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Top shot!

The Courier photographer Adam Trafford took this fantastic exterior photo of the OCA Pavilion when it was hosting the Ballarat Sportswoman of the Year Awards in March.

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Front Cover:

Cover image: 2013 College Dux Timothy Crowe achieved a perfect ATAR score of 99.95, making him one of the top students in Victoria. Read Tim's address to the Academic Assembly on pages 6 and 7.

Faith. Tradition. Excellence. Joy.

Certainly the first term of 2014 has embodied each of these four pillars in many varied and wondrous ways.

Looking for excellence? Look no further than the achievements of our 2013 College Dux Timothy Crowe who recorded a perfect ATAR score of 99.95.

Faith? Our annual St Patrick's Day celebrations involved a Mass in the Br W.T. O'Malley Sports Centre attended by around 1800 people.

Tradition? We hosted a gala dinner to announce the Greatest SPC Football Team of all Time.

Joy? Look at the photo on the back page showing our 1st XI

cricketers at the precise moment they discovered they had won the BAS Grand Final by one run.

We hope you find the many other pages in this edition all, in some way, reflect and embrace one of our four pillars as we again strive to make 2014 a year to remember for St Patrick's College.



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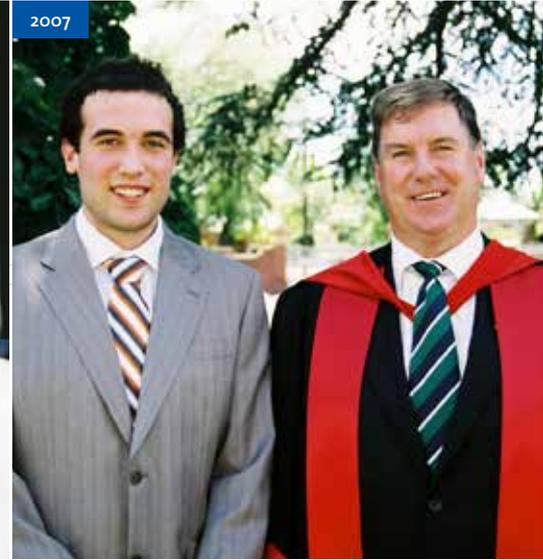
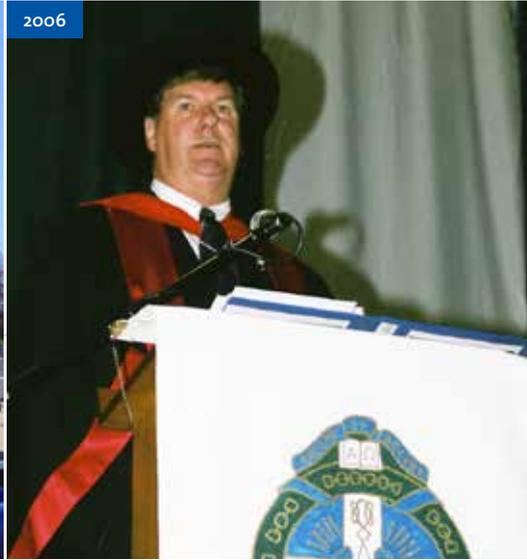
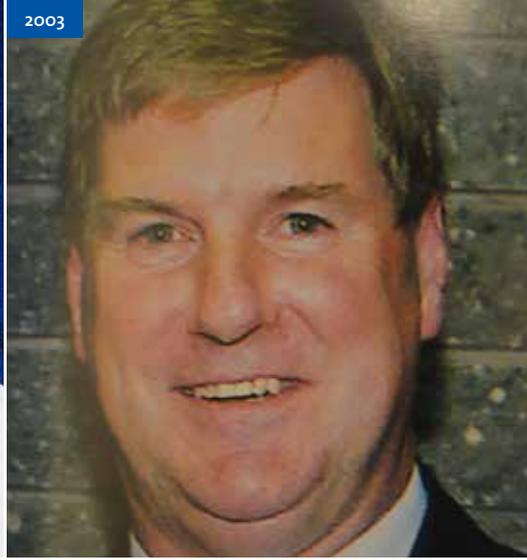
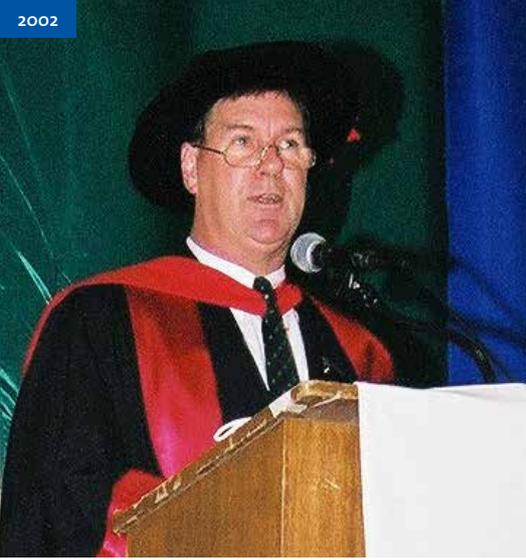
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Headmaster's Message

2014 marks the completion of Headmaster Dr Peter Casey's tenure at the College. The photos on these pages reproduce some fine memories of Dr Casey's leadership as he prepares for retirement at the completion of the school year. Following is his message to the St Patrick's College community as he reflects on the past 13 years.

Dear Friends

2014 is well underway and the circle of life as we know it rolls on. This edition of The Shamrock details many of the great events and outcomes that have added to our core business of teaching and doing on a daily business: the 'facere et docere' on our crest.

You will be pleased to know that the College Board and Edmund Rice Education Australia have been working for some time on finding the next Head of the College to commence at the start of 2015. The position was publicly advertised on March 29 and the process should bear fruit in May. Please join me in praying for all those who put themselves forward that they may be worthy, and for the selection panel that they may be guided by the Holy Spirit.

In this time of transition, I was transported back to something I wrote in 2010 and which has been guiding my thoughts of late. I shared some of this on St Patrick's Day. James Murray was the first editor of the Oxford English Dictionary in 1879. In a letter to the politician Lord Bryce on December 15 1903, Murray wrote:

'I think it was God's will. In times of faith, I am sure of it. I look back and see that every step in my life has been as it were imposed upon me – not a thing of choice; and that the whole training of my life with its multifarious and irregular incursions into nearly every science and many arts, seems to have had the express purpose of fitting me to do this (producing the first Oxford English Dictionary) ... So I work on with a firm belief (at most times) that I am doing what God has fitted me for, and so made my duty; and a hope that He will strengthen me to see the end of it ... But I am only an instrument, only the means that he has provided, and there is no credit due to me, except that of trying to do my duty; Deo soli Gloria (To God alone be the glory given).'

The Casey family motto in Latin is Per varios casus, taken from Virgil's Aeneid 1:204

*Per varios casus, per tot discrimina rerum
tendimus in Latium; sedes ubi fata quietas
ostendunt; illic fas regna resurgere Troiae.
Durate, et vosmet rebus servate secundis*

We have forced our way through adventures of every kind, risking all again and again; but the way is the way to Latium, where Destiny offers us rest and a home, and where imperial Troy may have the right to live again. Hold hard, therefore. Preserve yourselves for better days.

Murray concluded that it was his experiences of every kind in life that equipped him for what was to be his ultimate life's work. I find that this conclusion resonates well with the words of Virgil's hero, Aeneas. Who knows why we choose what we choose when we are faced with life choices, but ultimately those experiences form us and equip us for the duty to which we are called. Therefore we hold fast to our path, confident that it is God's work. To God be the glory given.

Much joy to you all.
Peter M Casey

2002: Dr Peter Casey presents his first speech in his new role as Headmaster at the 2002 Welcome Assembly.

2003: Dr Casey as featured in the 2003 College Annual.

2004: Dr Casey with former Headmaster Br Bill Wilding, left, and then Victorian Premier Steve Bracks (SPC 1968-71) at the official opening of the Wilding Wing Senior School in 2004.

2005: Dr Casey finds himself in a perilous position atop the dunking machine on Edmund Rice Day 2005.

2006: Dr Casey addresses the 2006 Academic Assembly.

2007: Dr Casey with Andrew Schuyler (2004-06) after the 2007 Academic Assembly.

2008: Dr Casey stands outside the Brothers' House (now known as Kennedy House) in late 2008.

2009: Dr Casey, right was pictured in late 2009 with the incoming student leaders, from left, Vice Captain Bradley Brennan (SPC 2005-10), Vice Captain Jake Belsar (SPC 2005-10) and College Captain James McMaster (SPC 2006-10).

2010: During the 2010 Tour of Ireland, Dr Casey found a shop front he could relate to.

2011: Dr Casey at the 2011 Legends Dinner with Collingwood footballer Nathan Brown (SPC 2002-06) and 1st XVIII coach and Director of Football Howard Clark.

2012: A WIN Television news crew interviews Dr Casey on White Ribbon Day in 2012.

2013: Dr Casey addresses the congregation in the College Chapel following the first mass by newly ordained Old Collegian Fr James Kerr (SPC 2000-05).

2014: Dr Casey enjoys the festivities with current students at the 2014 Head of the Lake Regatta.



Academic Assembly Address



Timothy Crowe
2013 College Dux

The Academic Assembly held on Friday, February 21, 2014, invited back all Year 12 subject duces from 2013 and honoured all Semester 2 Chris Nolan Award winners from 2013. The guest speaker on the day was Old Collegian and prominent media lawyer Justin Quill (SPC 1989-91). Following his address 2013 Dux Timothy Crowe addressed the assembly. Following is an edited transcript of his speech:

Dr Casey, distinguished guests, family and friends of this wonderful school, staff, and of course, the students of St Patrick's College. I must say how very proud I am to be standing here; it is such an honour to be able to represent my fellow classmates of 2013 in addressing you all today. I remember quite a few past academic assemblies, sitting amongst my peers and colleagues, and I always tried to take something away from the dux's address. It is an amazing feeling to be in the opposite position now, with an opportunity to pass on something to any of you sitting before me, and I will do my best to make it count.

I hope to offer some advice that may resonate with many of you, though I would like to place an emphasis on those amongst us approaching the daunting final years of secondary school education. My first piece of advice revolves around working hard. Sadly, in my experience, there really is no shortcut to achieving your goals, no easy way. All throughout last year, in my brightest and darkest moments, during class, and during backbreaking coffee-fuelled seven-hour study sessions that ended at 2am, I always had one thing that kept me going... besides the coffee. I knew that for every hour of hard work, I was making myself stronger, or smarter. I was learning resilience. I was getting that tiny bit closer to realising my potential. I truly believe that we all have something amazing to give in this world. Call it ambition, call it greed, call it whatever you want. I want to know what my gift is, and I know I'll work damn hard to find out. The great thing is that you don't have to work alone, and this is important to remember. Ask your peers for help, and help them out in return whenever possible. A lot of people end up viewing Year 12 as some kind of twisted competition, but the importance in seeing your class as a team is paramount. I tutored a few students and I made myself available to help whenever I could, and I can tell you that teaching someone what

you've learnt is the best form of revision. We can all benefit from each other. In fact, I like to think of it a little something like this: we are all on our own path to greatness, and the road ahead certainly will look dark at times, but the best thing that you can do is to work hard, seek help from the army of soldiers marching with you, and trust in the path that you've made. Keep following it, don't give up, and I'm sure you'll make it.

Secondly, I cannot adequately express the importance of maintaining balance in your life, between school and the extracurricular pursuits, hobbies and past-times that interest you. Of course, the impact on my VCE results from my musical, sporting and other interests cannot be quantitatively determined, but I assure you that I felt so much more engaged in my study when I had a healthy balance. I can say with absolute certainty that the years of instrumental practice and soccer training not only prepared me for the task of managing my time in Year 12, but continued to benefit me as an outlet for my mind when I really needed it. We are extremely lucky to have access to the opportunities and experiences that we do. Indeed, it is our experiences that form our knowledge, our understanding of this world, and our identity. It seems cliché, but the opportunities that you are exposed to at St Patrick's College may have a huge impact on the men that you become. With that in mind, I say seize these opportunities and tackle them head-on. Whether it is in music, drama, public speaking and debating, leadership or sport, I strongly encourage you all to get involved in the College life. The memories that I have from the music department and those featuring my fellow student leaders in recent years, will probably be those upon which I look back, those that I cherish and remember with a smile on my face when I think "St Patrick's College".

