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DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 12 August Vintage Blue and Gold Mass and Lunch for classes from 1940 to 1976

Friday 30 September Reunion Evening Function at the Cyprian Pavilion

Check the Old Boys website at www.ashgroveoldboys.com.au for further details.

ADVERTISING IN THE ASHGROVIAN

Members will note that for the first time in many years advertising has been included in the Ashgrovian. It has proved necessary because of the huge costs now associated with producing and distributing a high quality publication. However, the advertising is both limited and selective. It has also been restricted to not only those who have a close association with the College but also have a service which is attractive to Old Boys. The OBA acknowledges their support and asks members to make use of their services wherever possible.



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Fellow Ashgrovians,

Welcome to all of the 2015 Senior Graduating class, Old Boys and MCA supporters. 2016 has started off with its usual vigour with the AGM taking place on February 2 and the new committee being installed. I would firstly like to thank the previous committee for the wonderful job they have done over the last two years throughout Marist College Ashgrove's Jubilee year.

It was great to see the old Marist gates from the Rosalie playing fields transformed into their new format and used during the Inaugural Mass and symbolically during the school's first Assembly for the year. Thank you to the school for the restoration and the effort put into bringing these pieces of Marist history to their new home. Rosa is never forgotten!

On March 23, the school hosted Sir Julius Chan for the launch of his memoirs 'Playing the Game'. Sir Julius did not miss the chance to address the current students where he kept them engaged with his fond memories of his time at Ashgrove and how it shaped his life, while not quite letting Bernie Knapp off the hook for a lost game for the 1st XV!

The book launch was held in the Cyprian Pavilion where his family and extended friends of the Marist Ashgrove community joined him.

With Sir Julius being back at the school and the Patron of the Tower Block restoration project, it is timely to mention the OBA is looking for extra and continued support with this restoration and rejuvenation project. All Old Boys and extended community can help by raising some funds to continue this project. The Tower Block is remembered fondly by so many Old Boys and it is only fitting that the Old Boys become an important part of the fundraising for such a wonderful project. The Association wants the current and future students to share the same pride that so many of us feel when we remember this extraordinary building and the time we spent around it.

Friday May 6 saw the Annual Golf Day which was again a most enjoyable day with 84 starters who took on the challenge at Keperra in a 4 ball Ambrose event. It was good to see the cross-section of talent and participants that our ever extending Marist community brings to these days. Thanks again to Peter Casey for Dominick Melrose

his efforts in ensuring the day is such a success each year.

Our final function for the Semester 1 was to host St Laurence's (SLC) for our MCA Old Boys Sports Day with the 1st XV teams from 1956, 1966 and 1976 from both schools invited. We were lucky enough to have special guests from the class of 1946 (1st XIII) being Judge Kevin Row and Ray Cottrell (who is our oldest surviving Old Boy at 89 years young). This year's game saw the award of the Inaugural "Senior/Burnett Memorial Trophy" gifted to the College by the 1976 teams from both MCA and SLC in memory of Greg Senior and Paul Burnett. Whilst fierce opponents on the field, it commemorates the deep respect these teams had for each other and the sprit in which our two great schools play the game. Thank you to Kay Wells for the tireless effort in getting this day to run so smoothly.

On behalf of the MCA OBA committee, thank you for your continuing support and we look forward to catching up with you at the OBA reunion planned for this year.

Viriliter Age!

President

ATTENTION: ALL OLD BOYS FROM THE 1940'S TO 1960'S

THE OBA AND THE COLLEGE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF UPDATING THE DATA BASE IN RESPECT OF ITS OLD BOYS. WE WANT TO STAY IN CONTACT WITH YOU. USING OLD BOYS AS THE SUBJECT ENTRY, WOULD YOU PLEASE EMAIL TO hoffmannk@marash.qld.edu.au THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

Name, years at Ashgrove, address, home phone, mobile phone, email

PLEASE PASS THIS MESSAGE ON TO YOUR COLLEAGUES



FROM THE HEADMASTER

Dear members of the Marist College Ashgrove Old Boys' Association,

We have all heard it said that a team is only as strong as its weakest link. In his book "Too Soon Old, Too Late Smart", Gordon Livingston M.D. writes about how our greatest strengths are our greatest weaknesses. He points to the fact that certain personality traits are highly correlated to academic and professional success:

- dedication to work
- attention to detail
- ability to manage time
- conscientiousness

Livingston also points out that these people can be difficult to live with. He goes on to write that we all have to juggle multiple responsibilities in our lives – work, partner, parent, friend and it's a challenge. These different roles demand different attitudes. It's a "horses for courses" approach.

We tend to work well with others who complement our strengths with different strengths of their own. Permit me to share some of Livingston's observations with you.

"The things we are sure will make us happy seldom do."

"The relentless pursuit of pleasure brings pain."

"The greatest risk is not taking any."

"Everything in life is a good/bad news story."

"Promotion brings more money and more headaches."

"Our dream holiday puts us in debt."

"Experience has taught us well, but now we are too old to use the knowledge."

"Youth is wasted on the young."

The way ahead? The answer?

Only by embracing our mortality can we be happy in the time we have.

He concludes by stating:

"Our ability to experience any pleasure requires either a healthy denial or courageous acceptance of the weight of time and the prospect of ultimate defeat."

I taught at Marist College Ashgrove for one year in 1992. I wonder what advice the Seniors of 1992 would like to pass on to the Seniors of 2016? Maybe there is a lot to be gained from the goal of Champagnat for the students of his schools, good Christians and good citizens.

After all, if we can be the best we can be, we can't ask for much more.

Yours in Jesus, Mary and St Marcellin.

Peter McLoughlin Headmaster

BROTHER DANIEL HOLLAMBY

Brother Daniel Hollamby (1969) is now a Member (AM) in the General Division of the Order of Australia.

The OBA extends it's congratulation to Brother Daniel Hollamby (1969) on his AM for significant service to primary education, particularly in indigenous communities, through senior teaching and leadership positions. Brother taught at the College and was headmaster of the Primary School from 1983-1988.

