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# Beda Boys Bulletin

## President's Welcome

Welcome to the year-end edition of the Beda Boys Bulletin, and what a watershed year 2017 has been for the Association. I must commence by expressing my heartfelt thanks, and that of the Committee and I'm sure the entire Association Membership to Brother Garry for his enduring and unwavering support of the SBOCA throughout his tenure at the College.

Brother Garry has been a visionary in facilitating the Mission of the Association, and his wisdom, advice and support over these many years will be remembered by all of us as he departs the College for new challenges at the end of this year.

Overall the SBOCA has truly lived up to its motto of 'celebrating the past, enjoying the present, and shaping the future' this year through a blended series of traditional events and some exciting new initiatives. In addition to the always popular and well attended Anniversary Reunions, this year's Annual Dinner introduced the inaugural St Bede's College Cricket Hall of Champions. At this special dinner twelve Old Collegians, Beda Boys of exceptional talent and outstanding achievement in their sporting careers, were recognised in an evening of collegial celebration that was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

2017 also heralded the introduction of the Young Collegians "University Coffee Catch Up" event, the first of which was held at Monash University and enthusiastically attended by Beda Boy graduates at various stages in their university education.





## President's Welcome (cont..)

Additional events have been scheduled at various tertiary venues for next year and beyond, and we trust these will help the newer Beda Boy graduates maintain contact with each other and the Association as they progress their careers. The Annual Finian Foundation Fundraising Breakfast in October was an absolute success, and many, many thanks go to one of the College's most successful old boys, Gerard Healy who along with David King ("Kinky") and Glenn Luff generously donated their valuable time to entertain all who attended.

Other successful initiatives have included a relaunch of the McCristal Club to support Old Collegians in need; transitioning to a biennial model for the delivery of the popular Careers Night presentations to latter year St Bede's students; focused development of the Beda Boy graduate database to facilitate better and regular contact with as many Old Collegians as possible; a renewed focus on developing alternative fundraising opportunities to support the Finian Foundation in assisting disadvantaged students to attend the College; and a series of initiatives to foster and involve younger graduates with the SBOCA Committee in a proactive effort to maintain a younger age-profile and strengthen the Association for future years.

And an occasion that I was extremely honoured to attend in October this year as President of the Association remains one of the most important events on the College calendar,

namely the Annual Year 12 Graduation. I was initially privileged to share with the Year 12 students and their families and carers in the celebratory Mass and Awards Presentations, and was then invited to lead the highly symbolic and moving "Tie-Swapping" Ceremony. The Tie-Swapping Ceremony not only marks the transition from student to graduate Beda Boy, but also recognises their induction to life-long membership in the brotherhood that is the SBOCA. I was truly impressed by the calibre and character of the fine young men graduating from the College, and I have absolutely no doubt they will make their families and the College very proud in coming years. "Once a Beda Boy, always a Beda Boy".

In closing I again must sincerely thank Brother Garry and the College Leadership Team and staff for all their support; the Association Vice President Tony Quint for his sage advice, counsel and guidance; the Association Executive Officer Jo Hynes for her boundless energy, enthusiasm, and organisational skill; and of course the Association Committee Membership for their tireless activity and dedication.

On behalf of the SBOCA may I wish all the staff, students, families and friends of St Bede's College a safe, festive, and joyous Christmas and New Year.

Dr Jason Smythe  
SBOCA President



## A word from the Principal



As I come to the end of my term as Principal of St Bede's College I would like to thank all Old Collegians and the Association for your loyal and generous support.

I think the Old Collegians Association has changed over the past ten years in the following way:

- It has an active and positive link to the College.
- It has significantly contributed to the life of the College through its career evenings and such like activities.
- It financially has offered part scholarships for students.
- It is actively developing a younger Old Collegians base.
- There has been a good and positive development in ICT communication.
- The appointment of an Old Collegians Officer, Jo Hynes has been a master stroke.
- There are regular gatherings of Old Collegian year groups which are held at the College.

