



# St Mark's College NEWS

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A world enriched by  
the leadership of our  
**College community**



# About St Mark's College

Founded in 1925 as the first university residential college in Adelaide, St Mark's continues to provide a supportive and stimulating living environment where university students pursue their optimum academic achievement. Whilst aiming for the pursuit of excellence in specific fields of study at university, the College also promotes amongst its members a love of learning and a critical approach to issues.

Welcoming students from diverse backgrounds and locations into a safe community environment aids in the successful and independent transition from secondary school to university and then into the workforce. The primary aims of collegiate life at St Mark's are to help engender in College members a strong sense of the responsibilities and rights of individuals living in a community with others, and to instil in them an equally strong sense of commitment to the common good of our community. The College encourages its members to participate in the cultural, spiritual, social and sporting events arranged by the student leaders and values the contributions members make to the life of the College through that participation.

Just a short walk from city university campuses, St Mark's is nestled in spacious, beautiful grounds with exceptional facilities including a fully equipped gym, secure car parking, unlimited wireless internet, and a vast resource and library collection. A broad range of scholarships and bursaries are available to students, with over 50% of students receiving financial assistance. The College offers extensive academic and pastoral support, including in-house tutors and senior mentors, enabling students to achieve pass rates well above the university average and to develop into independent and well-rounded adults.

By providing an atmosphere in which students are accepted as mature and self-responsible, St Mark's aims to make a student's stay at College an enjoyable, intellectual, and enriching experience.

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**Cover:** Collegians and friends of St Mark's enjoying "A Taste of Mark's" event.

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## From the Master

In proposing the toast to the College at the recent Old Collegians' 50 year luncheon, Dr George Gream (1961-1972) spoke of the value of a college education, in particular the impact College life has on the development of the *whole* person; an improvement in the *whole* student experience that benefits the *whole* society.

Indeed, George had a captive audience, for it was those present who had the most intimate sense of the value of a residential community and its place in the university context, even after 50 years.

From time to time, the value of a college education is challenged. And from time to time, the Dean and I may wonder if our extensive pastoral support and wellbeing program facilitates the transition to adulthood or hinders a young person's maturity? Does our tutorial program enhance academic performance; or does it risk spoon-feeding them, encouraging a reliance on tutors rather than themselves? And are the second (and sometimes third!) chances we offer students reasonable; or does our forgiving environment deprive them of required lessons?

When we see students make and learn from their mistakes, take risks, imagine, dream and flourish there is not a shadow of doubt over the value of a St Mark's education. Our high levels of student retention demonstrate that our students have a strong desire to give back to the College community in their more senior years. They value and enjoy a strong sense of belonging, readily building lifelong affinities, loyalties and friendships.

The St Mark's College education offers increased opportunities compared with other university accommodation options and our students carry the skills and virtues involved with them into employment and life more generally as reflected in our vision statement, recently endorsed by the College Council "A world enriched by the leadership of our College Community".

As the world becomes increasingly complex and competitive, we must continually evolve to ensure that we keep pace with the challenges that lie ahead and in providing that education of the *whole* person whilst retaining our core values and purpose.

And, with an increasing awareness of and focus on mental health and wellbeing, colleges are playing a larger role in the care and support of young people to enable the best possible academic achievement as well as opportunities for leadership and personal development and growth.

As the academic year draws to a close and we farewell our students and prepare for the coming year, I am reminded of the gratitude of so many of our students as one of them said "living at St Mark's provided me with opportunities to go beyond and, to borrow from the College's modern interpretation of its motto "to reach for the stars". It has been a place of learning with many hours spent in academic pursuit, but also in the development of life skills and an understanding of how people interrelate in this beautifully complex world".

St Mark's is also grateful to its supporters and donors and those who serve on the Board and Council, the Foundation and Old Collegians' Association, so many people who give voluntarily and readily so much of their time and skill to the cause. They underpin St Mark's and are the basis of its excellence.

Gabi Parker, Benjamin Massey and the Master Rose Alwyn holding the High Table Cup.



# New St Mark's Council, Board and Staff Members

## New Board and Council Member, Mr Mark Penniment

(Alumnus 1975-79)

Originally from a farm between Bordertown and Keith in the Upper South East, Mark lived at St Mark's for three years during the 1970's whilst undertaking a Bachelor of Economics majoring in Accounting at the University of Adelaide. In 1978 he joined Peat Marwick Mitchell (now KPMG) as a graduate and stayed at College a further two years completing additional subjects and qualifying as a chartered accountant.

Mark gained over 25 years professional experience with KPMG and in 2003 Mark joined the Gerard family group as the Chief Financial Officer.

From 2000-2011 Mark was appointed the Bursar of St Mark's College, overseeing the finances and accounts of the College, a role which he took up again in 2015. Over the years Mark has provided invaluable financial guidance and recommendations to the College and more recently for the new buildings in the north-west corner along Kermode Street and the East Wing development.

In 2015 Mark became a member of both the St Mark's College Board and St Mark's Council, to which he brings a wealth of experience and sound judgement.

In addition Mark is a member of the St Mark's College Foundation Board and last year joined the 1925 Bequest Society. Mark has shown a keen interest in the College over many years and we are privileged to have his dedication to the College.

## New Council Member, Dr Jo Mawby

BSc(Hons), PhD, LLB(Hons), GDLP  
(Alumnae 1985-87, 1989)

Late last year the College welcomed Dr Jo Mawby as a St Mark's College Council member. Jo was a student at St Mark's from 1985 to 1989 and holds a PhD in Geology and a Bachelor of Laws from the University of Adelaide.

Currently working for Santos as a corporate lawyer with a focus on environmental, native title and petroleum law, Jo has also been involved with various peak bodies in the legal and resources sector in South Australia.

## New Council Member, Mr James Price

BEd  
(Alumnus 1980-82)

Since his election as President of the Foundation, James has also joined the Council. As the grandson of Sir Archibald Grenfell Price, the first Master of the College, James has a very long and treasured association with the College. He graduated with a Bachelor of Economics from the University of Adelaide, during which time he lived at St Mark's.

Since graduating James has worked in the pastoral industry as a jackaroo, in the Information Technology industry in marketing and sales, in the Information Management and medical industries and is currently the Managing Director of his firm Experience Matters. James brings with him a great deal of experience and an understanding of the needs and drivers of success for a residential college.

## New staff member, Ms Sarah Hampel

(Alumnae 1990-1993)



The College extends a warm welcome to Sarah Hampel as the new Director of Development and Marketing. Sarah joins our senior leadership team and has responsibility

for development, community and alumni engagement, philanthropy, communications and marketing. Sarah's role works directly with our Foundation and Old Collegians' Association as well as current students.

Originally from the Barossa Valley, Sarah lived at St Mark's 1990-1993 whilst undertaking her Bachelor of Arts degree at Flinders University with a double major in sociology and psychology. As a Collegian, Sarah has a thorough understanding of the College culture and environment and an appreciation of the College's values and traditions.

Sarah has over 20 years' experience with international companies including Pepsi, Cadbury Schweppes, BP Australia, Kraft and Mondelez International both in Australia and in the USA. A highly skilled communicator and influencer, Sarah is an encouraging people leader who has a track record of creating and leading teams. She has a strong capacity to build and maintain relationships and develop key partnerships that produce positive outcomes.

## St Mark's Council 2016

Seated: Heidi Hutchesson, Tony Houey, Rudy Pieck, Rose Alwyn (Master), Richard Burchnall (Chairman), James Harvey (Deputy Chairman), Angela Evans, Kim Hebenstreit and Jo Mawby

Standing: Raphaela Oest (Dean), Max Cutter, Michael van Dissel, Richard Foster (President, Old Collegians' Association), James Price (President, Foundation), Mark Penniment (Bursar) and Michelle Nottage.



# What College means to me

College life is about the development of the whole individual. These students convey their appreciation for the College experience and how it has shaped their formative adult years.

## **Ben Bradnam** (Alumnus 2015-2016)

Dear Master,

I'd like to say a big thank you to you and everyone at St Marks for my year in Adelaide.

The college experience was truly the best way I could have spent my time abroad and it was a pleasure to be part of such a great community. Not only are the facilities quite frankly some of the best I have seen at any academic institution, but the nature of all the collegians and the great sports and extra curricular activities provided really do make the college experience.

As a result, my time on exchange far surpassed my expectations and I believe that I have not only furthered my studies academically but that I have also grown as a person, making some great friends in the process.

I wish you all the best for the future and I am certain that under your stewardship, college will continue to surpass the expectations of collegians and define their time at university.

All the best,

**Ben Bradnam**  
UK Study Abroad Student  
Edinburgh University

## **Andrew Kurtz** (Alumnus 2015)

Dear Master and Dean,

I would like to thank you for the incredible time I have had here at St Mark's College. As I settle back in at home, I find myself reflecting on all the experiences I have been fortunate to have. Without your guidance and leadership, many of the moments I cherish would not be the same. From O'Week, sporting events, pond parties, high table, arts evenings, and port'n'talk, each has heavily contributed to the amazing time I have had here.

You have successfully created a culture at St Mark's that is second to none. It took me as a complete outsider and embraced me. I feel embedded and connected to St Mark's, something I never expected as a study abroad student. I truly wish I could only stay longer and continue to be a part of the fantastic community here.

I feel incredibly fortunate and blessed to have found St Mark's. This place has become my home and family during the 10 months I was a resident. I have created friendships and memories that will last a lifetime. The profound impact from all my experiences here will stick with me as I continue onto the next chapters of my life.

Thank you again for accepting me into your community. Without all your hard work, time and dedication this place would not be the same.

Sincerely,

**Andrew Kurtz**  
USA Study Abroad student, Pitzer College

## **Nicholas Banks** (Alumnus 2013-2015)

Dear Master,

Looking back, it is hard to believe how seemingly quickly three years have passed and my time as a resident of St Mark's College has come to an end. In some ways, it feels like yesterday that I received the call to inform me that I would be awarded the 100th C.A.S Hawker Scholarship and afforded the opportunity of residence at St Mark's College.

I am thankful and deeply indebted to the trustees, but also to St Mark's College for the opportunities that residential life has provided, the friendships I have developed and personal growth I have experienced throughout this time. My time at St Mark's College has taught me many things and the opportunity to live in such an environment has been an invaluable one.

Firstly, living at St Mark's strengthened my personal conviction and faith. Living at College has given me exposure to a diverse range of people with varied outlooks and fostered the continued refining and formation of my own perspective. In particular, my faith has deeply taken root as that which informs my values and attitudes. The College motto, Spem in Virtute Humum has taken on significant meaning in this time, with its strong imagery of virtue and integrity requiring the pushing away of selfish and baser attitudes and behaviours.

Secondly, living at St Mark's provided me opportunities to go beyond and, to borrow from the College's modern interpretation of its motto, to 'reach for the stars'. It has been a place of learning with many hours spent in academic pursuit, but also in the development of life skills and an understanding of how people exist and interrelate in this beautifully complex world.

Thirdly, living at St Mark's gave me mentoring and support that helped guide me through the transition into university and set my direction in study and beyond.

I'm sure none of these things would be of much surprise to you, having spent time as a student of St Mark's yourself, and more recently seen many hundreds of students pass through the gates in your professional capacity. Nevertheless, the purpose of sharing my musings of my time at college with you is my attempt to express my genuine and heartfelt gratitude to St Mark's and its staff (in particular to you and the Dean) for this 'season' of my life.