OLD BOYS SPORTS DAY - JUNE 11, 2016

The Headmaster, Peter McLoughlin, the MCA OBA and College Community were delighted to welcome back members of the Marist College Ashgrove (MCA) and St. Laurence's College (SLC) 1st XV from 1956, 1966 and 1976 along with Mr lan McDonald, Headmaster of SLC.

Members of the Ashgrove 1946 1st XIII were also acknowledged. While the great majority of that undefeated premiership team have passed on, it was a great honour that centre Kev Row was able to attend as was Ray Cottrell our oldest living Old Boy who is 89 years young and, with Kev, was a member of the MCA 1946 1st XI Cricket who were undefeated MCSA Premiers. The 1946 1st XIII: Pat Connor (Capt), Brian Sharry (Vice-Capt), Bill Roberts, Peter Brown, Chas Barbagallo, Joe Hardy, Bill Earle, Bernie Coogan, Kev Row, Chas. Gullotta, Frank Hammond, Peter Whitty-Sherwin, Bob Milligan, Kevin Osborne, Remo Agostinelli, Des Premiers Mills, Tom Brannelly, John Fell, Bede Hintz. Coach Mr. Arch. Ferrier.

Following the Headmaster's welcome and lunch for the teams, they were presented with medallions and acknowledged by the large crowd present. They then stayed on to watch the thrilling 1st XV match with Ashgrove prevailing 30-8.

Some memories of those brilliant Ashgrove 1st XVs

1956 1st XV TAS Undefeated Premiers

For the fifth year of Rugby Union competition, Ashgrove triumphantly held the title "Undefeated Premiers". 8 Ashgrove players were chosen to represent The Associated Schools to play GPS.

Larry Perrett (C), Bob Laracy, Ray Mullen, John O'Connor, Julius Chan, Joe Chan, Shane O'Connor, George Doniger, Morgan Midgley, Don Kaese, Alf Madsen, Phillip Callaghan, Peter Mahony, Bernie Knapp, Dan Currier, John Fitzgibbon, Neville Morrison, Len Remedios, Coach: Br. Francis McMahon.

1966 1st XV TAS Undefeated Premiers

The talented 1966 1st XV Captain David L'Estrange and Vice-Captain Michael Flynn would become Wallabies while Bill Andrews would represent Queensland and earn an Australian XV selection. In 8 TAS competition games the 1966 1st XV scored 43 tries, recording 194 points for and 39 against.

David L'Estrange (capt) (fullback), Michael Flynn (breakaway), Peter Dux (prop), Pat Nicholls (centre), Trevor Towler (hooker), Peter Costello (2nd row), Bill MacGinley (prop), Graeme O'Neill (No. 8), Keith Sayer (breakaway), Dan Kirkman (halfback), Bill Andrews (flyhalf), Gary Waters (2nd row), Frank Saemala (wing), Wayne Golding (wing) and Bernard Hannagan (centre). Coach: Br. Terrence Curley.

1976 1st XV TAS Undefeated Premiers

The 1976 1st XV were undefeated in all three trial games (BSHS, BBC and BGS) and in all 8 TAS competition matches. Brendan Moon commenced his representative career chosen as the only TAS representative in the Australian Schoolboys' team. The Ashgrove 1st XV scored 179 points in eight matches, while conceding only 33 points. Chosen in the Queensland schoolboy teams were Michael Devereux, Brendan Moon, David Robertson and Paul Burnett for the second year running.

From the QRU Annual Report of 1976 "For the third consecutive year Marist Brothers College Ashgrove won the A grade premiership and it has proved a fitting climax for their coach, the Headmaster Brother Alexis (4 premierships in 6 years!). Brendan Moon (capt) (outside centre), Paul Burnett (v-c) (front row), Stephen Hamill (fullback), Bernard Piovesan (wing), Stephen Gandini (halfback/centre), Michael Gooch (wing), Anthony O'Sullivan (insidecentre), David Ford (flyhalf), Trevor Graham (halfback), John Heinke (No. 8), Michael O'Rourke (breakaway), Tony Hogarth (breakaway), Shaun Sykes (2nd row), Mark Devereux (2nd row), David Robertson (hooker), Neil Beattie (prop), Tom McCormack (reserve – 2nd row), Anthony Simpson (breakway). Coach: Br Alexis Turton.

A Perpetual trophy, the "Senior/ Burnett Memorial Cup" to be awarded annually was presented to the victorious Ashgrove 1st XV captain. The trophy was named in honour of the memory of Paul Burnett (MCA, 1976) and Greg Senior (SLC, 1976) two talented sportsmen who have passed away from the 1976 teams and who possessed those special attributes of humility, generosity and being just generally good guys!

Thanks to members of the 1976 1st XVs of MCA and SLC for organising this tribute.



Lorraine Burnett, Mother of Paul (1976) and Mike Senior, Brother of Greg (SLC 1976)

OLD BOYS SPORTS DAY - JUNE 11, 2016





1946 1ST XIII TEAMFront row: Judge Kevin Row, Ray Cottrell



1956 1ST XV TEAM

Back Row: George Doniger, Neville Morrison, Dan Currier, Jim Midgley (Morgan RIP), Sir Julius Chan Front Row: John O'Connor, Larry Perrett, Peter Mahony, Jack Laracy (Bob RIP), Bernie Knapp

OLD BOYS SPORTS DAY - JUNE 11, 2016



1966 1ST XV TEAM

Back row: Graeme O'Neill, Wayne Golding, Moira Hannagan (Bernard RIP), Michael Hefferan (Peter Costello RIP), Bill MacGinley, Garry Waters, Pat Nicholls

Front row: Bill Andrews, Dan Kirkman, David L'Estrange, Brian Towler (Trevor RIP), Peter Dux, Keith Sayer



1976 1ST XV TEAM

Back row: Steve Gandini, John Heinke, Stephen Hamill, Anthony Simpson, Neill Beattie, Mike Gooch Front row: Tony Hogarth, Shaun Sykes, Br Alexis Turton (Coach), Mrs Lorraine Burnett (Paul RIP), Brendan Moon, Trevor Graham

GOLF DAY - MAY 6, 2016

The biggest field that we have had since 2009 woke up to a cloudless sky for the annual Marist College Ashgrove Old Boys golf day. With the course looking at its spectacular best, what could possibly ruin my day. Well as I have said several times when asked, 'do you play golf?', to which my reply is 'yes, regularly', but mainly all on the same day and no one cannot say that I don't get to see

a lot of the course. From the sound of laughter that wafted across the fairways, again I would say that golf played a secondary part of our annual get together.