A new Principal, Mr John Finn, offers the opportunity for new growth and development of the Old Collegians over the coming years. I am sure John will be happy to engage with the Old Collegians Committee to continue the relationship that exists between them and the College.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank past and present Presidents and Committee members who have given generously and supported me in my role of Principal. I ask God's blessing for each one of you and am grateful for the honor and privileges that I have had these past years.

Br Garry Coyte



## 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 1967 and BEYOND

Over 70 gentlemen joined us for the 50 years plus reunion at the College in June. We welcomed them with morning tea then offered a College tour with our current Year 9 students.

Lunch at Windows By the Bay provided the perfect opportunity to relax in each others company and ensured the ties that bind remain stronger than ever!

Thank you to all who attended.



## Recent Events

### CLASS OF 1997 - 20 years

On Friday 28 July over 40 Old Collegians from the Class of 1997 joined us for their 20 year reunion. Stories were swapped and plenty of fun was had with rumours that the last of them finished up in the wee hours of the morning!





## Recent Events

### CLASS OF 1987 - 30 years

Reunions are best summed up by Class of 1987 College Captain Michael Green, "Was terrific to catch up with so many of the old familiar faces - lots of good laughs. Thanks for the opportunity..."





## Recent Events

### CLASS OF 1977 - 40 Years

Old Collegians joined us from overseas (thank you David Jackson) and interstate to celebrate 40 years since leaving the College.

A reunion reflections by Ralph Klimzek *"I would like to thank you and the College for organising the 40 year reunion. I must admit I was a little reticent about attending, mostly because, in retrospect, our adolescent years were not our best ! I did meet an old school day friend and will renew this friendship after this "brief" 40 year gap , so this event did have a good outcome for me. It was nice to see that we had all become pillars-of-the-establishment. It only took us 40 years !*





## 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 MORNINGS

#### DATES FOR 2018

Monday 16 April from 11am

Deakin University

Tuesday 17 April from 11am

Monash Clayton

Tuesday 24 April from 11am

RMIT City Campus

More dates will be announced early next year. If you would like to be a part of these mornings, or would like to host one at your University, please contact Jo at [oldcolls@stbedes.catholic.edu.au](mailto:oldcolls@stbedes.catholic.edu.au)

An invitation with all the details will go out in March to those we have registered at each Campus.





## Recent Events

### VALETTE AND TIE SWAPPING CEREMONY

An emotion filled ceremony that forms part of the Year 12 Valette Service was held to mark the end of Year 12 and the transition from student to Old Collegian.

All Year 12 students received the an Old Collegian tie that replaces their current College tie and becomes a sign of their belonging to the Old Collegians Association. Jason Smythe spoke about the “ties that bind” before wishing the graduates of the Class of 2017 well with their exams, future studies and paths in life.





**The Finian  
FOUNDATION**

### Finian Foundation

The Finian Foundation was established by the St Bede's Old Collegians Association to foster the Lasallian tradition of recognising quality education for all.

Over time the Foundation has developed into a significant resource to assist those students at the College who find themselves in financial difficulties through no fault of their own.

The SBOCA hold an Annual Fundraiser to raise funds for this Foundation. If you would like to donate, please see the form and further information at the back of this Bulletin

## Recent Events

### FINIAN FOUNDATION GOLF DAY 2017

With a light breeze and forecast top of 25 degrees Melbourne put on the perfect day for Golf. A change in venues from previous years saw over 100 golfers line up at Southern Golf Club for the Annual Finian Foundation Fundraiser.

Closer to 120 guests joined us for breakfast to be informed and entertained by high media profile Brownlow Medalist, Fox Footy and 3AW commentator Gerard Healy; North Melbourne great, Fox Footy and SEN commentator David King and Champion Data's Glenn Luff.

The panel provided a comprehensive wrap up of the 2017 AFL Season in a travelling "on the couch/stools" sessions with plenty of stats, laughs and stories from behind the game.

