June 2017 Edition



# Beda Boys Bulletin

#### Presidents Welcome

Welcome to the mid-year edition of the Beda Boys Bulletin, and may I begin by introducing myself as the newly elected President of SBOCA. My name is Jason Smythe and I am a Beda Boy from the Class of 1979, which coincidently was the same Class as our departing President Steve Ager.

After graduating from St Bede's I studied Science at Monash University, obtained a PhD from the University of Melbourne, and travelled with my wife Anne to undertake postdoctoral studies at the National Institutes of Health in Maryland USA. We then returned to Australia and I have work for the last 25 years in a variety of positions in the biotechnology industry in Sydney and Melbourne.

We have been back in Mentone with our two lovely daughters (both of who are proud Kilbreda girls) for the past 10 years during which time I have been involved in the SBOCA Careers Evenings and as an Association Committee Member, both immensely rewarding experiences that I can highly recommend to anyone who may be interested in the future.

I do have some very big shoes to fill in assuming the Presidency from Steve Ager, and I am truly thankful that he has agreed to *(continue overleaf)* 

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## Presidents Welcome (cont..)

continue to serve on the Committee during the transition. I am equally indebted to Tony Quint (SBOCA Vice President) and the current Committee members for their support and confidence.

That said, it would be remiss not to take this opportunity to sincerely acknowledge and thank Steve for his selfless commitment to the philosophy and mission of the Association over many, many years. His passion, dedication and initiative have contributed immensely to the growth of a very vibrant Old Colls community and we all owe Steve a significant debt of gratitude. I'm sure I speak for all Old Collegians when I say a heartfelt thank you, and acknowledge that Steve's contribution has truly exemplified the La Sallian spirit.

In the brief time I have been President it has been my pleasure to attend two events, the Class of 2016 first-year reunion at the College in April, and the initial St Bede's 'Young' Collegians "Uni Coffee Catch Up" that was held at Monash University in May. Both events were well attended by enthusiastic Beda Boy graduates, and no doubt enjoyed by all.

The Uni Coffee Catch Up was a new initiative conceived by the SBOCA Committee to help facilitate ongoing contact and networking of recently graduating Beda Boys and the first trial run at Monash University was an absolute success (additional details later in this Bulletin). Many, many thanks must go to Jo Hynes who organised and coordinated the entire event.

In closing, always remember that SBOCA is your Association and I strongly encourage you to keep in touch and get involved in as many activities as you can. I am always available to hear your thoughts and comments on how the Association can better support the College and all the Old Collegians, and I sincerely look forward to working with, and for you as President.

Jason Smythe
President SBOCA



## A word from the Principal



#### **Old Collegians University Coffee Morning**

Recently the first gathering of Old Collegians attending Monash University Clayton Campus was held. Over a two hour period, some 17 past students presently studying at Monash gathered together for coffee and a chat. It was a positive gathering. There are plans to hold regular gatherings of St Bede's College ex-students at other tertiary campuses throughout the year. This was a great initiative by Jo Hynes our Old Collegians Officer who work closely with Nigel Abello a former Vice Captain of the College.

#### **Outreach Program**

The Outreach Program for 2017 are well planned with the first group of Year 11 students heading to Thailand in the June/July holiday break. A second group will go in September and the Year 12 students will travel to India in December. The Outreach Program are an important element of the College Lasallian spirit. The monies raised through Mission Action Day activities are used for the Outreach Program. In Thailand the groups will build a much needed sleeping/study facility for the Bamboo school students. This year Mission Action Day activities raised close to \$96,000 dollars. Can I take this opportunity to thank all Old Collegians and the St Bede's/Mentone Tigers for your generous support which was appreciated by the College administration.

#### **Founder's Day Celebrations**

Last week the College community celebrated Founders' Day and the feast of St Bede. The College assembled for a celebration of mass with Fr Michael from St Patrick's Mentone parish. The prayers of the faithful were prayed in the many different languages which are now an important part of the College community. Student efforts for Mission Action Day were recognized at this event. Towards the end of the week the feast of St Bede was recognized within the College community. St Bede was a great scholar who translated the Bible and contributed much to education at his time.

#### MISSION ACTION DAY

Each year the College raises funds through Mission Action Day activities to fund our Outreach Programs.

The contribution of the College community is vital to the success of this program. In 2016 an Old Collegian, Patrick Donnellan, participated in the Outreach Program.