84 loyal souls hit off at Keperra Country Golf Club, which again looked after us during the day. My thanks go out to Michael Dash and his great team for another faultless round, cold beer and friendly ambience. Winners on the day were Mark Curcuruto, Brett Mc Sweeny, Paul Pearce and Mark Rainbow, with a nett 53.37. That's some sweet golf. Nearest the Pins were Tom McDonald and Paul Pearce and Longest Drive went to Brett McSweeney.

Peter Casey









SON OF ZOLTAN TO BE AROUND FOR A LONGTIME

The OBA hears there have been rave reviews for Old Boy and restauranteur Tyron Simon (1996) and the brilliant LONgTiME located at 610 Anne Street in the Valley. Celebrity chef Matt Preston has nominated it as one of his favourite restaurants in Queensland. But don't think you can walk in claiming you were taught by Tyron's Dad and Ashgrove legend, Zoltan -- it is always packed.



PRAYERS PLEASE

- Michael Marnane, late of St. Johns Wood, passed away peacefully on December 24th, 2015 aged 91 years. Adored husband of Pat and father of Margaret (dec'd), Kevin (1974), Ann, Catherine, Paul (1979) and Michael (1989) and grandfather of 14 and great-grandfather of 8.
- Ellen Maureen Sinclair of The Gap passed away on January 9, 2016 aged 94 years. "Nell" was mother of 11 children: Mariee, John (1963), Lynda, Robert (1969, Vice-Captain), Catherine, Gabrielle, Peter (75, School Captain), Anne, Michael (1981), James (1982). Nell was married to "Jack", (Edwin John) who predeceased Nell in 1995, aged 75 years, Nell was grandmother to 44 and great-grandmother to 27! Many have attended MCA including, Brendan Klar (85, School Captain), John Sinclair (1986), Sam (2004) and Joseph Cloake (2013), William (2003) and Edward Spraggon (2003) and Robert (1991) and Ben (1996) Spraggon, Tom (2000) and Michael Spencer (1996).
- Hon. Brian William Ambrose QC (1951) passed away peacefully on December 31, 2015 aged 80 years loving husband to Jean (dec'd). Father to Bret (1987) and Mark (1990). Brian had the distinction of being the second MCA old boy to be a judge of the Supreme Court.
- Robert Peter Laracy (1956) (10.10.1939 1.1.2016). Bob passed away peacefully at home in Canberra. Bob was
 the dearly loved husband of Elaine and the father of Peter, Ann Maree, Jeanette and Tessie and grandfather of 7.
 Bob was the younger brother of Jack (1953). Bob was an outstanding schoolboy athlete who later represented
 Queensland in Rugby Union while playing for Brothers Club.
- Maureen Mary Blinkhoff passed away peacefully on August 18, 2015 aged 70 years after a long battle with cancer. Maureen was wife of Rod and mother to Paul (1992), Matt (1995) and Michael (1998).
- Maree Harvey was wife of Peter "French" Harvey (1972), mother of Vaughn and Freya who passed away suddenly in late 2015.
- Val Brosnan (nee Pearson) died suddenly on Melbourne Cup day, Nov 2015. Val was wife of John Brosnan (1946). Val was on the MCA staff as an Assistant Music Teacher to Mrs Kitty Gilroy, in the Forties when MCA returned from Eagle Heights.
- James "Jim" Stack (1978) aged 54 years passed away suddenly on 11th Feb 2016. Jim leaves wife Wendy and two young children Charlie & Sophie. Jim was much loved brother of Susan, Chris (1989) and Brett (1982).
- Catherine "Kitty" Cavendish, late of Ashgrove, passed away, November 2, 2015, aged 91 years. Beloved wife of Bob (dec'd) and much loved mother of John (1969), Peter (1972), Mark (1973), Beth and Michael (dec'd) and grandmother and great-grandmother of their families.
- Jake Howard, late of Moola Road, Ashgrove, passed away suddenly on December 11, 2015. Dearly loved husband of Margariete. Much loved father of Pat (1990), Kath, Tom (2002) and Dave (2002) and loved Pa to his 6 grandchildren.
- Nell Pedrazzini passed away unexpectedly on December 1, 2015, aged 85 years. Nell was loving wife of Neil (1946 dec'd) and beloved mother of John, Gail, Jan and Colleen and much adored grandmother and greatgrandmother.
- Maurice Feehely died peacefully on December 1, 2015 aged 84. Dearly beloved husband of Maureen, and father of Jim (1972) and Jenny, Dan (1973) and Trish, Bronwyn and Greg Inglis, and Karen, and grandfather and greatgrandfather of their families.
- Martin Choules (1994) passed away 4th March aged 38. Martin was farewelled at a Requiem Mass at St Agatha's Catholic Church
- Kurt Reimann (1991) aged 42, passed away on May 18, 2016 in Port Moresby, PNG from heart failure. Kurt is survived by his partner, Lynette and children Izabella and Hans; also his parents, sister and brothers Richard (1985) and Rene (1987).
- Richard Daniel Stein (1979) passed away surrounded by his loving family on April 9, 2016. Richard was husband of Janessa and father of Callan and Morgan and brother to Antonia. Richard was 54 and a policeman based at Nerang.
- John Golden (1965) was the twin brother of Michael (1965) and passed away suddenly while visiting Bali on holiday. John had a fall and developed septicaemia from the subsequent infection in his leg which caused John's death a few days later. It was a sad trip for John's daughter and Michael to bring John's ashes home.