In particular, I wish to thank you personally for your tremendous support, wise mentoring and genuine interest, particularly in my first years of residency as I adapted to college and university life. The impact of this on my life thus far has been significant.

Yours faithfully,

**Nicholas Banks**

# Celebrating a Year with our Fourth Female President

Originally from Penola in the south east of South Australia, St Mark's has been home away from home for four years for Heidi Hutchesson. An aspiring Occupational Therapist, our 22 year old President is humbled to be the fourth female president of the College Club but says 'it doesn't matter whether you are male or female, the honour bestowed upon me to be the President of St Mark's is incredible.'

We found time in Heidi's busy day to ask her a few questions about her path to becoming the President.

What made you return to College throughout the years?

*The great people you get to meet every year. College is such a values-based community where everyone supports one another.*

Has College changed for you throughout the years?

*Every year at College is a little different due to the changing mix of people and what they bring to the community. We are lucky to have a number of great traditions which remain each year, like Formal Hall and Marksenfest, but it is really the students who create the atmosphere and culture.*

What are you most grateful for after four years at College?

*The lifelong friendships I have made. College has taught me a lot about myself and helped me develop a lot of skills and confidence that will benefit me throughout my life.*

What made you decide to run for the position of President?

*I really loved being part of the committee in 2014 as Sports Officer and 2015 as Secretary and enjoyed giving back to the College and wider community, so I wanted to continue my involvement in the position of President. It is a lot of work but incredibly rewarding to see changes and new ideas implemented and particularly the new freshers settle in after O'Week.*

The President and College Club welcomed 90 new students to the St Mark's community during O'Week. The frenetic, fast pace of O'Week is always a challenge and the efforts of the Committee certainly paid off. The commitment shown by the Committee and College in working together at the end of the previous year ensured a seamless transition from one year to the next.

One of the critical keys to success for the Committee is to ensure that O'Week activities remain relevant and inclusive. New ideas and initiatives are important within a traditional, yet modern framework. A new wellbeing initiative was introduced in the last week of first term dubbed "love week" where students were anonymously matched for the week and they each had to carry out random acts of kindness and thoughtfulness for one another without breaking their cover! The Committee is currently carrying out their final term of events to send off 2016 in style.

We would like to congratulate the 2016 College Club Committee and President for their contribution in making St Mark's a fun, supportive and thriving community.

## 2016 College Club Committee

**President:** Heidi Hutchesson, Penola SA

**Secretary:** Megan Casey, Gladstone SA

**Treasurer:** Jess Madaglia, Coomealla NSW

**Female Sports Officer:** Gabi Parker, Darwin NT

**Male Sports Officer:** Benjamin Massey, Mildura VIC

**Female Equity Officer:** Jemima Staude, Hamilton VIC

**Male Equity Officer:** Max Cutter, Robinvale VIC

**Male Social Officer:** Zac Kain, Mt Gambier VIC

**Female Social Officer:** Emelia Manisalis, Whyalla SA

## General Committee Members

Ryan Burley, Mt Gambier SA

Joshua Deluao, Whyalla SA

Jack Dowd, Darwin NT

Tim Irvin, Mildura, VIC

Alex Makarowsky, Adelaide SA

Mary Seagrim, Port Augusta SA

Michael Smith, Renmark SA



## “Wellbeing” is a focus across all areas of the College

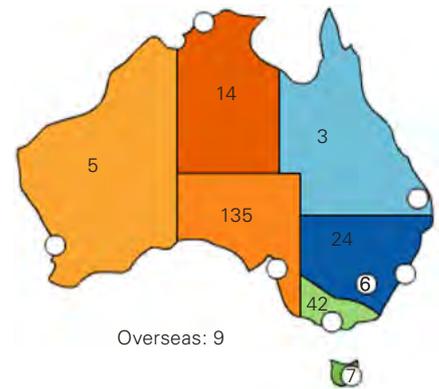
New initiatives have been implemented this year to focus on wellbeing across all areas of the College. The Equity Officers have been working closely with Senior Academic Tutor, Brett Slarks to provide all students with information about mental, physical and sexual health and ensuring it is more accessible in terms of visible information and resources.

Wellbeing Wednesdays have been a regular feature with fitness classes and healthy eating menus. Zumba classes, meditation and mindfulness are a key feature during swotvac and examination periods to calm the nerves and ease the stress leading into the busy examination period.

Wellbeing week has become a fixture on the Club calendar, with yoga, walking groups, coffee dates and a café crawl.

## Our Student Community

Our 2016 student community is a diverse and passionate group of 245 students from across Australia and the world. Whilst 72% of students attend the University of Adelaide, we have also welcomed students attending UniSA (19%) and Flinders University (9%) and our tutorial program is being further expanded to include subjects across all disciplines and universities.



## The best in Pastoral Care

Knowing that our students have a range of people they can go to for help, advice and support provides a strong community and collegial environment. Residential Advisors (previously known as Floor Tutors) live on various floors of the accommodation buildings and are approachable peers who can provide wise counsel and guidance to students. They have considerable experience in College and university life, displaying a strong sense of maturity, responsibility and commitment to promoting a harmonious collegiate community.

1. The 2016 RA team: (standing) Olivia Mackenzie, Natasha Hutchesson, Sam Martin, Michael Smith, Tim Woolford, Alice Moyle, Morgan Goss and (front) Henry Hole and Nathan Harders.



# Expressing Gratitude for the Generosity of our Scholarship Support

*"I cannot begin to express my gratitude for the support of an entry scholarship to St Mark's. Before that, College life was just a dream. Together with some part time work I am able to cover my College fees and immerse myself in the incredible opportunities afforded at a College like St Mark's. Thank you".*

Having spoken to many families of secondary school students at school career expos and regional Field Days in recent months, we recognise that the ability to live in a residential College whilst attending university is not always an affordable option, particularly for students from rural areas. Being able to provide students with the financial resources to experience College life through scholarships and bursaries is a true gift for many and another reason why St Mark's College is so much more than just a place to live.

Through the payment of College fees and support of our generous donors the College has been able to share more than \$264,000 worth of grants, scholarships, prizes and bursaries with over half our students during the past 12 months.

This year 70 students were awarded scholarships and prizes.

In March this year 37 students were awarded scholarships and prizes, with more to be announced in September.

We are exceptionally thankful for the generous support of Old Collegians and friends of St Mark's who continue to fund grants, scholarships, prizes and bursaries that are awarded based on a range of criteria including academic merit, financial hardship and community involvement. One such grant through the Cowan trust continues to provide much needed support to those experiencing financial difficulty by awarding \$48,000 annually to students to enable them to start or continue their university studies in Adelaide.



## Semester 1 2016

**Alumni Scholarship:** Kade Lonergan, Hayley Finlay, Tiffany Finlay, Emelia Manisalis, Courtney Elmitt, Kirra Dyer, Jayne Atkinson, Romina Gilardi

**Old Collegians' Bursary:** Emily Grace Nicholson Gartley and Breanna Wilkie

**St Mark's Entry Bursary:** Angus Barber and Jordan Campbell

**Margaret & Harry Scott Scholarship:** Nicholette Bakaj, Sophie Healy and Elena Spadotto

**Sodexo Scholarships:** Yasmin Johnson, Clare Dixon, Brianna Turley, Sarina Ferguson

**Cowan Entry Awards:** Molly Arendt, Brayden Jenke, Carson Clark, Georgia Ey Meekah Zangari, Mikaela Stoll

**Cowan Continuing:** Astrid Moyle, Joseph Cavanagh, Timothy Irvin, Morgan Chaplin Jason McCarthy, Tahlia Manuel, Jessica Medaglia

**E A Radcliff Prize:** Alexander Makarowsky

**G Angus Parsons Prize:** Angus Gebhardt

**W F Wehrstedt Prize:** Chanel Li

**WA Collegians' Prize:** Ainslee Trenwith

**B P Wait Prize:** Henry Hole

## Semester 2 2016

**Alumni Scholarships:** Ryan Burley, Bianca Joubert, Alexandra Kenny, Annabelle Maher, Evette De Jager, Devon Milton Hutchinson, Brady Martin, Caleb Maru, Hayley Finlay, Tiffany Finlay, Samantha Oxford, Courtney Elmitt and Jake Copping

**The Harold Fisher Scholarship:** Heidi Hutchesson

**The Lewis Scholarship:** Michael Smith

**The Margaret Beith Scholarship:** Sarah Bassett, Rurairaidh Mills and Jemima Staude

**The Margaret Tothill Scholarship:** Ella Roberts and Ebony Brouwers

**The Don Laidlaw Prize:** Alexander Makarowsky and Sarina Ferguson

**The Jeremy and Timothy Pascoe Scholarship:** Carmelo Macri

**The Lendon Scholarship:** Natasha Gray

**The LeMessurier Scholarship:** Ellie Cobiac

**The Programmed Scholarship:** Jack Arney

**The Gavin Walkley Scholarship:** Mary Seagrims

**The Sir Ronald Fisher Medal:** Kimberly Becker

**DL & ME Pank Scholarship:** Kardinia Caputo and Brandon Swain

**The P & B Greenland Scholarship:** Andrew Casey

**The Women of St Mark's Scholarship:** Emelia Manisalis

**J M Bouilly Scholarship:** Tim Trewren

1. Cowan Entry and Continuing Grant recipients with Gayle and Bob Cowan
2. Joe Cavanagh, Alex Makarowsky, Emily Grace Nicholson Gartley and Courtney Elmitt
3. Megan Casey, Emelia Manisalis and Liam Hay

## Outward Looking ... Community Driven

Now in its 9th year, the St Mark's Charitable Foundation is thriving! Sarah Trewen, a fourth year medical student from Berri, is leading an enthusiastic committee in 2016 and shared that the dedicated members of the Charitable Foundation "continue to generate new ideas and demonstrate a strong volunteer ethic, effortlessly and generously giving their time to the local community. They are focused on raising money for various charities as well as providing a service and involving themselves in our local community here in Adelaide."

The Charitable Foundation has extended its opportunities this year by increasing the number of volunteering opportunities. It's been terrific to have such strong interest across all years in College who see the value in taking the time to help out at various community based projects such as the Salvation Army. We have established a really great relationship with City Salvos and will be volunteering at their Do Unto Others Program four times this year. Other continuous volunteering opportunities will include cooking for families at the Ronald McDonald House and our ongoing commitment encouraging students to regularly donate blood and plasma.

Earth Hour provided the opportunity for students to display their musical and theatrical talents, which included slam poetry and acoustic covers. During the

hour of entertainment, the College plunged into darkness—not a single light was to be seen across the College. Earth Hour encouraged our College community to think about the opportunities and challenges of creating a sustainable world and engage in dialogue about providing solutions to our environmental challenges in a symbolic way.

The ever popular "In My Fresher Year" was sold out within minutes of tickets going on sale. Students enjoyed the evening hearing amusing stories and anecdotes from Old Collegians Robin Millhouse QC (alumnus 1947 – 51), David Rowe (alumnus 1981 – 84) and James Price (alumnus 1980 – 82) and proceeds will support beyondblue, Royal Flying Doctors Service and Ronald McDonald Foundation.