Please Ctrl click the link below to view a DVD presentation about our Outreach Program

#### **OUTREACH PROGRAM**

If you would like more information on how you can become involved in this program, please contract Jo Hynes:

Email: <u>old-</u> <u>colls@stbedes.catholic.ed</u> <u>u.au</u>

OR

Phone: 9582 5722

#### **Class Reunions**

Reunions are held every year to celebrate times past. Celebrations are held for the 1 Year, 10 Year, 20 Year, 30 Year, 40 Year and 50+ Year Class Anniversaries.

These events are traditionally held on a Friday evening through the year and hosted by the SBOCA and the College Principal.

The event begins with a warm welcome, drinks and canapés. Wood fired pizzas are served before a College tour commences. From here attendees drift off to the RSL over the road for further merriment!

The 50 plus reunion is held at lunchtime at a venue off site however a tour of the College is offered prior to the luncheon.

All Old Collegians are welcomed at the reunions.

Reunions provide a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with old friends, establish new relationships and networks and see how the College has changed.

We strongly encourage you to attend your milestone reunion

#### Recent events

#### **CLASS OF 2007**

In March we welcomed back the Class of 2007 for their 10 year reunion. Another very well supported event with over 40 past students in attendance. Some had travelled from far and wide to attend and there was plenty to talk about although a few mentioned it only felt "like yesterday that I was here"!

With a couple of past teachers in attendance – one now on staff — students relished in the opportunity to share their success stories!













## **Recent Events**

#### **CLASS OF 2016**

For most of these students it was practically only "yesterday I left". The First Year reunion gives past students an opportunity to return to the College as our newest Old Collegians. It was wonderful to see so many teachers in attendance and the delight for most of the students was also obvious.

Students were keen to discuss what life had offered in the few months since leaving the College and Br Garry reaffirmed the College's wishes that the past students are "always welcome at St Bede's College".



















## **University Coffee Mornings**

Following the success of our recent coffee morning trialed at Monash University Clayton Campus, this initiative will be rolled out to other Tertiary education facilities across Melbourne where St Bede's College past students attend.

The Uni coffee morning provides an opportunity for Young St Bede's Collegians to meet up with others on their campus. This could lead to networking, information sharing, new friendships and mentoring.

The aim is to keep these catch up's informal and provide a link to other St Bede's College students studying on campus via closed Facebook groups.

Stay tuned to when the Old Collegians will come to your campus— the first coffees are on us!

#### Recent events

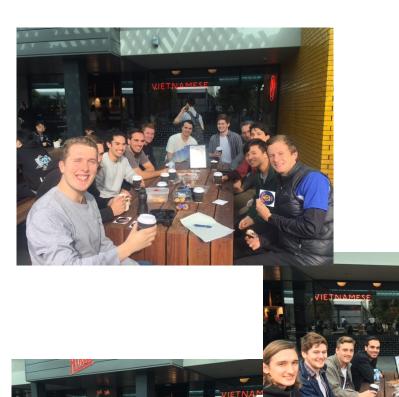
#### **University Coffee Morning**

Monash University Clayton Campus was the first to host our Young Collegians coffee morning. Past students who currently attend Monash Clayton were invited to a casual drop by and chat over a coffee.

Throughout the two hours on campus, students dropped by and enjoyed some tasty treats

and a free coffee while connecting with other past St Bede's students and sharing information about their courses and how they have settled into life at University.

We are grateful to Nigel Abello for his leadership in encouraging others to attend and his support in setting up the Monash Uni Facebook group.



#### **Recent Events**

On Thursday 1 June we welcomed over 80 guests to our St Bede's College Old Collegians Cricket Hall of Champions. Eleven Old Collegians were inducted into the Cricket Hall of Champions as recognition of their success on the cricket field. It was wonderful night with great insight into each player provided by Peter Wintle as MC and Peter Knuppel who provide the witty and accurate citations for each player.

Our current College Captains made great work of presenting the Inductees with their trophies and Peter Wintle's light banter and interview skills ensured the audience were entertained with on and off field cricketing anecdotes!