Kurt Reimann (1991)

May they rest in peace. Amen.

OBA 1966 LOST SOULS

Would anyone knowing the wherabouts of any of the following ask them to contact David L'Estrange (m:0400 661 342 or e:user4508@bigpond.net.au) or Bill Andrews (m:0413 208 046 or e:wand4855@bigpond.net.au) as soon as possible for the 1966 50 year reunion.

Names	Locations	Names	Locations
John Cook	Wandoan	Greg Webber	Wilston
Robert Noakes	Ashgrove	Clive Perrett	Kangaroo Point
John Christopher	Ipswich	Phil Lawler	Mitchelton
Chris G. Johnston	Grovely	Noel W. Campbell	Miles
G. Mullins	Nelia	Greg Sellin	Caboolture
Paul Hamer	Fairfield	Brian Hayes	Mitchelton
Noel Cashell	Mt Isa	Mils Lafferty	Toowong
Pete Woodford	Enoggera	Brian A Mills	Mitchelton
Tom Murray	Prairie	Bernard A. Hamet	Hong Kong
Tom Green	Dalveen	Bernard J Omodie	Ashgrove
Des Ringuet	Bracken Ridge	Ross Smithwick	Alderley
Ray Midgley	Hong Kong	Mike G. Leo	Nambour
Garry Gillespie	Mitchelton	Wolfgang Werhend	Bardon
Pat Wells	Eaton Park	Craig Ferguson	Red Hill
Les Barnes	Newmarket	John Beevers	Everton Park
Jit Patel	Fiji		

CONGRATULATIONS TO NICK FRISBY

The OBA passes on its congratulations to Nick Frisby (2009) (son of Denis (1979)) for his selection in the Wallabies squad to face the June tour by Six Nations champions, England. Nick came off the bench in the first Test at Lang Park for his first cap and he became MCA's 22nd Wallaby.





LUCA JANNESE - THRIVING IN THE NPL

The OBA notes Luca Jannese (2010) continues to impress in the world of soccer/football. We will be watching his career with great interest.

Luca plays for the John Kosmina coached Brisbane City in the NPL.

OLYMPIC SEVENS REVIVES MEMORIES OF ELPHINSTON THE GREAT

The successful introduction of Sevens reside on the Isle of Jersey. The post Rugby to the 2016 Olympics means the sport owes a debt of gratitude to those players who championed the cause for so many years on the International circuit. Ashgrove produced three of the greats in Tom McVerry (1997), Richard Graham (1990) and the extraordinarily talented Ashley Elphinston (1998).

Ashley was part of that brilliant, undefeated 1998 1st XV who, with Johnno Ahlberg, Daniel Heenan, Anthony Mathison and Paul Sheedy, dominated the Australian Schoolboys selections. With Dave Roberston (1976) as manager, the team embarked on an undefeated tour of Europe and Canada. Ashley played in all tests on tour.

A natural at the Sevens game, Ashley represented Australia and played in tournaments in Argentina, Chile, South Africa and was part of the team that won the prestigious New Zealand Sevens with Richard Graham as captain.

After a stint in Sydney Rugby, Ashley played professionally in Japan and England (including a winning try in the final at Twickenham)!

Married to another outstanding sportsperson, Kara, (sister of Damon (1998) and Blake (1994) Dimitrijevic) they have three children and now

rugby career saw Ashley as the coach of the Jersey Under 20 Colts team for 3 years. Andrew's other 'career' in the UK has led to work for Ernst and Young, KPMG and now with HSBC Finance division within the planning and strategy team.

Not content behind a desk, Ashley has rowed across the English Channel and, with that Sevens talent not being wasted, is in the Jersey over 30s touch rugby team. He will be playing in the European Championships in July.

As to his years at Ashgrove, Ashley told the Ashgrovian "The passion the teachers have for helping the students to realise their potential, the incredible grounds and facilities that Marist has

to offer, the values that are instilled and the life-long friends I made during my school years are all reasons why I hold such a soft spot for the school. It is not until you leave the safety of your school, your city and country that you realise how lucky we all were to have attended such a brilliant school and I only hope my sons get the opportunity to have the same experience."

Staff who taught and coached Ashley had nothing but praise for 'a true 'Ashgrovian'. The OBA hopes to see little Elphs following in dad's footsteps on the Flats in years to

There will be a more updated history of Ashley's career on the OBA website in the near future.







PLOT CLEARED, DRAINAGE IN—A NEW CAMBODIAN VILLAGE GROWS

Marist Solidarity and Chair of the Cambodian Village Planning Committee, past Headmaster Brother Terry Heinrich, seek the support of Old Boys to develop a new residential village that will offer ex-students of the Marists' LaValla school suitable accommodation to enable them to continue with their high school or university studies.

The concept of a community village to cater for young people with physical disabilities has been developed by local Khmer staff and Australian Marists.

It will offer an alternative to institutional living by creating 10 simple, independent-living houses that will each accommodate up to 10 students.

The new village builds on two other Marist projects—the LaValla Primary School and the Inclusive Education Program and will alleviate problems caused by overcrowding within existing facilities.

Site preparations are well underway and building designs are currently being reviewed by the Cambodian Village Planning Committee and Marist Solidarity. They include common spaces such as a dining room, kitchen and an IT learning centre.

To date, Australian donors and other funding partners have generously contributed 40 percent of project costs and this has enabled us to secure the 1.6 hectare parcel of land and cover some of the costs of common spaces.

We need Ashgrove Old Boys support to help fund the last 60 percent of the total project costs. To donate to the Community Village in Cambodia or to find out more please go to the project page on our website www.australianmaristsolidarity.net. au/project/msc-community-village or contact Australian Marist Solidarity Cambodia Projects Coordinator and member of the Cambodian Village Planning Committee, Mr Ashley Bulgarelli, by email Ashley.Bulgarelli@marists.org.au or phone (07) 3354 0600.