## North Adelaide's Local Community

North Adelaide is a vibrant community in which to live. Our neighbours appreciate the energy and vitality our students bring to the area and our students appreciate the understanding and goodwill shown by our neighbours throughout the year. To show our gratitude we hosted an afternoon tea for our neighbours on the College Green which enabled our students and neighbours to further nurture this important relationship.

1. Volunteering at Relay For Life
2. Callum Gregori and Rory Whittaker sing at Earth Hour
3. President of the Charitable Foundation, Sarah Trewen, with guest speakers David Rowe, Robin Millhouse QC and James Price
4. Cooking up a paella storm
5. Liam Hay, Alek Sims, Denham Ewens and Nathan Harders
6. Mikaela Stoll, Elena Spadotto, Kate Lake and Devon Milton-Hutchison



# All the fun of O'Week 2016



# Adelaide Fringe Entertains at Garden Party

The College's Garden Party added to the busy calendar of social and artistic events that has become fondly known as "Mad March" in Adelaide. This year was certainly no exception with a wonderful day of entertainment, food, fun and festivities: a living, breathing, loud celebration demonstrating our students' ability to dress to amuse, confuse and delight. Costumes included safari-clad hunters, pacman, ghosts, bees, droid-accompanied Jedi, bath tubs, highlighters, mad scientists, Hogwarts students, Clifford the Big Red Dog, and even a troupe of Mexicans being led by Donald Trump.

Balloon artistry and live comedy, courtesy of the Adelaide Fringe, and an enthusiastic magician with a special white rabbit kept students laughing and entertained for hours. Freshly whipped ice creams, miniature hotdogs, donuts, popcorn and lollies satiated our appetites, while

delicious mocktails, slushies, beer, cider and even a speciality keg of kopparberg kept our thirsts quenched. Congratulations to Abby Heslop, Chloe Flavell, Alice de Bruin and Mitchell Clifford for receiving prizes for Best Dressed. The challenge is on to top the costume creativity in 2017!

1. K Floor enjoying Garden Party
2. Garden Party
3. Ainslee Trenwith, Alice de Bruin, Carmelo Macri and Esther Chong
4. L Floor getting into the spirit of Garden Party



# Sheer Jubilation after the College's 37th High Table Cup win

Sport has been a key focus for 2016 after placing second in 2015. Following hours of training, nail biting competition and enthusiastic cheering at every event, we proudly brought the High Table Cup back to St Mark's to celebrate our 37th win since the competition began in 1951.

**Tennis** was the first sport for the High Table Cup Competition this year, and the College has never been more proud. The last match for tennis was postponed due to a thunderstorm that rolled in during the afternoon, but this didn't falter the St Mark's game when it came to resuming for the finals. The win made history, being the first win for St Mark's in tennis in more than eight years.

All Colleges made a great effort to support the **swimming** teams with a huge turnout at the Marion Aquatic Centre. The atmosphere was intense as our swim team won races and smashed records. This was the fifth win in a row for St Mark's and we were absolutely delighted to bring home the swimming cup once again. Most memorable were the records broken on the night by our swimmers;

- 50m butterfly (Sam West 27.49)
- 50m free (Tim Trewren 25.64)
- 50m backstroke (Tim Trewren 29.88)
- Men's medley (2.02.47)
- 4 x 50m freestyle with 1.47.8 (smashing 2 seconds off the previous record!!).

Our **debating** team were determined to keep up the winning spirits and they did not disappoint against tough competition and diverse topics. The team was able to take out our opposing teams once again making it the third consecutive win in debating for the High Table Cup competition.

Next up was **netball** where we were defeated in the men's final, resulting in a second place overall. All the College teams were committed to using all their energy in netball and the women's netball team put up a great fight coming third in their last round.

Continuing on from a successful start to the year, the St Mark's **soccer** teams did not disappoint with the men's team putting on a fantastic display to take the win, whilst our women's team were narrowly beaten to finish second.

**Football** rounded out the semester one sports. After a fantastic first round match from the women putting them into the final, they fell short of taking home the trophy and finished second in a well contested final. The men unfortunately were not able to improve from the previous year, losing their first round match which eliminated them from the final but were able to show positive

signs for future years with a demolishing win in the final round to finish third overall.

This year's **volleyball** team were defeated in early round matches, which eliminated them from a top two finish. To their credit they played some of their best volleyball for their final matches to finish fourth.

Our HTC lead was put to the test after the first two rounds of our **basketball** campaign with the women winning their first round match but falling agonisingly short in a one point overtime loss in the second round to miss the final. The men's team reaped the rewards of a long training program with comfortable wins in the first two rounds to put them through to the final.

The final round of basketball in 2016 will be talked about for decades as one of the greatest HTC matches in history in the boys final. After cheering on the women to a win securing third place, our men took to the court to capture a win that had eluded them for many years. The margin between the two teams never grew greater than five points for the whole match and after regular time the teams couldn't be separated. The three minute period of extra time showed the true spirit of our College as a final second buzzer beater from Nick Cottrell ensured St Mark's continued their HTC lead with that elusive basketball win.

It had been some time since both the men's and women's **hockey** trophies were in the hands of the St Mark's captains at the same time, so there was a lot of motivation for the teams to train hard. After many weeks of training in the mud, and fighting hard during the round robin format, both team's secured first place and the team captains proudly held the trophies high, side by side. It was also the fourth win in a row for the men's team.

Table tennis always brings out a few surprising talents, and under the captaincy of Angus Gebhardt and Tiffany Finlay, the teams pulled off a surprise win after many hours spent training in the JCR.

All the dedicated training of our athletics team couldn't control the wet weather and the Athletics competition was cancelled. However, based on the points tally, our teams proved too strong for the other colleges and successfully won the High Table Cup competition overall to bring the High Table Cup back to St Mark's to secure our 37th win.

1. 2016 High Table Cup winners!
2. Nothing but smiles from the men's basketball team after their epic win
3. The women's netball team with old coll coaches Hailee Witmitz and Sam Hickman
4. The College's mascot enthusiastically revving up the crowd
5. Josh Cousins making his move
6. Olivia Ganz holds off strong Flinders defence
7. Dan Woolford stands strong on the base line
8. Three years in a row for the victorious debating team
9. 2016 swimming captains Lucy Heyworth and Ben Hulett





# Viva Las Vegas

The College Ball is the most anticipated event on the College calendar each year and this year the committee recreated a night in Las Vegas that tantalised the senses and was a night to remember!

As the Dining Hall doors opened, students entered through a remarkable desert scene and onto the Las Vegas Strip for a night out under the bright lights of Vegas!

The props and Dining Hall set up left students speechless as they partied the night away under a massive 'Welcome to Las Vegas' sign, neon Hard Rock Cafe Guitar, famous Caesars Palace columns, life-size Marilyn Monroe drawing, Eiffel Tower of cards. Students were kept entertained all night with a black jack table, cash box, Mark's personalised slot machine and many weddings were held at the chapel.

Liam Hay: "Ball is one of the biggest events of the year and the Committee definitely stepped up to the plate. Vegas was big, bold and beautiful! Loved the blackjack table!"

Alexandra Kenny: "Ball was an absolutely incredible experience and is the highlight of the College year so far. Walking into the dining hall and seeing it completely transformed into Las Vegas was amazing and is a memory I'll never forget. This amazing event and the way that it was pulled off is a reflection of the hard work of the College Club and the quality of people that we have in leadership positions in the College. Overall, it was a night I'll never forget!"

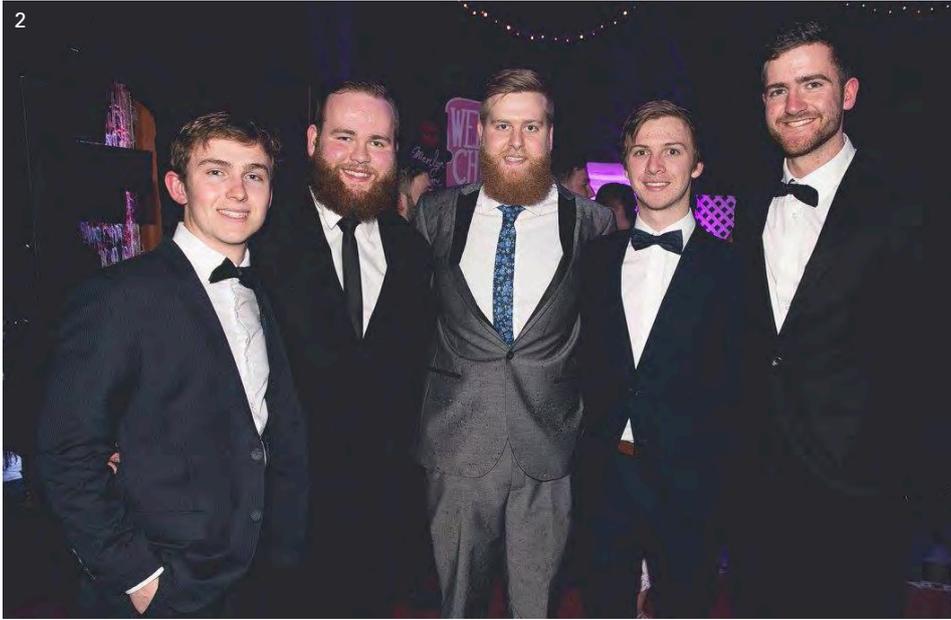
Brayden Jenke: 'I could not believe I was walking into the dining hall! The amount of time and effort made the room and Las Vegas themed night simply amazing!'

Thomas Borghesi: "I thought Ball was a great night, the whole setup was pretty incredible. The food was delicious, and having Vegas-themed activities run by Old Colls made the event stand out above most other events that I've been to. Huge credit to the committee for their hours of hard work and dedication to making it an unforgettable night."

Evie: "For me, Ball was one of the most anticipated events on the College calendar, and despite not knowing quite what to expect, it definitely exceeded all of my expectations. I didn't really understand the magnitude of the transformation taking place at the hands of the committee in the weeks leading up to it, and it was only upon entering that I could comprehend why you all slaved away for hours. It was like I had stepped into another world, well, into Vegas actually. The decorations were sublime, the music was on point, and the company was just as fine as the food and wine. I cannot compare the ambience to anything else, nor would I want to, and the whole evening smoothly transitioned into the after party which was just so much fun, with good tune after good tune. It was an all-round splendid night that I will never forget, and I thoroughly enjoyed it".

1. Committee finally able to relax after many hours of set up
2. Alex Makarowsky, Ryan Burley, Mark Preece, Josia Whittaker and Michael Smith
3. The money shot
4. Black Jack
5. The Dining Hall transformed
6. The Hard Rock guitar
7. Dancing girls ready to welcome guests to the night of nights
8. Old Colls Mikka Ewens, Prue Healy and Caley Pannell
9. Kim Becker, Sasha Forbath, Jayne Atkinson, Monique Edson and Ellie Cobiac





# Global Learning

There have been a variety of Port'n'Talk evenings in recent months, providing a unique opportunity for College students to hear from distinguished speakers on just about any topic. From Governors to business leaders, politicians to scientists, there is always an interesting topic to spark curiosity and conversation.

**Using Lean Principles to learn about startups** – Budding entrepreneurs at St Mark's spent time with Lean expert Bruno Pesec from Norway and Alister Lee (alumnus 1984-86) playing the Lean Board Game to learn the core lean start up principles such as the importance of uncovering what customers really want before setting out to build a product.

