



The Newsletter



St Ann's Collegians Association Inc.

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President's Report

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The Collegians Association has had a busy start to the year, with lots of new faces involved this year. From the recent Mentoring Dinner to presenting the Collegians Awards for incoming students we've had a number of great opportunities to instil our presence as a supportive body for the students. We respect the unique perspective and insight we have into the community at St Ann's, as well as our ability to influence students in their future careers and endeavours - after all - we're only here to help the students!

Over the next few months, one goal of ours is to better connect with generations of Collegians past. Social media and technology are helping us connect with the St Ann's family better than ever, and if you're reading this - we'd love to hear from you and have you involved as a mentor for a student or a part of our committee. We are always looking for new ways we can help impact the future of the students, and whether you are offering an internship, have volunteer work available, or have advice to give on your profession, we want to know. Please

do not hesitate to contact the College for communication with the Collegians Association.

Lastly I'd like to wish Dr Brooks and Simon Stevens farewell, as they will be departing the College in mid July of this year. They have both played a critical part for the Collegians and their ability to bring the world to the College is both incredible and admirable. Their selfless

nature and ongoing support for the future of students is second to none, and they will both leave big shoes to fill. All the best in your next chapter and we look forward to hearing about the next adventure that lies ahead!

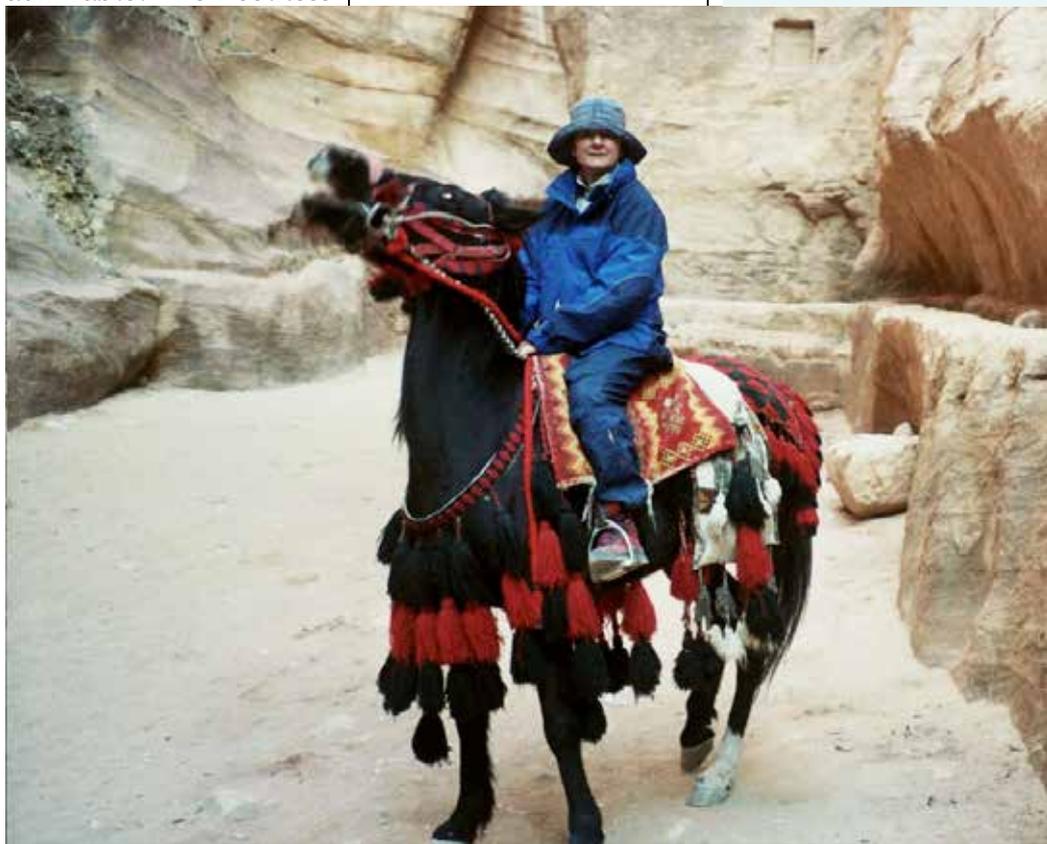
*Renee van der Hoek
President*

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Dr Brooks heading off into the sunset on the Last Crusade