The speakers were absolutely brilliant and many in the audience commented they could have listened to them all morning. Our sincerest thanks goes to Gerrard, Glenn and Kingy for giving of their time, knowledge and experience so generously and willingly.

A shot gun start at 8.30am had golfers briefed and out on the course as the sun rose higher over the greens.

Southern proved to be a good course to play and was in first class conditions as the gents enjoyed their first refreshing beverage around 10am.

We welcomed the groups back to the Club House for lunch from 12.30pm. It was wonderful to have Alan Backman join us to enjoy a few drinks, some lunch and banter with his old classmates.

The winners of the event with a score of 55.125 were John Hatherley, Michael O'Brien, John Iacovangelo and Tony Vaughan. Runners up with a score of 54.875 were Dominic L'Huillier, Vincent L'Huillier, David Lawson and Gordon Patterson.

Nearest to the Pin on hole 3 was Brian Murphy (2.65m); nearest to the Pin on Hole 12 was John Shingleton (168cm). Longest Drive on the First Hole was Gordon Paterson and on the 11th Patrick Murphy

Thank you to all who attended

**[The 2018 7th Annual Finian Foundation Fundraiser Breakfast and Golf Day is to be held on: Friday 26 October at Woodlands Golf Club](#)** - please mark this date in your diary!



# Recent Events



## The Thomas McCristal Club

### **An exciting change to our existing McCristal Club Membership**

### **2018 will see a change from the traditional McCristal Club Membership to The Thomas McCristal Club - St Bede's Old Collegians volunteer assistance**

The objective of The Thomas McCristal Club is to provide **non-monetary** support for Old Collegians, who by virtue of their personal circumstances require some form of assistance in order to effectively cope with their current situation.

The Lasallian community is fundamentally founded on the Catholic values of support and The Thomas McCristal Foundation extends those values to the St Bede's Old Collegians community.

### **VOLUNTEERING**

One of the key Lasallian fundamentals is to 'give back' to the community. Giving back to the community can be to either donate by financial means or by the means of giving time. The Thomas McCristal Club is based on the concept of Old Collegians volunteering time to assist fellow Old Collegians who have special needs.

Volunteering to The Thomas McCristal Club will register the donor who will be listed as a member of The Thomas McCristal Club.

Previously, Old Collegians who contributed to a special life membership levy were recognised as 'Life Members'. These life members were accorded McCristal Membership status. As a follow on from this, these previous McCristal Members are now members of The Thomas McCristal Club. The Old Collegians Association Secretary will list the register of names of members and publish these names on the Old Collegians website.

### **FUNDING**

Funding of projects for The Thomas McCristal Club will be provided by the the Old Collegians Association in support of volunteers donating their time. Funding should not be used to pay for the services of the volunteer/s but should be used to provide resource expenses.





## The Thomas McCristal Club

### SCOPE OF SUPPORT

The Executive of the SBOCA Committee will, under recommendation from the SBOCA Board, be arbitrators in deciding who is to receive volunteer support. Guidelines for the funds are as follows:

- Recipients of support will be assessed on a case by case, need by need basis.
- Recipients must have a special need in order to receive support.
- 'Special need' is defined as needs which place an individual in dire physical, emotional or financially hardship.
- Recipients must only be Old Collegians.

### RECOGNITION

A register of volunteers will be recorded by the Secretary on the Old Collegians website.

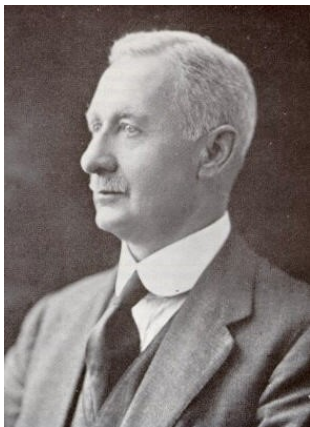
Volunteers will be presented with a Thomas McCristal Club pin in recognition of their support.

### TIMING

With the redevelopment of the College website, details of The Thomas McCristal Club will appear in January 2018. The new website will enable Old Collegians to register online and also to recommend those who may need assistance. Please be assured privacy is paramount and will be protected.