**A Diverse Crew Sailing the High Seas** – Established nearly forty years ago, Harry Cator shared the life changing opportunity the Jubilee Sailing Trust (JST) provides for people with disabilities to experience life on the high seas, whilst providing able-bodied members a sense of what is possible with a diverse crew on the tallship Tenacious.

**The application of maths in modern society** – Dr Lewis Mitchell, an applied mathematician from the University of Adelaide, fascinated the audience with his research into the mathematics of story-telling, how movies and books can be modelled with a curve representative of the happiness in the story, as well as sharing an insight into how social media, particularly Twitter, can be analysed to show the apparent happiness in the USA and Australia.

**Time to Show Adelaide to the World** – was the message from The Hon. Mr Martin Haese, Lord Mayor of Adelaide, in addressing the importance of international connections for the city of Adelaide and how education and tourism were key to this success.

Further information about these events can be found on the St Mark's website [www.stmarkscollege.com.au/news-category/student-news/](http://www.stmarkscollege.com.au/news-category/student-news/)

1. Bruno Pesec with students
2. Henry Hole, Harry Cator Alex Makarowsky, Brandon Swain, Will McLachlan, Joe Cavanagh
3. Alice Moyle, Ryan Burley, Nicki Bakaj, Michael Smith, Ben Gough and Brayden Jenke with Dr Lewis Mitchell (front centre)
4. students with the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress



# When Studies take on a Global Perspective

Each year St Mark's hosts a small cohort of international exchange students from Europe, UK and USA and a number of our local students are taking the opportunity to study overseas for an immersive learning experience.

**Chanel Li** (alumnae 2013 – 2016) recently spent a semester studying media and communications at the University of Leeds. Further to her studies, Chanel was able to experience a whole new level of socialisation with people from all around the world, as well as locals from across the UK. She said that "one of the most appealing things about exchange isn't just for the travel and academics, but also for the increased worldliness you get to encounter in a completely different environment, which could ultimately change your life". One of her highlights at Leeds University was being selected as the Head of Editorial and Design for a student magazine through which she found a great interest for publishing.

Through the University of South Australia, **Philippa Jones** (alumnae 2013 – 2015) spent some time in Brno, in the Czech Republic studying International Law and Human Rights, focusing on topics such as humanitarian law, international treaties, human rights, freedom of expression and the role of international courts. She visited the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in Budapest, the United Nations headquarters in Vienna, and participated in workshops with NGOs in Prague. She said "the trip was an unbelievable experience, and provided an excellent opportunity to connect with people who share similar interests. I really enjoyed the mix of university, cultural activities and professional site visits".

This semester, three more students are experiencing their own adventures abroad. **Maggie Potts** (alumnae 2015-current) will study at McMaster University (near Toronto, Canada) and focus on genetics and biochemistry. She says that "the most exciting thing about going on exchange is the opportunity to be exposed to a different culture, to experience what university and college is like 'Canadian style'". **Clare Dixon** (alumnae 2015-current) is also embarking on a semester exchange to North Carolina State University, in the USA. Clare will also be studying science subjects towards her degree of Applied Biology and is looking forward to taking classes that are not offered at the University of Adelaide and having the ability to travel with both the university and individually. She believes this experience will push her even further outside her comfort zone which is a challenge she is eager to experience. **Lachlan McLeod** (alumnus 2014-current) will travel to Stellenbosch University in South Africa where he will immerse himself in law and arts subjects.

1. Clare Dixon and Maggie Potts at Fresher Dinner together
2. Philippa, centre of front row, travelling in Budapest
3. Chanel Li - Devonshire Formal Hall
4. Chanel Li - Ljubljana



## Hurdling her way to success

Originally from Victoria, Taylor Hand is a fresher at St Mark's College as well as a national athlete ranking fifth in her specialised sport of hurdles in Australia. She is a small town girl from the rural community of Red Cliffs near Mildura and has had a passion for sports from a young age.

Taylor has always been involved in team sports such as netball and basketball, but it was during her year 9 school athletics competition that her amazing talent was truly recognised.

Since then she has competed in short distance sprints that range from 100, 200, or 400 metre races, but what Taylor is best known for, and enjoys the most, is the 400-metre hurdle event. At the age of 16 she competed at the state level athletics competition and won race after race.

This year was Taylor's first at the National Athletics competitions where she competed against more senior athletes and Olympians twice her age. Her training paid off as her relay team won silver and she also went on to make the finals in the 400 metre hurdles. She will continue to train hard as she aspires to compete at the 2018 Commonwealth Games.

Taylor is also studying Human Movement at the University of South Australia and wants to complete a Masters in Teaching so that she can go on to teach in physical health.

We wish Taylor all the best with her sporting and academic endeavours.



## The Aware Project

"...a social media platform for young Australians to talk about issues which they feel are commonly ignored and misunderstood in society"

Caleb Maru writes "I am a fresher at St Mark's studying Law and International Relations at the University of South Australia. So far I've had an incredible time settling into college life, and I'm finding the college experience to be the best choice I've made so far (as I'm sure most people reading this would have in their first year).

In September 2015 I began the Aware Project, a social media platform for young Australians to talk about issues which they feel are commonly ignored and misunderstood in society, and start to generate discussions about what really needs to be talked about more. I started Aware in my gap year last year because I noticed that some of my friends and I had experienced things which we felt were not given the attention they deserved in society, which in turn made these issues worse.

Since its inception, I have received overwhelming support from some incredible organisations and individuals who have provided advice and resources which has helped us progress to where we are today with

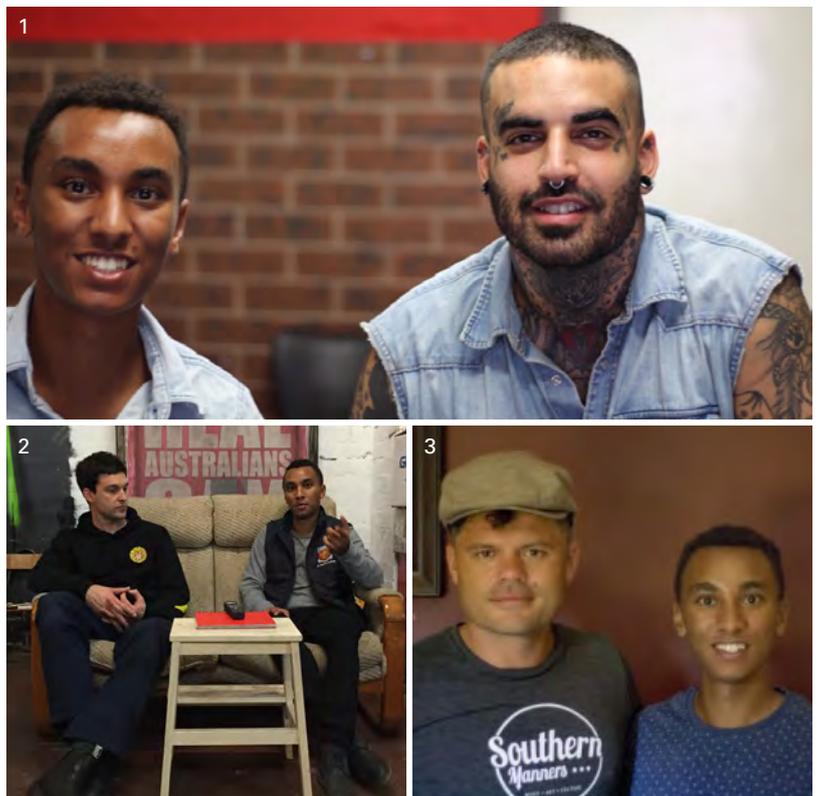
the project. I've also had the amazing opportunity to interview some very influential Australian figures like Peter Drew, the artist behind 'Real Australians Say Welcome', Ash Grunwald and the Streets Barber, a barber who gives haircuts to people on the streets.

The end goal of the Aware Project is to get people talking about what they feel isn't right in society and start thinking about how they can start changing these issues. In the end, if we've changed one person's mindset about an issue which they previously thought was not important, then the project is a success."

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Or check out our website at: [www.awareproject.com.au](http://www.awareproject.com.au)

1. Caleb and the Streets Barber
2. Peter Drew & Caleb
3. Ash Grunwald & Caleb



## Cherishing the quality of true presence

A visit from The Rev'd Canon James Gallaway, the General Secretary of the Colleges and Universities of the Anglican Communion (CUAC), highlighted some of the unique traditions at St Mark's that make it a truly special place to call home.

In the CUAC newsletter he wrote about one tradition that will likely resonate with many of our students and alumni today.

*"When in Australia last fall for the Annual CUAC Lecture at Trinity College in Melbourne, I took advantage of the opportunity to visit some of the twelve CUAC colleges in that vast country, where they are small and spread out. In visiting five Anglican colleges in Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth, and Sydney, it became clear that a residential college is more than just a place to sleep.*

*Warden Ian Hardy at St. George's, Perth, is keen to distinguish residential colleges from just residence halls, for they are places "to teach, learn and grow," engaging students in a community with shared opportunities and expectations. Yet despite these colleges having a comparatively smaller canvas to draw on, my interaction with students and reports of alums made clear that they were places where the character of the young was being formed. Let me give you an example.*

*While I have now visited some forty CUAC colleges around the world, I unexpectedly discovered in Australia —twice! — a new and radical practice. I was having dinner in the hall at St. Mark's, Adelaide, talking with students about what they considered special in their collegiate experience. For one thing, they explained, they had banished smartphones and the like from the dining hall. While such ubiquitous devices have almost become a body part among the young, here students saw the danger. They either left them in their rooms or piled them on a table outside the door. As a result, meals were the one time they could be fully present with one another, apart from electronic distraction. They reported cherishing the quality of such presence. Enforcement was in the hands of students: should a student hear a beep in a pocket or catch another stealing a glance, they would start pounding the table with a spoon, building to a cacophony that would lead to "ponding" the miscreant — i.e., dunking in the ornamental pond outside the hall beneath a statue of St Mark. Mind you, ponding required consent, and the ponded one could set aside possessions that she/he didn't want to get wet, such as shoes or the offending phone.*

*As one student put it, "mobile-free dining hall creates an environment that is free from the distractions of mobile phones, providing the foundation for people to be present." In our wired world where attention is always diminished by the presence of social media even when the device is quiet, being present is becoming a radical act. When we are present with another person, we can move beyond talk to true conversation, the root of which is the Latin conversari, meaning to mix with people in the sense of familiarity or intimacy. But the deeper etymology is the root versus, which is Latin for a turn of direction, such as turning the plough at the end of a furrow. Thus, conversation opens us to change through familiarity with another's point of view.*

*A commitment to forming character is one of the distinguishing marks of Anglican higher education. All of our colleges and universities have perspectives on how they can best bring this about. Yet it is often in the small details that the larger scheme appears. Perhaps the ban on phones in the dining hall that I found in two Australian colleges speaks volumes about true formation taking place, starting with being present with another in conversation. I can think of no more critical ingredient in forming character whether in college or over a lifetime.*

Long may this tradition continue!

*'... a residential college is more than just a place to sleep ... they are places "to teach, learn and grow," engaging students in a community with shared opportunities and expectations ... places where the character of the young was being formed.'*



## In celebration of the year that was!

Having demonstrated such passion and energy for the College community throughout the year, Final Dinner is a true celebration of the diversity and talent of our community as we revel in the memories of the fun times, friendships formed and successes achieved.

