



The Newsletter



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President's Report

2017 has been another fantastic year for the St Ann's Collegians Association and the College in general. The College marked its 70th year since opening, the Foundation celebrated its 30th year and the magnificent Kennedy Brooks Enterprise Deck was unveiled.

The 2017 Collegians Committee has kept busy trying to offer both past and current students as many opportunities as possible. This year we chose to award 8 Collegians Awards to highly deserving new students. There were so many outstanding students this year, we felt that it was necessary to increase the number of awards in order to recognise these students.

Always a highlight of the year is hosting 2 fantastic mentoring dinners. The themes this year were 'Sustainability' and 'Engineering', both of which had a variety of inspiring speakers, and were well received by the students. As part of the new mentoring program we ran our first 'Mentoring Night' where current students were given the opportunity to talk in an intimate setting with past St Ann's

Collegians working in their same field of study. The students were all highly engaged in the night and made some valuable connections.

As it was the 70th anniversary of the College, we decided to give past St Ann's students the opportunity to order special edition anniversary merchandise. Thank you to the College Club for their hard work with this.

The achievements of the past 12 months would not have been possible without the time and effort put in by our amazing 2017 Committee. I want to personally thank each of them for their hard work and dedication; I truly appreciate everything they have done this year. On behalf of the Committee, I would also like to thank the staff and leadership of the College, as well as the Council and Foundation, for everything they do to benefit the College and our Association. I hope everyone has a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year. Bring on 2018!

Danielle Brydges
President

Vale Anne Jolly



Anne (Bailey 51-3) Jolly
22.1.1933-3.12.2016

Anne (Bailey) Jolly was a St Ann's student 1951-3 and President of the College Club 1953. She returned to serve the College as a Member of Council 1971-1992 and Deputy Chairman of Council 1979-1982. Rosemary (Porter 52-4) Hill-Ling writes:

I came to St Ann's in 1952, and at that time we had 50 students living in Wilcox, Plummer, and a cottage in Melbourne Street [now the Dame Roma Mitchell building].

Anne (Bailey) Jolly and I came from the same country town and it was a relief to me to see a familiar, friendly face at St Anns. I had not attended boarding school so collegiate life was a new and

somewhat daunting experience for me. We all had lots to learn, living with students from other countries, and also two students who were physically challenged. One student had to use crutches and there was no ramp or any means of managing stairs other than just climbing them.

Anne was an able student and an enthusiastic leader of people. She displayed great empathy with her peers and this trait was a defining characteristic throughout her life.

Our friendship was a lifelong one and I am fortunate to have had such a positive, caring person, influence me along my life journey. I do miss her.

Mentors' Dinner

The second mentoring dinner of 2017 was focused on Sustainability and was held on 6 September. The speakers on this night: Di Davidson, Ken Long and Savannah Tiller brought a wider range of experiences to the table and had much to teach everyone who attended the dinner.

Di Davidson AM (66-9) was College Club President as well as being one of the founding signatories of the Foundation. Di is currently a member of the Council of the University of Adelaide and was Deputy Chancellor at the university. She talked to us about her work on the South Australian Murray-Darling Basin Natural Resource Management Board, complete with a poster to show how large the basin is and the impact it has on a large part of rural Australia. She spoke about how the board held meetings with local communities so that it could better explain the reasoning behind its decisions and so that the communities could have their voices heard.

Ken Long is currently an ESD (Environmentally Sustainable Design) consultant for D-Squared consulting, Chairman of the Adelaide Sustainable Building Network and an ambassador for the International Living Future Institute. Ken spoke to the group about the need to consider sustainability when designing buildings and about how advocacy groups can help change habits in the wider population, to make the whole community more sustainable.

Savanah Tiller (16-) is a current student at the College, studying Environmental Science at the University of South Australia. In July, Savannah went to the Australia Youth Climate Coalition's Youth Powershift in Melbourne and she shared her experiences from the conference with the group. She talked about how KeepCups, which are a reusable alternative to disposable coffee cups, have become a global phenomenon from humble beginnings. This led into a larger discussion about waste in general, including the War on Waste documentary which was aired on ABC earlier in the year.

Overall, the evening was an excellent learning experience for all and a great reminder that sustainability affects us all, both at home and in the work environment.

Treasurer's Report

The start of 2017 has been a rocky one for our shares, both in Argo Investments and the Australian Foundation Investment Company Limited (AFI). Both prices reached a peak in mid-February, before a slump in March, followed by a recovery to prices close to what they were at the start of the year. The forecast is as unpredictable as ever, but with this diversified portfolio the Collegians Association can be confident of long term security.

