
4. Tim Nicholls, Tom Trengrove, George Antonas and Thomas Paine



### Class of 2009 Ten Year Reunion

Over 60 lads from the Class of 2009 assembled to celebrate ten years out in the real world. With boys flying in from all over the globe (some in more luxurious classes than others) it was a great chance to enjoy the successes of those we grew up alongside.

After a school tour and assembly in the morning, most of the group went along to the old scholars footy for a wine or two before everyone regrouped at the Cumby in the evening.

Teachers turned friends Scotty, Jordo, Mags and Bubs all stopped by for a beer which was a real treat as the group reminisced about some of the year group's cult figures.

Special thanks to Ben Pearce who organised a private space for us upstairs at the Cumby and to Lucas Lovell for doing a lot of the coordinating from the other side of the planet.

*Max Burford*  
Class of 2009

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1. Lucas Lovell, Andrew Sykes, Tom Teague with Chris McGuire
  2. Todd Fisher, Tom Wilson and Henry Sanders
  3. Arj Sreedhar, Srdjan Jankovic, Phil Tridente and Travis Cordingley
  4. Thomas Cocks, Alistair Young, Cameron Wong, Brandon Kerin and Max Burford
  5. The Class of 2009 at The Cumby





### Class of 2014 Five Year Reunion

While only being out of school for five years, it was great to see so many faces at our first official reunion.

Forty-five strong arrived at The Gallery and enjoyed drinks and nibbles. Highlights of the night included conversations with past teachers, Mr Bubner and Mr Parker, who reminisced on laughs and stories from students. Overall, some students keep in touch regularly with school mates, but it was great to come together and see others who have not connected since school. The Class of 2014 would like to thank The Gallery and its staff for hosting the event, and we look forward to our next reunion in five years.

*Will van Dissel*  
Class of 2014

1. The Class of 2014 at The Gallery
2. Cameron Pritchard, Jack Daly, Will Brown, Zac Richards and Ben Siebels
3. Philip McBride and Edward Murdoch with Scott Parker (centre)
4. Henry Reuther, Jake Girke and Sam Sibly



## Overseas Events

### New York

A small, but dedicated, band of old scholars met up in New York City to help celebrate PAC's Sesquicentenary. We met for brunch at an Aussie establishment, Burke and Wills, which turned out to be a rather prophetic choice. Although all members in attendance found their way home again (unlike the restaurant's namesakes), two of the party failed to find their way there: the Headmaster Bradley Fenner, and Old Red Stuart Floyd, both of whom had their flights grounded in Canada due to bad weather!

Our Coopers (Pale Ale) rendezvous was thus attended by seven old scholars, with Ryan Edwards' expedition from Washington DC unexpectedly earning him the accolade for furthest travelled for the event. Ryan also delivered the Toast to the School as attendees tucked into a selection of Americanized Aussie fare. As brunch extended well into the late afternoon, attendees shared stories of their time at the school and explorations through life (and the world) beyond Dequetteville Terrace. Many thanks to our adventurers: Chris Olver (2001), Ryan Edwards (2003), Ian Darnton-Hill (1964), Matthew Dietman (1998), George Raptis (2002) and Tom Haskard (2005) for making the trek to the Upper West Side.

**Ed Brockhoff (2001)**  
**New York Convenor**

1. *George Raptis, Ian Darnton-Hill AO, Edward Brockhoff, Ryan Edwards, Matthew Dietman, Chris Olver and Tom Haskard at the New York brunch*
2. *London dinner guests at the Queen's Club*

### London

London's unofficial Old Scholars' season in recent years (around the familiar pub meetings and other events) has spanned the penultimate week in June, to the middle of July, the cornerstones being the Annual Gerard Family Cocktail Party, and the Annual Dinner. 2019 was no exception, but has indeed been exceptional.

Against the backdrop of the rather glamorous surrounds and salubrious views of London's most exclusive postcode, around 35 Reds and partners made the short journey central to enjoy Rob and Fay Gerard's company and generosity; powerful if clumsy oratory; delicious champagne; and decadent canapés, on Friday 21 June. Special guests included Tom Pontt (1996) and his wife Jane, and their sons and hopeful future Reds Jack and Toby, in country for a European Vacation, full of Lampoon. Rob led the charge with cheeky interjections. Fay herded the (Super) cats with her usual composure. All left a little wobbly, and in fantastic spirits, celebrating the warmth and intimacy of our powerful community, and looking forward to more of the same in 2020.

