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WELCOMING THE NEW YEAR



The start of the year always starts with the promise of new: new beginnings, new plans, new opportunities, new focus, and for some of you reading a new journey with your son joining Waverley College.

Our focus for this year is outlined in our new Strategic Plan 2019–2023, which will be shared with you in the coming weeks. This plan is based on an education that matters to the whole life of our boys. Education that matters meets the challenges of today's world and tries to anticipate tomorrow's. Education that matters prepares students for a lifetime of making choices that see them leave people, situations, and environments better than how they found them. Education that matters engages students in a dynamic, responsive curriculum in an environment that inspires thinking and the development of knowledge and skills. Before we turn our eyes to the days ahead, I first want to acknowledge some milestones in the College and also share some recent changes with you.

Thank you Mr Peter Frost

In October, over 200 members members of the College community including His Excellency the Governor General Sir Peter Cosgrove and Lady Cosgrove, previous principals and special guests celebrated Mr Peter Frost's contribution over 50 years as a teacher at Waverley College. Peter is a revered leader of our Cadet Unit, a respected teacher of English, a rugby coach, a long term member of the College Executive, and has acted as Head of College on many occasions.

I want to congratulate Mr Frost for this significant milestone and thank him for his substantial service and dedication in sharing his passion, care and skills with so many. In 2019 Mr Frost will be pulling back to three days per week and continue to lead the College Cadet Unit.

Blue and Gold Ball and Capital Appeal

Thank you to all who contributed to the 2018 Blue and Gold Ball, which raised over \$100,000 to improve the school facilities. In particular I would like to thank our MC, Tim Gilbert, and our sponsors: McGrath Real Estate, Hotel Bondi, Core Mortgage Brokers, BMW Sydney, N G Farah and It's Insured.

Thank you also to all members of the Waverley College community who contributed to the annual capital campaign to assist the College in developing its learning and teaching spaces for current and future boys. These funds are becoming more and more important to enable the College to maintain excellent facilities for the students. Thank you again to those that were able to support the College in this way.

THE COLLEGE FAREWELLS THREE LONG SERVING COLLEGE **EXECUTIVE MEMBERS**

Anthony Banboukjian - Director of Waterford

At the end of Term 3, 2018, we held a celebration for Mr Anthony Banboukjian, who after 28 years at the Waverley College Junior School, and 11 years on the College Executive has retired from education. Tony is remembered for his integrity, compassion for others and his sense of justice for all, and we wish him much happiness.

Mr Phil Davis - Director of Mission

After his 18 year service at Waverley College in the Religious Education department and as Director of Mission, Mr Phil Davis is transitioning towards retirement. We thank Phil for his active role and the way he has championed the prayer and liturgical life of the College, and wish him all the best with his future endeavours.

Tony Moore – Director of Personnel Services

After 10 years' service to the College as Director of Personnel Services and serving on the College Executive, Mr Tony Moore is transitioning towards retirement. Tony has also been involved in coaching and teaching. Tony is looking to continue as a casual teacher at the College and we thank him for his valuable contributions.



Welcome new Director of Junior school

In Term 4, we welcomed Mrs Gabrielle Smith as our new Director of Junior School. For the last 12 years Gabrielle has taught and held the positions of Assistant Director and Director of Junior School P-6 at Loreto College Kirribilli. Gabrielle brings with her a wealth of Catholic education experience and contemporary pedagogical practice.

Virtus Sola Nobilitat - Virtue is its own reward

As we launch our 2019–2023 Strategic Plan, we build on our school's strengths and provide strong directions through to 2023 and beyond, knowing that we are guided by faith and doing good with excellence.

I am excited to share this Strategic Plan and welcome the opportunity to discuss it with you. I am also always available to meet to discuss your child's progress and wellbeing as we partner together this year.

We have high expectations but these are exceeded by your care and tremendous input as parents, and the energy and commitment of our school committee.

Thank you for entrusting Waverley College with your children and for believing in their potential as they flourish across their spiritual, intellectual, social, emotional, cultural and physical dimensions. I look forward to a tremendous year ahead.

Graham Leddie

Head of College

PETER FROST

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

his year Mr Peter Frost celebrates
50 years of distinguished service
to Waverley College. Peter's story
hails back to his own schooling at
Waverley College, from where he
graduated in 1964. Thereafter he
attended the University of New
South Wales where he completed a Bachelor of
Arts, followed by a Diploma of Teaching from

the Alexander Mackie College. Throughout these years of study, Peter had retained a connection to the College through the Cadet Unit, of which he was a Volunteer Officer.

His inspiration for becoming a teacher can be attributed to a number of experiences he had as a student at the College. In his senior year he chose French as a subject and was required to teach it to younger classes. As a young Corporal, he had to prepare lesson plans and teach other Cadets, something that sparked Peter's passion for passing on knowledge to others.

At University, Peter excelled at History, and was at one point encouraged to take the path to becoming a university history lecturer. However, Peter had a strong desire to become a teacher at Waverley. Fresh with newly obtained qualifications,

he approached the College's then Headmaster, Brother Simmons, to be interviewed for a teaching position. This proved successful and Peter commenced in 1969. His first classroom was what had previously been the old Chapel attached to the now demolished Airmount building.

In addition to a full teaching load, Peter also took over as Convenor of Debating and managed to go to Cadets on a Friday afternoon. One of his initiatives to get more boys involved in debating was to organise debates against girls schools. There was no Catholic Secondary Schools Debating Association at that stage, so Peter craftily engineered debates against Brigidine, Randwick and Holy Cross, Woollahra. The real gems in the debating calendar were debates against Kincoppal convent at Elizabeth Bay and Rose Bay convent, which took place in the magnificent monastery building overlooking the harbour. Needless to say, there were many friendships forged at these debates. Waverley probably outdid everyone with the suppers, which were put on by a group of dedicated mothers every Friday night. At one point in his career when the Mothers' Club was being formed, Peter became a type of liaison officer for them. They organised the cleaning of the hall as

the College didn't have cleaners in those days. Nor were there gardeners or groundsmen, just one person who spent the afternoon wandering around the yard after lunch clearing any rubbish.

During this time, Peter made a lot of good friends on staff. Some of the lay-staff resided in the Grange and there was a great feeling of camaraderie amongst them. It was also a time when Peter decided to undertake further study and enrolled in the three year Master of Arts course at Sydney University, with English as his major.



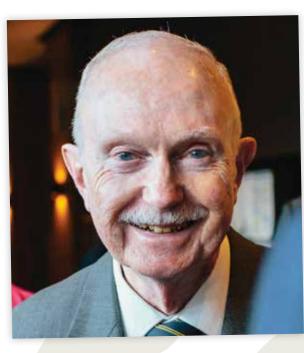
I'd made up my mind that if I was going to succeed in my career – and I should mention here that I really didn't expect to stay at Waverley College for my career at all – that after a certain time I would move on and seek promotional positions in other schools. So I decided that I'd better go back to university."

However, Peter was offered the opportunity of promotion within Waverley College when the Headmaster approached him and said that Brother Walsh had decided to give up either Head of English or Head of Year 12, and asked Peter if he would like to take on one of these roles.



I said well, yes I would very much prefer to do Head of English, to which I was told by the Headmaster, 'well, Brother Walsh would actually like to do that so you'd better do Head of Year 12.'"

And so began a nine year stint for Peter as the Head of Year 12. The school faced some very difficult periods with what was then called muckup days. These could be very harmful in many respects for a lot of people. Youthful exuberance and perhaps the sense of release from the discipline of the school meant that things were often soured at the end of the boys' senior year. Brother Kirwan and Peter decided to come up with strategies to combat this, and initiated the Year 12 farewell assembly. They created the idea of a circle of chairs around the quadrangle so that the boys would move from sitting in the main part of the quadrangle and sit instead in the circular driveway as a member of the Year 12 group. They coupled this with a unique fundraising initiative, called 'stretcher-thon', raising money for the Prince of Wales Children's Hospital.





So this rather weird parade of Year 12s left Waverley College carrying 'patients' on stretchers down Carrington Road to the hospital, all of them dressed in various guises as doctors and nurses."

At that stage, the Deputy Headmaster of the College was Brother Frank Farrell, who was in charge of Cadets and a distinguished teacher. He had been Peter's physics teacher for one year, although probably despaired of getting any good results from him. Subsequently, Peter did not take that subject in the Leaving Certificate. The two became good friends over the years, and Peter became the first lay-person to deliver a eulogy for one of the members of the Christian Brothers when he had the privilege to do so at Brother Farrell's funeral.