The Final Service for 2016, held in St Peter's Cathedral, provided an opportunity for reflection, particularly for those who were moving out of College at the end of the year, many into the workforce for the first time. The College Chaplain, Rev'd Grant Moore, delivered his sermon and reflected on the journey we all take through life and the importance of never being complacent enough to feel you've reached your destination.

A toast was made to the Leavers and the College, followed by a hilarious rap by the Master in honour of 2016 President Heidi Hutchesson after three years on the College Club.

In proposing the toast to the Leavers, MCR members Albert Seagrim (Pt Augusta, SA) and Melissa Jones (Campbell Town, TAS) shared;

*"Last night, while reflecting on the past few years, we were reminded of a saying credited to John Lennon: "Life is what happens to you while you're busy making other plans". Indeed whilst we are busy making plans to become teachers, physios, vets, doctors, accountants, nurses, lawyers and engineers, life happens. O'Week happens, floor crawls happen, Marksensfest, sports, College Ball, Marksenchef, Alpine Day, HTC, Port'n'Talks, formal halls, College Play, arts evenings, the list goes on.*

*Whilst a lot at College has changed significantly in the last five years, the most important things have stayed the same. My favourite thing about St Mark's is the sense of community. Everyone here lends a helping hand, celebrates each other's successes and supports one another when things aren't going so well.*

*They say that travel is the only thing you can buy that makes you richer. But I think lifelong friends, a good education and the memories we have made whilst making other plans makes every one of us here tonight very rich indeed. Congratulations to the leavers on everything you have achieved whilst at College and best of luck for the future."*

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded Colours in the area of academics, service, the arts and sport;

**Tennis:** Sarah Hayman and Angus Barber

**Swimming:** Sarah Trewren and Tim Trewren

**Table Tennis:** Hayley Finlay and Angus Gebhardt

**Debating:** Brett Slarks

**Netball:** Gaby Taylor and Tim Woolford

**Football:** Heidi Hutchesson and Tim Woolford

**Soccer:** Isabella Oberer and Ben Bradnam

**Basketball:** Ella Roberts and Sam Martin

**Hockey:** Gabi Parker and Callan Summers

**Volleyball:** Yasmin Johnson and Brayden Jenke

**Athletics:** Taylor Hand and Alexander Murrell

**Boat Races:** Mary Seagrim and Josiah Whittaker

**Arts Evening:** Michael Smith

**College Revue:** Brady Martin

**College Play:** Ruaraidh Mills

The Collegians' Prize, awarded to the student who has contributed the most during their time at College in the areas of academics, the community and the College, was this year awarded to the College Club President, Heidi Hutchesson. Heidi, in her fourth year of College has given countless hours of her time to all areas of the College. Studying Occupational Therapy, she has played nearly every sport possible and held leadership roles on the College Club Committee for three years. In 2015 Heidi was awarded the Women of St Mark's Scholarship as she embodied leadership traits and values reflective of a valued female member of the College.

Heidi Hutchesson was also awarded Sportswoman of the year and Sam Martin the Sportsman of the year.

Rory Whittaker was recognised as Fresher of the Year for his contributions across all areas of the College. From Mt Gambier, Rory is in his first year of a Bachelor of Media at the University of Adelaide.

1. Albert Seagrim and Melissa Jones wish the Leavers well on their next journey
2. College Club Committee
3. Angus Barber, Callum Kain, Lachlan Kelly, Alasdair Leslie, Ben Cmrlec and Bradd Kelly
4. Jack Scriven, Sam Lee, Julia Cooney, Alex Kay, Ruaraidh Mills and Matthew Halligan
5. Pearl Catford, Emily Grace Nicholson Gartley and Sophie Healy
6. Plenty of laughs and celebrations
7. Miranda Willett and Bree Turley
8. The Dining Hall set and ready to go
9. Final Dinner
10. President-elect Mary Seagrim proposes a toast to the College
11. The High Table Cup





# The Gas Truck ... Happy birthday old girl!

2016 marks a double celebration for the Gas Truck, 80 years since she rolled off the production line, and 50 years in the possession of the College Club. Still going strong and driven on a weekly basis to sporting competitions and social celebrations, the Gassie, as she is now affectionately known, holds a place in the heart and folklore of many current and old collegians. Many may not know the story of how the Gas Truck came to be, so we draw on the recollections of our Old Collegians.

## The Gas Truck predecessor, the Buick

In 1997, Antony Simpson (alumnus 1958 – 62) penned his recollection of the Gas Truck's predecessor, The Buick in "COSIMO, THE BUICK OF ST MARK'S: the story of a remarkable vehicle".

*This story is a tribute to a remarkable vehicle that resided at St Mark's College from mid-1950 to mid-1960.*

*With the deep well of ingenuity that exists in tertiary students and with the rich variety of skills available, it was perhaps inevitable that this environment would sooner or later produce a vehicle as remarkable as Cosimo.*

*The car's first remembered owner was the Reverend Hewitson whose parish was at Port Adelaide and it was he who sold it out of its comfortable suburban existence to a St Mark's student, Michael Burr, in about 1955. Michael was gifted with a delightful sense of humour which he exercised prolifically around the College and he had an exceptional talent for mechanics. In later life he made a distinguished career for himself perhaps appropriately in the care of the aged.*

*The car was a 1927 Silver Anniversary Buick equipped with a heavy cast iron six cylinder overhead valve engine and four wheel brakes. It was a relatively advanced car in its day. It must have been apparent that the car was capable of playing a greater role in the lives of the young College men and the changes that were made ensured that it could never return to its former passive function.*

*Michael and his friends evolved the wish to go north on the basis of Darwin or bust. The first step in preparing the car for this great adventure was to remove all the body panels except the bonnet. This pioneering expedition arrived in Alice Springs without major mishap and there the passengers went straight to the Stuart Arms, then a single storied hotel with a verandah and pepper trees. There they found Bob Buck, a local identity who used to take tourists on camels out to Ayers Rock in the 1930s and entertain them with his stories. He must have been like the Ancient Mariner as he held them spell bound for three days. This session so depleted their resources that their only hope of ever returning to Adelaide was to put the car on the Ghan immediately and retreat south.*

*For the Buick's second trip north, the owner embarked on further and more radical changes and converted it into its final and most glorious form. To achieve the desired effect, a second Buick had been acquired from a Mr Cosimo Lopresto. The back of Cosimo's tourer was cut off at the rear door and welded on to the back of the main chassis. With this extension raked up above the rest of the car, it had an appearance vaguely reminiscent of a Spanish galleon in the side view. As the vehicle was already unusual without its panels, this most eccentric feature made it irresistible to small children and policeman. As a result of this parentage, the car was known as Cosimo.*

*On the car's second trip north and on the approach to Alice Springs, the driver was waved over by a motor cycle policeman who, after walking around the car in amazement*

*watched by the uneasy passengers, declared the car to be unroadworthy. Harold Schroder who was sitting on a cane armchair tied down on the decking replied, "how can that be sir, it has just been driven here from Adelaide?". The policeman, unable to think of a reply, let them continue.*

*Once back in Adelaide, the car rested for a while stabled in a lean to shed at the College, until it was purchased on behalf of the next generation of students for ten pounds. Its new owners were Andrew Buttfeld and myself. We were both engineering students and had been brought up in homes where the taking apart and reassembling of cars was an accepted part of life. Although not always a welcome part.*

*There were a number of idiosyncrasies to which the driver had to adapt. Not only did the driver have no protection from the weather or material thrown up by the tyres, but the hand throttle had no return spring, so to begin to stop the car, the driver had to reach over and close the little lever. A much admired feature of the car's skimpy dash board were two huge 100amp copper knife switches from the Physics Department. These controlled the lights and the ignition. The car had no instruments which served to simplify the wiring and plumbing but left the driver in a state of lingering doubt.*

*On an early morning in May 1960, we departed from St Mark's on our way to Ayers Rock and Alice Springs and the crew now included Jock Kilgour and Doug Haig. The trip was to take up most of our three-week university holidays. As we crossed the wide alluvial plains where the roads were rarely graded, the car would occasionally hit wash outs and if you were behind the driver when this happened, one could see daylight under his bottom. As he sat on an un-upholstered four-gallon drum without a backrest, his return to ground was jarring. The others snuggled down as best they could amongst the bedding rolls, provisions and spare parts. There were no seat belts, we just hung on.*



A St Mark's institution of the day was the Burke and Wills Club, where members took every step possible to avoid dying of thirst. The location of the annual general meeting was nominated as being at Blinman, where suitable arrangements were made with the local publican. This proud boast was indifferent to the greater perils that these student travellers exposed themselves to from the amount of alcohol consumed. One of these trips, the comfort had been improved by installing a sofa as the back seat and part of a lounge suite. By this stage the driver sat on a padded seat on a packing case. Mudguards had been wired on to the chassis to reduce the amount of damage to the driver and overall the trip to Blinman was achieved uneventfully, in a relative sense. The next morning after the meeting of the Burke and Wills Club, the crew left Blinman and Peter Vallee was pushed into the driver's position to commence the trip south to Adelaide.

The brakes were appalling by any standards. The cause of this was oil leaking into the brake linings. As a result, the brakes would work a few times but once the linings had warmed up the oil emerged and the brakes lost their grip. The agreed strategy was to use the brakes only in dire emergency and rely on the natural braking effect of the engine in lower gears to control the speed. The first leg of the journey was over relatively flat undulating country and the car was well in hand. However, as the road started to drop towards Parachilna, the track became steeper and the curves got progressively tighter as the road entered the gorge proper. It was then that the car's speed built up to a point where the brakes were brought into action but could no longer hold it. On a sharp turn where the road follows a bend in the creek, the car left the road, flew the short distance down to the creek bed where it landed on all fours, before rolling over on to its side, spilling people and their gear onto the ground. On landing, the car had struck a boulder in the creek bed which had bent the tail shaft. The car could no longer be driven without repairs beyond the

capability of the crew. The decision was regretfully taken to abandon the car, which was then left with the engine running and the horn sounding. The crew started the long walk home and hoped to hitch a lift.

Its massive carcass can still be seen beside the Parachilna Gorge road and the longevity of its remains stand as a tribute to this heroic vehicle.

### The birth of the Gas Truck

The Gas Truck as we know it now was purchased in 1966 by a syndicate of students who cobbled together the vast sum of \$60 to purchase the Dodge. In his book, 'The Gas Truck 1966 – 69: a personal recollection', Don Gilchrist (alumnus 1966 – 69) writes,

*In first term 1966 a group of enthusiasts were stimulated to resurrect the spirit of the Blinman Bus in new form and as a consequence re-invigorate the ancient charter of the Burke and Wills Society.*

*Six men were involved at a unit price of \$10 each and the individuals concerned were Simon Fisher, Rod Elleway, Geoff Wallbridge, John Oakley, Paul Jury and I think Jerry Oates.*

*After purchase and to develop some interest in the concept throughout the rest of College, joy rides were undertaken around North Adelaide, usually at night ... It was during one of the those early rides that the vehicle was definitively named ... the Gas Truck.*

*By this time (1969), some of the original syndicate members had moved out of College, bringing into question the future of the truck in their absence. The decision was made that the Gas Truck would be loaned in perpetuity to the St Mark's College Club, providing that it was used and maintained in a manner that met with the approval of the members of the original syndicate in whom ownership would remain vested.*

*I am in no doubt whatever that one of the greatest things to ever happen in my life was going up to St Mark's for the majority of my undergraduate studies. We had a great deal of fun that would today seem childish, if not puerile. It did not seem so at the time. By any objective criteria, I have made a success of my career, much of that success was due to the atmosphere of respect for academic excellence, hard work and hard play at St Mark's and much of the play seemed to have occurred with an odd looking drab green truck in the background.*

*If people who have come since have had half the fun and half the value in life skills that I got from the Gas Truck, then they are fortunate people indeed.*

Stories and photos of the Gas Truck were shared at the Old Collegian's Backyard Cricket match on Saturday 26th November with money raised on the day going towards maintenance of the Gas Truck.