We would love you to join us in celebrating an amazing career and say thank you to:

Dr Rosemary Brooks, Dr Brooks, DB, Rosemary, Rosie, friend, confidant, leader, mentor, drinking companion, sage advisor

FREE ENTRY. Beer, wine, soft drinks and finger food



Dr Georgina Sylvia (10-3), former Collegian of the Year and a post-doctoral research associate at the University of Adelaide, visited the Chaffey Community Centre to present her favourite workshop called Dazzling DNA in Loxton recently. Kids learn about genes and DNA, why we look the way we do and how we get our genes



Weekend in the Blue Mountains canyoning and mountain biking for Donovan Newton (89-90), Michael Cheesman (86-9), Nick Hatley (87-90), President Richard Sinclair (88-91) who flew in from Singapore, Tim Grigg (88-90) and Adrian Megaw (88-9)



Lucy Lockwood (19-) receiving the Augustus Short Scholarship from Chancellor of The University of Adelaide Rear Admiral Kevin Scarce AC, CSC



Senior Tutor Taylor Robinson (16-) receiving the Ian D. McLachlan Memorial Grant at UniSA



Amanda Matulick (00-1) and David Harland with son Charlie, owners of Award winning E for Ethel Cafe in Melbourne Street, North Adelaide



Fiona Clarke (89-90) and Kris Sjostrom (13-16) teachers at St Mark's, Port Pirie



Pik Seen Lai (05-8), Christina Chen (05-8) and her husband Ken Chou, Dr Tina Son (05-7) and Dr Mathew Lim (05-7)



David Pearson (02-4) and Dr Jill MacKenzie with daughter Sophie



Congratulations Aneesha and Fariz (04-8) Zahedi on the birth of Harper in Kuala Lumpur

Foundation News

The St Ann's College Foundation entered 2019 on the cusp of having raised \$5,000,000 in the years since its inception 32 years ago. I am extremely pleased to report that this amazing figure was reached further to more incredibly generous donations to the Foundation from the attendees at the recent Chairmen's Luncheon. This very relaxed event was held in May 2019 and I wish to extend my gratitude to Stephen Adams and Daniel Willson of Deloitte Adelaide for hosting us in their fantastic Boardroom, and again acknowledge the incredible generosity of the attendees at the lunch.

The funds raised by the Foundation over the years since its inception have been used to the benefit of the College and ultimately its generations of students. After the completion of last year's upgrade to the College's WiFi network, the Foundation will in 2019 support the installation of a CCTV system around the College. This installation will improve the security of the College and contribute to enhancing the atmosphere in which the students continue to thrive.

The major fundraising effort of the St Ann's College Foundation in 2019 will again be the Gala Dinner, to be held on Friday 28 June at the Botanic Gardens Restaurant. The attendees at the Dinner make a significant financial contribution that assists in providing the safe and intense academic environment in which St Ann's College

students continue to excel.

This year's Gala Dinner will also provide us with one of several opportunities to farewell and thank Dr Rosemary Brooks, our beloved Principal, who is retiring this year. St Ann's College has been Dr Brooks' life's work and it is simply impossible to summarise her extraordinary achievements over almost four decades at St Ann's. Dr Brooks' achievements are manifested through the academic achievements of the students, and in 2018, 62 students (35% of the College) were awarded a College medal for more distinctions than any other grade. Our pass rate last year was again 94%, with 70% of subjects passed at the credit or distinction level; 93% of students attained at least one credit or distinction. Beyond academia, the impact that Dr Brooks has had on the lives and character of her students may be more difficult to measure, but is arguably more significant.

What I can do now, on behalf of the St Ann's College Foundation, is to thank Dr Brooks (with significant support from, and our thanks to, Simon Stevens) for her truly amazing contribution to St Ann's College, and of course the lives and careers of the generations of students that have passed through it. You have our warmest wishes for the exciting next phase of your life beyond St Ann's and we all look forward to seeing you at St Ann's functions in the years ahead.

Whilst it is difficult to imagine St Ann's without Rosemary and Simon, the College can look forward to a future that continues to offer students a safe and stimulating environment, which helps to bring out the best in their academic and personal development. The St Ann's College Foundation, with the support of an incredibly generous group of benefactors and through

ongoing hard work, looks forward to continuing to support the College into its exciting future.