A high point of Peter's career was when Brother Farrell was made the Acting Headmaster for six months and Peter took on the role of acting Deputy Headmaster. They enjoyed organising school functions and working together as a small team. Following this, Peter



was made Assistant Deputy Headmaster, a job that consisted of organising substitute teachers each morning. This meant getting to the school very early, and being pre-computers, this was fraught with anxiety and pressure. Peter was also responsible on occasion for producing the school timetable.



The first time I took it on, it took me 4–5 weeks of holiday time just to put the thing together."

Another of Peter's roles was editor of the term magazine, the Waverlian. Content consisted of reports and written excerpts done by the boys themselves. However, as the years went on, it became more and more difficult to attract articles for it. The sad decision was made to cease publishing the Waverlian and simply have one annual each year called Waverley. Editing the Waverley annual also fell to Peter, again before the days of computers, so typically his bedroom at home became the production room, where he would type out content then laboriously cut and paste it together.

There was of course the additional role of training the boys in sport. For the majority of his time, Peter coached the 3rd XV rugby team.



I think the great enjoyment of coaching rugby is building of expertise and seeing the wonderful relationships that develop in a team. I'm a firm advocate of sport in schools – I think experiencing team sports makes an enormous difference to the lives of young people."



On Friday 26 October, 2018, a dinner was held to honour Mr Frost on his 50 years of distinguished service to Waverley College. It was a wonderful evening attended by a 220 strong crowd, reflecting on the many aspects of Peter's College life in the classroom, with cadets and as a member of the executive. His Excellency General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Retd) attended with Lady Cosgrove and spoke glowingly about Peter's integrity, work ethic and calmness that he brings to situations.

Previous Headmasters that had worked with Peter were also present including Br Paul Oakley, Br Bob Wallace and Mr Ray Paxton, along with Peter's other classmate, Captain Peter Collins (former NSW Opposition Leader).

Above: Peter Frost photographed with His Excellency General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Retd) and Head of College, Graham Leddie.



PETER FROST CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

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In 1993, after his time as Assistant Deputy Headmaster, Peter took a year's sabbatical of overseas study and travel. Brother Wallace wrote to Peter while he was away informing him that he had been appointed the Director of



A rather grandiose title – I was quite reluctant to take on the role because I wasn't an expert in computers, bursaries, financial management and so on."

But it was a role he found interesting and grew into, developing the necessary skills over time. He dealt with legal issues of the school, and was responsible for arranging the copyright of the school colours and emblems.



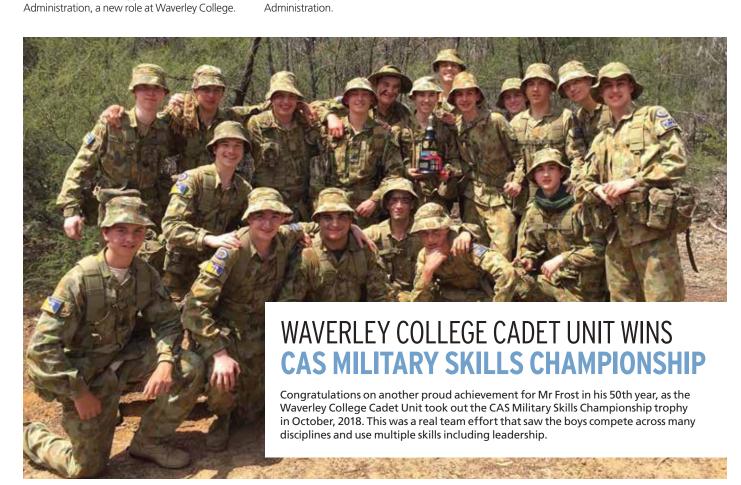
I owe a great deal of debt to Brother Wallace, who scared the wits out of me but at the same time offered me great opportunities to develop skills that I didn't think I necessarily had."

Peter had also returned to UNSW where he completed a Master of Educational Administration. Cadets continue to be a major aspect of Peter's working life, and the list of accomplishments he and the Waverley Cadet Unit have achieved over the years is perhaps too extensive for this article. Needless to say, he has played a pivotal role in the educational experiences of many young Waverlians and ensuring the activities of the Cadets have been able to operate so effectively throughout many bureaucratic changes over the years.

One of the things Peter did upon graduating from the College in 1964 was to join the Old Boys' Union (OBU). The president at the time was Mick Salmon, who had been one of Peter's great school friends. He encouraged Peter to become a life member of the Union, and Peter served several years on the Council before serving as President from 1977–1979.



Organisations like the OBU are wonderful within the school framework as you meet such eminent people and are provided with numerous opportunities."



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A HELPING HAND NATIONAL DAY OF ACTION AGAINST BULLYING

On Friday, 16 March 2018, all boys from Year 5 to 12 were asked to take a stand together in recognition of the National day of Action Against Bullying and Violence.

Each boy received a post-it note and was asked to come up with their own promise on how they would 'Speak Through Action' to make Waverley College a bully-free zone. Some examples from the School Captains and Year 12 Prefects were provided to get the boys thinking.

In total 1500 colour coded post-it notes, each containing a pledge from staff and students were strategically placed on a blank canvas to create a 'Helping Hand'.

This formed a symbol that when it comes to bullying and violence, Waverley College says 'No Way'.

A big thank you to the Art Faculty, Media Club, SRC and Student Leaders for making such a huge production run so seamlessly. The finished product was displayed in the Student Wellbeing Centre.









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WAVERLEY COLLEGE FAREWELLS A LEGEND



On Friday 14 September, 2018, over 350 teachers, parents, old boys and friends gathered at the Br J P Lacey Gymnasium to farewell the Director of Waterford, Anthony Banboukjian and celebrate his 28 years at the College.

Special guests included previous
Headmasters Br Paul Oakley and Br Bob
Wallace; previous Head of College, Ray
Paxton; immediate past Board Chair, Sam
Hardjono; current Board Chair, Mark Davies
and President of the Parent Association,
Mary Ramsay. Tony was also very proud to
have his family and friends in attendance,
including his mother, Josephine, at the
special celebration.

Anthony Banboukjian finished as Director of Waterford at the end of Term 3 this year, with new Director, Gabrielle Smith commencing in Term 4.

Waverley College would once again like to acknowledge the wonderful contribution Anthony has made to our Waverley College community and the Junior School over the many years. We wish him the very best as he embarks on the next chapter in life.





















I remember my first day at Waverley. I'd just moved from an inner city boy's school where I'd been punched by a student, had a knife pulled on me by group of disgruntled students, threatened by a boy who a few years later would end up in Long Bay for murder – so I was excited to be at school like Waverley. A fellow teacher however took me aside and warned me how difficult the students could be; well it only took one lesson for me to walk into the staffroom and give him a clip behind the ear to remind him just how good he had it here.

In the space of a few days, I went from wanting to leave teaching to loving my work and looking forward to coming to work each day. What keeps someone in one place for so long? It's really simple; the Junior School is a truly special place with great people who create a family-like atmosphere. What you need to understand and keep in mind is that parents don't have to send their son to the Junior School. They make a determined decision to change schools to send him to Waverley. They want something special for their son – they want him challenged, they want him involved, they want a boy friendly structure and they want teachers who understand boys and boys' education.

Yes, it's busy and noisy but I'd like to believe we have created an environment where boys want to come to learn, to achieve their best, to learn about charity, empathy and inclusiveness. My hope has always been that every boy that comes to the Junior School strives to be the best person he can be and that the teachers inspire him as role models. I'm happy to walk away from the College at the end of the term knowing that I've had the real privilege of teaching over 4000 unique young men and I hope I've made a difference and had an impact in their lives."



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NEWS

LEADERSHIP IN ACTION

Waverley College would like to congratulate our newly appointed 2018/19 Captains and Prefects:

Captain Vice Captains Harry Whitaker

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Prefects

Josh Gleeson, Thomas Jaeger,
Carter Killigrew and Oliver Ruse
Matthew Gallagher, Connor Phibbs,
Gabriel Cuenca, Dion Hatziandreou,
Tommy Tyson, Will Davison, Darcy Mullins,
Alex Kapos, Lachlan Manastirovski,
Ryan Smith, Max Johnson, Hugh Marshall,
Rocco Evans, Remi Defina-Sperando,
Luke Marshall, Alex Bayas, Thomas Carey,
Billy De Luca, Stephen Morrissey,
Nikhil Dulat, Luke Harris, Will Durkin,
Noah Glasel, Nickita Hatjinikitas,

Dion Sinodinos, Henry Standfield, Gian Bonanni, Tim Waring, Brad Marzol, Angus McPherson, Ethan Vella and

Oliver Tamsett



In his fine opening address, College Captain Harry Whitaker spoke about the importance of resilience and being there for others. He encouraged students to showcase their talents across the creative arts, technology and other unique interests, saying "we want to instil a supportive community where all boys can help one another across year levels at times of stress or hardship and uphold the core values and beliefs of this great College. Waverley offers so many unique opportunities that can be relished through an open mindset. However, it is up to each individual to take advantage of them. I challenge each of you to get involved in as much as possible in your remaining school years and never miss a chance to meet new people,

develop new skills and forge new friendships."