Gas Truck stories and photos to add to our archives can be sent to the St Mark's Archivist, Monica Smith at [monica.smith@stmarkscollege.com.au](mailto:monica.smith@stmarkscollege.com.au).

If you have an interest in celebrating the Gas Truck in other ways please contact the President of the Old Collegians' Association, Richard Foster at [richard.foster@stmarkscollege.com.au](mailto:richard.foster@stmarkscollege.com.au).

1. 1957, Mick Burr and "The Buick"
2. 1963, "The Buick" on the Burke & Wills Trip
3. 1969, The Gas Truck prior to the Burke & Wills trip to Lake Frome and the Gammon Ranges (L-R from top): Andrew J McEwin (wearing hat), Michael H Gibbs, David P Cox. (L-R on bonnet): Haris Hamzah (wearing glasses), Colin D Roberts, Peter A Walsh. (L-R front): Gerry F Crisp, R (Bob) I Walker, John M Pickup, Owen D Lewis, Martin P Rowley and Peter D Willis.
4. 1973, Burke & Wills Trip, Gas Truck Driver: Jim Rosenthal; Co-driver: John Oatley; (left side of truck) Chris Willick; (right side of truck) Kym Jervois; (on roof L-R) Graham Hagger, Kent Fisk, Bill Gransbury
5. 1997, Gas Truck at Prosh Day
6. 2013, Gas Truck and students celebrating Athletics win and trophy



# Around the Grounds

## Grenfell Price Dining Hall Redevelopment

Since the opening of the East Wing and the relocation of the Library to the Academic Centre we have been considering how to best use the first floor of Grenfell Price Hall. With the desire for students to have more multi-purpose study, hub and cultural areas, as well as additional meeting and conference facilities, consultations with students and Cheesman Architects have enabled us to start drafting plans. The project will also include air conditioning of the Dining Hall, replacing the doors facing north with bi-fold doors opening out on to a decked area overlooking the lawn tennis course and upgrading the external access ramp. It's another exciting building project that will keep us busy over the coming 2 years so we look forward to providing updates and keeping you informed.

## Renovations

Maintaining and upgrading facilities across College is an ongoing undertaking and several renovations have recently been carried out across the College to maintain its charm and practicality.

During the summer holidays all carpets in Newland were replaced in time for the return of our students for the University year. A full renovation of the Memorial bathrooms was also carried out which were designed by Cheesman Architects and were based on the bathrooms in East Wing.

Key works were completed in the Master's Lodge including the installation and polishing of new spotted gum floors in the kitchen along with changes to the electrical wiring and for new appliances. The old fireplace was removed and replaced with a new arch and lining that was made and installed by College staff.

## Zone Redevelopment

The North Adelaide/Adelaide City Council is currently reviewing Zone Redevelopment changes that impact all institutions in North Adelaide. A key change being considered is the height of buildings and the effect they have on blocking views of St Peter's Cathedral. This change is of great interest to the College for future development works and collaborative discussions with the Councils and neighbours are ongoing.

## Environmental Practices

We are very proud of the commitment demonstrated by the College and students for implementing environmentally sustainable practices throughout College.

Recycling bins have been situated across the College to sort general waste, paper/cardboard, cans/bottles and green waste. Cans and bottles are recycled with the money being donated to the College Club. We also recycle fluorescent lights and ink cartridges to reduce our landfill waste.

Sedexo, our catering contractor, recently tracked and measured all food waste in the Dining Hall. The results were shared with our College Club who have implemented various actions to reduce food wastage in the areas of preparation, production and consumer use. In addition, all preparation waste is composted on site whilst the production and consumer waste are being separated from our current general waste and collected in separate bins through Transcontinental which is then composted by Jeffries.

In 2010 the College installed a 53,000L water tank under the Walkley carpark. The tank receives rainwater from Walkley Cottage, Grenfell Price Hall, the Friends Meeting House and St Peter's Cathedral Dean's Residence and is used to water the front gardens and lawns of Downer House and Walkley Cottage and will soon be connected to the Tennis Courts. The Tank is also connected to the GAP recycled water through the Glenelg to Adelaide Park Lands recycled water project (GAP)

Future works to be carried out across the College include the conversion of fluorescent and halogen lighting to LED lighting which would reduce our energy bill by 9%, provide a payback over 2 years and reduce our carbon emissions by approximately 15 tonnes per year.

In addition, our 2016 Annual Giving campaign is to install solar panels around the College to reduce our carbon footprint and our energy bills. To find out more please go to the "Philanthropy" section of the newsletter.

## East Wing construction amongst the best

We were thrilled the East Wing Project builders, Mossop Construction and Interiors, received an excellence award in the category of 'medium density over 5 dwellings' in August 2015 at the Master Builders Association (SA) annual awards. In addition, Mossop received the highest state honour of Master Builder of the Year – Commercial Builder.

1. Memorial Bathrooms
2. Lodge Kitchen
2. East Wing



# Founders' Day

## Raising a toast in Benedictine

On 1st May 2016 the College commemorated Founders' Day, also known as St Mark's Day, to honour our Patron Saint, our Founders and Benefactors, and those members of the College who died in the service of their country.

In the tradition of Founder's Day, over 70 guests consisting of students, Old Collegians, and friends of St Mark's attended the Service which was held in the Ballroom of Downer House. Resident Chaplin Rev'd Grant Moore delivered the sermon and paid respect to "our founders and benefactors, both known and unknown; also St Mark, and our twenty young Marksmen. And I believe we can honour their memory by always contributing our best to the life of this College. May that be the target we set for ourselves." Accompanying the Service were current students Andrew Casey, who played the piano and Mr Hamish McLachlan who played the bagpipes.

The morning sunshine provided warmth to the morning tea which was held after the Service on The College Green. St Mark's College Council Chairman, Mr Richard Burchnall raised a toast in Benedictine from the auspicious Canterbury Decanter and graciously thanked all who attended to pay their respects.

## History and Traditions

St Mark's College was named in honour "of the Saint on whose day the Anzac landing at Gallipoli took place." ("Archie: The biography of Sir Archibald Grenfell Price" by Colin Kerr). A draft press release from 1925 stated "The choice of 'St Mark's' for a name is a happy one. St Mark's Day is the same as Anzac Day – a day hallowed in Australian history for all time. No more fitting memorial to the young men who gave their lives in the Great War could be found than the establishment of a College within whose walls the youth of today can learn how to spend nobly that life which the heroes of Anzac so freely gave for the peace and safety of their country."

A tradition of Founders' Day is raising a toast in Benedictine which Gavin Walkley (Alumnus 1930-34, 1940) wrote about in 'The Canterbury Decanter' (1980) and from which the following amended excerpt was taken;

*A 'toast in Benedictine' is a very auspicious tradition on Founders' Day which dates back to 1962.*

*The Revd Canon Juliam Bickersteth M.C, M.A (1885-1962), whose initiative led to the foundation of St Mark's College, became a Canon of Canterbury towards the end of his life. Sir Henry Simpson Newland (1873-1969), a founder member of the College Council and its chairman from 1927-1954, visited Canon Bickersteth in Canterbury in September 1962.*

*During his visit Sir Henry decided that he would like to establish a link between Canterbury, as the mother church of the Anglican Communion, and St Mark's College in Adelaide. The Minutes of the College Council Meeting held on 13 November 1962, attended by Sir Henry, record the circumstances of the gift: "Sir Henry described to the Council how in the*

*few minutes remaining before his Victoria League bus left Canterbury, he had gone to an antique shop pointed out to him by Canon Bickersteth and purchased the decanter. Canon Bickersteth had then contributed to its purchase and had, at Sir Henry's request, blessed the decanter in the shadow of Canterbury Cathedral. Sir Henry had also provided a silver-plated tray on which the decanter stood, and three wine labels engraved respectively with the names of the three then surviving Foundation Fellows of the College. He suggested that from the decanter on each Founder's Day, April 25th, the High Table should drink a toast in benedictine to the Founders of the College."*

*(The three surviving Foundation Fellows of the College at that time were Canon Bickersteth, Dr A. Grenfell Price and Sir Henry Newland.)*

*The above extract from the Council Minutes omits to explain that Sir Henry asked that the toast be drunk in Benedictine as a reminder that Canterbury was a Benedictine Foundation.*

*It will be seen that we have deviated from Sir Henry's suggestions to the extent that the toast is now honoured by all those who gather at the College after the Service commemorating St Mark's Day, rather than by members of the High Table only.*

*Apart from the symbolic link which Sir Henry established, the gift presented by him and by Canon Bikersteth is valued also as a last memento of Bickersteth, who died suddenly on 16 October 1962, less than three weeks after Sir Henry's visit to him in Canterbury.*

1. [The Canterbury Decanter](#)
2. [Commemorating Founders Day during morning tea on The College Green](#)



# Honouring the significant contributions of our Collegians

## Honorary Fellows of St Mark's College

It is with great distinction that 43 exceptional men and women have officially been made Honorary Fellows of St Mark's College in acknowledgement of their exceptional contribution to St Mark's, either through their work or in direct support of the College financially. In many cases Honorary Fellows have achieved both and it is with great pleasure that the College has inducted Mr Antony Simpson and Mr Robert Cheesman AM as Honorary Fellows.

### Mr Antony A Simpson

**B. Eng (Adel), MBA (Harv)**  
**St Mark's College: 1958-1962**  
**Date of Birth: 21st October 1940**



Antony Simpson has been one of the most generous benefactors to the College in its history. He has made substantial financial contributions to the East Wing

project, scholarships, the renovation of the Downer House verandah, the floor in the Dining Hall and capital inputs to the College's Information Technology systems. In 2009 and 2010 he provided financial support for the Brent Sanders Lecture series for first year students.

Antony was a student at St Mark's for five years whilst he undertook a degree in Mechanical Engineering at Adelaide University. He later obtained an MBA from Harvard Business School. Whilst at St Mark's he was an eager participant in College life and held the position of Secretary of the College Club and was also Grand Alpinier. He has also contributed to the College's historical records, writing the history of the Buick and the development of an oral history via the recent 'Masters of St Mark's: The First 90 Years' DVD.

Antony started his career working in the family Simpson business and then spent much time outside of the company including working with a management consulting company in New York. He oversaw the sale of Simpson Holding Limited to Email which saw the company achieve significant increases in market share.

Antony has held many Board Directorships including Laser Dynamics, Austereo and Mason and Cox where he was Chairman for ten years. More recently he has worked closely with the CSIRO's integrated manufactured products sector and the Gartrell School of Mining, Metallurgy and Applied Geology and the Academy of Science.