We congratulate the following Inductees: Shaun Graf, Chris Pringle, Adrian Jones, Brad Hodge, Chris Street, James Miller, Jon Holland, Cameron Huckett, Tom Donnell, Brett Forsyth, Scott Boland and Clive Rose

The event was best summed up by Paul Forsyth, Brett's father "....For mine the evening was a glorious celebration of the St Bede's community. We were kept enthralled by the eloquence and knowledge of "Wally" Wintle and the amazing men (young and old) who were duly acknowledged during the evening. What struck me was the overt humility, good humour, appreciation and gratitude of every recipient. I made the comment to our friends close to the end of the evening that what impressed me most was the character of those acknowledged before one became spell bound by their exceptional individual and collective achievements..."







For more photos of this special evening, please visit our website <a href="https://www.stbedes.catholic.edu.au/community">www.stbedes.catholic.edu.au/community</a> or simply click <a href="https://www.stbedes.catholic.edu.au/community">HERE</a>



## Around the College

## McCristal MAD male role model breakfast

Over 300 fathers, uncles, friends of the College and students attended the McCristal breakfast to raise money for MAD day.

Bulldogs coach and Old
Collegian Luke
Beveridge spoke of the
significant role models
in his life. Students
asked questions about
his time at St Bede's
College and Luke
spoke frankly about
those who have helped
to shape the person he is today.



An enjoyable morning and over \$5,000 raised for MAD.



#### Founders Day 2017

A significant date in the College calendar is celebrated on 19 May with a Founders Day Mass and celebration.

The Resource Centre created an eye-catching display highlighting life at the College since its inception with past trophies, sports uniforms, photographs and other memorabilia.

This display provided an opportunity for current students to gain a visual insight into the history of the College.

## Around the College

#### Debating

Old Collegian Sean Hollis (Class of 2015) returned to the College to assist the current St Bede's College students with their debating skills.

The students were thrilled to have an experienced debating in their midst - even happier with the morning tea provided!



## People's Choice Lottery

The SBOCA on behalf of the Finian Foundation is this year participating in the People's Choice Lottery.

The prizes on offer are **AMAZING.**131 prizes with a total value of over \$360,000. From cars
(Toyota RAV 4 and Toyota Corolla Ascent) to Harvey Norman Shopping Sprees to holiday travel youchers.

Tickets can be purchase on line with all funds we raised through our ticket sales going directly towards the Finian Foundation.

The Finian Foundation supports current St Bede's students whose families may be experiencing financial difficulties with the cost

of their education.

Tickets are just \$2 each and can be purchased online at

https://
www.peopleschoicecu.com.au/
finian-foundation

Online tickets sales finish on Thursday 31 August so hurry and purchase yours today!



#### **Class Reunions**

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## Reunions



## **Up Coming Reunion dates**

#### Class of 1967 and before 50 years+ reunion

Friday 9 July

www.trybookling.com/PRXU

#### Class of 1997 20 year reunion

Friday 28 July

www.trybooking.com/PRTD

### Class of 1987 30 year reunion

Friday 25 August

www.trybooking.com/QNNG

#### Class of 1977 40 year reunion

Friday 17 November

www.trybooking.com/QNNK



## **Committee Meetings**

St Bede's Old Collegians hold Committee meetings six times a year. All Old Collegians are welcome and encouraged to attend. It is always terrific to see new faces - we would love you to be involved. The meetings are normally held on the second Tuesday of the month during term time at 7.30pm in the Board Room of the College.

The meeting dates for 2017 are: Tuesday 13th June, Tuesday 8th August, Tuesday 10th October, Tuesday 5th December



If you would like to attend, please contact Jo Hynes on 9582 5722

Visit our website for more information <u>www.stbedes.catholic.edu.au/community</u> and follow the link to Old Collegians

# Annual Finian Foundation Fundraiser Breakfast and Golf Day

# Friday 27 October 2017 Woodlands Golf Course

From 7am

Bookings <u>www.trybooking.com/QNMW</u>

Join us for another brilliant day with guest speaker followed by 18 holes of golf at the magnificent Woodlands Golf Course. Catch up with friends, organise a group of 4 to partake in some golf or book a table at the breakfast only. An event not to be missed with all funds raised going towards the Finian Foundation to help current St Bede's College students.

Prizes for the winning group and runners up plus nearest to the pin and longest drive

For sponsorship opportunities that sell out fast, please contact Jo Hynes oldcolls@stbedes.catholic.edu.au or 9582 5722



#### **Share your news**

We are always looking for stories to share with our Old Collegians network and would love to hear from you.