If you would like to register your interest now for The Thomas McCristal Club or you know of anyone who may require our assistance prior to the website set up, please contact:

[oldcolls@stbedes.atholic.edu.au](mailto:oldcolls@stbedes.atholic.edu.au) or call Jo Hynes on 9582 5722.



Thomas McCristal

## Careers Insight Evening Tuesday 20 March 2018



The 2018 St Bede's College Careers Insight Evening is being held at the College on Tuesday 20 March 2018 from 6pm-8.30pm.

This is a unique and highly regarded initiative by the SBOCA in conjunction with the College Careers Department where ex-students return to speak with current Year 10, 11 and 12 students about their own career journeys.

Old Collegians return to provide insight into their chosen careers in an informal setting. Presenters are asked to make a short presentation about their career and then share a "question and answer" session with the students.

We offer a vast array of specialist across many industries.

If you are interested in participating in this event, even if you have presented previously, please complete this Careers Insight Evening [RESPONSE FORM](#)

(CLICK THE ABOVE LINK TO ACCESS GOOGLE FORM DIRECTLY)

*More information will be sent out in January 2018 but please take the time to register your interest now.*

*Please note ALL speakers will need a current Working With Children Check. This is available online for no cost [HERE](#)*





## Volunteering Opportunities

### OUTREACH PROGRAM FOR OLD COLLEGIANS

Would you like to help those less fortunate? Are you willing to travel overseas and fund the opportunity yourself? Would you like to be part of an incredibly rewarding experience?

In January 2019 we are hoping to travel with twelve Old Collegians to India to join the Outreach Program assisting the poor and marginalized to build homes for their families.

At this stage the trip cost could be around \$3,500 per person for approximately two weeks. Please note this is all still in its **planning stage**.

To register your interest for this trip and further information, please email:

[oldcolls@stbedes.catholic.edu.au](mailto:oldcolls@stbedes.catholic.edu.au)

Thank you to Young Collegian Cameron Clarke (Class of 2015) for his lead on this.



## Lasallian Mission Council Volunteers



Kate Westhead has joined the Lasallian Mission Services' Team in the role of Lasallian Volunteers Coordinator.

As well as management of Share the Mission volunteers, Kate will coordinate short-term volunteers placements and teacher volunteer/exchange.

Please contact Kate Westhead for more information about other Volunteer opportunities

[katewesthead@delasalle.org.au](mailto:katewesthead@delasalle.org.au)  
or call 0403 595 599

## Class Reunions

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

*Invitations will be sent to those Old Collegians whose email address we have on file. Please update your details via our website [OR HERE](#) to receive an invitation*

## Reunions - Dates 2018



## 2018 Reunion Dates

### ***Class of 2008 - 10 Years***

Friday 16 March

### ***Class of 2017 - 1 Year***

Friday 27 April

### ***Class of 1968 and before - 50 plus Years***

Friday 15 June

### ***Class of 1998 - 20 Years***

Friday 27 July

### ***Class of 1988 - 30 Years***

Friday 24 August

### ***Class of 1978 - 40 Years***

Friday 16 November





## Committee Meetings - Dates 2018

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 2018 are: Tuesday 13 February; Tuesday 17 April (SBOCA AGM and General Meeting); Tuesday 12 June; Tuesday 14 August; Tuesday 9 October and Tuesday 11 December.

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



## Annual Finian Foundation Fundraiser Breakfast and Golf Day 2018 - Sponsors opportunity

**Friday 26 October 2018**

**Woodlands Golf Course**

From 7am

SPONSORS EARLY BIRD

We are looking for sponsors for the 2018 Annual Finian Foundation Fundraiser. Sponsorship packages are available in Gold, Silver and Bronze plus Hole Sponsorship and Prize Sponsorship. These sponsorships offer the opportunity to donate, expose and market your company and participate in a great day out.

