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NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Waverley alumni are everywhere (that matters). Don't miss our special feature in this edition on old boys living and working in the USA. A reminder to please dig deep to support the Capital Appeal, if you can: It's providing a much-needed indoor venue to accommodate the entire school, as well as new gym, technology and hospitality facilities. In doing so, you'll help the college keep meeting the challenge of providing great educational opportunities at sensible fees. Enjoy this edition and please keep in touch.
Jennifer Divall

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FROM THE HEADMASTER

Designing the Future



In 2015, Waverley College entered a new stage of its strategic growth and development when *Waverley College Strategy Phase 2 2015–8* was launched by respected academic and researcher, Professor Donna Cross, Board Chair, Mr Sam Hardjono and myself at a Parents' and Friends' Forum on Tuesday 19 May in the presence of over 250 parents and carers.

Our first phase, 'Strategy 2011–2014' was driven by the imperative to "liberate the potential of every learner". The image central to our first phase strategy was the Waverley student 'on the way', heading towards his future, and being the best he can be. In the most challenging and complex year of the Strategy, 2014 saw commencement of our capital works program; implementation of the 'Liberate' teaching approach and global student use of our 'iLearn' technology and infrastructure; a major research project on student wellbeing; and the introduction of student immersions to Timor-Leste. These great achievements are a credit to the whole community – staff, the College Executive, students, parents, the Old Boys Union, the College Board, and the EREA family, of which we are a part.

PHASE 2 STRATEGY 2015–2018

From August 2014, the College Board and Executive developed a Phase 2 Strategy Framework which included consultation with staff, students, parents and ex-students during Term 4, 2014 and Term 1, 2015.

Whilst the imperative – Liberating the Potential of Every Learner – remains constant, the focus of the new Phase 2 Strategy is the identity and character of each Waverley student and the person he will ultimately become. The student "on the way" (Phase 1) is now the student "at the centre" (Phase 2). Our central understanding is:

*A Waverley student...
Appreciates diversity and values inclusion;
Is a resilient learner who achieves his best academically;
Builds positive relationships and demonstrates leadership;
Is challenged to a liberated way of living.*

This last descriptor – "is challenged to a liberated way of living" – signals a new way of describing our deepest hope for each student: the hope that he will be freed by his learning journey, unconstrained by fear, energised by courage so that he may achieve liberation for himself and others. Our hopes for the person our student will ultimately become is as follows:

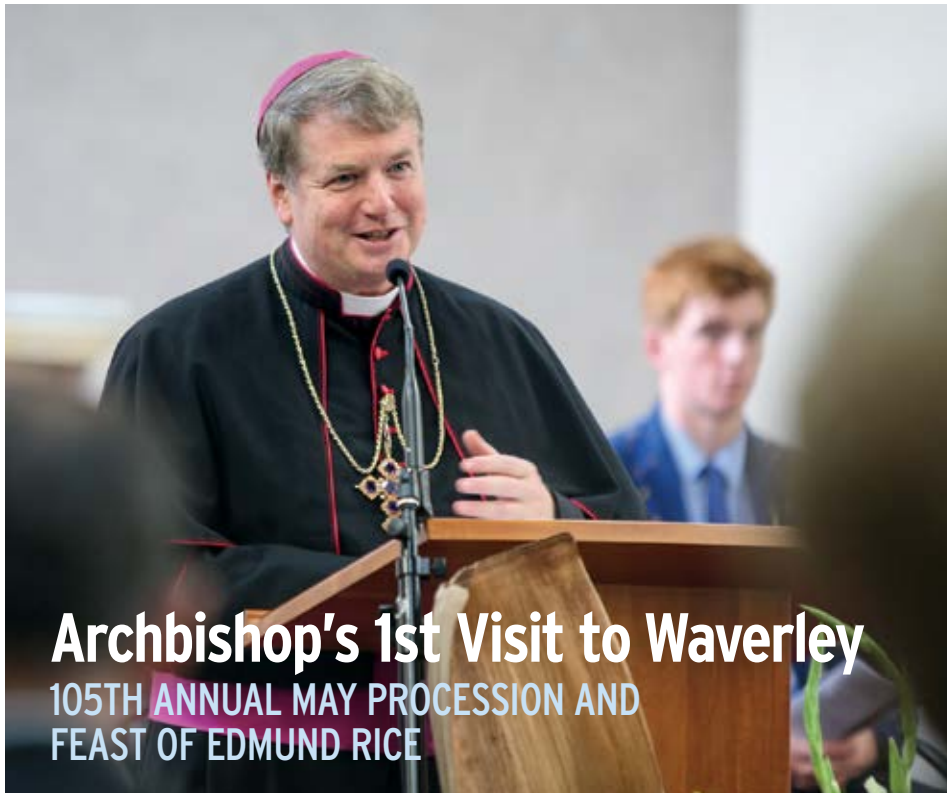
*A Waverley graduate...
Values each person he meets with respect and dignity, regardless of their resources or life situation;
Thinks critically, is hope-filled and makes a strong positive contribution to his profession and the broader community;
Is accepting and welcoming, fostering right relationships and committed to the common good;
Strives to bring the words and actions of Jesus alive within his community and society.*

Strong leadership is essential for the success of any strategy and the College Board and Executive wish to re-affirm their commitment to the directions we have set and the ongoing transformation we must pursue in the next four years. This period will see the culmination of many courageous, ground-breaking and identity-defining steps towards excellence.

Ray Paxton Headmaster

Mr Sam Hardjono, Professor Donna Cross, James Ritchie and Mr Ray Paxton at the Phase 2 Launch. Copies of the Strategy are available on the Waverley College website.

... the focus of the new Phase 2 Strategy is the identity and character of each Waverley student and the person he will ultimately become.



Archbishop's 1st Visit to Waverley

105TH ANNUAL MAY PROCESSION AND FEAST OF EDMUND RICE



The Headmaster with the Archbishop and his Parents; Mr Colin Fisher - a Waverley College Old Boy - and Mrs Gloria Fisher.

The College enjoyed the special privilege of entertaining the Archbishop of Sydney, the Most Reverend Anthony Fisher OP as a guest at the annual May Procession and Feast of Edmund Rice. The Archbishop was accompanied by his parents, Mr and Mrs Gloria and Colin Fisher. Mr Fisher is an Old Boy of Waverley's Class of 1951.

Special guests on the day were drawn from the schools and religious in the Parish of St Charles Borromeo/Mary Immaculate. They included: Fr John Chrysostom OFM, Parish Priest of Waverley; Fr Peter Clifford OFM, Assistant Parish Priest of Waverley; Mr Chris Smith EREA; Mr Sam Hardjono, Board Chair; Ms Hilary Cameron, Principal of St Charles' School and Mrs Antoinette McGahan, Principal of St Clare's College.

In his address, the Headmaster, Ray Paxton, highlighted a commitment to strengthening relationships in the parish: "As colleagues, we are fully committed to the Archbishop's Charter and to the spirit of our founding charisms of St Francis of Assisi, St Clare and Edmund Rice.

"We are equally committed to strengthening our own relationships as well as contributing to the evolution of our church through the education of our students through strong,

relevant religious education, through meaningful ritual, liturgy and prayer, through life-giving experiences of reflection and through active, courageous advocacy on behalf of the poor and marginalised.

"Our students – at St Charles', St Clare's and Waverley College – are dynamic learners in the classroom, on the sporting field, on stage, in prayer and in the community. Every day, we are uplifted by their energy and spirit," he said.

At Australia's longest running Marian Procession, the Archbishop examined the life of Mary in his homily.

Commenting that her life was, "no bed of roses," he said, "the story of Mary invites us to have sympathy and solidarity with those who experience darkness of one kind or another; but also to be ready to offer them reasons to hope, luminous mysteries. We must be especially mindful of those who are suffering and dying and stand by them in compassion and prayer as the Sorrowful Mother and Beloved Disciple did.

"If Christ is given to the Church as light, the Church is given to the world as light also; if Mary is given to the Church as Mother, the Church is given to the world to be likewise. If we assist those suffering natural disasters such as in Nepal; if we work to prevent man-made catastrophes such as in Syria and Iraq; if we campaign against persecution and execution, building bridges to other cultures and individuals: then we are being Christ and His Blessed Mother to our world, and we are fair-square in the line of Edmund Rice," he said.

"My father took part in this procession when he was a boy at this College and I think this is an excellent tradition of which you should all be very proud.

"Pray, dear friends, with Mary when you can. Commit to praying the Angelus attentively and whole-heartedly each day, to praying the Rosary each week, the Hail Mary or Memorare when you can. Pray for peace, good government, justice and mercy. Pray for your friends, your family, yourselves, especially that you may know God's will for you and do it, that you may be men of high ideals and integrity, men of character and compassion. Thanks be to God for Waverley College! God bless you all!"

The Archbishop, his parents and other special guests later mingled with parents, friends, students and staff for afternoon tea hosted by the Mothers' Club.

The Archbishop mingled with parents, staff and students at afternoon tea after the May Procession.





Farewell Tony Galletta



It is with great sadness that at the end of Term 3 we farewelled Deputy Headmaster, Tony Galletta, after 12 years' dedicated service to the Waverley College community. Tony recently stated he was, "... a better person after 12 years at Waverley." We can truly attest that we are a better community because he has been here. Tony has had a significant impact on all areas of College life – our strong pastoral care programs, our enviable IT Infrastructure and device provision, outstanding event management and proactive campus management.

Tony has been a strong communicator of the mission of the College and has earned the respect of staff, students and parents for the way he has resolved conflict, and provided consistency and care for each student. Tony has been a great teacher, a committed leader and a loyal, trusted Deputy Headmaster. He has also developed many outstanding leaders amongst the teaching staff. Including his time at Waverley College, Tony has served Catholic education in NSW, Queensland and the ACT for over 40 years.

Tony's departure was acknowledged by the Headmaster at the recent Year 12 Graduation Ceremony, where he was presented with an original sketch of the Conlon Building in its former glory.

We thank him most sincerely for his courage, commitment and the difference he made to the Waverley College story and wish him every success in the next stage of his professional life.



New Deputy Announced

Acting Executive Director of Edmund Rice Education Australia, Mr Peter Leuenberger, announced in July that Mr Graham Leddie has been appointed to the position of Deputy Headmaster of Waverley College from January 2016.

Graham has considerable experience in leadership in EREA schools and comes highly recommended for this senior position. He is currently the Deputy Principal (College Dean) at St Joseph's Nudgee College in Queensland and prior to that held two other senior positions at the College: Dean of Administration and Dean of Learning and Teaching. He has a Masters of Religious Education and a Masters of Educational Leadership from the Australian Catholic University, a Bachelor of Arts and a Graduate Diploma of Secondary Education also from the Australian Catholic University.

Restoration of historic portraits

Earlier this year two pieces of the Waverley College Art Collection were restored. Both are portraits of significant – if perhaps not so well known – figures in the history of the College, Fr Aloysius Fitzgerald OFM and General John A Chapman. Investigating the provenance of each image has revealed a number of connections and relationships, which have enriched the story of the College and its people.

Fr T A Fitzgerald OFM



Fr Aloysius Fitzgerald was a Franciscan priest in charge of the Waverley parish in 1902. As Provincial of the Order, he was responsible for inviting the Christian Brothers to Waverley to teach at the schools throughout the Parish, which at that time included not only St Charles' on Carrington Rd, but extended as far as St Francis' in Paddington and St Joseph's at Edgedcliff. Himself a former student of the Christian Brothers in Ireland, Fr Fitzgerald was well

aware of the value of having a Christian Brothers' presence in Waverley. He was instrumental in the purchase of *Airmount*, the building in which Waverley College was started in 1903. Fr Fitzgerald came to Sydney in 1886 as part of the second group of Franciscans to arrive from Ireland. Known as an exceptionally gifted man, he was remembered as a brilliant public speaker, a linguist, a writer of stories and books, and for his talent for friendships, which included Cardinal Moran and a number of up-and-coming artists. Fitzgerald returned to Ireland in 1905, but came back to Sydney once again in 1920 to serve within Waverley parish. He was welcomed 'home' at a reception at Waverley College on 5 February that year, at which all of the students, as well as many Old Boys, celebrated his return.

In responding, Fr Fitzgerald expressed the happiness it gave him to see so many boys present. He looked back with pleasure to the small beginning he had made over 17 years ago in purchasing the little plot of land and the place then called 'Airmount'.



Photograph of Fr Aloysius Fitzgerald OFM, c 1901. Background photograph, Waverley College students at the reception for Fr Fitzgerald 5 February 1920.

Edward M Smith

Our portrait of Fr Aloysius Fitzgerald OFM was painted by Edward M Smith. Artist and teacher, Smith was one of several visiting specialists employed by the College to augment the subjects on offer for the students. Edward Smith was also a close friend of Fr Fitzgerald, who sat for him as the subject of one of Smith's works; the resulting portrait was later gifted to the College in 1915. In the late 1930s, Smith became the art critic for the *Daily Telegraph* in addition to his teaching role at East Sydney Technical College. He also conducted private lessons. In this later capacity he taught Justin O'Brien, who had been a student at Waverley College in the 1920s-1930s, where it is likely the two first met. O'Brien went on to have a significant career, winning the inaugural Blake Prize for Religious Art in 1951, and receiving commissions from all over the world. He lived for many years in Rome. O'Brien's career spanned five decades, with his work held in private collections and Australian and international galleries. He was well known for the religious imagery in his work, which many attribute to the influences he first studied under Edward Smith.

Edward M Smith, artist and teacher, 1919



John A Chapman

The second piece of art restored is a hand-coloured photographic portrait of Brigadier-General John Austin Chapman, after whom the College's highest Cadet Award is named. John and his brother James both attended Waverley College between 1909 and 1913, when they left to pursue military careers through the Royal Military College, Duntroon. Both men served in both World Wars, and were both decorated with military and civilian honours. In 1942, the year after the Waverley College Cadet Corps was re-established after its demise in the late 1920s, the then Major-General John Chapman visited the school, in particular to lend support to the cadets. The first Passing Out Parade was held in 1942, a ceremony that ended with the first presentation of the Chapman award. The *Annual* of that year makes the following note:

Perhaps the event of deepest personal interest for the corps was the election of the school's most distinguished soldier, Major-General J A Chapman. In a simple but imposing ceremony he took the salute and then addressed us briefly and inspiringly on the significance of our work. The year's activities were fittingly brought to a conclusion by the 'Passing Out Parade' held for the first time this year. ... The function was also a pleasant social one, the parents and friends being invited and entertained by the cadets to afternoon tea in the College dining room. During the ceremony the 'General Chapman' trophies, silver mounted and inscribed canes, were presented to the three Cadet Lieutenants, to mark the rank to which they had risen and as a tribute for their enthusiasm and effective leadership for the year.

Chapman's post-war career included postings to Washington as head of the Australian Military Mission, a term with a United Nations Commission of Inquiry, and finally the position of Quartermaster General, based in Melbourne. He was appointed to the Legion of Merit (USA) in 1949 and awarded a CBE in 1952. John Chapman died in 1963, and was buried with full military honours in Northern Suburbs Cemetery.



Above, John A Chapman, c. 1919. He was at that time a Major.



In a final Waverley twist, another Old Boy has contributed to the restoration of the portraits. The board surrounding Chapman's portrait held details of his military career and honours. Severely degraded over time, a new surround was created as part of the restoration process. Col Blake (Class of 1962 and former OBU President) applied his calligraphy skills to the new board – and updated the information at the same time. Both portraits now have pride of place on Level 4.
Kim Eberhard Archivist



Waverley Book Wins Award

A book published by the College to mark the centenary of the Great War has been recognised with a national award.

On 18 August in Hobart, Waverley College's Archivist, Kim Eberhard received an Australian Society of Archivist's award for the book, *'In Good Faith: Waverley College and the Great War 1914-18'*. Published in 2014 the book commemorates the service and sacrifice of Old Boys throughout WWI.

'In Good Faith' was winner of the ASA Mander Jones Award for a publication that uses features or interprets Australian archives, written by or on behalf of a corporate body. The award has, in the past, gone to works commissioned from professional historians by organisations such as ANU, University of Melbourne and the National Archives of Australia.

The citation read, "Beautifully presented and illustrated, this exemplary book brings together the archives of Waverley College and First World War service records held by National Archives of Australia. An impressive effort to explore a contemporary issue that engages with the audience and presents both history and archives in a new light."

The book was published by the College with the support of the Old Boys' Union. Copies of the book are available for purchase via the College website.

Governor-General, Sir Peter Cosgrove, pictured with author, Kim Eberhard, launched the book at the May Procession in 2014.

Waverley Focus

Graduation 2015



In September the College farewelled the Class of 2015 at a Graduation Ceremony in the Centenary Quadrangle.

During his Valedictory address, College Captain Ruairi Biollo thanked the many staff who had worked with his year group over the years and celebrated his year group's friendship. He also offered this advice to the students they were leaving behind at school: "The opportunities that this school provides are nothing standard. Have you fed the homeless at Kings Cross on a cold Friday night? Have you competed in front of 3000 people at the CAS athletics? How many days have you spent in a Walgett primary school? Have you shaved your head in support of blood cancer research? When did you play against top Spanish academies while on the football tour? These experiences become memories, memories that you and your mates will relive over and over for the coming years. Mr Wilmot once said, 'You only get one shot, do not miss your chance. This opportunity comes once in a lifetime.' My memories of gassing a bug-ridden bathroom in Walgett, or running down the main straight at CAS athletics were made because I took my opportunities. Next time Ms Fitzgerald offers you a spot on an immersion or Mr McCoy tells you that your star hurdler is injured, dare to break the boundaries that only you, yourself, impose."

Dux of College for 2015 was Adam Hegedus who won the prize for Business Studies, the Alice & Mildred Thomas Prize for English Extension I, the Br P Oakley Prize for PDHPE, the Barry McDonald Prize for Legal Studies, the Bishop Patrick Dougherty Prize for Studies of Religion II and the Br L B Tevlin Prize for Dux of College. In second place was Douglas Leaver, third place, Alessandro Piovano. In fourth place and winner of the J J O'Brien Award for Leadership, Study and Involvement was Thomas Miletich.

The students later enjoyed their Year 12 Formal at the Royal Randwick Racecourse with partners, parents and staff.

Above left, Adam Hegedus, Dux of College 2015 with the Headmaster and the Deputy Board Chair, Mark Davies.



Archbishop's Award

Ricardo Paras was the deserving recipient of a 2015 Archbishop of Sydney Award for Student Excellence, presented to him by Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP on 4 September at St Mary's Cathedral.