There are many opportunities across a myriad of activities for boys at the College to demonstrate, experience and develop their leadership capabilities. We also acknowledge another group of leaders that have significant influence on others in our community and beyond – our Captains of co-curricular.

Each Captain receives a letter from the Head of College encouraging them to exercise leadership through their example and encouragement of others in their respective co-curricular pursuit.

Leadership can also be demonstrated throughout our core business of learning at the College. Students need to see others excel so that they can lift their own expectations and challenge themselves to be better. Students can also see how others study, learn and develop their skills, and embed some of those skills and attributes in their own practice.

PHILOSOPHY APPLIED LEADERSHIP

Since 2008, Waverley College has played host to a series of speakers in Term 3 each year, who are considered visionary leaders in their respective fields. These speakers are invited to work with our Philosophy students to broaden and deepen the boys' understanding of what leadership means and how it is demonstrated in their field of work.

Over the last year, Waverley has been honoured to host:

- The Hon Dr Annabelle Bennett AO SC, President, Anti Discrimination Board of NSW.
- Mr Howard Collins OBE, Chief Executive Officer, Sydney Trains.
- The Hon Ms Tanya Plibersek MP, Deputy Federal Opposition Leader, Australian Labor Party.

Each Speaker spoke about the value of relationships with colleagues as part of a journey for leadership, remembering their past as part of the journey and valuing the people with whom they share leadership.

Dr Bennett spoke of the need to accept any and every opportunity that came your way and that by saying no, you possibly blocked yourself from opportunities that might not otherwise present themselves.

Mr Collins spoke about the importance of getting to know his Sydney Trains colleagues, including cleaners and other staff members he wouldn't normally engage with on a daily basis.

Ms Plibersek spoke about the quiet pride from achieving simple things in leadership. Specifically, building houses for the less fortunate and being able to meet families whose lives have been changed by having a roof over their heads.

All three speakers presented very informative visions of leadership for our Philosophy boys.





FUTURE OF TRANSPORT CHALLENGE



Congratulations to Waverley College students **Will Gibson, Finn Anderson, Luke McLellan, Edward Sullivan** and **Patrick Hoggett** in
Year 9 who worked collaboratively to submit a pitch for the NRMA Future of Transport Challenge.

These young entrepreneurs had a vision for the future to 'get more cars off the road in Sydney'. They believe that 'cars have a major impact on many issues relating to the environment including increased air pollution and greenhouse gases, as well as being the cause of major tragedies on our roads. This congestion can also cause stress, longer travel time and increased vehicular queueing'.

Their submission was 'a car share app that aims to reduce the amount of cars on the road in Sydney. This solution allows multiple people to travel to the same location together. This could be useful for adults going to work or students going to school'. Their proposed app 'Carlaborate' is designed to unite people.

Waverley College was announced as one of the top four finalists in this competition for the second year in a row, and invited to the Youth Eco Summit to present their pitch.



JOHN FLANAGAN VISIT

It was an enormous thrill for Old Boy and author, **John Flanagan** (Class of 1960) – regularly on the New York Times bestseller list – to visit his old stomping ground at Waverley College. John not only reflected on his career but encouraged the many budding writers in the room to never give up on their dreams.



WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE

In 2018, Waverley College once again supported the Leukaemia Foundation's World's Greatest Shave which helps find a cure for brain cancer. An outstanding proportion of students donated and many heads were shaved in support of the cause, raising just over \$14,000.

MARS ROVER CHALLENGE

Our STEM students attended the University of Newcastle for the Mars Rover challenge, testing their computer coding skills by navigating a miniature rover across an imaginary Martian terrain.



Waverley Focus

NEWS CONTINUED

MOTHERS' CLUB EVENING

On 30 August, 2018, the College, together with the Waverley College Parents Association, hosted a special reunion evening for mothers who were involved in the Mothers' Club prior to 2017, when the Waverley College Mothers' Club merged with the Parents and Friends Association to form the new *Waverley College Parents Association*.

To mark the end of an era for Waverley College mums, the outgoing Committee of the Mothers' Club gifted a stunning new artwork to the school which is now on display in Reception at Waverley College.











HUGO'S ROBOT 'CHRISTOPHER' ON THE TODAY SHOW

On 30 October, 2018, the Today Show presented an inspiring story on how Hugo Kulcsar is staying connected with his friends and class with an 'educational robot' while he continues his treatment for Leukaemia. When Hugo was first diagnosed in June this year, his Oncology Nurse, Donna Drew (a former Waverley parent), organised a robot for Hugo through a not-for-profit organisation 'Missing School.' The story focused on how Hugo uses his laptop from home, when he is not well enough to attend school, to connect to his robot, named 'Christopher', in the classroom. Hugo demonstrated how easy it was to move the robot around the classroom using specific keys on his laptop. It was wonderful to see Hugo's friends engaged in conversation with him and enjoy his company. The robot has enabled Hugo to continue his learning from home and participate in the daily lessons with his classmates.

Hugo's robot – 'Christopher' is named after the son of one of Missing School's founders. The real life Christopher is a two time Leukaemia survivor who is now is now 18 years old. In February, 2012, three Canberra mothers met to celebrate their children's recovery from long illnesses. They all expressed their concerns about the impact of those illnesses on their children's



friendships and schooling. From that meeting, Missing School was born and their goal was to explore ways of supporting children, families and teachers through very difficult times.

Hugo's Mum, Denai, expressed her gratitude by acknowledging how blessed she feels that Hugo has the robot as this opportunity is not given to every sick child. She can see how the robot has given Hugo wonderful support, encouragement and a positive state of mind during this very challenging time of his life.

Waverley Sport 2018 HIGHLIGHTS



RUGBY

The 2018 season went down as another very pleasing year for the Blue and Gold jersey of Waverley College Rugby. It was a season which held a trial period where we met some old rivals in St Augustine's and Scots, we went into camp at Narrabeen, we enjoyed the charm of our visitors from Wales and felt the heartbreak of coming so close to CAS glory against Barker. It was also a year where we showed how, as a school, we continue to play a great style of rugby with 10 CAS Premiership titles.

The season highlight was without a doubt watching the Waverley Rugby Community stand behind Hugo Kulscar as he led the 1st XV side out in the final game of the season. This gave Hugo, who has been facing some tough health battles, a moment he will never forget. A reminder of what makes rugby such a special game and what makes our Waverley Community such a pleasure to be involved in

Waverley College fielded 23 sides in the 2018 rugby season. From the 81 CAS rugby matches Waverley College were involved with, we won 67 games. A winning percentage of 83% – an outstanding result and an improvement on the 2017 season. Congratulations to all players and coaching staff on this tremendous result.



LUCA MORETTI CLASS OF 2018 Congratulations to Luca Moretti who is only the second player ever to be selected in both the Australian Schoolboy Rugby Union and League teams in the same year.

SWIMMING WORLD YOUTH OLYMPICS STUART SWINBURN

Stuart Swinburn was one of 15 boys and 15 girls who qualified to represent Australia at the Junior Pan Pacs Championships in Suva Fiji in August, 2018. The Pan Pacs Championships are held every two years, being a premier international swimming competition for both junior and open swimmers. The countries that compete at Pan Pacs are all countries associated with the Pacific Ocean including the strong swimming nations of the USA, Canada, Japan and Australia.





Waverlev swimmers at the NSWCIS Swimming Championships.

YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES BUFNOS AIRFS ARGENTINA

Stuart Swinburn was also selected in a small team of eight swimmers (four boys and four girls) to compete for Australia at Youth Olympics in Buenos Aires, 6-18 October, 2018.

The Youth Olympics are based on the same program as the Olympics, with 28 sports held in the summer games. Stuart was part of a larger Australian team who enjoyed the experience of living in a games village, mixing with athletes from different sports and different countries.

Stuart came 17th in the 100m backstroke and 11th in the 200m backstroke.