Jason Turnbull
Chairman of the Foundation

We congratulate our generous benefactor Mr Ian Wall AM on his award in the Australia Day Honours list.



Dr Rosemary Brooks with our Patron Dr John Uhrig AC



Dan McPharlin (08-10) and Erin Farquharson (09-10) were married in the Dandenong Ranges in Victoria on 16 March 2019. They first met at St Ann's ten years ago and have been together since. They are both pursuing professional careers in Melbourne.

Mentors' Dinner

The first mentoring dinner of 2019 was held on Thursday May 9, with the theme "The Path Less Travelled". This dinner was a significant one for two reasons. Firstly, both of our incredible guest speakers were past students, a unique opportunity for current students to see the possibilities that lie ahead after St Ann's. Secondly, it would be the last mentoring dinner we are lucky enough to have Dr Brooks play an invaluable part in and be in attendance of, with her leaving the College in just a couple of months.

The first speaker for the night was Her Honour Justice Natalie Charlesworth of the Federal Court of Australia. She was a student at St Ann's for 12 months from 1987 to 1988, over the second and first semesters, when she spent the latter half pregnant with her first child. She spoke about reasoning, the choices you make, and the idea of having children. Natalie discussed how the same daughter she had just as she left St Ann's then fell pregnant just before graduating university; a crossroad which led her to decide on whether she would raise the baby or not using an Excel spreadsheet formula - which Natalie found insufficient for this decision. Students were left with true inspiration and reflection, being told to "be an archaeologist of your own reasoning", and "do tomorrow a favour today".

The night then followed on with Mark Mills who was a student with us in 1995. Mark

has had an incredible career despite never actually graduating from his degree, as he left early to take a year off which quickly turned into many more. Mark currently works at Monarto Zoo as the Senior Ungulate (animals with hard hooves) Keeper. Just to name a few of Mark's career highlights: coordinating rhino and giraffe interstate and overseas transfers, organising the quarantine and importing of wild African rhinos, and leaving his family in Australia for eight months to work in rhino conservation against poaching in South Africa.

To think of our speakers as students, and see how far they have come is truly inspirational, not only for students who struggle with their studies, but for anyone who doubts themselves. One of Mark's mottos is to "always seek to learn something from everyone", fitting advice for our students in the many opportunities we are given for networking and career building. Both of the night's speakers discussed the sacrifices they've made for their careers, and how rewarding the sacrifices turn out to be when you really put your mind to something and put in the hard work.

Emma Waide
Committee Member

Community News: Olga (Plionis 82-6) Kumar is Head of Mathematics at Scotch College and her brother **George Plionis (88-91)**, an award-winning designer, has just been appointed Associate Professor at Parsons School of Design in New York.



Dr Rosemary Brooks, Her Honour Justice Natalie Charlesworth (87) and Mark Mills (95)



Mark Mills sharing his larger than life adventures in South Africa

Treasurer's Report

The association investments have continued to perform solidly in contrast to recent marketplace conditions, with both Argo and AFI share prices showing continued growth over the past 6 months. Both shares are continuing to yield strong dividends to the association. As is the case in recent years, Argo dividends are used to purchase

additional shares through the dividend reinvestment scheme, to encourage growth in the association's portfolio.

	21 Nov 2018	31 May 2019
AFI	\$6.02	\$6.09
Argo	\$7.68	\$7.92

Paul Newland
Treasurer

Student News

The first semester of 2019 has been an eventful one, with social events, College sport and plenty of study keeping the boons busy. All the current boons, no matter how long they have been here, have had an action-packed start to the year.

We started the year with another amazing O'Week - senior students were eager to help move the newest boons into their new home. The theme of BingO'week saw students dressing up in their favourite retirement home outfits, before heading out for the mystery pub night. Other highlights included the new courtyard party, buddy night and beach picnic.

The social calendar for the first semester was packed with a number of exciting events. Not only did the arts evening allow a number of our students to show off their musical talent, it also helped us raise money for charity. The St Ann's Open Show was once again a hit with this year's theme giving students (past and present) the opportunity to dress up in their best Hawaiian attire. A number of other popular events took place including corridor party, executive dinner and the city pub crawl.