Two weeks later, on Friday 5 July, the Reds were in for another dose of glamour, courtesy of Marcus Thompson (1990), our host at his beloved Queen's Club, for the Annual Dinner. The traditional late arrival of the ratbag core, who had comfortably pre lubricated at a pub nearby, and uncomfortably found themselves almost lost during a five minute walk, dispensed with what followed was (fed back by several in attendance), perhaps the finest London event in recent memory. Colin "SuperCat" Frearson (1989) led from the front with his sheer toast

mastery and such was his attention to detail, that one could only conclude that Google turns to SuperCat for information, and not vice versa. David Gray (1962) raised a glass and a toast with expected vigour and poise. The Headmaster, Bradley Fenner, delivered a comprehensive, powerful, and historical address that had all in attendance captivated, touching on recent events, including the School's welcome progress on inclusion. A welcome new breed of Reds, several pursuing post graduate studies at leading institutions in the UK, added new life and vigour to proceedings. John "Churchill" Walkley (1960), attending with his dear partner and against the odds with assisted walking, had all guests spellbound with his touching, heartfelt contributions, taking the prize for Most Distinguished Old Red - a customarily reasonably priced bottle of red - by some margin. Young Harry Barnes (2012) set down a marker for future events, namely that he will rival the Cat for after dark effort. Those who made it to the informal stanza on the King's Road, found themselves in some trouble toward the end of the weekend, but smiling nonetheless, and Convenor Nick Pontt somehow managed a conversation with his Mother, and the saviour of his (future) marriage, in the wee hours of the Saturday (punchy stuff two weeks out from the wedding).

All in all, a fantastic few weeks for the Reds across the pond, and we greet the drinks that await in Q4 with ready arms, and copious fac, and abundant fortia, in addition to unlimited et patere.

**Nick Pontt (1995)**  
**London Convenor**

## Regional and Interstate Events

### South East Dinner

Fifty Old Reds and their partners attended the annual PAOCA South East Dinner at Pipers of Penola on Saturday 4 May.

Scott Davidson proposed a Toast to the School, to which Headmaster Bradley Fenner provided an informative response. Guests were interested to hear updates regarding the school from the Headmaster, as well as Old Scholars news from PAOCA President Thomas Lambert.

A highlight of the evening was the Headmaster's presentation of PAOCA ties to Lachlan Grundy (1987), Scott Davidson (1988) and Will Nolan (1986), all of whom are local Old Reds with boys currently boarding at Princes.

*Tom Dawkins (2001)*

*South East Convenor*



### Darwin Dinner

Princes Old Scholars and their partners gathered to celebrate the Sesquicentenary year of the College at the Cavenagh Hotel, Darwin on Friday, 9 August 2019. A very enjoyable evening was had by all, reflecting on their years spent and experiences at Princes.

Michael Bratchell (1969-1974) welcomed our Headmaster Mr Bradley Fenner and those attending to this special event in the life of the College. He reflected on worldwide events that had occurred since the laying of the Foundation Stone in 1867, how the College has developed during the past 150 years, and the facilities and activities now available to those attending.

Dr Peter Markey (1969-1973), provided the Toast to the School and reflected on his time as a boarder during his years at Princes.

Peter summarised his time there with the importance of language, the benefits of sport and the principles of life which carries through today. Peter also provided some historical facts on Prince Alfred during his visit to Australia, the opening of the College, time spent recovering in hospital and how many of our current hospitals were funded and named.

Mr Fenner responded in providing summary of the College's ongoing celebrations, attendances and events during Old Scholars' Week, intercol sporting events, the opening of the new Boarding House, current student numbers and future infrastructure developments. He also mentioned that with the good Governance demonstrated by the College Council; the values, qualities and inclusiveness of others identified by the

College's Founding Members will continue to hold the School in high regard in the Australian and International community.

May these events continue to celebrate our informative years at such a great College.

*Michael Bratchell (1974)*

*NT Convenor*

1. Current boarding parents Lachlan Grundy, Scott Davidson and Will Nolan at the South East Dinner at Pipers of Penola
2. Tony Prentice, Angela Panagopoulos and Bill Piper, Headmaster Bradley Fenner, Peter Markey, Mark Springbett, Simon and Fiona Burt, Michael Bratchell and Sue Springbett at the Darwin Dinner



### Melbourne Dinner

This year's annual Melbourne Dinner was held on Friday 17 May at the Rendezvous Hotel on Flinders Street. We had a very strong showing with 50 Old Reds coming together to celebrate the College in its Sesquicentenary year. It was pleasing to see such a strong contingent of recent leavers attending the event, alongside plenty of not so recent.