AUSTRALIAN AGE SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Five Waverley College swimmers competed at the National Age Championships in Sydney in 2018, a significant achievement to qualify, these were:

Robbie Beal, Year 11 Peter Cassimatis Year 10 Liam Davis, Year 8 Erwan Le Pechoux, Year 12 Stuart Swinburn, Year 11

Waverley Sport

2018 HIGHLIGHTS CONTINUED



WAVERLEY BOYS CAPTAIN THE AUSTRALIAN CRICKET TEAM

Mac Jenkins, pictured left, captained the U16 Australian Team against Pakistan in the 2018 summer holidays. After six games, the series ended in a tie.

Also in 2018, Old Boy Jason Sanga (Class of 2017) captained the Australian U17 and U19 teams. This is a great achievement for both boys, their coaches and the College, to have two national captains within a year from the one school is a great achievement.



CAS DEBATINGSEASON FINISHES STRONG

2018 has been an excellent year for debating. Particular mention to the Year 8 team who reached the semi-finals of the CSDA competition. Congratulations to the Year 12 team who participated in their final debate of their high school careers. Specifically, the College is proud to announce that Anthony Roydhouse in Year 12 has been selected to compete in the CAS representative debating.

All students are encouraged to consider debating for the 2019 winter season. Debating has huge benefits both in students' academic success as well as confidence in public speaking and knowledge of topical issues.



WORLD YOUTH OLYMPIC IN SAILING WILL COOLEY

Will Cooley has made great progress with his crew, Bec Hancock over the Christmas period, competing in four Regattas.

- Nacra 15 Australian Championships 2018
- Nacra 15 Youth Championships 2018
- Sail Sydney 2018
- Sail Melbourne 2018

Will and Bec took out 1st Place in all four Regattas. The Regattas were incredibly dynamic, challenging and entertaining, with spectators on the edge of their seats as placements shifted between 1st, 2nd and 3rd on a daily basis.

Having won 1st place in both the Nacra 15 Australian Championships for 2018 and Nacra 15 Youth Championships 2018, Will and Bec have successfully been selected to represent Australia in the Youth World Championships in Gdynia, Poland in 2019.

Well done Will and Bec, on behalf of everyone at Waverley College.



2018 BLUE & GOLD BALL

On Saturday, 4 August, 700 parents and friends gathered in the Brother JP Lacey Gymnasium to attend the 68th Waverley College Blue & Gold Ball.

The Ball – reinstated last year after a 40-year hiatus – has a long and proud history dating back to 1911, when a group of dedicated parents joined forces to raise funds to support the growth of a flourishing new school.

This year, thanks to our generous community, the Blue & Gold Ball raised over \$100,000, which all go towards building new learning and recreation spaces for our students.

We would like to thank special guests including members of the Waverley College Board, the College Executive, Brother Brian Murphy, Peter Frost as well as representatives from the Parents Association and Old Boys Union.

We also thank our fantastic sponsors:

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Special thanks also to our brilliant auctioneer, Adrian Bo from McGrath Estate Agents, and our exceptional MC, Tim Gilbert from Channel 9.



2018 **BLUE** & GOLD BALL

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Thank you to all families, Old Boys, friends and local businesses who made generous donations and contributions.

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Development Office



We would like to thank all of our parents, Old Boys and friends who generously contributed to the 2018 Annual Giving Appeal. It was very heart-warming to see our community giving back in such a valuable way.

Each year, our Annual Appeal helps to support and enhance the education we provide at Waverley College by funding improvements for a particular area or issue. This year, your support continues to play an essential role in shaping the experiences of current and future Waverlians.

Donations made this year will help to contribute to our vision of a dynamic and sustainable school that inspires generations of students to learn, create, innovate and develop their skills. Having a campus that is both beautiful and functional helps to create a welcoming environment for the entire school community. Donations received will enable us to continue greening the campus and complete works in the Centenary Quadrangle.

Donors to the Annual Appeal were also able to direct their support to The Scholarship Fund. The Waverley College scholarship program fulfils two key goals: to provide equality of access to those who otherwise would not seek enrolment, and to encourage our students to realise their potential and strive for excellence. This year donations will also help fund a new Indigenous scholarship in collaboration with the Go Foundation. The aim of the new scholarship is to provide empowering educational opportunities for young Indigenous men seeking a brighter future.

These projects remain a key priority for the school and further fundraising will be necessary over the next 12 months. If you would like to make a donation or extend your support, please contact the Development Office at advancement@waverley.nsw.edu.au

Waverley College would like to thank the following parents, Old Boys and friends:

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We thank you for your ongoing support and generosity.





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A MFSSAGF FROM THE **PRESIDENT**



Dear Old Boys,

It is with great pleasure that I am able to write to all of you via Wavelength, keeping you apprised of the OBUs' activities so far this year and to welcome our newest members the graduating Class of 2018.

Our core objectives are to foster a bond of fellowship between Old Boys; to maintain contact between Old Boys; to continue the College's sense of community; to promote and foster the welfare of the College and its' students; and to raise funds to meet the objectives of the OBU and for the benefits of the College and its' students.

Following on from the report I presented at our AGM I'm pleased to confirm:

- We have continued in our presence building exercise, this being the second of a three year exercise in conjunction with meeting our core objectives.
- Our notable presence at Queens Park home games continue at our Marquee.
- The Annual Muster at the Harold Park Hotel was success again this year.
- Onation of four additional BBQs for use by the College at Our Lady's Mount and Waterford campuses.
- Our Strategic Planning is making significant progress working with Michael Elphick & Associates.
- We have our archiving project underway which has been very fruitful, we've found some lost treasures.
- The College has generously provided us with new larger office where we have been able to resurrect and put Br Farrell's antique ornate roll top desk to use and where we have some historical items visible to current students.

For the graduating Class of 2018 we wish all the best and welcome you to the next chapter of Waverley College.

If members would like to share constructive feedback, please contact us via the **OBU** Secretary.

Thanks and regards Salvatore Riolo WCOBU President



OBU NEWS

OLD BOYS ARCHIVES PROJECT

Recently, we started the large task of moving the archives from Waterford back to Our Lady's Mount Campus. The project included transporting many photos from large and disintegrating photo albums, labelling the photos and placing them in respective identifiable large envelopes.

Volunteers were called for from the OBU Council, who were only too happy to assist with the project.

Of course time availability limited a number of members. However Dick Jackson (Class of 1948) and Warren Boyd (Class of 1961) answered the call and have become the mainstay of the operation, with real progress being made.

This will continue for some time and should any other Old Boys be happy to help out, please contact the OBU Secretary Chris O'Sullivan on email chriswave66@outlook.com



OLD BOYS OF 1969

You are invited to celebrate with us the 50th Anniversary of your Graduation at

ON THURSDAY 7 NOVEMBER 2019
Includes Mass, Morning Tea,
Assembly and Luncheon

BACK TO WAVERLEY DAY 2019

SAVE THE DATE

2018 ANNUAL OLD BOY MUSTER

The Annual Old Boys' Muster was held for the fourth year at the Harold Park Hotel.

A big thank you to Will Ryan, Class of 1979, for hosting once again this year, with a marvellous venue and an abundance of food.

The experiences, camaraderie and anecdotes shared about Waverley never cease to amaze, even if some might be tall tales.

You know it's a great night when there is no photographic evidence! With a core group of around 60 Old Boys being present for the evening. This group comprised of Old Boys from the last 45 years with representatives from each decade from the 1970s to 2015.

We all look forward to meeting again at the Muster next year!

For any future functions, and if you require a venue for a class reunion, please contact Will and the team at the Harold Park Hotel who will be more than happy to help!

Salvatore Riolo, WCOBU President



Class of 1979, a great vintage.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

HELPING ROHINGYA REFUGEES IN BANGLADESH

PAUL DE LAUNAY OAM CLASS OF 1965

It is now 12 months since the start of the large Rohingya refugee influx into Bangladesh from neighbouring Myanmar. We have approximately 1.2 million Rohingya refugees living in Bangladesh in the largest refugee camp in the world. These people are being cared for by the Government of Bangladesh, assisted by United Nations and Non Government Organisations.

As UNHCR's Shelter focal point for the Camps at Nayapara, Chakmakul and Chaukali, I travel almost daily to the camps to continue the work of providing safe and dignified refugee housing. The 136.6 million USD budget for the shelter sector is currently 25% funded (IOM figures).

My team of national and international staff comprises engineers with expertise in camp planning, structural engineering, shelter design, geotechnical engineering, drone photography, GIS, mapping and AutoCAD. We locate and map camp sites, develop shelter and infrastructure layouts and design the buildings, roads and associated infrastructure. The follow up, of course is the implementation, monitoring, evaluation and reporting.

