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NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

As Waverley College reinvents itself to meet new challenges in educating young people, it continues to celebrate the richness of its heritage and its significant role in our community. *Wavelength* plays an important role in this, helping us to understand our identity and celebrate our achievements. This could not happen without the support of the Old Boys' Union and I would like to acknowledge the importance of their contribution and thank them most sincerely.

Jennifer Dival

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WAVERLEY COLLEGE OLD BOY EVENTS IN 2014

Keep space in your diary for these important Waverley College Old Boy events in 2014

104th Annual May Procession and Feast of Edmund Rice – 2pm Sunday 4 May

May Procession OBU Afternoon Tea

The Annual General Meeting of the Waverley College Old Boys Union – 4.30pm Sunday 4 May

Back to Waverley Day – Thursday 30 October

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FROM THE HEADMASTER

Fostering Leadership at Waverley College

In this issue of *Wavelength* we celebrate the achievements of one of our most distinguished alumni – the newly appointed Governor General, His Excellency General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Retd). Highly respected throughout the Australian community, General Cosgrove is undoubtedly one of the great leaders of our nation.

I would like to think that Waverley College played some small part in developing General Cosgrove into the leader he is today, by nurturing his self-confidence, faith and character, because forming our students as leaders of the future is of great importance to us as an Edmund Rice school.

Leadership at Waverley is not a theoretical concept, but a practical approach to encouraging students to develop a vision of themselves as leaders, and to fulfilling every student's potential. It is not necessarily those with the highest academic results who become leaders. Leadership is not just how you think, but the values that underpin who you are: At Waverley, faith underpins our values of humility, compassion, respect, generosity, honesty, justice and inclusiveness. We strive to ensure that these values inform everything we do – in the classroom, on the football field, in social justice initiatives, in Cadets and in creative pursuits such as drama and music.

A few schools in Sydney offer leadership studies, but the Waverley College *Critical Thinking* course targets every student in Years 7 and 8 and offers progression right through to senior years. The *Critical Thinking* course aims to train our students to not just accumulate knowledge, but to develop and use higher order thinking such as analysis, synthesis and evaluation as part of their repertoire of learning and life skills.

Following on from *Critical Thinking*, our *Visions of Leadership* course is unique – and considered a 'lighthouse' course by the Board of Studies. It is part of the Applied Philosophy academic enrichment course offered to students in Years 9 and 10. The course brings together all facets of the curriculum and builds what we learn and why into a bigger story. Where leadership is concerned, we can only provide students with the tools, not the answers. There is no single recipe or set of rules on how to become an excellent leader. Every leader has unique qualities and expertise. For this reason, we regularly invite notable achievers in their fields to speak with the *Applied Philosophy* students about the challenges of leadership. Previous guests to the *Visions of Leadership* program have included The Governor of NSW, Professor Marie Bashir AC; Malcolm Turnbull, MP; journalist, Kerry O'Brien from the ABC's 7.30 Report and Four Corners; and television personality and producer, Andrew Denton.

As a natural extension from these earlier courses, we then encourage our HSC students to undertake the 2 Unit, *Studies of Religion* subject. This continues teaching the principles of *Applied Philosophy* in a broader framework, extending to the study of ethics and the search for meaning.

The highest order outcome of the study of any subject is philosophy – the study of the fundamental nature of knowledge, reality and existence, leading to the development of an attitude that acts as a guiding principle for behaviour. Across every learning area, our graduates are provided with opportunities to achieve this level of thinking, in preparation for tertiary studies and the challenges of life in the 21st century.

At Waverley our goal is to instil a sense of what is possible – to help students develop a sense of what they can be, their potential as leaders across all walks of life – in sport, the military, social justice, in academia, in business, in local communities. Our aim is to nurture boys into well-rounded young men who have a vision for their futures of which they, and we, can be proud.

Ray Paxton Headmaster



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A THANK YOU TO OUR OLD BOYS' UNION

At the forthcoming May Procession on Sunday 4 May, we will be proudly launching a new book written by Archivist, Kim Eberhard to commemorate the centenary of WWI and honouring the memory of the Waverley College men who served. This book is an important step in understanding the heritage and identity of our College. More about the book, including how you may purchase a copy, is detailed on page 6. The Waverley College Old Boys' Union has been particularly supportive of this book since the idea was

first raised by our Archivist several years ago. It is fitting that the OBU was involved in this work as the book is entirely about the ex-students of Waverley College: their role in establishing College traditions prior to 1914, and their myriad experiences of the Great War between 1914 and 1919.

I would like to warmly acknowledge the financial contribution by the Old Boys' Union towards its completion.

Ray Paxton

Meet the Waverley College Board

In the last edition of *Wavelength* we farewellled outgoing Chairman **Paul Gillian** and welcomed incoming Chairman, **Mr Sam Hardjono**. In this edition, we introduce you to the rest of the Waverley College Board:



Mr Peter McGuinn holds the Chair of the Building and Engagement Board Sub-Committee. Peter is the Company Director of South Eastern Realty, a specialised real estate agent with 27 years experience. He is also a licensed real estate agent, stock and station agent, Justice of the Peace and holds a certificate in auctioneering practice. Peter has previously been Property Consultant to the Christian Brothers. He holds a BEc (Syd Uni) and is father to Dominic (Class of 2009) and Patrick (Class of 2013).



Dr Mark Davies is a specialist neurosurgeon with over 25 years experience. He has been on the Waverley College board since 2011. Mark is currently the Head of the Department of Neurosurgery at St George Hospital, as well as an Associate Professor (Conjoint) at the UNSW School of Medicine. Mark is the immediate past President of the Neurosurgical Society of Australasia and is a Fellow of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons. He graduated from Waverley College in 1981 and holds a Bachelor of Medicine/Bachelor of Surgery (Hons) from UNSW. He is father to Matthew (Class of 2010) and Stephen (currently in Year 8) – both fourth-generation Waverlians.



Mr Lawrence Fahy is a mathematics teacher and lecturer. He was educated at St Charles Primary School and Waverley College between 1954-59 and graduated from Sydney University in 1964.



Ms Anne MacNamara is a solicitor and Partner at law firm Henry Davis York, specializing in financial services. Anne attended Brigidine College and UNSW, where she attained her BA/LLB and MComm degrees. Anne's father and brother are both Old Boys of the College.



Mr Matthew Parry (MCom, CPA, MAICD) is currently the Regional Director of The CFO Centre. Matthew has more than 20 years experience in Information Technology and Telecommunications, having started working life as an accountant. Matthew is a Certified Practising Accountant and also a Member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors. He has two sons who are the third generation of his family to have attended Waverley College, Joshua (class of 2011) and Jackson, Year 12.



Mr John Fernan joined the College Board in 2007 and is currently Deputy Chairman. Born in New Guinea, John attended the College for a decade before going on to study commerce and law at UNSW. He currently practises as a lawyer, based in Sydney's CBD. He is father to three children, with his son Sam enrolled at the College in Year 12.

NEW BOARD MEMBERS

2013 saw the appointment of two new Board Members:



Matthew Faddy is head of Asset Management Of The GPT Group. Matthew is responsible for leading a team of more than 250 people in setting and delivering each of the asset strategies for the Group. The scope of the role covers GPT's Retail, Office and Logistics & Business Parks portfolios as well overseeing the sustainability function for the Group.

Prior to commencing with GPT, Matthew held the position of Chief Operating Officer for Lend Lease's Retail Group. Before his move into the property industry, Matthew spent five years at chartered accounting firm, PricewaterhouseCoopers Australia.

Matthew is a graduate of the University of Wollongong, a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants, is a graduate of the Institute of Company Directors and an alumnus of the Harvard Business School. He is also a Board member of the Property Industry Foundation.

Matthew has two sons at Waverley, Luke in Year 12 and Thomas in Year 10.



Richard Grey graduated from UNSW with a Bachelor of Engineering (Electrical) (Hons). He is currently an Alliance Executive with IBM Australia and has held various sales and marketing roles across a number of industry sectors. Richard has worked across Asia including considerable time in Japan, and lived and worked in the US (NY) for 2 years in a global role with IBM. He completed an MBA at Sydney University Graduate School of Business with majors in finance and marketing. Richard has a son, Lachlan, who attends the College in Year 7.

THANK YOU AND FAREWELL TO RETIRING BOARD MEMBERS

Retired Chairman, Mr Paul Gillian, farewells two Board Members who provided lengthy and distinguished service to the College until their retirement at the end of 2013:



Mr Ron Ogilvie "Ron has been a stalwart of the Board these past 10 years! He was thrust into the leadership of the Board Finance Committee almost from day one. Ron came to the Board not as an 'Old Boy' but as a parent of Ross (Class of 2007) and then subsequently spent more years at the College than his son! As Chairman of the Finance Committee Ron spent many hours at the College not only at formal meetings, and there are many, but also working closely with College Finance Team with sage advice and proactive assistance for our Business Team. Ron leveraged his years of experience in the Financial Sector heading his own Financial Services business on behalf of the College. He has truly earned his place in the Family that is Waverley."



Mr John Kennedy McLaughlin KSG "Distinguished 'Old Boy' and member of the NSW Supreme Court for many years. John has contributed more than 7 years on the Board. John is part of the privileged group of men who were attended the College when we had an expanded junior school that started from Year 3. John has a close association with the Brothers and with Sydney Archdiocese. He brought an invaluable perspective to the spiritual nature of College governance and good stewardship of the Board and its committees. His advice on interacting with Edmund Rice Education during the transition from the Brothers was outstanding. He has donated his time and effort freely and is a true 'Son' of Waverley.



LEADERSHIP, STRENGTH, DECENCY, COMPASSION

A Governor General for all Australians

Distinguished Waverley College alumnus **Peter Cosgrove** was sworn in as Governor General of Australia on 28 March 2014.

"In choosing Peter Cosgrove for Governor General, Australia has honoured a remarkable man," said Headmaster, Ray Paxton, "The entire Waverley College community congratulates Sir Peter on this appointment."

"Sir Peter has been actively involved in our College's Cadet Unit as well as attending as guest of honour at important College events throughout his career. We are grateful for this ongoing interest and support."

Sir Peter, Class of 1964, also celebrates 50 years since his graduation this year. As a cadet at the College he was Adjutant CUOP Cosgrove and tied for the Major General JA Chapman Cane for the most efficient cadet in the Unit with the man who is now the College's Assistant Headmaster and Commanding Officer of the Cadet Unit, Lt Col (AAC) Peter Frost.

The College presents the General Cosgrove Shield (for the most efficient Speciality in the Cadet Unit) each year to honour the achievements of the most senior ranking officer to graduate.

After finishing school, Sir Peter attended Royal Military College Duntroon. He then served in Vietnam with the 9th Battalion Royal Australia Regiment and was awarded the Military Cross in 1971.

In 1999 Sir Peter led the international forces (INTERFET) peacekeeping mission to East Timor.

He was a respected and popular military leader, gaining the loyalty of troops under his command and sharing their hardship by occupying a modest camp stretcher. His ability to connect with people extends to all sections of the Australian community – in 2001 he was honoured as Australian of the Year. A man of deep humility, he credits meeting his wife Lynne as a life changing experience: "A rough diamond got a bit polished that day", he said on ABC radio.

Sir Peter was Chief of Defence from 2002 to 2005. After retiring from the military, he was appointed by the Queensland Government in 2006 to lead the rebuilding of communities damaged by Cyclone Larry. He then took up board positions with Qantas and other public companies and was Chancellor of the Australian Catholic University from 2010 to 2014.

Sir Peter's achievement as one of Australia's outstanding Catholic laymen was recognised in 2012 when he was appointed as a Knight of the Grand Cross in the Order of St Gregory the Great by His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI in 2012. At the College he was active in the Junior Conference of St Vincent de Paul, and President in 1963.

"The Governor General is an inspiration to Waverley College students past and present. His achievements demonstrate that successful leadership is underpinned by a full and meaningful education that cultivates qualities such as courage, respect, wisdom and empathy," said Mr Paxton.