Sam Warmerdam
Treasurer



Speakers Di Davidson AM (66-9) President of the College Club 1968 and Savannah Tiller (16-)



Happy students with Collegians Committee Member Kris Sjoström (13-6)



Speaker Ken Long captivated his audience



Ken Long with Caroli de Villiers (15-7), Collegian of the Year 2017, and Emily Graves (14-7), Senior Tutor 2016-7

Foundation News

The Foundation was established on 24 December 1986 to provide financial assistance to the College Council in order to develop and improve the academic standards, to endow bursaries, to develop and improve the buildings and facilities, and to preserve the existing facilities and property. The founding members could not have known that the Foundation would flourish and celebrate its thirty-year birthday this year and raise a total of \$4.7 million dollars since its inception and join in congratulating and celebrating the College's seventieth birthday this year.

The Foundation has over the years provided in excess of \$700,000 in bursaries and \$3.77mil. in contributions to capital works which include in recent times, the Security Wall along Brougham Place, upgrading security to the grounds, IT upgrades, upgrading of all fire safety requirements, and the soon to be augmented Solar Panels. Last year the Foundation made a considerable contribution to the building of the new Kennedy Brooks Enterprise Deck, which has enhanced the Mayo Dining Room and provided additional space for student interaction, collaborative study and fellowship.

All this is made possible by private donations, fundraising activities and the now much lauded St Ann's College Annual Dinner. This year has seen matching donations totalling \$25,000 from the Macquarie

Foundation as well as generous donations from the College's revered benefactors.

There is always maintenance and new capital projects for the Foundation to fund and therefore the Foundation will continue its good work, we hope for another thirty years and beyond.

**Gary N. Lines
Chairman of the
St. Ann's College
Foundation**

Careers Night

On Thursday 3 August 2017, the Collegians Association commenced their very first Careers Mentoring Night. This new initiative is aimed at developing students' understanding of career perspectives beyond their studies.

Twenty-one students took part in the evening where they were matched in their respective field of study with mentors, most of whom were former St Ann's students. The mentors shared their experiences in both studies and career progression in order to advise the students about what to expect from their prospective workplaces.

The night was a beaming success. All of the students were engaged in conversation and very eager to hear about the mentors' experiences. The telling factor of success was when told that the night was officially over both mentors and students remained deep

Careers Night

in conversation for an additional hour.

A big thankyou to all the mentors who gave up their Thursday night to support the students and congratulations to the Collegians for pulling a wonderful night together.

**Samuel Kupke
Collegians**



The engineering table



The law, education, commerce and politics tables



The medicine and dentistry table



The marketing and business table

Community News

Dr Richard Parkinson (89) studied for 15 years to become a neurosurgeon, specialising in keyhole spinal surgery. He performs about 500 operations a year, including many lower back and neck surgeries, and more complex work such as reconstructive spinal surgery.

Kirsty (Price 04-6) Chown, Flight Nurse with the Royal Flying Doctor Service, recently flew looking after fellow Collegian **Alexander Glover (16)**, who had broken his wrist!

From flower children to very high flyers: **Dr Elizabeth (Norris 77-80) Moore**, WA Chair of The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists, and **Professor Peter Moore (76-9)**, senior oil and gas executive with over 30 years of industry experience in large operating companies, including ExxonMobil and Woodside Petroleum Ltd. Professor Moore was the Executive Vice-President for

Exploration from 2009 to 2013 for Woodside Energy Ltd (Australia's largest dedicated oil and gas company) where he led the company's worldwide exploration efforts with an annual budget of roughly \$0.5B. Prior to Woodside, he was head of Global Studies for ExxonMobil in Houston.

News from our Medicos: **Dr Ruth Lim (02-4)** is married and training to be a neonatologist at the Royal Children's Hospital in Melbourne.

Dr Ravi Nathan (02-7) is training in anaesthetics in Adelaide.

Dr Sunandini Das (02-7) is training in paediatrics in Port Augusta.

Dr Serena Kaur (02-4) is doing physician exams in Sydney - and expecting twins!

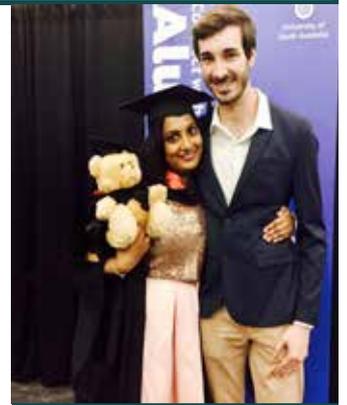
Dr Chaturica Athukorala (02-4) is a radiologist in Canberra with 2 children, a boy and a girl.



