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DATES TO REMEMBER IN 2018

Tuesday 6 February

AGM, 7pm at the College

Friday 16 March

Champagnat Trust Sports Lunch - Brisbane Convention Centre

Friday 25 May

Ashgrove Golf Day

Saturday 26 May

OB Sports Day

Friday 17 August

Vintage Blue and Gold Mass and Lunch for classes from 1940 to 1978

Friday 28 September

Reunion Evening Function at the Cyprian Pavilion

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

HAVE YOU UPDATED YOUR DETAILS?

The Old Boys Association and the College want to be able to stay in touch. If you have not already done so, please send your contact details including your email address to Vice President, Peter Casey on caseyp@marash.qld.edu.au.

CHAMPAGNAT SPORTS LUNCH FRIDAY 16 MARCH 2018 – NOW ON SALE

Old Boys, this event will be sold out. If you wish to attend please book ASAP on www.trybooking.com/329328, phone 07 3858 4586 or email events@marash.qld.edu.au. DO NOT DELAY!

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Fellow Ashgrovians,

At the end of my second and final year as President, I am proud to say that through the efforts of the Committee, 2017 saw the continued strengthening of the relationship between the Old Boys' Association and the College. There were not only the usual successful events but the implementation of the Marist Military Project in conjunction with the College. We are, slowly but surely, attempting to ensure all Old Boys who have served in the military will be properly recognised and identified as part of the history of not only Ashgrove but also Rosalie. Much more will be on the website about the Project in the New Year.

We are very pleased to note some 29 sons of Old Boys graduated from the College in 2017 including three third generation grandsons. Our traditional family links continue. A number of successful events were undertaken in 2017 including the annual golf day and the Old Boys' Sports Day in June which saw the return of First XV teams from 1947, 1957, 1967 and 1977 to the College. It was also the first time the invitation had been extended to the Old Boys from Marist

Rosalie who relished the opportunity to be part of the festivities. The other signature events being the Blue and Gold Vintage Lunch (for years 1940-1977) and the annual reunion were also enormously successful.

Our only sadness was the decision of Mrs Kay Wells to retire after so many years of service. Words cannot begin to express our gratitude to Mrs Wells for her enormous contribution over many years. A special tribute appears at page 12.

I would also like to thank the Committee and the Headmaster. Their dedication has made my time as President a tremendous experience and, in particular, seen the growth of our level of communications with members young and old through Facebook and the internet. Finally, and most importantly, the Old Boys also passes on its congratulations to our newest members, the Seniors of 2017. May your friendships forged at Marist College Ashgrove last a life time.

VIRILITER AGE

Dom Melrose
President



FROM THE HEADMASTER

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

On 23 April 1910, Theodore Roosevelt delivered a speech titled, "Citizenship In A Republic" at the University of the Sorbonne in Paris. The following is an excerpt from the speech.

I think it's great advice to our class of 2017 as they begin the next chapter of their lives.

"It is not the critic who counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs, who comes short again and again, because there is no effort without error and shortcoming; but who

does actually strive to do the deeds; who knows great enthusiasms, the great devotions; who spends himself in a worthy cause; who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who neither know victory nor defeat."

Our prayers and good wishes go out to our Year 12 class, the newest Old Boys of Marist College Ashgrove.

They are worthy custodians of the Champagnat tradition. All Old Boys can be very proud of them.

VIRILITER AGE

Yours in Jesus, Mary and St Marcellin.

Peter McLoughlin
Headmaster



2017 SEES TRILOGY OF 3RD GENERATION GRADUATES

2017 has proved an historic year for the third generation with grandsons from three of our most famous families graduating. Bernie Mead (1948) still stands as the head of some 17 Meads who have attended the College. Bernie was a boarder from 1946 to 1948 with younger brother, Leo, attending soon after. Bernie is an Honorary Life Member of the OBA particularly for his contributions to the legendary reunions held in Miles over the decades. There is particular pride for Bernie this year as grandson, Oscar, finishes his education as not only a third generation student but a third generation boarder. That is a lot of high quality meals in the dining room. A very proud day for Dad, Bart (1982), and the entire family.

We have stopped counting the number of Trestons through the gate but we hope Jeannine has the numbers somewhere. Another Honorary Life Member, Tom Treston, finished in 1947; 30 years later Brendan (1977) completed his studies and now, another 40 years after that, Seamus makes his final appearance. And there are still many more Trestons to come!

And not to be outdone, one of Ashgrove's greatest, the legendary Frank Melit (1950) (RIP), will be looking down with enormous pride as Sam, son of Brogan (1982), also finishes his time at the College.

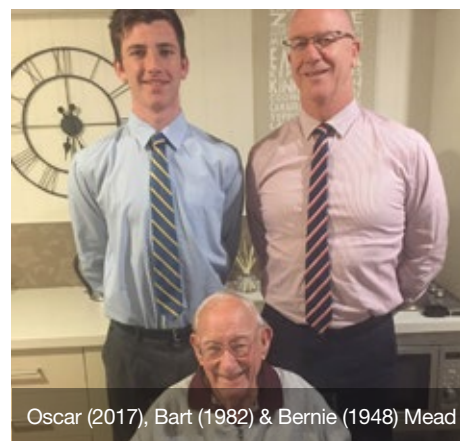
While we love the 3rd generation blood lines, congratulations are also passed on to our other graduating sons of Old Boys:

Andrew (1983) and Oliver Donaldson; Andrew (1985) and Callum Ross; Tony (1982) and Matthew Stower; Anthony (1974) and Jesse Ashburn; Bart Mead (1982) and Sebas dos Santos; Brian (1975) and Oliver Griffin; Chris (1983) and Benjamin Bathersby; Craig (1983) and Joshua Greber; Craig (1978) and Marcus Eaton; David (1980) and Joshua Casey; David (1992) and Thomas Shaw-Miles; Gerard (1987) and William Ryan; Iain (1984) and Luke McLean; John (1980) and Harry Ryan; John (1978) and Joshua Rolfe; Kevin (1980) and Jamie Ryan; Luke (1986) and William Garske; Marlon (1989) and Jakob Webb-Blakemore; Matthew (1987) and Jack Franzmann; Nigel (1988) and Joshua Horswill; Peter (1983) and Shaun Anderson; Phillip (1978) and Matthew Richards; Sean (1987) and Matthew Bobbermien; Shane (1975) and Patrick Mead; and Stephen (1988) and Samuel Kelly.

The Old Boys Association extends a special welcome to these brilliant young men who join their grandfathers, fathers, uncles and older brothers as proud members of the Association.



Tom (1949), Brendan (1977) & Seamus (2017) Treston



Oscar (2017), Bart (1982) & Bernie (1948) Mead



Frank Melit (1950) (RIP)



Brogan (1982) & Sam (2017) Melit

CLASS OF 2017

Liam Alder, D
Rueben Anderson, R*
Shaun Anderson, H
Luka Apps, D
Ric Araujo, E
Jesse Ashburn, R*
Xavier Banister, G
James Barker, F
James Barlow, E
Benjamin Bathersby, I
Max Beaufort, R
Hughie Bellingham, G*
Campbell Bergh, H
Dylan Bidgood, R
Nic Bilton, F*
Matthew Bobbermien, F
Jake Booth, I
Jayden Bourke, E
Aidan Bowes-McKee, E
Mitch Brazel, S
Roly Brosnan, D*
Liam Brown, R
Clark Bryon-Moss, H
Benjamin Bucknell, G
Carmelo Bucolo, F
Cameron Bull, H
Ben Burkett, D
Nelson Cameron, S*
Lachlan Campbell, E
Lachlan Candy, I
Samuel Carrigan, I*
Thomas Carroll, F
Jordan Carter, H
Max Carter, R
Oliver Carter, F
Josh Casey, E
Jackie Chau, D*
Rhyann Cloutier, H
Nathan Cohen, G
Zachery Coman, S
Liam Coveney, G
Angus Cowan, F
Jack Crompton, S
Timothy Croonen, H
Hamish Curran, G*
Tom Czerwinski, G
Nicholas Daly, E
Matt Dangerfield, E*
Tom Dangerfield, E*
Reuben D'Arcy, G
Sam Davies, S
Jaz Day, D
Edward Deere, E
Campbell Depper, F
Christian Dickens, D
Jared Dietrich, E
Oliver Donaldson, H*
Sebastião dos Santos, D*
Tom Doyle, S
Angus Dreghorn, G

Edward Dunstan, H
Marcus Eaton, R
Harry Edwards, G
Liam Edwards, E
Sam Evans, D
Ben Fitzgerald, F
Simon Forbes, F
Tennyson Fowler, S
Matthew Foxon, I
Ben Fracchia, R
John Francis, H
Ryan Francis, H
Jack Franzmann, R*
Kilian Frunz, F
Jakob Funk, R
Patrick Gallagher, R
William Garske, I
Massimo Gellini, E
Sean Gorban, I
Cameron Gough, I
Daniel Grant, D*
Josh Greber, D*
Oliver Griffin, G
Thomas Griffin, R
Keegan Griffiths, D
Patrick Grinstead, I
Shamus Harris, E
Ben Hayden, D
Declan Hayes, E
Jonathan Healy, S
Isaac Heron, D
Tristan Holland-Rotumah, D*
Dean Honeysett, G*
Joshua Horswill, D
Nicholas Howe, H
Jody Hurdial, I
Zach Hutchins, H
Bailey Huth, D
Vickie Ip, I*
Raven Jacobs, S*
Charlie Jong, I
Lewis Junger, G
Sam Jury, D
Samuel Kelly, R
Stanley Kern, S
Aidan Kersley, F
Michael Knight, I
Edward Kowalenko, F
Daniel Kress, G
Jordy Laffer, F*
David Lake, I
Braydon Law, D*
Michael Lidstone, E
Patrick Loughnan, I*
Jack Lucas, G*
Calum Mackay, I
Jack Magee, H
Roland Maiaial, I*
Michael Mallyon, R
Patrick Maloney, R