FEATURE FILM RELEASE - JOSEPH BAUER

Old Boy, Joseph Bauer (2005) has his second feature-length film coming out soon. He and wife Rita Artmann, from ArtSpear Entertainment have produced a sci-fi comedy entitled Australiens. Joe was the writer, director, did the editing and special effects and some of the music, as well as being one of the actors. Rita had the main female lead and was the producer of the film. Old Boys can pre-order the DVD from JB HiFi at the following link.

https://www.jbhifi.com.au/movies-tv-shows/movies-tv-shows-on-sale/sci-fi/australiens/955686/

They have also put together twelve movie trailer spoofs several with over one million views and one with over nine million.

There are six in Season 1 (called Seasoning 1) and another six in Season 2 of their Toon Sandwich spoofs.

You can find them on their website http://artspear.com/



TIM APELT PARK OFFICIALLY OPENED

Derek has his oval, but not many Ashgrovians have an entire suburban park named after them. Tim Apelt (1975) was a project manager and surveyor extraordinaire. He was responsible for overseeing the surveying for the magnificent 'The Sanctuary' which is part of the huge Springfield Development.

The classic quiet achiever, Tim



succumbed to cancer in June 2012. His superb skills and professionalism were never forgotten and both his employer LandPartners and developer Lend Lease ensured the recognition of his contribution will live on. Lend Lease was represented at the opening by another Old Boy and childhood Apelt neighbour, Dean Patterson (1981).





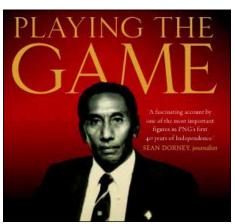
SIR JULIUS - "PLAYING THE GAME"

Sir Julius Chan completed Senior at MCA in 1958 matriculating to UQ to study Agricultural Science in 1959. Sir Julius attended MCA from 1954-58 and distinguished himself at Rugby, playing in the 1st XV for three consecutive years and being chosen in the TAS representative side each time. Sir Julius' Rugby skills were clearly ones he would use later when he began a political career in pre-independent Papua New Guinea in 1968, becoming the second Prime Minister of the new nation on 11 March 1980. As Sir Julius Chan, KBE, he returned to the College in July 1981 and spoke to fellow Old Boys:

"I am an Old Boy of Ashgrove, and I am a Prime Minister. Without the first, I very much doubt whether I could ever have become the second."

At the launch of Sir Julius' autobiography "Playing the Game" in the Cyprian Pavilion on 23 March, Sir Julius referred to his days at MCA as the happiest days of his life. It was wonderful to welcome back Sir Julius, and his wife Stella, daughter Vanessa and three sons Byron, Mark and Toea who all also attended MCA.

"Playing the Game" is a fascinating account of life and politics in PNG by one of the most important figures in PNG's first 40 years of independence. To listen to MCA Headmaster Peter McLoughlin, and fellow Old Boy and friend Bernie Knapp extoll Sir Julius character and for Sir Julius to speak so humbly and fondly of his Marist association made the launch even more special.







"VINTAGE BLUE & GOLD" OLD BOYS LUNCH

FOR CLASSES 1940 - 1976

CYPRIAN PAVILION - FRIDAY 12 August 2016

12 noon for lunch and conclusion at 3.00 pm

For those who would like to do so, there will be a Mass in the College Chapel at 10.30am followed by a tour of the College prior to lunch

PARTNERS WELCOME

Entry via Frasers Road and parking available as directed

COST: \$40 (lunch, beer, wine and soft drink)

RSVP: 5 August 2016

ALL VERY WELCOME

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN BOOKING SHEET TO ATTENTION OF KAY WELLS

Any enquiries please contact Kay WELLS
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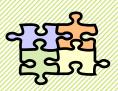
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THE HILLS ARE ALIVE FOR JACK INGRAM

talents of the Ingram boys, Ken (1972), Greg (1979) and Laurie (1981), but we're not sure if a superb singing voice was one of them. Any collective shortfall has now been remedied by the astounding talents of young Jack Ingram (Year 8, son of Greg).

Jack was brilliant as Freidrich, elder son of the Von Trapp family, in the popular Australian stage musical, "The Sound of Music".

The Ashgrove characteristic of the pursuit of excellence has found its way into Jack's persona at an early age. He has been performing his

Old Boys will recall the many assorted whole life beginning at home with his two big sisters and as the Ringmaster in his Prep circus. He trained for five years at the FAME Theatre Company and has performed in many productions, most recently playing the Wolf in Little Red Riding Hood. Jack has performed professionally in OperaQ - Le Boheme and the Brisbane season of Chitty Chitty Bang Bang closer to home. He is also a member of the Marist choir. As well as his love of music, Jack enjoys French, soccer, card tricks and Harry Potter.

> These are just a few of his favourite things.



NEW POOL BRINGS FIRST UP VICTORY

The opening of the new swimming pool has had immediate results with the College winning the AIC Championships over the Michael Bohl (1979) trained St Peters Lutheran College (SPLC). A fantastic team effort saw most Age groups near the top, with the U13 and U14 smashing their opposition. Sons of Old Boys Seb Leavy, Hunter Pyne and Henry Meland were superb in leading the team to victory. A champion team!

Mike Bauer (1972) recently sent in a great old colour photo from his dad's slide collection of the College's first pool circa 1959. A fantastic contrast to the new pool opened earlier this year.





MEMORIES OF ALEXANDER MUIR

Nothing is more tragic than when one of our younger members passes away. Elspeth Muir, the elder sister of Alexander (2005), has written a powerful and moving book - "Wasted"- investigating not only the life and death of her beloved brother but other more concerning aspects of Australian life. 'Wasted' has received outstanding reviews nationally and the quality of Elspeth's writing has been widely acknowledged. The OBA remembers Alexander and our thoughts remain with his parents, Chris (1968) and Dymphna, who remain loyal members of the College family.



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'TINY' PORTER'S FOND MEMORIES

As a 14 year old boy who had attended school at a one teacher State primary school in a country setting in the Lockyer Valley, moving to MCA as a boarder certainly provided me with an opportunity I had never before experienced.