A College Prefect and a Cadet Under Officer, Ricardo is a committed student with high academic achievement. His co-curricular activities include judo, athletics and 1sts debating. He is also a dedicated musician. These achievements are complemented by his participation in social justice activities including the Holdsworth Ball, Night Patrol, Street Retreat and Bowling with the Disabled. Over the past five years Ricardo also organised a food distribution program each Christmas for 200 children in the Philippines.

The Headmaster attended the ceremony along with Ricardo's proud parents, Mr and Mrs Ron and Amelia Paras (pictured), Director of Mission, Mr Phil Davis and a number of Ricardo's fellow students





News

Art Express 2015

On 27 August Ben Palmer (Class of 2014) along with his family, were invited to the Opening of Art Express 2015 at the McGlade Gallery at Australian Catholic University, Strathfield. Ben's 2014 HSC Visual Arts Major work 'The Elders' was part of the exhibition, which featured a selection of the best HSC works of the year.

Ben Palmer is pictured with his photographic works, 'The Elders'.

Photo and Film Awards

Waverley College has again achieved outstanding results in the Woollahra Council 2015 Youth Photographic Awards and Short Film Prize, with six of our students claiming prizes. The awards were presented on 3 September.

Kevin Mehrpour (Year 10) won second place and Ben Hansen (Year 10) and Joseph Vigilante (Year 10) achieved Highly Commended in the Junior Photography category. James Greig (Year 12) achieved Highly Commended in the Senior Photography category. James Byron (Year 12) achieved first place and Alessandro Piovano (Year 12) achieved second place in the Senior Film competition. The results reflect the strong expertise in this area of the college's Visual Art Department.

Photo caption: Students and staff at the Woollahra Council 2015 Youth Photographic Awards. Left to right - Ms Dechantel Green, Alessandro Piovano, Kevin Mehrpour, Joseph Vigilante, Mr Ray Paxton, James Byron, Ben Hansen, Ms Tanya Schnieder.



Winning Hospitality Skills

On Friday 28 August, talented Year 11 Hospitality student Luis Tanner won the Eastern Region Heat of the WorldSkills Competition as part of National Skills Week. Luis showcased his talent in this trade by preparing and serving a three-course meal, demonstrating a variety of different skills to industry standard. Luis progressed to the Regional Biennial WorldSkills competition at Kogarah Marist Brothers in October. The competitions are open for students undertaking a VET course at secondary schools or colleges and are marked according to national training benchmarks. WorldSkills school competitions are a career launching point for many young people.

European Concert Tour

What an amazing event! For two weeks from late June we traversed Northern Europe – Vienna, Vösendorf, Jihlava (the hometown of Gustav Mahler), Prague, Berlin, Leipzig, Oldenburg, Rastede and Hamburg. We performed in the Royal Chapel of the Hapsburgs at the Imperial Schoenbrunn Palace, Vienna; at an outdoor city festival in the Austrian town of Vösendorf; in the Mirror Chapel in the Prague Klementinum (where a young Mozart performed); visited the church where J S Bach was music director in Leipzig, performed in Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church, Berlin; and then participated in Europe's oldest band competition in Rastede, the only school band in our section, and we were awarded Gold and gained the accolade of European Champions!

The grave of St Wenceslas in Prague's St Vitus Cathedral, the graves of Mozart, Beethoven, Schubert, Brahms, Strauss, Schoenberg and others in Vienna brought a different complexion

to the tour, which was further heightened by our visit to the concentration camp at Sachsenhausen in Oranienburg. Thus we witnessed both the majesty and the depravity of human society.

Rastede was an exciting experience for our students. The official opening of the oldest music festival in Europe featured us, along with bands from South America and Poland. We took on the Brazilians in football, enthusiastically supported by the Polish band. We met bands from Denmark, Holland, Columbia, Sweden, Thailand and even Tasmania. Disco on the first night was fun, however the 10.30pm parade on the second night with fireworks and 2,000 other participants was awe-inspiring. We unexpectedly had to march in, which we did playing "Men of Waverley". Our final performance was uplifting, a choral performance at Mass in St Mary's church in Rastede.

Mr C Blenkinsopp Music Department



Waverley Focus

Junior School Focus

Celebrating 25 Years at Waverley College



It is really hard to comprehend that I now have been at Waverley College for 25 years – officially now half of my life. It is ironic that when I first started back in June 1990 my initial contract was for one term only. I've been incredibly lucky in this time to have had the opportunity to engage in a number of different roles in the Junior School. From my role as the 'Communications' teacher (any old boys reading this might remember 'Where in the World is Carmen Sandiego') which morphed into computer studies; to Sports Master, then

Deputy to the wonderful Mrs Helen Newman and now, Director of the Junior School.

I've calculated that over the past 25 years I have taught approximately 4000 students – all very different, yet very similar. The love of learning that the boys have and the immense pride for their school hasn't changed

in all that time. It seems to me that, "once a Waverley boy, always a Waverley boy."

Perhaps the biggest change for me has been the introduction of technology in the Junior School. We've gone from sharing a lab of Apple IIe computers with the Senior School to now running a laptop program, giving every student their own device.

The Junior School has prospered and evolved over the past 25 years yet managed to keep its unique character, which is what makes it such a great school for boys. The outstanding reputation of the Junior School is due entirely to the dedicated and hard working staff that support my role as Director – the teachers, the staff in the canteen and especially Mrs Coupe. It is their dedication and energy that has made the years go by so fast.

If you are reading Wavelength in 25 years time, it seems to me there is a good chance I'll still be writing about the next years at Waverley College Junior School.

Mr Anthony Banboukjian Director of Junior School

19 Years of Wakakirri

For the past 19 years the boys at Waverley College Junior School have participated in Wakakirri, a national story-sharing arts festival, under the direction of Mrs Michelle Rollins. Whilst other schools usually have a number of staff and parents involved in their production, Waverley has Mrs Rollins. Her imagination, energy and drive have seen some spectacular and powerful stories told by our boys on the Wakakirri stage over the past years.

For many boys the highlight of their time at the Junior School is their involvement in Wakakirri. Each performance has contained a relevant and meaningful story to which the boys can relate. A position on the Wakakirri team at Waverley has become much sought after – so much so that auditions need to be held because of the large number of students that want to be part of this amazing production.

On 4 August, 98 boys from Waverley College Junior school competed in Wakakirri 2015.

Our item this year was called "The right to dream". The story looked at the right to live free, freedom of speech and the right to be safe. We also highlighted the idea that for change to take place we need to make everybody take notice.

The boys were magnificent! They performed with confidence and conveyed their story very well. They were polite and cooperative throughout the day and were complimented by the Wakakirri crew. On the evening, the boys won a special award for their teamwork and a place in the finals in October.

What the judges had to say:

"A very powerful and visually exciting production. The ensemble work of the performers was exceptional and the costume, setting, lighting and staging first class."

"A very impressive ensemble work with great stage and costume design and lighting, and a very powerful message."



Waverley Remembers World War

Junior School Class 5 Gold recently entered the 'Waverley Remembers World War' School Competition conducted by Waverley Council. The project's aim was to research the life of a Waverley World War I serviceman or woman listed on the memorial cenotaph in Waverley Park and celebrate their life story in a creative and innovative way. Prizes were presented by Waverley Mayor, Sally Betts and the Hon Malcolm Turnbull MP, then the Federal Minister for Communications, at Waverley Council's Anzac Ceremony on 19 April.

5 Gold's entries were commended during the ceremony on behalf of the judging panel, however, we also took a clean sweep of the major awards. The overall winners were Louis Perry and Fynn Lowe, winning an iPad air each for their efforts. Runners up were Riley Vidulich, Hugo Roles and Charley Roberts all receiving special mentions for their work. The boys enjoyed researching for the task, which included looking at Waverlians who served during WW1. The students now have a much better understanding of the sacrifices made by those ANZAC servicemen and women 100 years ago.



Michelle Rollins Musica Viva In Schools (MVIS) Music Mentor



Junior School music teacher Michelle Rollins was selected a distinguished educator by MVIS in 2014. Michelle continues her association with MVIS as a music mentor in 2015. Musica Viva is a not-for-profit organisation that has been supporting music education in Australia since 1981, running a comprehensive music for schools program that provides teaching resources and performances for school students of all ages. In her role, Michelle has been one of a team of teachers who provide online support and advice for teachers throughout

Australia, especially those who are expected to teach music but do not have a music specialisation. As a MVIS music mentor, Michelle has enjoyed the opportunity to support Musica Viva in the review and evaluation of educational resources and the writing of new materials.

A highly respected teaching professional, Michelle has been the specialist music and drama teacher at Waverley College Junior School for the past 19 years. As well as classes, she directs a recorder ensemble, a 'Stomp' group and conducts the award winning Cantores, a 50-voice boys' choir. She also teaches music at Waterford pre-school and directs the school's Wakakirri entry (story telling through music, drama and dance). In 2015, Waverley College Junior School won the State Award for most inspiring story with their Wakakirri item "The Right to Dream" which included 100 boys.

Michelle holds a Bachelor of Education (Primary) from CSU, a Bachelor of Arts (Hons. in Ethnomusicology) from UNE and an L.MUS.A (Voice) from the AMEB. Michelle is the current president of the Orff Schulwerk Association of NSW which is an association of music teachers who strive to provide quality professional development opportunities in music for specialist and non-specialist teachers. In November 2014, Michelle was awarded an Outstanding Professional Service Award from the Professional Teachers Council. Michelle sings with the Leichhardt Espresso Chorus and works as a piano accompanist with a special interest in the Lieder and Operatic repertoire.

Junior State Reps

This year Waverley College Junior School has been very fortunate to have two outstanding athletes selected in NSW PSSA State Teams.

Bailey Habler (pictured on left) from 5 Red was selected in the NSW Cross Country team to compete at the Australian Cross Country Championships in Melbourne. Running for Combined Independent Schools (CIS) at the PSSA Championships Bailey placed second in the Under 11, 3000m division out of 73 runners in a time of 12 minutes and 36 seconds. It was a tough race with the weather conditions doing the competitors no favours.

Bailey is also the current Under 11 School cross country champion winning his event in fine style at the school championships earlier this year. He also placed second at the IPSHA cross country championships to secure his position in the CIS team.

Kolt Piggins-Massaad (pictured on right) is our rising tennis star. Representing Combined Independent Schools (CIS) at the PSSA State Tennis Championships in April, Kolt as the number one player won all his 12 games and his great form lead to selection in the NSW team to compete in the Australian Championships in October in Hobart.

Kolt also recently won a major junior competition – the NSW Medicare Age Final for 12 Years and Under. His other career highlights include 2015 Sydney Junior Closed Championships, Under 12 Consolation Finalist, 2015 Illawarra Junior Open Under 12 Finalist and the 2015 Nepean Junior Summer Open Under 12 Semi-Finalist.

He is currently working hard on improving his national ranking and has plans to be the number one player in Australia – so watch this space.



Waverley News

Creativity and Innovation

Senior Library 2015 Writing Competition Winners

For this year's Writing Competition the boys were invited to enter a short story, poem or rap with a maximum of 400 words. The competition attracted a record number of entries all of which were of a very high standard. The winners were:

YEAR 7	Anthony Vigliante	Short Story – Tale of two sons
YEAR 8	Serge Martignago	Short Story – Stranded
YEAR 9	Jesse Douglas	Poem – Horrors and Heroes on the Western Front / What hell is this that stalks the living
YEAR 10	Geordan Bates	Short Story – Untitled
SENIOR	Adam Hegedus	Short Story – Nothing

Two fine entries from Adam Hegedus and Jesse Douglas are reproduced here for your enjoyment. All entrants received a Headmaster's Award for their efforts.

ADAM HEGEDUS YEAR 12

SHORT STORY **Nothing**

"After the hearts stops and the body dies, there remains seven minutes of brain activity. Four hundred and twenty seconds, where the brain replays the best moments of your life. In each slowing second, everyone paints a different world."

He was dying. Aren't we all?

Tied to his broken bones was the silent thud of the machine. Oblivion attached itself to the distant comfort that was letting to, a comfort that imprisoned the violent screams of darkness. A mind that blanketed itself in the warmth of an eternal canvas; he would die and be re-born with each breathless intake that greyed his thoughts. The poet's brush slowed to a peaceful halt inside a silent scream. A scream that dissolved the colours into dust – dust filled with brittle minds.

Death entangled itself with his spine.

It weighted the rustic bed frame underneath.

The cobwebs collapsed the discoloured pages.

His pupils inhaled a dim light.

Wind climbed through the window.

A quilt strangled the poet's bare seconds.

Its gasp quaked the lifeless soul.

A body stuck in the motionless sway of poetry.

An overtone entered the poet's inkless vision.

"Unfortunately, there is nothing – you can do."

The words empty; diluted by the ears of another.

A girl sat on the far side of the room, hoping. Hoping that darkness was not eternal.

He hoped, that she was someone he had, perhaps, once known.

Someone he could escape with into the starry night.

The voice moved the ageing pages.

"Time is all he has left."

Hollow sand soared within his bloodless veins. A slowing mind forced the ink of the unknown dreamer through thoughts. The poet struggled to grasp the wind's words that sailed far above his eyes and through the window frame, desperately unhinging his baseless fingers from his sides trying to escape the pattered beat of time. The weightless air pushed him toward the ground, as the peaceful trees dissolved. Their leaves carried to the deep by the weight of the wind, returning to simply, a grain of dust.

In the death of dying seconds; grains would fall into the depths of nothingness.

Its shadow would loom in the darkness of poems, for they make nothing happen, with useless hands that would hold it from the emptiness of something.

The beauty of his dreams would splay across the moon's mourning. The grain would become everything and nothing, stuck in the ballet of words.

Something returned to nothing in a dream.

It would float through strands of thin air that caressed the skin of the elderly man. The beauty of smooth cardboard shrunk itself around each inkling of life that fell across the walls of his mind. He awaited a gasping darkness, whilst the eyes of his mind sat and cried.

The next chapter remained unwritten.

The novel's ink gushed through his poems and its shape trembled the bed frame in each dying second. He would be the poet of his own ending, a death that would be held from his poems.

As will we all.



2015 Writing Competition winners.
Back row, Adam Hegedus, Geordan Bates and Jesse Douglas.
Front row, Anthony Vigilante and Serge Martignago.

JESSE DANIEL DOUGLAS YEAR 9
POEM Horrors and heroes
on the Western Front /
What hell is this that
stalks the living?

Who is he that walks through hell
While Comrades fall around him
Writhing in their agony – as he
Beneath and amber cloud of fog and gas
Draws nearer to the ditch.

“Onward! Forward!” cries he,
Who urges forth his dwindling friends.
As foes unseen throw down upon him
Their wicked torture.

Now only the sun can see
What he has left behind
With rays of striking warmth
Melting on frozen figures in a sea of red.

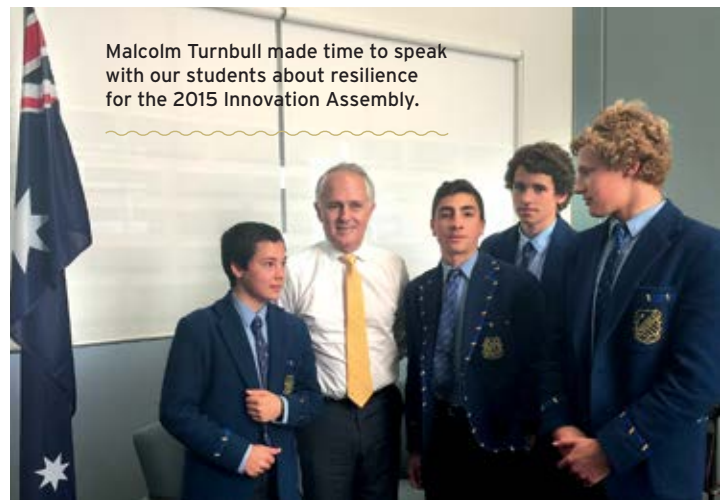
The sun lingers to comfort those who remain
To view the bloody scene,
And cries to find her boy,
Holding close to the stray that felled him.

Live Broadcast Innovation Assembly a First

Director of Learning Innovation, Westley Field, the IT Team and a team of students staged a very special Innovation Assembly at school in September. With a unique online format, the assembly took the form of a live broadcast with a range of pre-recorded segments and interviews. Parents could either attend or connect online and the positive feedback confirmed the importance of this strategic direction. Students designed and led the event, which featured ex-students such as Australian skateboarding legend, **Corbin Harris**, pictured right, (Class of 2000) sharing their learning journeys. There was a focus on the importance of resilience, which we need to be innovative and to be agents of change. The Assembly featured the then Minister for Communications, now Prime Minister, Hon Malcolm Turnbull MP, who kindly made time to speak with our students.



The use of technology to achieve deep learning and to reach a wider audience with a holistic message about learning and life was highly applauded throughout the college.



Malcolm Turnbull made time to speak with our students about resilience for the 2015 Innovation Assembly.





Waverley Focus

Experiencing the Spirit of Timor-Leste



In August, ten Waverley students and three teachers enjoyed the second annual Timor-Leste Immersion. While in Timor-Leste, the students had the opportunity to visit schools, markets and plantations; interact (and play soccer) with locals; and make a contribution to the work of the Christian Brothers in the Ermera District by painting sections of a school. The group also visited cultural landmarks; learned about the geo-political history of our near neighbor nation; and visited the Australian Embassy, where we met with Australia's Vice-Ambassador and Aid Attaché to Timor-Leste. The students were a credit to the College, and their outstanding attitudes were praised by many, from the cabin crew on flights to the Christian Brothers and Australian Embassy staff in Timor-Leste. In addition to building strong connections in Timor-Leste, the whole trip was a wonderful learning experience, which will stay with the boys for years to come. Here are some of their observations:

'We saw the difficulty of life for many in Dili ... Interacting with the children we developed a new understanding of the hardships they faced, all the while showing a smiling face to the tourists'
– Max Shanahan and Jake Jansen

'We ventured to Samalete 3 and were greeted by singing students of the primary school. After a questionable performance of *Waltzing Matilda*, we gifted the deputy principal a scrapbook created by Mr Banboukjian and junior school students that showcased life at the Waverley College Junior School. We then all visited each classroom ranging from pre-school to year 6, trying to converse with the kids with a mixture of Tetun and English.'
– Jack Ryan and Matt Dunne

'After our hard work [painting] we enjoyed a small afternoon tea with the teachers including local Timorese coffee, dried banana, donuts and a local delicacy of grey colour and potato-like texture that we are still debating on what it is. Upon looking at our hard work we have high hopes that everything we painted will keep its good looks just like the classroom that was painted by the previous immersion group has and be presentable to the President of East Timor, who is expected to visit the area and school next week.'
– Luke Ryan and Jonathan Howells

'The markets were definitely a symbol of East meets West with some stalls selling local tobacco and nuts while others were selling mobile phones and speakers...many boys were considering permanently residing in Timor-Leste on account of donuts only costing 5 cents each.'