Finally, I would like to talk a little bit about perspective. The most important lesson I learnt last year was courtesy of my Literature teacher, Mrs Sara Taylor. I was overwhelmed with various anxieties about my writing and about the examination that loomed on the horizon. In fact, I was seriously doubting my ability to use the English language – an important component of the Literature exam, so I heard. Mrs Taylor calmed me down and underlined the triviality of my concerns, but there was a far more important lesson that she gave me, and one that I will not forget. Quite simply, she told me to keep perspective. I was so hung up on study scores and grade distributions, but suddenly I was looking at myself from the future. I thought about myself at university. I thought about myself looking back on the year and laughing. We can only do our best, and if you are already pushing yourself towards that then there is nothing to worry about. Enjoy your work, find something you're passionate about, and remember what is important.

I would like to add one final note, very much related to this idea of perspective. When scores were finally released last year, I was ecstatic as I'm sure you can all understand, and so was everyone around me. But having reflected over the past few months, I don't think my score is what I was proud of. The borderline hysteria surrounding the number was certainly misleading, and I think I got a little caught up in it, but that number wasn't the evidence of my success. Don't get me wrong, I truly believe that I succeeded last year, and I am certainly proud of my achievements, but for me, my score has nothing to do with that. I mentioned earlier that we are all on our own path to greatness. The fundamental point of understanding here is that this greatness, this success, is truly an objective measure. Personally, I succeeded because I set goals beyond my wildest imagination and I reached

Right: 2013 College Dux Timothy Crowe delivered an inspirational speech at the Academic Assembly.

Below: Old Collegian Justin Quill, left, was a guest speaker at this year's Academic Assembly. Mr Quill also presented Legal Studies Dux Jarryd O'Dowd with the inaugural Justin Quill Legal Studies Award. This award will be an ongoing feature of Academic Assemblies.

them. I succeeded because I found something that I was truly passionate about. I succeeded because I expanded my horizons and met a bunch of wonderful new people. I succeeded because I spent yet another year with my wonderful partner, Alana.

Ultimately, I succeeded because I think I made a positive difference to the lives of those around me, and I think that's something that we can all do. Do not limit yourself to a number. You will always be more than that.

Set your goals and stick to them, whatever they may be. Because if you don't want to fail, I can assure you that you won't fail. Sure, failure is always an option, but if it is an option then doesn't that mean that it is always a choice? So is success, really. Success is really just the choice not to give up, not to stop. It is the choice to come out with two fists swinging. Good luck to everyone this year – I am sure you will make yourselves proud. Thank you.





Academic Assembly



Mr Stephen Hill
Deputy Headmaster -
Curriculum

Above: 2014 College student leaders sing the College song at the Academic Assembly.

Opposite:
Top left: Joint Dux of Chemistry Andrew Groch is congratulated by Headmaster Dr Peter Casey for achieving an ATAR score of 97.65.

Top right: Thomas Thorpe recorded a perfect score of 50 for English. He is pictured here with teacher Mr Joseph Magee.

Bottom: Many of the 2013 subject duces returned to the College to be honoured at the Academic Assembly.

Friday, February 21 saw the College community gather for the annual Academic Assembly. The Academic Assembly recognises the academic excellence of our high achieving VCE students.

The College Dux is presented annually to the Year 12 student who attains the highest ATAR (Australian Tertiary Admission Rank) for his year. The College proudly recognised Timothy Crowe as the 2013 College Dux.

Tim attained an ATAR score of 99.95 – the highest ATAR possible! While Tim was one of the over 51,000 Victorian students who completed their VCE last year, his 99.95 placed him in the very small, elite group of just 34 students who achieved this truly outstanding result.

Beyond his academic success, Tim demonstrated excellent leadership skills in his roles as Vice-Captain of Galvin House and Captain of Music in 2013. He made the most of every opportunity to utilise his talents and further extend his skills and knowledge base. His untiring efforts were recognised in his award of the Dorothy Irene Ellis-Thomas Scholarship, an accolade which acknowledges not only academic

excellence, but also his commitment to making a difference to St Patrick's College and the Ballarat community. Tim is a mature and perceptive young man who embraces challenges with determination and perseverance. His is recognised as someone who selflessly assisted his peers to better understand curriculum content, particularly in the area of mathematics. Tim is an outstanding role model who is extremely well regarded by his peers and a deserving recipient of the 2013 College Dux award.

Tim had many academically gifted classmates in 2013 and the following boys were presented a VCE Achievement of Excellence Award in recognition of their efforts in attaining an ATAR of 90 or above:

Timothy Crowe
ATAR of 99.95
2014 offer: Science (Chancellor's Scholars Program). University Of Melbourne, Parkville

Oscar McDonald
ATAR of 99.10
2014 offer: Science (Chancellor's Scholars Program). University Of Melbourne, Parkville

Thomas Thorpe
ATAR of 98.55
2014 offer: Music/Law. Monash University, Clayton

Andrew Groch
ATAR of 97.65
2014 offer: Music. University Of Melbourne, Parkville

Timothy O'Shea
ATAR of 97.35
2014 offer: Science. University Of Melbourne, Parkville

Connor Squires
ATAR of 97.15
2014 offer: Commerce/Engineering (Honours). Monash University, Clayton

Louis Gillett
ATAR of 96.85
2014 offer: Journalism. RMIT University, Melbourne

Adam Murphy
ATAR of 96.25
2014 offer: Mining Engineering. Federation University, Mount Helen

Timothy Ryan
ATAR of 95.75
2014 offer: Science Advanced (Global Challenges). Monash University, Clayton



Gerard Clifford

ATAR of 93.40
2014 offer: Commerce. Federation University, Mount Helen

Kyle Kemp

ATAR of 93.35
2014 offer: Health Sciences/Physiotherapy Practice. La Trobe University, Melbourne

Andrew Fay

ATAR of 92.80
2014 offer: Commerce/Law. Deakin University, Geelong

Mark McOwan

ATAR of 92.20
2014 offer: Science. University Of Melbourne, Parkville

Jack Harrison

ATAR of 91.80
2014 offer: Professional Communication. RMIT University, Melbourne

Harrison Spratling

ATAR of 90.90
2014 offer: Law/International Studies. Deakin University, Geelong

A VCE Academic Prize was presented to the boy with highest study score above 40 for each VCE and VETis Units 3/4 offered in 2013. The following students were recognised:

Kyle Andrews

Dux of Business Management (Study score of 43)

James Burge

Dux of Religion and Society (Scaled study score of 41.4)

Hamish Clydesdale

(Year 11 student)
Dux of Further Mathematics (Study score of 50)

Timothy Crowe

Dux of Literature (Scaled score of 48.54)

John Cosgriff Dux of Specialist Mathematics (Study score of 50, scaled score of 55)

Stephen Callahan Dux of Mathematical Methods CAS (Study score of 50, Scaled score of 52.03)

Dux of Music Style and Composition (Study score of 41)

Dux of Physics (Study score of 50)

Andrew Fay

Paul Watson Dux of Accounting (Scaled study score of 40.09)

Louis Gillett

Dux of Media (Study score of 41)

Andrew Groch

Dux (shared) of Chemistry (Scaled study score of 40.4)

Kyle Kemp

Dux (shared) of VET Sport and Recreation (Study score of 46)

Matthew Lakey

Dux (shared) of VET Sport and Recreation (Study score of 46)

Oscar McDonald

Dux of Biology (Scaled study score of 41.2)

Jake Muscat

Dux of Systems Engineering (Study score of 44)

Jarryd O'Dowd

Justin Quill Dux of Legal Studies (Scaled study score of 45.26)

Timothy O'Shea

Dux (shared) of Chemistry (Scaled study score of 40.4)

Harrison Robertson

Dux of Health and Human Development (Study score of 42)

Thomas Thorpe

Dux of English (Study score of 50)
Dux of History - Revolutions (Scaled study score of 46.77)
Dux of Text and Traditions (Study score of 43)

Daniel Toohey

Dux of Product Design and Technology (Study score of 44)

Luke Wilson

Dux of Physical Education (Study score of 43)

Samuel Wines

Dux of Outdoor and Environmental Studies (Study score of 40)



St Patrick's Day

The College once again celebrated St Patrick's Day with a Mass and Assembly in the Br W.T. O'Malley Sports Centre followed by a luncheon in the OCA Pavilion for around 130 people.

Following is an edited extract of the speech delivered by College Captain Ben Martin on the day.

"I can think of no greater privilege for a student of this College than to stand here and speak with you on the Feast Day of St Patrick. We take not only our name from him, but importantly, we claim for our own an unbroken heritage of faith, generosity and courage. This heritage runs through the history of the Church in Ireland that had to overcome great obstacles. The endurance that became part of its character produced Blessed Edmund Rice and the first Christian Brothers.

These men had a clear vision. Their faith gave them the knowledge that all people are equal before God. This desire must be part of us today, or we are not being true to our heritage.

I put it to you all today that it is most appropriate that we take some time to acknowledge and

delve into the depths of our rich history, and what defines us as a Catholic College in the Edmund Rice Tradition.

By sharing my own experiences with you today and speaking to you on a personal note, I reach out to those of you who have still not taken up all opportunities you could have. To those younger men seated down the front, I encourage you to take up every opportunity this wonderful College has to offer you.

Firmly we believe that our College still truly stands by the values of St Patrick himself - values that have stood the test of time. We may not express them in the same way, as 1,600 years ago. Instead, we use words like Faith, Joy, Excellence and Tradition – the Pillars of our College. And there are other words that unite us to the many other schools in the Edmund Rice tradition.

As some of you may already know, over the summer break I attended the Edmund Rice Education Australia College Captains conference.

Grateful for the opportunity to attend this conference with student leaders from all over Australia and New Zealand, it provided some eye opening experiences based around the Four Touchstones of the EREA –

- A Liberating Education,
- Action for Justice and Solidarity,
- At our heart is a Gospel Spirituality and
- The desire for an Inclusive Community.

As our Pillars invite us into what it means to be a member of the St Patrick's College Community, these



Opposite main: 2014 College Captain Ben Martin is congratulated by Headmaster Dr Peter Casey and Bishop Paul Bird.

Opposite top: Guest speaker Laurie Larmer (SPC 1935-40) delivered a very entertaining address at the St Patrick's Day luncheon.

This page top left: College Captain Ben Martin delivers his St Patrick's Day address.

Top right: Old Collegians Bill Walsh (SPC 1953-58) caught up with Gerard Coffey (SPC 1955-58) at the St Patrick's Day luncheon.

Middle right: Noel Whelan (SPC 1947-50) travelled from Wangaratta and Edward Cotching (SPC 1947-50) travelled from Mildura to reunite at the St Patrick's Day luncheon.

Bottom left: Bishop Paul Bird, centre, celebrates Mass in the W.T O'Malley Sports Centre alongside Bishop Emeritus Peter Connors and Fr James Kerr.

Bottom right: Old Collegians Ian Bradford (SPC 1943-51) and Kevin Ryan (SPC 1944-47) relived old memories at the luncheon.



Touchstones unite thousands of students, families and staff across Australia.

On the first day of the Leaders Conference, we split into groups that engaged in different types of service. Some groups then went and served the poor and marginalised on soup buses. Other groups visited homes for women and children who needed crisis accommodation, fleeing from anger and violence. Other groups visited homeless shelters.

All these people have done nothing to deserve their situation. They suffer because, in many cases, other people have let them down or shut them out. Society has let them down.