GOVERNOR GENERAL TO ATTEND MAY PROCESSION

The College is pleased to announce that His Excellency General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AC MC (Retd) will be our honoured guest at the 104th Annual May Procession on Sunday 4 May, 2014 where he will formally launch the College's new book commemorating the Centenary of WWI – *In Good Faith: Waverley College and the Great War 1914-1918.*

In Good Faith

WAVERLEY COLLEGE AND THE GREAT WAR 1914-1918

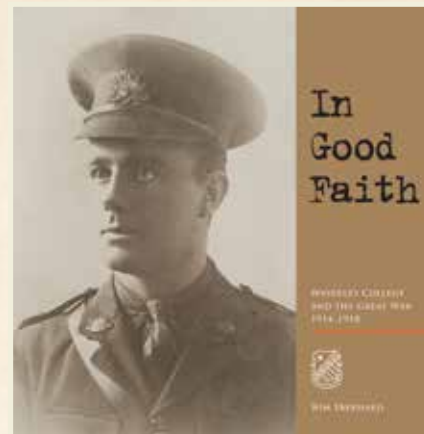
In May 2014, Waverley College will launch a new book, *In Good Faith: Waverley College and the Great War 1914–1918*. This book has been researched and written to honour the memory of the Waverley College men who served in World War One (WWI), the centenary of which will be commemorated between 2014 and 2018.

Waverley College lost its first son to the war on the day of the landing at Anzac Cove, on 25 April 1915. Our last man lost his life on 8 October 1918, a month short of the Armistice that ended the war. In the years between, Waverley College lost a total of 17 men.

College Archivist Kim Eberhard has researched the stories of each man who served and died, as well as the 124 Waverley College men known to have served with the First Australian Imperial Force (1st AIF) and survived the War. The collective experience of our young men represents the history of WWI. Between them, they fought in every theatre of the War from the little-known New Guinea expedition of September 1914 by the Australian Naval and Military Expeditionary

Force (AN&MEF) to Gallipoli in 1915, and through every horrific experience on the Western Front from 1916 until Armistice in November 1918. They served in every capacity within the 1st AIF: with the Light Horse, the Australian Flying Corps and the Camel Corps, as bakers, drivers, machine gunners and sappers, with the Veterinary Corps, the Sanitary Corps, the Field Ambulance, the Medical Corps, as infantry, with the artillery and Ammunition Trains. They left an equally varied range of civilian jobs to enlist: journalist, compositor, farm labourer, grazier, chemist, student, accountant, jackaroo, civil service clerk, lawyer, milk cart driver, dentist, electrician – the list goes on.

Rather than presenting a list of names in alphabetical order, this book is set out with the name and details of each man who died set chronologically through the calendar years of the war in the context of the particular battle or event which took his life. As such, *In Good Faith* is a short and sharply focussed history of WWI. This format also echoes the way in which the Waverley College family would have



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learned of the loss of 19 young men over the duration of the war.

This book is a tribute to all who served: their selflessness, determination and commitment to duty. It is also a snapshot of the way the College developed from its establishment in 1903 to the end of WWI, and illustrates the fact that Waverley College has a proud history of educating boys from all walks of life. Understanding the details of the War and the role our young men played in it allows us – as a College family – to better appreciate the impact and significance of that War in local terms, and by extension, on the nation itself.

1913 Special Prize winners

Back: G Roarty, J Hickey, A Hill. Seated: C Egan, T Westbrook, O Smyth, R McLean. Front: F Cohen. Arthur Hill and Thomas Westbrook were both all-rounders at school. Arthur was 1915 College Captain, and captained the First XV, of which Thomas Westbrook was also a team member. Both were killed in 1917 during the Second Battle of Bullecourt, Arthur in February and Thomas in May.



G. Roarty, J. Hickey, A. Hill,
C. Egan, T. Westbrook, O. Smyth, R. McLean,
F. Cohen.

PRE-ORDER your copy of *In Good Faith* via the link on the Waverley College website (www.waverley.nsw.edu.au) or forward your payment of \$45 (cheque only, please do not send cash; this amount includes postage) along with your name and postal address to: Waverley College, 131 Birrell Street, Waverley NSW 2024.



1909 Sodality Council
 Back: Bernard McTague,
 Charles Evesson.
 Front: Frank Compton,
 Carl Smith, Norbert
 Lyons, Felix Ségur,
 Basil Hindmarsh.
 Of the seven boys in
 this image, four served
 in WWI: Norbert Lyons,
 Felix Ségur, Basil
 Hindmarsh and Bernard
 McTague. Sadly Bernard
 was killed at Messines in
 June 1917.

PROFILES

THE WARTIME STORIES OF TWO YOUNG MEN OF WAVERLEY



George Dunkley

George was the son of Mary Ann Dunkley, who was 18 and single when she gave birth to him at Randwick's Benevolent Asylum (now the Prince of Wales Hospital) in 1898. Born in very humble circumstances, it is probable that George came to the College on a Bursary, a means by which the Christian Brothers were able

to extend a practical helping hand to this local lad. George was 13 when he came to Waverley College, enrolling a day before Arthur Hill, with whom he would share classes, and eventually WWI experiences.

When he enlisted in January 1916, George was working as a milk cart driver; as he was only 17 at the time, he needed his mother's permission to volunteer. George spent three months in camp before leaving Sydney aboard the *SS Makarini*, arriving in Suez in early May. By the end of July, as one of the reinforcements to 4th Battalion of 1st Division (which had suffered serious losses at Pozières), George was in France. He was wounded – lightly – on 18 August 1916, probably during the Menin Road Offensive. By early November he had developed pleurisy, which was severe enough to warrant a significant spell in hospital in England and then an extended recovery in camp at Perham Downs. On 10 November 1917 he was sent back to the front in France, in time to experience the second great winter of the war. Barely five weeks later, George's health had once again deteriorated: he now had broncho-pneumonia and suffered an associated hernia near his diaphragm, which affected his ability to breathe. After 10 days at the 3rd Canadian General Hospital at Boulogne-sur-Mer, George died of disease on Christmas Eve 1917. He was just over 19 years old.



Gordon Bradley Lowe

Gordon Lowe came to Waverley College at the same time as his brother Kenneth in 1907. Gordon was one of our first students to graduate from University, and one of two ex-students with medical degrees to serve in WWI. He was a qualified medical doctor when he enlisted with the Australian Army Medical Corps in

September 1915. Having had a number of years of service as a Lieutenant with Sydney University Scouts, he was promoted to the rank of Captain shortly after enlistment. Assigned to 3rd Australian General Hospital on Lemnos (off Gallipoli), Dr Lowe left Australia on A 71 HMAT Nestor in October 1915, and was therefore present during the last months of the Gallipoli campaign, as well as for the withdrawal of the troops in December that year. He arrived in France in October 1916, and was shortly afterwards assigned to the 5th Field Artillery Brigade, with which he was serving as Medical Officer when he was lightly wounded on 13 April 1917 during the First Battle of Bullecourt. In November the same year he transferred to the 5th Field Ambulance, to which he remained attached until the end of the war. He was promoted to Major in July 1918, and Mentioned in Despatches in November 1918. Dr Lowe applied to remain in London in 1919 in order to further his training at the London School of Tropical Medicine and to gain a Diploma of Public Health.

**Captain (later Major) Gordon Bradley Lowe, Medical Officer
 5th Artillery Brigade. Image taken in London, May 1917.**

IMAGE COURTESY OF THE AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

Waverley Focus

WAVERLEY STUDENT RECOGNISED

Sydney University's 2013 Year 10 Academic Excellence Awards



Waverley College Year 11 student, **Lachlan Callaghan** was among 50 students across NSW who received Academic Excellence Awards from University of Sydney for achievements in their 2013 Year 10 examinations. The Award scheme, initiated by the University to acknowledge and encourage academic diligence in NSW students, enables schools that have significant links with the University of Sydney to nominate a worthy candidate from their recent Year 10 cohort.

Accompanied his family and Headmaster, Ray Paxton, Lachlan attended a presentation ceremony at the University of Sydney on 2 April.

"All present at the ceremony were clearly very proud of Lachlan and pleased to see his hard work recognised at this level. I am sure it will motivate him as he begins to apply his attention to the HSC," said Mr Paxton.

"Waverley College graduates continue to perform strongly in their post-schooling pursuits, including higher education scholarships for sporting and academic excellence, and awards for academic and community achievement," he said.

Waverley Student to Attend London International Youth Science Forum

Waverley College Year 12 student **Ainsley Sydun** has been selected to attend the prestigious London International Youth Science Forum (LIYSF) in August 2014.

Ainsley is just one of eight students from Australia chosen to be at this cutting-edge residential event held at Imperial College London, South Kensington campus in central London.

"The students who attend the annual LIYSF are the thinkers of today and therefore the driving force that will move science forward in the future," said Gary Kennedy, Head of Science, Waverley College. "Like Ainsley, the majority of the attendees at the LIYSF have a passion and aptitude for science and have been actively involved in science competitions and forums. Ainsley has previously been a participant in the Gifted and Talented in Science Discovery Program at the University of Sydney, and also the Young Scientists in Australia Program in 2013.

In January, Ainsley participated in the National Youth Science Forum in Canberra where organisers set him apart from other participants due to his outstanding passion for science, advanced thinking and planning skills and analytical abilities.

Over two weeks in London, young scientists from all over the world embark on a world-class program of lectures, with access to research centres, laboratories and leading education institutions.

Organisers of the 56th annual LIYSF are finalising preparations for this year's event, the theme of which is

based on scientific innovations in the face of challenges and their impact on our world.

Key addresses at the LIYSF will be from world leading scientists who will consider how science manages the process of innovation. This will focus on how scientific solutions can affect and be affected by ethical, economic, political, logistical and sustainability factors.

According to Ainsley, "LIYSF can have a major impact on the careers of delegates and friendships made at these events have been maintained for life. I am really excited about this opportunity and am very grateful for the support of my family, teachers and peers."

"The entire Waverley College community is very proud of Ainsley's achievements," added Mr Kennedy. "He is a dedicated, balanced student whose commitment to his studies will open up many doors for him now and in the future."

Ainsley is in the process of raising funds to cover costs associated with his trip to London in August. Any sponsorship funding is welcome; please contact Jennifer Divall, Waverley College on (02) 9369 0600 if you would like to assist.

For more information on the LIYSF please visit: www.liysf.org.uk

HONOURED FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE

James Davies Year 12

James Davies of Year 12 was awarded The Certificate of Commendation for Service to the Community by the Order of Australia Association NSW Branch in November 2013. The award was presented by the Governor of NSW, Her Excellency Professor the Honourable Marie Bashir AC CVO at Government House.

Just 20 NSW secondary school students receive this award for excellence in community service.

Geraldine Cullen, Waverley College's Social Justice Coordinator said, "I nominated James because he has volunteered for virtually all of the outreach components at the College. He has worked feeding the homeless on Night Patrol and at the Matthew Talbot Kiosk, and has spent the evening on the streets with homeless people at the Street Retreat. He volunteered to work with young disabled people, has peer-tutored younger students at school and has also participated in community activities such as Clean Up Australia Day and the Salvo's Red Shield Appeal.

"He has been extremely committed and is a great example of someone who has embraced the ethos of Edmund Rice," she said.

"The College and his parents, Alan and Annabelle Davies, are incredibly proud of James: his commitment and leadership is a great example to us all," said Ms Cullen.



Pictured: Ainsley Sydun and Michael Boatswain (back).

PHOTO BY JAMES GREIG

The New Australian Curriculum

Schools across NSW have begun to implement the new Australian Curriculum for Years 7 and 9 in Maths, English, History and Science. At Waverley College the four faculties involved are undertaking an extensive amount of work on curriculum development to implement the first phase.

“One of the great things to watch during this process is how teachers from across different subject domains are working together to establish the best outcomes for our students. This model will be continued over the next few years as we continue the transition to the Australian curriculum,” says Mr Mark O’Farrell, Director of Curriculum.