The seasonal weather cycle in this part of Bangladesh is monsoonal rain followed by cyclones. We are just at the end of the monsoon season and the cyclone season is approaching.

The monsoon season brings with it the risks of landslide and flooding. There are three camps south of Cox's Bazar and these are generally located on hilly land composed of sandy silt which can become unstable due to saturation during rain periods. We feared spontaneous landslides, which would cause heavy casualties, and worked tirelessly through the wet season, in ankle deep mud, moving 40,852 people from high risk areas. We have been successful so far.

The overcrowded conditions also contribute to health risks which are



Paul de Launay and colleague Zahid.

exacerbated by the monsoon. Flooded of pit latrines contaminate water sources causing diseases such as Cholera.

We are in the process of planning a new camp, Chaukali, to relocate vulnerable families from nearby Chakmakul. Access to Chaukali is over a river which only has a rough timber foot bridge. A new 50 metre steel bridge is currently being fabricated in Italy and is due to be installed in about 10 weeks.

The work continues as we move toward implementing improvements to make the camps safer as the future of these refugees remains uncertain. Paul de Launay, OAM, Shelter Officer UNHCR Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh, August 2018



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WHERE ARE THEY NOW CONTINUED

SURF LIFESAVING AUSTRALIA HALL OF FAME ANDREW BOWDEN, BRONTE SLSC, NSW

ANDREW BOWDEN CLASS OF 2011



Andrew is a highly decorated surf lifesaver with a remarkable record as an elite athlete. A member of Bronte SLSC, Andrew has won 15 Individual Open Australian titles as a rescue swimmer. His distinguished representative career includes winning five gold medals at the World Titles with the Australian Lifesaving Team between 2008 – 2014. Andrew was the Australian Lifesaving Team Captain in 2003 that won the Be Ne (Orange) and German Cups, for the first time.

Andrew was the Head Coach and Team

Member of the SLSNSW Team in 2014, 2015 and 2016, and a mentor for young athletes in the Australian Youth Lifesaving Team. He retired from National and International competition in 2016.

Andrew's contribution to bring the SLSA and RLSSA International Team into one consolidated Australian Life Saving Team is of major significance, including his individual efforts through holding joint membership with Bronte SLSC and the Hills District RLSS Club.

Andrew has also been a key player in the merging of the two National Pool Championships from 2018, which will have long term advantages for SLS membership. His patrol achievements include the Surf Lifesaving Meritorious Award with Bronze Insert in 2005 for a rescue at Bronte Beach in treacherous conditions.

EDUCATING THE FUTURE 2015 ALUMNI CONTINUE TO DO GOOD THROUGH THEIR CHARITY

ALESSANDRO PIOVANO & ADAM HEGEDUS

CLASS OF 2015



Waverley College has had some illustrious alumni in the past and the story of these 2015 Waverley College graduates is in that category. Adam Hegedus and Alessandro Piovano Class of 2015 (Dux and 3rd Dux of that year respectively) set off to walk the whole of 758 kms to their schoolies in Byron Bay

with the intention of raising funds to build a school in Timor Leste. That initiative was called 'Schoolies for Schooling' and they managed to raise over \$19,000. They brought out the empathy of other teenagers and raised awareness of the plight of education for those less fortunate. They were also nominated for 2017 Young Australians of the Year.

Alessandro and Adam carried that pledge to build a school further and went on to create a charity called Educating The Future (ETF) whose sole aim is to improve access to education for children, focusing on our close neighbours - Timor Leste. Through consultation with local Timorese groups and government aides, the district of Ermera was picked as the most in need of a preschool and the village of Motahare as the best place to build it inas it is a hub for five surrounding villages, with a total of 95 children in the vicinity. The preschool will cater to 65 children on a rotational basis

Using a combination of locally sourced expertise, construction methods and labour, the team of two builders and a rotating group of five volunteers erected the structure in less than five months. The project furthered its impact through the use of locally sourced materials in Ermera and the nation's capital, Dili.

After a two year process of community involvement and collaboration, Educating The Future achieved its founding goal in 2017 and the preschool was finished. The official handover ceremony to the community was attended by both Adam and Alessandro, village elders and government officials. The Timorese Ministry of Education, also committed to providing an experienced teacher for the school, teaching the Timorese curriculum.

Alessandro Piovano and Adam Hegedus continue to work as Chairmen for the charity even though they both have busy university schedules. They have also stirred up other students with the same guest of doing good and giving back, and now have a team of over 20 students working together towards their next goal, building further preschools in Timor, through the collaboration of the Timorese people and government.

The drive for all this started with the Waverley College Immersion programme to Timor Leste that these Waverley alumni attended in 2014. It brought to light the hardships that others face in order to gain an education that here in Australia we take for granted. Alessandro Piovano and Adam Hegedus are proof what a good education can do – build a better and brighter future, not just for themselves but also for a country not that far away from our own.

1969 ALUMNI **MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN EDUCATION**

DR TONY BRACKEN CLASS OF 1969



Dr Tony Bracken is not only an Old Boy of the College, but also a past teacher. He has progressed up through the ranks of Education and was be awarded a fellowship recently at the Sydney

Tony Bracken's current role is Assistant Director School Improvement at the Catholic Schools Office Broken Bay Diocese, NSW. In 2016 he received a Leadership Award for his leadership role in Leading Learning in Broken Bay.

Prior professional experience includes a senior role at the Catholic Education Office in Parramatta and beforehand a secondary principal.

Tony has continued to maintain academic contact with the university sector, including sessional lecturing role in the Masters of Educational Leadership at Australian Catholic University and past or current advisory roles with two other universities. For two years he has contributed to the National Policy Committee of the Australian College of Educators and coordinated the national response to the Chief Scientist's national report on a science nation.



NRL TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD

BRENDAN DAVIS CLASS OF 2007

Brendan Davis, Waverley College Old Boy, recently received the NRL Teacher of the Year Award.

REUNIONS



CLASS OF 1963 55 YEAR REUNION

The 55 Year Reunion for the Class of 1963 was held on 26 October, 2018 at a luncheon at Dunbar House, Watson's Bay. 50 ex-classmates were able to attend the luncheon travelling from many parts of Australia as well as one ex-pat from the UK. There were 12 very sincere apologies.

Our special guest for the day was Dr Peter Watson, affectionately known as 'Percy' who was a well-respected and loved teacher at the College during the 1960's. Once again he regaled the attendees with many humorous anecdotes of his time teaching at the College.

The day saw the renewal of many old friendships and a great time was had reminiscing about past events and the many and varied extraordinary experiences in which these men have been involved. Greg McKeon demonstrated that he is not only an accomplished 'gymnast' he also showed his talents whipping up a War Cry frenzy! Thanks also to Phil Christensen for some great photo memories of the day.

We were saddened to learn of the passing of a few more of our classmates since our 50th Reunion and a special tribute was paid to Brother Frank 'Barney' Garvan who died in 2016. Looking ahead to the Diamond!

The Committee would like to thank Col Blake, Chris O'Sullivan, Peter Foley, OBU, Emma Laurence and Agi Lebek, for their assistance in making this a great occasion.

The Committee Stephen Ryan, Phillip Ryan, Michael Dickson

Group image, back row: D Kenny, BManning, L Witt, V Hrouda, G Lenthen, S Lackey, R Locke, K Hayes, P Shepherd, P Glynn, M O'Connell, M Tierney, P Mitchell, A Tuohy, P Frost, M Fitzgerald, M Coady, P Keane, R Malone, G Baker, P Caleo, D Morgan.

Front row: L Pilotto, F Hume, P Mattock, P Millist, P Paris, A Byrne, M Slattery, K Slattery, G McKeon, M Maron, C Summerhayes, P Clift, M Dickson, P Tanner, S Weller, M Smith, C Letters, S Ryan, P Ryan.

Absent from Group photo: Dr Peter Watson, P Reilly, P Christensen, C Hollingsworth, D Rowed, P Dellit





REUNIONS CONTINUED

CLASS OF 1973 45 YEAR REUNION

Dominic Maunsell hosted a wonderful evening at his gallery, Maunsell Wickes Gallery in Paddington where sixty Old Boys enjoyed a special night with old friends, fine food, wine and many laughs.











CLASS OF 1978 40 YEAR REUNION

Our Class of 1978 school reunion was held on Saturday, 4 August, 2018. We all met at Queens Park at 3.00pm to watch the Waverley 1st XV versus Barker game. It was an extremely tough match with Waverley losing in the final minutes. Probably one of the best school rugby matches we have seen in a long time.