For more information about sponsorship opportunities that sell out fast, please contact Jo Hynes [oldcolls@stbedes.catholic.edu.au](mailto:oldcolls@stbedes.catholic.edu.au) or 9582 5722



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## In The News



### **Gareth Jacobs (Class of 2000)**

From December, Gareth will take over the fulltime role as the Genie in Disney's Aladdin currently playing in Melbourne.

*Gareth said; "To play the Genie in this phenomenal production really is a wish come true. I'm a huge fan of the original animated Disney film and to learn the musical ropes from the magical Michael James Scott has been an added blessing. I can't wait to move into the lamp permanently and get granting those wishes full-time - you ain't never had a friend like me!"*



### **Graham Jones (Class of 1965)**

Graham hosted the Grand Opening of his new studio on Friday 1 September. Graham is a visual artist based on the Mornington Peninsula. Southern Buoy Studios (SBS) is located at 1/19 Carbine Way in Mornington. Graham has been a full time artist since 2015. Painting in acrylics – contemporary abstracts based predominantly in landscape. Being an avid traveller, Graham is inspired by the world around him and this is reflected in some of his works including: "ANTARCTICA....In the Footsteps", "MY BALI" and "ABOVE the TREELINE"

## In The News



**Simon Zahra (Class of 1989)**  
**Matt Ellerton (Class of 1990)**  
**Ellerton Zahra Racing**

Ellerton Zahra Racing enjoyed an exciting Melbourne Spring Carnival. Their horse Linguist bought Oaks Day success for the trainers when she led throughout to win the DrinkWise Plate (1700m).

On Melbourne Cup Day Prezado produced an amazing performance to give his opposition a start and a beating in the Schweppes Flemington Fling (1000m) with Chris Symons in the saddle. Prezado is part owned by other Old Collegians, Matt McCraw, Mark Mifsud, Jamie Maddoks and Matt Murray.

Classy galloper Odeon, strolled to a comfortable win in the Listed James Boag's Premium Stakes (1800m).

“We’re known as summer trainers but we deliberately targeted the Spring Carnival this year, we’re getting better at it and hopefully after today we’ve shown we can mix it with the best,” Zahra said.





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## In The News



### **Eugene Galekovic (Class of 1990)**

In June, Eugene signed a two-year deal to move back to his home state of Victoria and play with Melbourne City.

Eugene is one of the best known goal keepers in the country, former Adelaide stalwart and title winning Captain. He was part of the Socceroo's squad in World

Cups in South Africa and Brazil.

“To have the opportunity to return home and continue my career in Melbourne is very exciting and hopefully I can use my experience to push City to even greater heights, “ Eugene said.



### **Br Bill Firman**

Following up from an article published in the June Edition of the BedaBoys Bulletin, information that Pope Francis

has pledged nearly \$500,000 to support the people from worsening conditions in South Sudan. The Pope will be aiding projects in areas of education, healthcare, and agriculture, called the “Pope for South Sudan” Initiative

From Br Bill “Wow! A direct grant from the Pope. What else can I say? What could be more encouraging and affirming? Today I pay tribute to my dedicated colleagues in South Sudan, especially the members of our Yambio Community, persons of diverse nationalities and personalities from a mixture of congregations...”

## In The News



### David Sweeney (Class of 1980)

David Sweeney is Co-Founder of ICAN. The International Campaign to ban Nuclear Weapons (ICAN) was founded in Melbourne in 2007 and is now based in Geneva. It is a coalition of non governmental organisations in one hundred countries promoting adherence to and implementation of the United Nations nuclear weapon ban treaty.

ICAN was recently awarded a Nobel Peace Prize for its work.

ICAN won the \$1.4million prize in October this year because it has been a “driving force in prevailing upon the world’s nations to co-operate....in efforts to stigmatise, prohibit and eliminate nuclear weapons” Norwegian Nobel Committee chairwoman Berit Reiss-Anderson said.