Lucas Margan, R
James Marko, F
Callum Marning, G
James Matley, G
Joseph McGorry, D
Luke McLean, H
Harrison McSweeney, D
Andy McVeigh, S*
Oscar Mead, F*
Patrick Mead, R
Sam Melit, G
Raamie Merimba, S*
Adrian Mifsud, S
Will Miller, S
James Moller, E*
Campbell Mowle, F
John Muirhead, R*
Daniel Mulherin, H
Declan Murphy, I
Alexander Myrteza, E
Sanimo Nadredre, H*
Hamish Nation, G
David Nona, I
Jacob O'Brien, S
Alexander Odessa, S
Daniel Ollerton, S
Brendan O'Mara, D
William O'Neill, S*
Joseph O'Toole, S
Josh Packer, E*
Oliver Perkin, F*
Dean Perkins, E
Joshua Peterson, H
Ned Petrie, S
Fabian Petroni, I
James Pickard, E*
Kaleb Pini, F
Sebastian Post, R
Thomas Pratt, D
Bede Prince, H
Jayden Proctor, G
James Pullman, G
Hamish Pyle, H
Thomas Ralph, E
Jack Ransley, I
William Rees, E
Joshua Reilly, S
Benjamin Renwick, E
Hamish Renwick, R
Matthew Richards, H
Ben Ritter, S
Nick Robbins, R

Ryan Robinson, F
Josh Rolfe, E
Jacob Roset, I
Callum Ross, R
Declan Russell, D*
Joshua Russo, S
Harry Ryan, R
Hayden Ryan, I
Jamie Ryan, H
Will Ryan, F
Daniel Saint Brook, I
Tyler Santos, S
Ben Schofield, H
Angus Shanahan, D
Thomas Shaw-Miles, G
Samson Skinner, D
Thomas Smart, D
Darcy Smith, I
Henry Smith, R
Andrew Spies, H
Tommy Stephens, R
Matthew Stower, S
Tony Szetu, G*
Xavier Thornton, H
Liam Timcke, I
Finn Tobin, R
Jack Tofful, D
Marcus Torrisi, F
Kyle Tran, R*
Seamus Treston, I
Jeremy Truscott, H
Jordan Tukuniu, G*
Emosi Tuqiri, D*
Christian Turner, H
Ryan Turner, F
Kelemete Uelese, E*
Oliver Vanderbyl, H
Marc Vienna, S
Daniel Walsh, S
Daniel Ward, E
Sebastian Ward, I
Jakob Webb-Blakemore, F*
William Whitchurch, I
Geordie Whitmore, G
Jerome Wilde, F
Liam Willson, H
William Wong, S
Harry Wood-Christmas, F
Michael Woods, G
Thomas Wyatt, E
Mitch Yann, G
Callum Zipf, R

Key for Name List

* beside name indicates boarder.

Letter beside name indicates House, e.g. D=Ridley, E=Ephrem, F=Foley, G=Gilroy, H=Harold, I=Ignatius, R=Rush and S=Slattery

WELCOME TO THE OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION



YEAR 12 RIDLEY HOUSE

Front Row: Jaz Day, Thomas Pratt, Braydon Law, Sebastião dos Santos, Declan Russell, Harrison McSweeney

Second Row: Thomas Smart, Jack Tofful, Sam Evans, Sam Jury, Luka Apps, Brendan O'Mara, Isaac Heron, Jackie Chau, Christian Dickens

Third Row: Ben Hayden, Josh Greber, Bailey Huth, Samson Skinner, Joshua Horswill, Ben Burkett, Keegan Griffiths

Back Row: Emosi Tuqiri, Joseph McGorry, Daniel Grant, Tristan Holland-Rotumah, Roly Brosnan

Pastoral Leader: Mr David Meehan

Absent: Liam Alder, Josh Greber, Keegan Griffiths, Bailey Huth, Ben Hayden, Angus Shanahan, Joshua Horswill, Ben Burkett, Samson Skinner



YEAR 12 EPHREM HOUSE

Front Row: Josh Packer, Aidan Bowes-McKee, William Rees, Shamus Harris, Ric Araujo, Daniel Ward

Second Row: Jayden Bourke, Thomas Wyatt, Declan Hayes, Josh Rolfe, James Barlow, Matt Dangerfield, James Pickard, James Moller

Third Row: Michael Lidstone, Jared Dietrich, Dean Perkins, Alexander Myrteza, Liam Edwards, Thomas Ralph

Back Row: Kelemete Uselese, Massimo Gellini, Josh Casey, Lachlan Campbell, Nicholas Daly

Pastoral Leader: Mr Tony Byrne

Absent: Tom Dangerfield, Benjamin Renwick, Edward Deere

WELCOME TO THE OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION



YEAR 12 FOLEY HOUSE

Front Row: Ryan Robinson, Kaleb Pini, Aidan Kersley, Campbell Depper, Ryan Turner, Carmelo Bucolo

Second Row: Edward Kowalenko, Kilian Frunz, Matthew Bobbermien, Harry Wood-Christmas, Jakob Webb-Blakemore, Oliver Carter

Third Row: Nic Bilton, Thomas Carroll, Oscar Mead, Campbell Mowle, Jordy Laffer, Angus Cowan

Back Row: Marcus Torrisi, Ben Fitzgerald, Simon Forbes, Will Ryan

Pastoral Leader: Mr Stan Kosiek

Absent: Jerome Wilde, James Marko, Oliver Perkin, James Barker



YEAR 12 GILROY HOUSE

Front Row: Xavier Banister, Lewis Junger, Sam Melit, James Matley, Callum Marning, Nathan Cohen

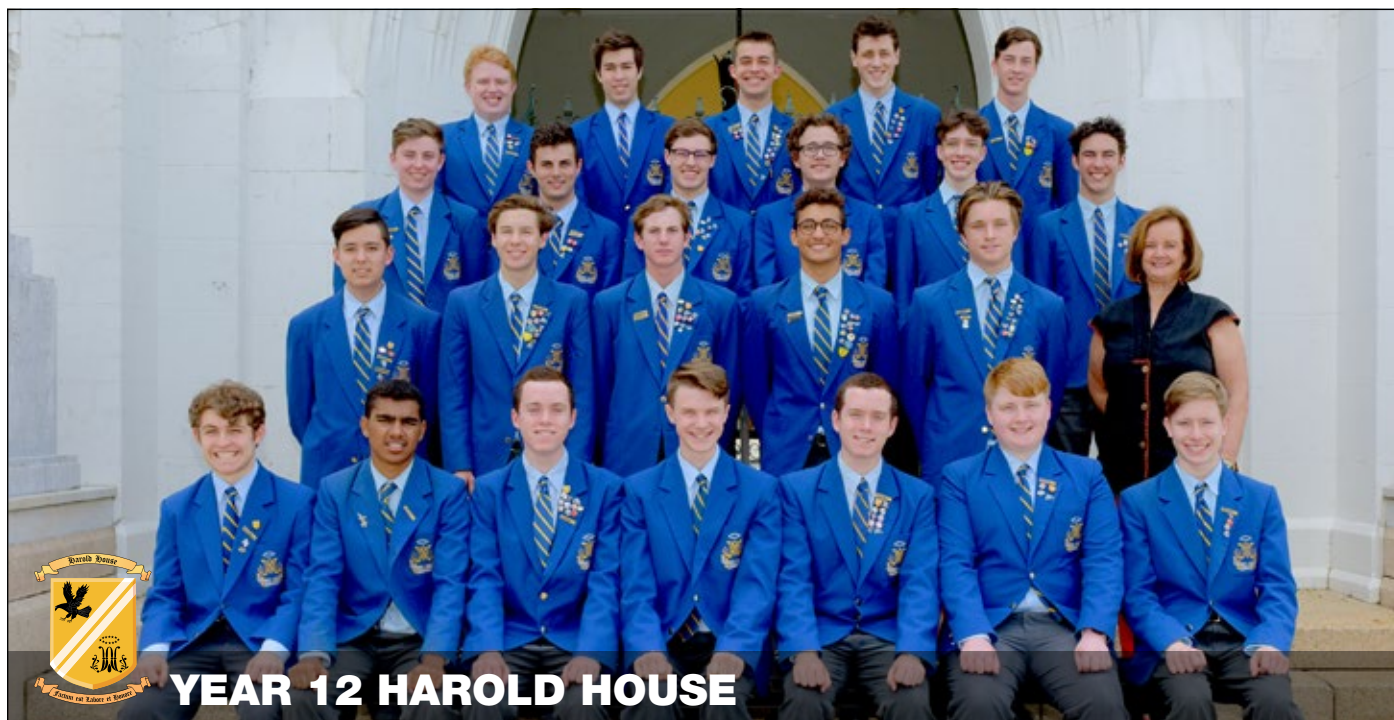
Second Row: Tony Szetu, Harry Edwards, Reuben D'Arcy, Hamish Curran, Dean Honeysett, Hughie Bellingham, Jack Lucas, Benjamin Bucknell

Third Row: Thomas Shaw-Miles, Oliver Griffin, Jayden Proctor, Daniel Kress, Michael Woods, Geordie Whitmore, Angus Dreghorn

Back Row: Jordan Tukuniu, Liam Coveney, Mitch Yann, James Pullman, Tom Czerwinski, Hamish Nation

Pastoral Leader: Mr Brett Gillett

WELCOME TO THE OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION



YEAR 12 HAROLD HOUSE

Front Row: Clark Bryon-Moss, Sanimo Nadredre, Ryan Francis, Joshua Peterson, John Francis, Ben Schofield, Jordan Carter