There is the physical pain of their situation – they are cold, hungry and need shelter. But these are just the symptoms. The real pain lies in

their exclusion from the joys that we too often take for granted. They feel like, and come to believe, that they do not belong anywhere. They feel like lesser human beings. Jesus invited us to change our hearts from stone to flesh and reach out to each other in love. It could be a blanket, or a cup of soup. But most importantly, it is our time. It is in the brute fact of being present to them.

It is just listening to them. Not being in a rush to be somewhere else, but letting them know that there is no other place you would rather be. This is a gift that changes lives.

The satisfaction and joy experienced from helping those on the margins has a power I cannot describe. Through their eyes, you can start to see your own life in a fuller perspective.

I was compelled to assess the choices I have made in my time here at St Patrick's College. I stand here and make this known: in my time here at St Patrick's, not once have I been involved in St Albans tutoring, a bread run or St Vincent de Paul. That is something that I need to think carefully about.

For those of us in our final year, I invite you into that same reflection. I do encourage you to please try and donate some of your time to at least one of these charities before you leave.

To those younger men seated down the front, I make a personal plea to you: get involved as soon as you can. And then persist. Be fully present to the people in your life, and make time to encounter those on the margins of our society. Make progress in your desire to become a fine young man by giving generously to your community.

In the end, it is the same challenge that faced St Patrick as he stood before the people of Ireland. Would he give everything of himself? It was not a case of expert knowledge or a business plan that would guarantee success. It was a total commitment through being totally present.

So, what type of man will you be when it comes your turn to lead the next generation? Do not be afraid to tell people you love them. Help and support all those around you through the challenges of everyday life. Become the finest young man that you can be.

Thank you, and God Bless.



Chris Nolan Awards

The 2014 Academic Assembly on February 21 featured the presentation of the 2013 Semester Two Chris Nolan Awards.

Chris graduated from St Patrick's College in 1985 as College Captain. He completed his Law Degree at Monash University and went on to practice law in Vietnam. Chris was highly respected by all for his commitment and enthusiasm to all aspects of College life and demonstrated his intelligence and ingenuity shortly after leaving St Patrick's as one of the co-founders of the highly acclaimed Meredith Music Festival. After several years in Vietnam, Chris tragically acquired severe brain injuries from a viral infection leading to total organ failure. Chris is profoundly disabled physically and in his communication systems. With the strong and unconditional support of his family and friends, Chris has continued to fight against these disabilities and has developed various means of communication and is now the face for those developing awareness of and the fight for young people requiring care in nursing homes.

As a student at the College, Chris regularly achieved strong academic results and in his final year he was awarded the Headmaster's Award for Leadership, the History Prize, the Sir Hugh Devine Prize for Impromptu Speech, a W.T. Doyle Prize for Debating and the 1st XI Cricket Bowling Award

In his time at St Patrick's, Chris clearly exemplified the pursuit of excellence across a range of our important educational programmes and activities.

To receive a Chris Nolan Award, a boy must be in the top 15 per cent of his year level. The 15 per cent is determined by the aggregation of all semester results (including exams and all reported assessment items).

In addition to the Semester Two Chris Nolan Awards, boys who received a Chris Nolan award in both Semester One and Two in 2013 were presented with a Headmaster's Academic Excellence Certificate to acknowledge their sustained academic excellence throughout the year. These students are marked with an asterisk (*) on the following list.

2013 Semester Two Year 7 Chris Nolan Award recipients:

Shaun Burgess*
Matthew Butler
Joel Cadman
Thomas Caldwell
Samuel Canny*
Bradley Castleman*
Hamish Crawley
James Dickson
Joshua Findlay*
Joel Fitzgerald*
Mitchell Furlong*
Declan Gannon*
Nicholas Gaylor*
Casey Haseloff
Edan Huggett*
Damian Johnson*
Jesse Jury
Jesse Keem*
Elliott Lamb*
Blake Lim*
Fletcher Loader*
Conlon Love*
Emmet Macklin*
Samuel McCrum*
Will McLoughlin*
Ryan Mulheron*
Charles Nimmo*
Jacob Nolan*
Henry North
Dean O'Brien*
Joel O'Connell*
Xavier O'Shea*
Briley Patullo*
Dil Shah*
Shilo Smith
Zac Stinchcombe*
Lachlan Suttie*
Nathan Suttie*
Zachary Wheelahan
Samuel Williams*

2013 Semester Two Year 8 Chris Nolan Award recipients:

Joel Batchelor
Tyrone Baynes*
Brendan Bell
Nicholas Carta*
James Catterson*
Timothy Collier
Lachlan Conlan*
Samuel Coxall*
Corey Davie*
Joshua DeVoogel*
Ryan Dewar*
James Duffy*
Joshua Duggan*
Max Edwards*
Nicholas Elliott*
Mitchell Fowler
Lachlan Furlong*
Jack Gaffney
Joel Gallagher
Thomas Godson
Jordan Grant
Thomas Hughes*
Ben Hutt
Mason Joyce*
Jack Lalor*
Brandon Lauton*
Jeremy Learmonth*
Ryan Montgomery*
Brady Mulheron*
Harrison Murphy*
Lachlan Phillips
Patrick Reeves*
Lachlan Reynolds*
Samuel Rousch*
Devlin Russell
Brenton Ryan*
Shamus Ryan
Tiernan Somers*
Caelan Thompson*
Hayden Thompson*
Mitchell Tuddenham*
James Wait
Henry Ward*
Corey White*
Matthew Whiteford

2013 Semester Two Year 9 Chris Nolan Award recipients:

Cameron Adams*
Patrick Cooper
Nathaniel Corboy*
Bailey Crawford
Hasker Dawborn*
Bailey Dodd
Louis Edwards*
Thomas Evans
Brandon Falland*
Jarrod Gillingham*
Liam Haintz*
Tynan C Haintz*
Liam Hanrahan*
Seamus Hoffmann
Troy Keem*
Patrick Keogh*
Timothy Liston*
Lawrence McCrabb*
William McCuskey*
Samuel McMaster*
Alexander Mooney*
Connor Murphy*
Riley Murphy*
Jarrod O'Brien*
David O'Doherty*
Liam O'Shea*
James Parini*
Alex Porter
Alexander Richardson*
Samuel Short*
Lucas Shugg*
Callum Smith*
Andrew Spratling
William Sullivan*
Joshua Taylor*
Bradley Tuohey*
Patrick Willis*
Henry Wines
Matthew Wong*
Luke Wynd*



**2013 Semester Two Year 10
Chris Nolan Award
recipients:**

Stuart Aberdein
Shaun Ainley*
Nicholas Anokye*
Thomas Bannister
William Briggs*
Mitchell Canny*
Laurence Cashin
Patrick Collier*
Tom Evans*
Lachlan Fuller*
Kelsey Gannon*
Evan Green
Callum Holland*
William Jury*
Christopher Kan*
Jarrod Kemp*
Samuel Laidlaw*
Jake Leontiew*
Abraham Lewis*
Benjamin Lusby
Samuel Mewett*
Ryan Prendergast
Jordan Purcell*
Joshua Rix*
Alec Robinson
Alex Ross
Thomas Schreenan*
Mitchell Steele*
Zac Ticehurst*
Thomas Wakefield*
Joel Willmott

**2013 Semester Two Year 11
Chris Nolan Award
recipients:**

David Adams*
Connor Aitken*
Hamish Clydesdale*
Bradley DeVries*
Ashley Duffy*
Liam Edwards*
Matthew Hall*
Liam Hanrahan*
Daniel Heenan
Lachlan Hewitt
Liam Jess*
Michael Kan*
Thomas Keogh*
Matthew Lakey*
Paul Liston*
Alexander Martino
Thomas McDonough*
Thomas McMaster*
Thomas Mooney*
Scott Murphy*
Solomon Nunes*
Edward Nyary
Luke Pelchen*
Louis Powlett*
Harrison Robertson*
Samuel Romeril
Martin Ryan*
Michael Snaith*
Jordan Thomas
Angus Thompson*
Kane White
Damon Williamson*
Aidan Willowwhite*
Elliott Yeung*

Congratulations to each boy acknowledged at the Academic Assembly. I hope that the success of each provides all other boys at St Patrick's with the example and motivation to vigorously pursue personal academic success.

Opposite: All recipients were asked to collect their certificates in front of the full College community.

Above: College Chaplain Fr James Kerr blesses the assembly following the presentation of the Chris Nolan Awards.

Top right: Chris Nolan's mother Mary speaks on his behalf at the assembly.

Middle: Some of the recipients of Chris Nolan Awards for Semester Two, 2013.

Right: Chris Nolan was delighted to be in attendance at the 2014 Academic Assembly at which awards named in his honour were bestowed.



New staff

At the start of every new year, we welcome a lot of new faces to the College and farewell some which have been familiar to us. Please find following a list of new, returning and departing staff at St Patrick's College in 2014.

New staff

Name	Position	Qualifications	Coming From
Jon Franzin	Deputy Headmaster, Student & Staff Wellbeing	Bachelor of Education, B.Ed. Bachelor of Special Education Graduate Diploma of Religious Education, Grad.Dip.R.E. Master of Education (Leadership), M.Ed. (Leadership) Master of Special Education	St Paul's College, Gilles Plains, Adelaide
Robert Geddes	Housemaster	Bachelor of Arts (Honours), B.A. (Hons) Graduate Diploma of Education, Grad.Dip.Ed.	Currently teaching – Ballarat Secondary College
Stuart Harridge	Teacher	Bachelor of Arts (Honours), B.A. (Hons) Diploma of Education, Dip.Ed. Master of International Politics	Ballarat Clarendon College
Carol Horsman	Laboratory Manager	Bachelor of Agricultural Science, B.Ag.Sc.	University of Melbourne
Felicity Knobel	Housemaster; Assistant Director of Boarding Teacher	Bachelor of Arts, B.A. Graduate Certificate of Religious Education, Grad.Cert.R.E. Graduate Diploma of Education, Grad.Dip.Ed. Currently studying for Master of Education (Leadership)	Loreto College
Thomas Molan	Teacher	Bachelor of Education, B.Ed. Diploma of Teaching, Dip.Teach. Post Graduate Diploma of Education (Student Welfare)	Private enterprise
Eamonn Nolan	Teacher	Bachelor of Science, B.Sc. Graduate Diploma of Education, Grad.Dip.Ed.	Girton Grammar School, Bendigo
Fiona Purcell	Teacher	Bachelor of Science, B.Sc. Diploma of Education, Dip.Ed. Masters of Education, M.Ed.	Emmanuel College, Warrnambool
Jarrold Ryan	Teacher	Bachelor of Teaching, B.Teach. Diploma of Teaching, Dip.Teach. Master of Religious Education	St Francis Xavier Primary School, Ballarat
Ross Wise	Housemaster, Teacher	Bachelor of Arts, B.A. Bachelor of Teaching, B.Teach. Graduate Certificate of Religious Education, Grad.Cert.R.E.	St Kevin's College, Toorak
Mark Witham	Director of Performing Arts and Music	Graduate Certificate in Music Technology Master of Music Technology Advanced Certificate in Administration Certificate of Vocational Education Advanced Certificate of Instrumental Performance	Ravenswood School for Girls, Gordon, NSW
Jacqueline Wynd	Enhanced Learning Team	Diploma of Teaching, Dip.Teach. Currently completing Bachelor of Education, B.Ed.	Ballarat Specialist School
Rachel Bryant	Development and Marketing Officer	Bachelor of Arts, B.A.	McCain Foods
Michael Murphy	Housemaster	Bachelor of Medical Radiation Science (Medical Imaging)	Radiographer, St Vincent's Hospital, Darlinghurst
Xavier Vearing	Sports / HaPE Trainee	Deferred Bachelor of Agricultural Science, University of Melbourne	SPC Year 12 2013
Oscar McDonald	Enhanced Learning / AV Trainee	Deferred Bachelor of Science, University of Melbourne	SPC Year 12 2013
Liam Blackwell	Residential Tutor	Studying Bachelor of Early Childhood Learning	Australian Catholic University
Joshua Mallett	Enhanced Learning Team	Deferred Bachelor of Education	University of Tasmania
James Petrie	Residential Tutor	Bachelor of Education, B.Ed.	Ballarat High School

Returning Staff

Trish Pearsall (Kelty Resource Centre)
Steve Rajki (Maths/Science)
Carol Sinclair (Kennedy House reception)

Staff who have left

Chris Caldwell (Deputy Headmaster Student & Staff Wellbeing)
Alex Hunt (Director of Boarding)
Jodie Howlett (Teacher)
Cathy Marchmont-Barlow (Teacher)
Dan O'Donnell (Teacher assistant)

Andrew Schuyler (Teacher)
Tiffany Simpson (Teacher assistant)
Rodney van Bentum (Teacher)
Cathy Warhurst (Laboratory Manager)
Ted Long (boarding staff)
Darren Thomas (boarding staff)
Ben Terrill (boarding staff)

News

College buys new property

St Patrick's College has extended its footprint for the first time since 1982 with the purchase of the former Anglican Bishop's residence at 1416 Sturt St, opposite Ballarat Clarendon College.