– Luke Ryan and Jonathan Howells

'We met a man called Manuel, who worked at the museum. After striking up a conversation about Australia, he told us of his experience of the 1991 Santa Cruz Massacre, where at the age of 15 he was shot twice in the leg and back and his close friend died. He showed us photos of himself lying on the ground shot, while explaining why he protested for freedom, and how he is proud of the museum he works at.'

– Jack Ryan and Matt Dunne

'We freshened up, putting on our Timor Immersion shirts and went to the Australian Embassy to talk to the Vice Ambassador Angela Robinson and Aid Coordinator Megan. Mrs Robinson talked about a number of things about Australia's involvement in Timor, including diplomatic aid to the Timorese Government, development in agriculture and tourism, and sports diplomacy.'

– Jack Ryan and Matt Dunne

'We found ourselves back in Sydney in no time at all. An adventure of immersion, discovery, and triumph of the human spirit had come to an end.'

– Joe Nardo and John Soden

Waverley Sport

2015 New Zealand Rugby Tour

During the April holidays Waverley College sent a squad of 40 players and five staff members across the ditch to the beautiful South Island of New Zealand. This was the first international rugby tour the school had held in a number of years, and I am pleased to report it was a great success.

Waverley fielded two teams on tour including our 1st XV and a Development/2nd XV, made up of 16s and Opens players. We played against three schools including St Thomas of Canterbury, Christchurch; Kings High School, Dunedin and Gore High School, Gore (an hour North of Invercargill). We were very fortunate to have such wonderful host schools that made us feel extremely welcome.

The mission of the tour was to provide students with a unique experience, creating unforgettable memories and lifelong relationships. Added to this was the opportunity to build on crucial playing combinations and develop skills on the rugby paddock.

Some of the tour experiences included:

- A guided tour around Christchurch where the destruction of the Earthquake was fully explained.
- Observing the students of St Thomas of Canterbury performing the traditional 'Haka' prior to the kick off of the very first 1st XV fixture of the tour.
- Waking up to an earthquake at 3am in Christchurch. The magnitude was measured at 3.8 (a small one to locals).
- Greeted by the local dolphins at lunch on the way to Dunedin at the Moeraki Boulders.
- The tour of Forsyth Barr Rugby Stadium, where students watched and met the Highlanders team during a training session.
- Jack Clifford rejoining the team at the Moana Pool during the post game recovery session. Jack went down with what looked to be a serious injury during the match against Kings High School. A big cheer echoed through the indoor swimming centre as Jack reappeared before all his mates in the touring party.
- A 6am morning run up "Blacks Road", one of the steepest hills in Dunedin, where the boys shared a prayer together and sang "Oh When the Waves!" at the top.
- Making it 6 wins from the 6 games played on tour, as we defeated Gore High School 63-7 (2nd XV) and 42-0 (1st XV).
- Visiting St Mary of the Cross MacKillop's cottage and having a reflection in the local chapel in the small town of Arrowhead.
- Training in the snow at Queenstown.
- Enjoying the activities of Queenstown including Trivia Night, Shotover Jetboat, Gondola, Luge (in the snow), Red Faces Night and a very memorable final team dinner in Queenstown. Justin Cooper (1st XV) and Lachlan Drew-Morris (2nd XV) were awarded the prestigious 'Players Player' awards, with Dominic Cartmer named as the 'Most Improved Player' of the tour.

Overall, it was a very successful trip. Players had plenty of confidence going into the CAS competition, and a new found respect for each other.

John McCoy MIC Rugby



Waverley Sport

86th CAS Track & Field Championships



On Thursday 10 September the Waverley College Track and Field Team headed to Sydney Olympic Park, Homebush to participate in the 86th CAS Track & Field Championships.

The team had gathered earlier in the week to celebrate another enjoyable "Carbo Night" which included an inspirational speech from Old Boy and former Wallaby, Morgan Turinui (Class of 2000) who presented the team with their CAS team shirts.

I am very proud to say that each of our boys displayed passion and pride in representing the school, which included a number of personal bests. Even with a few key injuries, the Waverley athletes managed to finish in a clear 5th position and the score was a slight improvement on the 2014 team point score.

Credit must go to Barker College who again proved too strong, winning their 4th CAS Championship in a row.

They say good things come in small packages, and without a doubt, the standout performance of the night for Waverley College came from one of our junior athletes. Alex Talbot was able to beat the Under 13 Years 1500m CAS Record by 7 seconds. This was truly an impressive feat and a performance that will go down in Waverley College Track and Field history.

Team Captain, Fraser Garland-Barnes, came second in both the Opens 800m and 1500m. It should be noted that the 1st placegetters in both races had to break longstanding CAS records to beat Fraser (Fraser actually beat the previous CAS Opens 800m record in running second). Although not getting over the line in first position, Fraser now holds the Waverley College Opens 800m & 1500m records, which will stay on the record books for many years to come.

Lewis Thompson was also a fantastic contributor to the Waverley College team performance. Winning the 15 Years Discus, Lewis also came 2nd in the 15 Years Shot, 2nd in the 16 Years Discus and 4th in the Opens Discus. An outstanding individual performance. Mr John McCoy MIC Track & Field

Waverley College CAS Athletics Records

Some of our student's CAS athletic records are still standing from as long ago as 1964. Old Boys are sure to still recognise some of the names on this list.

13 YEARS	Alex Talbot 2015	1500m – 4:27.06min
	Chris Mastoris 1985	Shot Put (6lb) – 14.73m
	T Wilson 1964	High Jump – 4ft 9in
14 YEARS	Abbey El-Zbaidieh 2003	Shot Put (3kg) – 15.24m
15 YEARS	Tristan Garrett 2003	400m – 51.09s
	Wesley Freier 1992	800m – 1:59.67min
	Andrew Kaine, David Buckland, Jarrod Smith, Matthew Crafts 2010	4 x 100m relay – 44.38s
	Brendan Madeira 2011	Long Jump – 6.81m
	Ryan Cross 1994	Shot Put (8lb) – 17.07m
16 YEARS	Michael Towns 1985	High Jump – 1.92m
	Aidan Anderson 2008	Discus – 59.01m
	Brad Malyon 1993	Walk (800m Walk) – 3m.05.99s
	Clay Cross 1993	Shot Put (10lb) – 16.47m
	Aidan Anderson 2009	Discus – 51.33m
17 YEARS	Jason Snell 1994	100m – 10.83s
	Ryan Cross 1996	Shot Put (10lb) – 18.33m



OPENS	Jason Snell 1996	100m – 10.70s
	Ken Elphick 1969	110m Hurdles – 14.24s
	Corey Fahey, Clinton Pelham, Aaron Thompson, Jason Snell 1996	4 x 100m relay – 42.53s
	Stephen Jacenko 1999	Long Jump 7.27m
	Christian Alexander 2001	Shot Put (6kg) – 17.41m
	Clay Cross 1995	Shot (12lb) – 19.35m

News

Young Legend Swims for another Young Legend

Anyone who battles leukaemia is an absolute legend, and **Xavier Slezak** (pictured left) of Year 8 has certainly earned that title. Supporting him all the way has been his friend, **Ned Wieland** (pictured right), Year 8, who decided he wanted to help. Family friend Stephen Turner writes about his efforts:

Ned Wieland is a 13 year old Waverley College student whose best friend at school, Xavier Slezak, was recently diagnosed with leukaemia so Ned set out to raise money to assist with his medical treatment.

Ned decided that the Rough Water Ocean Swim from Bondi to Watsons Bay would be his event so he set himself a target to raise \$1,000, and off he went.

In the lead up to the race, Ned had already raised \$3000 and by the end of the race was well north of that mark.

Mid-week pre-race, Ned's skipper and vessel, had to withdraw from the event and he was left high and dry. Each competitor must have a support vessel and two ski or board paddlers in order to compete. His father, Mark Wieland, gave me a call and we were able to put together a great crew and vessel to support Ned at very short notice.

To put this physical effort into perspective: Ned swam the rough water swim as a solo competitor. The length is 11km, which he swam in a time of 3.11 hours. He is the youngest person ever to complete this event, let alone achieve the excellent time he managed.

The 11km journey is across the rock ledge at South Head, which would challenge the toughest of individuals in terms of overcoming fear and conquering one's demons. The race starts at North Bondi and hugs the coast all the way to South Head, then passes Lady Jane Beach, Camp Cove and into Watsons Bay.

Every now and then you are blessed to meet someone who completely blows your mind with their sheer guts and determination. Ned Wieland is a young guy with an amazing attitude and humble to boot. Ned completely inspired me, and so I wanted to share this experience with a broader audience. I merely skippered the vessel and came away exhausted. I have a brand new respect for anyone who competes in rough water ocean swimming events.

Ned Wieland. You are an absolute legend at age 13. Can't wait to see what you might come up with next.

Stephen Turner Managing Director, Medical Meetings



Determined Young Record Breaker Makes the Day

Year 11's Liam Molloy writes about a very special moment at the CAS Track and Field Championships 2015.

There had been much talk about Alex Talbot, the talented boy from Year 7 who is an up and coming athlete with an incredible speed and determination. I had never witnessed him race and was filled with pride to see him out on the track for Waverley.

Alex Talbot, a new addition to Waverley College competed in the 1500m. A gruelling competition, he was placing 2nd throughout the majority of the race. It came down to the last 100m where Alex was placed 15m behind the competition running in first place. Not surprisingly, the crowd witnessed this little dynamo kick in, displaying his grit and determination. The Waverley supporters rose to their feet and carried Alex home with every ounce of passion they could muster. Alex left nothing on the track and with every boy feeling his pace, Alex stormed home to take first place, smashing the current CAS record at 4.27.06, beating the previous record by an incredible 7 seconds. This was an amazing moment both on the track and for his Waverley brothers in the stand – we were all so proud and the atmosphere was electric.

The image I have captured shows Alex returning to the stands where he was promptly elevated up on one of the current 2015 Year 12 prefects shoulders. Overwhelmed by the event that had just taken place in the last 5 minutes, Alex was now going to be known as the boy from Year 7 who broke that CAS record.

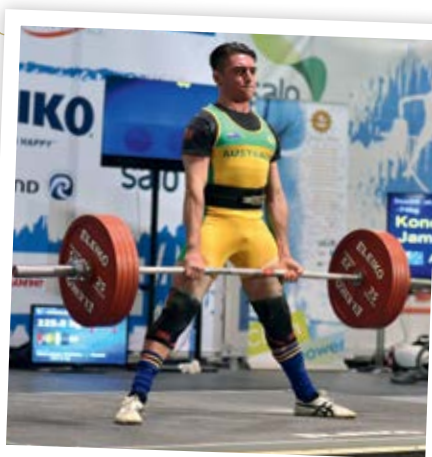
This image highlights the Waverley brotherhood as the boys and teachers surrounded and applauded their friend – three cheers were announced and the delight in Alex's face really could be seen as he sat up high. This was an inspirational race, showing that if a Year 7 boy, small in stature but with determination could get out there and do it, anyone can.

Alex Talbot is lifted onto the shoulders of his school mates after his win in the 1500m which smashed the record by seven seconds.

James Kondilios Powerlifter

James Kondilios of Year 12 competed in the Salo, Finland 2015 Power Lifting World Championships in June, collecting a Bronze medal in the Under 74kg Weight division deadlift and a bronze medal in the overall world competition (Russia winning gold and Germany silver). As a result of this competition he now holds two Commonwealth Raw Sub-Junior Men's Records for the Under 74kg division, with a deadlift of 232.5kg and a total of 532.5kg.

According to his Dad, James is not a young man of many words but is truly a proud Waverley boy. That's why he wore his Waverley College sports shirt under his official Australian tracksuit during the presentation ceremony.



Development Office

FROM THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

Capital Works Update

Rapid progress in construction has been made on the \$23m redevelopment of the Senior Campus. The new Aquatic Centre building is now operational with PDHPE staff occupying their offices. Refurbishment of the pool is due for completion in Term 4. The skeletal frame of the gymnasium/auditorium is filling in with walls and floors, and the new Technological and Applied Studies building has three concrete floors completed. On the Carrington Road side of the campus, the historic 'Grange' is emerging, showcased as part of a beautifully landscaped new entry comprising gardens, parking and a student bus shelter. The replacement of the cast-iron historic arch on the old Carrington Road gates will be the final touch to these works.



Thank you

The Capital Campaign 2015/16 to raise funds for the works currently underway at the school's Birrell Street campus has exceeded \$180,000 as we publish this edition of Wavelength. As expected, the appeal has received widespread interest. Apart from financially supporting the college, it has promoted re-engagement from a number of Old Boys as well as enquiries about other options for support, such as bequests and scholarships.

Our generous contributors are listed below, however special acknowledgement must be made of the following donors:

- The Waverley College Old Boys' Union has committed \$50,000, which will be presented to the school in November. This reflects the strong commitment of the OBU to the ongoing development of the college.
- In the largest individual donation to date, \$25,000 has been donated by the Estate of David Curtin (Class of 1937), through his son, Br David Curtin. David Snr passed away in June 2014. The Curtin family have been one of the most generous benefactors of the College over many years – a proud legacy.
- Other significant donations have been made by John King (Class of 1967), John Coorey (Class of 1979), the Mark Davies Family (Class of 1981) and the Sweetman Family.

To every donor, a warm thank you.

With a full year of fundraising still ahead in our Capital Campaign 2015/16, we hope the generosity of our current donors will be matched by others in our community and remind readers that all donations are tax deductible.

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DEVELOPMENT OFFICE EVENT

Old Boys' Stories Inspire a New Generation of Engineers

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On Wednesday 13 May, Year 10, 11 and 12 students and parents gathered in the College Library to hear inspiring career stories from five old boys who have followed a career path in the field of Engineering. The speakers ranged in age and experience from the most senior speaker, Scott Doble (Class of 1986) to Andrew Weetman (Class of 2011) who is completing his degree this year. All speakers provided great advice and insight into what engineers really do. The night was a great example of the way the college Alumni are now being engaged to support and encourage current students.

While each speaker had a different career journey, there were some common messages:

- Each loves what they do and from a young age had an interest in how things work.
- It is important to be involved in co-curricular activities at school as these help develop employability skills for the future. Leadership, team work and strong communication skills are vital to a career in Engineering .
- Engineering provides transferable skills and opportunities to study and work overseas. It covers a range of disciplines and can lead to a diverse variety of careers.
- It is useful for students to have some broad career goals in mind by Year 10 to motivate them through their HSC and onto University.
- Success after school is built upon the foundations established at school: hard work, dedication and commitment to study. It is about ongoing learning. Our speakers ranged in age and their journeys highlighted the importance of lifelong learning.

My warmest thanks go to each of our speakers for making such a commitment to our students and their alma mater when they have so many other demands on their time.

Mrs Kath Knowles Senior Students' Studies and Careers Coordinator.

Pictured left to right: Waverley Old Boys David Jones, Scott Doble, Andrew Weetman, Jack Davis and Glenn Ong, visited the College to share their engineering career stories with current students.



Andrew Weetman Class of 2011

Andrew is in his final year of Civil Engineering at the UNSW. He has worked for Arup in his summer vacation period and worked as a volunteer with Engineers without Borders.

Glenn Ong Class of 2008

Glenn is in his final semester and is completing a Bachelor of Aerospace Engineering and a Bachelor of Science in Medical Microbiology and Immunology at the UNSW. He is the technical manager for the UNSW Solar Racing Team and was previously the lead systems engineer for the UNSW Solar Racing Team.

He is currently employed as a Systems engineer at the Downer Group, a company which works on roads, rail, mining and utilities.

David Jones Class of 1997

David graduated with a Bachelor of Civil Engineering from Sydney University in 2002. Since then he has worked as a subcontractor in demolition and excavation; a contractor in utilities infrastructure; has been involved in rail upgrades and on the Wynyard walk project. He is currently a manager of a team of engineers, drafters and design managers at the Downer Group.

Scott Doble Class of 1986

Scott graduated with a Bachelor of Structural Engineering from the UNSW in 1990. Upon graduation Scott worked on various projects including commercial, residential and maritime developments. He then spent a number of years in New York, working in Project management and engineering. In 1997 he joined the family company – Ashby Doble and has been the Project Director on a diverse range of projects.

Jack Davis Class of 2010

Did not do a degree in Engineering, however, he went into a software engineering job and learnt on the job. Jack is completing a Bachelor of Digital Media at UNSW Art and Design College at the end of this Semester. His degree gave him an edge because he was able to bring a different perspective to software engineering.

Whilst studying, he began working as an Application Developer at Frontline Recruitment Group and then became the IT Manager. He started his own company, Trioxis, which provides support to companies with their IT maintenance and development and in developing their own products.

HIGH ACADEMIC REUNION DINNER A H.A.R.D. Day's Night

On Saturday 2 May (the eve of the May Procession) the Headmaster hosted a formal dinner for Academic Award Winners and high ATAR achievers from the past seventy years. The event followed on from the success of last year's 'Captain's Call' Reunion Dinner and each annual event is designed to foster camaraderie among Old Boys across the generations and celebrate the spirit of the College.

This year's event acknowledged the role that our academic achievers play in inspiring new generations to follow in their footsteps. The reunion celebrated the achievements of Old Boys who received the following awards or were recognised by top marks in their Leaving Certificate, Higher School Certificate or University Entrance Rank:

- His Honour Judge Dignam Prize (in Honour of Br Conlon) – Dux of College
- Br L B Tevlin Memorial Prize – Dux of the College
- J J O'Brien Award
- Max Coleman Memorial Award
- Waverley Council Award for Proficiency

Special Guest for the event was Michael Dignam (Class of 1955) in honour of his father, the Honourable Judge Dignam, after whom the Dux prize was named in the 1940s and 1950s.

Patrick McClure AO (Dux of 1966) was invited to give the 'Toast to the College'. Dux of 2014, Jonathon Hetherington spoke after dinner about the highs and lows of the HSC experience for today's students.

The evening created many great opportunities for networking, especially between the generations, and this augurs well for the further development of an active Old Boy network. Another function is planned for 2016, with details to be announced soon.