*Some of the campaign's Australian team: Dave Sweeney, Marcus Yipp, Jessica Lawson, Professor Richard Tanter, Associate Professor Tillman Ruff, Professor Fred Mendleson, Daisy Gardener, Tim Wright and Dimity Hawkins. Photo: Chris Hopkins*



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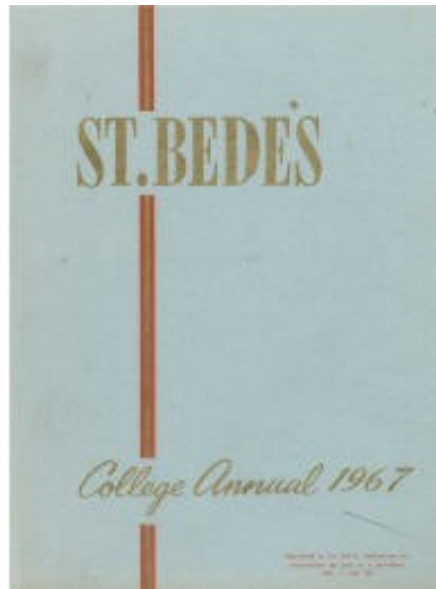
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## From the Archives

### Peter Whitty (Class of 1971)



### Peter talks about the Junior House Footy Competition in 1967....

*“Could you find space in one of your bulletins to publish this story about the result of a long forgotten fixture that went unrecognised in the St Bede's Annual 1967?”*

*I refer to that year's Junior House (footy) competition.*

*Padua and Xavier were the only undefeated teams when they clashed on a Wednesday afternoon out at the wilderness of Beda Park.*

*Xavier had a thuggish reputation and was led by an intimidating Paul Scanlon as captain. His counter-part was his boarding school rival - me!*

*Confusion reigned in the Padua camp at the commencement of play as the team was without its captain.*

*I had inexplicably missed the bus to Beda Park and was stranded, cutting a pitiful sight.*

*As I loitered around the front oval near where the old gymnasium used to be, Br Hilary came cruising past in a Holden station wagon and demanded to know what was I doing being the only person on the school grounds.*

*He, being our boarding school master at the time, quickly came to appreciate the enormity of the moment unfolding at Beda Park. I was safely delivered out there in record time.*

*The game was half over by the time I arrived at the field of battle, to learn that Xavier were in front by a couple of goals.*

*Following a half-time address and a hasty repositioning of the team, Padua wore down its great rival of that year to defeat Xavier by a small margin and thereby become Junior House Football Champions of 1967.*



## From the Archive (cont..)

*On a few occasions I have reminisced with my then opposite number (now a Queen's Counsel) about the events that unfolded on that bleak winter's day. However, his memory of the same is deficient to the point that he believes his team won!*

*Unfortunately, no team photo was taken of the winners. I have no recall of whom my team-mates were except George Kincses, a fellow boarder.*

*Much of the team comprised Form 1 (Year 7) students - one of whom talked to me about the big game on the occasion of St Bede's 50th College year celebration in 1998.*

*I wonder how many of my old team mates, whoever you are, retain fond memories of the day Padua beat Xavier, as I do."*



## Tercentenary



### 2019 Tercentenary of the Death of St John Baptist De La Salle & Year of Lasallian

#### Vocations

By Ria Greene

As Lasallians, we anticipate an important milestone in the life of the Institute: 2019 – the 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of the Founder. This tercentenary provides us with the opportunity to reflect on and celebrate our past, imagine and create a future filled with hope, while living in the present moment in the presence of God.

In order to motivate the Institute and coordinate an array of events, activities and resources, an Ad Hoc Committee was formed by the Superior General Br Robert Schieler and it was my privilege to be appointed as the representative for the PARC Region.

In September 2016, the Ad Hoc Committee met in Rome and determined the following goals for 2019:

- Celebrate and give thanks for our common heritage and our vitality through our association for the transformative human and Christian education of the young especially the poor.
- Renew our commitment to respond to the reality and needs of today through promoting our mission, charism, and Founding story.
- Share our hope for the future within the unity and diversity of Lasallian vocations by witnessing the movement of the Spirit in our lives and ministry.