Some of the key highlights are:

- Linking Mathematic concepts with other disciplines. For example, in Year 7 Statistics students will analyse data on food, diet, ‘fast food’ outlets and links to obesity. This combines Critical Thinking and English skills to analyse and evaluate together with Mathematical expertise to survey, graph and draw conclusions.
- For English, the most significant changes will be the study of a wide range of texts. Students will be required to study a minimum of two each of novels, plays, non-fiction, drama and significant poetry texts. What is significantly different is the increased focus on student-centred learning and applying higher order evaluation and creativity skills.
- In Science the topics covered remain largely the same, but the way in which learning is structured will change. The new Science Syllabus is organised into two parts: Skills (Working Scientifically and Knowledge) and Understanding (Physical World, Earth and Space, Living World and Chemical World). There will be a greater focus on sustainability, Asia and Australia’s engagement with Asia, and on critical and creative thinking.
- There are two major changes between the old and new History and Geography curriculum. The new Australian curriculum has a greater focus on Asian history and two new core topics will be introduced: ‘Australia at War’ and ‘Rights and Freedoms’.

College Stages Major Teaching Conference

The Waverley College Learning and Teaching Conference was held on campus on 13–14 March 2014. Over 100 teachers attended from schools all over NSW and all Waverley College teaching staff participated. The program included a host of local and international education experts delivering presentations and conducting hands-on workshop sessions.

The conference provided educators with the strategies to build relationships, manage behaviour and promote culture change within learning environments. The key theme was blended learning and student wellbeing – bringing together facilitated instruction and participation to empower students and maximise learning.

“Teaching and Learning in the 21st century is changing at an ever increasing rate. With the rapid onset of new technologies, blended learning, national curriculum pressures, new pedagogies and pastoral care issues, schools need an ecology of practice that will cover the variety of challenges at hand,” said Ray Paxton, Headmaster.

The keynote speaker, Dr Donna Cross, Foundation Professor of Child and Adolescent Health at the Child Health Promotion Research Centre UWA, is internationally recognised for research into student wellbeing. She emphasised the importance of pastoral care not as an adjunct, but a core influencer of excellence in teaching and learning.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS

Welcome Cocktail Party

The Annual Parents & Friends Association Welcome Cocktail Party was held at the Junior School on Saturday 25 February. It was very well supported, with over 450 in attendance. This year the P&F introduced a champagne bar and boutique beer bar to the event, which had a great atmosphere thanks to the live music, fabulous weather and the Junior School’s outlook over the Bronte coastline.



Timely Drama Production Questions Violence



With the recent publicity regarding violence on Sydney streets, this year's College drama production, *Lord of the Flies* by William Golding, will challenge students and their audiences to think more deeply about violence and peer pressure.

Lord of the Flies written post-World War II, reflects William Golding's despair at mankind and what he inflicts on his fellow man. He was deeply affected by the atrocities he witnessed during the war. Unlike popular sentiment at the time: that man was born innocent and it is society that corrupts him, Golding's text proposes that mankind is indeed born evil and it is society that civilizes him. The story traces a group of English Public School boys (elite, privileged children who were generally from the British upper classes) whose plane crashes and strands them on a desert island. Through the play they descend into savagery and ultimately perform barbaric acts of violence.



Above: *Lord of the Flies* Rehearsal Open Day 2014.

Head of Drama at Waverley College, Ms Alison Jinga, said *Lord of the Flies* was chosen for the College's 2014 drama production because it suited an all male cast and because a single sex boys' school is an ideal context to produce the play.

"The themes of violence and 'the herd mentality' are as relevant in today's society as they were in the 1950's, when the original novel was first published," Ms Jinga said.

"The nature of the play is highly theatrical and dramatic and easily inspires exciting production and performance choices in staging, design and technical aspects," she said.

"Ms Mistinguet Sutton-Pryce and I, as co-directors, are excited about this dynamic new project and rehearsals are well underway with the a cast of 12, encompassing boys from years 8 to 11."

The production will be staged on Tuesday 20 and Wednesday 21 May 2014, with ticket sales via the College website: www.waverley.nsw.edu.au



Winter Sleepout

Ten Waverley students from Tevlin House experienced a night of homelessness on 31 August in Darlinghurst as part of the College's extensive Social Justice Program. They spent the early part of the evening hearing the life stories of homeless people living in Darlinghurst and Kings Cross, before spending the night 'sleeping rough' on cardboard and in sleeping bags at St Johns Anglican Church in Darlinghurst, accompanied by teacher, Richard Moylette.

"I know for a fact that by the end of the experience I was lot more thankful for having a home and a caring family that will look after me if I get into strife. I am truly humbled by this experience and am looking forward to going again next year", said Cameron Callaghan, then in Year 11.

LANGUAGE TOUR

Return to New Caledonia

In May 1974, a group of 16 students (pictured at right) accompanied by College staff ventured to Nouvelle Calédonie for our first ever languages tour. In addition to practising their French language skills in Noumea, the students participated in a Bougna, which is the traditional celebration feast of the indigenous people of the New Caledonian islands. They also witnessed a cycle race held in honour of the Feast of St Jeanne d'Arc and visited the Mission Church of St Joseph.

Nearly 40 years later, in December 2013, the group consisted of ten Year 9 students, who also practised their French skills extensively, by completing a variety of interactive tasks in the language, participating in French lessons at CREIPAC (Centre de Rencontres et d'Echanges Internationaux du Pacifique) and communicating with their home stay families. They did not have the opportunity to take part in a Bougna, but did join with the locals on Amedee Island to welcome the arrival of Le Père Noël (by sea plane, no less) and were able to visit the Mission Church of St Joseph, also known as Noumea Cathedral. Below are reflections on the experiences from some of the 2013 tour participants.



Joshua Voon "On four of the mornings, we participated in lessons at a French language school called CREIPAC. The lessons were helpful, as they provided improvements in our pronunciation and vocabulary. The lessons also gave us a better insight into New Caledonian culture and a better understanding of the variety of social groups within the country. The lessons gave us a chance to practise and demonstrate our French skills, which gave us more confidence in our ability to speak French in different situations."

Andrew Cotton "Amedee Island was very beautiful, with its diverse flora and fauna. We had a refreshing tropical lunch, went snorkelling and saw some beautiful fish (and only the occasional venomous sea snake). This was followed by a glass bottomed boat tour, where we saw some turtles, colourful fish and the beautiful coral. The day was very spectacular, one that we would all definitely want to do again."

Nicholas Guerrera "After lessons on the second day, we caught the bus back to the port instead of to the hotel. We arrived at a park in the centre of town and were given some money and a list, in French. In our groups of four, we had to find and purchase all of the items on the list without going over the budget. It was more difficult due to the fact that we had to try and find the appropriate stores to buy the items such as a boulangerie (bakery) and a charcuterie (delicatessen). When we arrived back at the park we all shared the food that we had purchased and enjoyed a piquenique au parc."

Cooper Fitzgerald "The trip to New Caledonia was fantastic overall. We learned a lot of new vocabulary, immersed as we were in the culture of another country, and lived the life of a local New Caledonian for a few days. We all enjoyed the French Tour very much and would welcome the opportunity to return to further improve our French."

Max Shanahan

"Of the seven nights we spent in New Caledonia, five were spent with a New Caledonian family. These families spoke little or no English, so for the first couple of days it was a struggle to communicate. However, once we got into the swing of things, it really improved our French, having to speak it all the time. It was great to experience the day-to-day life of a New Caledonian and to observe the little differences to life in Australia."

Joshua Voon "Staying with the host family on the weekend was a highlight for me on this trip. The simple things like spending time doing what they normally did helped immerse me in the culture a little more than just learning a language and watching from a distance as a tourist how the residents of New Caledonia live."

Mark Thorsby "As this trip progressed I have really been able to see poverty and social barriers that divide New Caledonia. I discovered that the main force driving poverty and social barriers is the financial difference between the rich (the French) and the poor (the Kanaks)."





Bumper Attendance at Annual Open Day



Each year, Open Day is the main opportunity for our prospective students and their families to experience all that Waverley College has to offer. With 1200 people registered to attend, Open Day 2014 was already set to break attendance records when it opened at 3pm on Tuesday 4 March.

Over 200 of our students volunteered as guides and their contribution was highly valued by our visitors, who appreciated hearing about the school from a student's perspective. Every aspect of College life was on display, from music and sport to science and cadets. Following are some comments from our visitors:

"The Open Day is FANTASTIC!!! The atmosphere is great. All the activities going on are wonderful and meeting the boys and the teachers is a great experience."

"Our Year 7 tour guide was absolutely delightful, well spoken enthusiastic, and both a terrific ambassador and advocate for the school. He happily and readily answered all our questions, and made a positive impression."

"Very informative and helpful to see in person all the different activities that were happening in the school. The students were having fun and were approachable and respectful."

"The presentations by all of the speakers, including the school's captain, were extremely informative and left us with the opinion that Waverley was the school for us and our son. Well done to all."

"We found the genuine enthusiasm of the Waverley boys for their school infectious and the obvious range of resources and activities available exciting. The Headmaster's presentation made us feel confident in the quality of the academic programme available at Waverley. We also felt the school would be able to inspire individual boys to achieve in their own way a caring environment. Our son was particularly excited about cadets!"

"The student tour was great, but also the chance to walk through the school at your own pace afterwards. This gave us the chance to look at all the school's facilities. All the staff and students were happy and relaxed. There can be no better recommendation for a school. Our Year 5 guide was courteous and helpful. The colour and feel of the junior school campus was terrific."

"As a family we thoroughly enjoyed our experience at the Waverley College Open Day and would recommend that any future families who are considering sending their son to the college should take advantage of the event to assist in their decision making."



Waverley FOCUS

YOUNG INNOVATORS

Creating Our Design Future



YEAR 9 AND 10

Design and Technology
Industrial Technology – Multimedia
Industrial Technology – Timber
Food Technology
Graphics Technology
VET Hospitality

YEAR 11 AND 12

Design and Technology
Industrial Technology – Multimedia
Industrial Technology – Timber
Food Technology
Engineering
VET Construction



Technology and Applied Studies Teacher, Emily Gash, expands on the Headmaster's message, (page 3), that higher order thinking informs every aspect of learning at Waverley College.

The versatile nature of computers as a constructive vehicle with which students can explore powerful ideas and express their creativity has become the norm in the TAS (Technology and Applied Studies) Department over recent months. With the introduction of 3D Printers as well as the diverse application of our laser cutter, the students in Design and Technology have relished the opportunity to take their projects to new heights.

Project based learning is an engaging, fun aspect of Design and Technology, which allows us to deliver content and develop 21st century skills. It is common practice through Mandatory Technology that students are challenged to deliver projects of both a practical and theoretical nature, individually and collaboratively. The recent inclusion of Design and Technology at Stage 5 has been a popular choice for both the 2013 and 2014 cohort, which now allows students to study and develop innovative design skills

from Year 9 to Year 12.

This year's students have designed and manufactured a variety of products, including Wine Racks, LED Lamps, Phone Holders and Point of Sale Displays. The variety and quality of the finished projects is outstanding and demonstrates their digital and software abilities as well as the traditional skills through manufacturing in the workshop.

As a teacher, it is always inspiring to see students take such pride in their work, and see them sharing their experiences with other students outside the classroom. Students gave up their time to add value to projects and endeavoured to create aesthetic and functional pieces, which they have been zealously working on throughout the term. A small crowd gathered outside our Technology room last week, where students encountered questions and compliments about their finished products as

we took photographs for their design diaries. "How did you make that?" "That looks awesome!" "Why didn't we do this in Year 9 Miss?" "Are you taking it home?" This interest and enthusiasm is a motivating factor for both the students and myself as we move onto the next project and aim higher!

Term Two begins with the introduction of electronics for all years, which encompasses designing and developing board games with electronic dice, laser cut boards and 3D printed game pieces. While the senior students will design and manufacture fully functioning phone speakers, adapted to students skills and design capabilities.

In this age of higher, tougher academic standards, any classroom practice associated with creativity is susceptible to misrepresentation. But the leaders of tomorrow will be these students. They are divergent thinkers, who foster their creativity and will successfully enter a workforce, that demands innovators, engineers, designers and ultimately people who can adapt to the revolutions of modern society and make it better.

These students have collaborated to solve problems and share ideas and embraced the new technology available to them. It is paramount that we teach them to adapt and innovate with the resources they have and to engage and challenge them with concepts and projects that are meaningful, interesting, purposeful and accessible. Teaching Technology today means maintaining industry standards, collaborating with local businesses and giving students the opportunity to develop invaluable skills relevant across the entire curriculum. They should turn up to class excited to learn, ready to share ideas and leave with a hunger to return tomorrow. This year's cohort of Design and Technology students are certainly that.