The boons' sporting spirit has been strong this semester with the boys' netball team and girls' cricket team managing to secure themselves first place. We have also managed second place in both debating and swimming, with both teams coming very close to getting a first. We are all extremely proud of the effort from all the coaches and players which has got us to second place on the Hight Table Cup ladder. However, none of this could be achieved without the loyal supporters that show up and encourage the teams each week.

Unfortunately, all good things must come to an end, with the semester finishing with the much-dreaded exam period. With the countless hours spent studying in the Kennedy Brooks Enterprise Deck, our boons are headed in well prepared.

A big congratulation to the tutor group, College Club and all our students for such an amazing first semester. We are all looking forward to taking a short break from study, before returning for what promises to be another great semester.

Liam Hayes
Student Representative



2019 Cricket Champions!



Fully Executive!



Boys' Netball - Not Third Place Again!
Number One (see the little cup?)

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Open Show goes Hawaiian

Graduations



Graduating in Agricultural Science - Caleb Rohrlach (15), Ben Smith (16), William Longmire (16-7) and Ben Fischer (16-7), Adelaide



Ellie Duffy (16-7), Anna Rogers(16) and Chloe Buchanan (15-7) Animal Science, Adelaide



Dr Erin Jose (13-5), with her father Professor Matthew Jose (86-8), graduating in Medicine, Adelaide



Megan Lock (14-5) Teaching, Adelaide, with her proud parents Karen and Kevin



Ben Stoeckel (15-7) Design, UniSA



Carly Stevens (16-7) Nursing, UniSA



Nicolette Maxwell (16-8) Arts (English and Creative Writing), UniSA



Chelise Kappe (16-7) Nursing, UniSA

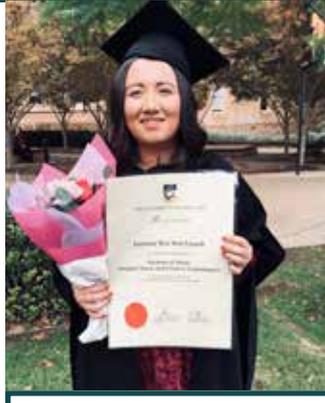


Andrew Edwards (15-8) International Studies, UniSA

Graduations



Jack Jaensch (15-6) Economics (Honours), Adelaide



Jasmine French (16-9) Music (Popular Music and Creative Technologies), Adelaide



Joshua Lambert (16-7) Human Movement, UniSA



Katie O'Neill (16-7) Nursing, UniSA



Courtney Kollmann (15-7) Education, UniSA



Rebecca Wilson (16-7) Business, UniSA



Jessica de la Perrelle (15-6) Science (Advanced), Adelaide



Ewan Gerken (16-9) Science (Advanced), Adelaide



David Ryan (10-11) Law with Honours and Commerce (Corporate Finance), Adelaide



The Don! Dr Donald Shivakkumar (11-4) Medicine and Surgery, Adelaide



Ellie Sjostrom (15-6) Education, UniSA



Grace Miles (16-8) Media Arts, UniSA



Keeta Scown (17-8) Business (Tourism and Event Management), UniSA



Kyahm Ross (16) Media Arts, UniSA



Tyson McLean (15-6) Urban and Regional Planning (Honours), UniSA



Sam Warmerdam (13-6) Engineering (Mechanical and Sustainable Energy) (Honours), Adelaide

Graduations



Dr Amy (White 08-10) Iannella
Doctor of Philosophy, Adelaide



Dr Carolyn Wigg (57-8) Doctor
of Philosophy, Adelaide



Dr Warrick Miller (05) Doctor
of Philosophy, Adelaide



Laura Auberson (14-6) with
her fiance **Dr Adam Tomlinson**
Doctor of Philosophy



Dr Maryke van Diermen (07-9) Doctor of Philosophy, Adelaide



Alice Barnes (16-7) and Lucy Greenham (16-7) Oral Health,
Adelaide



Jessie Tregoweth (16) Nursing,
Adelaide



Belle Ballard (14-6) Music
(Music Performance - Jazz),
Adelaide



Karly Bartlett (15-16)
Human Movement, UniSA



Sienna Blows (15)
Nursing, UniSA