Further, four priority areas were identified as the focus for the year – Mission, Formation, Spirituality, Vocations. These areas will guide our initiatives, ensuring that the year will be more than ‘an event’. It is the Institute’s desire that 2019 will be a deeply enriching and transformative time for all Lasallians; both individually and collectively.

Some key celebratory dates and events have been named. The year itself will commence on the First Sunday of Advent 2018 and conclude on the Feast of Christ the King 2019. The choice to use the liturgical year as the beginning and ending time for the year of celebration made sense practically and theologically. The liturgical year, as opposed the academic year, is universal thereby allowing equal access to all Lasallians. Also, to set

## Tercentenary (cont..)

the year within the liturgical year reminds us that St John Baptist De La Salle's vocation was to the priesthood.

Plans for the following key Eucharistic celebrations and locations are already underway:

7<sup>th</sup> April            ROUEN

30<sup>th</sup> April           REIMS

15<sup>th</sup> May            ROME

Other international events are being organised including the Young Lasallians Gathering @ WYD Panama 22-27 January 2019 and an International Educators Conference (date and place yet to be confirmed).

While there emerges great interest in the international events taking place, it is clearly not possible for all Lasallians to attend these, so we need to think creatively and practically for how we will celebrate 2019 Tercentenary of the Death of St John Baptist De La Salle & Year of Lasallian Vocations in a more local or regional context.

During my recent visit to the PNG Sector I had the privilege to work with teachers at Hohola Youth Development Centre, De La Salle Secondary School Bomana, and Jubilee Catholic Secondary School. Some very sound ideas came from these staff groups in relation to 2019 that included spiritual and cultural celebrations with all Lasallian school communities, and a desire to do more to alleviate the suffering of the poor and marginalised in the Port Moresby area and more broadly throughout PNG.

### **What is asked of you?** (individually and collectively)

You are encouraged to start imagining, discussing and planning what 2019 might mean for: you, your school or community, your Sector, our District, and the broader educational community (remember St John Baptist De La Salle is the Patron of All Christian Teachers).

### **Therefore, take time to consider:**

How do we offer enriching and inclusive experiences for our Brothers, students, Old Collegians, families, colleagues?

How do we collectively and collegially harness our efforts to celebrate the year's significance through the identified priorities of: Mission, Formation, Spirituality, Vocations?

How do identify the new challenges and the urgent needs of our world (human and environment) and how can 2019 be a catalyst to respond to them with compassion and creativity?

Fast forward 100 years ... when planning is taking place for the Founder's 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary, what legacy do we want to be acknowledged for?

*"You can perform miracles in regard both yourselves and your work by an entire fidelity to grace, not letting any movement of grace go by without corresponding with it; and by touching the hearts of children entrusted to your care" (J.B. De La Salle, Meditation 180.3).*

Please email your comments, suggestions or queries to [rgg@stbedes.catholic.edu.au](mailto:rgg@stbedes.catholic.edu.au)





## 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.*

*Please contact the Old Collegians office via email: [oldcolls@stbedes.catholic.edu.au](mailto:oldcolls@stbedes.catholic.edu.au)*

*OR*

*call Jo Hynes on 9582 5722*

## Where are they now?



### **John Riviere (Class of 1992)**

John has worked overseas for the last 20 years in South Africa, India and Singapore. He is now based in the Republic of Mauritius and works for a media group with radio and newspaper interests.

John reached out to The Old Collegians to pass on his congratulations to Brad Hodge for his induction into the St Bede's College Cricket Hall of Champions.

*From John " I would like to pay tribute to Brad and the other cricketing legends from our school....whilst I cannot be there physically, I can certainly be there morally for all the times Brad belted me around the oval! Have a great evening and regards to all the boys from 1992. Come and soak some sun from Mauritius one day. Open house policy. Absolute legends....."*

## Where are they now?

### **Adrian DeAngelis (Class of 2000)**

After almost 17 years of study Adrian has graduated to become an Oral Maxilla Facial Surgeon. Adrian was the Dux of St Bede's in 2000.