The festivities commenced with a welcome from Thomas Lambert, before Harry Martin (2014) provided an exceptionally heartfelt Toast to the School, much to the appreciation of the crowd. Jack Kelly (2012) was the guest speaker for the evening who enthralled the crowd with his sporting and academic achievements. His stories of rowing for Harvard whilst completing his engineering degree and further study at Oxford captivated the audience and led to a very thought-provoking Q&A session. It was certainly appreciated that the Headmaster made the flight over to Melbourne, and ensured the contingent that the College is as strong as ever.

Following the formalities of the evening, a contingent kicked on to the Garden State Hotel to continue the festivities early into Saturday morning. It was a fantastic night to commemorate the College in its Sesquicentenary year.

### Sam Duffield (2012) Melbourne Convenor

1. Ben Palk and Sam Cottell
2. Jack Greenslade, Will Rudd, Alex Miller and Connor Olsson-Jones
3. Hugh Perks, Sam Duffield and Harry Martin
4. Hugo Martin, Harry Martin, James Hill, Tom Venning and Fletcher Angove
5. Tom Barnes, President Thomas Lambert and Joe DuRieu





## Sydney Dinner

The annual Sydney dinner, held at Establishment on Friday 30 August, was once again a great success and enjoyed by all who attended.

With a guest speaker of the calibre of Ian Chappell in the middle of an enthralling Ashes Series in the College's 150th year, it was always going to be a big night.

The RSVPs kept flooding in right up to the final days, and the event quickly moved from being just an interstate gathering of Old Reds, into a genuine scaled up celebration of all things PAC, with 85 in attendance and representation from year groups spanning the decades from 1940 through to 2014.

Harry Murdoch (2008) proposed the Toast to the School, which was followed by Headmaster, Mr Bradley Fenner, who proceeded to eloquently inform us all of the great success of the recent Sesquicentenary Gala Dinner, as well as providing a full report of the outstanding sporting and educational outcomes that the College has continued to achieve in the finest of Princes tradition.

Tom "Chuck Finn" Lambert (2004), PAOCA President left us all in no doubt that the Old Reds network is in the best shape it has ever been, an outcome due in no small part to his leadership and passion for the role he has held for the past three years. With Tom stepping down as President later this year, I take this opportunity to thank him for all of the hard work and support he has given to the Association and to the broader Old Scholar's network.

The "Red Man Trivia" competition was conducted for the sensational prize of a tailor-made suit from Blake Sanders (2005) of Oscar Hunt Tailors. After some fierce competition with questions that would have tested the most hardened of school historians, the field of 85 was whittled down to two with a tiebreaker required to separate out the lucky winner.

Magnums of Bob Oatley's finest were also gifted to the youngest, Will Goode (2014) and the oldest Peter Barclay (1951) as well as other worthy recipients on the night.

Special thanks once again must go to Aaron Brasher (1985) and Bob Oatley Wines, and to Blake Sanders and Oscar Hunt Tailors for again

providing outstanding gifts on the table for the second year in a row.

We were then treated to another outstanding "on the couch" styled interview by Matthew Wiesner (1985) Old Scholar and former Australian Cricket Captain Ian Chappell (1960). During the engaging interview, that no one listening wanted to end, Ian offered up some unique insights into the impact the College had on him as a young man, how it helped shape his career in sport, his dealings with the "Big Fella" Kerry F.B. Packer in the launch of World Series Cricket, and his thoughts on the country's prospects in the current Ashes tour. Matt again proved that if he ever tires of working in the automotive industry, a career in show business awaits! Thank you Ian and Matt for a great show.

In keeping with the celebration and the sporting theme, the dinner fittingly wrapped up with our own George "I could be so good for you" Condous (1984) leading all in a rousing refrain of the School Footy Song.

I sincerely thank all who attended this year's dinner and those whom provided their apologies. I believe this was the biggest and best dinner that we have hosted in the Emerald City.

Special thanks must go to Mary-Ann Standish, our Association's Executive Officer for all of her tireless support to Ben Mills (1985) for shaking hard his Sydney PAOC network to get them all along in this Sesquicentenary year, and of course to Matt Wiesner for his monumental contribution in organising the venue, the evening's entertainment and a lot of everything else that made this night such a great success.

Matt, Ben and I look forward to working with some of our "younger" Old Reds here in Sydney over the next 12 months (including Harry Murdoch) to ensure the PAOC Sydney Dinner remains one of the interstate highlights of the PAOC annual calendar. If there are any Red Men in Sydney who wish to be part of organising next year's dinner, please let Harry or Mary-Ann know!

Look forward to seeing you all again at next year's dinner, if not before!