The College had leased the property in recent years and now its purchase will enable greater certainty in planning for future boarding requirements.



Top: This property in Sturt St was purchased by St Patrick's College in late 2013 and will be renamed as Phyland-Farley House.

Middle: Enhanced Learning assistant Tanya Lewin and Year 9 student Patrick Brooke lose their locks as they help raise money for the Leukaemia Foundation.

Bottom: Former staff member Cathy Warhurst died after suffering from cancer in March.

Headmaster Dr Peter Casey has recently announced that the property will be renamed as Farley-Phyland House, in honour of two long serving former staff members who dedicated many years to the betterment of boarding at St Patrick's.

Mr Peter Farley worked at SPC from 1963-2002 and is extremely well known by all who attended the College in that time.

Peter taught English, Latin and History, and from 1978 was co-ordinator of the Middle School. He was class teacher of Form IV, later Form 4, and later still Year 10.

In 1992 preparations were being made for the College centenary, and Peter was part of the Committee established to co-ordinate the celebrations. He also had the role of Executive Officer for the SPC Foundation, and as such was also closely involved with the Old Collegian's community.

Peter remained a Committee member of the SPC Foundation until his retirement, and was integral in the compilation and updating of the past collegian database. He announced his retirement at the Old Collegians Legends dinner in 2002.

Joe Phyland's tenure at St Patrick's College was almost identical as he served here as head chef from 1963 to 2001, feeding the boarders and the Christian Brothers.

While his time cooking for the boarders ended 12 years ago, Joe continued cooking for the Christian Brothers until they formally closed their community at the end of 2012.

Even today, Joe makes his daily trip from Nazareth House to St Patrick's College to cook for Br Zoch, the last Christian Brother living on site.

Hair today, gone tomorrow

Congratulations to Year 9 student Patrick Brooke and Enhanced Learning assistant Tanya Lewin who both took on the challenge of having their heads shaved in the canteen area as part of a Leukaemia Foundation fund raiser.

Patrick had been growing his curls for six months in readiness for the shave in front of his classmates and teachers. Between them, Patrick and Tanya helped raise more than \$1000 for the Leukaemia Foundation.

Farewells and welcomes

The College is mourning the loss of former staff member Cathy Warhurst who died after a battle with cancer on March 6. Cathy had worked as senior laboratory assistant since 2001 before her declining health prompted her retirement in 2013. Cathy died in the Gandarra palliative care hospice surrounded by her family. She was anointed by College Chaplain Fr James Kerr at 1pm on the day of her passing and her funeral was held in the College Chapel.

The College was also saddened in January following the death of current parent Annette Graham, mother of Jackson, Year 12, who finally succumbed to the breast cancer with which she had battled in recent years.

Congratulations to current staff members who have recently welcomed new additions to their families. Year 8 co-ordinator Jamie Lynn and wife Danielle welcomed Conor William Lynn on January 6. Senior School teacher Justin Pelly and his wife Anna welcomed a daughter, Evie Kate Pelly in late November.

Entries open for Art Exhibition

Entries are now open for the 2014 St Patrick's College Flanagan Art Exhibition featuring prizes worth \$7000.

The winner of the Flanagan Art Exhibition will receive \$5000 courtesy of Viatek. The winner of the Federation University Emerging Artist category will receive \$1500 while the best Lifestyle Ballarat Affordable Art piece will earn its creator \$500.

All entries must be received by June 20 and winners will be announced at a gala function in the OCA Pavilion on August 22.

For more details and entry forms visit www.stpats.vic.edu.au/art_exhibition.php





120 Years of Greatness

St Patrick's College has honoured the best football players in its 120-year history by announcing its greatest team of all time.



Widely recognised as one of the best football nurseries in Australia, the College held a black-tie, fund raising dinner on February 7, 2014 to formally name the greatest football stars to ever emerge from the school.

A selection panel spent four months collating information to select the team which features players from the 1920s right through to some current stars.

Former Geelong premiership coach and captain Reg Hickey was named as captain of the team and was represented at the dinner by two of his daughters. Legendary former 1st XVIII coach Br W.T. (Bill) O'Malley was named as coach.

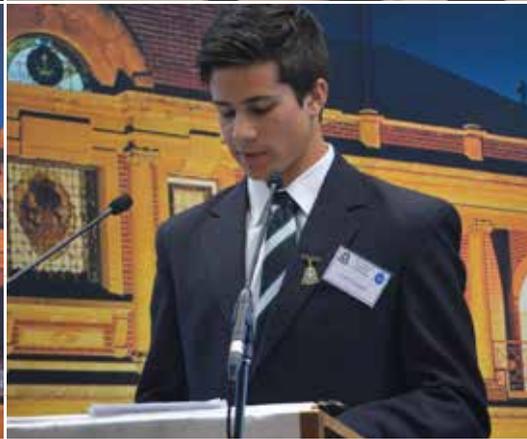
The final 22 represents a list of some of the best football talent Ballarat has ever produced, according to St Patrick's College Director of Football and chair of the selection panel Mr Howard Clark.

"Nearly every player named in the team has either played 100 senior VFL/AFL games or has played in a premiership team," Mr Clark said.

"The only exceptions are 1957 Brownlow Medallist Brian Gleeson, whose career was tragically cut short by a knee injury after only 70 games, and North Melbourne's Les Mogg who finished his VFL career after 75 games but became a legend in bush footy.

"Four current players have made the final 22 with Matthew Rosa named on a wing, Clinton Young on a forward flank, Drew Petrie in a forward pocket and Nathan Brown on the interchange bench.

"The rest of the team is filled with great football names from previous eras including Mick McGuane and Danny Frawley from the 80s and 90s, triple Richmond premiership hero Barry Richardson, the trio of McDonald brothers – Alex, Anthony and James and, of course our two Brownlow Medallists Brian Gleeson and John James."



Mr Clark said some of the deeds of older players named in the team may not be as familiar to today's football fans but were still held in the highest regard at the College.

"Not many footy fans today would be aware that our full forward Robert Johnson Senior kicked six goals and was best on ground in the 1926 grand final, helping the Demons to a win over Collingwood, and he also finished runner-up in the Brownlow in that year," Mr Clark said.

"Similarly half back flanker Dick Hingston played in two premierships for Melbourne in the late 1930s before war intervened. He represented his country in World War II for five years before returning to football in 1946."

Headmaster Dr Peter Casey said the College was enormously proud of its football heritage and sought to honour those men who had enhanced the school's reputation over the decades.

"St Patrick's has a long and proud history of providing some of Australia's very best footballers," Dr Casey said.

"That tradition continues to this very day as we presently have 20 Old Collegians on senior AFL lists and this year we are striving to become the first school in history to win five consecutive Herald-Sun Shields."

Dr Casey said the team would be forwarded onto the College's governing body, Edmund Rice Education Australia, which is looking to name the greatest team from all Christian Brother schools in Australia in 2014.

"Given the quality of the players we have announced we would be hopeful of having strong representation in that team as well," Dr Casey said.

Full team: Pages 18 and 19.

Opposite: Some of the members of the Greatest St Patrick's College Football Team of 120 Years are, from left: Clinton Young, Peter Mogg (son of inductee Les Mogg), Drew Petrie, James McDonald, Nathan Brown, Barry Richardson, Alex McDonald, Brian Gleeson, Anthony McDonald and Danny Frawley.

Top row from left: Sue and Robert Brown are pictured with their son Nathan and his partner Liana Flood at the fund raising event.

Three College Legends, from left, Christian Ryan, Danny Frawley and Peter Walsh renewed acquaintances at the dinner.

Middle row from left: Triple Richmond premiership hero Barry Richardson was named at centre half forward in the team and delivered the key note address on the night.

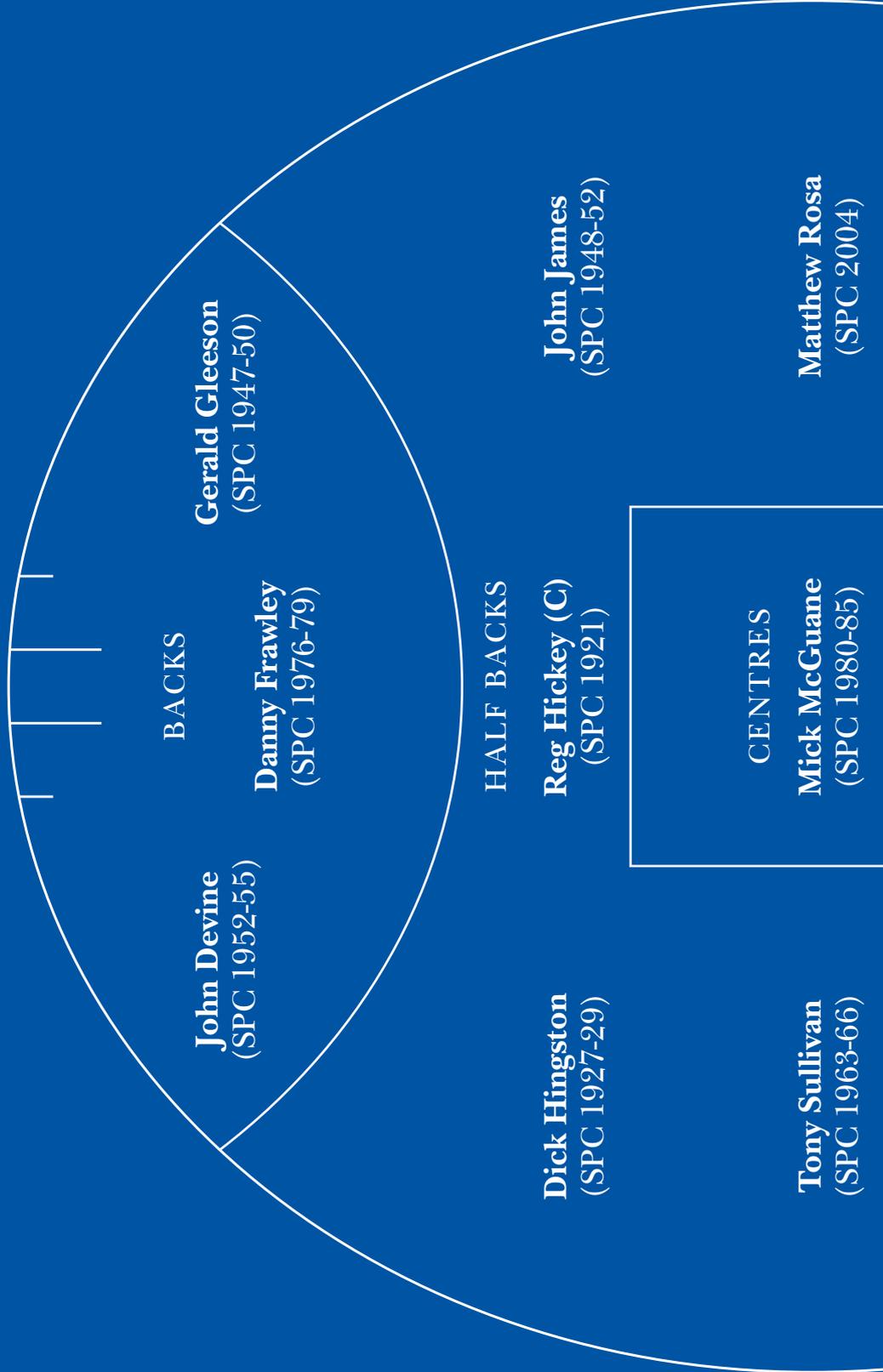
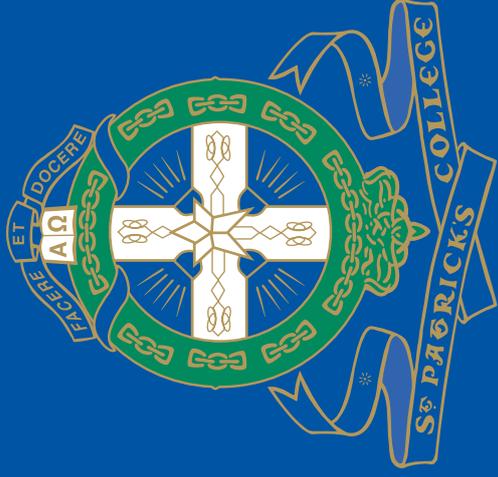
2014 1st XVIII Captain Liam Duggan.