Adrian completed a Bachelor of Dental Science at the University of Melbourne in 2005 before completing a Postgraduate Diploma of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery in 2010.

He then completed a Bachelor of Medicine/Bachelor of Surgery from the University of Melbourne in 2012. He passed his final Fellowship Examination from the Royal Australasian College of Dental Surgeons in September 2017 and graduated as an Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon in February 2018.

From 2018 Adrian will take up a training Fellowship in the Head and Neck Cancer Surgery at St George's Hospital in London.



### **Michael Hurst (Class of 2016), Patrick Hurst (Class of 2014) and Bradley Shea (Class of 2016)**



On a number of Tuesday nights over the past few months several staff members from St James College and a number of young Lasallians have been travelling to the Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation facility.

Michael, Patrick and Brad are part of this group. The visits run for two hours at a time and are warmly welcomed by the detainees. The group play games, share food, have conversations and provide a welcomed diversion for the detainees .

Warm friendships have been established and the experience has been much valued by both the visitors and the detainees

## Sporting Club News



### Kingston Hawthorn Cricket Club

The St Bedes Old Collegians Cricket Club lives on as part of the Kingston Hawthorn Cricket Club playing in the VCA Premier Cricket competition – the highest level of cricket played in Victoria.

The current coach is Old Collegian and Ryder Medallist James Miller, while the Committee includes Old Collegians Greg McLeod, John Noonan, John Hand as well as parents of current and past students of the College Phil

O’Meara and Sue Cater.

The Club is based at the Walter Galt Reserve in Parkdale and fields team in VCA Premier Cricket 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> XI’s, South East Cricket Bayside 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> XI’s, Veterans XI and importantly Girls Under 13, Boys Under 12 & Under 14 teams. The Club also runs an extremely successful Milo Cricket and T20 Blast every Friday night through the Cricket Season for those younger aspiring champions.

While the current season 2017/18 is a challenge at present with results against us, the Club continues to look to the future to build a strong and united club to achieve success at the highest level of cricket in Victoria.

With home games every Saturday afternoon at the Walter Galt Reserve in Parkdale, we welcome any current students and Old Collegians interested in playing or simply come down and watch quality cricket and perhaps renew some past friendships of St Bede's College of years past.

The Club website is: <http://kingstonhawthorn.vic.cricket.com.au/>



## Sporting Club News



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

[www.stbedesmentonetigers.com.au](http://www.stbedesmentonetigers.com.au)



With Summer now here there is no report from the Hockey Club however if you would like more information about the Club, please visit their website [HERE](#)



*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.

**No matter how large or small, your gift will make a difference to current and future Beda Boys.**



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## In Memoriam



### **Tony Standish (Class of 1947)**

Tony entered eternal life in December 2016. He is survived by his wife Barbara, daughters Kate and Jane, and son Marty. Tony's lifelong enthusiasm for traditional Jazz and Blues inspired many a local record collections. He is remembered as a mentor to many and was acknowledged by many overseas Blues and New Orleans jazz collectors. May he rest in Peace

### **Ralph Sierakowski**

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

### **Kevin Kennedy (Class of 1938)**

Kevin entered eternal life in July 2017, he was 95. Kevin was the first Dux of St Bede's College and part of the inaugural College Football team. He was forever grateful for the excellent education he received. Amongst his possessions he still had his old St Bede's College cap. May he rest in Peace.

### **Philomena Kenny**

Philomena was a past Brothers Housekeeper for many years and was remembered at a Funeral Mass in the College Chapel. May she Rest in Peace

### **John Garlick**

Both John and his wife Denise taught at the College during the 10970's. Their son Brian is an Old Collegian. May he Rest in Peace

St Bede's Old Collegians  
Association (SBOCA)

*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. 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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Jo is in the office Monday, Tuesday and Wednesdays from 8am-4pm.



*On behalf of the St Bede's Old Collegians Association I would  
like to wish you and your family a safe and very Merry  
Christmas and a healthy and Happy New Year*

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