### David Greenslade (1984) Sydney Dinner Convenor

1. *Old Reds all named William!*  
Goode (2014), McPhee (2011), Latchford (2010) and van Dissel (2014)
2. *David Greenslade, Bill Johnson (1952) and David Johnson (1987)*
3. *Thomas Lambert, Bradley Fenner, Ian Chappell, Matthew Wiesner and David Greenslade*





### Canberra Dinner

On Friday 13 September, 2019, Canberra Old Reds marked the Sesquicentenary of the College with its annual dinner with Old Blues at the Kurrajong Hotel, the scene of political intrigue by national leaders over the years. Old Reds received an update by Headmaster Bradley Fenner on Sesquicentenary celebratory events, including the recent Royal visit. Canberra Old Reds were pleased to welcome PAOCA Secretary Peter Crouch (1974) and past President Peter Brooks (1980), both of whom rode the 1,200km by motorbike! Amid swapping stories, we received an update by old rivals SPOC Headmaster Tim Browning.

With an emerging trend of new Old Reds making their way to attend university in the national capital, of particular note for the night, was the joie de vivre of the youngest crop of Old Reds mixing it up with Old Blues.

The Toast to the School was made by Canberra stalwart, Ian Denton, who reflected on what being an Old Red has meant to him having recently returned from the 50th anniversary commemoration of the graduating Class of 1969. Well done Ian.

*Edward Jackson (1993)  
Canberra Dinner Convenor*



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1. Back Row: Anton van Bavel, Hugh Nguyen, Max Kirkby, Jack O'Brien, Mitchell Porter, Tim Hobbs, Peter Brooks and Ben Craig  
Front Row: Ian Hone, Hamish Arthur, Edward Jackson, Bradley Fenner, Roger Wainwright, Peter Crouch and Ian Denton
  2. Headmaster Bradley Fenner attending guests at the Combined Canberra Dinner
  3. Old Blue Josh Edwards, Old Reds Tim Hobbs, Mitchell Porter and Jack O'Brien, Old Blues Lawrence Menz, Fergus Rogers and Thomas Wait, and Old Red Max Kirkby
  4. Edward Jackson, Bradley Fenner, Ben and Heike Craig, Hugh Nguyen, Hamish and Trisha Arthur and Sarah Jackson

## Sporting Clubs

### Prince Alfred Old Collegians' Cricket Club

With finals football and the Ashes underway, there is plenty of attention turning towards the summer – and what an exciting summer it's promising to be for the PAOCCC community. A particular highlight for the Club this season will be the relocation of the Club's social base to The Seven Stars Hotel, as we welcome them on board as a major sponsor for season 2019/20.

Pre-season commenced on Wednesday 28 August, with a great turnout and will continue every Monday and Wednesday throughout the month of September, before the season commences in early October.

Following an extremely successful 2018/19 season, the Club is thrilled to announce that Club Coach Trent English, Assistant Coach Keagan English, and A Grade Captain Jack Latchford (2012), have all agreed to continue their roles into the 2019/20 season. The A Grade had a season to remember last year, winning both the ATCA A1 Premiership and the ATCA T20 Premiership.

Additionally, the Club is excited to be introducing an additional side to partake in the two-day competition. This makes six sides and provides a fantastic opportunity for cricketers of a wide variety of skills to have a crack at turf cricket for PAOCCC.

All interested in participating are encouraged to come out for a hit during the pre-season sessions at the RED Centre (6:00 pm to 7:30 pm every Monday and Wednesday nights).

*Richard Hockney and Edward Thomas*

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*Current Club player Steven Ottanelli (far right), welcomes new players from the Class of 2018 Tom Taylor, Angas Marshall and Sam Markesinis to pre-season training at the RED Centre*



### John Phillip CAUSBY (1955-1958)

The Prince Alfred Old Collegians Cricket Club was advised of the passing of John Causby in June. After leaving PAC John continued playing cricket at his junior club, the Woodville District Cricket Club, where he had a long A Grade career that spanned 20 seasons. During his time at Woodville he went on to represent South Australia in 63 games over 12 seasons.

At the end of his State career an opportunity opened up and PAOC Cricket Club were able to recruit John to Captain/Coach the Club in season 1975/76. The handshake agreement was for a three year appointment with the

mandate to see the Club promoted back to A1, having been relegated to A2 for the first time since foundation.

During the 75/76 season John scored 368 runs at an average of 36.8 and by season and the A Grade had won the A2 premiership and were back in A1.

The 1976/77 season started with John being appointed Captain of the ATCA Representative side, which unfortunately lost to Victoria, however, he was able to lead the Club's A Grade to third on the ladder and went on to win the A1 premiership, with John picking up the A's batting trophy with 451 runs at an average of 64.4, which included scoring 103

not out in the Grand Final. At that time only Brighton Cricket Club, in 1965/66, had won the A2 and A1 premierships in consecutive seasons and only one other club since, Gaza in 1983/84. The following season, with the support of the Committee, John returned to Woodville where he played two more seasons.