As a department we offer a diverse range of courses (listed left), with access to the latest manufacturing and prototyping machinery as well as CAD equipped computer labs, electronics and multimedia technology including a green screen and recording devices. These resources and emerging technologies are allowing students of all ages to demonstrate their diverse, yet refined skills and continually improve the quality of their work.



Reveille Dinner 2014

At the beginning of each year the cadet unit conducts its Reveille Dinner. The main focus of the night is the welcome to the new Cadet Under Officers, accompanied by their fathers. The occasion celebrates the commencement of a new year for the cadet unit, hence the name Reveille, the bugle call for the start of a new day.

The occasion is also used as a reunion for ex-senior ranks and an opportunity for them to remember their days in the Unit and also to catch up with friends that have often not been seen for many years. This year there were 120 guests at the Stamford Hotel Sydney Airport on the evening of 15 February.

One of the features of the night is the roll call when the current RSM calls on ex-cadets from each year to stand for acknowledgement by the other guests. As usual Phil O'Sullivan was the oldest ex-cadet in attendance, having left the College in 1938.

A special feature of this year's dinner was the acknowledgement of **Brother Ken McEwan's** 60th anniversary of joining the Christian Brothers. Brother was presented with a certificate to mark the occasion and to acknowledge his significant contribution to the Cadet Unit as an OOC and for many years as a great supporter.





Tales from the Junior School



Clockwise from above left: the Waterford Campus; a new vegetable garden established; Graduation 2013; checking homework; guitar lesson.



Tony Banboukjian, Director of the Junior School, has been at Waverley College for 24 years. The first thing 'Mr B' – as he is known to boys and parents alike – says about the Waverley Junior School boys is that they, "... are incredibly loud, but they're like sponges; eager to take everything in."

He came to Waverley in 1990 on a maternity relief placement for what he thought was a single term. He began teaching Computer Studies, then progressed to Sports Master, Assistant Director and finally became Director of the Junior School.

When he started in 1990 the Junior School was in the Conlon Building on the Birrell Street campus. It is now located at the Waterford Campus on Henrietta Street, named after the birthplace of Edmund Rice, and purchased by Brother Wallace in 1994. The site was originally part of the Macquarie University campus for Teacher Education. The lecture halls and tutorial rooms had to be converted into classrooms.

Mr B remembers the boys moving from the Conlon Building to the Waterford Campus in May 1994. "They walked down in two lines carrying their tables and chairs. What was interesting was watching the boys walk, talk and carry at the same time – I'll never forget it."

The Waterford Campus is beautifully situated with an outlook over a steep gully covered in bush with views out to the ocean and shaded by enormous fig trees reported to be the oldest in the district. A fire in 2010 forced the reconstruction of the auditorium and library, creating a modern multi-function environment for music, assemblies and performances. Today the junior school has 290 students in Years 5 and 6.

Mr B is particularly proud of the school choir, the Cantores, run by Michelle Rollins, Music and Drama teacher. The Cantores regularly perform at masses and other functions, but the highlight of every year is the hotly contested Wakakirri Challenge. The only all-boy group to compete, the Waverley juniors have an outstanding record, having made the finals 11 out



This year in February all Year 5 and Year 6 students were issued with Macbook Air laptops, completing the rollout of 1:1 devices to the entire school student body.

of the 16 years they have entered and winning in 2012. The Wakakirri Challenge is very popular among the boys – even though 110 (the maximum number that can fit on the stage) compete every year, some aspiring singers are turned away.

Mr B believes, “the secret behind enabling the students who attend the Waverley Junior School to develop and flourish is that we understand the need for boys to be physical and competitive. So many primary schools these days have taken away the element of competition, but the reality is that boys thrive on it.”

The students at Waverley play a wide range of sports including rugby, soccer and AFL competitively. “The great thing about Waverley is that every single boy gets to represent the school. Putting on a Waverley jersey is one the proudest moments of their lives,” he says.

According to Mr B, a big part of the Junior School’s success has been the committed and loyal staff: “We all keep a close watch on our students’ progress throughout their Waverley lives. Even when they graduate out of their khaki shorts to go into Year 7 and right through to the Year 12 awards night, the Junior School teachers take the credit for the boys’ achievements because we started them on their journey.”

“Waverley Junior School is a good place to work – extremely busy, but the boys are great. They always come back after they move up to the senior campus and say, “I wish I could come back to the junior school,” concludes Mr B.



A Passion for Early Childhood Education



Fiona MacGregor is the dynamic Director of the College's Waterford Preschool, appointed in 2012. The co-educational preschool serves the local community and College staff, and also provides for a number of children with special needs who can have difficulty finding a place at other facilities.

In high demand, the preschool has just one classroom and is in a particularly beautiful garden setting next door to the Junior School and sharing the stunning views over the Bronte coastline.

Fiona is a strong advocate for play-based learning and believes that the educator's role is to facilitate and support children on their individual learning journey. She believes the key to a successful preschool experience lies in the development of positive, respectful relationships with both the children and their families.

Since her commencement she has instigated significant renovations to the building and grounds, as well as overseeing an outstanding music program, a regular art show and strengthening collaboration with parents.

“As a teaching Director – I work directly with the children as well as managing the Preschool.

I have a Bachelor of Early Childhood Education and I am currently studying postgraduate Educational Leadership (Early Childhood Education),” said Fiona.

“I have worked in preschool settings for approximately 20 years as both a director and as an early childhood teacher. More recently I worked as a teacher at Sydney Institute of TAFE – teaching adults the Certificate 3 and Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care.

“I have a strong passion for Early Childhood Education. At Waterford we aim to foster in our students a strong sense of identity and wellbeing, confidence and involvement in learning, good communication skills and a sense of connection with the wider world.”



Waverley Sport



State Representative Award

Ron Hoenig MP, Member for Heffron, has presented Year 8 Waverley student and rising track and field star, **Lewis Thompson** with a NSW Government State Representative Award for his achievements at the 2013 Australian All Schools Athletics Competition.

Mr Hoenig also presented Lewis with an Outstanding Sporting Achievement Award from the NSW Combined Independent Schools Sports Council at a whole school sports assembly on Thursday 13 March 2014.

Mr Hoenig said Lewis Thompson, who is a promising talent in the track and field disciplines of hammer throw and discus, has the makings of becoming a future Olympian for Australia.

"I am honoured to have been invited to Waverley College to present this award to a truly remarkable young man.

"At last year's National Titles in Track and Field, Lewis finished 16th in the Under 13's Discus and an impressive 3rd in the Under 16's Hammer Throw events, competing with athletes three years his senior.

"Lewis threw the longest distance in hammer throw for a 13 year old in Australia in 2013 at the Championships.

"Lewis's first taste of track and field was at the age of 6 at his local Randwick-Botany Little Athletics Club.

"Eight years later he has proven to be a promising talent that all of NSW can be proud of.

"Lewis is a natural sporting talent he has also shown great promise in rugby and has the potential to become a future Wallaby.

"He is a member of the Under 13's rugby A-side of Waverley College," Mr Hoenig said.

Junior Student in World Karate Tournament

Junior School student **Nathan Lotter** of Year 6 travelled to Japan in April to compete in the World Karate Tournament. Nathan came second in the National Kyokushin Karate Tournament, Kata Division, Under 14 in 2013 and was subsequently invited to compete in Tokyo this year. At last report Nathan was training extremely hard for the event and the College community wish him every success.

A Laser Focus

Following on from a trip to Lake Garda in Italy last August to represent Australia at the Optimist World Championships, Year 10 sailor Blake Selley moved on to sailing Lasers and has continued to make his mark in junior sailing at national level.

Despite suffering from a heart condition for the latter part of last year and being bed-rested for almost 6 weeks in the lead up to the event, Blake managed to achieve 4th place in the Open Division of the Laser National Championships held in Melbourne in January, finishing second in the Under 16 Division. This was his first Laser Nationals and due to his illness he was not fit or well prepared, so the result is most encouraging. He will be training extensively this year with the aim of becoming National Champion at the Nationals in Perth at the end of the year.



Blake Selley sailing at his first Laser Nationals in Melbourne.

The Block Cricket Face-Off

On Thursday 28 November the 2014 Prefects took on a Year 7 side in the Block Cricket contest in the Year 7 'home base', the Kenny Quadrangle. Designed to help the younger students get to know the 2014 Year 12 student leaders, the event was great entertainment. The final outcome was a tie, with only scant attention being paid to the actual rules of cricket.

Clockwise from top left: Daniel Andrews; James Maloney, Year 7 Master; Connor Molloy; Sam Byrne. PHOTOS BY JAMES GREIG



Cycling Star

Waverley College is one of just a small number of schools who offer cycling as a regular sport, so it is rewarding to see one of our students excelling at a serious competition level.

Year 8 student, Daniel Gandy placed third overall at the NSW Junior Metropolitan Track Cycling championships at Lidcombe velodrome in February, winning a bronze medal for the Junior Men's 15. He won bronze medals for both the Scratch race for Junior Men's 15 (JM15) and the Sprint Derby for Junior Men's 15 (JM15), and just missed out in the JM15 Time Trial, finishing fourth.

Ready to race - Year 8's Daniel Gandy.



2014 Season Redefines Swimming at Waverley

The Waverley College Swimming Team's season culminated in mid-March, with the CAS Championships at Homebush. Underpinned by an exceptionally strong junior cohort, the Waves were able to represent the school in typically tenacious fashion, carving out Waverley's strongest performance at the event in recent years. The climb back to the top of the ladder is not one to be made in a single bound, but the spirit with which the boys continue to build new strengths and successes is an asset to the bright future of the squad.

The evening was a fitting farewell to our outgoing Swimming Captain, Cameron Harkins, who claimed gold in his Championship Butterfly event, and was just touched out of first in his 100m Backstroke. Cameron has been awarded the 'CAS Swimmer of the Year' every year he has been at Waverley, a nod to the excellence with which he has represented the college throughout his time at school. Harkins, and indeed the entire Year 12 body of swimmers, will be a notable loss for the squad given the leadership and camaraderie that have been exemplified in their time in the pool.

Erwan Le Pechoux also scored gold for Waverley, with a powerful performance in his Division 50m Butterfly. Erwan is an excellent indication of the rising strength

coursing through the Waverley swimming ranks, and the College looks forward to a fruitful future in the hands of Le Pechoux and his teammates.

Waverley congratulates Trinity Grammar School for being overall victors on the night, but we do not at all despair at our performance. Outstanding individual successes were the direct reflection of ongoing effort and a fiery motivation to reach one's very best – then redefine it. Swimmers like Jonathan Schacht, who proudly grinned from ear to ear after an astounding three second personal best, embody character of the Waverley Swimming Team in a way far greater than a number on a scoreboard.

Mr Parnell, Mr Moore and myself spent the entire evening in awe of the Waverley swimmers' ability to build victory on their own terms, and smash through PBs with grit and gaul. The renaissance of Waverley swimming will be carried on the backs of these young men who so brilliantly demonstrate the rewards for their motivation and dedication to their sport.

Congratulations to all members of the CAS squad on an excellent evening of swimming, and all members of the team for an exceptional season.

Mr Cody Reynolds MIC Swimming

WAVERLEY COLLEGE HAS PRODUCED TWO OLYMPIC SWIMMERS

BRETT HAWKES CLASS OF 1992

Brett was a five time Australian champion sprinter and was a member of the 2000 and 2004 Australian Olympic squad

MURRAY GARRETT CLASS OF 1955

Murray was in the 1956 Australian Olympic squad at the Melbourne Games

CAS Now & Then

The 1955 CAS swimming carnival was held at North Sydney Olympic Pool. Pictured left: Swimmers take their mark and Waverley supporters cheering on their swimmers.



Waverley Focus

FROM THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

College Achievements

“Waverley is more than just an education - it is a solid faith and a broad educational base on which you can take off and do and be anything you want.”

TONY GLEESON



Over the years, Waverley College has a substantial record of academic, sporting and social justice achievements and has been responsible for significant contribution to the local, regional, national and international communities.

The College has produced Supreme Court judges, Queens counsels, doctors, pharmacists, scientists, architects, politicians, business executives, surveyors, engineers, tradesmen, entrepreneurs, authors, actors, singers, musicians, Olympians, national sporting representatives, philanthropists and many other successful individuals.