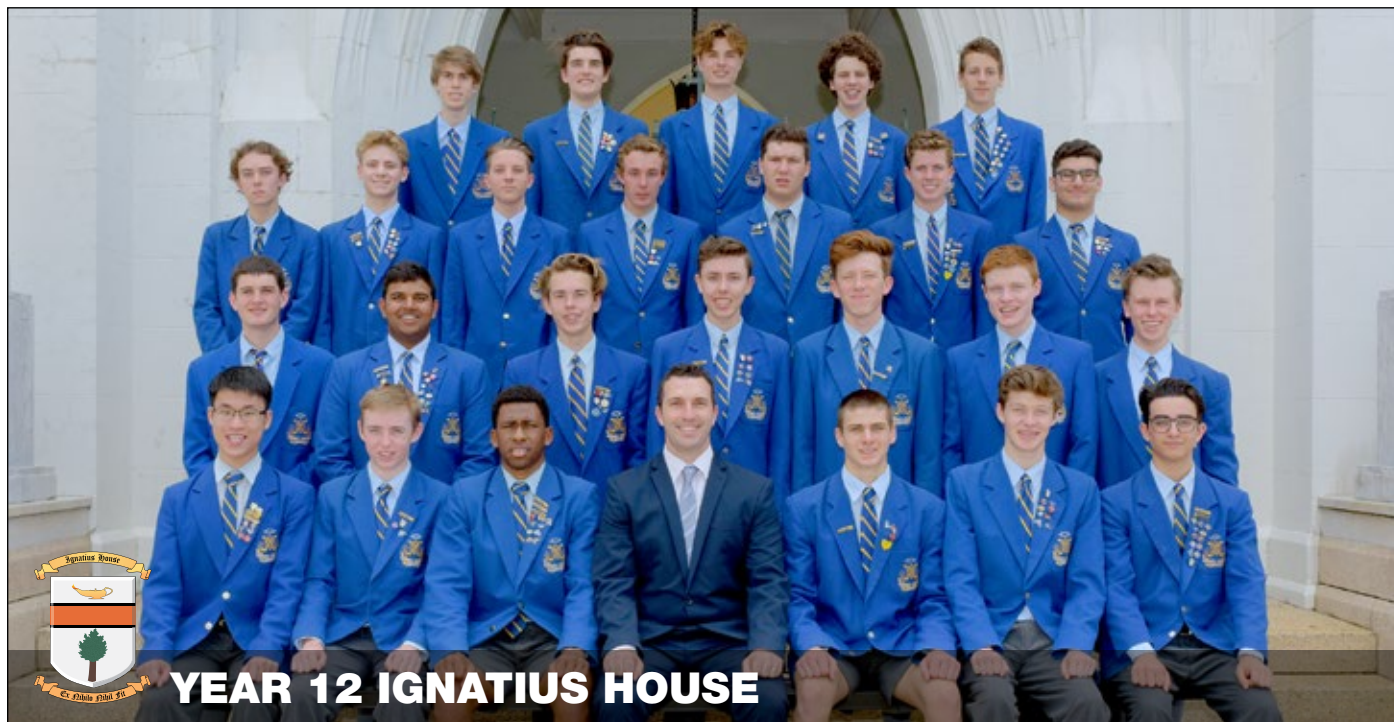
Second Row: Jeremy Truscott, Xavier Thornton, Oliver Donaldson, Rhyann Cloutier, Shaun Anderson

Third Row: Jack Magee, Timothy Croonen, Matthew Richards, Christian Turner, Daniel Mulherin, Jamie Ryan

Back Row: Zach Hutchins, Cameron Bull, Liam Willson, Oliver Vanderbyl, Luke McLean

Pastoral Leader: Mrs Ronnie Grant

Absent: Bede Prince, Edward Dunstan, Andrew Spies, Hamish Pyle, Campbell Bergh, Nicholas Howe



YEAR 12 IGNATIUS HOUSE

Front Row: Vickie Ip, Declan Murphy, Roland Maiaial, Liam Timcke, Benjamin Bathersby, Fabian Petroni

Second Row: Daniel Saint Brook, Jody Hurdial, William Whitchurch, David Lake, Charlie Jong, Michael Knight, Jake Booth

Third Row: Patrick Grinstead, Matthew Foxon, Sean Gorban, Patrick Loughnan, Samuel Carrigan, Calum Mackay, David Nona

Back Row: Sebastian Ward, Jack Ransley, Jacob Roset, Seamus Treston, William Garske

Pastoral Leader: Mr Josh Mulligan

Absent: Hayden Ryan, Cameron Gough, Darcy Smith, Lachlan Candy

WELCOME TO THE OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION



YEAR 12 RUSH HOUSE

Front Row: Tommy Stephens, Harry Ryan, Thomas Griffin, Michael Mallyon, Henry Smith, Max Beaufort

Second Row: Patrick Mead, Finn Tobin, Marcus Eaton, Dylan Bidgood, Jesse Ashburn

Third Row: Callum Ross, Jakob Funk, Kyle Tran, Callum Zipf, John Muirhead

Back Row: Rueben Anderson, Max Carter, Hamish Renwick

Pastoral Leader: Mr Phillip Holding

Absent: Samuel Kelly, Patrick Maloney, Ben Fracchia, Lucas Margan, Patrick Gallagher, Jack Franzmann, Sebastian Post, Nick Robbins, Liam Brown



YEAR 12 SLATTERY HOUSE

Front Row: Raamie Merimba, Joshua Reilly, Matthew Stower, Raven Jacobs, Mitch Brazel, Adrian Mifsud, Marc Vienna

Second Row: William Wong, Daniel Walsh, Ben Ritter, Daniel Ollerton, Jack Crompton, Zachery Coman

Third Row: Jonathan Healy, Tyler Santos, Tennyson Fowler, Ned Petrie, Stanley Kern, Tom Doyle, Joshua Russo

Back Row: William O'Neill, Will Miller, Andy McVeigh, Nelson Cameron, Jacob O'Brien

Pastoral Leaders: Ms Megan Wandell

Absent: Alexander Odessa, Joseph O'Toole, Sam Davies

OLD BOYS CONTINUE GLOBAL SUCCESS IN BUSINESS

The Old Boys Association continues to hear great things about the success of our Old Boys in the business world.

One of the most prestigious companies in the world is JLL, a leading professional services and investment management firm specialising in all sectors of property and the largest of its type in Australia. JLL was established in the UK in 1783 and was the first global property firm to establish in Australia, almost 60 years ago. The firm has 84,000 employees worldwide with almost 3000 across Australia serving local, regional, and global owners and occupiers of all real estate asset classes.

On last count, there were 18 Old Boys across the JLL network.

JLL's International director and Head of Property and Asset Management, Brett Stack (1982), told the OBA, "our success is underpinned by the diverse backgrounds, skills and ideas that our people bring to their roles. It's an exciting environment where talented people learn from each other and work together to achieve the best outcome for our clients.

It is particularly pleasing to note that despite a couple of grey heads like myself, most of the Ashgrove Old Boys are under 30, acting in quite diverse roles and with differing university qualifications. They are active in all parts of the business. JLL certainly has appreciated tapping into the great work ethic and morals developed in these young men at Marist College Ashgrove. Those fundamental qualities are now paying dividends for the boys and JLL alike."

The OBA congratulates all our Old Boys at JLL on their outstanding achievements. We look forward to hearing of their continued success.



Back Row left to right: Gerry Leyden (1998), Oliver Stack (2011), Tom Gleeson (2004), Josh Ryan (2012), Sam Byrne (2008), Sam Hatcher (2003), Connor O'Shea (2012), Harry Homan (2011), Blake Goddard (2008), Brandon Ciocca (2010)

Front Row left to right: James Palmer (1991), Jacob Swan (1998), Brett Stack (1982), Bart Mead (1982)

Absent: Michael Taylor (1980), Seb Turnbull (1999), Elliot O'Shea (2006)

The OBA is always proud to hear of the success of our members and particularly our younger Old Boys who are making their way in the business world. If your firm or company is benefitting from our Old Boys please let us know at secretary@ashgroveoldboys.com.au.

RECENT REUNIONS

Over 150 Old Boys from 1977 to 2017 attended the informal reunion evening on Friday 29 September 2017 at the Cyprian Pavilion. In particular, support was impressive from the 1982 (35th) and 1992 (25th) classes and massive numbers from the 2007 (10th) class who not only broke into a “Sub Tuum” but rekindled their friendships with enduring and endearing camaraderie. The 1987 (30th) held a separate weekend of festivities with another huge turnout. MCA OBA President, Dominick Melrose welcomed everyone at the reunion event while members of the OBA Committee, Anthony Collins, Brad Butten, Peter Casey, John O’Hare, Jim Gardiner, Mike Mitchell and John Taylor (1981) assisted with the conviviality. David Meehan, who himself was an old boy from 1977, MCA teacher for 30 years plus and long-term Ridley Head of House was a popular magnet for the more recent ex-students with all most interested in the College’s good progress.

No matter how old and many years have passed, the closeness of the Old Boys across the generations remains.



1967 Reunion

Brother Alexis honoured the 1967 Senior and 1965 Junior class with his attendance at the Vintage Lunch 50th reunion to share the festivities with 22 “boys” from those “good old days”.

Memories flowed as we filled in all the details of the direction our lives had taken. The day began with Mass in the new (to us) beautiful Chapel. We appreciated the special prayer offered for our class by the Celebrants. We particularly remembered those who had passed.

The afternoon flew by under a combination of laughter and stories. We expressed our enjoyment and admiration for the magnificent organisation of the function. There was a consensus for more regular, casual get-togethers on a “show up if you are willing and able” basis. The first of these will be arranged before the year ends.

Our thanks to the Old Boys and to Kay Wells and Michelle Davie. You made the day special. Last but not least, thanks to Pete Cleary who proved to be the ultimate sleuth in tracking down long lost contacts from 1967/65.