Whilst John's career at the Club was short, the impact he had was dramatic, noting that the 76/77 premiership was only the Club's second at A1 level, the previous being 43 years earlier, and it would be another 33 years until the Club won its third A1 premiership.

*Ben Lobban*  
*PAOCCC Secretary*

### Robert William WATERS (1948-1952)

In May this year, the Prince Alfred Old Collegians Cricket Club advised of the passing of Robert "Bob" "Stormy" Waters aged 83 years. Stormy began his playing career for the Club in the 1965/66 season. He played in 23 seasons amassing 176 x two day games and four x one-day games. His playing involvement at PAOC was only halted by a five season stint playing for the Port Adelaide District Cricket Club in the mid 1970s.

Stormy's love for cricket and his dedication to upholding the spirit of the game was stuff of legend. In his last season as a player in 1993/94, when not selected he would go to games to act as scorer. In one round, we had two sides out in the middle of Victoria Park

and when one side had a player not front up, he came over from the other oval and filled in as a sub fielder. It was a stinking hot 38°C day and he refused to leave the field at the drinks breaks. His reasoning was that as he was not included on the official team sheet he was not eligible to share in the player's drinks.

After his playing days ended Stormy was still eager to remain involved at the club and from 1994/95 to 2008/09 he was dedicated to the role of A-Grade scorer. He had a final season as the B-Grade scorer in 2009/10. His dedication to his role of scorer was never more evident than in the 2005/06 season when he had been in critical care from October 12 – 14 (in hospital from October 12 – 19). Stormy still arrived at Pooraka on 22

October ready to score wearing his old school blazer as he always did.

Whilst he had many passions, cricket always came first. He was a devoted Port Adelaide supporter from 1953 onwards but the following quote sums up where his heart truly lay – "I love the Port Football Club (Power and Magpies, the latter especially) but SANFL and AFL Football are there only to fill the year between cricket seasons and therefore cricket is always number one". Owing to his dedication to the Port Adelaide Football Club, it was a highlight when in the 2005/06 season, Stormy was given a massive surprise not only by being awarded the Moffat Family Trophy for Best Club Man, but by the club organising to have one of his idols, Russell Ebert, in attendance to present it to him. Such was the esteem Stormy was held in, Russell jumped at the opportunity and it made for a great moment of recognition to one of the club's favourite sons.

Stormy achieved Player Life Membership at PAOCCC in 1973. He is also a 25 Year Life Member of the ATCA. Stormy's passion for the game is unsurpassed and his loyalty and impact on not only the PAOCCC but community cricket in general has been immense.

### 1974 Princes First XVIII

David Raggatt (1974) organised a reunion of the First XVIII from 1974 to meet at this year's Football Intercol on the Front Oval, to celebrate 45 years since they played the "blue boys". The catch up was preceded by lunch at The Colonist. Geoff Bean and Peter Thomas also attended the game.



1. Olsson-Moffat Team, Tregenza, Sunday, 23 February 1997  
Back Row: Noel W Keen (ATCA Umpire), Craig Moffat (1970), Andrew D Heitmann (1985), Andrew K Olsson (1975), Mark Schwartz (1969) and Peter A Ingman (1988)  
Front Row: A Murray Olsson (1946), Robert W Waters (1952), Arthur E Norman (1940), David A Olsson (1974), David J Parham (1971) and Timothy P Moffat (1973)  
2. Back Row: Bill Griggs, Mark Newman, Phil Dunn, Tony Martin and Phil DeGaris  
Middle Row: Jim Bettess, Brian Humble, Peter Thomas, Rob Heaslip and Nick House  
Front Row: Mark Benson, Geoff Bean, David Raggatt, Grant Dalwood, Rod Pearson and Tony Risby

## Congratulations

### Queen's Birthday Honours

The Prince Alfred Old Collegians' Association congratulates the following Old Reds honoured in the 2019 Queen's Birthday Honours:

### Officer of the Order of Australia (AO)

**Professor Richard Broinowski AO** (1954-1955) for distinguished service to international relations through the advancement of Australia's diplomatic, trade and cultural relationships.

### Member of the Order of Australia (AM)

**Andrew Davies AM** (1961-1972) for significant service to architecture, and to the community.

**Peter Lillie AM** (1960-1966) for significant service to medicine in the field of anaesthesia.

**Bruce Spangler AM** (1964-1969) for significant service to basketball, and to the community. The citation also made significant reference to his contribution to Prince Alfred College.

### Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM)

**Peter Nettelbeck OAM** (1946-1947) for service to the community of Gawler.

## Reds on the Go

**Timothy Angel** (2001), graduate of the Industrial Design program at the University of South Australia, is Managing Director of Cortex Interactive, a company utilising virtual and augmented reality technology developing new ways of training and educating. Tim has received the 40 under 40 Creative Thinker Award, which recognises South Australia's young business people in a number of categories and industries, showcasing their innovation, diversity and dedication. Tim also received the Creative Thinker Award, presented by KWP! for his lateral approach to his business, founded in 2016.

**Brett Bayly** (1961) is living in blissful retirement in beautiful Vienna after a career in journalism and diplomacy. This included 25 years as a journalist in Adelaide, Vancouver, Singapore and Canberra followed by employment in the Australian public service culminating in the Department of Foreign Affairs (1987-96) during which he served in Australia's embassies in Washington DC and Vienna. When not climbing Austria's scenic mountains there is always time to jump in the car for two or three hours and go 'next door' and visit Germany, the Czech Republic, Slovenia, Hungary, Slovakia, Italy or Switzerland. Brett writes a monthly newsletter on European events for friends in Australia and other places.

**David Fyfe** (1985) and his wife Natalie Laverick, who are the licensees of the Yankalilla Post Office, were recognised for excellence in customer service at the Australia Post Licensee

Awards in August. The office was named the best for South Australia and Western Australia, and came second place nationally. Congratulations David and Natalie!

**Andrew Heinrich** (1979) was recently appointed presiding member of the Kangaroo Island Natural Resources Management (NRM) Board as it transitions to the new Landscape SA arrangement. Andrew is the son of Peter (1947) from Bute, and runs sheep for wool and meat production on his property at Parndana.

**Jacob Kyriakidis** (2001) and his team were recently awarded the Tony Award for building the King Kong robot/puppet for the King Kong Broadway musical in New York. Jacob has a work history of film special effects specialising in animatronics, starting his career as a stuntman in 2006 on the Stephen King TV series 'Nightmares and Dreamscapes'. He then went on to stunts for the HBO TV series 'The Pacific' where he met a Sfx co-ordinator and moved into Sfx. Over the years Jacob has worked with Robert De Niro, Jason Statham, Clive Owen, Nicholas Cage and Tom Hanks to name a few.

**Peter Mourtzios** (2017) was elected as President of Bright Futures Society at UniSA and chosen to be a Student Ambassador for the UniSA Business School.

**Sam Richardson** (2001) was promoted to Director on 1 July 2019 at Cowell Clarke Commercial Lawyers. Sam is a highly experienced property and agribusiness lawyer who joined Cowell Clarke as Special Counsel in 2016.



**Dr Duncan Taylor** (1997), Principal Scientist of Forensic Statistics at Forensic Science SA, was awarded the 2018 Flinders University Distinguished Alumni Award for his significant contribution to the field of forensic evidence, in particular to the development of DNA interpretation software, which has had a considerable impact on the discipline of evidence interpretation and consequently on the provision of justice.

**Ryan Williams** (1997) was appointed a Partner with Finlaysons Lawyers on 1 July 2019.

*Jacob Kyriakidis' King Kong on Broadway*

## News of Old Scholars

### Births

**Andrew Cooper** (2001) and his wife Rebecca welcomed their first child, Angus Robert Andrew Cooper, on 28 August at the Royal Women's Hospital, Melbourne. First grandson of **Glenn Cooper** (1968) and will be the 6th generation of Coopers at PAC.

**Ryan George** (2001) and his wife Jessica, welcomed William Dowling George on 1 May 2019 at St John of God Hospital, Subiaco, Perth. Charlotte (big sister) is very excited to have a friend to play with and Dad is happy to have a future Princes Man!

**Simon Miller** (1993) and his partner Nicole Tape were overjoyed to welcome twin girls Florence May and Audrey Grace in May.

**Tim Pyragius** (1992) and his wife Carmen welcomed their third child, Sophia Grace on 2 October 2018. A little sister for Abigail and William.

**Joshua Tirrell** (1998) and Indiana welcomed their first child, Willow May Tirrell on 13 February 2019. A niece to **Sam Tirrell** (2003), **Nick Tirrell** (2007) and **Hayden May** (2013). Grand-daughter to **Anthony May** (1973).

**Andrew Williams** (1993) and his partner Sarah Burgemeister were joined by Arthur Boris Randolph Williams on 25 June 2019 in Melbourne.

### Engagements

**Edward Brockhoff** (2001) and his partner Spurgeon Smith, whom reside in New York, announced their engagement whilst in Adelaide in May.

**Andrew McKinnon** (2006) announced his engagement to Kate Olsson on 12 August in Cambridgeshire, UK. Kate is the daughter of Old Red, **Andrew Olsson** (1975) and sister of **Charles** (2008) and **Henry** (2011).