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#### In the News



#### **Brad Rowswell**

Brad Rowswell (Class of 2004) gained pre-selection as a Liberal Party candidate for the State seat of Sandringham in the November 2018 Victorian Election. The current local MP, Murray Thompson, has represented the Liberal Party since 1992. With Murray's retirement prior to the next election, Brad is hoping to replace him.

Brad has strong St Bede's College connection (College Vice-Captain 2003, Lasallian Student of the Year 2003, College Youth Minister 2004 and SBOCA committee member and secretary); was born at Sandy hospital and has lived in the area all his life.

In Brad's words; "It's a real thrill - and privilege - to seek election to the Victorian parliament representing the area where St Bede's College is located. It's the largest school in the Sandringham electorate."



## **Hugh Barrow**

In April Old Collegian Hugh Barrow (Class of 2015) was awarded the AFL Sportsready Trainee of the Year.

This was one of only two awards on the night from over 280 trainees. This award is in addition to the previously won Chisholm Trainee of the Year.

There were around 400 people present at the ceremony and it was a wonderful occasion.

#### In the News



#### Patrick Heenan, Josh Cant, Adam Heaton, Alex Grizelj and Joel Harriss

The key characteristics of our tradition in the Lasallian spirit are Faith, Service and Community. In 2017 we are pleased to have five of our newest Old Collegians commit to the Service element of our mission to youth.

The following young men will devote this year to the service of others through their participation in various school communities within our Lasallian family of schools.

Patrick Heenan (2016) will assist at the DeLaSalle School in New Zealand; Josh Cant (2016) will be based at Yourtown in Sydney; Joel Harriss (2016) will work with the Indigenous youth program at LaSalle Perth while Adam Heaton (2015) and Alex Grizelj (2015) will return for a second year to Papua New Guinea



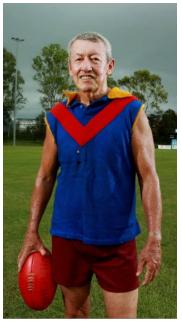
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#### In the News



## Kieran O'Callaghan

"It's better to wear out that rust out". That's the philosophy of Old Collegian Kieran (Kerry)
O'Callaghan (Class of 1965) who says it would take a substantial injury to make him hang up his boots after a lifetime of dedication both on and off the AFL field.

Kerry has been a member of the Gold Coast masters league since its inception and now plays in the over 45 age group which is a standard, full contact version of the game.

Kerry says training and playing with his younger teammates helps him to "think younger" in daily life. He has been heavily involved with a number of businesses and volunteer groups, which prevented his mind from "dictating to me that my time is up"!



## Dr Peter Hughes MBBS (Hons), FRACP PhD

Peter graduated from St Bede's College in 1990, being awarded the Prize for Physics in that same year. Peter qualified from Monash University and undertook his advanced training at the Royal Melbourne Hospital and Austin Hospital. He was awarded an NHMRC scholarship to perform a PhD at the Walter and Eliza Hall Institute.

He has been a consultant Nephrologist at the Royal Melbourne Hospital since 2008 and has been the Physician in charge of renal transplantation since 2012. His research interests include transplanting across immunological barriers, thrombotic microangiopathy and complement mediated disease.

#### In the News





#### **Br Michael Lynch**

Former Old Collegian and Hall of Fame inductee Br Michael Lynch (Class of 1957) is the Director of Salesian Missions Australia based in Melbourne. He is pictured above giving Pope Francis a copy of the 2017 Australian Salesian Calendar and Missions Newsletter.

Br Michael participated in meeting of the Salesian Mission Offices in Rome in mid-January 2017. The aim of the gathering was to study deeply the emerging themes of mission, to share ideas and best practices and to reflect together in the face of common challenges. He found the conference "stimulating and inspiring and was "honoured to be invited to Pope Francis' early morning Mass".



## Nic Cester, Cam Muncey, Chris Cester

Jet played with International Rock legend, Bruce Springsteen during his Melbourne, Hanging Rock and Hunter Valley concerts earlier this year.

has been a few years since Jet performed but reviews stated they "were far, far from rusty". In an interview with Fairfax media Chris Cester said there was some new music and "everyone's having a really good time and that's really the bubble we are living in.