Above, the J J O'Brien Prize Board, and the J J O'Brien Trophy. Left, His Honour Judge Dignam.



Graeme Curran, Jonathon Hetherington and David Curran.



Lyndel Byrne, John Byrne and Lawrie Fahy.



Michael Millett, Madeleine Lamond, Karina Smole and Declan Bowring.



Nick Fitzgerald, Ed Mahony and Wayne Wheatley.



Robert Regan and Graham Pooley.



OBU

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



In May this year at the Annual General Meeting it was my great privilege to take over the helm as President of the Waverley College Old Boys' Union. In doing so, I replaced Mr Anthony Sciberras who served in this role for three years. I would like to sincerely thank Tony for his commitment and drive. During his leadership online registrations for the Old Boy's website grew significantly; an important book was published to mark the centenary of the Great War, 'In Good Faith: Waverley College and the

Great War 1914–18'; the OBU played an important role advising and supporting the newly introduced College Development Office; this magazine, *Wavelength*, was reconceived in its current form; we secured a commitment from the College to re-institute the arch over the Carrington Road gates, soon to be installed; and we supported the young men of Waverley College in their academic, sporting and career development. Tony can retire knowing that much was achieved under his stewardship.

It is timely to restate the objectives of the Old Boys' Union, namely: to foster a bond of fellowship between Old Boys; to maintain contact between Old Boys; to continue the College's sense of community; to promote and foster the welfare of the College and its students; and to raise funds to meet the objectives of the OBU and for the benefit of the College and its students.

It is imperative that we have a strong, active and engaged OBU. We need to promote the historical values of the College to students past and present, at a time when change in educational standards is occurring at a rapid rate. Together we need to work towards a cultural shift in the way the College, ex-students and other groups within the Waverley community unify to achieve advancements. As President, I would like to issue a warm invitation to each and every one of you to become more involved with the OBU. I encourage all alumni to register for the OBU website; see details at right. This will help keep you informed about College and OBU activities.

To that end, the OBU Council has formalised a sub-committee structure to support our activities – Functions, Communications, Strategic and Finance. Working closely with the Development Office, we would like to initiate more activities and events that allow Old Boys to be involved in the College community. To do this effectively, we need to build a stronger financial foundation that will support our endeavours into the future.

At the Annual General Meeting held on 3 May 2015, a motion was approved to establish a Foundation with Waverley College for the purpose of furthering our mutual objectives. Our vision is to create a vehicle that will support the objectives of the OBU over many generations and broaden the scope of work we are able to do. The terms of reference for the Foundation are being developed between the OBU, the Headmaster, the Waverley College Board and Edmund Rice Education Australia.

In the immediate term, the OBU has pledged \$50,000 to the College Capital Appeal for the \$23m capital works program underway at the senior campus. It is with immense pride that we give something back to the College on behalf of all Old Boys as we remember all that was provided to us during our time as students. If we each embrace the need to 'pay it forward' Waverley College will continue to be an educational institution and community of which we can all be very proud.

Michael Jaeger President

WAVERLEY COLLEGE OLD BOYS' UNION

On Sunday 3 May 2015, the Waverley College Old Boys' Union held their Annual General Meeting. Planning for the year ahead was discussed and the election was held for a new Executive.

We would like to acknowledge and congratulate the OBU Executive team and Council for 2015/16:

OFFICE HOLDERS 2015/16

Patron	Mr Ray Paxton
President	Mr Michael Jaeger 1991
Vice President	Mr Col Blake 1962
Secretary	Mr Chris O'Sullivan 1965/66
Treasurer	Mr Peter Foley 1986
Chaplain	Fr Martin Milani OFM

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Bob Bell 1970	Tony Coates 1970	Ivan Curotta 1948
Michael Dignam 1954	Andrew Elliot 1981	Terry Farley 1983
Brian Foster 1954	Stephen Gouge 2005	John Hilton 1965
Richard Jackson 1948	John Karas 1969	Phil O'Sullivan 1938
Brandon Perry 2002	Salvatore Riolo 2003	Tony Sciberras 1976
Bruce Whittet 1960		

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REGISTER FOR THE OBU WEBSITE

HAVE YOU REGISTERED FOR THE OLD BOYS' UNION WEBSITE - wcobu.com.au?

Doing so makes it easy to stay in touch, especially when reunions and other events are planned. Registration also entitles you to access a digital archive of College Annuals from 1905 to 2011 and the new digitised copies of "The Waverlian" and "Old Waverlians" (see page 22).

HAVING TROUBLE ACCESSING YOUR INFORMATION?

Call Robyn Moore on 02 9369 0656 or email ramoore@waverley.nsw.edu.au for assistance.

KEEP YOUR DETAILS UP TO DATE

Remember to update your details on the OBU website if you move house or change to a new job. You can also register a change of address by completing the update form included on the front of the mailing cover note posted with this magazine and returning it to us by post or email.

Reunions

First Annual 'Muster' Augurs Well for the Future

The Queens Birthday long weekend in June was the occasion for the first 'Muster' of what it is hoped will become an annual tradition. With the kind sponsorship of Publican and Old Boy William Ryan (Class of 1979) and support from Past College Chairman, Paul Gillian (Class of 1975) the event was held at the Harold Park Hotel.

The day began with a Gillian/Ryan lunch that segued into several early arrivals from 3.00pm. By 5pm we had 30 attending, by 7pm there were 80 and by midnight, I guesstimate, there had been over 120 Old Boys through the door. There were even a handful of wives and partners who attended. The oldest attendee was Tom Gaut (Class of 1948) and the youngest were Oscar Osborne (Captain 2014) and Harry Ryan (2014). Even Rafe Ryan (2016) was on duty as Bar Useful!

We had write-your-own nametags at the door, and a sign-in register. Many groups of father and son and groups of brothers attended. Some stayed all night, many came and said g'day before heading off to other functions. The flexibility of the evening was well received.

It was a lot of fun, with a lot of noise. There were no embarrassing moments that I saw!

Will Ryan Class of 1979



CLASS OF 2000 15 YEAR REUNION

The class of 2000 took their 15-year reunion down to Queens Park to watch the Double V take on the boys from Barker on a sunny afternoon in late July. Waverley had a very solid victory in a free flowing and highly skilled game of rugby. It was a particularly appreciated gesture when the 1st XV got the Old Boys in close to perform a rousing rendition of Custard Pie. What a special experience to hear it echoed around Queens Park as the sun went down.

It was wonderful to see such a strong turnout and hear how life is going for our class, and to see some of our teachers from our time, Paul Stenhouse, Tony Gleeson and Michael Elphick (all Old Boys themselves we believe).

Waverley has a wonderful tradition of Old Boys forging such diverse careers, from teachers, artists to lifesavers and doctors, from fire-fighters, university lecturers to sports broadcasters and professional sportsmen, from lawyers, real estate agents to surfboard shapers – we've got them all. There was a great spirit on the day, something that has continued on from our days at the College.

Out of interest, the class of 2000 was the first Year 6 group to attend at the Junior School in Henrietta Street back in 1994. For those Old Boys who attended the Junior School, we can all remember carting our tables down Salisbury Street to our new digs in Henrietta Street.

Ah the great memories.

Daniel Taylor and Joseph Fitzpatrick



DO YOU HAVE A REUNION PLANNED FOR 2016 OR 2017?

Please let us know the details of any reunion you may be planning in 2016 or 2017 so that it can be publicised through the OBU website, wcobu.com.au.

You can also email Alumni Liaison Officer, Robyn Moore, on ramoore@waverley.nsw.edu.au for assistance with providing class lists and contacting members of your year group.

Don't forget that every five-year anniversary the Old Boys' Union will contribute \$300 towards expenses for your year group to get together.

NOTICE FOR 2016/17 REUNIONS

Magazines from 1931 to 1988 now online

The OBU has just completed digitising a new range of historic publications from the college and they are now available via the college website and OBU website. Every copy of The Waverlian, a periodical produced by students from 1931 to 1973 and the Old Waverlians Magazine, produced by the OBU from 1957 to 1988 has been published online. You will need to verify that you are an Old Boy of the college and receive a password to gain access. A reminder that all college yearbooks are also available to view.

THE WAVERLIAN



Published in 1931 and August, by
The Children's Home, Waverley, N.S.W.
Replaced by the O.B.U., Sydney,
for distribution by post as a periodical.

WAVERLEY COLLEGE
1854-1988

OBU News



Front Row: A. Trull, J. Inglis, F. Bendish, G. Ross, E. Smith, 2nd Row: W. Drake, J. Marshall, K. Rossiter, E. Thomas, J. Barry, R. James, 3rd Row: C. Curtis, G. Rowick, M. Little, M. Rathie



A Piece of Football History

On 22 May, the family of Martin Francis Hardie (Class of 1923) met with OBU Secretary, Chris O'Sullivan and the Headmaster, Ray Paxton to donate his football medal to the college archives. Martin, born in 1907, was Dux of the school in 1923 when he achieved Honours in his Leaving Certificate. He was an active member of the Waverley OBU until his death in 1974 when his daughter, Margaret, inherited the football medal. The medal from the NSW RFL Metropolitan Colleges Competition was presented to Martin as Captain of the Waverley College FC 'B' Grade Premiership side in 1923. Attending the meeting were Margaret Hardie and her husband, Reg Smedley, Josie Macrae, Martin's granddaughter and Connor Jory his great grandson. The Headmaster expressed his gratitude to the Hardie family for their kind donation.



Br M M O'Connor OBE Medal



For most Old Boys from the 1950s and 1960s the name of Brother Michael Maximus O'Connor would be very familiar. He was Headmaster for a second time at the college during that period, and probably rates as one of the most famous and well known Headmasters who have fulfilled that role in the college's 112 years of history.

A lot has been said of Brother's achievements over the years and he is still remembered fondly to this day. Of course the highlight of his time at Waverley was the pursuance and subsequent building of the north and east wings of the college, which were opened by the then Prime Minister of Australia, Sir Robert Menzies on Sunday 20 October 1963.

It was fitting in the Diamond Year of the College, and in his own Golden Jubilee Year of admission to the Institute of Christian Brothers, that in 1964, Brother O'Connor was awarded an OBE by the Queen, in recognition of his services to Australia in the field of education.

Over the past couple of years, the OBU Council have been discussing the OBE Medal and how appropriate it would be for it to be displayed at the college. Brother passed away in 1978 and initial enquiries by the OBU's Bob Cooke, indicated that the medal was sent to Brother's family in Ireland but to no avail. Enquiries by Vice President, Col Blake, with the Christian Brothers' archives at Balmain and Melbourne also proved negative.

It was therefore passed at the February 2015 OBU Council Meeting, that a replica OBE medal be purchased, mounted and framed with a short story and photograph. This was presented to the Headmaster Mr Ray Paxton at the Old Boys' Union AGM on 3 May, 2015.

Chris O'Sullivan OBU Secretary

President of the OBU 2014-15, Anthony Sciberras presents the Headmaster with a framed replica of Br O'Connor's OBE award.

From the Times Literary Supplement

I've been writing books in my retirement and, since I publish in the UK, I subscribe to The Times Literary Supplement, the UK's most prestigious literary journal. I am dropping you this note to let you know that on page 4 of the 17 April issue there is a review of John Howard's book on Robert Menzies, accompanied by a large photo (at right) of Menzies reviewing the Waverley College Cadets at Waverley Oval in 1954. Some welcome publicity for the College. Dr Robert Scoble BA PhD FRHist Waverley Class of 1965



...less, rather, if anything, the other way about. This high opinion of Curtin was not to be typical of Howard's reactions, throughout the book, to give the Labor parliamentary leaders his appreciation when he thinks they deserve it, thereby making his disapprobation seem effective when he thinks they don't. As in East-Asian dining, Howard seems waddled here to the proposition that it has taken both of the two main parties, each looking govern for a fair share of time, to create the modern Australia. This is a special offer for publication for the current Labor Party which is skeptical, but it can be argued that unless they can regain the concept they are almost to infatuation, if not to oblivion.

Howard almost took Curtin out of the frame in 1945, but Menzies's comeback had already started with his "bargain people" radio speech of 1942. A basic master of radio, Menzies was also a natural instinct of the public's handling for that substantial 12 years; we were here to grow up in. The private life gained wasn't an airy vision, but a solid prospect of getting almost everybody into the middle class, so that the house my mother and I lived in, for example, would be not inconceivably different from the house the Howard family lived in, even though John Howard's father was an entrepreneur, an honest a paragon. There were houses for rent that were built and owned by the Housing Commission, but they looked just as good as the house you might own up and live.

Involving a universal visit of family homes, Menzies could be looked at as a man, who was merely staying off the prospect of social class with critical rhetoric, but Ben Chifley, the

...vision, most of these from parentally withdrawn the time, and mostly all of them to become shrews later on. Though Howard was concluding with the problem that he, like Menzies, had been in the driving seat for an awfully long time, the credibility he had accumulated as a manager would have come in handy for any success that he could to maintain the able deputy Prime Minister might have been. Howard didn't mention Curtin, or anyone. He had come to believe himself independent, and the public opinion in. He doesn't belly face his possibility in *Labour Rising*, and proudly he doesn't face it at all here, because he is supposed to be talking about Menzies. But a personal discussion of the point would have added weight to his account of events. Howard, however, is pretty good, perhaps too good, at not forming about his personal example, although you can detect a note of envy when he discusses how Menzies retired waddled. It's the way to go.

Surprisingly early in a hefty book, Howard gets those with the Menzies career path, then drawing some of the more subtle subject, a summary of what Menzies achieved, and an account of what happened next. In the 1940s and 60s, a period still notorious for its labors and endures, a lot happened - a lot was made to happen - that would lay the foundations for the all too mostly Australian to let realize that was known, now that the wings of the nation will liberate them, that the work in the last that was based on a. For the first time

Old Boy Contributions

Greetings from Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

PAUL DE LAUNAY CLASS OF 1964

Life gets busy but I keep in touch with some classmates and the Waverley activities. I came away from our reunion last November with the overall impression of what a decent bunch of blokes they all were. Even the "individuals" of 1964 were now gentlemen. I partly attribute this to the values instilled into us by the brothers who dedicated their lives to mentoring a largely ungrateful, at the time, bunch of school boys.

June 2015 and I have just returned from 44 degrees in Afar in the African Great Rift Valley, dubbed the hottest place on earth, and below sea level, to my UNICEF office in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia where it is 20 degrees and raining.

Brother O'Connor was the boss in 1964 when I did the Leaving Certificate (now called HSC). Hanging out on Bondi Beach with a group of friends in the summer of 64/65, some of us knew where we were going, I had no idea and wasn't too worried. No one did gap years then, you worked or studied or both. I did both, working at the Sydney Water Board and studied part time, engineering. It was boring and I was restless.

Enter the Vietnam War. Conscripted and 2 ½ years in the army, off on my first taste of overseas travel as I volunteered to serve in the conflict in Vietnam. A year in Nui Dat, then out of Vietnam and out of the army. An unforgettable experience and invaluable lessons in personal and time management. It gave me the self-confidence to always have a go at new things. I am only aware of two other Old Boys who served in Vietnam and both were from my year, there must have been more.

Back to school, I finished Civil Engineering at UNSW after nine years of hard slog, I am not a natural student but you are not beaten until you give up.

Years later I finally hit my stride, working as an engineer for the United Nations in the world's biggest growth industry, refugees, I am able to contribute my training and experience to assist those less fortunate.

My work has been mainly in conflict areas. Afghanistan, as reintegration officer for a program for 800,000 refugees returning from Pakistan, designed a family home capable of resisting some earthquake forces, devised a testing procedure for quality control of timber beams supplied for the houses, planned a road and bridge construction program to reduce isolation of communities experiencing high maternal mortality rates and facilitate access to markets for their produce.



The local authorities had just made me an honorary Afari Sheik, hence the attire.

Constructed 250 schools in the midst of a war zone in the Darfur region of Sudan, the design of a portable, 50 child classroom capable of being transported on donkey or camel and later transformed into a permanent building.

Design of a hospital water filter made from materials sourced from the local market in Cambodia.

Planned and supervised a reintegration program for 60,000 refugees returning to Eritrea which included town planning, schools and health centres, water bores and associated infrastructure, design of a prefabricated family home given to the returnees.

Recently in Lebanon working with one million Syrian refugees, designed a prefabricated family latrine to assist in the prevention of disease transmission.

Last Christmas working in Fiji on disaster preparedness and now in Ethiopia doing water related programs

Sounds exciting but it's not, it entails being away from my wife and family most of the year, which I find hard. It's a difficult, often thankless, job. It can be personally rewarding though, and, as with most passions, it's addictive.

I believe the future is more about "we" and less about "me" and I hope you do too.

Paul de Launay

Remembering through music



A free concert at the High Court in Canberra on 12 April, directed by ANZAC Centenary Cultural Fund Fellow, Chris Latham, featured music composed and played in the trenches at Gallipoli as well as the instruments that were played.

Old boy, Paul Goodchild (Class of 1978) had the privilege

of playing a silver cornet that had belonged to Sergeant Ted McMahon, loaned for the Gallipoli-themed concert by his step-granddaughter, Kerry Everett.

In his diary prior to the battle of Nek, Ted McMahon wrote:

"On arriving on Gallipoli we found conditions rather tough, and lacking of any amenities for the troops... I would sit in my dugout in Reserve Gully at night and play my trumpet to the boys with a handkerchief in the bell to drown the sound. General Monash... sent for me on the afternoon of August 3rd, and asked me to arrange a campfire concert in Reserve Gully where all the troops

Indian, New Zealand and Australian were to be assembled and move out at midnight to start the offensive. The Turks were only a few yards away from our trenches on the hills above the Gully, and every round of applause from each item bought a vicious burst of machine gun and rifle fire. I chose a number entitled the Rosary composed by Ethelbert Nevin (a German). It was a worldwide popular item at that time being published in German, French, Italian and English. I might mention that the Turkish Army at the time had many German officers, and naturally any of them being musical would know the Rosary. As I started to play on this beautiful quiet night when the sound of my trumpet would carry for a considerable distance, a real barrage of small arms fire broke out. During the second verse only spasmodic shots could be heard, and as I started to play the final verse all was still: not a sound could be heard. The charm of music had cast a spell over all, and for a time the war was forgotten."

Paul said that playing an instrument that was played in the trenches at Gallipoli was an emotional experience, 'like playing a game of cricket with Don Bradman's bat,' he said. "It's a gorgeous instrument and an absolute privilege to play it."

Chris Blenkinsopp Class of 1970

Where are they now?