Two of Reg Hickey's daughters Meg Wilkie and Jenny Maishman were delighted to accept his trophies on his behalf.

Bottom row: Current parent Phil Partington from the North Ballarat Rebels caught up with esteemed Old Boy Peter Wilson at the dinner.

A trip of McDonald brothers, from left, James, Alex and Anthony, were named in the team.

Old Boy Brian Brown is pictured with acclaimed Assumption College coach Ray Carroll.



Clinton Young
(SPC 2003)

Barry Richardson
(SPC 1961-64)

Alex McDonald
(SPC 1982-87)

HALF FORWARDS

Peter O'Donohue
(SPC 1931-36)

Robert Johnson Snr
(SPC 1918-20)

Drew Petrie
(SPC 1995-2000)

FORWARDS

RUCKS

Brian Gleeson
(SPC 1947-52)

Anthony McDonald
(SPC 1988-89)

James McDonald
(SPC 1989-94)

COACH

Brother W.T. O'Malley
(SPC Staff 1928-1976)

TEAM OF

120

YEARS

1893-2013



INTERCHANGE

Mario Bortolotto
(SPC 1972-75)

Les Mogg
(SPC 1942-48)

Maurice Sheahan
(SPC 1920-25)

Nathan Brown
(SPC 2002-06)



Head of the Lake

The St Patrick's College 1st IV rowing crew has won the Victorian Division One Schoolboys Coxed Four title with a strong performance on Lake Wendouree on March 1.

Top: The 1st IV crew finished third in the 2014 Head of the Lake.

Below left: Tom McMaster won the Anthony Edwards award for the most influential senior rower in the shed who contributes both on and off the water. He was presented with the award by James Marburg.

Below middle: St Patrick's Rowing Club President Julian Prendergast speaks at the presentation dinner.

Below right: The 1st IV of 2014 are, from left, cox Callum Holland, Tom Mooney, Ben Martin, Will Fay and Ambrose Gillett. Pic: courtesy of The Courier

The crew, consisting of Tom Mooney, Ben Martin, Will Fay, Ambrose Gillett and coxed by Callum Holland ousted Caulfield Grammar and Brighton Grammar for the coveted title.

The amazing win came just one day after the crew had endured heartache by finishing third in the prestigious Head of the Lake regatta. Ballarat High School won the 2014 Boy's Head of the Lake title in a course record time ahead of Ballarat Grammar in second position.

Throughout the Head of the Lake Regatta crews from St Patrick's College were engaged in a torrid battle with the Grammar crews, as both schools vied to claim the overall boys' title. It all came down to the final race on the card, with Grammar narrowly claiming the boys' aggregate by just two points.

However, the strength of the SPC rowing programme was particularly evident with dominant performances in the Year 9 and 10 events, suggesting a bright future for the sport in the coming years.

The 2013-14 rowing season officially drew to a close on Tuesday, March 18 when the presentation dinner was held in the OCA Pavilion.

The 150 people in attendance were fortunate to hear from three all-time greats of St Patrick's rowing with Old Boys Paul Myers (SPC 1990-95), James Marburg (SPC 1995-2000) and Christian Ryan (SPC 1992-95) all providing valuable insights into what is needed to make it to the top in this most difficult of sports. Awards were presented to the top rower in all year levels, with College Captain and Captain of Boats Ben Martin taking home the top honour - the Brian Vear Award for the most accomplished senior rower.

Following is a list of all award winners on the night:

The Paul Myers Trophy
Ben Hutt & Aiden Domic

Awarded to a Year 9 Rower who has demonstrated dedication and achieved a high level of performance in his first year in the sport.

The James Marburg Trophy
Oliver Nash

Awarded to a Year 10 Rower who through perseverance, consistency and application has taken his performance to another level.

The Christian Ryan Trophy
Ambrose Gillett

Awarded to a Year 11 Rower who through commitment and discipline to all aspects of the sport has continued to improve and become a key member of the Senior squad.

The Brian Vear Trophy
Ben Martin

Awarded to the most accomplished senior rower in the shed.

The Anthony Edwards Trophy
Tom McMaster

Awarded to the most influential senior rower in the shed who contributes both on and off the water.

Five Year Service Awards
Joel Karslake, Anthony Schuurs, Tom Young, James Prebble.



Cricket

The St Patrick's College 1st XI has won a heart-stopping BAS Cricket Grand Final by the narrowest of margins and on the last ball of the day.

The grand final was played on March 21 on the Main Oval against old foe Ballarat Grammar.

SPC was put into bat in cold, wet conditions and we were able to get off to a flyer courtesy of Mitch Crosier (25 from 17 balls, including three fours and one six) and Michael Snaith (15 from 27). However once Crosier fell, the runs dried up and wickets fell quickly. The innings got some renewed life in the final overs with Mitch Walsh (15 from 18) and Toby Hutt (13 from 11) pushing our score to a solid 6/113 from the 20 overs.

In reply Grammar was away to a dream start. Key opening batsman Will Mills smashed the SPC bowlers all around the ground, pushing Grammar to 0/56 from just the first six overs. Nick Strangio then produced a marvellous spell of leg spin bowling (which in hindsight proved to be match winning) to have both openers stumped along the way to figures of 2/14 from his four overs.

SPC was then able to restrict the scoring rate although Grammar remained in a comfortable position

requiring just 20 runs from the final five overs. However Blake Thomson, Jake Wilkie, Toby Hutt and Tom Martin each bowled tight overs leaving Grammar requiring 11 runs to win from the final over.

The last over, bowled by Toby Hutt, saw the game change hands at least three times. It played out as follows:

- First ball: The batsman misses and the ball goes through to the keeper outside the off stump. 11 runs required with balls remaining.
- Second ball: A big hit to the outfield. The batsmen come back for a suicidal second run leading to a run out at the bowler's end. 10 runs required, four balls remaining.
- Third ball: Batsman smashes it at a fielder who misfields enabling Grammar to run two. Eight now required off three deliveries.
- Fourth ball: Out of nowhere the Grammar batsman smashes a six over cover leaving Grammar needing only two to win (and one to draw) off the last two balls.

- Fifth ball: A big swing and a miss off the penultimate ball leaves Grammar needing two off the last ball to win or one to send the game to a super over.
- Final delivery: Another big swing and a miss but the batsmen take off for a run. Wicket keeper Billy Jones throws the ball to bowler Toby Hutt who turns around and throws down the stumps at the bowler's end to bring on wild celebrations from the SPC players and supporters.

Final score:

SPC 6/113 (20 overs) defeated
BGS 7/112 (20 overs)

The win capped off a memorable week for SPC cricket as, 24 hours earlier, our Second XI had scored a far more comprehensive victory over Ballarat Grammar to claim their premiership.

Well done to all boys and coaches involved in both wins.

Top: The Grammar batsman narrowly makes his ground despite this direct hit run out attempt.

Below left: Batsman Blake Thomson drives on bended knee through the covers.

Below right: The 1st XI celebrate their heart-stopping premiership victory.





House Swimming

Our BAS swimmers were victorious on Wednesday, March 5 in the annual BAS swimming championships.

With the rules refined this year to allow boys to swim one more event, a smaller squad attended the carnival and were nothing but sensational in their efforts and were able to reclaim the title in the overall boys aggregate thus ensuring SPC have lost but once in 33 years.

Most significant were the relays in which we won six out of eight races. Our Junior and Intermediate boys were champions and our senior boys lost to Ballarat Grammar School by eight points.

Congratulations to swimming Captain Liam Hanrahan and Vice-Captain Connor Aitken who were both fantastic on the day and in the training phase for the swimming squad. Thanks to Old Collegian Pat Thorpe for his coaching throughout the programme.

St Patrick's has a very proud and successful swimming history and has been the premier boys' school

in the BAS Swimming Competition for many years now.

Our success in the BAS championships came two weeks after our annual House Swimming Competition was also held at the Eureka Pool.

As in previous years, the Junior and Middle school events were conducted in the morning and the Senior events were conducted in the afternoon. These were followed by finals and the prestigious champions of champions race to conclude proceedings.

In the afternoon Junior and Middle School students participated in an "activities hour" which eventually included use of the Eureka Pool water slide, as well as basketball and novelty events in the small pool. Participation here gained valuable participation points for their houses.

The carnival aims;

1. to provide for maximum participation
2. to provide a genuine carnival atmosphere and focus on finals and relays
3. to provide opportunities for students to develop confidence in the water.

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Swimming events were held over 25 and 50 metres with novelty events also included in the programme.

Congratulations again to Nunan House who again won the swimming sports for 2014. Ironically Nunan house scored the exact same amount of points as they did in winning the 2014 carnival.

The overall results were as follows:

House Swimming Shield Points

	1st Nunan - 1307 pts	
	2nd Galvin - 1226 pts	
	3rd Ryan - 1038 pts	
	4th Keniry - 1026 pts	

2014 Records

There were several records broken on the day:

50m Backstroke - Year 7

Existing Record:

Leigh Weber [Nun], 2001, 0:35.15s

New Record:

Joshua Brien [RYA], 2014, 0:32.78s

50m Breast stroke - Year 11

Existing Record:

John Caine, 1983, 0:35.10s

New Record:

Jacob Hopper [GAL], 2014, 0:32.75s

50m Freestyle - Year 10

Existing Record:

Leigh. Weber [Nun], 2004, 0:27.27s

New Record:

Michael Rodger, [RYA], 2014, 0:27.22s



Champions of Champions

A highlight of the day continues to be the last race on the programme. The fastest eight swimmers were invited to participate in the champions of champion's event to ultimately determine the fastest 50m freestyler on the day. Students from Year 10, 11 and 12 were represented with Year 7 swimmer Joshua Brien missing out on qualification by two tenths of a second. Last year's winner William Sullivan also failed to qualify in what was an outstanding field. In the final there was a line across the pool with Year 11 boarder Jacob Hopper edging out swimming captain Liam Hanrahan by less than two tenths of a second. All three place getters were better than last year's winning time. It was a thrilling race.

Year Level Champions

Points for year level champion were given for participation in Heat "A" and "B" respectively. As in accordance with BAS rules points were calculated from three events and or two relays. The following boys were crowned year level champions on the day.