After the game we all walked up to the Charing Cross Hotel for a few beers and then onto the Harold Park hotel owned by former Waverlian Will Ryan (Class of 1979).

Will did a wonderful job that night giving us all more than enough food and drinks. The money kindly donated by the Old Boys' Union was put across the bar and enjoyed by all who attended. In total we had 60 attend with a further 22 who could not make the night.

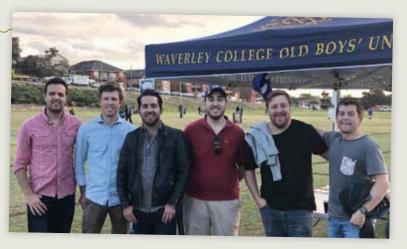
Dear Class of '78

Have been a bit snowed under since the re-union but today I finally got around to donating the \$140 to the buy a bale of hay fund for the farmers. You see, the Old boys Union kindly gave me \$400 to put across the bar for the night or do whatever I thought fit with this in the interest of the reunion. I gave Harold Park Hotel the \$400 when I walked in to cover any excess drinks spent over the \$50 per head that everyone paid. At the end of the night when the bar closed Will Ryan the publican gave me the \$140 not spent. In other words, you guys did not drink enough...I thought what better way to do with the money than give it to our struggling farmers so today I honoured the \$140 given to me and purchased seven bales of hay. Cheers, Philip McGowen, Class of 1978

CLASS OF 2003 15 YEAR REUNION

Saturday 11 August, 2018 marked 15 years in the making for the Centenary Class of 2003. We started our reunion down at Queens Park watching the First Rugby beat Trinity, from there we progressed to the Charing Cross Hotel. Over the course of the event we had 30 Old Boys attend, some still in the local area and others travelling from interstate to attend. A good time was had by all in attendance and the OBU contribution went a long way. When the Charing Cross closed we moved on to the Robin Hood, where the stories new and old continued to be told.

Salvatore Riolo, Class of 2003





At the 2018 Back to Waverley Day, the College welcomed the Class of 1968. Special guest speaker, Brett Courtenay was a prefect in his final year, and made the most of his time at Waverley College. Brett is an Orthopaedic Surgeon whose practice is on St Vincent's Campus. He has been a VMO at St Vincent's since 1984. After leaving the Clinical staff at the Public hospital at the end of 2016, he is a HMO and now the Chair of the Medical and Dental Advisory Committee.















MILESTONES

56TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Kevan Del Grande and Anita Del Grande just celebrated their anniversary of 56 wonderful years on 28 July, 2018.

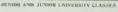
42ND WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Brian Munce and his wife celebrated their 42nd wedding anniversary was on 7 August, 2018. Brian left Waverley in 1964 and started in the Commonwealth Bank, where he worked for approximately 25 years. He has had various jobs leading up to his present part time job at TAFE NSW, Nirimba College and Quakers Hill. Brian's intention is to retire next year.

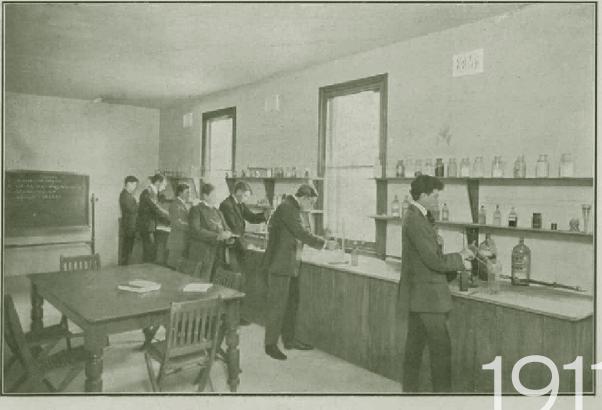
JOHN BRENNAN WEDDING

John Brennan reports that almost 10 years after the passing of Helen his wife of 47 years, he married Sydney solicitor Anne Connor in a small private ceremony at home in Milsons Point on . 7 July, 2018.









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OBITUARIES

BRIAN FRANCIS KENNY CLASS OF 1955



On Friday 27 July, 2018, the sudden death of Mr Brian Kenny brought shock and great sadness to his family, friends and the community of Nowra; the ripple effects of his passing causing as much sadness in the community of Waverley and beyond.

The Kenny name is a famous one with a long connection to Waverley College. The connection going right back to the early days of the college where some of the property owned by the Kenny family became part of the fabric of the college itself.

Brian Kenny was the son of Mr Edward 'Ted' Kenny. Ted had been a successful student at the College and a competent man on the land. The family was based in Griffith and had success in property management and also conducted a stock agency. Ted was the younger brother of Thomas James Bede Kenny VC. Bede had been awarded the Victoria Cross for an act of exceeding valour in single-handedly capturing a German machine gun post which had already been responsible for killing and wounding of a large number of Australian soldiers and had endangered a great many more. Bede's actions were selfless and brave in the extreme.

Both men had a great love and respect for their Alma Mater and its Patroness. This saw them both show their devotion each year at the May Procession in Honour of Our Lady; Bede assisting in carrying the statue of Our Lady and Ted leading the ceremonies carrying the Processional Cross, until their participation ended, only by their deaths. Their combined efforts amounting to over 70 years of active participation.

The Legacy of both men became embodied in Ted's son, Brian Kenny. Like his father and uncle, Brian had a successful and enjoyable time as a student at Waverley. He supported its many causes and was involved in as many of its activities as possible. Upon leaving the college, Brian had returned to Griffith to work in the family business. He also spent a period of time working for The NSW Lands Department. He was a traveller and a land valuer. He served as a stock agent and became a well respected member of the Nowra community when he moved there with his wife, Mary, and the family. His own sons, Paul (Class of 1971) and Mark (Class of 1979) also attended the College. His great nephew Bede Burke attended the College, leaving in the Class of 2013.

Brian loved his school and always made the effort to attend the events that attracted the most Old Boys: The May Procession and the 'Back to Waverley' days. Brian has been described as a larger than life character with time for everyone he ever met. If he didn't have time, he made time. He devoted many hours to community groups, including St Vincent De Paul and Rotary. His sense of humour and love of dessert was legendary as was his interest in everything historical. It was his love of history that saw him embark on a pilgrimage to Europe taking a tour of the Western Front Battlefields of The First World War. It was his goal to visit the village of Hermies in France, where his 'Uncle Bede' had fought the action that resulted in the awarding of the VC. Brian and his party arrived at the spot on 9 April, 2017, the 100th Anniversary of the event. After Brian had returned from the trip, he spoke about his experience. "The farmer who owned the property happened to be nearby and seeing our small group approached us to see what we were doing. When he found out that a Victoria Cross had been received on his land, he was so proud! Even more so that it was an Australian!" he said.

Brian was farewelled with a traditional Roman Catholic Requiem Mass on Friday, 3 August, concelebrated by four priests in his parish church of St Michael's, Nowra. The funeral was planned meticulously by Brian himself 'just in case'. The church was filled and overflowing with many people that he had affected by his life. His family and friends were moved by the words spoken by his sons and his colleagues in the eulogies. His old school paid its own tribute with the presence of a Guard of Honour supplied by the Waverley College Cadet Unit. Brian's life was summed up with the inclusion of the Old Testament reading from the Book of Mica; 6:8.

'He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

WAVERLEY COLLEGE CADET CATAFALQUE PARTY

In a moving and generous gesture, Waverley College provided a Cadet Catafalque Party for Brian's funeral procession from the church. It was appreciated by everyone, but Brian would have been appreciated this the most. He was very proud of his Waverlian roots, especially his service in the cadet unit. The cadets did an excellent job. Regards,

Peter Lynch, Class of 1962

AND THE HISTORIC FAMILY CONNECTION... THOMAS JAMES BEDE KENNY VC



Thomas James Bede Kenny (always known as 'Bede') was the son of a nursing sister. Registering his occupation as a chemist when he enlisted aged 19, Bede was assigned to 13th Reinforcements 2nd Battalion, which left Australia on 20 December, 1915. Arriving in Egypt in February, he finally reached France in August 1916 where he served with 1st Division on the Somme for the remainder of the year.

In April 1917, he took part in one of the battles of the 'outlying villages', following the German

withdrawal to the Hindenburg Line in the early spring of 1917. Bede's action took place near the village of Hermies. Bede was awarded the Victoria Cross for 'conspicuous gallantry' and bravery and returned home to Australia in October 1918 to a hero's welcome.



Above, Senior Campus (7-12) - Kenny Building The Kenny Building, first opened in 1970, has seen some recent changes as part of the \$23m Capital Works Program. It is home to a number of our classrooms, Science labs, the Senior Canteen as well as the new Social Justice Room.