Antony has a diverse range of interests, including sailing, technological advancement and natural history. He has been a strong supporter of the South Australian Museum which is demonstrated through his active membership of the Museum Board and leadership of the Waterhouse Club. He has also been a member of the Advisory Board of the Ian Wark Research Institute.

### Mr Robert (Rob) Denyer Cheesman

**B.Arch. (Adel.), M.Litt. (Cantab.),**  
**LFRAIA, FRSSA, PIA**  
**St Mark's College: 1960-1964**  
**Date of Birth: 3rd July 1941**



Rob Cheesman attended St Mark's College for 5 years whilst undertaking his undergraduate degree in Architecture at the University of Adelaide. Rob immersed himself

in College life and served on the College Club committee for two years. He was a skilled athlete and rower and was awarded colours for rowing and swimming during his time at College. He returned to College after 10 years to as a non-resident tutor, continuing his association and interest in the College.

Rob's career as an architect and master planner spans more than 50 years across Australia, Canada and the United Kingdom. He is the author of numerous major developments across Australia and architect for major property developments in Canada. In 1980, Rob co-founded an environmental design practice with offices in Adelaide, Melbourne and Canberra and eventually established Cheesman Architects in 1986.

Rob has been a member of and chaired advisory and design panels across South Australia and has also been a sessional Commissioner in the South Australian Environmental and Resources Development Court for over twenty years. He has been President of the Royal Australian Institute of Architects (RAIA), member and Chair of National Awards Juries and the recipient of a number of design, research, and civic awards. He was the inaugural recipient of the RAIA (SA Chapter) Presidents Medal in 1990. In 1999 Rob was made a Member in the Order of Australia (AM) for services to the Community, Sport and to the Profession of Architecture.

Rob has provided both practical and strategic advice to the College over four decades and been involved in the design of New Abel, New Cain, Matheson, Wall and Lewis buildings. He provided several options and ideas which formed the basis for the final design of East Wing and the north western Car Park.

### The University of Adelaide Alumni Fellows



The University of Adelaide Alumni Fellows recognises alumni who have made a significant contribution to the advancement of the University of Adelaide's Alumni Relations

program. In 2015 **Professor Oliver Mayo (alumnus 1960-62)** B Sc 1964, B Sc (Hons) 1965, Ph D (Sc) 1968, D Sc 1989, BA 2008, was awarded the prestigious honour in recognition of his contribution to the Friends of the Library and the Alumni Selection Committee.

## Distinguished Collegians

In recognition of their eminent standing in their professional, academic and community pursuits, St Mark's has proudly presented 24 Old Collegians with the Distinguished Collegians of St Mark's College award. The most recent recipients of these awards are Mr John Laurie AC and Dr Badhesha Jagdev Singh.

### Mr John Laurie AC

B. Engineering (Adelaide)  
St Mark's College: 1954-55  
Date of Birth: 18 September 1931



John Laurie graduated with a Bachelor of Engineering from the University of Adelaide and was a student at St Mark's College from 1954-55. After leaving university

he spent four years in Canada gaining experience with Dominion Bridge Company in Montreal.

He spent most of his professional life in consulting engineering with the Maunsell group which subsequently became

AEOM. The firm has had many notable infrastructure projects in both Australia and overseas including the National Tennis Centre in Melbourne, the Aberdeen Tunnel through Hong Kong Island and the Friendship Bridge which spans the Mekong River between Laos and Thailand. John became Managing Director of Maunsells in 1972 and chairman in 1986, a position he relinquished on joining the Melbourne City Link Authority in 1994.

He is an Honorary Fellow of the Institution of Engineers, Australia and past President and Life Member of Consult Australia. He is a Fellow of the Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering and in 2003 was appointed a Companion of the Order of Australia for his service to consulting engineering in Australia, to the export of engineering services overseas and to community support in education, health and major infrastructure development.

### Dr Badhesha Jagdev Singh

MBBS (Adel) DPH, DIH, CAvMed, MFOM (UK), MCGP (Mal), DR of Tech (Hon), FFOM (Aust)  
St Mark's College: 1952-56  
Date of Birth: 18 March 1931



Dr Singh received his MBBS from the University of Adelaide in 1957 and postgraduate qualifications in Public Health, Occupational & Aviation Medicine from universities and professional

colleges in Singapore, UK and Australia.

Having worked in Australia and later in Malaysia in both Government and private sectors, he is regarded as one of the experts in Clinical Medicine, Occupational and Aviation Medicine, Administrative Medicine, Occupational Safety and Health programme planning, and Medical and Health advisory support for companies in Malaysia.

Dr Singh was awarded an Alumni Fellow of the University of Adelaide in 2013.

## Order of Australia Honours

St Mark's proudly congratulates four Old Collegians' who were awarded Order of Australia at ceremonies on Australia Day and the Queen's Birthday in 2016.

The Australian honours system celebrates the outstanding achievements and contributions of extraordinary Australians in a diverse range of fields and areas of endeavour. It is also about recognising those in the community whose service and contributions have had the effect of making a significant difference to Australian life or, more broadly, to humanity at large.



During the Australia Day awards, Dr Craig Mudge (Alumnus 1960) was made an Officer of the Order of Australia (AO), South Australia's only recipient for the second highest

honour in the Australia Day Awards. He received the award for his "distinguished service to science, particularly through pioneering initiatives in the information technology sector, as a researcher and author, and as a mentor of young scientists".

Dr Mudge attended St Mark's in 1960 and returned in 2013 for a fascinating Port'n'Talk on his life and achievements, particularly within the field of information technology. After studying in Adelaide, Dr Mudge worked in Silicon Valley in California before returning to Australia and continuing to design computers and microchips, with current projects including cloud computing. He has also been involved with the CSIRO since 1980 and is the holder of six patents and the author or co-author of a range of publications, including more than 70 papers.



Mr John Hancock (Alumnus 1965 - 68) was made a Member (AM) in the General Division of the Order of Australia "for significant service to Australia-Thailand relations

through contributions to bi-lateral business development opportunities and networking".



Associate Professor David Cherry (Alumnus 1965 - 67) was also made a Member (AM) in the General Division of the Order of Australia "for significant service to golf

through executive roles, and to pain management medicine as an academic and researcher".



At the recent Queen's Birthday awards, Dr John Stark Skipper (Alumnus 1940) was made a Member (AM) in the General Division of the Order of Australia "for

significant service to medicine in the field of gynaecology as an advocate of women's health and the early detection of cervical cancer."

# The Honourable Dr John Charles Bannon AO

A very personal tribute by the Honourable Rod Matheson AM QC.

John Bannon was a man I greatly admired and now miss very much. He was born in 1943 and was thus 15 years younger than me, but we had much in common. We went to the same school, and to the same University College. We both studied Law and Arts, and for our Arts degree we both majored in history and politics. Curiously we hardly ever talked politics. We liked many of the same things, for example and not only, music, painting, books and theatre. Cricket was very important in his life, barely in mine, and he barracked for North Adelaide and then Port Power, and I am a passionate Crows supporter.

His school days – from 1950 -1961 all at St Peter's – clearly made a very deep impression on him. His father, the late Charles Bannon AM, was the Art Master throughout those years, and the family actually lived on the school grounds. In his last year John occupied a bedroom at the top of Athelney—where the School Archives now are—from which he could overlook the school.

There were originally four Bannon boys and John was the eldest. I must mention here a terrible family tragedy that occurred in January 1959. The whole family were walking with others in Wilpena Pound in the Flinders Ranges on a hot day when his

ten year old brother Nicholas disappeared. A very extensive search, involving the police, the armed services, black trackers and many others, did not find him. A Victorian tourist finally found his skeleton on St Mary's Peak nearly two years later. One of his legs was broken, and he had torn his singlet and tied it to a branch to use as a flag to attract attention. His loss and the finding of his body understandably affected the family profoundly. Each of them felt guilty. Charles Bannon had a breakdown. It was thought then and since that the tragedy directly led to the collapse of the parents' marriage.

In this tribute, I want to focus on John's education, secondary and tertiary, and his development then and subsequently as a leader. Because of my close association with his appointment and career as Master of St Mark's, I will also focus on that, and not devote as much time to his long and effective period in public life, much of which was covered in the Cathedral eulogies. I have tried to write chronologically, but as will appear it is not always possible to do so.

In a curious way, the tragic loss of Nicholas provoked in John an incredible burst of energy, and he threw himself into very many aspects of school life. His

Headmaster was the late Colin Gordon who he found inspiring, and he had an enormous regard for the late FH Schubert who taught him English in his last two years. When he died, John gave the eulogy. I was present and recall that he referred to Schubert's admiration for the difficult poets like Chaucer, Dryden and Pope rather than the romantic poets like Shelley and Keats, an admiration which John shared.

His last year at school was an 'annus mirabilis'. He was a school prefect and Vice Captain of the School. He was Captain of his House and Captain of Athletics. He was Captain of the 2nd Cricket XI, and played in the 1st Basketball. He was Dux of VI Arts, and won many scholarships and prizes, especially for English. He won the Leaving Honours Tennyson Medal for coming top in the state in English. He was a school leader in debating, in the school library, and in the school's music and film societies. He won the senior prize for public speaking. He was editor of the school magazine. He was a Server in the school Chapel. He took part in the school play as a corrupt and comical judge. [That was not the beginning of his acting at St Peter's which started first with him playing a dormouse, later he was Honest Tom the Sailor in Treasure Island and then a sergeant major in the Gang Show. I will return to this interest. ] In his senior



years he often wandered over to the speakers' ring in Botanic Park. I note that one of his teachers said of John in his last school report that he was 'a responsible iconoclast'.

With this background, it is not surprising that he was so prominent and successful at the University of Adelaide in leadership roles. Apart from completing his two degrees, he was Editor of On Dit [the student university paper] in 1964. He was President of the Adelaide University ALP Club and of the Australian Student Labour Federation in 1965. He was President of the Student Representative Council in 1966. He was President of the National Australian Union of Students in 1968/9 which required him to live in Melbourne for 15 months, and to travel widely in Australia and overseas. He was also President of the Adelaide University Union in 1968/71. He took part in student demonstrations, mostly with hair long, but always wearing a suit and tie, which may have helped with negotiations with the police! He was very successful in Intervarsity Debates, and one year he was selected in the national team which debated in the Philippines. He also debated against Oxford University.

I need to say more about John the Thespian. I have referred to his early roles at St Peter's, but he worked for the ABC as a child actor and as an adult on radio and television broadcasts, both national and local, from 1955 to about 1973. He also wrote scripts and did radio documentaries

for ABC broadcasts in South Australia. At the University he played Herbert Pocket in the play from "Great Expectations" in 1962, and he played Holofernes, the schoolmaster, in Love's Labour's Lost in 1963. He also played the Boy in "Woman in a Dressing Gown" so well that Googie Withers asked him, unsuccessfully, to tour with her. He played in many revues of the Adelaide University Footlights Club, his final one being 'Be your Age...or Bust' in 2010. I understand he loved Fred Astaire movies! Undoubtedly this wide experience on the stage helped his public speaking and debating. At St Mark's, he took part in intercollege debates as well, and played Rugby Union for the college which he greatly enjoyed. He participated enthusiastically in the Variety Evenings. One year he had the students rolling in the aisles with his impersonation of Menzies. Apparently he could also impersonate Hitler [in German], and inevitably Churchill [as one would expect of John]. He loved to sing around the pianola, and without much encouragement he would sing one of his beloved Gilbert and Sullivan patter songs. Of course he remembered all the words!