Mevandi Dissanayake's big day: The happy graduate (13-6)



Mevs with her proud grandmother



Mevs with her friend Darcey Sykes (16-7)



Above: Mevs with her whole wonderful family



Professor Peter Moore (76-9), Director of Beach Energy, and Dr Elizabeth (Norris 77-80) Moore on their wedding day, 6 December 1980, the first Collegians couple to be married, at the Brougham Place Uniting Church next door to St Ann's



Left: Emily Graves (14-7), the inaugural winner of the Ian Douglas-Irving Trophy for honour, integrity and service

Community News

Dr Sneha Parghi (01-3) and Dr Avhan Bhagwat (01-2) are married with a daughter 2 years old, Sneha training in obstetrics and Avhan working as a GP.

Dr Prasanna Ramachandran (02-7) is going well and is happy.



Hey! Selma Anderson with DB in matching stripes outside the wall



John and Sunissa (Flip Bhotiwihok (64-6)) Hancock with John Anderson (86-9) President of the College Club 1989 at the Australian Alumni evening in Bangkok in July.



The first All First Year Cath Cup team Ever: Nico, Tafadzwa, Nikhil, Amy, Kate, Paige



College Club "The Incredibles", Valedictory Dinner 2017



2017 Tutor group ably led by the inaugural Ian Douglas-Irving Cup recipient, Emily Graves (The Cherry on the far right)



Samuel Kupke's (10-3) photo of St Ann of Cuzco in Peru



Student News



Volleyball



Boons support wins games



Ghostbusters, 2017 VD



2017 Tutors at the St Ann's Wild West Ball



2017 Ball Committee - Ride 'em Cowpersons



Third years and Ewan at Awards Night 2017



ACDC tribute band performing "Crying All Night Long" @ 2017 Awards night



Lads at the St Ann's Wild West Ball 2017



First Year Students at the St Ann's Wild West Ball 2017

Student News



Girls Soccer



Lasses at the St Ann's Wild West Ball 2017



Three Amigos



Boys Soccer

The second half of 2017 has been just as action-packed as the first.

The semester kicked off with Re O'Week. The week was a chance for the boons to catch up with one another and welcome new arrivals before the craziness of semester two set in.

Highlights of the social calendar for semester two would have to include the annual St Ann's College Ball. The night this year was themed Wild West, with guests going back in time to the days of shootouts and saloons. Huge congratulations to the Ball Committee for their efforts. It involved a lot of late nights and an extreme amount of effort, but it was truly a night to remember for all who attended and everything looked amazing.

The boons fought hard once again on the sporting field this semester and achieved some great results. The girls' soccer team finished second to St Mark's on goal difference, whilst the boys team almost performed well, taking home third position. After winning volleyball back to back in 2015 and 16, the boons once again put in a mammoth effort and finished second to a strong Aquinas side. The Ann's spirit was also on show in basketball, table tennis and athletics.

The closing events of the year as always were Awards Night and Valedictory Dinner. Awards Night celebrated the achievements of the collegians who showed a huge amount

of dedication to their college and respective sports. Congratulations to all those who were recognised on the night! The following awards were awarded to their respective recipients:

Sportsman of the Year:
Jordan Storey

Sportswoman of the Year:
Carla Roocke

Long Term Service:
Ryan Coulter

Kent Stockdale Award:
Matilda Bristow

Male Collegian of the Year:
Andrew Edwards

Female Collegian of the Year:
Caroli de Villiers

VD celebrated the leavers of the college, some of whom have spent the entirety of their university degree at St Ann's. The night was a fantastic way to end the year and it was great to spend time together as a college for one last time in 2017. People went above and beyond with their costumes this year, but highlights included: The Incredibles, Pac-Man, Little Miss and Mr Men, Ghostbusters and Winnie the Pooh.

Unfortunately, all good things must come to an end and the 2017 college year has now concluded. To those departing the college for the final time, thank you for everything and good luck in the future. A massive thank you goes out to College Club, the Tutor team and the entire college community for making this year so incredible. Once a boon, always a boon.

Ryan Coulter
Student Representative

NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

OF ST ANN'S COLLEGIANS ASSOCIATION INC
TO BE HELD AT THE COLLEGE IN THE ENTERPRISE DECK COUNCIL ROOM ON

Wednesday 14 February 2018

at 7.00 PM

AGENDA

1. Present
2. Apologies
3. Minutes of the 2017 AGM
4. Matters arising from those Minutes
5. Treasurer's report
6. President's report
7. Election of committee and office bearers
 - President
 - Vice-President
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
 - Committee Members (5)
 - Representatives to the:
 - College Council
 - Education Committee
 - Foundation Committee
 - Public Officer
 - Auditor
8. Correspondence
9. Program for 2018
10. Any other business