Welfare Reformer

PATRICK MCCLURE AO CLASS OF 1967



An early calling to the priesthood evolved into a long and distinguished career in the welfare sector for Waverley alumnus Patrick McClure. A visionary and an agent for change, governments from both sides of politics have turned to him for policy solutions requiring a talent for social justice. His latest work is the 2015 report for the Federal Government, 'A New System for Better Employment and Social Outcomes'.

Patrick McClure was born in 1949 in Auckland, New Zealand, one of seven children of Arthur and Ngaire McClure. His father was Managing Director of Warner Brothers Pictures in Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific region.

McClure's family migrated to Australia in 1963 and he completed his secondary schooling at Waverley College. In his final year he was adjutant of the Waverley College Cadet Unit, College Oratory and Debating Champion and was awarded the J J O'Brien Memorial Prize for Leadership, Study and Sport.

McClure then entered the Order of Franciscans (OFM) and was ordained in 1975. After a period working as a priest in Perth, he resigned from the priesthood and completed a Bachelor of Social Work and Master of Arts (Public Policy), working in the Departments of Social Security in Perth and Sydney in various roles until 1990. During this period McClure founded 'Second Harvest' in Perth (1978–89), a social enterprise with annual revenue of \$1 million providing low cost food to over 3000 disadvantaged households each week. He was also a non-executive director of Amnesty International (Australia) from 1978 to 1988 with portfolio responsibility for refugees. He coordinated global campaigns to highlight human rights abuses and seek the release of prisoners of conscience. He was awarded a Churchill Fellowship in 1989 to visit and study social enterprises in the USA, UK and Canada.

McClure was Chief Executive Officer of the Society of St Vincent de Paul (NSW/ACT) from 1992 to 1996. During this period the organisation had total funds of \$375 million and provided housing and social assistance to over 500,000 disadvantaged people each year. During this tenure he was also a member of the NSW Government Drought Assistance Committee, which distributed \$80 million in drought assistance to rural households and communities across NSW between 1995 and 1996.

McClure was Chief Executive Officer of Mission Australia from 1997 to 2006. During his tenure, the organisation grew from separate state based entities with annual revenue of \$50 million to an international organisation with annual revenue exceeding \$300 million with 3000 staff and providing employment and training, housing, youth, family, children and aged care services to over 200,000 disadvantaged people. In 2001, the organisation won the Prime Minister's Community Business Partnership Award and McClure was awarded an Australian Centenary Medal for service to the community.

McClure was appointed Chair of the Australian Government's Reference Group on Welfare Reform in 1999/2000, which produced a key report for the Minister for Social Security, Jocelyn Newman, outlining a blueprint for welfare reform titled, *Participation Support for a More Equitable Society*, also known as the 'McClure Report'. The journalist Michelle Grattan wrote about the final report in the Sydney Morning Herald of 17 August 2000:



Top, Patrick McClure receiving the Officer of the Order of Australia from the Governor Marie Bashir. Above, McClure Morrison Report Launch.

"Mission Australia's Patrick McClure has scored a trifecta. Government, Labor and Democrats all had positive things to say about the inquiry's blueprint for welfare change ... The strength of the McClure report is that it is not driven by a narrow right or left ideology. Indeed if you ask whether the report comes from the Right or the Left in its approach, the answer is both." In the 2001 Federal Budget, the Howard Government committed \$1.7 billion over 4 years for the implementation of its response entitled *Australians Working Together*.

McClure was a member of the Prime Minister's Community Business Partnership Board from 1998 to 2007, a member of the board for a New Tax System in 1999/2000, and Deputy Chair of the Welfare to Work Consultative Forum which implemented key welfare to work initiatives in the labour market in the 2005 federal budget.

McClure was CEO, Macquarie Capital Funds' Retirement Villages Group from 2006 to 2008, a Commissioner of the Australian Fair Pay Commission from 2006 to 2009, in 2008 he was a delegate at the Labor Government's 2020 Summit, and in 2011 he was a member of the Aged Care Advisory Group and the Aged Care Consultative Committee.

In December 2013 Kevin Andrews, Minister for Social Services, announced that McClure would chair a Reference Group on Welfare Reform. The report, *A New System for Better Employment and Social Outcomes*, was launched in Canberra in February 2015 by Patrick McClure and the Minister for Social Services, the Hon Scott Morrison.

Key recommendations include reducing the current complex and inefficient system of 20 payments and 55 supplements to 5 payments and 4 categories of supplements; a passport to work enabling people to move easily between employment and the income support system; a new ICT system in Centrelink to drive efficiencies in the new income support system; an investment approach with early intervention services focusing on groups most at risk of long term welfare dependence; a jobs plan for people with disability and mental health conditions; support for micro-businesses and social businesses in Australia; the development of a social purpose capital market in Australia and the use of social impact bonds to attract private investment to address social problems across Australia. Recommendations from

the report were incorporated in the 2015 Federal Budget.

McClure has been Director, Governance and Strategy and Chair of the Advisory Board of the Institute of Strategic Management (ISM) since 2009. He is a non-executive director of the Kinicare Group, Australia's largest, privately owned, in-home care organisation. He is also member of the NSW Government Social Impact Investment Expert Advisory Group. Social impact investment is an emerging approach to addressing social problems that brings together capital and expertise from across government, business and civil society.

McClure was appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia (AO) in the Australia Day 2003 honours list for "services to the community through the development of social capital policy initiatives, and in the delivery of programs addressing social justice, welfare support, health and employment generation issues."

In his book *Seize the day – From Priest to CEO*, published in 2011, he recounts his experiences as a young Franciscan priest, and how working with homeless people as well as the influence of a pioneer in microfinance changed his life and sowed the seeds of a social conscience.

Source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Patrick_McClure

Old Boy Contributions continued

Memories...

1951 Viewpoint

RICHARD ANTHONY CLASS OF 1951



SENIOR ATHLETIC TEAM.
Back Row: E. Froehlich, P. Tischard, N. Moore, M. Nazzari, J. Doyle, C. Warner, K. Isaacs.
Second Row: M. Frost, C. Russell, J. Barry, B. Furwood, J. Wisler, W. Lonsick, M. Smith,
N. Donaghy, B. Boulton.
Front Row: W. McCabe, T. Burson, J. Monaghan, D. De Vallance (Capt.), F. Cross, R. Anthony.
In Front: M. Conry, K. Blockader.

I was given a copy of *Wavelength*, (Issue 22, No 1), my first contact with the College since 1951. The past 64 years have been spent in Western Australia where I became a teacher in State schools, completed two degrees, married, raised a family of four and now enjoy 11 grand children and a retired but busy life style with my wife of 60 years. Reading *Wavelength* triggered a variety of memories:

Classroom: Ours was the end room near the stairs on the third floor of the old building. In wild wintry weather we could see spray from the waves at Bronte.

Cadets: Parades were held every Friday and consisted of a march along Carrington Road to Queens Park. Brother Marzorini led the way in his captain's uniform, followed by the school band and the sundry platoons. Warwick McCabe and I were lieutenant and sergeant respectively of a motley group of 2nd Year boys. Annual camps were held at Ingleburn where we were entertained by bands from other schools playing their own unique tunes, and demonstrations of ordnance terrifyingly loud by permanent army personnel. On Anzac Day a commemoration service was held in nearby Mary Immaculate church. It was an honour to be chosen as part of the special guard for the duration of the Mass.

Waverlian: A stint as editor of the school magazine in 1950 was also an honour. A highlight was the trip to Canberra with the First XV team, during which we met the Prime Minister, Robert Menzies, at Parliament House.

Personalities: Older boys who attracted admiration included John See (swimming), Morris Curotta and Noel Hayes (Athletics), and Tony Madigan (boxing).

Sport: A growth spurt at age 14 changed my enjoyment of athletics, swimming and rugby. I won trophies at under 15, 16 & 17. A record in the 880 yards under 15 at the SCG in 1949 was a high point, while three fouls in the under 16 long jump at the Inters was a total disaster!

Swimming carnivals at Coogee baths & North Sydney pool were exciting events, and our star swimmers like John See and Geoff Cahill had team members and supporters cheering.

Speech Night: Was a highlight of the calendar, being held in Sydney Town Hall with parents attending. Cardinal Gilroy presented the awards to excited recipients and maintained a pleasant face that made each boy feel special.

Final flutter: Our end-of-year dance held at 'Park View' in Woollahra was an opportunity to show off girl friends. That event on 23 November 1951 marked the end of school for most and the start of a new phase in our lives.

A Question of Psychology

DENNIS CALLAGHAN CLASS OF 1964

The following reminiscences relate to some of the real characters, who taught me:

The Leaving Certificate students had offended one of the Order's dignitaries by becoming restless during his address on vocations to the senior school in the assembly hall, so we were told that the hierarchy had decided to post a couple of tough characters to the school in order to straighten us out: Brothers Dowd and "Tick" Gygar. The latter was one of the finest men I've ever known – one of nature's gentlemen – whereas Br Dowd wasted no time in living up to his no-nonsense reputation. He made his disaffection with Eastern Suburbs residents – namely most of us – patently clear from the outset, continually reminding us that we were no better than people from the less-affluent parts of Sydney. That quirk was reflected in his standard greeting to anyone, who had been absent the previous day or arrived late: "Been to see the specialist, have we?" – the inference being that mere GPs wouldn't do.

Br "Gus" Lynch taught us English and French in Leaving Certificate Class 5(2). When one of us (such as myself, who lived on the other side of town) arrived late for school, we were required to stand inside the door, seemingly interminably, before Br Lynch acknowledged our presence by moving to the blackboard, writing "PERIOD" with a flourish in the top, right-hand-corner and inserting our initials under the heading, thereby signalling that we were required to stay in after school. One day someone included Br Lynch's initials under the said heading and we found it difficult keeping a straight face while observing his attempts to identify "GL". We had single desks, the tops of which opened upwards. Br Lynch was in the habit of lifting up the lids of the front desks and resting on them while he addressed the class. What he never realised was that we had written one of his clichés on the inside of each of the lids. It was a never-ending source of amusement to us and bemusement to Brother.

I took up Economics in lieu of Chemistry early in my final year. Mr P J "Percy" Watson MA, was not only our teacher; he had written the text book entitled "Matriculation Economics". Mr Watson owned a lovely, cream-coloured, Mercedes motor car and I recall him chauffeuring the headmaster to the dais for the army-cadet passing-out parade on Waverley Oval, officiated over by the then Governor-General, Lord de Lisle.

Our very Irish headmaster, Brother Michael Maximus "Mick" O'Connor OBE used to warn us thus: "Boys! Boys! Don't go doing any of that Psychology or Philosophy at university because you will lose the Faith." Quite coincidentally, they're precisely what I ended up including in my studies as a part-timer at the ANU several years later. I don't think it did me too much harm.

Insofar as VIP visits to Waverley are concerned, perhaps it's worth mentioning that in 1963 I witnessed the then Prime Minister, Bob Menzies announcing the introduction of State-Aid throughout Australia during his address at the opening of the two, new buildings adjacent to the quadrangle. Up until then, parents were required to meet the full cost of their children's education at Catholic and other private schools.

Eye on the Action

Seen conversing to the clank of medals after Vietnam Veterans' Day formalities on Anzac Parade, Canberra, on 18 August 2015 were Waverley College Old Boys Governor-General Sir Peter Cosgrove (1964), former Army officer/Indonesia expert and current Deputy Secretary of the Department of Veterans' Affairs Shane Carmody (1973), and retired officer/National Serviceman John Murray (1956).

Old Boy Sport

FINA World Swimming Championships

IFALEMI (IFA) PAEA CLASS OF 2007



Ifa competed for Tonga, in the FINA 2015 World Swimming Championships in Kazan, Russia in July and August. His first race saw him collect a personal best in the 100m Freestyle, completing it in 52.21 seconds and smashing his Tongan record, achieved at the Glasgow Commonwealth Games. He was ranked 74th in the world in the 100m freestyle. Ifa also competed in the 100m Butterfly. With a previous personal best from Glasgow of 55.62 to beat, he came in just outside the mark on 55.80. His time ranked him in 52nd place in these World Championships and with

the Olympics in Brazil now in sight, he is aware of what he has to do; "Make the qualifying time for Rio which is 54.19 seconds."

FIFA Ballon d'Or Shortlist

MASSIMO LUONGO CLASS OF 2010



In 2015 Massimo Luongo is a wanted man, having exploded on the international scene during the Socceroos Asian Cup campaign and earned a stunning Ballon d'Or nomination. The young midfielder – he is still just 23 – has fielded interest from the likes of Sevilla and Aston Villa and is set to contest the most prestigious individual prize in football with Lionel Messi, Cristiano Ronaldo and Manuel Neuer. Massimo was a star of the Socceroos successful 2015 AFC Asian Cup campaign, where he netted two goals and laid on four assists in six games. Having

been awarded player of the tournament, the midfielder then earned a move to Queens Park Rangers in May, where he quickly became an integral player. The Ballon d'Or for 2015 will be announced on 11 January 2016.

Stop Press: Massimo failed to make the final shortlist for the Ballon d'Or.

Sydney Swans' Rising Star Award

ISAAC HEENEY CLASS OF 2014

There was little surprise as to the recipient of this year's Rising Star Award with Isaac Heeney deemed the most outstanding youngster on the Sydney Swans' list for 2015. The 19-year-old enjoyed an exceptional debut season, averaging 12.6 disposals and three tackles in 14 matches, to take out the same award won by the likes of Adam Goodes and Ryan O'Keefe in previous years.

The exciting talent opened his account in the Swans' first-round clash against Essendon and never looked back, playing 12 matches during the home and away season before featuring in both finals.

A product of the QBE Sydney Swans Academy, Heeney experienced the highs and lows of AFL life after tearing his PCL in Round 8 against Melbourne, missing almost two months of football before returning for the second half of the season.

He was able to make his mark on the competition early by earning a NAB AFL Rising Star nomination following his four-goal performance in the Swans' third round win over Greater Western Sydney.

Source: Sydney Swans



MARK HIGGINS CLASS OF 1981

Mark recently travelled to Perris valley, California, USA to compete and be part of the Australian Bigway Formation Skydiving Record of 119 persons. It was a successful record attempt. This is a photo of the successful record breaking formation. Mark is at 7 o'clock adjacent to an all white jump suit.

Congratulations

DANIEL MCBRIARTY CLASS OF 2014

Congratulations to Daniel McBriarty, who has been accepted into Midland University in Nebraska on a soccer scholarship commencing August 2015.

McCutcheon's Training Tips

The First and Second XV's were lucky enough to have the NSW Waratah's Club Captain, Patrick McCutcheon, join them at training in April. McCutcheon worked through a number of drills and exercises that took the Waratah's to the Super Rugby Championship in 2014. His expertise, knowledge and demands for perfection certainly rubbed off on the boys.



NSW Waratah Pat McCutcheon with Cooper Murphy (Captain) and Justin Cooper (Vice-Captain) at a training session in April.

Old Boy Sport continued

Waverlians Excel in Rugby Support Roles From the Rugby Snout

Much has been said, printed and filmed about the incredible contribution Waverley College Rugby has made to the code over the years.

In recent months, the spotlight has been on the coaching and media success of old Waverlians. For those who get their rugby fix watching Fox Sports, one could not miss the publicity around the Community Coach of the Year Award for 2016 featuring **Tom English** (2008) who nominated **Mr Paul Cornish**, Waverley's long term First XV Coach. Paul was a very deserving nomination for this award having spent many years coaching both Club and Waverley College teams as well as mentoring many individuals along the way. Anyone who has spoken with Paul about rugby will attest to his outstanding knowledge and ability to get a team to gel. Paul has never been one to 'blow his own trumpet' which makes it easy to overlook his own achievements as a player.

Back in the day, Paul was a quick stepping centre who played for the Canberra Royals club side and made the Australian Under 21 side. Several Representative matches followed with Paul playing for ACT against International sides such as the All Blacks. Paul's ability was obvious and he progressed through to selection for the Wallabies, ultimately playing three Rugby Tests for Australia before a neck injury prematurely ended his playing career. Despite the relatively short career, Paul's star shone brightly with numerous Best and Fairest and Sportsmanship awards being received. Despite being unable to play, Paul has continued to make an outstanding contribution to Rugby, of which Waverley College has been a fortunate recipient.

Also active in the Rugby Television arena has been **Stephen Hoiles** (1999) via his role as a compere and commentator for the National Rugby Championships ("NRC") and various FOX SPORTS World Cup features. Stephen's knowledge of the game has been insightful and his regular sledging of his Waverley College alumni has been amusing – one wonders if there are some 'get squares' coming. **Adam Freier** (1997) and **Morgan Turinui** (2000) have been Hoiles' cohorts in the NRC broadcasts with each handling the situation with aplomb. Also, judging by the Wallabies World Cup success thus far, Hoiles' taunts have not bothered Adam Freier who seems to be managing his ARU media duties along with his third-choice hooker role quite well.

Patrick Phibbs (1999) is also making the transition into a post-playing career – he has taken on a player mentoring role with the Rugby Union Players' Association (RUPA) and now spends his time assisting professional rugby players adapt to rugby as a career.

Onto the actual playing ranks, as this is being prepared the Shute Shield & Super 15 competitions are well and truly over for the year with the NRC one round away from the final series, with the Wallabies up to their teeth in the World Cup.

Down in Melbourne, **Tom English** (2008) has played a leading role for the Melbourne Rising having captained the side on occasions. The Rising look to be on track for the finals so Tom should figure prominently with any success that comes the Risings' way.

Jed Holloway (2010) also captained the Greater Sydney Rams, where he was joined in the playing ranks by his former Waverley First XV team mate, **William Munro** (2010). The Rams have had a frustrating and somewhat unlucky season, having lost games by slender margins including 2 games by a single point after scoring more tries than the opposition. Jed and Will have given good accounts of themselves on the field with Jed expected to line up again for the Waratahs in 2016.



Top, Paul Cornish. Above, From left the players are Will Munro, Sam Talakai and Jed Holloway on Saturday 17 October, Greater Sydney Rams vs Brisbane City.

Sam Talakai (2009) continues his rugby journey in his second season with Brisbane City. Following on from his solid season with the Queensland Reds, Sam has played well and has been appointed captain of Brisbane City for a few games. Brisbane City are one of the favourites to take out the title so Sam will no doubt continue to gain due recognition for some great play this season.

Not to be outdone by his big brother, **Chris Talakai** (2011) – younger brother of Sam) has been a regular starter for the Sydney Stars side. Chris's story is great example of the rewards for hard work as Chris has successfully battled a couple serious injuries in recent years to be able to get back on the field and compete at a high level.