We have educated an Australian of the Year, a Victoria Cross recipient and now a Governor General.

Current students are inspired by the many that have gone before them and realise that a Waverley education is a step towards a rewarding future.

In fact on average 80% of our students go on to further tertiary education.

As each year passes we are not so much surprised but certainly impressed that more and more ex Waverley students are making their presence felt out in the community and achieving wonderful outcomes in their professions and their lives.

This, in no small way can be attributed to the traditional education and spiritual values that have been a touchstone of Waverley College’s advancement in the true Edmund Rice tradition.

A well-balanced curriculum between academia, sport and social justice has always existed and the educational benefits gained from these disciplines have moulded the typical Waverlian character.

This is reinforced through countless examples of students following in the footsteps of their ancestors who have enjoyed the Waverley tradition. The Gleesons are such a family: Tony Gleeson’s (Class of 1980) grandfather, James Hassett was one of the 50 students to enrol back in 1905, the same year that Brother Conlon arrived at Waverley. Tony himself enjoyed eight years of education at Waverley back in the 1970’s, became a teacher and returned to the school to teach for another 17 years in 1984. Now his two sons are current students at Waverley; a great endorsement of the Waverley College product.

Ross Lewis Development Manager

CONSTRUCTION AND REFURBISHMENT PROGRAM

\$16m Capital Works Commence

A \$16 million upgrade commencing in April 2014 will provide new, state-of-the-art facilities for the senior Birrell Street campus.

Within two years the upgrade will allow students to enjoy a new aquatic centre; auditorium/gymnasium facility; outstanding new Technology and Applied Studies facilities including kitchens and a variety of wood and metal workshops; new art rooms with magnificent coastal views and exceptional natural light; and a new all weather basketball court. Space will also be created for under-cover lunch areas off the Centenary Quadrangle and a new Health Centre in the West Wing.

Preparation for the construction and refurbishment program of the senior campus commenced in 2013, when the senior library was relocated to the Airmount courtyard and a special examination area was created on Level 4 of the buildings surrounding the Centenary Quadrangle.

The schedule for 2014-15 is as follows:

- April 2014 – construction will begin on the Aquatic Centre, followed by the gymnasium and adjacent basketball court.
- Late winter and the September school holidays – work on the new car parking area and street frontage facing Carrington Road (adjacent to ‘The Grange’) will begin.
- September 2014 – the exciting new Technology and Applied Studies (TAS) facility on the site of the Birrell Street basketball court will begin construction.
- November and December 2015 – the conversion of Level 4 of the East Wing to a Visual Arts Department will commence.
- November/December 2015 – the Gym will be transformed to enable it to be converted into a 1500 seat auditorium with state of the art staging facilities.

The construction has been planned to minimize disruption to students, who will continue to use virtually all facilities on the senior campus while construction areas will be fenced off and secure at all times.



Two views of the new TAS Building. Top: view from the Performing Arts Centre. Bottom: view from Birrell Street



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A Call to Arms



The Waverley Old Boys' Union has a vision to increase activities and involvement with the College and its students. It is our intention to play an active role not only in the history of the College but also in the present and future. The camaraderie and

values that make up the pride of being a Waverlian are significant and we have an exciting opportunity to pass these traits on to future generations.

To do this we need to collect current information and input from all Old Boys.

The continued growth and success of Waverley College can be directly associated with the strength of the OBU. The Union is the catalyst for many advancement opportunities through the potential to share experience and professional acumen. Current students and recent graduates need to be inspired by generations of Old Boys who have become valuable members and leaders in the wider community. The College recognises our Old Boys as important custodians of the traditions and standards of the school.

Please take the time to complete or update your information on the reverse side of the address sheet sent with this Wavelength. Alternatively, you can update your own details through the OBU website – www.wcobu.com.au – or email the Development Office at developmentoffice@waverley.nsw.edu.au.

If you are aware of any ex-students who you think are "missing members" of our Old Boy network, we would appreciate this information.

We are particularly keen to collect your professional or work details (even if you are retired).

This will ensure:

- The development of a comprehensive business directory to enable support from the entire Waverley College Community.
- Implementation of a mentoring program where interested ex-students have the opportunity to assist current students in their transition through the final years of school and into the workforce or onward to further education.
- Provide the medium for ex-students to keep in touch with old school mates to maintain the Waverlian camaraderie through reunions, etc.
- Invitations to a number of events including sport, entertainment and social activities.

Information collected will be published on the Old Boys website, available only to registered Waverley College Old Boys. (No personal contact details are made available outside of the Waverley College community.)

HELP US TO CONTINUE THE GREAT TRADITION OF WAVERLEY COLLEGE.

Best wishes,

Anthony P Sciberras

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WAVERLEY COLLEGE OLD BOYS' UNION NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING INVITATION TO MEMBERS

The Annual General Meeting of the Waverley College Old Boys' Union will be held on Sunday 4 May 2014 at 4:30pm in the Br RJ Wallace Performing Arts Centre, Waverley College, 131 Birrell Street, Waverley NSW 2024. The meeting will commence after the May Procession.

AGENDA

1. Opening Prayer
2. Welcome and introductions
3. Apologies
4. Acceptance of 2013 Minutes
5. Annual General Meeting
6. Matters arising out of Minutes
7. President's Report
8. Treasurer's Report
9. Other Matters
10. Standing Down of Office Bearers and Nomination of Electoral Officer
11. Election of President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Council Members
12. Conclusion of Meeting
13. Closing Prayer

WAVERLEY COLLEGE OLD BOYS' UNION OFFICE HOLDERS 2013/14

Patron	Mr R Paxton
Chaplain	Fr Martin Milani ofm
President	Mr Anthony P Sciberras (1976)
Vice President	Mr Col Blake (1962)
Secretary	Mr Chris O'Sullivan (1966)
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ROSARY BEADS FOR MAY PROCESSION

A wish of the late Brother Marzorini for every Waverley boy to have a set of rosary beads is finally coming to pass. The Old Boys' Union has taken up the challenge and will present Year 7 boys with rosary beads in time for the 2014 May Procession.

The presentation of the rosary beads is to be held in the College chapel to reinforce the importance of Our Lady to students. "Mary has a special place in the Waverley College tradition and this is a fitting commemoration to a school situated on Our Lady's Mount," said Col Blake, Vice President of Waverley College Old Boys' Union. The presentation of the rosary beads from the OBU to Year 7 boys prior to the May Procession will become an annual event to emphasise the importance of saying the rosary during the march. Every old boy who attends the 2014 May Procession will also receive a set of rosary beads.



Old Boys' Sporting Achievements

HIGH PERFORMANCE MISSION DAVID MISSON CLASS OF 1984 COLLEGE VICE CAPTAIN AND ATHLETICS CAPTAIN

David Misson was appointed to the role of elite performance manager at Melbourne Football Club in September 2011 and is regarded as one of Australia's best and most versatile fitness coaches. Prior to Melbourne FC he held the same role at St Kilda AFL and worked with the Sydney Swans from 2001-07 where he was instrumental in the Swans' 2005 premiership.



At Waverley College David was an all round sportsman in the 1st XV, 1st XI, CAS athletic record holder and CAS swimming. On leaving Waverley he worked with elite sporting teams including the Wallabies, Waratahs, Cricket NSW, North Sydney Bears, Tennis Australia, NSWIS track and field and Sydney Swifts. Before his entry into the AFL, David was fitness advisor with the Australian national cricket team from 1998-2000.

Based on providing individual programs tailored to fit a player's age, resilience, injury history and fitness level, David's injury-prevention techniques have reached mythical proportions in the AFL.

David's career shows today's students they can aspire not only to make it as an athlete, but also apply their craft to helping others compete at their best.

WAVERLEY'S 1ST SOCCEROO MASSIMO LUONGO, CLASS OF 2010



Massimo Luongo played for the Socceroos against Ecuador in a World Cup friendly in London in March 2014.

Massimo said after his 15-minute cameo as a replacement for skipper Mile Jedinak: "I couldn't be happier at making my debut and the lads did great overall. It was hard being down to ten men for over half an hour and you have to applaud the lads."

Ange Postecoglou, Socceroos coach, has described Massimo as part of the "new generation" of Socceroos. "Massimo was good. We're exposing a 21-year old to seasoned internationals.

"At a difficult time in the game he came on and looked comfortable. He wanted to be out there. That's good for us. We now need to feed him more opportunities and we've got to give these guys opportunities.

"He is a highly rated youngster," Postecoglou said. "At Swindon he has become a mainstay even though he's only a young lad. League One is a fairly tough, uncompromising competition and he has held his own," he said.

The midfielder had been working hard to make the squad – playing 40 matches in all competitions for League One outfit Swindon Town this season, scoring six goals.

At Waverley, "Massimo played as an attacking midfielder, his control was superb and he scored a lot, especially from outside the box. He was surprisingly good in the air too with a very good vertical leap," said Mark Ambour, Luongo's coach in Year 8 at Waverley College in Sydney's Eastern Suburbs.

"From Year 9 to Year 12 he was in the First XI, which means he was 14 going on 15 at first but better than most of the 17-year-olds he was up against. You know, there are a lot of talented kids out there but few have the application to really make it – he did," said Ambour.

Sources: Fox Sports, The Australian, SBS

The Rugby Off Season

THE SUPER 15 IS UNDERWAY AND THE KICK OFF FOR THE SYDNEY GRADE SEASON IS MARCH 29

Probably the biggest and brightest news for the off-season is the return from long-term injury of **Stephen Hoiles** (Class of 1999). Many of you will know that Stephen has had a career-threatening achilles injury, which had prevented him taking the field since 2011. With local medicos unable to diagnose and treat the injury, Stephen lost his Super Rugby contract with the Brumbies and appeared to be on the Rugby scrapheap.

With the desire to play still burning, Stephen learnt of a surgeon in Sweden that had success with similar injuries. His perseverance was rewarded when, following some arduous travel and surgery, Stephen again took the field for some Shute Shield games for Randwick at the back end of last season. Subsequently, invited to train with the NSW Waratahs in the off-season, the body held up well and Stephen impressed in some pre season trials. In a popular decision amongst Rugby followers, Stephen gained selection in the Waratahs team that played and conquered the Queensland Reds to cap a truly remarkable and courageous comeback.



Tom English (Class of 2008) continues to impress at Super 15 level with some strong early season form, and is now a regular in the Melbourne Rebels side. Many keen judges are predicting Tom will go

onto further representative honours if he maintains his rate of improvement. Both **Jed Holloway** (Class of 2010) and **Sam Talakai** (Class of 2009) are members of the Waratahs 'Gen Blue' team participating in the IRB Pacific Nations cup. Whilst Sam Talakai is on the fringe of a Super Rugby contract, Jed Holloway will look to improve on his 2013 with a starting appearance against the British and Irish Lions one of his highlights. A leg injury hampered Jed's off season and he is now fighting to regain his place in the Waratahs match day squad.

The Shute Shield Sydney Premiership sees many Waverley Old Boys turning out for Club sides. Following a strong 2013 season, Randwick player **Jack Johnson** (Class of 2012) is a member of the NSW Under 20s and will come under consideration for the Australian U/20 team. **Will Munro** (Class of 2010) lines up for his second season in Grade with high expectations following his 2013 Best and Fairest 1st grade award for

WORLD CUP RUGBY LEAGUE SELECTION GABRIEL FARLEY CLASS OF 2012



Gabriel Farley, Class of 2012, has been selected to play for the USA Rugby League side, the Tomahawks, in the World Cup.

Gabe played two years of 1st XV rugby at Waverley, making CAS teams and developing his rugby to a strong level. He decided to follow in the footsteps of another Old Boy, Brendan Davis (2007), and has been studying at university in St Louis, Missouri this year. He decided to trial for the USA national league side (his mother is American)

and played well enough to make the team.

So now while we cheer on the Kangaroos we'll need to keep an eye on the fortunes of the Tomahawks.

BASKETBALL USA LINDEN SMITH-HYDE CLASS OF 2006



Nicholls State University redshirt senior guard, **Linden Smith-Hyde**, was named earlier this year for the Southland Conference Men's Basketball All-Academic second team. The 6-3 guard was voted on by the league's head coaches, sports information directors and academic advisors.