I was a chubby kid and bigger than most boys my age. Whilst I had always wanted to participate in a Rugby League team as a junior, I was never able to achieve this goal because junior teams were determined by weight divisions and this made it almost impossible for me to participate. Attending Ashgrove gave my first opportunity to play team sport and I then had to learn the transition to Rugby Union. Fortunately, I learnt the game playing with the boarders and made the U15A team in my first season at the College. I then represented the 3rd XV in 1964 and the 1st XV in 1965 in my final year at the College. We were undefeated Premiers but as I have just discussed with Damian Carroll (who was a member of that team) we were very privileged to have had that honour because that particular team produced 6 International Rugby players.

32 years later I was further privileged to see our son Michael represent Ashgrove in the 1st XV and he too was in an undefeated premiership team. He also was very fortunate to have teamed with at least 6 players who excelled in Rugby either by way of being contracted to the Queensland Reds and players who have continued their Rugby careers playing International Rugby in Ireland, France and Japan. It has been a wonderful opportunity Michael and I will always treasure. It is really a bonus we received from simply being given an opportunity to be part of the famous Marist family. It is something I am very proud of having just completed the reunion celebrations after 50 years of the 1965 1st XV and our Senior Class of 1965.

Unfortunately, I suffered a serious stroke in July 2013, and the past almost 3 years now have been very stressful for my family. Particularly for my wife Julie who has been full on delivering me to appointments with physiotherapists, occupational therapists, specialists and rehab facilities.

One of the most important therapies I have received during this recovery period has been the incredible support from the Old Boys of Ashgrove and the network that was organised by one of my class mates Tom Quain. Tom has been a wonderful contributor to the College through various organisations. It is men of the calibre of Tom that keep the strong bond and comradeship that Ashgrove possesses and is the envy of other boys' Colleges'.

This is the reason for my fond memories.

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Tim and his team have won the highly prestigious 'Innovation Challenge Award' for 2015 in the 'Environment. Agriculture and Food' category. The team painstakingly used selective breeding to develop a variety of sweet corn rich in zeaxanthin, a compound which is believed to protect against age-related macular degeneration.

The OBA congratulates Tim on the development of the 'Super Gold'



This year's winners at the awards ceremony in Canberra. From left, Monica Davis, Shi Yin, Robert McLaughlin, Tim O'Hare, Cameron Ryan and Kayla Brereton, who accepted the education and community services award on behalf of Juliette Wright.

sweet corn which hopefully will ease the burden for many in the years to come.

Otherwise Old boys are encouraged to add sweetcorn to the diet as soon as possible.

The Colour Competition (CC) seems to have come into being as a convenient way of dividing up the boys in the school for intraschool sporting events, particularly swimming and athletics. It would also encourage mass participation, because as the Prospectus in the Blue and Gold (B&G) 1940 stated: "All boys, medically fit, are required to take part in the organised games, etc." A student needn't necessarily be gifted in a particular sport, but he could feel that any points he earned would contribute to his colour's total.

The very first mention of the CC comes on page 33 of the 1940 B&G, under the heading of Annual Sports Meeting: "Green team, captained by J. Taylor, won the teams' championship for the E. J. Phelan Shield, with 439 points, the Gold team (J. Currie, captain) being second with 384. In the teams relay race, Reds captained by H. Judge were first. Eight runners from every Age group participated for each team."

More detail comes in the 1941 B&G:

Athletics: Tug of war, Reds; Grand March, Golds; Relay race, Greens. Order of teams in points: Reds (A. Bamback captain) 549 points 1, Blues (K. Kreutzer capt.) 2, Greens 3, Golds (L. Burton capt) 4.

Cricket: Thursday afternoon's colour competitions were always keenly contested, eight teams being engaged.

Football: A colour competition was arranged and the four teams staged some vigorous contests.

Swimming: Team competition for the D'Arx Shield resulted:- 1st, Golds (McCafferty's team); 2nd Blues (J. Moore's team); 3rd Reds (R. Johnson's team.)

The 1942 B&G states in its reporting of the Athletics Carnival that "For the purpose of competition, the school was divided into three teams, Blues, Golds, and Reds." (The reduction from 4 colours in 1941 can be explained by the smaller school population as a result of the enforced evacuation to Mt Tamborine at the







start of 1942)

In 1943, the 140 boys were once again divided into Red, Green, Blue and Gold and Br. Herbert Jones decided to have a competition to see who could produce the best warcry. The Gold team were declared outright winners with their rendition of Gunga Lora. In the decades to follow the Reds, Golds, Greens and Blues entrenched their own distinctive warcries.

After the early years, it seems to be a matter of who compiled the B&G whether intra-school sport gained a detailed mention or not. For example, there are no entries for the main school at Ashgrove about the CC in 1947 while in 1948 the 9th annual school Athletics meeting recorded all winners in track and field and stated "R. Agostinelli's team won the team's competition." St John the Baptist's Prep School at Mt Tamborine is consistent throughout its existence in its references to the winners of its

CC. By the time of the 1980s, there are few references in the annual magazines to the CC, because, as is to be expected, the results of interschool sporting competitions and teams were regarded as more important. From about 1985 through into the early 1990s, House names taken from famous College identities were assigned to Colours. So, for example, the 1989 B&G lists the results of the Athletics Carnival as: First Cyprian (White) 1059; Second Claver (Gold) 1025; Third Oliver (Red) 988; Fourth Ignatius (Blue) 951.

The 1955 Blue and Gold gave a typical report of the CC Athletic carnivals throughout the 50s:

"In 1955, the 16th Annual Athletic Carnival was held on September 11. Noel Cavanagh was elected captain of the Golds, Brian Crank of the Reds, Len Hooper of the Greens and Steve Markwell of the Blues. All events were evenly contested with Reds proving to be the ultimate winners, Greens

second, while Golds third and Blues fourth. The Senior Cup was won by Steve Markwell, U16 Bob Laracy, U15 Anthony Donovan, U 14 David Mines, U13 Mick Barry, U12 Bob Honan, U11 Michael Norman U10 Kieran McCormack and John Costello."