Phil Newman

OLD BOYS ASSOCIATION ACKNOWLEDGES OUR ENORMOUS DEBT TO MRS KAY WELLS

It was with great sadness the Old Boys learnt of the decision of Mrs Kay Wells to retire in the middle of this year.

Secretary to four headmasters and one of only two female life members of the OBA, Kay was the gatekeeper to all things Ashgrove. Kay later moved to the critical position of Community Liaison where she looked after many of the College's activities including the coordination of the Parents and Friends and the Old Boys. Kay would take thousands of calls and emails every year from Old Boys making enquiries and somehow knew all the answers. Everything was attended to with good humour and detail. Kay was responsible for organising the huge Sports Lunch each February and all of the Old Boy functions at the College. Every event ran like clockwork. Known for her immaculate grammar and spelling, Kay also oversaw the editing of the finest Old Boys publication in Australia - the Ashgrovian. Always faultless.

In June 2017, the College awarded Kay the Champagnat Award, the highest honour it can bestow. President Dom Melrose (1992) told the Ashgrovian, "Anyone who has anything to do with the running of the Old Boys will tell you of the sheer professionalism and unwavering support of Mrs Wells. There is no school I know of which maintains such a close relationship with its Old Boys. That is in large part thanks to Kay. Old Boys have always been welcomed back to the College. Kay always knew the names of our oldest members and they were always treated with the greatest respect in the Champagnat tradition. I know I join with all Old Boys in thanking Kay for her dedicated service. We are proud to have her as one of our Honorary Life Members and look forward to her returning to future events - this time as a guest where she can, for once, enjoy the hospitality."

Thanks for everything Kay. The debt can never be repaid.



Mrs Kay Wells is congratulated on her award by Past President John O'Hare on Champagnat Day 2017

OBA CONGRATULATES SENIORS 2017 ON OUTSTANDING SPORTING YEAR

While we hear big things are expected on the academic side, the OBA congratulates the 2017 cohort on their outstanding achievements on the sporting front. The flagship First XV picked up the first undefeated premiership in a decade along with the First XI Volleyball who joined the 1980, 2004, 2007, 2009 and 2010 years for a very rare undefeated title. The First V Basketball also claimed a premiership to follow up on the success of 2016. The Seniors also led the way to victories in the Athletics and Cross Country, following up on a strong performance for second overall in the Swimming.

One statistic Old Boys might appreciate is that the Dangerfield twins, Matt and Tom, became the third and fourth siblings in the family to win undefeated 1st XV premierships. They join older brothers, Nick (2004) and Jack (2005/2006 captain) with unbeaten titles. There have been some great rugby families but none with that achievement.

Old Boys will find all sports results across the year groups on page 15.

This success, on the sporting field, follows up on very strong contributions on the pastoral and community activities. All Old Boys send their congratulations. We are certain great things lie ahead.

MCA OBA VINTAGE BLUE AND GOLD LUNCH, 2017

On Friday, August 18, 2017, 150 people attended the annual Vintage Blue and Gold Lunch at the Cyprian Pavilion and many also attended Mass in the College Chapel immediately preceding lunch.

We were fortunate to have Fr Chris Ketsore, MCA's College Chaplain celebrate Mass with three Old Boy Concelebrants, Bishop Brian Heenan (1955), Fr John Begg (1956) and Fr Michael Carroll (1970). Assisting the celebrants was Br Brendan Neily, Marist Ashgrove Community leader, while former MCA Headmaster Br Alexis read the Epistle and led the Responsorial Psalm. Geraldine Knapp, wife of Bernie (1958) and mother of four MCA Old Boys, provided the musical accompaniment during Mass. Acting Headmaster, Trevor Goodwin introduced proceedings and the Offertory Procession involved Kay Wells (Life Member, MCA OBA), Tom Treston (47) and John O'Connor (57). Bishop Brian Heenan also kindly recited Grace before our main meal.

The Class of 67 and 77 attended as part of their 50-year and 40-year respective reunions and special thanks to their respective year co-ordinators, Phil Newman (1967) and David Meehan (1977). They were joined by Peter Casey (1974), Stan Kosiek (1977), Peter Cleary (1967), Elizabeth Mee (representing the Apelt Family) and Jim Griffith (Rosalie Old Boys) with Intercession prayer readings at Mass. Deceased Old Boys from both 1967 and 1977 were also recognised. They included :

1967 Peter Costello, David Cook, Geoffrey Gribble, Michael Kennedy, Peter Marron, Brian McCosker, Jeff Padgett, Howard Paice, Harry Sawicki, Terry Sonder, Richard Tidbold, Donald Watt.

1977 Mini Cochran, Lawrence O'Dowd, Budi Rahardjo, Peter Webster.

Jim Crawshaw (1951) was presented with the MCA OBA most prestigious award, the Arthur Apelt Memorial Service Award. John O'Hare from the MCA OBA Committee detailed Jim's involvement with MCA over his many years and Arthur's brother, Colin Apelt (1946) was able to honour Jim with a framed certificate signifying his great achievement. Arthur's wife Jill, daughter Liz and sister Phil also witnessed the occasion.

The many Old Boys present from the 40's, including three foundation students, joined with a good contingent of Rosalie old boys and a representation from every decade of MCA old boys in giving Jim Crawshaw a rousing ovation.

Thanks to everyone who attended for making the day so special and to MCA Function Coordinator, Michelle Davie for her successful organisation of the day.



BRINGING DISRUPTION TO THE RETAIL MARKET AROUND THE GLOBE - ADRIAN BELL (1999)

The OBA loves to hear about the success of our Old Boys around the globe.

Adrian Bell, son of Colin (1971), and brother to Jarrod (2002, a solicitor) and Jeremy (2005, a teacher), graduated Year 12 at the college in 1999 and went on to complete a Bachelor of Information Technology at QUT in 2004. He immediately left Australia for Canada and a working holiday at Whistler where he became an accomplished snowboarder. After leaving Canada, he travelled for a short time through the U.S. before he moved to London in late 2005 where he worked in various part-time jobs while looking to break into the UK IT sector.

It took a couple of months, but he eventually landed a job with a company that specialised in e-commerce solutions. From there he worked on numerous e-commerce projects with Royal Mail, Tesco, Long Tall Sally, and Thistle & Guoman Hotels, in the UK, Germany, The Netherlands, and Belgium. His main focus throughout his career in the EU with these multinational corporations was to drive innovation and improvement through technology.

He returned to Australia in late 2011 where he took up the role of Product Manager for local Australian software company Concord. His main focus with Concord was to guide innovation and product development for both the national and international markets.

Adrian arrived in New York just before Christmas 2015 to spend Christmas with his fiancée's parents in Canada. As he stepped off the plane he was greeted with a text message from Amazon Inc asking if he was interested in a position with them in the U.S. After an interesting series of interviews which included Amazon flying him back to the States for a week at the end of January, he accepted an offer as Senior Product Manager with AmazonFresh.

In early 2016, Amazon relocated Adrian and his fiancée Laura (and his chocolate Labrador "Zoe") to Seattle to take up his new role with AmazonFresh, the business division within Amazon that is innovating grocery shopping for millions of people around the globe.

Adrian has helped bring AmazonFresh to new cities both within the U.S. and across Europe. He continues to lead product innovation within AmazonFresh to bring high-quality products, low prices, and convenience to more Amazon customers.

The OBA congratulates Adrian on his amazing career so far, as he look forward to hearing great things in the future.



Jeremy, Jarrod and Adrian Bell



Colin and Kym Bell

NEW WEBSITE COMING

The new and improved Old Boys website will be available soon. It will allow members to stay up to date with events which are happening at the College and amongst the Old Boys. There will be new and improved features for easier access and a whole new section devoted to Ashgrove's military history. Check on www.ashgroveoldboys.com.au in the New Year.

IN THE NEWS



They say the apple doesn't fall far from the tree and in the case of Billy Walters (2011), this age old adage couldn't be any more true.

Billy was outstanding in the Intrust Super Cup for the Easts Tigers, sitting comfortably in the top five point scorers for the competition and helping Easts cement themselves as a premiership threat.

The son of Broncos legend and Queensland Maroons coach Kevin Walters is a lively half just like his dad, with the 22-year-old's outstanding passing game seeing him excel in his second year in the competition.



Well done to Daniel Maroske (2000) who, in August, returned from Sri Lanka where he captained the Australian Lawyers' Cricket Team to victory in the 6th Lawyers' Cricket World Cup. The final was played at the famous Sinhalese Sports Club test cricket ground in Colombo where Australia narrowly beat the hosts, Sri Lanka, by 6 runs. Daniel was also the 1st XI cricket captain in 2000 and went on to play around 15 years of 1st grade cricket in both Brisbane (for Wests and Uni) and the Middlesex Premier League in the UK.



MICK HEENAN (BRISBANE CITY) AND BRAD THORN (QLD COUNTRY)

OLD BOYS COACHES DOMINATE BRISBANE RUGBY SCENE

Congratulations go out to Michael Heenan (1990) - Premier Grade Coach University (Premiers) and Anthony Mathison (1998) - Premier Grade Coach GPS (Runners Up) - who faced off for the Hospital Cup this year. They were joined by premiership winning coaches Mark Donaldson (2003) GPS - Premier Reserves; Craig Kassulke (1981) Souths - 2nd Grade and Bill Leal (2005) Brothers - 4th Grade.

Michael Heenan was appointed coach of Brisbane City in the NRC and Ashgrove father, Brad Thorn, coach of QLD Country and Head Coach of the Qld Reds in 2018.



CHARLIE CAMERON (2011) BECOMES FIRST OLD BOY TO PLAY IN AFL GRAND FINAL.

On Saturday, 30 September, 2017 the entire Ashgrove community watched on as Charlie Cameron (2011) took the field for the Adelaide Crows to become the first Old Boy to play in the AFL Grand Final. While there was no premiership (this time) the Old Boys could not have been prouder of Charlie. He had a magnificent season and brought great honour to himself, his family, his community and his school. Charlie returns to the Brisbane Lions next year and we expect Ashgrove will have a famous son dropping in from time to time.