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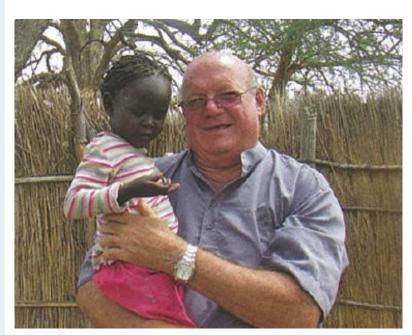
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#### In the News



#### **Br Bill Firman**

South Sudan, the worlds newest country, is currently wracked by inter-tribal violence and division. Many people are dying of starvation. At the Solidarity Teacher Training College and Catholic Health Institute run by Solidarity with South Sudan (SSS, 234 South Sudanese are living and studying together harmoniously.

SSS is a combined global initiative involving religious congregations of men and women from different countries to train future South Sudanese teachers, nurses, midwives, farmers and pastoral agents.

The current Executive Director of SSS is Br Bill Firman, past Principal of St Bede's College Mentone.

A recent fundraising effort by St Macartan's Parish in Mornington saw over \$12,000 raised for Solidarity with South Sudan.

#### In the News



### Karl Pearce (Class of 2010)

As an Australia, Karl always dreamed of going to Lords Cricket Ground—now he walks through the Grace Gate every morning. Karl is Head chef at the Lords Cricket Ground in London. He ensures the smooth running of the kitchen operations while maintaining its exceptionally high food standards.

To Karl, "cricket for me is similar to cooking, it's a passion"

When the Ashes are played at Lords Karl enjoys "the friendly cricket banter" to help get through is long days!



#### Kaih Mitchell (Class of 2014)

Kaih has continued to excel academically at University after graduating from the College in 2014. Kaih has been awarded the New Colombo Plan Scholarship—a prestigious travel grant provided by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

The New Colombo Plan Scholarship is open to Australian undergraduate students who wish to undertake study and internships in participating Indo-Pacific locations. Students are selected based on academic excellence, leadership in their communities, adaptability and resilience, and the ability to contribute to the New Colombo Plan goals.



Deputy Vice-Chancellor (International) Professor Sue Elliott said "the scholarships are an invaluable way for students to connect with the wider Indo-Pacific region. It allows students to explore and develop their knowledge and ties with our regional neighbours."

Kaih plans to study in Indonesia

#### What's happening?

We often track down Old Collegians via social media-Facebook, LinkedIn to find out what they are up to know.

If you would like to keep us updated as to what significant events have happened in your life since leaving the College, we would love to hear from you.

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## Where are they now?



#### Sam Kenny (Class of 1987) and Joe Kenny (Class of 1991)

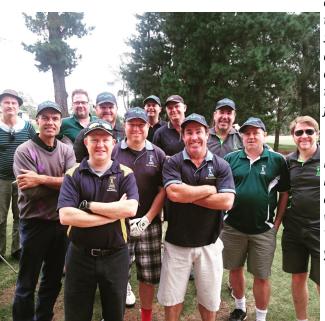
Both Sam and Joe are thrilled to be back the St Bede's College , this time as fathers to their Year 7 sons.

#### Memories from the Sam and Joe:

"It has been very exciting to see Ben and Hamish start their journey at St Bede's so enthusiastically. The school has not changed much from the Beach Rd side and the Main Hall is very similar to how it was in the 90s. When Luke Green (he taught Joe) walked out to present on the orientation day we were concerned that the school may not have changed at all!

To our relief the presentation and tour that followed highlighted the important innovations in programing and new teaching and learning spaces that has been implemented over the years while maintaining strong, important links to the past.

We are both delighted that our Boys will have the same guiding principles and



experiences we enjoyed throughout our Schooling. We often talk about our great experiences during our time at School, camps, friendships and teachers.

Each year we maintain the link to the past when we enjoy an annual golf trip with St Bede's Classmates. This trip is now into its 30<sup>th</sup> year."

## Where are they now?



Shaun Healy (Class of 1998).

After six years of teaching at St Bede's College, Mentone, Shaun has now taken up a position with Catholic Education Melbourne as a Learning Consultant for Religious Education for the Southern and Eastern region of the Archdiocese.



#### Denis Bourke (Class of 1969)

Denis graduated in 1969 and began a teaching career before leaving for the United States where he completed post-graduate studies in Political Science and the Environment.

Upon returning to Melbourne, he and his young family settled back in Mentone where Denis established a consulting practice in the area of leadership and management development. He worked in a

range of public and private sector roles and completed his doctorate part-time while his family continued to grow. In the late '90s, his work took him to Sydney where he continued to work with public and private sector organisations in Australia, the Asia Pacific, the US and Europe.