The 1956 Day by Day Diary compiled by Sub-senior student Barry Copley gave many references to CC Sport.

"February 4th: Usual crush around the notice board as Cricket CC teams are posted.

February 5th: Colour comp washed out by rain

February 18th: College Swimming Carnival at Valley Baths. Golds narrowly defeat the Blues.

February 19th: Rain finally stops! Cricket CC gets into full swing.

May 27th: CC continues as usual with most beginning to get the hang of Soccer by now.

June 1: Brr! The deep freeze sets in with the westerlies here in full force. Today was the coldest day since 1911!

June 24th: An hourly frolic in the mud under the title of Soccer Colour Comp.

July 22nd: Football (rugby) played instead of soccer in CC.

September 7th: Tug of War. Red v Green v Gold v Blue v the rope. The rope loses and breaks six times so the open tug of war is abandoned. The planet Mars is the closest for 32 years.

September 9th: Athletics CC Carnival attended by record crowd was won by Reds again from Green and Blues. Open championship was won by Bob Laracy from J Chan. That Alsatian sure put a nip in the open relay.

September 30th: Senior Colour Comp Cricket finalised and won by Green who defeated Blue after a hard struggle.

The Archive possesses Athletics and Swimming Carnival programmes from the decade of 1950, which state inside the front cover that the competing teams are "Red, Gold,





Green and Blue." This seems to have remained consistent throughout the succeeding years, though as the College's population increased, the number of colours involved increased also. (It may be that the organisers of particular Carnivals in particular years deemed increases necessary.) For example, by 1959, Ashgrovina, the MBC Ashgrove Student Newspaper, comments about the Swimming Carnival held at the Valley baths in that year: "The five teams participating were - Reds, captained by Brian Mays; Greens, by Trevor Rodgers, Golds, by Peter Schreck; Whites, by Alf Madsen; and Blues, by Jim Purcell. The Golds maintained their lead throughout the night and won the Carnival convincingly." Thus in 1958, 1959 and the early 60s large crowds watched every able bodied boy swim in a programme that lasted two and a half hours. Five teams were picked each year to make the evening more interesting and colourful according to the Blue and Gold of

1959. An interesting feature of 1959 was the introduction of the Butterfly stroke for the first time. The success of the Swimming Carnivals was due to Br. Remigius who spent a lot of time organising the carnivals.

The Colour Comp. Sport was very well established in the sixties and very keenly contested. In 1960 Reds repeated their Athletics victory of last year but the highlight was Bob Honan leaping 5'7" to win the Open High Jump and break the record set in 1953 by Des Connor. In 1989 the current record of 2 metres was achieved by Rohan Hoffmann (1989)

1962 marked the beginning of Intra-College Rugby which was basically called the football Colour Competition for secondary classes. Its aim was successfully achieved and was clearly noticed in the wholeheartedness and determination of the players. This was also obvious in the athletics and swimming carnivals.

There was a most keenly contested





Athletics Carnival staged on the College Oval on Sunday, July, 28, 1963. The lead in the team championships changed several times with Golds (J. Costello capt) emerging victorious from Reds (Ray Meagher, capt), Greens (K. McCormack, capt) and Blues (M. Bell, capt).

In 1964, John Breen's Reds outpointed Barry Honan's Golds in athletics and swimming.

In 1965, saw the arrival of Br. Terry Curley as Sportsmaster. While Reds (R. Weimers, capt) retained the Athletics and Swimming, Golds (T. McKewen, capt) were crowned Champion team for pipping the Reds, Greens and Blues in Study and School Spirit!

Peter Draney's Golds would win the athletics and swimming in 1966.
Peter Costello's Golds also won the 1967 Athletics while separate Swimming Carnivals (Secondary & Primary) were held at the College Pool. Brian Gallagher's Blues won the

athletics and swimming in 1968. Kev Vandeleur's Golds defeated the Blues in athletics in 1969 but the Blues pipped the Reds in Swimming which returned to the Valley Pool.

1971 saw separate athletics carnivals – Secondary (M. Cranitch's Blues) while Primary was won by Golds while swimming remained combined with Terry Batch's Greens eventually scoring the win. Michael Bohl commenced his extraordinary record of winning every Age championship from U9's in 1971 to Opens in 1979.

In 1972, there was an extraordinary Colour Competition with five sports counting towards the interhouse champions. While an over abundance of rain caused the abandonment of the cricket competition, swimming (Green and Gold), rugby(Reds) soccer (Blue) basketball (Blue) athletics (Blue) allowed Blues to edge out Shane Connolly's Golds, Bill McDonnell's Reds and Peter Hollamby's Greens. Throughout the

70's and 80's and probably due to the growth of the school population the Secondary and Primary Colour Comp Sports Carnivals were separate events. Also weekly Colour Comp cricket and rugby competitions which were usually played on a midweek (Wed) afternoon became a thing of the past due to the continual assessment which replaced the last of the public examinations of 1972. 1975 provided a complete break in tradition with the annual swimming carnival held at the Newmarket Swimming Pool on Tuesday, 18 February. In 1976 which was Br. Alexis' final year as Headmaster the keen competition in the teams and Age championships continued. Golds won with 1123 points, Greens 1109, Blues third with 1011 and Reds fourth on 886. Brendan Moon was Open Champion. In the 80s the Colour Comp was ready for change!

Let's progress.1992 is particularly notable, because it was in that year that the last of the CC encounters were held, for the next year in 1993 they were to be replaced with the House competition, which has remained to the present day. Significantly there were eight colours in 1992, obviously to trial an eightway division of the College in sporting events in preparation for the next year. The Swimming Carnival was reported in the 1992 B & G thus: " In an amazing coincidence in this Olympic year, Gold (559) took out the day from Silver (556), and Bronze (542), while Red, Aqua, Maroon, Navy and Green fought hard with less than 100 points between all houses." In similar vein, the 1992 Athletics Carnival results were: "First, Silver; Second, Gold; Third, Aqua; Fourth, Green; Red, Bronze, Maroon and Navy finishing in that order."