FR MICHAEL CARROLL'S (1970) HOMILY FROM VINTAGE OLD BOYS MASS

Homily for Old Boys' Eucharist - 18th August 2017

Luke 1:26-38

Some years ago I showed a friend of mine from Canberra our school, Marist Brothers Ashgrove. I remember his words to me when he saw the place. If the Brothers had not got hold of the place, this would have been very valuable real estate.

The Marist Brothers did get hold of this place and they made a very different reality than expensive real estate.

The basis of this different reality is in this gospel, the Annunciation, the Archangel Gabriel asking Mary to be the mother of the Lord. To use modern day language, this was a big ask. Her relationship with Joseph had not been formalised and the social consequences of being an unmarried mother were quite dire. Mary took a risk in faith. She showed much generosity. Her generosity in faith allowed Christianity to be born and nurtured. Over two hundred years ago a young diocesan priest, Marcellin Champagnat, realised the importance of young people knowing about Jesus Christ. Inspired by the Marist vision that he and his fellow newly ordained priests made at Fourviere in 1815, in 1817 at Lavalla he formed a community of young men later known as the Marist Brothers to teach young boys about the love of Jesus and how to pray.

What motivated St Marcellin and those first brothers?

Let us consider the context of France at the time. The French Revolution had commenced in 1789, the year of Marcellin's birth. During that chapter in French history, Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris was turned into the temple of reason. The Church was divided between those who were loyal to the ancient regime and those who supported the revolution. Napoleon took over the leadership of France and caused France to go to war against all the other European nations. I still remember in year 11 history Br Cyprian explaining the origins of the French Revolution. In the midst of this social upheaval, Marcellin had foregone a promising and profitable career in the buying and selling of lambs to become a priest.

Why did Marcellin want young people to know about Jesus?

The very fact that Mary was the model disciple for him suggests to me he found that something was lacking in French secular society, something that the Christian faith gave.

Like Mary, he took a risk in Faith. He abandoned his successful and financially rewarding career and devoted his life to encouraging the faith of the young.

Two hundred years later we celebrate this Eucharist. A Eucharist is a liturgy of thanksgiving. We thank God for the generosity of the brothers who worked so hard to give us opportunities. Some of us had positive experiences at this school; others had negative experiences: many had a combination of both. We are called to thank the Brothers for their generosity. I remember coming over to this school in early 1962 with my two brothers. We passed the tower block, and there was a man up a ladder painting the block. My two brothers said, "Good morning Brother". I was quick to find out that person up the ladder was the Principal Br Valerius. He decided to paint the tower block himself because it was too dangerous to ask anyone else to do the job. It was a wonderful example of servant leadership. I always wonder what effect this had on us. I have met a number of old boys of this school involved in the lay apostolate. I realise that the Brothers had a great influence on them.

I have worked in a number of places in Queensland. I remember meeting one fellow old boy. He told me the circumstances that caused him to be enrolled at Ashgrove. He got himself into trouble in his country town. The local police sergeant called his father in and suggested that he be sent to boarding school. If he wasn't he would be before the Children's court. He thrived at Ashgrove on lots of sport, predictable study times etc. Let's consider Brothers involved in the story. At that time in the 1950s, the Brother who was his boarding master would have also been teaching a full subject load. His bedroom would have been a cubicle built on the side of a dormitory. The school fees were quite moderate. I remember he told me that the Brothers made him.

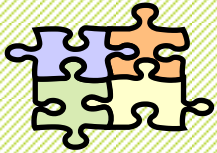
Of course, the Brothers were also a mystery. And mystery is the fertile ground for creative imagination. When I arrived here in 1962 one of the brothers on staff was Brother Remigius or REMegius as Miss Quann my Year 5 teacher used to call him. Finding out the brothers' names was a preoccupation that entertained some of the boys. Br Remigius was in the cadet corps so his name was known. His name was Carl Muller. He also often wore his black cord diagonally across his shoulder. On the basis of this information, a Year 11 student told me when I was in Year 4, with great certainty I might add, that Br Remigius was a former member of the Gestapo, a rumour that did his discipline no harm.

FR MICHAEL CARROLL'S (1970) HOMILY FROM VINTAGE OLD BOYS MASS

The Marist Brothers did get hold of this place. The story of Mary accepting the role of the mother of the Lord became central to this school's identity. Mary's generosity in faith which gave birth to Christianity motivated St Marcellin to found the Marist Brothers and inspired many men to follow him and to work at Ashgrove. The question from this gospel for us old boys are we going to continue this generosity of faith?

2017 MCA SPORT RESULTS

Cricket	Volleyball	Swimming	Rugby	Football	Cross Country	Chess	Basketball	Tennis	Track & Field
1 st XI 2 nd	1 st VI Premiers	Opens 3 rd	1 st XV Premiers	1 st XI 4 th	Opens 5 th	1 st IV 4 th	1 st V Eq. Premiers	1 st IV 3 rd	Opens 2 nd
2 nd XI Premiers	2 nd VI 5 th	16 years 2 nd	2 nd XV Premiers	2 nd XI 3 rd	16 years 2 nd	Senior A 2 nd	2 nd V 3 rd	2 nd IV 4 th	16 years 2 nd
3 rd XI Premiers	3 rd VI 5 th	15 years Champions	3 rd XV Premiers	3 rd XI 2 nd	15 years Champions	Senior B 3 rd	3 rd V 6 th	3 rd IV 2 nd	15 years 3 rd
4 th XI Premiers	11A 3 rd	14 years 3 rd	16A Premiers	4 th XI 2 nd	14 years 3 rd	Inter A 5 th	11A Premiers	11A 3 rd	14 years Champions
10A 3 rd	10A Premiers	13 years 2 nd	16B Premiers	10A 3 rd	13 years 5 th	Inter B 4 th	11B 2 nd	11B 3 rd	13 years Champions
10B 3 rd	10B 4 th	12 years 4 th	10A Premiers	10B 4 th	12 years Champions	Junior A 4 th	10A 6 th	10A 4 th	12 years 3 rd
9A 2 nd	9A 4 th		9A 2 nd	9A Premiers		Junior B 4 th	10B 5 th	10B 1 st	
9B Premiers	9B 4 th		9B Premiers	9B Premiers			9A 4 th	9A 2 nd	
8A 2 nd	8A 7 th		8A 4 th	8A 5 th			9B 4 th	9B 3 rd	
8B 5 th	8B 7 th		8B 1 st	8B 6 th			8A 7 th	8A 3 rd	
7A Eq. Premiers	7A 5 th		7A 5 th	7A 3 rd			8B 4 th	8B 2 nd	
7B 4 th	7B Premiers		7B 3 rd	7B 2 nd			7A 5 th	7A 4 th	
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Aggregate Result									
1 st	4 th	2 nd	1 st	1 st	1 st	3 rd	4 th	3 rd	1 st



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JIM CRAWSHAW 2017 RECIPIENT OF THE ARTHUR APELT MEMORIAL SERVICE AWARD

It is my pleasure and honour to present to you Jim Crawshaw's outstanding involvement and service to the MCA OBA and the College.

I'd like to give you an outline of Jim's many years of involvement with the Old Boys Association plus the Brothers and the College by outlining his student days at the College, his contribution to the Old Boys Association, his time as a College Parent plus Parents and Friends involvement and his voluntary contributions towards College Building development.

Jim was born in St George, Western Queensland on 27th August 1936 to parents Frank & Ruby Crawshaw. Jim's father was a policeman and when Jim was ready for secondary schooling, Frank was stationed at Caloundra after previously being in Esk. The Crawshaws resided at Shelley Beach.

When it became time to commence Jim's Secondary Education his parents chose to send Jim to Boarding School. After checking out Nudgee College, Downlands College and Marist College Ashgrove they decided that Ashgrove was the best choice.

Jim commenced his Sub-Junior year as a Boarder in 1950, and like several of you here, today was privileged to have Br Cyprian as the Principal of the College.

At that time, the College only had an enrolment of 310 students comprising of about 100 boarders and the rest day boys.

The College buildings were fairly spartan with the Tower Block being the central feature containing dormitories, the Chapel and Br Cyprian's Office. Jim recalls the old swimming pool was heavily dosed with chemicals that turned the hair of blonde haired students a shade of green.

Jim admits to not having the football skills to get him selected into the top Rugby teams, but he showed promise as a fast bowler and was selected in Br Vitalis's Under 14's and the following year the 1st XI team while only in Year 10.

I note from the "Ashgrovian" First Edition 2015 that Jim was selected in the 1950 to 1959 MCA Cricket Team of the decade named as part of MCA's 75 Jubilee celebrations. Br Roger Burke was a teammate selected in the MCA Cricket Team of the Century and Br Roger had this to say about Jim.

"Jim Crawshaw was a year behind me at Ashgrove and he quietly slipped into our 1stXI cricket team as our opening bowler. So distinctive was his bowling action that I can vividly recall it was like Glenn McGrath, the Test bowler who achieved greatness. Jim was a McGrath look-a-like, with an average length run-up, left arm held high at the point of a right arm delivery and bowling from wicket to wicket. Jim Crawshaw made a quick impact on our team in the same way McGrath reached Test honours after only one short year in Shield cricket. Quite apart from the Glenn McGrath similarities, Jim was an excellent team person,

competent in his participation, and quietly supportive of other team members, qualities that would portray his life after his school days were over.

Upon meeting Jim, five decades later on my return to Ashgrove, I would generally make some reference to his fast bowling, sometimes in the presence of Jim's dear wife, Tricia. More importantly than his successes on the field of play, it did not really surprise me later to learn that he had given quality long service to the Old Boys Association. Because that was the person he was! – a strong person; competent in what he did; supportive of others; always displaying good judgement. But it still takes strong resolution to keep the flag aloft and fluttering in the breeze of daily life."