Year 12

Liam Hanrahan - 39 Points

Year 11

Jacob Hopper - 39 Points

Year 10

Michael Rodger - 38 Points

Year 9

Declan Hanrahan - 36 Points

Year 8

Harry Turner - 40 Points

Year 7

Joshua Brien - 40 Points

House Swimming - Champion of Champions

Name	House	Year	Time	Place
Jacob Hopper	Galvin	11	27.56s	1
Hanrahan, Liam	Nunan	12	27.75s	2
Rodger, Michael	Ryan	10	28.00s	3
Josh Taylor,	Galvin	10	28.50s	4
Luke Delahey	Galvin	12	28.72s	5
Connor Aitken,	Nunan	12	28.90s	6
James Mckinnon,	Nunan	11	29.13s	7
Sam White	Ryan	10	29.34s	8



House Athletics

Glorious conditions greeted all students on Wednesday, March 26 when the College hosted its annual House Sports Carnival.

The tribes of Galvin, Keniry, Nunan and Ryan all gathered in their respective colours to battle it out across multiple athletics disciplines including relays, sprints, middle distance running, discus, shot put, high and long jump.

The only event not conducted on the day was the Year 12 high jump which was scheduled to be conducted at

time of printing this edition of the Shamrock.

As such we have just the interim results to share.

The green boys from Galvin hold a commanding lead at the moment with 4238 points, clear of the yellow Nunan team with 3963 points. Keniry's blue boys are only slightly behind in third position with 3912 while the white Ryan house seems destined to finish fourth with 3479.

Despite some intense competition on the day, no individual records were broken.

The College's best athletes will be selected in Term 2 to compete against other Ballarat schools at the BAS Athletics Championships which will be held at Llanberris Reserve on Tuesday, May 6.



Sports shorts



SPC Golf



1st XVIII Football



Samual Perry



1st IV Tennis



1st VI Volleyball

1st IV Tennis

Congratulations to our 1st IV Tennis team which has won the 2013-14 BAS Grand Final following a comprehensive grand final win over Ballarat Grammar.

The team, made up of captain **Nicholas Powell** (Year 12) **Tynan C Haintz** (Year 10), **Ed North** (Year 11) and **Toby Fisher** (Year 11) dominated the final on Friday, March 28 at Hollioake Park.

Final scores were

SPC: 6 sets 48 games
defeated BG Blue 0 sets 22 games.

The win in the tennis came in the same week as Ballarat Grammar scored a victory over SPC in the grand final of another BAS sport.

1st VI Volleyball

Our 1st VI Volleyball team entered the grand final at the Br W.T. O'Malley Sports Centre on Wednesday, March 26 as warm favourites after another strong season.

However the Grammar team played some inspired volleyball to dominate the final and record a comprehensive straight sets victory. Grammar won the first set 25-16 and the followed it up with a

25-19 victory in the second set. The game tightened considerably in the third as our boys tried valiantly to stay in the contest before eventually succumbing 25-21.

SPC Golf

The SPC Golf team also enjoyed some success in late March, finishing third in the AGSV Golf Championship at the world class Royal Melbourne Golf Course on March 28.

The SPC team of **Mitchell Canny** (Year 11), **Corey Haase** (Year 10), **Joel Anstis** (Year 12) and **Matt Ryan** (Year 12) finished third with 234 strokes, behind Haileybury College on 215 and St Kevin's College on 224.

Matt was our best performer on the day, carding a score of 76 off the stick around the world renowned course. Joel shot 83, followed by Corey with 89 and Mitchell with a 90.

Haileybury was always going to be difficult to defeat given one of their team members is golfing prodigy Ryan Ruffels who just weeks earlier became the youngest golfer in history to win the prestigious amateur tournament, the Riversdale Cup.

Footy is back for 2014!

The 1st XVIII played their first game of the year, a practice match against old rivals Assumption College, on the Main Oval on March 26.

The boys in the green, white and blue put in a strong first-up performance to register a 59-point win.

The team is this year aiming to become the first in school football history to win five consecutive Herald-Sun Shields. The grand final will be played at the MCG on August 8 as a curtain raiser to an Essendon-Richmond class that night. Fingers crossed that our team will be competing on the big stage.

Water skiing

Water skiing is not traditionally a sport with a huge profile at St Patrick's but Year 10 student Samuel Perry is hoping to change that. Samuel has performed brilliantly across the country in the 2013-14 season and is ranked as one of the best juniors in Australia. So far this year he has finished in fifth place at the Australian titles in his age division, in third place in the Victorian state titles and in fifth

place at the NSW state titles. He has also notched up impressive results at the prestigious Echuca Southern 80 and Robinvale 80 competitions. Well done Samuel!

Athletics

Congratulations also to Bradley Castleman (Year 8) who attended the Australian Junior Athletics Championships in Sydney in March. He competed in the under 15 men's high jump and placed fourth after jumping his PB of 172 cms. Well done to Sam Williams (Year 8) who also competed in the National Athletics Championships in Sydney.

Cricket

Finally congratulations to a couple of cricketers for some amazing performances. Year 12 student **Darcy Preston** made one of the more impressive sporting debuts in February playing his first game of cricket for Golden Point in the fourths division. Darcy managed to score a stunning double century on debut, before being run out for 227. Not to be outdone Year 10 student **Jonah Healey** made 193 runs when playing in A Reserve in the Maryborough and district Cricket. Jonah hit 33 fours and one six on a fast outfield from 193 balls. His team made 400 with the next best score being 36.

Legends Dinner



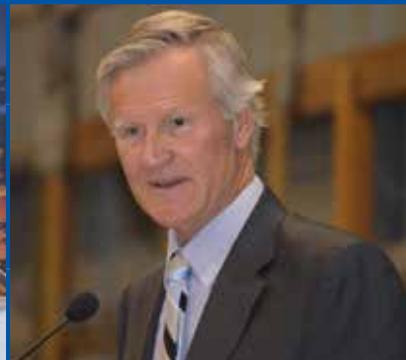
Mr Joshua Hyde (SPC 1999-2004)



Mr Ted Long (SPC 1935-38)



Br Bill Wilding (SPC 1979-1984)



Mr Peter Wilson (SPC 1959-65)

The St Patrick's College Old Collegians' Association (SPCOCA) will honour the exemplary community work of two Old Collegians by inducting them as Legends at a gala dinner on Saturday, May 3.

Prominent Ballarat lawyer Peter Wilson will be honoured at the dinner alongside former co-founder of the YCW Co-Operative Society Ted Long, who will be inducted posthumously.

Mr Wilson (SPC 1959-65) is the managing director of Nevett Ford Lawyers in Ballarat and is a former long-serving chairman of the North Ballarat Football Club, a former chair of the Ballarat Begonia Festival and a past president of the Ballarat Law Association. He is also a current member of the Federation University Council and of the St Patrick's College Foundation.

Mr Long (SPC 1935-38) was the co-founder and long-serving chief executive officer of the YCW Co-operative Society which provided housing, finance, home furniture and school uniforms to its members. By 1966 there were 144 credit unions in Victoria with approximately 20,000 members and about 75% were parish or community based. Mr Long was also a fine sportsman, playing ten senior games for North Melbourne in 1942 and 1946.

For the first time the SPCOCA will introduce a Young Achiever Award at the dinner, acknowledging the

work of a recent Old Collegian who is performing well on a world stage. The inaugural recipient of the award will be world renowned saxophonist Joshua Hyde (SPC 1999-2004) who is currently touring the concert halls of Europe from his base in Paris.

Finally, the College will also honour former Headmaster Br Bill Wilding with a *Facere et Docere* (To Do and To Teach) Award, recognising his many years of leadership and service to the College.

SPCOCA president Mr Stephen McMahon said the Association was delighted to honour such prestigious former students and staff at its annual Legends Dinner.

"This is our undoubted highlight of the year, where we get to recognise the fantastic achievements of so many who have been affiliated with St Patrick's College," Mr McMahon said.

"This year's inducted legends have both worked tirelessly for decades for the greater good of the community and are true exemplars of our College's aim to produce great men.

"It is also wonderful to be able to acknowledge formally the work of

a younger Old Collegian in Joshua Hyde who is already making his mark on the world stage in his chosen field and is carrying the St Patrick's College name around Europe."

College Headmaster Dr Peter Casey said he was delighted the SPCOCA had also chosen to bestow the *Facere et Docere* Award on Br Bill Wilding.

"Br Wilding is remembered very fondly by former students and staff for being a true leader of St Patrick's College during his tenure as Headmaster from 1979 to 1984," Dr Casey said.

"He has remained a passionate supporter of the College ever since and regularly visits to offer his support wherever possible."

A gala dinner will be held in the College's OCA Pavilion, overlooking the Main Oval, on Saturday May 3 to induct the new Legends.

All-inclusive tickets for the dinner cost \$75 and are available for sale by contacting Rachel Bryant in the College's Development Office on 5322 4386 or by emailing rbryant@stpats.vic.edu.au.



OCA President's Column



Mr Stephen McMahon
(SPC 1986-91)

Welcome back to 2014. I hope you have enjoyed reading the latest edition of the Shamrock which incorporates the Old Collegian's Green, White and Blue. Your OCA membership and life membership subscriptions assist the College and OCA with the cost of production and distribution and keeping you all in touch with your alma mater.

As previously promised, the OCA Strategic Plan for 2013-16 has been made available for you to view on the OCA link of the College website. This document formalises our plans, aspirations and priorities as an association, for the next four years. Please take a look and if any area interests you, please contact the OCA and become a member of the relevant sub-committee and help get the ball rolling.

It was my pleasure late last year to attend the College Valedictory Dinner in the Br O'Malley Sports Centre and formally welcome the graduating Class of 2013 'to the other side' as the newest members of our Old Collegian's Association. The OCA also recently offered this group a chance to catch up at an informal BBQ.

Recent highlights for me included speaking with many Old Boys and College Legends at the SPC Football Team of 120 Years Dinner in February. I congratulate all those Old Boys who were both considered and named in such an auspicious team. The talent and standard is simply remarkable when considering those who could not be included. There was also the annual St Patrick's Day Lunch in the

OCA Pavilion, where I had the honour of acting as MC. It was a great gathering, the highlight for me being the wit and humour of RAAF Flying Officer (Ret) Laurie Larmer. He held the audience captivated, not with his recollections of missions over Germany in WWII, but his anecdotes of several luminaries such as Brothers Purton and O'Malley and life as a student at SPC from 1935-40. At 91 years young, Laurie could be booked for the Melbourne Comedy Festival.

I also received correspondence from OCA Legend and senior political journalist, Mr Paul Bongiorno, AM, on the recent awarding of his Order of Australia. This is national and bipartisan recognition of his great career, already recognised by his SPC peers. Congratulations Paul.

Our 2014 Legends Dinner is fast approaching on Saturday May 3. I would encourage all Old Boys to try and attend, especially if you have not made it yet to an edition of this great annual OCA event.

In addition to formal reunion dinners conducted in the OCA Pavilion each year, for 10, 20, 30 and 40 year groups, the OCA also offers annual OCA Regional Dinners in Warrnambool, Geelong, Bendigo and Shepparton. We hope to continue this great opportunity for Old Boys of all generations, to socialise closer to home. If you would like to be an OCA Ambassador to assist with organising these events, please contact the SPC Development Office.

I believe it is important to acknowledge at this time, that not all Old Boys of our

fine College share the fond memories of school years that the vast majority of us enjoy. I hope that the current Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse may deliver the justice that all victims deserve and that those responsible are held to full account. Our prayers and thoughts are with you.

I would like to announce the 2014 OCA Executive Committee to our association members:

President

Stephen McMahon

Vice President

Chris Torpy

Treasurer

Michael Kearney

Secretary

David McMahon

Committee

Shane Hayes
Rick Blanchfield
Paul Ballinger
Patrick Nolan
Robbie Burns
Ashley Simpson
Andrew McManus
Paul Nolan (executive officer)
Dennis Foley (ex-Officio)

New committee members are always welcome - email oca@stpats.vic.edu.au if you are interested in being on the committee.

Have a safe and happy Easter.
Ecka Dora Boys!

Where are they now?

Reg Kenealy Helps Reclaim Marysville's Past.

Former student, Reg Kenealy (SPC 1942-46) epitomises the Edmund Rice ethos and possesses remarkable strength and character. He, and his wife, Mary, endured the harrowing experience of the Marysville Black Saturday Fires five years ago, losing many friends, their home and much of the irreplaceable historical collections they had preserved as co-curators of the Marysville Historical Society.