From 1993, the House System has entrenched itself into MCA life. Each House has been assigned a home colour which are Ephrem (Green), Foley (Navy Blue), Ridley (Maroon), Harold (Gold), Ignatius (White), Rush (Red), Gilroy (Light Green), Slattery (Sky Blue).

The House Cup is an inter-House

competition, which runs over the whole year and awards points to all sanctioned inter-House activities. Major events still include the Swimming and Athletics carnivals. The House Cup is not simply a sporting competition but a chance for each House to showcase its talents across a broad range of activities. Houses have the occasion to host events add to student interest and diversity of opportunity. Two very popular examples are Harold House, "Pursuit of the Eagle" (Cross Country) and Foley House 7's (Touch Football).

Unfortunately the only Colour War Cries discovered in the Archives so far come from the year 1980. They cover the colours Gold, Green, Blue, Red and Black, though the content of the Blue Team's chants reveal there must have been a White team also, but there is no war cry sheet to prove that fact. The war cries are not remarkable for any originality, nor are they notable for any lack of bias about other Colours.

The Archivist communicated with both Graham Lawson (for many years the organiser in the Primary School of intra-school competition), and Richard Ward (for decades Deputy Headmaster at the College), and both were unanimous in their opinion that the Colour Competition was a matter of convenience for the division of students for intra-school sports events; coaches in particular used it as a good opportunity to rank swimmers and athletes for interschool teams. Despite that, there was "passion" about belonging to a particular Colour. As Richard commented, and was echoed by Graham, Ashgrovians have always participated wholeheartedly, fairly and in the spirit of Viriliter Age.

The OBA would like to thank Dave Cameron, MCA Archivist for his expansive and generous research. More results and information may be published in future editions of the Ashgrovian.

GOLD WAR CRY

One o'clock, Two o'clock, Three o'clock, Rock. The golds are the best, the golds are top Reds, Blue, Greens are on the blocks We'll roll 'em, bowl 'em, pitch 'em in the tar Yah Gold, yah Gold, Yah, Yah, Yah!

GREEN WAR CRY

Shumalacca, shumalacca, sha! Boomalacca, boomalacca, bis bomb ba! Shumalacca, shumalacca, shumalacca, sha! Greens, Greens, here we are! **GREENS!!!**

GREENS

BLUE WAR CRY

The Blues are here, The Blues are there, The Blue boys are everywhere! We won that race, We'll win the next! The Blues, the Blues, We're the best!!! BLUES BLUES!!!

REDS WARCRY

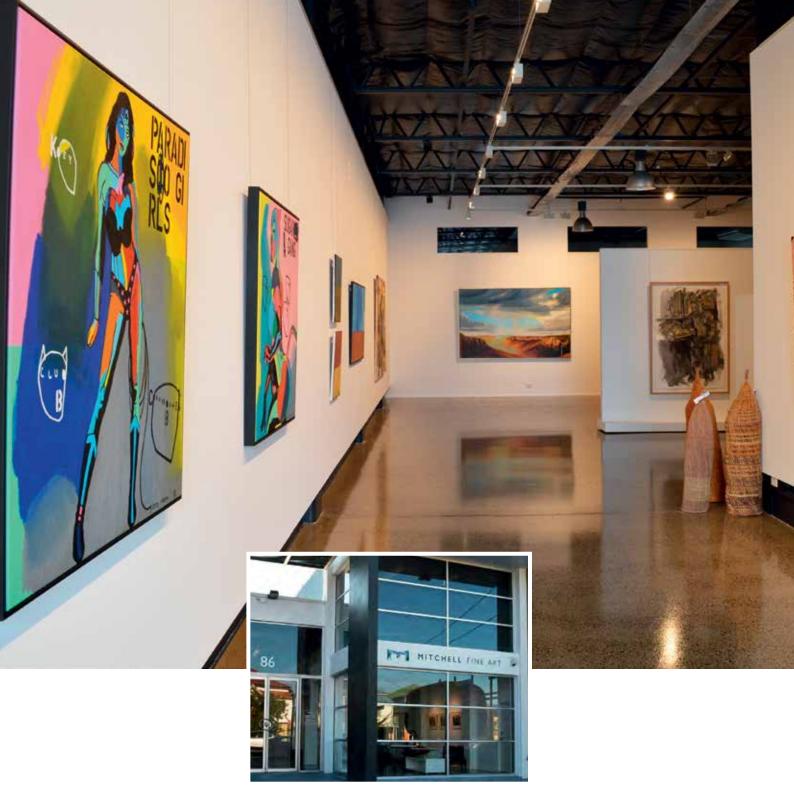
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BLACK WARCRY 1

Bouri yakka Black Black Black We're de team that's YAK YAK YAK We're de champions, better than the rest In de show of de best, HEY! BOURI YAKKA BOURI YAKKA YAK YAK YAK WE'RE DE MIGHTIEST BLACK! BLACK!!!

BLACK WARCRY 2

BOURI YAKKA BOURI YAKKA BLACK BLACK BLACK BOURI YAKKA BOURI YAKKA WAK WAK WAK BOURI YAKKA BOURI YAKKA BLACK! BLACK!!!





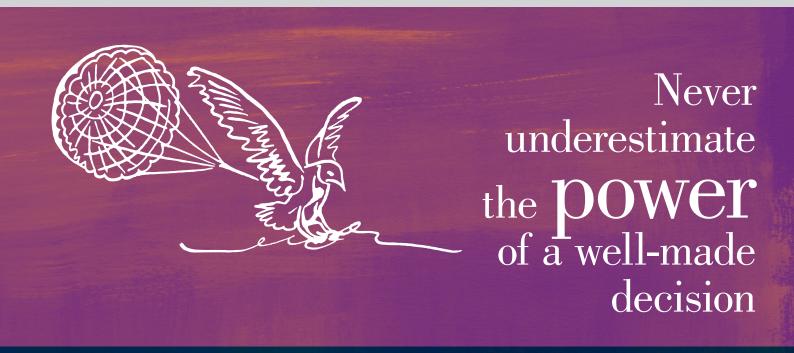
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