It is an extraordinary reflection of Waverley College Rugby that three of the teams in the National Rugby Championship this year have been captained by Old Boys!

For those that partake in the occasional viewing of the 13 a side game, **Asapeli Fine** (2010) is making a name for himself in the NRL as a member of Wests Tigers top squad and is expected to figure prominently in 2016.

Many Waverlians continue to use rugby as an introduction to other cultures and countries. **Dan Fleming** (2009) and **Jake Turnbull** (2011) are currently lacing on the boots for the mighty Glendale Raptors in Colorado, whilst **Ben O'Donnell** (2013) is playing in the top Spanish competition for Ordizia situated in the Basque region of Northern Spain.

Rugby fans can look forward to many Waverlians going around in the 2016 Super Rugby Comp which kicks off on 26 February as well as Sydney's Shute Shield which commences on 19 March.

SPECIAL FEATURE

Where are they now? USA & Canada

Waverley College have a number of ex students now residing on the North American continent. We take a look at who they are and what they are doing. We know of 26 ex-students now living across the United States and Canada. There are many amazing stories and it is a true reflection on the diversity of the men who graduate from Waverley College.

Distinguished Anaesthesiologist

DR GERARD M (GERRY) BASSELL CLASS OF 1962



Gerard M "Gerry" Bassell graduated from Waverley College in 1962. In the midst of his medical school education at the University of Sydney from which he graduated in 1973, he worked at Mt Isa mines and had a number of other non-medically related jobs. In 1975, he relocated to the United States to further his medical training. His anaesthesiology education, residency and Fellowship training, were obtained

at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in Bronx, New York. Following that, he began a five-year stint as a faculty member at the University of California, Irvine. Gerry and his family then relocated to Wichita, Kansas.

Gerry is President of Mid-Continent Anaesthesiology, Chartered and National Medical Director of the Ambulatory Surgery Division of Hospital Corporation of America. He was previously Vice-Chairman of the Department of Anaesthesiology at the University of Kansas School of Medicine in Wichita. He has served as President of the Society for Obstetric Anaesthesia and Perinatology and received the society's Distinguished Service Award in 2012. He has been an adjunct member of the Committee on Obstetrical Anaesthesia of the American Society of Anaesthesiologists.

He was previously vice-chairman of the Committee on Obstetric Anaesthesiology of the World Federation of Societies of Anaesthesiologists. He has lectured worldwide and has published extensively on topics within the field of obstetric anaesthesiology.

Gerry and his wife Marilyn enjoy semi-annual visits to Sydney to catch up with friends and relatives. They usually drive by Waverley College to try to keep up with the infrastructure changes that continue to amaze.

A Passion for Technology

THOMAS HARDJONO CLASS OF 1983



After graduating from Waverley College in 1983, Thomas completed a BSc Hons in Computer Science at the University of Sydney in 1987. This was followed by a PhD degree in Computer Science in 1991 from UNSW. A passion for hi-tech and his interest in travel took Thomas to Japan and then the USA. Thomas has had a distinguished career, including various senior positions in technology companies in Silicon Valley, as well as leadership in a number of start-ups. He enjoys inventing new technologies, transforming ideas into products.

He is a prolific writer, publishing three books and over sixty technical papers. Currently he is the Executive Director of the MIT Internet Trust Consortium, located at the MIT Campus, in Boston, USA. This role provides not only access to cutting-edge research at MIT, but also opportunities for technology transfer to industry.

Thomas resides with his wife Elizabeth in Boston, USA. In his spare time, Thomas is a serious aficionado of typography and metal-typeface letterpress.

Attorney

PAUL FOGARTY CLASS OF 1981



After graduating from Waverley in 1981, my family moved to San Diego, California where I graduated from the University of California, San Diego in 1987. I graduated from the University of San Diego School of Law in 1990. I have been an attorney ever since, working in Houston, Texas from 1990–97 and in Seattle, Washington since 1997. I am a civil trial lawyer practicing in the areas of business, insurance, employment, electronic defamation and personal injury. I assist clients located in Asia, Australia and Europe who do business in the United States and

assist clients located in the United States with their business and legal relationships in Australia.

I married Diana Dearmin (also an attorney) in 1998 and we have been happily married ever since. We formed a law firm together, Dearmin Fogarty PLLC, in 2008. We are currently parents to a 20 year-old cat (Clyde) and a puppyish lab mix dog (Nutmeg). For fun, we enjoy cooking, long walks, hiking, travel and spending time with family. I occasionally play golf and hope to play more. Diana attended the University of Washington and she has been dragging me, the dutiful spouse, to their football and basketball games since we were married. I still follow Australian sports, primarily Waverley rugby, Waratahs, Wallabies, and of course, the Australian cricket team.

Food and Wine, LA Style

ROBERT FOGARTY CLASS OF 1981



My brother, Paul and I graduated from Waverley in 1981. In January 1982 my parents decided to move back to the USA to settle down and retire. They had liked San Diego when my father was a Naval officer and this is where they settled.

I completed a degree in Economics from San Diego State University at the same time playing Rugby and working in the restaurant business. After graduation I thought I would get a real job working for an insurance company but it was not for me.

From 1991 to 2008 I worked in the restaurant business in Los Angeles, managing various restaurants from casual concepts to fine dining. In 2008, I completed UCLA's Vintage Wine Program: A two year immersion in everything wine, the course was intended as a pre-sommelier certification.

From 2008 to the present I work for an importer and wholesaler of wines, beers and artisanal spirits from around the globe. My current position is Regional Manager for Los Angeles.

I have been married for 17 years to Yuki Saruwatari. She is a Japanese Journalist who covers Hollywood (Movies, Celebrity interviews etc) for Japan. We reside in West Hollywood and have had a string of pets – currently, 2 awesome cats called Kobe and Sydney (how appropriate). I enjoy travelling, playing golf, tennis, cycling and hiking.



SPECIAL FEATURE **Where are they now? USA & Canada** continued

Children's Cancer Pioneer

DR FRANK LEONARD ("LEN") JOHNSON CLASS OF 1962

After graduating in Medicine at Sydney University I took Robert Frost's "road less travelled" and was guided by serendipity. England was the place to go and certainly not before you obtained all of your "Australian credentials". I occasionally wonder if some of the Brothers at Waverley taught me a mindset that influenced my decisions. Brs Garvan and Dwyer come to mind. There were other mentors whom I admired and they urged me to "go for it" as unexpected opportunities arose. While a resident at the Royal Alexandra Hospital for Children (RAHC) chance encounters with a young girl with cancer and a visiting USA childhood cancer expert led to fellowship training at the University of Washington, Seattle. This led, in turn, to my appointment, in 1971 as the first paediatrician in the pioneering bone marrow transplant team led by E Donnell Thomas (the 1990 Nobel Laureate in Medicine). I returned to Sydney in 1975 to set up the first oncology program at RAHC, but unfortunately faced an environment still resistant to change. Returning to the USA I was able to train several Australian leaders in paediatric oncology over the years.

Subsequently, I enjoyed a 38-year career helping to establish paediatric oncology and bone marrow transplant programs on four continents, treating patients in such diverse university medical centres as Chicago, Memphis and Portland; Milan and Bologna; Seoul and Chonnam; Hiroasaki and Jikei; and Taiwan. I was fortunate to lead the team that first cured a patient suffering from sickle cell anaemia by bone marrow transplantation in 1982, and to become president of the American Society of Paediatric Haematology/Oncology and the North Pacific Paediatric Society. In all of these settings I always felt that I was representing Australia – a feeling no doubt ingrained at Waverley.

Currently as an emeritus professor and department chair in paediatrics I mentor medical students at the University of California, San Diego and am appreciative of so many memories – courageous patients, helping families cope with life's most difficult challenges, training dedicated doctors, wonderful colleagues and extraordinary friends from all over the world. Fun pursuits now include long-distance swimming (slowly); reading (voraciously); writing (unsuccessfully); and travelling to Spain (frequently). The best decision I ever made, however, was to woo my wife now of 45 years, Liz, and to help raise our three wonderful sons.

My Waverley education became my life's compass.



Left: "A long time favourite pursuit of mine has been long distance swimming. This from a Waverley student thought to be drowning at a school meet around 1956 at Bondi Baths. My recollection is that I was just a little slow, enjoying the moment. At UCSD they have a 'UCSD to Santa Barbara' challenge - swim the 200 miles to Santa Barbara in 90 days in the UCSD pool (you can do the math). Succeed and you are awarded this \$5 t-shirt."

A Pro Skateboarder, TV Host and Always Smiling

CORBIN HARRIS CLASS OF 2000



Known for his hunger and determination.

An Aussie skateboard legend, Corbin Harris is backed by some of the biggest brands we know. Westfield, Olympus Cameras, Nike and Red Bull.

By the age of 32 he had: Gone Pro for Element Skateboards with his own signature boards; designed clothing ranges; hosted two of his own shows in Australia – Corbin Presents & POP Gun on Fuel TV; hosted red carpet for the MTV Awards on Foxtel; was author of the *Corbin Harris Ultimate guide to Skateboarding*; was guest editor of the *Shop till you*

drop magazine men's annual fashion edition; hosted Formula One interviews with World champion Sebastian Vettel and various other mainstream sports; toured with Tony Hawk and spoke at leading international seminars; and made the move to the USA. Within his first year in the US he has been hosting for the best networks in Sport, including ESPN and NBC. NIKE, Corbin's sponsor for over a decade, says of him:

"Corbin is contagious. It may actually be impossible to not have a good time in this man's presence. Not many skaters can say they've successfully hosted their own television show and maintained their commitment to being a legitimate professional skateboarder. Corbin can, and although his fashion sense and style may vary day-to-day depending on his mood, his approach to skateboarding doesn't. Balls out, hard and fast, Corbin puts it all in whether he's skating some sketchy old park or walking the red carpet."

A Life of Teaching

RAY FERGUSON CLASS OF 1959

After graduating from Waverley in 1959, I spent three years at Sydney University doing a Science degree and then one year at Sydney Teachers College for my Diploma of Education. In 1964 and 1965, I taught at Crows Nest Boys' High and then worked for Qantas as a Flight Steward for two years until I married Lorraine Arnold from Lilli Pilli in August of 1967. In January 1968, we moved to Canberra and I taught at Narrabundah High School for nearly three years.

In August 1970, we joined the exodus of teachers to Canada, intending to stay for two years and "see the world".

The first school year I taught in a small town west of Prince George, in the centre of British Columbia, called Vanderhoof. In September 1971, we moved into the south-east corner of British Columbia to a town called Cranbrook, in the Rocky Mountains between Kimberley and Fernie, where I worked as a High School Mathematics teacher. Thirty-one years later I retired from that position, in 2002.

During this time we raised two children: Nicole who with her husband and three children now lives in Kamloops BC and Tim who lives in Brisbane with his wife and two children.

On two separate occasions we spent a year on Teacher Exchange programs. In 1983 we exchanged into Randwick and I taught at J J Cahill High School at Mascot and in 1989 we did a second exchange to Stockport in England. We have also travelled extensively in Canada, the USA and Europe.

Since retirement, we have travelled, spent time with the grandchildren and enjoyed life. During these travels we have often done house exchanges and house sittings. In December 2014, we sold our house in Cranbrook and are still in the process of looking for a place to settle. At this point we are seriously considering Vernon in the middle of BC as our next home. My email is fergray@hotmail.com for any contacts from our school days.

Family-owned Automotive Empire

KEVAN DEL GRANDE CLASS OF 1951



Kevan attended Waverley from 1944 to 1948. He was a boarder in 1944 and again in 1946. Kevan left Waverley in 1949. He moved to the USA in 1954, settling in California in 1955 to pursue an acting career, but was forced to leave the States when immigration discovered he had been working without the proper permit. He spent 6 months in Mexico City before deciding he would try to make a life for himself in Canada.

Entering immigration upon arrival in Canada he was told that he had to be X-rayed for tuberculosis, a standard airport procedure at the time. He was \$5 short of the fee to pay for the x-ray, so he was put back on a plane to New York. He eventually made it back to Mexico, applied for the appropriate work visa and returned to Los Angeles, where he received a scholarship to the Hollywood Group Theatre and drove a cab to make ends meet. "I was not a good actor, that's for sure," Kevan explains, "so, at the age of 26, I decided that I'd better get a real job."

He had a head for numbers, so moved to San Francisco and started as a collector for a finance company, working his way up to manager.

He was called in to serve as a relief manager for two weeks at the company's office in Berkeley, where he fell in love with a secretary, Anita, who was working there. "I fell in love in a heartbeat." The description wasn't an exaggeration: 22 days after the two met they wed in Carmel.

Anita and Kevan returned to the Bay Area where Kevan was hired as a finance manager at a San Jose Dodge dealership. He went on to become part owner and then sole owner, of a series of new car dealerships.

In the 80's, at the dawn of the cellular phone era, Kevan and a friend, decided to take a chance on the lotteries being held by the Federal Communications Commission to allocate the public airwaves for mobile phone service. In 1989, the two won the rights to a geographical area comprising 9 counties. R & D Cellular was born. With such a full plate with car dealerships and cellular operations, Kevan recruited his son, Shaun, to come and assist. For the next 3 years father and son proved to be a successful team, and in 1995 Century Telephone Enterprises purchased R&D. "About 6 months later, I had one of the happiest days of my life," Kevan recalls. "Shaun called me and said, 'Dad, I'd like to get into the car business with you.'"

Since that day the pair have developed the largest family owned automotive group in California, a thriving business employing some 600 employees.

Kevan and Anita are also very active in the community. Anita was one of the founders of the San Jose Silicon Valley Ballet Company as well as co-founder of the Silicon Valley Chapter (largest in the USA) of the Circle of Red, a group formed to raise money and promote heart health for women.

Kevan has also had time to pursue his other interest and passion of handball. He is the holder of many national titles in the USA and in 2012 won the 75+ singles World Handball Championship and backed that up with the 80+ Championship in 2015. His handball career started on the handball courts at Waverley College.

Kevan has been married to Anita for 53 years and has a daughter Alicia, son Shaun and five grandchildren. Kevan hopes to come back to Australia in 2016 for the Waverley College Muster #2 on the June long weekend.



Global Entertainment Expert

WAYNE DUBAND CLASS OF 1964



After joining Warner Bros. in Australia in 1969, Wayne Duband served in several senior posts around the world before being appointed in 1992 as President of Warner Bros International, responsible for all aspects of Warner's international theatrical distribution. During his five-year tenure as President, Warner Bros was the global leader in foreign distribution, and for the first time the box-office total for product distributed by one distribution company exceeded \$1 billion in one year. In 1994 he was honoured as the International Distributor of the

Year. After leaving Warner Bros. he established Wayne Duband Consulting Inc. to advise WB and others on motion picture distribution, marketing, production, and exhibition. His clients have included World Wrestling Entertainment, Revolution Studios, Paramount Studios, DreamWorks Studios, Sony Pictures Entertainment, DreamWorks Animation, LucasFilm, Media Asia (Hong Kong), Ruddy Morgan Productions, Kennedy/Marshall Productions, Bad Robot Productions, Toho Towa (Japan), Lotte Entertainment (Korea), Rainbow Animation Studios (Italy), among others. He has consulted on the marketing and distribution of numerous motion pictures including Elizabethtown, Mission Impossible III, Shrek the Third, Transformers, Indiana Jones & The Kingdom of the Crystal Skull, Star Trek, Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen, TinTin and Cowboys & Aliens. He is currently in development on several motion pictures including Retribution, to be directed by Brian De Palma and starring Al Pacino, and Crash Bandits, to be directed by Rob Cohen.

He is a Member of the Executive Branch of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences and lives in Los Angeles.

Airborne

SHANE SIMMONS CLASS OF 1972



My journey to America would not have happened were it not for my career choice – flying. I always wanted to be a pilot and consider myself lucky to have been able to make a living doing what I love to do.

After training, I went to the Northern Territory bush flying for a small airline and from there to Ansett where I flew most of their aircraft types as a First Officer or Captain. In 1989, I left to fly overseas, initially in Singapore, then Japan, briefly back to Australia, then Hong Kong, Japan, Germany,

Thailand, Saudi Arabia and now the US – a peripatetic life indeed. It has been a wonderful career, from DC3 to B747, which I am still flying, good airlines and awful airlines, to paradises and war zones... but always interesting, often challenging... and every day is different!

My wife and I now live in Savannah, Georgia with our four dogs. It is a lovely, historic Southern university town near the Atlantic Ocean. Whilst I miss life in Australia and return often, I like life in the US as well. In many ways they are not that different... I suppose you could say I am lucky... I have the best of both worlds!

SPECIAL FEATURE **Where are they now? USA & Canada** continued

Technical Savvy

LEON MASSA CLASS OF 1974



After leaving Waverley College in 1972, I became an apprentice Fitter and Turner at Qantas Airways, completing my apprenticeship in 1977. I left Qantas in 1980 and started my own machine shop. The company was short lived as I sold it after meeting my soon to be wife. In 1981, I met a Canadian girl in Sydney by the name of Connie, we dated for a couple of years until it was time for her to go back to Canada in 1983, when I moved to Vancouver, where we were married.

As times were tough in the early 80's I couldn't find work for quite a few months so I decided to learn to fly, and in 1984 I earned my private pilot's licence. Then shortly after, I was offered a job with a company that just started business in the manufacturing of oilfield related tooling. This company was one of the first companies in Western Canada to employ CNC (Computer Numerical Control) machines and I was employed as a CNC Programmer/machinist. My experience and training at Qantas Airways paid off, as I soon discovered that I was a "genius amongst fools" so to speak (because no one at the company had any experience with this type of equipment).

After a few years of helping the company grow, I applied for a job with Canadian Airlines as an Aircraft Machinist, this position with the company was good but I always felt that I could do better working for myself with CNC machines. So, in 1987 I started my own CNC machine shop in Vancouver – Southern Cross Machining Inc – and have been self-employed since then, with my wife Connie by my side.

In February 1987 just before I started the business, we had our first daughter Leanne, then in August 1988 we had our second daughter Monique.

In 1998 I took up powered paragliding and, as I was in the process of buying my equipment, stumbled across a company in Italy that was producing small two-stroke engines for the light aircraft industry. Having just wanted to buy one engine from them, I finished up buying the company, Compact Radial Engines Inc.

2005 came around and I thought I had better start putting to use the private pilot's licence I earned all those years ago, so I bought a small two-seat certified aircraft to keep me "busy". Now, when the weather permits, you'll find me somewhere between airports.