But in the face of such adversity, Reg and Mary stood strong and courageously and selflessly worked tirelessly to resurrect the Marysville Historical Society. They brought the Society, whose museum had been gutted in the fires, back from the brink and up from the ashes.

Within two years of the devastating fires Reg and Mary, with thanks to a generous bequest, had the museum relocated and open and operating for the community, and nation, to share in the stories of Marysville's past. They also found a new home for themselves in the Marysville region.

Today, the Historical Society is stronger than it ever was with the museum boasting a record number of 20,000 diverse collections. But Reg and Mary are reluctant to take the credit for this. They say the museum would not be what it is today without the generous donations and support they received from people far and wide.

"We are just so overwhelmed with the response and generosity of others. We lost 15,000 articles in the fire and now we've got 20,000 items," Reg said.



Above: Reg Kenealy and his wife Mary are rebuilding the Marysville Historical Society's collection following the Black Saturday bushfires of 2009.

The plight of the Marysville Historical Society received national media coverage which resulted in an influx of remnants and historical items from Marysville's past donated to the Society and facilitated the reconnection of a number of Reg's old pals from St Pat's, some of whom he hadn't heard from since World War II.

St Patrick's College, has never been far from Reg's mind with Reg relaying very fond memories of the College and boarding life to many in Marysville. He is a very proud Old Boy who over the years has proudly taken his children, and now grandchildren, on tours of the College. He was a keen student and debater at the College and member of the Solidarity and St Vincent de Paul Society.

The restoration and recent success of the Marysville Historical Society is a testament to Reg and Mary's resolve and community spirit.

Reg and Mary are always looking to add to the Society's collection so if you have any memorabilia from Marysville please contact Reg on 0417 596 433 or email regken@bigpond.com

The ABC has produced a great feature article on Reg and Mary. It can be found at this link: www.abc.net.au/innovation/blacksaturday/people/regandmary/

Letters to the editor

Dear Editor.

Congratulations on another wonderful "Shamrock" magazine (Dec 2013) which is always well produced, of great interest to Old Boys of all vintages and always welcomed.

In the "Obituary" section I read with regret of the death of Bill Drake (SPC 1950-53). Bill and I were good friends and I continued to see him after his years at SPC.

A little background on Bill's sporting prowess. We played together in the 1952 and 1953 1st XVIII. The 1952 team was acclaimed by Br Bill O'Malley as his best team. Of course it included two champion Brownlow Medallists, Brian Gleeson and John James, and many other VFL players (I won the 1954 best and fairest at North Melbourne under 19s and was on the senior list). Bill Drake was an outstanding rover in both teams and Footscray earmarked him as their number one recruit in 1954. Possibly because he lacked great pace he didn't quite make it, but played for Pakenham with distinction and owned various hotels in Melbourne, including the Inkerman Hotel in St Kilda.

Bill and I played together in cricket 1st XI in both 1952 and 1953. However it was tennis in which Bill shone. I was lucky enough to play in the 1st IV with Bill and Paul Callahan. Brian King was also in the four. Bill won the prestigious McNeil Cup for the best schoolboy tennis player in Ballarat on two occasions. Other St Pat's tennis players of note at this time were Russell Mogg and Kevin Shea, but Bill retrieved anything you hit back – it was almost impossible to pass him! He was the stand out!

Keep up the Shamrock standard in 2014.

Yours faithfully
John Deany (SPC 1949-1953)

Dear Editor.

I went to St Pat's in 1933. My sub-intermediate teacher was Br P.G. Ryan and in 1934, in intermediate, the main teachers were Br P.G. Ryan and Br Bill O'Malley.

They were great years for me. They put me on my way. I have a great sense of gratitude to the Brothers for they opened to me a way forward. I always pray for success for my alma mater.

I follow the Brothers with great interest. When I was at St Pat's we were striving to make 200 (students), now I rejoice in your numbers today.

May God bless the College which gave so much to me. May God walk with you always.

Yours in Christ
Fr Jack P Batchelor

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Old Boys in the news

'Since returning home Matthew has been named the Young Victorian Cricketer of the Year and has been selected in a Cricket Australia national performance programme based in Brisbane.'

Matthew Short
(SPC 2008-13)

Two Old Collegians were honoured in the annual Australia Day Awards list.

- Channel Ten National Affairs Editor and one of Australia's most respected and experienced political journalists, Paul Bongiorno (SPC 1957-62) was appointed a Member (AM) in the General Division of the Order of Australia. "Bonge" was being recognised for his significant service to the print and broadcast media as a journalist, political commentator and editor. He has dedicated 40 years of his life to journalism and has been a key part of Network Ten for 35 years. A veteran political reporter and commentator, in 2013 he celebrated 25 years in the Canberra Press Gallery. Network Ten Chief Executive Officer, Hamish McLennan, said: "Paul is an outstanding force in Australian political reporting and the media industry and I am delighted to see him recognised for his passion and commitment to the trade. "Paul has reported from the centre of Australian politics for four decades, where his expert analysis on the events, stories and characters

that shape this country have seen him awarded four coveted Walkley Awards. His integrity, professionalism and storytelling ability sets an example to all in the industry and he is held in the highest regard by those he has worked with over the years." Joining Paul on the honours list was John Mooney (SPC 1961-65) who was recognised with a Public Service Medal for outstanding public service in the area of education for children with special needs. John is the current principal of Emerson School in Melbourne which is the largest specialist programme in Victoria. John has completed more than 45 years in education in Victoria and is renowned throughout Australia and internationally as one of the leading voices on education for people with disabilities.

- The number of Old Boys to have played senior VFL/AFL football grew to 104 in the first round of the 2014 AFL season. On Friday, March 21 former boarder Martin Gleeson (SPC 2012) made his debut with Essendon and impressed many judges by gathering 14 disposals before being subbed off with his team holding an insurmountable lead.

The next day in Launceston power forward Michael Close (2011-12) made his debut for the Brisbane Lions as they took on the reigning premiers from Hawthorn. Michael got to play alongside Lions hero Jonathon Brown - the son of Old Boy Brian Brown (SPC 1970-75) – and performed well before being subbed off at three quarter time.

- Old Boy Matthew Short (SPC 2008-13) has made giant leaps in his professional cricket career after opening the batting for Australia at the Under 19 World Cup in the United Arab Emirates. Matthew scored two half centuries in the tournament and was one of Australia's best performers as the squad made it through to the semi-final before losing to South Africa. Since returning home Matthew has been named the Young Victorian Cricketer of the Year and has been selected in a Cricket Australia national performance programme based in Brisbane.
- Congratulations to Peter Sheehan (SPC 1973-78) who has commenced studies at Catholic Theological College in pursuit of becoming a Deacon in the Diocese of Sale. Peter said the studies will take at least five



Above from left:

1. Paul Bongiorno has been appointed a Member (AM) in the General Division of the Order of Australia.
2. Matthew Short scored two half centuries in the Under 19 Cricket World Cup, including a top score of 96 against Namibia.
3. Charlie King is the captain of the Ballarat Red Devils for the 2014 season.
4. Thomas Hoy was recognised in the Ballarat Fine Art Gallery's Next Gen Exhibition.
5. Daniel Toohey was also honoured by having his work displayed at the Ballarat Fine Art Gallery's Next Gen Exhibition.
6. Kelly Lyle won the 2014 Midlands Golf Club Championships, continuing his era of dominance at the club.
7. Old Boys gathered at Pakenham in January for the running of the Br O'Malley Handicap.

more years. "I currently am in the Parish of St Agatha's, Cranbourne and a new church which meets in the new St Peter's East Secondary College," Peter told us. "I am a lector, CLW Teacher, Music Liturgy Leader and School Board Member of the new St Thomas the Apostle Primary School which commences on February 2 and I have two girls attending in Prep and Year 3."

- Golfer Kelly Lyle (SPC 2008-13) has won the Midlands Golf Club Championship for a second time. The young gun also won his fifth consecutive junior championship, which was held in conjunction with the senior pennant.
- Artists Thomas Hoy (2008-13) and Daniel Toohey (SPC 2008-13) have won awards at the Ballarat Fine Art Gallery's Next Gen Exhibition. Dan won the award for a 3D art piece with his contemporary coffee table while Thomas won the 2D award for his piece The Nest.

- Anthony Banks (SPC 1980-85) was featured in the Sunraysia Daily newspaper in Mildura after taking over the role as principal at St Joseph's College.
- Congratulations also to Charlie King (SPC 2008-11) who has been granted the honour of captaining the Ballarat Red Devils soccer team as they embark on their first season in the new National Premier Leagues Victoria.
- It was great to see such a stunning turn out by Old Boys at the Pakenham Racing Club in January to witness the running of the final Br O'Malley Handicap. Those in attendance were from left Brian Docherty, Don Moran, Ray Brady, John Borrelli (hatted), Daryl Teschendorf, Brendan Rice, Gavan Bourke, John Deany, John Lardner, John van Suylan, Hughie Bourke, Michael Martin, Kevin Opie, Allan Swindon, Michael Bourke, John Sullivan, Jim Shaw, Tony Joyce, Brian Gleeson, Brian Costigan and Trevor Haintz.

- Lawn bowler Tim Slater (SPC 200-09) has been selected to represent Australian at the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow in July and August this year. Tim was chosen to represent the Australian team of lawn bowlers with a disability. Tim told The Courier it was the best feeling he'd had in his life when he found out he has been selected.

Births

- Three good mates from the class of 2000 have each had a daughter, within days of each other. Michael Sordello (SPC 1995-2000) and partner Amanda welcomed Amelia Jane into the world on January 23. Six days later, on January 29, Michael Ranger (SPC 1995-2000) and partner Renae were delighted to announced the arrival of Ruby Ann. Then on February 3 Matthew Shortal (SPC 1995-2000) and partner Lesley were thrilled by the arrival of their little baby girl Ella Sophie.

- Old Collegians' Association secretary David McMahon (SPC 1989-94) and wife Michelle were very proud to announce the birth of Seamus Patrick McMahon on February 16. Seamus is a younger brother for Isabella.
- Congratulations are also extended to City of Ballarat Mayor Cr Joshua Morris (SPC 1995-2000) and his wife Louise on the safe arrival of Xavier Alan on February 12. Xavier was born six and a half weeks early at the Epworth Freemasons Hospital in Melbourne. Xavier is a younger brother for Will, Isaac and Charlotte, giving the Morris family four children under the age of five!

Wrap of the OCA reunions

The 2014 Old Collegians Association reunion programme has begun in earnest with the hosting of the Class of 2013 reunion barbecue in February.

This informal function is traditionally the first of many Old Collegians Association reunions throughout the year.

Above: Matthew Cashin, Daniel Toohey and 2013 College Captain Peter Oakley reunited for a meal and a few quiet drinks at the Class of 2013 barbecue reunion in February.

This year, for the first time, the remaining reunions will be compacted into a brief three-week time frame stretching from late May through to mid-June.

Invitations to year level reunions have been mailed and emailed and now is the time to let the College know if you plan on attending. You can also fill in the form at the bottom of this page and return it to Rachel Bryant at the College. Dress codes for all reunions in the OCA Pavilion is lounge suit. The dates for this year's reunions are as follows:

Class of 2009
Five Year Reunion
Friday, May 16 at 7:30pm at Lake View Hotel. Finger food and drinks on arrival provided. Entry is free.

Class of 2004
Ten Year Reunion
Saturday, May 31 at 6pm in OCA Pavilion. Entry: \$45 for OCA financial members; \$50 for non-financial members. Cost includes pre-dinner drinks and three course meal.

Class of 1994
20 Year Reunion
Saturday, May 24 at 6pm in OCA Pavilion. Entry: \$45 for OCA financial members; \$50 for non-financial members. Cost includes pre-dinner drinks and three course meal.

Class of 1984
30 Year Reunion
Friday, June 13 at 6pm in OCA Pavilion. Entry: \$45 for OCA financial members; \$50 for non-financial members. Cost includes pre-dinner drinks and three course meal.