Thank you for that endorsement, Br Roger.

Jim attributes his later success in surviving the hurly and burly of life after school was because his years at the College were pleasant ones where friends were made, and the foundations for his Catholic faith were laid.

One of Jim's Classmates was the late Morris Williamson who was Bestman at his marriage to Trish Henderson in 1964. Morris had represented Queensland in 1953, the second OldBoy after Peter Heenan in 1952. Bryan Kassulke and Arthur Apelt also represented QLD in 1953 and then another classmate, Des Connor in 1954.

After finishing at the College in 1951, Jim regularly attended the Old Boys Annual Dinners at the "Coolden" Reception complex then located in New Farm.

At these dinners, Jim met Arthur Apelt, who subsequently invited him to nominate for the Old Boys committee, resulting in Jim being elected to the Committee in the 1960's under the Presidency of the late Jack Behan. This was the start of his long involvement with the Old Boys Association.

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This was also the commencement of a 25-year association and friendship with Arthur Apelt and his wife Jill, which led to the pleasure of working and associating with them over these many years.

Jim was elected as President of the Old Boys Association in 1973 & 1974, and he continued to serve on the Committee over subsequent years. Under his Presidency, the Committee continued to organise the traditional functions, such as the Old Boys Dinner and the annual weekend trip to Miles for a weekend of activities, highlighted by a Dinner Dance. Jim advises that Bernie Mead was the driving force for this wonderful event.

Under Jim's presidency, the issuing of "Life Membership Certificates" to Life members of the Old Boys Association was introduced.

Using his Calligraphy skills - Jim for many years prepared the "Life Membership Certificates" for presentation to the recipients. Computers now make it much easier to prepare such Certificates.

In 1987 Jim was invited by the Old Boys committee to return for a second time as President to steer the Association through some difficult times.

Jim supported by a young, enthusiastic committee ended this year with increased finances and increased numbers attending the annual dinner.

Over subsequent years further service was given by Jim as a Committee Member of the following Planning Committees for the "50 Year Golden Jubilee" Celebrations held in 1990:

(i) The Committee under the Chairmanship of Judge Kevin Row formed to research & co-ordinate the "Canvas of Dreams" book authored by the late

Br Mark Farrelly to outline the 50-year history of the college for release during the 50 year College Golden Jubilee Celebrations.

ALSO

(ii) The Old Boys Committee under the Chairmanship of Des Connor formed to organise the major events for the "50 Year Golden Jubilee" Celebrations in 1990.

To acknowledge Jim's many years of service to the Old Boys Association they awarded him an "Honorary Life Membership" in 1993.

LIFE AS A COLLEGE PARENT

Jim's experience as a College parent commenced when he and Trish enrolled their eldest son Timothy at the college starting Primary in 1978 and finishing in 1985. Tim is now a teacher who lives in Casuarina Beach in Northern NSW.

Then son Matthew joined Primary in 1982 and finished in 1989. Matthew is the head Physio in Macquarie Street, Sydney and directs ten other physios.

Another Family Member here today is Jim's Brother Peter who also attended the College from 1960 to 1964.

This was the start of a new type of involvement with the College, taking part in Working bees, Annual Fetes & the Walkathon .

Tim and Matt's older sister Catherine who attended All Hallows joined the family on Saturdays to barrack for the College's Sporting teams.

During this period, Jim served on the "Parents & Friends Committee" and also served on a "Sub-Committee for the Ash Appeal", which successfully raised funds for the building of the Champagnat Centre. The Committee was under Bernie Knapp's Chairmanship.

Bernie had this to say: "I remember Jim as a fine Past President of the Old Boys who achieved so much for the College's benefit. I got to know Jim well and admire him greatly.

A most memorable time was had by Jim & Trish in 1988 when they joined a College pilgrimage to France organised by Brother Peter Chapman along with Br Peter Corr plus a small band of teachers & parents to visit the historic sites commemorating the life of Saint Marcellin Champagnat. Commemorative locations of Father Champagnat's life were visited and a special time was spent staying at "The Hermitage" where in 1824 Champagnat built his first building to house the young men wanting to become Marist Brothers.

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VOLUNTARY SERVICES

As Jim is a registered Architect, he was over the years able to provide in a voluntary capacity technical advice relevant to possible College building developments.

He was the College Architect for the following projects:

- (i) Stage 1 of the “Cyprian Pavilion”. In 2007, Jim also provided tentative plans for the possible future development or extension of the Cyprian Pavilion.
- (ii) Conversion of an existing building into a Manual Arts Centre.
- (iii) Major Refurbishment of Brothers Dining Room and associated areas.

In 1991 the Marist Brothers acknowledged Jim’s many years of contribution to the Marist Brothers - the College and the Old Boys Association by welcoming him as an “Affiliate of the Australian Marist Brothers” - an award he greatly cherishes

From this brief synopsis, it is evident that since starting at the College in 1950 and for many years to follow Jim has lived the spirit of the Marist Family through Goodwill towards the Brothers plus years of Service and involvement with the Old Boys Association – and the College, above and beyond the call of duty, making Jim a most worthy recipient of “The Arthur Apelt Memorial Service Award for 2017”.

Well Done & Congratulations Jim.

John O’Hare (1972)

OLD BOYS PROVIDE INCREDIBLE SUPPORT FOR MENTAL HEALTH

The one thing we were taught at Ashgrove was that we were part of a much larger community, many members of whom were less fortunate than ourselves. The service of others was a hallmark of the Marist tradition. The continued growth of mental health issues is now one of the most complex issues in society. The OBA directs members’ attention to the magnificent efforts of Old Boys Tudor (1999) and Wes (1998) Vasile who have established the Mental Awareness Foundation and conduct the Walk for Awareness each October. Their website is www.mentalawarenessfoundation.org.

All Old Boys are encouraged to visit the site and support the outstanding efforts of the Vasile brothers.





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PRAYERS PLEASE

Please pray for the following who have deceased recently.

- Peter King, Foundation student (1940-41), passed away July 2017 aged 86 years. Brother of Gerard (1964).
- Terry Mahony, Foundation student (1940-41), late of Southport passed away peacefully in June 2017, aged 87 years. Husband of 60 years to Claire (dec'd) and father of Suzi and Karen and grandfather of their 5 children.
- Bernard Casey (1962) passed away on 03/10/17 after a long battle with cancer. "Ben" was much loved elder brother of Terry (1965), Kevin (1966), Dan (1970) and Pat (1972). Younger sister Cathy attended Mount St Michaels (1976).
- Peter Malcolm Darwin (1965), passed away surrounded by his loving family on September 12, 2017, aged 68 years. Husband of Kathleen, father of Nick and brother of Terry (1962), Barry (1951 dec'd) and Bernard (51 dec'd).
- Barry Doyle (1971), late of Nundah, passed away peacefully on 15 July, 2017, aged 62 years. Husband to Jane, and father of Chris, Cassie, Bec, Jacob and Ben. Grandpa to Ali.
- Jeff Morris (1964-70), formerly of Mitchelton, passed away suddenly on 12 June, 2017. Jeff left the College after completing Junior to commence his carpentry apprenticeship. Jeff moved to Caloundra and started his own successful Building business. Jeff was heavily involved in the local SLSC and Rugby community. Jeff is survived by his wife Kate (nee Henzell) and children Leah, Lucy, Sam, and Joseph. Jeff's older brother, Mick (1960) is also an oldboy.
- Cornelius "Con" Lucey (1949), late of The Gap, passed away peacefully on 11 July, 2017. Husband of Margaret (dec'd), Father of Anthony (1983) and Tim (1986) and Grandfather to their children. Brother of Sheila, Jim (1959), Dan (1963) and Mary (dec'd).
- William Fitzpatrick, late of Everton Park, formerly Red Hill and Ireland, passed away peacefully on 6th October, 2017, aged 65 years. Willie was husband of Ursula, Father of Claire (MCA Community Leader-Humanities), Liam (1993), Noel (1997) and Paul (2001), and Grandad of 6.
- Paul Joseph Quinlivan, CBE, of The Gap, formerly PNG, passed away peacefully on the 9th of October, 2017, aged 91 years. Paul was Husband of Sophie, Father of Luke (1985), Francis (1987), Mary and Daisy and Grandfather of Matthew O'Keeffe (MCA Year 7) and Daniel and Georgina O'Keeffe. Also grandfather of Christian and Angela.
- Kath Marnane who passed away suddenly in Cambodia, aged 52 years. Husband of Lew and Mother of Riley (2011) and Darcy (2013). Kath's Funeral mass was held at St Brigid's Red Hill on the 22nd September, 2017.
- Robert John Ajax, passed away peacefully on 13 September, 2017, aged 70 years. "Bob" is husband of Denise and Father of Robert (1987) and Anthony (1990, recently dec'd)
- Elsie Lancashire, passed away peacefully on 20 September, 2017, aged 95 years. Wife of Don (dec'd) and loving Mother, Grandmother and Great-Grandmother of Graham, Nicholas (2003), Thomas (2004), Emily, William (2011), James (2014) and Connor.
- Joyce Richardson passed away peacefully on the 3 September 2017. Beloved Grandmother of Josh Richardson (2010).
- Emma Raglione, late of Everton Park, passed away on 20 September, 2016, aged 61 years. Mother of Vincent Raglione (2010) and Aunt of Adam (2008) and Dan Jacobson (2010).
- Joan Barwick, late of Tarragindi, passed away peacefully on 16 September, 2017. Mother and Mother-in-law of Lisa and John Stubbings and Grandmother of Aaron (2006), Sam (2009), Ben (2011) and Max (2014) Stubbings and Isaac Barwick (9E).
- Doreen Howlie, late of Yoku Road, Ashgrove from 1962, and formerly of Northern NSW, passed away peacefully aged 3 weeks shy of 93. Doreen's funeral Mass was held at Mater Dei Church on 21 June, 2017. Doreen was husband of Joseph (dec'd) and mother of Diane, Patricia, Joanne, Judy, John (1974), Paul (1976) and Margaret. Doreen was also grandmother of 12, including Joshua Martin (92), Nick Howlie (2011) and great-grandmother of 5.
- Margaret Welge, late of Oxley, passed away peacefully on 6 September, 2017, aged 91. Mother of Michael (1971) and David (dec'd).
- Ray Garske passed away in September 2017 after a long illness. Ray is father of Luke (1986) and Matthew (1989) and grandfather to Tom Walsh (5W), Michael Garske (6R) and William Garske (12I)
- Olive Vaisnys, late of Warana and formerly Ashgrove, passed away peacefully on 8 August, 2017, aged 83 years. Wife of Peter (dec'd), and mother of Marguerita (dec'd), Peter (1971, dec'd), Michael (1974) and Nana of her Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren.
- James Barden, late of Alderley, passed away peacefully on 27 June, 2017, aged 61 years. Husband of Rosalyn, Father of James (1994), Ben (1996), Luke (1998), Daniel (2000) and adored Bo to his Grandchildren.