Denis has recently finished that phase of his working life and took a 'time-out' to complete a long-held bucket-list wish, to walk the Camino in Spain. His pilgrimage took him from St Jean Pied de Port in south-west France, over the Pyrenees, and across northern Spain where he arrived 800kms later in Santiago de Compostela. Given the number of Australians that he met along the way, he is sure that a number of old boys might also have completed the Camino and he would recommend the experience to anyone who might have some time on their hands and who might be looking for a similar physical and spiritual challenge.





#### Andrew and Peter Rizzi (Class of 2009)

Andrew and Peter are owners of Rizzi Electrical. Based in Dingley Village, Rizzi Electrical are electrical contractors who provide quality domestic and commercial work throughout Melbourne.

## **Sporting Club News**



The 2017 is well under way with all 4 men's sides, 1 women's side and 3 junior sides at least 5 rounds into the season.

This has been the largest pool of teams St. Bede's have entered in many years, with a great recruitment over the Summer (many returning Old

Colls now playing with their sons in the men's fourth XI).

The men's first XI are precariously sitting equal second with two other teams after 6 games in the home and away season. They have 3 wins, 1 loss, 1 draw and 1 bye.

The men's second XI are struggling to find some consistent form and are sitting sixth with 2 wins, 3 losses and 1 bye. The encouraging outcome though is the St. Bede's youth breaking into the Senior teams.

The men's third XI are unfortunately sitting eighth out of eight with only 1 win and 5 losses, but again showing encouraging signs with a mix of both youth and experience coming through.

Our newest team in the stable is the men's fourth XI and they are placed sixth with 1 win, 3 losses and 2 draws. This team is made up with a few Old Collegians returning to hockey after a few years' absence and also a few father/son combinations which is fantastic for the club.

The rose among the thorns is our women's team and they are currently in fourth place with 1 win, 2 losses and 3 draws. This side is also showing a state of flux where 3 players from 2016 are on temporary leave either recently given birth our about to; congratulations to you all.

Next are our equal pride and joy teams; our juniors.

Our under 16 team is sitting second with 4 straight wins and 1 bye. An amazing statistic for this team so far is that they have only conceded 3 goals in their 4 games.

We have two under 14 teams that are playing in the same competition. So St. Bede's RED are sitting fourth with 2 wins and 3 losses just ahead of St. Bede's BLUE in fifth position with 1 win, 2 losses, 1 draw and 1 bye.

## **Sporting Club News**



For all the latest news on the St Bede's Mentone Tigers, please visit their website:

www.stbedesmentonetigers.com.au



under the History tab on the club's website.

Whilst none of the Premier sides made finals this year, the two sides whose home grounds are at St Bede's College both made their way into the Grand Finals of their competitions - with the 5th XI winning theirs against Mentone, and the 6th XI coming second to Old Mentonians.

On 7 April at the Walter Galt Reserve the Club celebrated the season by having their Hall of Fame and Senior Presentation Night. The social rooms were decorated perfectly to match the occasion as a hundred players, members and their families watched the Club's Captain and Coach James Miller take home the coveted Harry Boyle Trophy for the Club Champion, The Bob Cowper Medal for the cricketer of the year as

well as the John Smith award as the bowling average winner in the premier grade.

John Hand, who as well as other duties in the club was the second XI team manager, won the Brian Hunt Best Clubman award while First Year Player Shorye Chopra won the Frank Laver Medal and the Stephen King-Gerard Robertson Medal for the best Under 21 player.

Three long term members were inducted into the Hall of Fame - Craig Reece (scorer), Brian Hunt (Former player, Curator and Cleaning) and Greg McLeod (Former Player and Administrator).

A list of Hall of Fame members and Harry Boyle trophy winners can be found

More recently the club's rooms at the Walter Galt Reserve hosted the St Bede's Old Collegian's Cricket Hall of Fame where 11 Old Collegians were inducted.



#### In Memoriam

#### **Christopher Gilligan (Class of 1971)**

Christopher entered eternal life surrounded by family on Friday 14 April 2017.

Chris was the College Captain in 1971 and was an outstanding, all-round athlete. He represented St Bede's College for eight consecutive years in Athletics, setting four College records in High Jump. He played in and captained the First XVIII.