Linden found his stride late in the season scoring seven or more points in five of the last eight games of the year, hitting at least one 3-pointer in each of those final nine. He shot 40.3% from the field and

39.5% from behind the 3-point line, making 77.8% of his shots at the free throw line.

In 2006 at Waverley College, Linden was a member of the CAS Premiership winning basketball team (along with another well known basketballer – Anatoly Bose) who won 25 games without loss. Both Linden and Anatoly were selected for the CAS Representative team that year.

Randwick. Also playing grade at the 'Wicks', this year is the promising fly half and 1st Colts 'Best and Fairest' **Oli Nicholson** (Class of 2011), "tough as teak" back rower **Tom Bennett** (Class of 2007), big lock **Jesse Harris** (Class of 2010) with former College Captain **Tom Wallace** (Class of 2007) making a comeback. Randwick player **Alfred Paea** (Class of 2004) is also in the Tongan A Squad for the IRB Pacific Island Cup.

The Eastern Suburbs Beasties (Eastern Suburbs RUFC) is also a happy home for Waverley Old Boys with **Clay Brodie** (Class of 2008), **Cooper Chapman** (Class of 2008), **Matt Mackay** (Class of 2006) and **Tom Nicholson** (Class of 2009) all striving to play Shute Shield Rugby. **Will Paterson** (Class of 2012) has also joined Easts and his progress will be closely watched. Before a stint in Rugby League, Will was a former top class full back and goal kicker. Will played First XV for 3 years and should go well if he can take his Waverley form to Grade rugby.

Over at Sydney University **Sam English** (Class of 2010) should be near the top grade and **Dylan Sigg** (Class of 2003) continues a successful top grade career at Manly.

Meanwhile, **Morgan Turinui** (Class of 2000) continues to play top class professional rugby for Stade Francais and enjoys a Parisian lifestyle.

A graduate of the Waverley Colleges Referees Programme, **Charles Hartson**, (Class of 2007) is now rated as one of the top referees in NSW and should continue to be in charge of some big games this year.



JOHN BOYD CLASS OF 1977 A Cricketing Life

John Boyd, 1st XI Cricket Coach and Old Boy Class of 1977, has been formally recognised by the Associated Schools of NSW (CAS) for his many years of dedication to cricket.

From 2014 onwards, the best CAS player at the NSW Schoolboys Tournament will now be awarded the John Boyd Medal.

"As many of you would know, cricket is the sport I played from the age of 9, it has taken me to many places and I have made many great friends from both playing and coaching of this great levelling sport," John said.

John's lengthy career began in the 10A Cricket Team at Waverley College in 1970, and he was first selected for the 1st XI in 1974, with Br Brian Murphy (another Waverley legend) as coach.

John also played for the Waverley Cricket Club, beginning in their 1st Grade in 1976 at 16 years old and playing his last 1st Grade game for them in 1995, aged 35. His highest first grade score was 201. In 1978 he was selected for the NSW Schoolboys side and in 1979 the NSW Under 19 team. From 1979 to 1984 John coached the Waverley Cricket Club A W Green Shield team and in 1984 was coach of the combined Sydney A W Green Shield team. He was Club Coach at the Waverley Club from 1983 to 1985.

This was followed by nine years in the UK playing league cricket in Scotland, Hertfordshire and East Sussex.

On returning to Sydney, John began at Waverley College in 1993 as a casual cricket coach and development officer, then in 1996 he was appointed as a full-time teacher, coach of the 1st XI and Master-in-charge of Cricket. He has coached the 1st XI ever since, winning three CAS titles and also coaching the CAS combined side eight times.

"At Lewes in 1990 we won the Sussex League Competition and in 1991 I played three games for Sussex 2nd XI. I scored over 8000 runs for the Waverley Cricket Club and over 2000 in my time in the UK," said John.

"My first 1st Grade Captain at Waverley District Cricket Club was A W (Tony) Greig, who remained a great friend until his sad passing in 2012," he said.

"I am also a proud Life Member of the Waverley Club, now known as the Eastern Suburbs Cricket Club.

"Being recognised for doing something I love is a huge honour and I feel very humble that the CAS committee has bestowed this tribute upon me," John said.

Congratulations to John on this well deserved acknowledgement of his contribution to cricket.



Presenting the 2013 John Boyd medal to Hamish Denning from Knox Grammar School.

Old Boys' Contributions

Memories of Menzies 1954

His Excellency Dr Ludwig Dowong Keke (known at Waverley College as Ludwig Dowong) is Nauruan Ambassador to the ROC (Taiwan), having held that position since 2007. Ludwig previously served his country as Speaker and Deputy Speaker of the Nauruan Parliament, as well as being Nauru's High Commissioner to Fiji. He studied dentistry in Queensland and went on to be Official Government Dentist in Nauru. He is married to Ann and they have two sons, Kristian and Kieren.

Ludwig was a boarder during his years at Waverley College. He recently forwarded to Wavelength this story from his school days:



The Headmaster introduced Colonel and Mrs Young to the Prime Minister (Sir Robert Menzies) and Dame Pattie Menzies at the 1954 Passing Out Parade.

In the year 1954, I was a Unit Staff Sergeant and the College Cadet Unit had a "Passing-Out-Parade" at Waverley Oval. The Australian PM Sir Robert Menzies, accompanied by Dame Pattie, was the Guest of Honour.

When the PM's car arrived, I was to open the door for the PM, and the ADC was to open the door for Dame Pattie. Next, I was to escort the PM to the Unit Commander, Major (Br) Marzorini, then return to the car and accompany the driver to the parking area. After the initial formal introductions, Major Marzorini would escort the PM on his Inspection of the Parade.

All was going well, I let the PM get out of the car and then I jumped in beside the driver and instructed him to proceed to his parking spot at the rear of the Parade. Thus, left the PM and Dame Pattie walking unescorted over to Major Marzorini, who then realized what was happening, hurried forward to meet the PM, and led him to inspect the Parade.

Capt (Br) Lewis was in command of Unit B and Capt (Br) Stewart was in command of Unit A, were apparently fuming over this "incident".

After the Parade, I was called in front of the Cadet Unit Commanding Officers, they demanded an explanation of my irresponsible action. I had a big dressing down by Br Marzorini.

In fact, I could have been dismissed from the Cadet Unit, or worse still, from the College over that "embarrassing incident". My humble apology and remorse were accepted. It was my last year at the College, I was forgiven. But the incident will never be forgotten.

Friends and family found it hilarious when I told them that "I was too anxious to get in the PM's Daimler car and try it out".

At Waverley, I was known by the name of Ludwig Dowong. After Nauru's Independence in 1968-adopted my father's family name of Keke, so I am now known as Ludwig Dowong Keke.

Ludwig Dowong Keke (Class of 1954)

Excerpt from the Speech by the Rt Hon the Prime Minister, Mr R G Menzies QC CH (he was later Knighted), Prime Minister of Australia at the 26 September 1954 Waverley College Cadet Unit Passing-Out Parade. Renowned as a brilliant speaker, the Prime Minister had recently won the 1954 election. The Petrov Affair 'Royal Commission on Espionage' was in full swing and the nation was still very much engaged with forming its identity on the world stage.

"... What is the purpose of this cadet training in which you are engaging? Why is it that you are famous all over Australia for the size and quality of your cadet corps? I think that the answer is that those who have established it and have maintained it and kept its spirit alive have understood two or three things of great importance to Australia.

"The first is that you do not need to be a militaristic people, you do not need to be a sword rattling people to have some idea of self-defence. Defence in a democratic country is not a militaristic matter but it is a high and important responsibility. That responsibility and the significance of defence is something you have been learning.

"In the second place, discipline, which is more important in democratic countries than in those countries that know nothing about freedom, is not merely a matter of taking orders from bullies, not a matter of being pushed around. Discipline in the best sense is an internal virtue – self-discipline. The capacity to take an order is essential if you are ever to give one; the capacity to be governed is essential if you are ever to be one of the governors; the capacity to understand the importance of the rule and obedience to the rule, is tremendously important if, as in due course you will, you are ever to become the rulers of the country by becoming the electors of the country. ... It makes us understand that if we have rights, our neighbour has rights too; it makes us understand that the world doesn't exist just for us as individuals but for many millions of other people of whom we have never heard perhaps, but whose rights are no less important to them as ours are to us.

"The other thing ... is this: we are in Australia a fairly individualistic people. We like to develop our own personality, our own ambitions, our own ideas ... but we must be on our guard that we do not allow our own ambitions and our own development to become a mere expression of selfishness. What cements nine million people into a nation is that most of the nine million people should have in their hearts and minds a feeling of community responsibility, a feeling that they exist for some broad community purpose. Indeed, let it be repeated that, in a great church school like this ... we have a divine responsibility that we are brothers in reality because we are children of the same father. Now that feeling of responsibility, that feeling of social responsibility, is what cements us into a nation. ... The day will come when Australia in terms of numbers and strength will become one of the very great nations of the world. It will be a rather good thing, won't it, for all of us to think that some day our descendants will look back and say: they were good people. They did great things in their day and generation, they are among the founders of this great nation. Now I am addressing hundreds of the founders of the Australia of the future."



IMMERSION UPDATE

WAVERLEY COLLEGE IMMERSION PROGRAM Old Boys Visit India and Nepal

Old Boy, Aiden Cai, reflects on his experiences on a recent immersion.

Since returning from India and Nepal, I have often been asked what I consider to be the most enduring memory of the experience. Whilst many who have visited this region may respond with descriptions of bustling markets and awe-inspiring cultural relics, this is not the case for me or my friends who undertook the trip as part of the Waverley College Immersion Program. For our group, led by Michael and Gai Brydon and composed of Waverley old boys; myself, Timothy Brydon and Anthony O'Rourke along with Katy McQuaid and Catherine and Elizabeth Farrell, what we will all remember most is the passion, energy and determination demonstrated by the Christian Brothers in their mission for social justice.

Having departed Sydney on the 6 January 2014, we soon landed in New Delhi and spent time exploring this vibrant capital and surrounding areas. Visits were made to incredible historic sites that bore testament to the might of the Mughal Empire including the Taj Mahal and the Red Fort. However, our visits also provided insight into the large degree of social inequity that exists within Indian society and while volunteering with Brother Steve for the organisation 'Nine is Mine', the importance of increasing educational access in relieving social inequity was made clear. Operating from St Columba's School, Brother Steve worked tirelessly for the organisation which calls upon the Indian Government to deliver on its promise of allocating 9% of India's GDP to education and health.

From New Delhi, we travelled on to Nepal where we spent a week trekking. Our group then flew to Kolkata where we volunteered at St Mary's School in Dum Dum. Here, the Christian Brothers ran several highly effective programs that not only assisted the students, but also involved the school with the local community. The Lotus Program provides low-cost education to the boys of sex workers who would otherwise not be able to afford to send them to school. St Mary's School also provides an English program for street children and at the end of the day, after teaching, the brothers distribute food to poorer members of the community.

On 26 January, 2014 we arrived back in Sydney. Overall, it was a highly enjoyable experience, made unforgettable not only by the historic sites we had seen and the cities we had explored, but by the opportunity to participate in the charitable works of the Christian Brothers. Such an opportunity would not have been possible if not for the Waverley College Immersion Program and on behalf of our group, I would like to thank headmaster Ray Paxton, social justice coordinator Geraldine Cullen and the Waverley College community for the support they have shown us.
Aidan Cai Class of 2010



"... what we will all remember most is the passion, energy and determination demonstrated by the Christian Brothers in their mission for social justice."



Old Boys' Contributions

Four Generations with the Brothers

The Duffy family were early friends of the Christian Brothers in Australia, commencing soon after Waverley College was founded in 1903.

Leo Duffy was one of several sons of Mary and Thomas Duffy, the founders of this particular family, to attend Waverley, enrolling in 1906.

Two other sons, Leo's brothers, became Christian Brothers. One of them, Patrick, was eventually appointed one of four international assistants to the Superior General of the Congregation.