MARSHALL TARVIT

All Old Boys salute the magnificent Marshall “Max” Tarvit (R.I.P.)

Old Boys never ever forget the legends who built Ashgrove. The dedication of the lay teaching staff to implementing the vision of the Marist Brothers during the formative years is something which really set the College apart.

From tech drawing to GDP, the Old Boys acknowledges the contribution Marshall made to the College and expresses its condolences to his children, grand children and great grandchildren.

No one said it better than Old Boy, Peter Murdoch upon Marshall’s retirement in 1990.



Marshall retires from teaching at the end of the year after 40 years of service. Marsh, who started teaching at the Bundaberg State High School in 1950 in the Manual Arts area, was a qualified electrical tradesman on entering teaching and later taught apprentices at the Townsville Technical College. He later went back to school teaching in Rockhampton, 17 years at various State High Schools, before he began his association with Marist College Ashgrove in 1969. After 22 years, 5 headmasters and many thousands of students, Marshall will tell you that he simply loves Ashgrove. Affectionately known as “Max” to many old boys, he built the Manual Arts Department into a great one of five teachers. He is also credited with having been the moving force behind the introduction of basketball at the College and coached many a successful team. Marsh has always been a great example to the boys and earned their respect always. His presence will be missed and he will be fondly remembered by many members of the Marist family.

VALE CON LUCEY

Cornelius (Con) Lucey was born at Ashgrove Hospital on the 28 June 1933 and passed away peacefully on the morning of July 11, 2017, aged 84 years.

Con attended Marist College from 1943-1950 and remained a proud Ashgrove Old Boy. He loved his time at the school and greatly appreciated his Marist education and its warm faith environment.

Part of his time enrolled at Ashgrove was also spent at St Finbarr’s Primary School when the College was evacuated to Mt Tamborine during the war years. His brother Jim and Dan also attended MCA and they all lived close by in the family home at Celia Street.

As an Ashgrove parent to Anthony (1984) and Tim (1986) in the 1970 and 80’s, Con along with his loving wife Margaret (deceased) contributed to the development of the College through active involvement in working bees, tuckshop, September Fairs and by transporting primary school rugby teams to far away football fields. Along with other Ashgrove dads, Con could be seen early Saturday morning at, ‘The Flats’ unfolding the large UBD map on the bonnet of the two-door Monaro discerning the best course to Runcorn, Tingalpa or Shorncliffe.

Con was a regular at Old Boys’ functions and worked to maintain past student’s connections with his classmates from the ‘50’s. He also maintained an active link with the college of today as a grandparent to Ethan (Year 9) and Liam (Year 7) Lucey.

Whilst a tall man, nothing could match his great heights as a gentleman, husband, father, grandfather and proud son of Ashgrove. May he rest gently in God’s loving hands.



VALE JOHN WALPOLE

John was a “First Day” student at the College, doing year 4 in 1940 and Year 5 in 1941. Then during the wartime emergency which saw the College “exiled” to Eagle Heights at Mt Tamborine, he attended Rosalie and re-joined the College when the main school returned to Ashgrove in 1945. He completed his Junior and then entered the workforce. John usually walked to school from his home in St John’s Wood, though occasionally he rode a horse, and in his last year aspired to a bicycle. The water in the creek was clean and sparkling, fine for drinking and home to a fish population. He was delighted that his new school boasted a Tuck Shop under the Main Classroom building, purchasing ice cream for the princely sum of one penny. He carried clear memories of legendary Brothers Ignatius O’Connor and Harold Carlson – “Real good blokes, but strict – both experts with their canes!” Despite this strict discipline, John mused that it could have been worse: “I could have been sent to a Christian Brothers school!” Of organised sport, John remembered going on Cross Country runs “up the mountain”, Brother Dominic’s boxing lessons, and a trip to the Exhibition Grounds for the Catholic Colleges Athletics Carnival. At the first-ever school concert in 1940, John’s class was chosen to portray nursery rhymes, and he played his part in a paper mask constructed by one of the Brothers in the Three Blind Mice. Academically John was no slouch, coming second to Colin Apelt in Aggregate Marks in Fifth Class in 1941, and topping Arithmetic – no mean feat. John recalled the fine community spirit of the time, with everyone rallying around to help construct “The Baths”, Ashgrove’s first swimming pool, in 1940. His father was instrumental in supplying the College with a horse and tip-tray for various jobs the Brothers required. In an interview towards the end of his life, he said that his memories of Ashgrove were happy ones, and he enjoyed his time at the fledgeling College near the beautiful creek at the foot of the range. Three of his grandsons would follow in his footsteps at the College, a sure sign that the family Walpole were happy with the education provided there. Vale, John, one of a unique group of Ashgrove Old Boys.

Dave Cameron
Archivist

JACK ROBBA (1949)

The funeral of Jack Robba was held on 22 February 2017 at Our Lady of the Graces Catholic Church, Carina.

Jack’s Marist connections go back to 1944, when, Ashgrove being closed because of military occupation, required Jack and a number of other St Finbarr’s Grade Four boys to head off to Marist Rosalie. In 1945, with the war winding up, the Brothers were able to re-open Ashgrove. Jack and the others - including his brother Victor - returned to Ashgrove, and Jack remained at MCA until 1949 when he successfully completed the Junior Public examinations. Jack was an outstanding sportsman, representing Ashgrove in Rugby and Cricket (1st XI Premiers, 1949).

On leaving school, Jack took up an apprenticeship in cabinet-making with Carrick’s. He was a leader in the Young Catholic Workers in St Finbarr’s parish, and it was in a YCW conference that Jack met his future wife, Margaret (Prince). When Jack’s second son arrived, Jack started up a very successful cabinet manufacturing business of his own and was actively engaged, along with two sons, with this business until quite recently.

His love of sport was transferred to his children, and he encouraged them in all the traditional sports as well as sailboat racing – a sport in which Jack filled top administrative positions.

Ever ready to help generously whenever called upon, Jack took on an additional role, volunteering to help the local Sisters by taking the boys at the school for woodwork classes. He then gained additional qualifications as a teacher and spent many years in that role.

Jack was blessed with five children, 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

What an example Jack gave us of a great life of Marist virtues!

Denis Callaghan (1951)



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BY BARRY HONAN

Introduction by Dave Cameron

Barry was a student at the College from 1956, (except for a year and a half when he attended Sandgate State School), until his Graduation year of 1964. In that year he was College Captain, Class Leader of Senior Blue, Captain of the First Fifteen Rugby, Vice - Captain of the First Eleven Cricket, Open Athletics Champion, and Regimental Sergeant Major of the Ashgrove Cadet Unit.

After graduation, Barry gained a Bachelor of Science degree, majoring in Maths and Physics, then completed a Diploma in Education. He also pursued his Rugby ambitions, playing nine Tests as a Wallaby, representing Australia against New Zealand, France, Ireland, Scotland and South Africa. He joined the teaching staff at the College in 1970, being highly regarded in both the Science and Maths faculties, and rising to the position of master in charge of Mathematics in the College. He was also a highly successful and innovative coach of the First Fifteen Rugby, in fact the first layperson to assume that important role in the College's history. In six years his team would win four premierships and be runners-up twice, a memorable record. Barry would later coach lower grade teams with the same expertise and enthusiasm.

He taught and coached at the College for 17 years, resigning in 1987 to become Director of Rugby Coaching in South East Queensland. Much of Barry's "second career" would indeed be Rugby orientated, including producing digital coaching programmes and the organisation of overseas supporters' tours. He was much missed by the Ashgrove staff for his expertise, his dedication, his affable personality and his humour.

If there was one chink in Barry's armour, it was a tendency to forgetfulness, which led to some memorable incidents. Barry's wife Kay knew that if a telephone conversation between them was interrupted by Barry's promise to "Hang on – I'll be back", the absolutely precise time to wait was five minutes: after that, it meant Barry had been distracted and would never return. Barry, running late, also once rushed into a Physics classroom and began teaching immediately, the only problems being he was on the wrong timetabled day, in the wrong room, and with the wrong class. The correctly timetabled teacher (who happened to be Headmaster Brother Alexis Turton), watched Barry's performance in silence for a few minutes, and then with a straight face politely thanked him for so generously taking his class, to the uncontrolled hilarity of the boys and Barry's mortification. Finally, proud parent Barry brought the last of his offspring to Friday afternoon choir practice (aka staff drinks) in a bassinet for everyone to admire. Come departure time, Barry drove off in his car with the whole staff waving vigorously and shouting to him from the staffroom veranda. Fortunately Barry stopped the car without too much jerking and managed to retrieve the bassinet and baby from the roof of the car where he had placed them, to the intense relief of the watchers.