Class of 1974
40 Year Reunion
Friday, May 30 at 6pm in OCA Pavilion. Entry: \$45 for OCA financial members; \$50 for non-financial members. Cost includes pre-dinner drinks and three course meal.

Pre-1970s
Reunion lunch being held on Sunday, May 25 at noon. Entry: \$35 for OCA financial members; \$40 for non-financial members. Cost is all inclusive.

If you would like to become a financial member of the OCA please complete and return the form at this link:
www.stpats.vic.edu.au/UserFiles/file/Old%20Collegians/Membership%20Form.pdf



Reunion Attendance

Please tick if you would like to attend one of the following Reunions:

- Pre-1970s Reunion - Sunday, May 25, 12 noon
 1994 Reunion - Saturday, May 24, 6pm
 1974 Reunion - Friday, May 30, 6pm
 2004 Reunion - Saturday, May 31, 6pm
 1984 Reunion - Friday, June 13, 6pm
 2009 Reunion - Friday, May, 16, 7:30pm

All Reunions will be held at the SPC Old Collegians Pavilion with the exception of the 2009 Reunion which will be held at the Lake View Hotel in Ballarat.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Post Code: _____ Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

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Are you a current Old Collegians Association Member? Yes No - Would you like an OCA Membership form sent so that you may join (Tick)?

Payment Options Cheque / Money Order (to SPC Old Collegians Association) Credit Card (please complete details below)

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Send to: 'SPC Old Collegians Association' St Patrick's College – Development Office, Locked Bag 31, BALLARAT VIC 3350 with payment by one week prior to event. Or email Development and Marketing Officer, Rachel Bryant, at rbryant@stpats.vic.edu.au ph: 5322 4386

Obituaries

The College is mourning the loss of the following Old Collegians.



• Fr Leo Donnelly (SPC 1940-50) died on February 4, 2014 in Peru after a short illness. During his time at the College, Leo was a day student from Ballarat and was a member of the First Rowing Crew in 1950 (Bow). His team won the Fr Flannery Cup in 1950. He was a Prefect, and a member of the Sodality and Holy Name Society. He was a Sergeant in SPC Cadet Corp.

Upon leaving school Fr Leo was ordained in 1957 and worked as a Columban missionary priest in Peru for more than 50 years. When he came back to Australia periodically to visit friends and relations, he would say Mass at Pascoe Vale. It was at these occasions that Br Gerald Shield came to know Fr Leo. Br Shield remembers him as being tremendously dedicated to his calling. When Fr Leo approached retirement age, at 75 years, Melbourne Archbishop Frank Little, himself an SPC Old Collegian, suggested to Leo that he retire and spend his remaining years in comfort in Australia. Fr Leo would not hear of it, saying that he wanted to keep living in his community in Lima and serving the poor.

An article on the life of Fr Leo can be found at this link: www.columban.org.au/archives/features/2014/a-life-given-for-others



• John Basil Hennessy AO (SPC 1939-41) died on October 27, 2013 at the age of 88. Basil was a fine sportsman in his time at SPC and was captain of Nunan House. According to the 1941 College Annual he was a fine 1st XVIII footballer who "always made his weight felt in the ruck, and his dashes on the backline usually cleared the ball out of danger". However, it was as a world acclaimed archaeologist that Basil is most remembered. An expert in Middle Eastern archaeology, Basil spent years working in Cyprus, the Middle East and Turkey where he held the inaugural student scholarship at the British School of Archaeology in Ankara. Later in his career, he was appointed director of the same school in Jerusalem.

Upon returning to Australia in 1970 he was appointed the Professor at the Near Eastern Archaeology school at the University of Sydney, a position he held until his retirement in 1990. Basil was made an officer of the Order of Australia in that same year in recognition of his services to archaeology and international relations.

He is survived by his wife Ruth (whom he married in 1954) and children David, Sarah and Linda.



• Noel Charles Hooper (SPC 1945-46) died on February 21, 2014, aged 84. Noel was a boarder from Ararat. In 1946 he attained his Leaving Certificate, and was awarded a scholastic prize for music, Grade 1. Noel's brother Vin was also at St Patrick's College in 1947, and Vin's son, Michael Hooper, also attended as a boarder from Ararat from 1965-1967. Noel was the father of Paul Hooper (SPC 1975), Trudi Hooper (current SPC Staff), and grandfather of Jacob Bowker (SPC 2004-2009), Nick Bowker (SPC 2005-2010), and Isaac Bowker (SPC Year 10).

• Andrew Martin Lund (SPC 1983-87) was a Sergeant in the Australian Army, who served in Iraq. He returned to Australia, but tragically, he died on November 19, 2013, leaving behind his wife and two teenage children.

• Old Collegian and former staff member Kevin Rowlands died in February. Kevin was a student at SPC from 1958-1963 and then a staff member from 1986-1995. He was a great young footballer and athlete during his time as a student, and used those skills to coach many of our sporting teams during his time here on staff. Kevin was also heavily involved in the St Vincent de Paul society in the early 1990s at St Patrick's College.



• Brent Craggs (SPC 1989-91) died suddenly from a heart attack in Macau on February 26, 2014. Brent was the general manager of a men's fashion label in Singapore and is survived by his wife Monalisa and son Arran.

• Bryan Cunningham (SPC 1956-58) died on September 10, 2013. After matriculating, Bryan returned to farming in the Nar Nar Goon area, where the Cunningham family had generational connections to the land. From 1997 to 2008 he managed the Pakenham Hotel with great success before semi-retiring to the farm which he had never left in spirit. Bryan devoted much time to the SVDP Society and had success with his horse racing - a lifelong interest. He was married to Antoinette for 46 years and had three children (Anthony, Sally and Liz) and five grandchildren.

• Ken Whiting (SPC 1941-43) died at Noosa on Wednesday, February 5. Ken was married to Dorothy (who passed away April 2010) and will be missed by daughters Julie, Sue, Paula and Terri, sons Mark and Chris along with 10 Grandchildren and two great grandchildren.



Coming events

The annual Edmund Rice Day celebrations, including the walkathon, will be held on Monday, May 5. We will again be aiming to raise \$40,000 for charities through this year's event.

If you thought the first quarter of the year was busy, just look ahead to what's on the calendar for the coming months. We hope to see you at as many St Patrick's College functions as possible.

May 3
OCA Legends Dinner in the OCA Pavilion. Reserve your seat now. Tickets are all inclusive and cost \$75. Book by contacting Rachel Bryant at rbryant@stpats.vic.edu.au

May 5
Edmund Rice Day

May 9
Mothers Day Mass and Breakfast

May 16
Class of 2009 Five Year Reunion at the Lake View Hotel from 7:30pm

May 24
Class of 1994 20-Year Reunion at 6pm in OCA Pavilion

May 25
Pre-1970s Reunion from noon in OCA Pavilion

May 26
National Sorry Day

May 29
Year 10 Night of Homelessness

May 30
Class of 1974 40-Year Reunion at 6pm in OCA Pavilion

May 31
Class of 2004 10-Year Reunion at 6pm in OCA Pavilion

June 9
Queen's Birthday public holiday

June 11
OCA regional dinner – Shepparton

June 13
Class of 1984 30-Year Reunion at 6pm in OCA Pavilion

June 20
End of Term 2

June 23-27
Year 10 Work Experience week

July 14
Term 3 commences

July 30
Opening night of joint SPC-Loreto College production of "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee" at Her Majesty's Theatre

July 30
Senior School Careers Expo in OCA Pavilion from 5:30pm-7:30pm

August 8
Herald Sun Shield Grand Final at the MCG

Next edition ...

Well, that was a busy start to the year. So much is constantly happening at St Patrick's College that it is difficult to fit everything in to the three editions of The Shamrock each year.

When you sit back and consider the numbers of our community, you soon come to the realisation that we are roughly the size of a small Victorian city. We have around 1380 current students and around 200 staff, meaning nearly 1600 people are on-site at the College each day. Then add in the many current and former parents who retain an active interest in the goings-on at SPC and of course the 7,000+ Old Boys and you soon find the St Patrick's College community reaches around 10,000 people. That's roughly the same size as

Swan Hill – a town which is serviced by its own daily newspaper.

Clearly, we don't have a daily newspaper to cover all the happenings and news events at St Patrick's College (although we could probably fill one if needed) and, as for print products, this tri-annual magazine does its best to suffice. However, we do have active and vibrant social media channels which provide daily updates about what is happening at St Patrick's. On Facebook, we have more than 2,600 people who 'like' the St Patrick's College Old Collegians' Association Facebook page (www.facebook.com/spcoca) which provides regular updates, photos and videos from life at the College. We also have another

Facebook page set up for the Friends of Performing Arts (www.facebook.com/friendsofperformingarts). Similarly we have more than 660 followers on our Twitter account @spcballarat and a further 300 followers on our sport Twitter account @spcsport. We strongly encourage you to connect with the College via these channels to ensure you are fully up to speed with all the relevant news.

In the meantime, the next edition of The Shamrock will be published in September and will include full coverage of all the major events between now and then. It will feature a full wrap of all the winter sports programmes, including our quest to win a fifth consecutive Herald-Sun Shield in the football,

as well as plenty of photos from the OCA Legends Dinner and all the OCA reunions which are being held in May and June. We'll also have great coverage of all our music and performing arts performances scheduled in the coming months.

As always we love hearing your feedback and contributions. If you know something that we don't or would like to express your views on what is happening around the place please send your submissions to:

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Phone: (03) 5322 4450

I look forward to hearing from you.



St Patrick's College Foundation

As an Old Boy of St Patrick's College we invite you to reflect on the enormous role the College played in helping you develop into the man you are today.

We trust that the quality of education you received here has contributed substantially to your subsequent career. In other words, the College hopes it has left a lasting legacy on you and your family. We now hope you feel it is your turn to leave a lasting legacy on the College in return.

St Patrick's College remains committed to providing Ballarat's best for boys. As we move further into 2014, we also remain particularly committed to providing first class education to those who may sometimes struggle financially to meet all the costs of quality schooling. This is where you can help.

The financial challenge of maintaining and developing first class educational facilities for boys is immense. The cost of maintaining up to date teaching and learning facilities incorporating emerging and engaging learning technologies is significant and to keep pace in a competitive educational environment the College must be proactive in continuing to expand the programmes and facilities available to students. The College also seeks to maintain the inherent beauty within its grounds and buildings, a significant challenge given the century old buildings that are a hallmark at SPC.

Fundamentally however St Patrick's College aims to be true to its Catholic heritage and the spirit of Edmund Rice. The College continues to work closely with the marginalised in the community and offers fee relief to approximately 10% of the student population. It also supports members of our Indigenous community and others experiencing temporary and ongoing hardship. To continue these good works the College needs to attract and invest endowed funds that can be used to finance scholarships and bursaries for students. St Patrick's College has a rich history of supporting students with scholarships and bursaries, with many of the College's highest achievers benefiting from the good will and generosity of the Christian Brothers.

If you feel that St Patrick's College in some way has played a precious and significant part in your life today, then through your generous support you can help us serve the needs of future generations of young men who will 'stick with the green, white and blue'.

Any bequest or a donation is a tangible way that you can show this support and in your own way maintain the tradition of giving and support that has assisted generations of 'Paddy Boys'.

How to proceed from here

The College Headmaster together with the St Patrick's College Foundation invite you to complete this reply form, which will be treated with the utmost confidentiality, and return it to:

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SPC Years: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (H) _____ (W) _____

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Please Tick Box

- I wish to advise that I have included St Patrick's College (Ballarat) Foundation Incorporated as a beneficiary in my will.
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- I would like to discuss the matter of bequests and gifts with the College's Bequest Officer - without obligation and in the strictest confidence.
- I am interested in making an annual gift to St Patrick's College and would like information about gift options and information on tax deductibility of gifts.
- I do not wish to pursue this matter at this but please keep me informed.

Signed: _____ Date: _____





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