Leo's son **Kevin** was at the College for the whole of his schooling (1936-1947). He and Margaret had three sons who became the third generation of Duffys to be educated by the Brothers and attended St Leo's College Wahroonga. The four children of Kevin's son Paul followed in their father's footsteps by enrolling at St Leo's – it was during this time that the Brothers withdrew from the College and handed it over to the Broken Bay Diocese.

After leaving Waverley Kevin pursued his interest in stamp collecting, for which he is still remembered by many of his classmates. He went on to build the largest stamp dealing and publishing business in the southern hemisphere – a business which employed 80 people and was purchased by the Readers Digest organisation from Kevin and Margaret in the early 1980s. Whilst pursuing his commercial interests, Kevin was invited to join the Australian board of directors in a pro-bono capacity, of a non-government organisation Plan International (PLAN).

PLAN is dedicated to assisting children and their families in developing countries by introducing sustainable development projects so that the people become self sufficient – there are no handouts. The organisation raises funds in the affluent countries and spends them in about fifty of the poorest or most needy countries. PLAN was at the time almost unknown in Australia, but had a large presence in most of the OECD countries and is in fact one of the largest non-government development organisations in the world. In 2013 its budget was almost one billion dollars, raised and spent



Class of 1946, Kevin Duffy circled.

in over 70 countries. Kevin's activities at the time of his involvement in the mid-1990s eventually led to his election as chairman of the International Board of Directors for three terms – the first Australian to hold this office in the seventy five year history of the organisation. He was appointed by the Governor General as an Officer in the Order of Australia (AO) in 1999 in recognition of his involvement.

Kevin is a regular attendee at the annual luncheon and get-together of about fifteen members of the 1946 leaving class, organised in Sydney by Gus Breen and Geoff Donnan (and at the time this note was written, just two weeks away from celebrating with his wife Margaret their 60th wedding anniversary).

Kevin Duffy Class of 1946

BOARDING IN THE 1950s

Tales of Short Sheeting and Pillow Fights



Class of 1952 Prefects, Geoff Leonard circled.

I entered Waverley, as a 'daybug' in 1948, then became a boarder in 1951 when my parents moved to Melbourne.

In those days several of the Brothers had rooms off the dormitories on each floor to keep order (and ensure peace and quiet after 'lights out'). I vividly remember Brother 'Poddy' Fields storming into the top floor dorm one night to quell a rowdy pillow fight that had erupted between several, high spirited 4th formers. His method (although not now PC) was very effective – he produced his dreaded strap and administered 'six of the best' to all he believed had initiated or participated in this 'unruly' behaviour (including me). He enjoyed a restful slumber for the rest of that night.

Our dear old chemistry master then was Brother 'Ronny' Stewart. He lived in a turret room in what was originally a family residence and is now the southeast corner of the quadrangle. Ron's 'Tower of Power', as we called it was directly above the then infirmary. I found myself quarantined in the infirmary with chicken pox at one stage and to relieve the boredom I crept up the stairway to Ron's tower and short-sheeted his bed (I knew he was taking a class at the time).

Clearly I hadn't thought this prank through and immediately realised that as I was the only occupant of the infirmary at that time the identity of the culprit would be obvious. To his credit Ron proved himself a great sport and never said a word. I suppose as he was Quarter-Master Capt of the Cadet Unit, and I was then a cdt/lieutenant, he might have been a little more lenient than otherwise.

I hope this might kindle a few more memories among Old Boys who were boarders in the early 50's.
Geoff Leonard Class of 1952



EDUCATIVE ELOQUENCE

Dr Peter Watson

Dr Peter Watson was the first permanent full time senior lay teacher in the senior secondary school and taught at the college from 1957 to 1969.

He is remembered most for his wry sense of humour and highly respected for his sharp intellectual persuasion and talent for humanities.

He was resident master and taught English, History and, somewhat unexpectedly, Economics. From "... staying a page or two ahead of the class," and "... securing some basic formal qualifications in the discipline," he went on to write and subsequently publish the Handbook of Matriculation Economics in 1961 and saw it reprinted the following year.

Dr Watson describes his time at Waverley College as simpler and more gentle than today's school life. He recalls students being direct, open enthusiastic and stoic: "My memories of Waverley are happy and positive," he says, "I feel privileged to have had some input into so many boys' growth and development as good people."

Automotive panache also marked his time at the College. At various times he drove a Jaguar, a Triumph and a Mercedes. He once chauffeured Brother O'Connor to a College function where he was hosting Prime Minister Menzies.

Dr Watson left Waverley to become Education Editor at the newly established Australian Newspaper in 1969. He went on to achieve more qualifications in education and theology and was awarded the MBE for services to education in 1967.

Kieran Blake Class of 1993

Pictured top, Peter Watson teaching at Waverley College in the 1970s.



Kevin Slattery (Class of 1963) sent us in a copy of his father's First Year Intermediate Certificate.

J Kevin Slattery (incorrectly named on the document as K J Slattery) was awarded the certificate in February 1935 at 14 years and 7 months old. He went on to complete his Leaving Certificate and then studied medicine at Sydney University until WW2, at which point he joined the RAAF as a pilot. J Kevin Slattery passed away in July 2009.

Reunions

Recent Reunions

CLASS OF 1956

We have held 3 major celebrations, for our 25th, 40th and 50th anniversaries.

Last December, we held our first luncheon after years of meeting in the evening, enjoying a great turn out of about 35 attendees.

We have met at various locations over the years, and currently convene at City Tattersalls Club. If you'd care to know more, you can call me on 9905 8742 or 0414860118

Peter Flanagan

Future Reunions

2014 REUNION CLASS OF 1969

Saturday 18 October 6.30pm for 7.00pm

Club Bondi Junction (old RSL)

109 Gray Street Bondi Junction

For further information contact

Bob Hitchen 02 9337 1244

Mike Illieff 0410 519 137

John Karas 0427 860 234

Pat Curvers 0418 466 154

2014 REUNION CLASS OF 1979

Friday 4 July 2014

The Class of 1979 will be celebrating its 35 years out this year at the Harold Park Hotel, Glebe.

Please RSVP to Patrick See 8014 5225 or psee@lloyd-lloyd.com

2014 REUNION CLASS OF 1964

Saturday 1 November 2014

Please contact Michael Matthews by email on m.matthews@unsw.edu.au for further details

2014 REUNION CLASS OF 1974

Saturday 13 September 2014

Legion Club, Charing Cross Please contact Paul King by email on paul.king@minterrellison.com for further details.

2014 REUNION 1974 BOARDERS' REUNION

Friday 12 September 2014

In addition to the whole of Class of 1974 reunion on 13th September, there will be a special 1974 Boarders' Reunion to be held on the evening of Friday 12 September.

For further information, please contact:

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Ron Heffernan heffernanron@gmail.com

Michael Hill michael.j.hill@bigpond.com

2014 REUNION CLASS OF 1994

Saturday 26 July 2014

The Class of 1994 is having its 20th reunion on Saturday afternoon 26 July from 12.30pm till 5pm 2014 at "Sauce Bar & Grill", 29-31 Alfreda St, Coogee NSW 2034.

To book visit the Old Boys website www.wcobu.com.au

For further information contact Dimitri Cachia dimitri.cachia@gmail.com

2015 REUNION CLASS OF 1975

Our 40 year reunion will be next year and we will be planning the details later this year. Please contact Adrian Courtenay on adriancourtenay@bigpond.com or Anthony De Lorenzo on anthony@delorenzo.com.au for further information.

Old Boy Profiles Where are they now?

JOHN DUNCAN CLASS OF 1951: INSURANCE CAREER



John joined the insurance industry in 1953 and is still going strong. Even more remarkable is that in that time he has only ever worked for two companies. He began with Farmers & Graziers Insurance in 1953 and joined JMD Insurance Services in 1982. John Jnr joined the family business in 1988 and is now Chief Executive of the company, JMD Ross.

John still goes to the office daily. He has lived through the impact of the technological revolution in the insurance industry, recalling when the telex machine was introduced, but now participating actively in email and Facebook. But he says it is old-fashioned values, rather than modern advances, that are the secrets to his success in the insurance broking world.

John keeps fit by attending the gym twice a week and playing the occasional game of golf. Reading and travelling with wife Mary Anne are key interests.

LLOYD WOOD CLASS OF 2010: LAW

Lloyd graduated from Waverley College in 2010 as a Prefect and was accepted into a combined degree of a Bachelor of Business / Bachelor of Laws at UTS.

He was appointed as the President of the UTS Law Students' Society – the largest student-run club at UTS – in November 2013. He has been awarded the UTS Accomplish Award, has completed the UTS LSS Brennan Justice and Leadership Program and has been a UTS LSS Peer Mentor.

Outside of the UTS Law Students Society, he was elected as a Student Director on the Board of UTS Union Ltd in 2012 and was appointed Vice-President of the Board last year.

Lloyd currently works part time as a paralegal in a boutique law firm as well as in a marketing role for the Uniting Church.

PETER BLAKE CLASS OF 1967: PSYCHOTHERAPIST



Peter Blake trained in Sydney as a Clinical Psychologist and worked in Community Health Centres in the Eastern Suburbs of Sydney in the 1970s and 80s. He undertook further post-graduate training at the Tavistock Clinic in London and qualified as a Child and Adolescent Psychotherapist in 1983. Returning to Sydney in 1984 he worked as a Child and Adolescent Psychotherapist in the public and private sector.

He established the Child Psychoanalytic Foundation, a charity for the promotion of mental health in children and adolescents. He is the first Australian to write a textbook "Child and Adolescent Psychotherapy" published in Australia and internationally. In the late 1990s he formed the Institute of Child and Adolescent Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy, a teaching body that offers psychotherapy training to local mental health workers.

He lives in Sydney and has recently retired from clinical practice, although he continues to teach and supervise. He married Anne in 1984 and has 2 adult sons.

DO YOU HAVE A REUNION PLANNED FOR 2014 OR 2015?

Please let us know the details so it can be publicised through the Waverley College Old Boys website: www.wcobu.com.au. You can email Robyn Moore on ramoore@waverley.nsw.edu.au for assistance in providing class lists and contacting members of your year group. Don't forget the Old Boys Union donates \$300 toward expenses!

JAMES S KING VICE CAPTAIN 1969: A PASSION FOR GOLF

James is Captain of Australia's number one ranked golf course, Royal Melbourne, which hosted the 2013 International World Cup won by Adam Scott and Jason Day.

"The beauty of golf," James says, "is that no two days are the same. "If you have a bad day at the golf course, there's always a good day to come."

James grew up in Bronte and, after graduating from Waverley College, received a Bachelor of Commerce from UNSW and attended a Senior Management Program at Harvard University. He spent a considerable part of his working career in marketing for Kraft and Carlton and United Breweries – the latter as managing director.

James has had an extremely distinguished career in business, associated with some of the biggest Australian and international brands. He is a director of JB Hi-Fi, Navitas and Pacific Brands. James is the current Chairman of JDRF (Junior Diabetes Research Foundation) Victoria Branch and sits on the board of Xavier College, Melbourne.

Residing in Melbourne with his wife Cathy, James has two sons and a daughter.

DR STEPHEN BOSI CLASS OF 1980: LECTURER AND SCIENTIST



Stephen Bosi was Dux of Waverley College in his leaving year, a prizewinner in Art and an SUO in the Cadet Unit.

Today he is Medical Research Physicist for the Department of Radiation Oncology at Prince of Wales Hospital.

His scientific career began at UNSW where he completed a BSc with a double major in physics and chemistry (Honours in chemistry) and a PhD in condensed matter physics.

He taught physics at the UWS Macarthur for 18 months and spent roughly a decade conducting research in optical and electronic phenomena, especially solar energy and sustainable technology at UTS, ANSTO and the University of Sydney. He was also lecturer in physics at University of Sydney for two years.

At the Radiation Oncology Department of Prince of Wales Hospital, Sydney, he has conducted four years of medical physics research (including 3 dimensional dosimetry and CT scan reconstruction algorithms).

He is distracted from research by educational and public science presentations, having appeared on ABC Radio and TV, including "Sleek Geeks", "Catalyst" and "FAQ". Stephen was also the joint-lead author of the series of high school physics textbooks, "In2 Physics @ Preliminary" (2009) and "In2 Physics @ HSC" (2010).