OBITUARIES CONTINUED

ANTHONY JOHN SMITH CLASS OF 1945

AN EXCERPT FROM ROBERT SMITH'S EULOGY

"There is a study from the US that may not be applicable here in Australia, but as far as they can tell from previous records, in the end, 100% of people die of something. These statistics caught up with Dad.

Dad was born in 1928 in Bondi. Different times. Just ahead of the great depression and WW2. Pre smartphone, pre PC, pre TV and in a world of radios with valves.

The Harbour Bridge was only half finished.

The first talkie 'Jazz singer' (Black and white of course) came out late 1928. Dad was taught Latin in school and went to Latin Mass. It was a different Bondi. Trams. No free-trade smashed avocado on gluten free sourdough toast. Meat pie or sausage roll, bread and dripping (extra virgin lard). Beer can in two types – new or old. The height of sophistication was Dad's tipple, crown lager.

Yet early on and throughout his life, there were common threads - sport, sea, church, family. Some of these reflected in the objects on the coffin, his slide rule, a rugby jersey, his swimming goggles, a crossword, and the photo of the family as young children at Clovelly beach.

His early life at Bondi was as one of the six children to Carl Smith and Rose Mackin (who's apple dumplings he's always pined for).

There was also his cousin, Tom Lonergan, larger than life and rarest of things, a lovable lawyer. His wife Jo and family are here today, as well as Len, Molly and their kids, Denise and Michael.

School was at St Anne's and St Charles, then Waverley College where his dad went before him, along with his brothers, and brothers in-law Jim, and Jack, who went on to become a Christan brother. Us four boys went, and he got to see his two grandsons go as well. The May Procession, school sports, rugby, and eventually football (soccer) and cricket, were all the fabric of his life. He did Engineering at Sydney Uni (where he met lifelong pals including Max Weston of Smith and Weston' fame.)

As kids, he would go off to work at STC and Phillips and we did not know what he did, only that it was something to do with phones.

That all changed when he went to AGL, a job he got with the help of our acolyte Garry O'Mealy. There, we still did not know what he did but it was something to do with gas.

Work and engineering was an important part of his life. He still remembered the day as a student when Bell laboratories announced the first transistor in the late, 1940s, and he was one of the few people in Australia who realised how earth changing it was. Even after he retired he loved a gadget, loved to tinker and was amongst his happiest when he had a project to work on. As he got older, (from our point of view) the longer, the slower and the less complex the project, the better.

And here we pause, after speaking of his early life at 76 Warners Avenue, because Dad's life had three clear phases.

Before Mary. With Mary. After Mary.

There was no doubt which part he valued most. Mary, mum, was the love of his life. He thought about her and missed her every day of the 31 years they were apart. So today is another goodbye – to Dad but also to Mum again and the memory of what they shared together.

Dad was a good man - he had a good life.

You are here today testament to that.

We got to see his life

We get to share his life

And today, for that, we say thank you and goodbye."

Robert Smith, son

EDMUND CAMPION 'TED' PEARCE CLASS OF 1956

Ted completed the Leaving Certificate in 1956 and had been a drummer in the Cadet Unit band. Always interested in electronics, he became engaged in the then newly emerging realm of television, and subsequently operated a mobile repair van advertised as 'Ted's Radio and TV Service'. Receiving a late vocation to the religious life, he entered the Christian Brothers' juniorate in 1963. He taught at St Gabriel's for the Deaf at Castle Hill, where he learnt sign language. He was in charge of Form 1 at Waverley in 1968, then Manly, and finally St Edmund's College in Canberra, teaching maths and science. His technical expertise included installation of an acoustic system for the sports oval. In 1983, he sought leave from the Brothers and thereafter taught as a lay person. Later voted the school's most popular teacher and receiving a standing ovation on his last day. He remained in Canberra until his death on 21 July, 2010.

John Murray, Class of 1956

KEVIN JOSEPH KEARNEY CLASS OF 1954

Kevin Kearney's family resided in Bondi for over 40 years, as did Kevin throughout his youth. Kevin attended Waverley College, Our Lady of the Mount, from 1942 until 1954 which accounted for his entire primary and high school career. During this time, he and his tennis partner, John Brennan, managed to win quite a few doubles tournaments together. John remembers Kevin as "a gentle giant, always a sportsman and he so often carried the day with his big serve and court skills." Like John, Kevin was a member of the Old Boys Class of 1954, attending as many reunions over the years as he could given his work commitments, yet he and John continued their schoolboy friendship until Kevin's death – a friendship of over 65 years.

On leaving school he travelled throughout Australia until he finally decided to return to Sydney and in 1961 – five years after the beginning of television in Australia – he joined the Australian Broadcasting Commission (ABC-TV), Gore Hill.

Kevin has over 100 Sound Department credits for feature films, telemovies, television series, documentaries, music clips and short films (listed on IMDb), plus six CDs and one radio play.

In his 35-year career in the media industries, Kevin worked on over 3,000 commercials, produced two feature films, three short films (Jeremy and Teapot awarded Best Film at the Tucson Film & Video Festival, USA. and AND / OR = ONE nominated for Best Film at the same Festival), edited two productions and completed 56 digital archival DVDs from 1996 to 2014. He was also the producer / director of Sights & Sounds Of '69 featuring Tully & John Sangster – the first modern music and light show to be held at the Sydney Town Hall, Australia.

Kevin loved and enjoyed a long and exciting professional career in media from 1961 until he retired in 1996 following his production of the feature film – Jindalee Lady. Nominated for Best Film – East West Award at the Hawaii International Film Festival, it is the first feature film to be directed by a First Nations director, Brian Syron, and the first feature film to have the music composed and directed by a First Nation musician, Bart Willoughby.

Kevin's death was extremely fast five days in all, as the cancer had taken over his windpipe and there was no knowledge by anyone that this had happened until the final scan. Kevin chose to donate his body to the University of Queensland – UQ Body Donor Program where his body will contribute to the advancement of teaching, training, scientific studies and research

A final book, dedicated to Kevin's only son Andrew Taylor ACS, is a selection of Kevin's writing – Spinning Gently Out of Time or Life To The Endgame. It has been published as a tribute to his contribution to the Australian film and television industry, where he spent his working life, and contains letters and photographs from his workmates and friends along with his final thoughts from Brisbane Palliative Care three days before he left us.

JUSTIN 'WAL' CRANNEY ADMIRED TEACHER, RUGBY AND ATHLETICS **COACH AT WAVERLEY COLLEGE 1966-2006**



Justin Cranney, Wal as we knew him, was a notable Biology Teacher, Rugby and Athletics Coach for so many years at Our Lady's Mount Waverley. As an Old Waverlian myself, I remember Wal well, as a fellow member of staff and coach. There were significantly memorable occasions associated with Wal's successful coaching career, such as Paul Rynehart's spectacular winning of the Cardinal's Cup at the St Pat's Day Sports, in the time of Cardinal Gilroy when I was MIC of Athletics. As a contemporary fellow Resident Master living in The

Grange, I knew Wal personally very well and can attest to his cheerful manner together with his intense, conscientious, consistent, successful coaching and teaching. As a former well regarded Marist we say ... Farewell Wal, our prayers go with you and Requiescat in Pace – Your race is run so verv well.

Terry Fitzgerald Class of 1958

AN EXCERPT FROM JUSTIN CRANNEY'S EULOGY WRITTEN **BY HIS NEPHEW**

When it came time to write this eulogy, I was in two minds. The first was that Uncle Justin or Wal to some of you, wouldn't want the fuss. The second was that he touched all of our lives over the last 87 years and we needed to acknowledge this very humble, private and independent man.

He attended St Patricks Primary School and Marist Brother High school, both in Parramatta. He was an alter boy at St Patrick's Church and received all of his sacraments there. He still had all of his sacramental certificates, his First Holy Communion Certificate, being 80 years old. This is testament to how important his faith has been throughout his life. At school he was a good student and gifted athlete. He was captain and five-eight of his football team. The 1947 yearbook describes him as an outstanding player. He was fast, a good handler and could side step on either foot. He scored 10 tries, kicked 42 goals and scored 114 points during the season. He proved himself an excellent captain and was the inspiration of the team. He still had the Best and Fairest Trophy that he was awarded for that season, clearly something he was very proud of. He also played cricket, swam and was part of the athletics team. His school friends have remained lifelong friends, and our family appreciates their condolences this past week.