From the 1971 College Journal; "He approached his studies with perseverance and dedication and enjoyed success at all levels. His genuine interest and involvement have earned the respect of seniors students and staff members and the admiration of younger students"

Chris went on to graduate in Economics and Law from Monash University. He signed the Bar Roll in 1979 and practised law for over 36 years.

Chris entered eternal life after an extraordinarily courageous and dignified flight, characteristic of the generous man known to his friends and colleagues throughout his life. May he rest in peace.

#### **Gregor Cattanach (Class of 1959)**

Entered eternal life 14 May 2017 after a short illness. Most beloved husband of Marilyn, father and grandfather. May he rest in peace.

#### Craig Blair (Class of 1995)

Tragically after an accident in the Northern Territory Craig passed away on 19 May 2017. May he rest in peace.

#### **Father Tom Sherrin**

Father Tom attended St Bede's College in the late 1940's/early 1950's. He left the College to work before studying for the priesthood in Brisbane for the Toowoomba Diocese. He was ordained in 1964 and appointed at St Patrick's Cathedral parish, Cunnamulla, Warwick and Mitchell.

Father Tom is remembered as a boxing coach and referee, a vintage car enthusiast and a man who loved the arts, but most of all he was a man of God.

Father Tom entered eternal life on March 6 2017. May he rest in peace.

#### In Memoriam

#### Richard (Dick) Payne (Class of 1942)

Entered eternal life 5 February 2017 at Mercy Place, Fernhill Sandringham. Richard is Loving father of Greg, Tony, Richard, John (dec. ), David and Catherine and grandfather of Alicia and Matthew.

From Richard's son Greg "he lived very much the St Bede's Community, having been an inaugural student of the day of opening of the College in 1938. His time at St Bede's was cut short due to his father, Leo, becoming a long term patient at Heidelberg Military Hospital. At this time, Richard was the eldest child of five so was sent off to work at 15 to help put food on the table." All five of Dick's sons enjoyed the benefits of a St Bede's College education as well. May he rest in peace.

#### George Brooks (Class of 1938)

Entered eternal life 7 May 2017. Lived and died a wise and generous man. Dearly loved husband of Pauline (dec. ). Loved and loving father of David, Michael and Elizabeth. A grandfather and great grandfather. May he rest in peace.

#### John Filippo (Class of 1978)

Entered eternal life 25 January 2017. Suddenly at the Alfred Hospital in Melbourne.

John was College Captain of the Borders in 1978





### A memory from John Keyte attended St Bede's College 1938– 1941

I was saddened by the death of Br Finian. A De La Salle Brother I greatly respected. His ability to meet and make welcome all old boys and to remember names was truly amazing. My time at De La Salle Malvern in 1937 and then as one of the new boarders at *Mentone in 1938 with my* brother Frank was a challenging experience for a twelve year old from Bairnsdale. A new school with none of the modern comforts enjoyed by our modern day students, but the beach was just over the road and that was a bonus.

Now aged 90 I almost feel like the last man standing...My education and experience at St Bede's College has enabled me to have a good life and a satisfying career and I know that the spirituality and temporal values will continue to be passed on to future generations, keeping our nation Christian.

### The Finian Foundation



The Finian Foundation has been established by the SBOCA to help foster the Lasallian tradition of recognising that quality education should be available to all.

In recognition of a person who has dedicated his life to this tradition, with over 50 years of those spent at St Bede's College, it was deemed most appropriate to name the foundation the Finian Foundation after Br Finian Allman.

The Finian Foundation Ltd has been established as a charitable foundation and is able to receive tax-deductible donations and bequests to create an income stream that will be used to provide assistance to financially disadvantaged families to support their children's education at St Bede's College.

All donations are fully tax deductible.

The generosity of donors allows for the alleviation of financial difficulties of a few families who experience difficulty in meeting the expenses arising from payment for school fees, books, and uniforms for their sons attending St Bede's College. Parents of such students who have been helped in this way have expressed thanks to the St Bede's Old Collegians Association for their kindness and generosity.

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As mentioned at the beginning of this Beda Boys Bulletin, this is your Association so feedback is always very welcome.

## St Bede's Old Collegians

We hope you have enjoyed this edition of the Beda Boys Bulletin and its new format. We are always interested in what our Old Collegians are up to so if you have any news, please contact Jo Hynes at:

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