GEOFF LEONARD CLASS OF 1952: MANAGEMENT CAREER

Geoff finished 5th Form in 1952, with the Leaving Certificate and Matriculation, and was the Dux of his class, winning the History Prize and the Chapman Baton.

After Waverley he entered RMC Duntroon and then resigned in the 3rd year to pursue a commercial career. He spent 10 years with Nicholas (The "ASPRO" company) finishing as Manager – Asia/Pacific. He then joined Richardson-Merrell in 1969 and spent two years in New Zealand and four years in Canada before returning to Australia as Managing Director for Australia and New Zealand.

In 1988 he retired from P&G and formed his own consulting company. Over the next ten years he chaired several Sydney based groups for The Executive Connection – an international forum for CEOs.

Sadly, Geoff lost his wife to cancer in 2010. His interests include Military History, Vexillology and French.

LAURENCE COY CLASS OF 1977 AND NICHOLAS EADIE CLASS OF 1976: CAREERS IN ACTING

Two Waverley old boys were competing against each other for 'Best Actor in a Leading Role in an Independent Production', at the Sydney Theatre Awards in 2013. Although Nicholas Eadie (for *The Removalists*) and Laurence Coy (for *Jerusalem*) did not win, it shows Waverley thespians making their mark in Sydney theatre.

Laurence and Nick were friends at school and their paths have been crossing professionally ever since. Laurence describes the duo as long serving/suffering actors who were inspired by Peter Moore, a brilliant English teacher at the school in the early 70s who shone a bright light on the theatre.



Laurence is a theatre, film and TV actor. He has appeared in *Paper Giants*, *Wild Boys*, *Crownies*, *Rake* and the *Chronicles of Narnia*. He has delivered over 3000 performances as a stand up comic since 1982. Laurence has also been designing and facilitating corporate training programs since 1991. He completed Camino de Santiago in 2001, is widely and deeply travelled and is passionate about food, words, nature, love... and most things Irish.



Nick graduated from NIDA in 1980 and has been involved in over 60 productions in stage, film, television and musical theatre. His theatre credits include *Taming of the Shrew* and *A Midsummer Nights Dream*, *Macbeth* and the *Three Sisters*. Most recently, Nick appeared in the Hot House Theatre Production of *Big Hair in America*, directed by Marion Potts. Nick was awarded an AFI and Logie Award for his performance in *Vietnam*, a Penguin Award for GP and was also nominated for an AFI for his performance in *Fragments of War*.



OLD BOY SPONSORS SOUGHT FOR OBU WEBSITE

The NRL and Super15 Rugby Tipping Competitions are well and truly underway on the Waverley College OBU website. The competition attracts great participation from the Old Boys. Potentiality (the operator of the site) offers a prize to the outright winner from participating alumni, but Waverley College likes to offer a prize to the winning Waverley College Old Boy for each of the League and Rugby tipping competitions. Here is an opportunity for an Old Boy who would like to donate an appropriate prize. We would be most grateful and the donor/s would be highlighted on the OBU site. Please contact me on the email address below if you can assist.

Col Blake
OBU Vice President
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Notices

Engagements

Stephen Vecchio-Ruggeri (Class of 2005) has announced his engagement to Reiko Sun.

Mitch Lamb (Class of 2005) announced his engagement to Emma Doran, with the wedding scheduled for 22 May in Ireland.

Marriages

Congratulations to **Joel Harty** (Class of 2005) who married Lauren Zammit earlier this year.



Stephen O'Sullivan (Class of 2001) married Jessica Reid on 28 February at Mary Magdalene Church, Rose Bay with the reception following at the Sergeants Mess, Chowder Bay. The event was a real OBU family wedding 'union' as Stephen is grandson of Phil (Class of 1938) son of Chris (Class of 1965/66) and brother of Phillip (Class of 1992), Paul (Class of 1993) and Christopher (Class of 1996). Jessica is the daughter of Brian Reid (Class of 1969) and sister of Nicholas (Class of 1999). The newly weds honeymooned on Hamilton Island.



Joshua Higgins (Class of 2001) and son of Mark Higgins (Class of 1981) married Clare Martin on 12 December 2013 at HMAS Watson.

Births

Congratulations to **Wade Martlew** (Class of 1997) who became a father on Tuesday 9 July 2013 to Millie Archie Martlew.

Graduations

Rupert Higgins (Class of 2009) graduated with a Bachelor of Medical Science (UNSW), 1st Class Honours. Rupert commences his MB BS in 2014.

OBITUARIES

REV DEACON ELLIOTT CASALEGNO CLASS OF 1956

Elliott Casalegno was born in Roma, Qld before his parents moved to Bronte. He started at Waverley in 4th Year 1955. He completed his LC with the class of '56. In 1957 he joined the public service, where he worked until his retirement. Elliott married Regina and they had one child Nova. They only have one grandchild. Nova married an American and moved to the USA.

After his marriage Elliott and Regina lived in the Bankstown area. Elliott became very involved in his parish at St Felix. He became an acolyte and was very involved in parish liturgy. During the late 1990s Elliott became aware that another member of the Class of '65 (Brian Myers) had been ordained as one of the early Permanent Deacons in the diocese of Parramatta, and they renewed their friendship again. Not long after this a Diaconate Programme was established in the Sydney Archdiocese and after some discussion with Brian about his calling to clerical ministry Elliott applied for entry into the new programme in 2002.

Elliott was eventually ordained with four other men in mid 2006 and appointed as the deacon to various parishes in the Bankstown area, his final appointment being to the parish in Telopea. He was not there long before he contracted a leg infection and this led to hospitalization. Even after much surgery his health deteriorated and finally his death at the age of 73 in February 2013. Elliott is missed by his family – and friends – especially the remaining 5 deacons of the Sydney Archdiocese.

Rev Deacon Brian Myers

DESMOND RANKIN CLASS OF 1964



Surrounded by his family, Des Rankin lost his five year battle with prostate cancer in January 2014.

Some 50 years ago, Waverley's Brother O'Connor wrote: "Head Prefect and Captain of the College for 1964 was Desmond Rankin. Indeed, Waverley, in my experience, has not known a better Head Prefect."

After school, Des undertook four years seminary training, leaving to study medicine at the University of New South Wales. Post-graduation he worked at the Prince of Wales Hospital and then joined a general practice at Jannali, where he served the community for 29 years. The hundreds of people who attended Des' funeral are testament to his standing and respect in the Shire. He is sadly missed.

Bill Cox

RON KENNEDY CLASS OF 1950

After leaving Waverley, Ron Kennedy graduated from Duntroon and served in Malaysia and Vietnam, ultimately working as Aide de Camp to General Daly, then Commander in Charge of the Army.

After retiring from the Army, Ron became Director of a major textile company and travelled extensively overseas. He and his wife were keen followers of art and music, and were keen supporters of both the Art Gallery of NSW and the Opera House.

Ron was diagnosed with cancer in 2011 and passed away after a long fight against the disease in September 2014 at a clinic in Switzerland.

Barry Anderson

JOHN HUGH WALKER OAM CLASS OF 1950

4 June 1931 – 1 November 2012

A man of many talents – a wonderful family man, historian, wine connoisseur and a restaurateur in the CBD of Sydney.

John was responsible for establishing and building a number of successful restaurant enterprises in Sydney. He trained hundreds of apprentice chefs and front of house staff over a lifetime working in the restaurant industry under the Johnnie Walker Restaurants banner and Rhine Castle Wines. John also acted as special wine advisor to a number of emerging top vineyards throughout Australia.

He served on many hospitality committees and assisted in the progress and development of industry standards. After retiring in 2002, he focused on gardening and became a keen researcher of the early exploration of Australia.

John was a member of the Social Justice Committee at Chatswood Parish, an acolyte, a minister of Communion to the sick and a catechist.

The June 2003 Queens Birthday Honours List awarded John an OAM for services to the Restaurant & Catering Industry of Australia, and Further Education & Tourism.

John is survived by his wife Gabrielle and children – John Francis, Annabelle, Hugo Charles and Victoria and their five grandchildren.

JOHN MCGUIRE CLASS OF 1947



John McGuire passed away on 30 November 2013. John was well known to the classes of 1948 and 1947 having commenced with the 1948 group but being advanced to the 1947 group prior to the then 'Intermediate' exam.

John had many friends from the Coogee/Randwick area having travelled to Waverley daily on the old Coogee/Bondi Junction tram. He was a special friend to myself, Vince

Regan and George Fletcher.

John Allen Class of 1947

DEATH NOTICES

Condolences are extended to the families and friends of the following Waverley College Old Boys:

NAME	MONTH OF DEATH	CLASS	LAST ADDRESS
Bob Bawden	May 2012	1936	Long Jetty, NSW
Terry Darcy	Jan 2014	1955	Terry Hills, NSW
Christopher Fitzpatrick	Nov 2013	1977	Kotara Heights, NSW
Charles Henry Gibson	Mar 2010	1949	
Anthony Carr Gould	Mar 2010	1942	Kangaroo Point, QLD
Ronald H Kennedy	Nov 2013	1950	Bellevue Hill, NSW
John Leslie	Nov 2013	1958	Wyoming, NSW
Lance Ludwig	Dec 2013	1965	Wagga Wagga, NSW
John W McGuire	Nov 2013	1947	Turrumurra, NSW
James Munroe Quinn	Sep 2013	1949	Point Clare, NSW
Des Rankin	Jan 2014	1964	Cronulla, NSW
Galli Ripka	Dec 2013	1950	Gold Coast, NSW
David Russell	Dec 2013	1953	
Anthony Slattery	Jan 2014	1964	Newport Beach, NSW
John Walker OAM	Nov 2012	1950	Roseville, NSW
John T Webb	Feb 2014	1949	Kurrajong, NSW



MEMORIAL CHAPEL Stained Glass Windows

The College Chapel was built as a memorial to the men of Waverley College who lost their lives in both World Wars. Officially blessed and opened by Rev Dr James Carroll, Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney, on 6 October 1956, the ceremony included the unveiling of the memorial stone plaque to our war dead by Major-General John A Chapman DSO CB, who was one of four College men to have served in WWI and WWII. A significant feature of the Chapel is the stained glass windows, which grace both sides of the building. Carefully and deliberately designed to complement the commemorative nature of the chapel, each bay of windows depicts a specific theatre of war. The Lourdes Window, which commemorates the centenary of the apparition of Mary to Bernadette at Lourdes in 1858, depicts Mary as the Hope of the Sick, bringing healing to individuals and to the world, a theme perfectly attuned to the post-war period. All of the windows were designed by artist Stephen Moor, who was himself displaced by war. A German national born in Hungary in 1915, Moor arrived in Australia in 1950 as a war refugee. Before WWII he had been teaching the craft of stained glass design and manufacture at the Budapest Academy. He eventually established his own practice, Ars Sacra, in Strathfield and worked with architects Hennessy and Hennessy on many commissions throughout New South Wales.

Lourdes Window by Stephen Moor, Memorial Chapel, Waverley College

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SAVE THESE DATES

KEEP SPACE IN YOUR DIARY FOR THESE IMPORTANT WAVERLEY COLLEGE OLD BOY EVENTS IN 2014

An invitation is extended to all Waverley College Old Boys,
Families and Friends to join us for the

104TH ANNUAL MAY PROCESSION AND FEAST OF EDMUND RICE

2PM SUNDAY 4 MAY 2014

Special Guest – His Excellency General
the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AC MC (Retd)
Governor General of Australia

College Old Boys, Families and Friends are invited to join us
to celebrate our beliefs on this most important day in the
Waverley College calendar.

The Waverley College Old Boys Union invites Old Boys to

MAY PROCESSION OBU AFTERNOON TEA

IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE PROCESSION IN THE
BR RJ WALLACE PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE,
BIRRELL STREET

The afternoon tea will be followed by

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE WAVERLEY COLLEGE OLD BOYS UNION

COMMENCING 4:30PM IN THE BR RJ WALLACE
PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE

No rsvp is required for these events. All welcome.

OLD BOYS OF 1964 SAVE THE DATE

You are invited to attend

BACK TO WAVERLEY DAY

FOR THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF
YOUR GRADUATION

THURSDAY 30 OCTOBER 2014,
9:15AM TO 3:00PM

Includes Mass, Morning Tea, Assembly and Luncheon.

Invitations will be issued to all graduates.

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