**Charles Olsson** (2008) announced his engagement to Eve Raets on 17 August in Melbourne. Charles is the son of **Andrew Olsson** (1975), and brother of **Henry** (2011).

**Tom Teague** (2009) proposed to Emily Riall in Centennial Park, Sydney (with their dog, Dexter) on 10 August.

### Weddings

**Dr Alan John Branford** (1975) and Mr Hoai Nam Duong were married in a Service of Holy Matrimony at St Andrews by the Sea Uniting Church, Glenelg on Saturday 15 June, 2019, solemnised by Reverend Esmond Dowdy, followed by a reception and wedding banquet in the Crystal Room of the Stamford Plaza Adelaide. Nearly 100 guests were in attendance, including nine family members who had travelled from Việt Nam.

**Jamie J. Messner** (1998) married Isadora Vigier de Latour on 3 May 2019 at Notre-Dame Auxiliatrice de Cap Malheureux near Isadora's hometown of Grand Baie, Mauritius. Old Red **Michael Hartstone** (1998) was Best Man and gave a heartfelt speech at the reception recalling his and J.J.'s years of debating together for PAC. Following French-Mauritian wedding convention, J.J. also gave a speech – in English, French, and Spanish. The wedding was attended by nearly 200 people from 25 different countries, including from the couple's current home in the United States, the bride's home countries of Mauritius and Colombia, and of course J.J.'s mum and friends from Australia. J.J. and Isadora then spent their honeymoon on the islands of Mahé and Praslin in the Seychelles before returning to Washington, DC.

**Nicholas Pontt** (1995), married Ruth Bennett at St Michael's Church, Bray, Berkshire, UK, on 20 July 2019, with the reception held in nearby Ascot. Other Old Reds in attendance were his brother **Tom Pontt** (1996), **George Chirakis** (1995), Groomsman and Master of Ceremonies, **Justin Munt** (1995), **Toby Moritz** (1996), **Angus Carracher** (1995), **David Gray** (1962), and **Tom Clarke** (1999).



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1. David Grimes (Alan John's Best Man), Alan Branford, Hoai Nam, Lê Hoàng Nguyễn (Hoai Nam's Best Man and nephew) in St Leonard's Chapel of St Andrews by the Sea Uniting Church, prior to the Ceremony

2. Jamie and Isadora Messner

3. Nicholas and Ruth Pontt

## Obituary

Bayly, Guy William (1957-1964)  
Beare, Donald Edwin (1938-1939)  
Bennett, Roland Kim (1948-1951)  
Best, Richard Francis (1947-1956)  
Burns, Donald Trevor (1945-1949)  
Carr, John Edwin (1948-1950)  
Causby, John Phillip (1955-1958)  
Chapman, Peter Noel (1943-1946)  
Clark, Roger Sidney Davenport (1945-1949)  
Combe, Harvey David Mathew (1955-1960)  
Cornish, John Neil (1947-1950)  
Dennis, Peter Mayfield (1951-1953)  
Derrington, Arnold Ward (1940-1941)  
Fergusson, George Craigdaboch (1962-1966)  
Gare, Lester Wesley (1968-1971)  
Gray, Gary Colin (1945-1948)  
Green, Allan John (1939-1942)  
Hall, David Edward (1939-1942)  
Henderson, Neil Stirel (1953-1954)  
Holland, Anthony John Colin (1946-1956)  
Marsh, Brian John (1958-1963)  
Mitropoulos, Gregory Alexander (1982-1983)  
Nicholls, Mervin Richard (1937)  
Queale, John David (1941-1951)  
Raupach, Maxwell (1941-1942)  
Richardson, Jason McCallum (1979-1982)  
Robinson, Brian Edwin (1967-1970)  
Skinner, Brian John (1943-1946)  
Smart, Dean Graham (1954-1956)  
Smith, Andrew Murray (1950-1957)  
Spencer, Richard James (1972-1973)  
Trethewey, Graham Lincoln Frederick (1955-1957)  
Tucker, William George Shaw (1945-1950)  
Wheatley, Peter John (1946-1949)  
Willison, Brian Bruce (1942-1943)

## Remembering a Great Old Red

### Professor Emeritus Brian John Skinner (1928-2019)

Brian Skinner (1943-1946) passed away on 21 August in Connecticut, USA aged 90. Brian was a pioneer in mineralogy and economic geology and a legendary educator who inspired numerous students to pursue geology with careers in academia, government and industry. He was a Professor at Yale since 1966, served as Department Chair soon after arriving, from 1967-1973, and became the Eugene Higgins Professor of Geology & Geophysics in 1972.