The years have flown by, and now I'm getting close to wanting to slow the pace, so I see retirement in the not too distant future and, who knows, I may travel between Canada and Australia and never see another winter.

Throw Another Shrimp on the Barbie

GERRY KING CLASS OF 1970

My wife Kristin Anderson and I live in Redwood City, California and have two daughters Kathleen, 26 and Michelle 24 who are each pursuing careers in Santa Barbara and Oakland respectively.

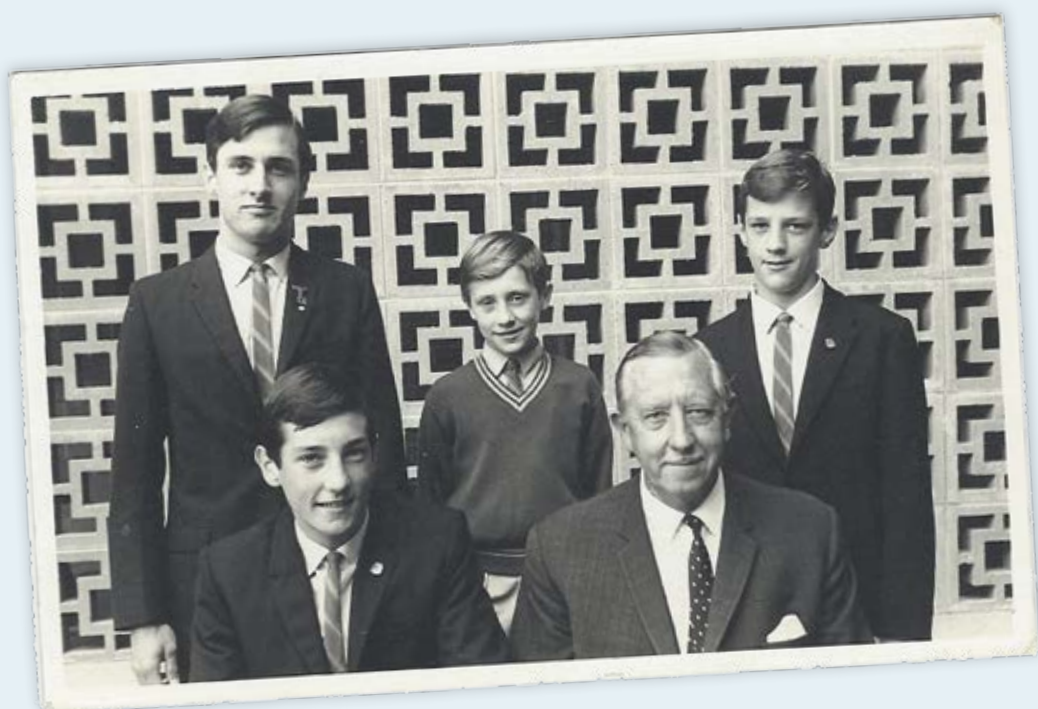
When I left Waverley I played colts rugby at Easts, worked for Nestle and studied business at the NSW Institute of Technology (now UTS). I migrated to South Africa in 1974 and spent a year working and travelling around Southern Africa before being transferred to the UK.

I worked in Bristol, Birmingham, Leeds and London for eighteen months and then spent a summer as a tour guide around Europe with Continental Camping Tours (CCT). I spent two years hitchhiking and working my way around the US from 1976 to 1978 after which I moved back to Sydney for three years.

I had the good fortune of returning to the US just before Crocodile Dundee and Paul Hogan's "Come and Say G'day" campaign made Australia the flavour of the month. If I had a dollar for every time I've heard "that's not a knife!" or "throw another shrimp on the barbie," I'd never have to work again.

Living and working in Silicon Valley over the last thirty years has given me a front row seat on the evolution of technology and its transformation of global industries and society. As I've travelled domestically and internationally for my job I've come to appreciate how fortunate I am to live in the Bay Area. With its colourful history, scenery, culture and people, it's easy to see why it's a sister city to Sydney. My three brothers and our families stay in close contact and I've managed to get back to Bronte every two years or so. I am very grateful for the lifelong friendships I developed at Waverley and when I made it back for our forty year class reunion in 2010 it felt like we all picked up right where we'd left off. Whenever I get back in the surf at Bronte I take in my surroundings and smile, grateful that there were no cameras, cell phones, Facebook or twitter to record or report on our misadventures back then.

Below the King family: Back row - John (Class of 1967), Paul (Class of 1974), Gerald (Class of 1970); front row - James (Class of 1969) and their father Charles King (Class of 1928).



Client Strategy Director

BRETT COVELL CLASS OF 2000



After graduating from Waverley in 2000 I attended UTS, completing a Bachelor of Business Degree, majoring in Advertising.

Within the Advertising industry I work on the media strategy side of things, this means I develop strategies for clients on who, how and where they should focus their communications. This involves not only working with major companies to develop strategies and creative concepts but also requires collaborating and

negotiating with leading media companies to bring these campaigns to life. I have been lucky enough in my career so far to work on some great brands a lot of which have been in the video game industry including Sony PlayStation, Travelocity, Call of Duty, Assassins Creed and Honda.

Since 2011 I have lived in the USA with my American wife, Darcy, and our son Lachlan, first in New York City, then San Francisco and now LA. During that time we have had some amazing experiences beyond just living in these great cities, from white water rafting in Maine, snorkelling and talking cricket with the locals in the West Indies to skiing the mountains around Lake Tahoe. Each city we have lived in has been an amazing experience but the pull of Sydney and the Eastern Suburbs is never far away. I am currently the Client Strategy Director at Initiative LA. Here I oversee the advertising for a number of clients including Honda Power Sports (motorbikes and ATV's) as well as Godaddy.com and California Lottery, plus a few other smaller accounts. We come back to Australia at least once a year normally for Christmas and there is usually a wedding of a mate we fly back for. A summer Christmas in Sydney is hard to beat.

Computer Science Whiz

KEVIN GREER CLASS OF 1975



Kevin Greer currently resides in Dayton, Ohio. He arrived at Waverley College as a boarder from Saipan, Mariana Islands back in 1972. His father at the time worked for the US Justice Department supporting claims against the USA and Japan for property damage that occurred during World War II. His mother, an Australian, met his father in Randwick towards the end of the war. After graduating from Waverley, Kevin moved back to Northern Virginia and began a career in the emerging computer science field. For over 30 years, he worked for

several US Government agencies developing automated data mining tools to support the analytical and military community. In 2011, he moved from Charlottesville, Virginia to Dayton, Ohio, USA to be closer to his wife's family and started a new career working as Program Manager at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base designing, developing and implementing emerging technology on aircraft. Kevin has very fond memories of Waverley. He speaks frequently about playing Rugby when a sports conversation arises and his unfortunate incident breaking an ankle in his very first game. He applied lifesaving skills developed at North Bondi Surf Club performing two beach rescues in Virginia, one for his son and another saving two lives from a capsized ocean kayak. Kevin visited Australia earlier this year to attend the Australian Tennis Open, see his sister, Janet, complete the Sydney Harbour Bridge walk and, most importantly, attend the 1975 Old Boy Reunion. Kevin is fortunate to have a loving wife Cathy and three children: Jeremiah who lives in Charlottesville, Virginia, Noel who lives in Santa Barbara, California and Chelsea who married an Aussie from Perth and is enjoying life in Los Angeles, California.



Fishing a Lake a Day

EDDIE EVERETT MSC TECH (ERGONOMICS), BSC, GRAD DIP OT
CLASS OF 1977



Eddie Everett is a Vancouver based ergonomist, ergonomic specialist and ergonomic risk management consultant. He has worked in the industry for over 30 years and has completed a Masters of Science and Technology in Ergonomics; Graduate Diploma in Occupational Therapy; Bachelor of Science Degree; and Certification in Assessment of Motor and Process Skills. He is professionally affiliated with the Association of Canadian Ergonomists; Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists and College of Occupational Therapists of British Columbia.

He has worked at the Workers Compensation Board of British Columbia (WorkSafeBC) as a Functional Evaluator; Vocational Rehabilitation Consultant; Clinical Specialist Occupational Therapist in Special Care Services for catastrophically injured workers; 'Permanent Functional Impairment' Clinician; and Occupational Therapist in the Medical Rehabilitation Program. He has also worked with the chronically and seriously mentally ill in hospital and community settings; lectured and prepared course content for the Department of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy at the University of British Columbia; and submitted expert oral and written testimony on occupational risk factors to 'WorkSafeBC Review Board' and 'Workers Compensation Appeals Tribunal' ('WCAT').

I left the sunny shores of Sydney in 1991 for Vancouver, British Columbia – some 25 years ago. Why you may ask? Well to follow the woman of my dreams who I had met at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital and to fly fish for big steelhead and salmon in some of the prettiest lakes and rivers that I have ever seen in my life. What they say in British Columbia is that 'You can fish a lake a day for the rest of your life' and that's a fact. What do I do for work? I work as an ergonomist for my company called 'Ergo-Solve' and conduct safety risk assessments for larger corporations throughout Canada while my wife Mary works as a Director of Cardiac Sciences. Yes, we are DINKS (Double Income No Kids). We were engaged for 18 years and were married just 7 years ago. Each year we fly back to the east coast of Canada to see Mary's many relatives and of course fly fish for Atlantic salmon in Newfoundland, Labrador and Quebec when we are there. Thanks to Madam Howen's French lessons in Grade 9 and 10, I am able to speak French when I am in Quebec. What do I miss about Oz? Well I guess foremost I miss the antics of that legendary world famous comedian Laurence Coy and the trials and tribulations of the South Sydney Rabbitohs – yeh, the bunnies!!! My fondest memories of Waverley College? One of my fondest memories was being taught by one the most brilliant teachers who has received very little recognition over the years – Brother Kinsella. The other fond memories are of good times with the band of merry men – too many to mention – Fabs Mammarella, Johnny Fallon (the 'falcon'), Johnny 'Jelly-beans' Rowles, Ross Dwyer (alias Dr Dosh) and all the rest. If you are ever over in these parts make sure that you get in contact with me at eddie@ergosolve.com.

SPECIAL FEATURE **Where are they now? USA & Canada** continued

Commercial Real Estate Palo Alto

JASON SNELL CLASS OF 1995



The last 13 years has been great. I originally moved to the US to chance the American Dream. To get my foot in the door, I was accepted in an exchange program that allowed me to work with kids coordinating summer camp programs. During that time I met my now wife; she was a fellow staff member in the program and I have lived in California ever since.

Right after the summer I was offered a job working for the largest Health club chain in the US, 24 Hour Fitness, managing and opening locations for them across the Bay Area in Northern California. My track and field background helped transition into the world of fitness.

About 3 years ago a new career opportunity presented itself. I took a role working in Commercial Real Estate for the Regus Management Group LLC (who also have locations in Australia) as a Sales Director. I currently work in Palo Alto which is the most competitive real estate market in the country outside of Manhattan, New York.

These are all small accomplishments in retrospect because four years ago my wife and I were blessed with our daughter Kiora. Becoming a father and raising a child has been the best thing that has happened to me since graduating. She is the motivation that I need to constantly strive to be the best. *Editor's note: Jason was an exceptional athlete while at Waverley and for the few years after graduating. He still holds CAS Track & Field records in a number of events. U17's 100m 10.83s (1994), Open 100m 10.70s (1996), 4 x 100m relay 42.53s (1996 with Corey Fahey, Clinton Penham and Aaron Johnson). For these records to still be standing today, some 20 years later, is a testament to his talent.*

Engineering Via Chile

ANDRES DOMEYKO CLASS OF 1958



I left Waverley College in 1958 at the end of 3rd year to return to Chile after five magnificent years in Sydney. It was hard to leave my many friends, and although we kept in touch by mail for a few years, we eventually drifted away. I graduated from St Georges College in Santiago, a private Catholic school run by American priests, and studied Civil Engineering at the University of Chile. After graduation I worked in various engineering positions in Chile until I met the girl who would become my wife of 43 years. Marisa was half Chilean but was

born and raised in the US. Due to the Marxist government in Chile at the time, we decided to live in Washington DC where her family and friends were, so in 1973 I immigrated to the US and have never looked back. We currently live in Alexandria, Virginia, just south of the capital, and we are both happily retired. I worked as an engineer in Land Development for 35 years and Marisa retired from the National Geographic Society after 27 years as an administrator. We have two boys ages 40 and 37, both happily married and a granddaughter who is 19. We travel quite a bit and in 2013 visited Australia and New Zealand. I had not been back to Sydney since 1958 and it was very emotional to return to the college and to get together with the few mates I was able to contact. If any of my old school mates come to the US and are in my part of the country, we would be delighted if they contacted me and paid us a visit. We have plenty of room in our house! My contact information is: Andres Domeyko (adomeyko@comcast.net). Phone is: 703-370-1605 (H) or 703-966-5995 (M). Address is: 1312 Kingston Ave, Alexandria, VA 22302. Looking forward to seeing you!

On Stage and Screen

ADRIAN BERNOTTI CLASS OF 1965



As you have often heard said in music and movies ... "What a wonderful life".....I feel I have been lucky in mine.

On leaving school I was employed by the ABC and learnt the machinations of TV production. I then ventured into "freelancing" a couple of years later, and I managed to scrap a decent living in those early days as an actor and advertising copy-writer. In the early 70's I did a season for the "Old Tote Theatre Co." and inherited the entertainment "bug".

In the late 60's and early 70's I lived in the inner suburbs of Sydney, Newtown, Paddington, Balmain and Birchgrove. I also studied acting and creative writing in Sydney and New York, relocating to Italy and Spain during the late 70's and early 80's while working on TV productions and making short working trips to Australia. On returning to Sydney I bought an 1860 unrestored warehouse in Balmain, becoming my home off and on between trips overseas. I leased the warehouse to a TV production company for a number of years and finally sold the building in 2012. Projects during this time included appearances in *The Killing of Angel Street*, *Touch and Go*, *Bullamakanka*, *Class of '74*, *Water Rats*, *Mission Top Secret*, *Arcade*, *Review with Myles Barlow*, *Ben Hall*, *Alvin Purple*, *Police Rescue* and *Heart Break High*.

In the late 90's I divided my time between the US and Australia and pursued TV and Film projects in both countries, as well short stints of TV work in Europe.

I am currently a Patron/Executive Producer of the Natchez Little Theatre in Natchez, Mississippi USA, believed to be the longest continuous community based theatre in the country. In my "retirement", I continue to write and edit scripts. Together with my partner, I am a patron of the Historic Natchez Foundation. Natchez is an old Mississippi River town that "prospered mightily" on cotton and the backs of slaves, surviving the Civil War relatively unscathed. As the town approaches its tri-centennial in 2016, it is a town of faded grandeur that attracts movie and TV productions. I currently live between my 1870's home in Natchez and a condo in Palm Springs California, and spend time each year in Italy.

Fast-moving Tech Starter

BRAD WONG CLASS OF 1994



Since graduating from Waverley College, Brad completed a Bachelor of Commerce degree at the University of NSW, and started his first job as a management consultant with Price Waterhouse (now PwC). However, Brad wanted to follow his passion for computers and technology, and ended up joining a fast-moving internet company in the late 1990s called Cisco Systems in Sydney as a Network Engineer. It was here that Brad spent his next 15 years in different roles and locations, having been relocated to Singapore, Hong Kong, and finally to

Cisco's headquarters in San Jose, California. After leading multiple technology ventures at Cisco and other Cisco-funded startups, Brad finally decided to leave his position as Director of Product Management and join another fast-moving tech startup called Docker, as their Senior Director of Product Management, based in San Francisco, CA.

Outside of work, Brad enjoys spending time with his wife, Grace, residing in Mountain View, CA – living not too far away from Google's and Facebook's headquarters. Somehow, he still finds time to surf in Santa Cruz, hike the Sierra Nevadas and snowboard in Lake Tahoe.

Where are they now?

A Life of Science

JAMES SMALL CLASS OF 1966

James Small has been regularly recognised for his significant contribution to Surf Life Saving and his community.

James was a schoolboy and junior surfing champion every year from 1966 to 1968 as well as a regular finalist in local and international surfing competitions including Bell's Beach in 1971.

In a longstanding association with the Surf Lifesaving movement in Greenmount (Tweed Heads) and Mollymook James has, since 2000, received awards for 'Most Patrol Hours' five times, 'Club Person of the Year' three times and 'Patrol Person of the Year' three times. He was awarded Ulludulla's 'Best Citizen 2000/2001', a 'Mayoral Citation for Fighting Bush Fires 2003/2004', and SLSC 'South Coast Lifesaver of the Year 2002/2003'.

James was awarded a Commonwealth Citation for Bravery at an Investiture at Government House, Sydney, presented by Her Excellency, Governor-General, Marie Bashir. The award recognised his extraordinary bravery on the morning of November 1, 2006, when he rescued two people from a rip 150 metres offshore at Mollymook. He entered the surf and swam through rough seas to reach the couple, helping them to keep their heads above water. One of the swimmers was pregnant and had gone to the rescue of her husband before getting into trouble herself. James

managed to get both swimmers back to shore. The woman later gave birth to twins.

James is also a long service member at the Greenmount Surf Club in Tweed Heads.



Commonwealth Investiture Photo with master cinema photographer, Jack McCoy, Her Excellency, Lady Marie Bashir, James Small and Suzanne Small. James' award was a citation for Bravery and Surf Life Saving.

Bondi Rescue

JETHRO JAMES CLASS OF 2013



At 19, Jethro James (Class of 2013) of Clovelly had spent most of his life at the beach, so it felt perfect to work as a lifeguard for Waverley Council. In a lucky bonus, this also made him one of the youngest stars of the world-wide Channel Ten hit television show, Bondi Rescue. The programme, which has aired since 2006, follows the daily lives and routines of the Waverley Council professional lifeguards who patrol Bondi Beach. The lifeguards' larrikin humour teamed with the ability to save lives has charmed beachgoers and viewers alike. In 2014 the show won

a Logie Award for most popular reality program and it has attracted a huge international following worldwide, including in the US, the UK, Sweden, Norway, Germany, Denmark and now Hong Kong. Another ex Waverley College student, Trent 'Maxi' Maxwell is also a longstanding and well-known member of the Bondi Rescue crew. Trent (Class of 2009) attended Waverley College in Year 7 and 8. Jethro featured in Season 7 of the program, mid-2015.