These few incidents notwithstanding, Barry gave his all for his College as a student, a teacher, and a coach. His time as a student, in particular, was rarely easy, for a variety of reasons which his article recalls – he looks back with gratitude on those who helped him on a difficult journey.

Still half asleep after the jolt that stirred me, I looked around and saw nothing but darkness. Shortly after realising where I was I thought to myself... idiot - I've done it again! I was sitting in the empty cabin of a train having dozed off before the train went past Sandgate, my intended destination, and terminated at Shorncliffe. The jolt was the steam engine connecting to the opposite end of the train before reversing direction and travelling back to Brisbane. It wasn't the first time this had happened and it would not be the last! I had recently turned 15 and was in Year 11 at St Mary's Ashgrove.

I hope that a little background on where I was at during my school days will shed some light on why certain Marist Brothers and a number of wonderful families have had a huge influence on my life and instilled in me values that are an intrinsic part of my being.

After 3 years at St Brigid's convent at Red Hill, I joined my older brothers John and Bob at St Mary's Ashgrove. I could not have been happier. I remember very little about grade 4, but I do remember Br Jarlath throwing a chalkboard duster at me for talking in class. The duster fell through a hole in the floor of the



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old wooden building and landed on my brother's desk on the floor below. A few minutes later my brother appeared at the door and sheepishly handed the projectile back to Br Jarlath for later use.

Halfway through grade four my parents separated. Older and undoubtedly far more aware of the situation, John elected to stay with my father in the house at Leslie St Bardon. I and middle brother Bob made the very painful decision to leave our father, our brother, our home and our school to be with our mother, going to Sandgate to live with our grandmother on Mum's side of the family. Bob and I attended the Sandgate State School for a year and a half before our parents reunited and the two younger brothers returned to the College. Even in that short time, I had made many friends at the State School, as well as quite a few more who were students at St Pats Shorncliffe.

Older brother John had finished Year 10 and had left school. I was now in Year 6 and was one of 50 plus lads in the care of Br Francis McMahon, the first of the Marist Brothers who have left an indelible mark on me. All who have read the previous Ashgrovian and the wonderful article written by David L'Estrange will understand why I think this man was and is as close to a saint as any person I have ever met. David extolled the virtues of "Frank" better than I ever could in his article, but suffice to say that even at this early stage of my life I was in need of a role model and I had unknowingly found him. If perchance you have not read David's article, you really must do so. Br Francis coached the 1st XV and 2nd XV together back in those days. The only time I was not fond of "Frank" was when he brought me up to the "Seconds" when I had just turned 14 and was in grade 9. If the photo should be included in this article, that is me on the right looking befuddled and quite out of place. Although honoured by the promotion I spent the season far more scared than confident.

Back to the train in a moment. All went well at Ashgrove for the next five and a half years, and as young fellows gifted with more than our share of athletic ability, brother Bob and I immersed ourselves in every sporting activity, the school had to offer and loved every minute of it. My father's business had collapsed. He was declared bankrupt and we were soon to lose the house. At home, we were seeing our parents' relationship gradually disintegrating again. Except for evenings, I spent more time at the homes of friends than in my own. Michael Neil and Michael Randall were Ashgrove classmates and my best friends. Both Michaels were blessed with wonderful parents, each of whom created a family home that was full of love and welcoming to kids like me. Mike Neil's Dad died suddenly of a heart attack at age 42. Although I felt a huge amount of sorrow, it was nothing compared to the pain the Neil family had to endure.

It was in Year 9 when I had my first and only family holiday. It was not with my family but with the Randalls. Each Christmas school holidays they set up their hut at the Scarborough camping grounds, and I was ecstatic when asked to join them for a week. I had no idea who the Miles family was at the time but here was another wonderful family, along with many others, having their annual holiday at Scarborough. I was 14 years old and fell in love with Kay, younger of the two Miles daughters. "Puppy love" .. not so! Seven years later we married and, skipping quite a few chapters of my life; we now live in retirement glowing in the joy of our large family which consists of 5 children and 17 grandchildren.

At the end of year nine, brother Bob had left school but joined Mum and I as we once again farewelled Leslie Street, and took up residence at Sandgate. Grandma Holmes had by that time passed away and left the house to our mother. This time I was old enough to make at least some decisions for myself, and despite being urged by my Sandgate mates to go to St Pats or Nudgee College, my heart was at St Mary's Ashgrove. For the next 3 years, every school week, five days from Tuesday to Saturday, I travelled to and from Ashgrove. The day began with a 6.00 am two-kilometre bike ride to the Sandgate station, a steam train ride to Roma St Station, a tram ride to the top of Glenlyon Drive, and a 15-minute walk to school, which always included a short halfway stop for a prayer at the Marist Fathers Chapel. Because I was involved every term in sport, Saturday virtually became another school day. Cadets was on a Friday afternoon, so from Tuesday to Friday I would leave school just after 5.00 pm, catch a bus from Moola Rd for a lengthy ride to Central Station and train it back to Sandgate, hoping my bike would be where I left it. Although there was no lock on the bike, it was pretty safe as it was undoubtedly the worst bike on the rack, and bike thieves were not all that common back in those days! That's where the opening train story came in.

Before I had finished year 10, Bob had left home and I was living with Mum, who was now so depressed she rarely left her bedroom. Once again I had the fortune to be welcomed into the homes of so many great families both in Sandgate and back in the Ashgrove area. The Roggenkamps, the Newtons, the Pollards, the Nouds and the McDermotts were such Sandgate families. Then there were Ashgrove families other than those previously mentioned such as the Costellos, the Woods, the L'Estranges and the Wilsons. At various times they were so kind and generous and offered a bed whenever it was needed.

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At St Mary's I was also hugely influenced by a number of brothers. Br Phelan (later Br Geoffrey Joy), Br Alexis, Br Cyprian and Br Gordon were all very different people but their obvious strong faith, their dedication to the Brotherhood and their excellence as teachers were largely responsible for turning my academic achievements around, enabling me to gain entry into QLD Uni by earning a Commonwealth Scholarship.



Br Gordon



Br Cyprian



Br Alexis



Br Phelan (Br Geoffrey Joy)

Br Othmar was the Principal in my final year, and although not one to make the list of my favourite Brothers, he won my great respect through his handling of an incident that I will never forget. Monday was the only day of the week when I was not involved in after-school activities. When school finished, if I ran to the bus stop near the Moola Rd school gate I could catch the 3:40 pm bus into the city, and provided the bus trip was not delayed, catch an early train to Sandgate, getting home before dark. On this day as the final prayer for the day was being said in homeroom class I made an early movement towards the door of our classroom. Mr Fred McGrath, later to become a Marist Brother himself, noticed my error of judgement and at the end of the prayer issued one of three statements I will never forget. The first and third were requests but the second was an order! "Class dismissed, Barry Honan stay back". My classmates mistook my following action as a sign of courage, but in reality, it was more a sign of exasperation and frustration. I continued to the door and hurried along the corridor as Mr McGrath then shouted an order heard by everyone in the building, let alone the third floor .. "Honan, get back here, or it will be the last thing you ever do at this school". I did not go back. With my heart still pounding, I had no chance of falling asleep on the train, but I did get home before dark. Little homework was done and although I went to bed early, not a great deal of sleep was had.

During homeroom the next morning everyone was quiet including Mr McGrath. Then came the inevitable knock on the door and my French teacher's second unforgettable request. "Barry Honan, Br Othmar would like to see you." I had never before and rarely after experienced such a feeling of panic. Br Othmar knew quite well my family history and the difficulty I experienced every day coming to and from school. I had wrongly believed Mr McGrath had too. Br Othmar opened with - "Barry why? No one should do what you did and especially not the Captain of the school!" I thought I would be stripped of my captaincy and have my prized honour blazer taken away. This was not the case, and instead, I was heard by all the class and Mr McGrath to be given 6 "cuts" and told never to even think of doing such a thing again. What the class did not know and I was asked by Br Othmar never to tell (at least until I left school), was that none of the "cuts" made contact. The noise of the cane six times slapping across Brother Othmar's cassock and the look of pain on my face as I re-entered the classroom was enough to convince everyone that I had been suitably punished. Incidentally, I found out later from my father that because of my family situation the Brothers allowed me to gain the benefit of all my education at Ashgrove without one penny of school fees ever being paid.

I intended this article to be short and I apologise for its lack of brevity. However, I cannot finish without mentioning the influence of Terrence Curley, who recently passed away. Terry was a giant of a man in many ways. He walked away from his position in the Wallabies and his engineering studies at Sydney Uni at the age of 20 to become a Marist Brother, arriving at Ashgrove in 1965, the year after I left. Because of my own rugby involvement and my deep feelings for the College, I had a great deal to do with Terry throughout the years he was at Ashgrove. His sense of discipline was extraordinary and he possessed the highest set of principles I have ever come across. Because of these traits, no one could ever sit on the fence when assessing Terry Curley. They either liked and admired him or felt diametrically opposite feelings for him. Such was Terry's influence on me that when the first of my five children were born, a boy, he was named Terry and Terry Curley was his Godfather.

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Halfway through the first year at University, I changed from Engineering to Pure Science, and after majoring in Mathematics and Physics completed a Diploma in Education. I had made the decision, with the encouragement of Br Phelan who had then become College Principal, to return to Ashgrove as a teacher. I only hope that the 17 years I taught and coached at Ashgrove in some way repays the huge debt I owed to the College and the Marist Brothers and that the influence I had on my students was a positive one.

Barry Honan



Photo that appeared in now defunct Evening Telegraph in 1968 prior to the Wallaby tour of Ireland and Scotland
Left to right: Br Phelan (College Principal), Dr Michael Barry, Alex Pope, Des Connor (Wallaby Coach), Br Terrence and Barry Honan

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