Brian was born in Wallaroo, South Australia on 15 December, 1928. He grew up in South Australia's wine growing districts of Clare and Angaston. He earned a Bachelor's degree geology and chemistry, with a minor in physics, from the University of Adelaide in 1950, and then went to Harvard where he earned a PhD in Geology in 1955; during that time he met and married Catherine Wild, who became the Professor of Mineralogy at Yale. Brian Lectured in Crystallography at the University of Adelaide from 1955-1958 before returning to the US as a Research Geologist at the US Geological Survey in Washington, where he became the Chief of the Branch of Experimental Geochemistry and Mineralogy from 1962-1966. In 1966, Yale recruited him with an eye to his heading the Department of Geology & Geophysics.

Brian's scientific career was both eclectic and prolific. He was one of the world's leading experts on the crystallography and geochemistry of metallic ores. While his work was invaluable in the mining industry, he also wrote extensively about resource management and sustainability. He consulted to all the world's major mining companies and he was an expert on sulfide mobility from ores to brines to lava lakes in Hawaii, did extensive work on the mineralogy of sea floor rocks, and performed some of the first analysis of lunar rocks returned from the Apollo 11 mission.

He was the author of numerous papers and notably the author or editor of some 30 books. His textbooks included ones on economic geology and resources, and several famous and popular introductory texts such as "Blue Planet", "The Dynamic Earth", and "An Introduction to Physical Geology", which widely translated and read worldwide in Universities by thousands of students over the years. Brian was an immensely popular instructor, especially for his class G&G 110 Introduction to Geology (and various incarnations thereafter), for which he was filmed as part of the "Great Teachers Series". He served the scientific community as President of the Geochemical Society (1973), the Geological Society of America (1985) and the Society of Economic Geologists (1996), and as Editor of the journal Economic Geology. His honors included Fellowship in the GSA, the Mineralogical Society of America, the Connecticut Academy of Science and Engineering, the Silver Medal of the Society of Economic Geologists, the Geological Association of Canada Medal, the Neil Miner Award from the National Association of Geology Teachers, and two honorary doctorates, from the Colorado School of Mines and the University of Toronto.

He loved his sport, playing Australian football as a young man and then following the Australian tradition of being a challenging and competitive tennis player up until his 70s. He is survived by his wife Cathy, and their daughters Adrienne, Stephanie and Thalassa, five grand daughters and one great grandson.

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## Diary Dates

### 2019

#### Brisbane Dinner

Friday 1 November, commencing 6:30pm at Treasury, Brisbane

#### PAOCA AGM

Old Reds are invited to attend the 141st Annual General Meeting of the Prince Alfred Old Collegians' Association which will be held on Thursday 12 December, 2019 (formerly advertised as 28 November 2019), commencing 6:00pm in the Ashton Room, Level 1, Prince Alfred College, Kent Town.

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DATE	EVENT
<b>November 2019</b>	
1	Year 12 Art/Technology/Design Showcase
19	College Tour (am)
21	Grandies' Christmas Lunch
22	Junior Primary Nativity at Wesley Uniting Church, Kent Town
24-25	Years 7 to 12 Boarding Transition Day
25	FoPAC Annual General Meeting (pm)
25	Reception to Year 12 Transition Day
26	ELC Nativity (Group 1)
27	ELC Nativity (Group 2)
<b>December</b>	
3	ELC Chapple Room Graduation
4	ELC Edgerley Room Graduation
4	Reception to Year 6 Celebration Day
5	ELC Angwin Room Graduation
5	Boarding Christmas Dinner
5	Year 6 Valedictory Service
6	Years 7 to 11 Prize Giving Assembly
6	Term 4 ENDS
12	PAOCA Annual General Meeting (pm)
20	ELC closes for 2019
<b>January 2020</b>	
6	ELC re-opens for 2020
28	Boarders Return

DATE	EVENT
<b>January 2020</b>	
29	Term 1 2020 Commences
<b>February</b>	
3	FoPAC Meeting
7	FoPAC Family Fun Night
19	Senior School Swimming Carnival
20	The Superloop Adelaide 500 (until 23 February)
<b>March</b>	
9	Adelaide Cup Public Holiday
17	College Tour (am)
21	Head of the River (TBC)
Date TBC	Summer Intercols commence
<b>April</b>	
1	ELC Grandies' Day
4	Red & White Formal, Adelaide Convention Centre
9	Term 1 ENDS
10	Good Friday
12	Easter Sunday
13	Easter Monday
27	Boarders Return
28	Term 2 Commences
<b>May</b>	
12	NAPLAN Years 3, 5, 7 & 9 commences (until 22 May)
27	ELC Tour



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