The Grey Raider

JOHN FLANAGAN CLASS OF 1971



John Flanagan, Sydney author and Waverley Old boy, 71, lives in Manly with his wife, Leonie. John is best known for his children's fantasy series *Ranger's Apprentice*. He has just released his third adult novel, *The Grey Raider*, which is about a Confederate sloop-of-war, CSS Manassas, that hunts down Union merchant vessels during the American Civil War. The novel is loosely based on the true story of the CSS Alabama, a commerce raider that attacked Union ships until it was sunk in 1864 by the USS Kearsarge outside the port of Cherbourg in France.

Flanagan, who grew up in Clovelly, is a former advertising copywriter who turned to TV writing in the 1980s with a colleague, Gary Reilly. The admen created the TV series *Hey Dad!*, writing 293 episodes, as well as *Hampton Court* and *My Two Wives*.

He started writing children's fiction 25 years ago to entertain his youngest child, Michael (Flanagan also has two daughters: Penny, a singer-songwriter; and Katie, a comedian who appears on ABC TV's *The Weekly* under her stage name, Kitty, the name of Flanagan's mother and the character in his new novel). This is how *Ranger's Apprentice* was born, but the first book, *The Ruins of Gorlan*, was not published until 2004, when Flanagan was 60.

Along with his *Brotherband* series and two adult thrillers, his books have now sold almost 10 million copies worldwide, making him one of Australia's most successful authors.

Portrait of Old Boy Wins Archibald



Artist Nigel Milsom has won this year's Archibald Prize with a portrait of Old Boy Charles Waterstreet (Class of '66).

Here's what he said about his subject:

'I've known Charlie indirectly and directly since birth,' says Milsom. 'I was born in Albury around the corner from the Waterstreet Hotel, owned and managed by his parents. On Friday afternoons, my father used to sell them freshly caught Murray cod to earn extra money for materials he needed to complete a boat he was building at home, which later sank to the bottom of the Murray River during its maiden voyage one freezing afternoon.'

'My relationship with Charlie took on more significance a few years ago when he represented me and in the pursuit of justice stood up to what seemed an unfair, impenetrable brick wall. He put his head on the chopping block and restored my faith in the legal system.'

'Charlie is a very complex person. He isn't just a law man. He's a writer, a social environmentalist and is involved in film, photography and theatre too. Despite personal struggles with his own demons over the years, he has managed to dedicate most of his time to the welfare of others. My portrait is an attempt to depict him as a giant: part-man, part-mythical creature with hands that appear otherworldly, as though the anatomy of his hands has been designed to grasp unnatural disasters, naturally.'

Born in 1975, Milsom lives and works in Newcastle. He has had nine solo exhibitions since 2002. He won the 2013 Doug Moran National Portrait Prize and the 2012 Sulman Prize. This is his third time in the Archibald.

Where are they now? continued

Noted Alumnus

MR PETER KELLER CLASS OF 1987



Peter Keller graduated from Waverley in 1987. A former music student and trombonist, Peter has gone on to a career as a researcher into the neuroscience of music. He is currently Associate Professor at the MARCS Institute, University of Western Sydney, and is conducting research aimed at understanding the behavioural and brain bases of human interaction in musical contexts.

Since leaving Waverley, Peter completed a Bachelor of Music in 1994 and a Bachelor of Arts: Psychology in 1995 at the University of New South

Wales. In 2001 he obtained a PhD in Psychology at the same institution. In 2014 he was Visiting Professor under the Leverhulme Trust at Durham University. He has held research positions at Haskins Laboratories (New Haven, USA), the Max Planck Institute for Psychological Research (Munich, Germany), and the Max Planck Institute for Human Cognitive and Brain Sciences (Leipzig, Germany), where he led the Music Cognition and Action group from 2007 until 2012. In 2015 he was awarded an Australian Research Council Future Fellowship.

Peter has served as Editor of the interdisciplinary journal 'Empirical Musicology Review' (2010–2012), and is currently an Associate Editor at 'Royal Society Open Science', a Consulting Editor for 'Music Perception' and 'Psychomusicology: Music, Mind, and Brain', and a member of the Editorial Board at 'Advances in Cognitive Psychology'.

Let's Stick Together

BYRON PIROLA CLASS OF 1978



Geoff O'Brien (Class of 1964) says, "I wanted to give a shout-out about Byron Pirola and his wife Fran, who work with couples to focus on the treasures in their relationship."

Byron Pirola and his wife, Francine, are Directors of the Marriage Resource Centre and are recognised leaders in marriage education, with a particular emphasis on understanding its sacramental nature in the Catholic faith.

Married since 1988 with five children, they are founders and directors of a marriage enrichment seminar, 'SmartLoving Marriage', that operates in Australia, UK, NZ and Uganda. They are also authors of the multi-media marriage preparation course, 'SmartLoving Engaged', which is used for Catholic marriage preparation.

In addition to his work with the MRC, for over twenty five years Byron has worked as an adviser to CEOs and Chairmen of leading companies both in Australia and overseas. He joined McKinsey and Company in 1986 where he served clients in Sydney, New York and London. In 1992 he became a founding partner of the Sydney based strategic consulting firm, Port Jackson Partners Limited, of which he is now a Director. He graduated from the Commonwealth Centre for Gene Technology, Adelaide University with a PhD in Biochemistry in 1986 and BSc with First Class Honours in Biochemistry from the University of NSW in 1982.

Milestones

Weddings

CENTENNIAL PARK WEDDING



Dimitri Cachia

(Class of 1994, Prefect and SUO of WCCU), brother of Jason Cachia (Class of 1991), son of Albert Cachia (Class of 1961) married Dr Zhanar Akhmetova, PhD (Econ, Princeton NJ) in Centennial Park on Friday 25 September.

UK WEDDING



In June, **Paul O'Sullivan** (1993), grandson of Phil (1938), son of Chris (1965/66) and brother of Phillip (1992), Christopher (1996) and Stephen (2001) married Lisa Coulson in a small ceremony, held in Wandsworth, London. Paul's parents, Chris and Patricia and three brothers travelled to the UK for the family event.

MEOLI WEDDING



Congratulations to **Frank and Carolina Meoli** who were married on 18 April 2015 at Mary Immaculate Church Waverley. Frank is a member of the Class of 1982.

Births



Congratulations to **David New**, Class of 1990, and his wife, Tarnya, on the birth of baby girl, Sophie Louise New on 1 July 2015 at 7lb 10oz.

Obituaries



A TRIBUTE TO PETER FLANAGAN CLASS OF 1956

Peter died on 2 September 2014, a member of the Leaving Certificate Class of 1956.

Peter had a gift. This gift was his wonderful personality. He was very popular at school both with his fellow students and the teachers. This trait in his nature would always attract people to him.

Peter began school at Waverley College in 1948. He rose to the expectations and standards of this great school.

Peter was an all-rounder. In the early years he was in the athletic team. He was a standout rugby union player and was always captain of his team, up to the 15A side in 1956. He was always an above average student.

Peter was the youngest in our class. He was 15 when he passed his Leaving Certificate in 1956.

After we left school, many of the lads from the two senior classes kept in touch. The bond we developed at Waverley College allowed Peter to be involved with the class members over the years that followed. During the first few years out of school the class had Christmas drinks at the Pharlets Hotel in the city. Over the following years this developed into an annual Christmas dinner.

Peter was very proud that after all these years he could meet up with such a sizeable group of Waverlians as the school would call us.

This became possible as a small group of us planned the event each year. This committee consisted of Peter, Adrian Pittorino, Gordon Marr and myself.

This event was a high priority on Peter's social list.

Our committee of four met over lunch a few times during the year. Peter organised these extended lunches. Bar Reggio in Stanley Street was his favourite place in recent times. Peter looked forward to these occasions.

After leaving school Peter became involved in squash, rugby union with the Randwick Juniors and then rugby league with the CYO.

Finally he became involved in golf. He would play this sport for the rest of his life. At one stage he lowered his handicap to single figures. He was a member of the Monash Golf Club.

Peter began as a Pharmacy apprentice at Carricks Pharmacy Bondi Road. He was being well trained and would have made a great pharmacist.

However before he finished his course he was lured away by the attraction of show business.

Peter formed a trio with his brother and sister, Paul and Margaret. This group went on to perform for many years. To his credit Peter wrote all the arrangements for their music. They performed on the Johnny O'Keefe TV show, The Eastern Suburbs Leagues Club, The review 1961 and 1962, TV shows and Frank Strains Bull and Bush live show in William Street, to mention a few.

Peter went on to perform at the Sesame Theatre Restaurant with his brother and sister. Little did he know this would change his life forever.

It was there that he met Patricia Maurice. In time she became Mrs Peter Flanagan. He adored her for the rest of his life.

This union produced two children. Kirsten and Heidi. Kirsten produced for him two grandchildren and Heidi has become one of Australia's top chefs.

We will all have fond memories of Peter.

He was an excellent father and a loyal and loving husband. Peter our friend and entertainer was highly esteemed by his peers.

My wonderful friend of over 60 years.

From the endearing class of 1956.

Paul Mathieson

TOMMY HILL BOARDER, WAVERLEY COLLEGE 1969-1972

A funeral was held for Tommy Hill Jnr on Friday 24 July 2015 at St Michael's Catholic Church, Daceyville. Tommy was a boarder at Waverley College from 1969-72.

Tommy, who was 59, enjoyed excellent health but passed away suddenly from an allergic reaction, anaphylaxis, which caused a hypoxic brain injury. Tommy's unselfishness and care for others was evidenced by the fact that he was an organ donor, and a number of people benefitted from his untimely passing, ensuring that his spirit lives on in the lives of others.

Tommy was a gentle soul who did not have a bad word for anyone and even from a young age, showed a genuine interest in the affairs of his fellow students. His passion for horse racing was regularly inflicted on fellow boarders as he rode winner's home in the dorm and would sneak off to the TAB and place a bet.

Tommy Jnr was the son of Tommy Snr, a well-known jockey in the 1960s and trainer in the 1970s.

After leaving school, Tommy Jnr became an accomplished carpet layer and estimator.

So successful was he at his craft that he won a contract for the 2000 Sydney Olympics at Stadium Australia and later at Wembley Stadium in London, UK.

He was also naturally drawn to his father's world of racing. However a battle with maintaining the required weight for a jockey resulted in him riding early track work most mornings and assisting his Dad with his training programme.

His passion for the horses never diminished and Tommy was also in attendance at most Randwick training and race days in a variety of capacities. He was usually an attendant in the jockey's room, or at the equine wading pool for horses, or wherever a supervisor was required.

When his father became ill, Tommy took over his license and was naturally thrilled when he trained his first metropolitan winner.

He married his childhood sweetheart Narelle and they had two children, son Tom, now 24 and daughter Natalie, now 21.

Tommy was an avid South Sydney Rabbitohs fan. When Souths won the grand final in 2014 for the first time since 1971, Tommy watched the replay five times the following week. He then subjected his family to watching it again on Christmas morning! His coffin was decked out in the cardinal red and myrtle green colours of the South Sydney Rabbitohs. Red and green balloons were released outside the church as the cortege moved away.

It was evidence of how well respected Tommy was in his community that his funeral was attended by a capacity crowd of mourners and his three great passions, family, horses and the Rabbitohs united in celebration of a life well lived but cut tragically short.

Tommy will be sadly missed.

Bruce Sheekey and Ron Heffernan



LOUISE MINUTILLO

Former staff member at the Junior School, Louise Minutillo, died on 30 June 2015. Louise was the Junior School Librarian from 1981 until 2005 and was responsible for setting up the library in the old Junior School and then in the new Waterford campus.

OBITUARIES

Obituaries continued

VALE FRANK HICKEY CLASS OF 1942

Francis (Frank) Adrian Hickey passed away on 24 March 2015 at the age of 89.

Frank was the eldest of 9 children, born to Adrian & Patrice Hickey of Gosford, on the Central Coast of NSW.

He and his brothers Brian (Class of 1944), Bede (Class of 1948) and Errol (Class of 1958) were second generation Waverlians, following in the footsteps of their father Adrian Dennis Hickey (Class of 1915).

The tradition continued with Frank's two sons Adrian (Class of 1970) and David (Class of 1974) also boarding at Our Lady's Mount.

Not surprisingly, one of Frank's five daughters married a Waverlian; Greg Quinn from the Class of 1979.

Frank loved his time at school, playing most sports on offer; excelling in boxing, rugby and handball. These were the days during the Second World War and he recounted stories of regular air raid sirens and the school being plunged into darkness.

He studied dentistry on an Air Force scholarship and flying became one of his many lifelong passions.

Studying at Sydney University, he met Patricia Quinn whilst boarding at the Oxford Hotel in Drummoyne; Patricia's home. They were inseparable until the end. He completed his Bachelor of Dentistry whilst playing Rugby for the Drummoyne Reds.

Frank was a man for all seasons; appreciating the brutality of boxing, Rugby League, Union and AFL whilst enjoying quiet moments playing the classics on his baby grand piano, or perfecting his home brew beer to share with his four sons-in-law.

He competed in aerial acrobatics at Warnervale until his mid 80s and maintained his fitness swimming, jogging and riding his bike to and from church.

Appreciative of his "fortunate life" Frank enjoyed people and the stories each had to offer.

Family and faith were everything to him and one enduring memory is of picnics at Bateau Bay each Sunday after attending Church at St Patricks, East Gosford.

Frank is survived by his beloved wife Patricia, their seven children, 14 grandchildren, two great grandchildren, his sisters Denise and Moya and brothers Bede and Errol.

David Hickey M: 0437 878530 davidhickey007@gmail.com



SHIRLEY CHAPMAN

Shirley Chapman, who died in May 2015, was the wife of the late John Chapman (1945) and mother of Old Boy's Chris (1972) and Austin (1974). Shirley was always very involved in many spheres of College life as well as supporting her husband and sons, and will be greatly missed.

A photo of Shirley and John Chapman from the 1965 school annual.

VESPA RUGLESS

Vespa Rugless died on 11 May, aged 96. Vespa was Old Boy, Phil O'Sullivan's (Class of 1938) sister and the mother of Old Boys Anthony Rugless and the late David Rugless.

GREGORY GEORGE BROWN CLASS OF 1933

Gregory George Brown Class of 1933 passed away on Friday 31 July 2015, aged 98 years. At the time of his death, Greg is thought to have been the oldest Waverley College Old Boy and the oldest living former NSW Police Detective, having retired from the Force in 1975 with the rank of Detective Chief Superintendent.

Sid Crane Port Macquarie

DEATH NOTICES

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

Name	Date of death	Year	Last Address
Gregory G Brown	Jul 2015	1933	Port Macquarie, NSW
Terrence Carroll	Jan 2014	1961	Sunshine Coast, QLD
Michael J Costello	Oct 2015	1949	Mosman, NSW
Sam De Brito	Oct 2015	1986	North Bondi, NSW
Peter Foley	Apr 2015	1947	Bondi Junction, NSW
Fr John Gahan	Sep 2015	1955	Sandgate
Tony Herlihy	Mar 2015	1953	Mosman, NSW
Tommy Hill	Jul 2015	1974	Hillsdale, NSW
John Hulme	Jun 2015	1960	Merimbula, NSW
Phillip Johnston	Jun 2015	1955	Lennox Head, NSW
Norman Lyons	Mar 2015	1963	Coogee, NSW
Kevin Massey	May 2013	1936	Niagara Park, NSW
Andrew McCloskey	Mar 2015	1965	Earlwood, NSW
Michael O'Mara	Sep 2015	1983	Bondi, NSW
Denis O'Shea	Apr 2015	1962	Helensvale, NSW
Jeffrey Savona	Jun 2015	1981	Dover Heights, NSW
Paul Tierney	Jun 2015	1962	Green Point, NSW

OPENING OF OUR CHAPEL



THE WAR MEMORIAL CHAPEL AND HALL WILL BE SIXTY YEARS OLD IN 2016.

Built as a memorial to the men of Waverley College who lost their lives in both World Wars, it was opened on 6 October 1956 by Bishop Carroll. The opening ceremony also included Old Boy representatives of all three of the armed forces: Major General J A Chapman CB, DSO and Bar, OBE; Surgeon Captain JM Flattery and Flight Lieutenant R Marr.

Construction of the Chapel was the result of a resolution taken at a meeting of the Old Boys' Union on 13 February 1950. The then President, Mr Max Coleman, was described as, 'the moving spirit behind the venture, ' although sadly he did not live to see the Chapel open. Fundraising began that very year with an annual target of £5000. The Parents' & Friends' Association was very involved in fundraising, committing all proceeds from annual balls and fetes throughout the early 1950s. In 1953 Hennessy, Hennessy and Co designed the chapel and hall, and a tender was issued for construction at a cost of £49,890. The foundation stone for the building was laid on 13 March 1955.

Images: The Chapel under construction in 1955, the opening ceremony and the finished building.



2015–16 Capital Appeal Define the Future. Act Now. Calling on all Waverlians to support the senior campus capital works project.

“Waverley’s greatest claim to achievement lies in the way it offers such a breadth of possibility for all who join the school.

Please donate whatever you are able to afford to acknowledge your own past at the College, to share in its current endeavours and to guarantee the realisation of its potential.”

PETER FROST MA, MEd Admin, Dip Ed – Assistant Headmaster (Class of 1964)

WHY YOUR FELLOW ALUMNI ARE GIVING TO THIS APPEAL

BRETT COURTENAY

1957–1968

Associate Professor / Orthopaedic Surgeon



I attended Waverley for 12 years. When shown, and asked to be involved, in the Capital Works Appeal I was impressed with the extent and diversity of what was planned for the future. Looking at the new PDHPE and

Aquatic Centres, a Technological and Applied Science building as well as upgrading the gymnasium/auditorium I realised what a huge boost it will be to Waverley and what it has always been able to offer – a very well balanced education.

I am proud to be a supporter.

JOHN KING

1957–1967

BA, LLB (Hons), LLM, CTA



The education that my father, uncle, three brothers and three cousins received at the College greatly helped me to develop a guiding and important set of personal values, and to perform and achieve to the best

of my ability in my chosen career after I left the College.

I will forever be grateful to the dedicated Christian Brothers and other teachers who taught me so well, in many cases under difficult circumstances.

My donation to the Capital Works Appeal is a small token of my appreciation for the opportunities that my education at the College opened up for me.

JOHN COOREY

1972–1979

Company Director, BA, LLB



When I started at the College in 1972 in Year 5, I made a group of friends who remain my closest friends to this day, some 43 years later. The College provided me with not only a great network of friends but also

strong motivation for success both in my chosen career and life.

Contributing to the Capital Appeal is a small way of acknowledging and repaying the College for everything it has done for me.



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