He left Parramatta Marist at the end of 1947 to enter the Marist Brothers Novitiate at Mittagong, to begin his training as a Marist brother, and was professed Brother Walter. He continued his love of sports and played in the Marist Brothers cricket and football teams. He commenced his teaching life as a primary school teacher and then a secondary science teacher. He taught at St Anne's Bondi Beach, Mosman, Darlinghurst, Ashgrove, Innisfail and St Joseph's Hunters Hill. During this time, he set science paper for the Marist Brothers Schools and was a sports master and a discipline master. An ex-student from St Anne's told me that Uncle Justin changed his life, the inspiration and leadership allowed him to excel in Wal's classes. The impact that Uncle Justin had on him is still appreciated some 50 years later. At the end of 1965 Uncle Justin left the Brothers and commenced a position as a lay science teacher and boarding master at Waverley College.

In 1970, he purchased his unit in Bondi and became part of the Bondi community joining the many sporting clubs. He became a Rugby League referee and a Justice of the Peace. He was a regular at the Beach Road Hotel where he would have a drink and his evening meal, and look forward to a chat, as he would say "with the kids that he had taught". One day I asked him about the kids and the realisation came that perhaps they were kids no longer.

For health reasons in later life he began a daily walking routine. He was very disciplined and walked every day. He became a familiar sight to the locals, the friendly older gentleman on the walking frame. He always took the time to have a coffee at the coffee shop and say hello to those he passed, especially the children. I think he became a bit of a local identity on those walks.

During his 40 years at Waverley College, he was a senior biology teacher, a science master, a religion teacher – he always taught the leaving Year 10 Religion class, because he through he could that he could make a difference to their faith journey. He successfully coached the 2nd 15 Rugby team and was extremely successful coaching the Athletics team. The team had won the Combined Athletics Championship 12 times under his guidance. I am told that he was outstanding, developing the basics on which greater success could be built. I am also told that both in the classroom and as a coach, he was firm and always fair. His manner earned him the respect of his students. It is remembered that one of his favourite sayings was "If you want to be a clown, join the circus".

At the end of 1996 a virus rendered him partially deaf and made teaching difficulty. With the boys' best interests at heart he gave up classroom teaching. At the commencement of 1997, he took up a position on the College ancillary staff as the College archivist. He finally retired from Waverley on 5 May, 2006.

Waverley was more than a job to Uncle Justin, it was his home, and the boys during those 40 years were his family. He loved coaching the rugby, athletics and tennis teams. He said that building a relationship with the boys on the sporting field often brought out the very best of them in the classroom as young men.

In his personal papers, he had kept many thank you notes from his students received over the years... Thank you for all the extra time you spent with the opens and under 17s. All through the holidays, rain or shine you were there. Also for the little things that only a great coach like you can give. There was also a note included in an old pay slip. "The extra this week is a small bonus for your much-appreciated loyalty and magnificent work last year."

JOHN GINMAN CLASS OF 1953

My name is Nick Ginman, I left Waverley in 1964, I wanted to inform you that my oldest brother, John Ginman passed away on the 18 June, 2017. John attended Waverley between 1945 and 1953 and he was always in the top 10 of his year. In his later years, he resided in Canberra where he had worked for the Federal Government. He is survived by his two sons and three grandsons.

NOTE OF THANKS FOR THE **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FATHER TOM MURTAGH CLASS OF 1956**

Dear Editor.

I have meant to contact you for some time about an article by John Clubb in the last issue of Wavelength. He wrote a very gracious reflection about my deceased brother, (Rev) Tom Murtagh. John would be glad to know that his name is still remembered in a friendly way by Tom's siblings, and we appreciate his public acknowledgement of Tom's intellect.

I would be grateful if you would pass on this message to John and I am happy to have you give him my email address. Regards,

Vince Murtagh

OBITUARIES CONTINUED

BRIAN FRANCIS DONOHOE CLASS OF 1956

Brian Francis Donohoe passed away in Gosford Hospital on Friday, 5 October 2018 following a short illness. Brian was born on 26 April 1943 in the War Memorial Hospital, Waverley, a stones throw away from Waverley College.

Brian was the fourth child of the seven children of Hugh Donohoe, a publisher, and the former Miss Kathleen Clare Egan. Brian was their third son. Dad, Hugh, was a Waverley Old Boy (Class of 1929). Clare, as she was known, was the daughter of the local real estate agent, Edward James 'Jim' Egan and the former Miss Mary Emily Goodin. Jim and Mary Egan were prominent benefactors towards the College during its formative years. The Conlon Gates was among examples of their generosity.

Brian, a great beer lover, was a direct descendant of Australia's first beer brewer, James Squire. Brian attended the 'James Squire' Brewery with host, Senior brewer, Chuck Hahn.

Cyril Egan, Brian's uncle, was twice Captain of the College (1913–1914). Cyril was the Water Board's Supervising Engineer on the Warragamba Dam Project. Frank Egan, another uncle (Waverley Class of 1919) played first grade Rugby League for Easts, Brian's beloved team. Brian held on to life to cheer Easts to victory, only hours before his passing.

Brian commenced school at St Clare's College and moved to Waverley

in Second Class. Brian progressed to Fifth Year but left the College mid-year transferring to St Mary's Cathedral School where he sat his Leaving Certificate.

Choosing a Public Service career, Brian joined the Treasury Department. In later years, he transferred to the Builders Licensing Board where he achieved management appointments. He was awarded the Public Service Medallion at the time of his retirement after forty years of service.

In 1949, Brian was among many Waverley residents who fell ill to polio. Brian spent some six months in hospital undergoing treatment. He made an almost full recovery, going on to excel in football, swimming and cricket. After his school days, he participated in competitive basketball. He also loved bodysurfing

Brian was active in Waverley Catholic Youth Organisation. There he met his future spouse, Janice Murphy. They married in Mary Immaculate Church, Waverley, on 4 September, 1965. They were blessed with three children, Bill, Julie and Kim, and five grandchildren, Liam, Samuel and Benjamin Paynter and Anthony and James Donohoe.

Brian was very active in coaching, organising and supporting youth sports. More particularly, he was for many years Secretary of the Forestville Ferrets Juniors Rugby League as well as holding other official positions in the Club. James Hugh Donohoe BA, Dip. FHS (Brian's elder brother)

DEATH NOTICES

Condolences are extended to the families and friends of the following Waverley College Old Boys

Tony McDonald November 2017 1948 Kensington NSW
Brian J Murphy September 2017 1945 Killara, NSW
Henri PoncetMarch 20151973Tugan, QLD
Paul FlanaganAugust 20161953Roselands, NSW
Peter CastorMarch 20151950Forster, NSW
Anthony 'Tony' King February 2017 1963 Castlecrag, NSW
Dr Frank 'Len' JohnsonDecember 20171962San Diego, USA
Leon BarthelmessSeptember 20161968Picnic Point, NSW
Robert BradyJanuary 20181954Forster, NSW
Allan Colman March 2018 1956 North Rocks, NSW
Geoff White February 2018 1948 Clovelly, NSW
Andrew Holford May 2018 1998 Kingsford, NSW
Brian Kenny June 2018 1955 Nowra, NSW
John DaleysJuly 20181952Woody Point, QLD
John WoodsJuly 20181965Padstow, NSW
Richard James Halpin July 2018 1945
Dr John O'Loan May 2018 1941 Strathfield, NSW
Anthony Barraket April 2018 1960 Warrawee, NSW

Brian Livesey	August 2018	1962	Rosny Park, TAS
John Russell	October 2018	1960	Darling Point, NSW
Robert Newton		1962	Forestville, NSW
Anthony Smith	September 2018	1945	Maroubra, NSW
Paul O'Brien	February 2019	1965/66	Melbourne, VIC



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KEEP SPACE IN YOUR DIARY FOR THESE IMPORTANT EVENTS

An invitation is extended to all Waverley College Old Boys, Families and Friends to join us for the

109TH ANNUAL MAY PROCESSION

12 NOON SUNDAY 5 MAY 2019

ALL WELCOME

Followed by refreshments provided by the Parent Association

Old Boys who wish to march, please gather at the Performing Arts Centre on Birrell Street from 11:30am. Attendees may also be seated in the Centenary Quadrangle.

MAY PROCESSION OLD BOYS' UNION LIGHT LUNCH

The Waverley College Old Boys' Union invites all Old Boys to attend light lunch at the end of the Liturgy in the Br RJ Wallace Performing Arts Centre foyer.

To be followed by the

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE WAVERLEY COLLEGE OLD BOYS' UNION

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You are invited to celebrate with us the 50th Anniversary of Your Graduation at

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ON THURSDAY 7 NOVEMBER 2019

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