After completing his NUAUS term and returning to Adelaide in 1969, he was employed as an industrial advocate with the AWU. Then from 1973 to 1975, he was employed by the late Clyde Cameron as his Special Adviser while he was Federal Minister of Labour and Industry and then Minister of Labour and Immigration.

That was great training, and led to his employment as Assistant Director of the Department of Labour and Industry in South Australia. That work continued until his election in 1977 at the age of 33 as the member for Ross Smith in the House of Assembly, a seat which he retained until 1993. He was Leader of the Opposition from 1979 until 1982. His first Ministry was that of Community Development, and his later portfolios included Arts, Recreation and Sport. He was Premier and Treasurer from 1982 until 1992, and thus he was the second longest serving premier in this State. He was National President of the Australian Labour Party from 1989 until 1991. I do not propose here to dwell on his resignation as Premier in 1992 following the collapse of the State Bank of South Australia. It is widely accepted that he took a disproportionate amount of the blame while others ran for cover. His Government had appointed a Royal Commission to investigate the reasons for the collapse. There was never any question about the integrity of the Premier or of his government. I do not think this tribute is the vehicle to investigate any lack of judgment or other causes for the collapse or for that matter the vehicle to discuss the many achievements of his government.

1. The Dr Hon J C Bannon AO and wife Angela
2. The Dr Hon J C Bannon AO, Mr M M Shearer AM, The Hon R G Matheson AM QC and Mr C R Ashwin



## *The Honourable Dr John Charles Bannon continued*

One can imagine how devastating all this was for John and what a blow to his self confidence. He was shell shocked for some time. However, that extraordinary energy of his soon resurfaced. In 1994 he was appointed a Director of the ABC for a 5 year term, a task for which he was well qualified, and which he found fulfilling. I am informed that he made a major contribution to the development and refinement of the editorial policies and guidelines of the ABC. From 1997 to 2005 he was a Director of the Adelaide Symphony Orchestra, and during his term, as he once told me gleefully, he persuaded the Board to remedy its neglect of the music of his beloved Sibelius! It was during these years that he went back to University—to Flinders – to pursue his interest in history, and in the history of the Federation of Australia in particular. He was also actively involved in the History Council of SA, and was its President from 2008 to 2010. His written work included his monograph 'The Crucial Colony: South Australia's Role in Reviving Federation 1891-1897'; his successful doctoral thesis on the 'Kingston Government of South Australia 1893-1899'; and a biography 'Supreme Federalist: The Political Life of Sir John Downer'. He was co-editor with Professor John Williams of 'The New Federalist.' In 2009 he gave the Tenterfield Oration in honour of Sir John Parkes. I now digress here to say he was a renowned and experienced public speaker as I can personally aver, having heard him often at Bedford Industries and at the Art Gallery of South Australia and at State Dinners, for example, I recall his speeches of welcome for The Queen, and for Chancellor Helmut Kohl which he delivered in German!

John was Master of St Mark's College from 2000 to 2007. He did an outstanding job, and his incomparable wife Angela was a great support, as she had always been for their 37 years together. It was a period of great progress for the College. It was full throughout, and there was a surplus in the financial accounts every year. He took a great interest in the library and increased its funding. He achieved an Australian first for tertiary residential colleges by providing computer terminals in all student rooms. He appointed more tutors, and the student pass rate increased to 94%. He was an excellent fundraiser and the buildings on the north western corner of the campus, and the Allister McLeod Sports Pavilion, were completed. There were new tables in the dining hall and a lift in Downer House. The courtyard was repaved and many trees were planted—John was a founding member of 'Trees for Life' and he and Angela have planted hundreds of native trees on their

Adelaide hills property. He took a great interest in the students' sports, and many joined him on his early morning runs. John had attended the Dawn Service on Anzac Day for many years, and in his first year five students joined him; in his last there were more than fifty. His eight years as Master illustrated again his strong leadership and incredible energy. On his leaving, the College had never been stronger.

I referred earlier to John's love of cricket. After leaving school he played 17 seasons for St Peter's Old Collegians, and had some success as a slow bowler. From 2000 onwards he was heavily involved with cricket administration. From 2000 until 2015 he was a member of the South Australian Cricket Association Board, and from 2008 until his death he was a Director of Cricket Australia. He also served on the Adelaide Oval Stadium Management Authority, and was Chairman of the National Indigenous Cricket Advisory Council. He often said that all this cricket involvement kept him alive.

His interest in long distance running developed at school, but he took it up seriously about the time he became a Minister. He had joined the Enfield Harriers, and eventually ran a total of 32 marathons, including those in London, Berlin and Boston.

John was a long time user of the National Archives, and successfully fought against the closure of the South Australia Office. He served as Chairman of the National Archives of Australia's Advisory Council. He gave the opening address at the Forum of National Archivists in Brussels in November 2012.

Very near the end of his life, he was appointed by the then Prime Minister Tony Abbott as one of six members of an Expert Advisory Panel to provide advice and to contribute to public discussion for the White Paper on Reform of the Federation, a challenging task but gratifying for John especially as it was for a practical end. He attended many meetings, the last being held in Sydney on 10 December 2015 in the Prime Minister's presence.

On 7 August 2007 he had been diagnosed with cancer of the colon, and the same day he was operated on. Between then and his death he had chemotherapy 80 times, as well as some radiotherapy. He died on 13 December 2015 finally losing his 8 year battle with cancer. A State Funeral was held for him in St Peter's Cathedral, where he and Angela had worshipped and communicated for many years. Their friend the Very Rev'd Frank Nelson officiated and addressed the congregation.

John was a man of great courage and great determination. His intellect and energy and range of interests were absolutely exceptional. He was an interesting mix of the radical and the conservative. His style was very different to that of Don Dunstan—who Max Harris used to call 'glitter, glitter'. He was not flamboyant. He was utterly devoid of arrogance. Few politicians had so many friends and so few enemies. He was truly a man for all seasons.

3. Final Dinner 2001, Master The Dr Hon J C Bannon AO, Alastair Earl, Ben Porter and Simon Prowse



# Farewell Old Collegians

The College is saddened to learn of the passing of the following treasured Collegians:



**E/Prof Peter Angas Parsons AM**  
Alumnus 1951 - 1955  
29th September 1933 -  
14th October 2016



**Dr Roy Allen**  
Alumnus 1946 - 1951  
24th July 1927 -  
22nd May 2016



**Dr Frank Richard Arthur Jorgensen**  
Alumnus 1955 - 1959  
5th May 1937 -  
3rd February 2016



**Dr Ralph Harold Sedgley**  
Alumnus 1951 - 1953  
21st February 1931 -  
7th November 2015



**Joni Madraiwiwi**  
Alumnus 1977 - 1983  
10th November 1957 -  
29th September 2016



**Hon Alexander Ashley Lewis**  
Alumnus 1950  
22nd January 1931 -  
9th May 2016



**Geoffrey Charles Rohrshaim**  
Alumnus 1961 - 1965  
26th May 1938 -  
1st February 2016



**Dr Edward (Gokky) Chung Gon**  
Alumnus 1963 - 1966  
17th December 1943 -  
19th April 2015



**Tara Monique Matthews**  
Alumnae 2011 - 2013  
31st December 1992 -  
10th July 2016



**John Neville Morphett AM OBE**  
Alumnus 1951 - 1952  
1st August 1932 -  
25th March 2016



**Dr John Lewis Kaufman**  
Alumnus 1950  
21st December 1931 -  
9th January 2016



**Godfrey William Reynolds Hole**  
Alumnus 1957 - 1959  
17th January 1937 -  
20th March 2014



**Dr John Hewlett Coates**  
Alumnus 1954 - 1956  
10th August 1932 -  
10th June 2016



**Rolf (Bill) Morton Sherwin**  
Alumnus 1957 - 1960  
23rd November 1939 -  
20th March 2016



**Richard Russell Hancock**  
Alumnus 1950 - 1952, 1954  
5th March 1931 -  
1st December 2015

# Old Collegians Celebrate!

## Engagements



**Robert (Robbo) Huddleston (2009-2012)** became engaged to Sophie Kupke on 17th April 2016 in the Barossa Valley whilst celebrating 10 years together

## Marriages



**Greg Sarson (1993-1999)** married Lona Baskerville on 7th April 2016 just outside of Queenstown, New Zealand.

**Joe Hunt (2006-2008)** married Sophie Ann on 13th March 2016 at Serafino in McLaren Vale, SA

**Simon Bartlett (2006-2009)** married Anna Burchall on 28th February 2016.

**Hugh Millikan (2004-2006)** and Louise Mossop (2006) married on 8th November 2015 in Penola, SA

## Births

**Jarod Collins (2006)** and Rhianna Fox welcomed Odesa Collins on 6th May 2016

**Sam Keogh (2003-2005)** and Kelly welcomed Addison Charlotte Keogh on 27th April 2016, a sister to Sierra and Ethan.

**Toby Spencer (1989-1991)** and Leandra welcomed Lachlan Oliver Spencer on 8th April 2016

**Amy Mott (1996-1999)** and Richie Newell welcomed Rory Savenca Newell into the world on April 4th 2016

**Stephanie Ratcliff (1999-2002)** and Ryan Filsell welcomed Aston Robert Filsell on March 28th 2016

**David Rohrsheim (2000-2004)** and Stephanie welcomed baby Maisie Rohrsheim in January 2016

**Alexandra Smart (2000-2002)** and Rhys welcomed baby Coco Cora Pearson in December 2015

**Nicole Abfalter (2007-2009)** and Josh welcomed Baby David Quinn in June 2015

# Old Collegians in the Spotlight



Our alumni are doing amazing things, and we have recently worked with Old Collegian **Alex Tolson (2011 – 2013)** from Lateral Vision [www.lateralvision.com.au](http://www.lateralvision.com.au)

to create a virtual tour of the College, linked to Google Street View. Now when you come across St Mark's College on Google you will be able to take a step inside and have a look around. This feature will be developed further with access inside buildings and to the College Green but for now you can have a panorama view of the grounds as you experience your own virtual tour through the St Mark's College



**Angus Smibert (2007-2010)** has added to the craft brew revolution

with his introduction of Smoothbeard Mead [www.smoothbeard.com](http://www.smoothbeard.com). The idea sparked from some internet browsing and experimentation at the family vineyard in Penola and lead to Smoothbeard Mead which is now available in various outlets in South Australia, Victoria and Queensland. The name 'Smoothbeard' was inspired by the tale of "Smoothbeard" the Viking and over the years "the Smoothbeard surname 'Smibert' (say it fast enough in a Scottish accent and the likeness can be clearly heard!)." Angus also runs the family vineyard and winery Whistle Post Wines with his parents in the Coonawarra, SA [www.whistlepost.com.au](http://www.whistlepost.com.au).

Having worked in Valais, Bordeaux and Australia as an Oenologist, **Christopher Chen (1999-2001)** moved to Switzerland



in 2011 where he continued his work as an Oenologist making Swiss wine. Through winemaking Christopher met Luc Van Loon and the idea was born

that resulted in Chen + Van Loon, Beer Handcrafted by Winemakers [www.chen-vanloon.ch](http://www.chen-vanloon.ch). The beers they produce are aimed at standing out from the crowd and the ingredients they use are imported from around the world while their final product comes from a combination of wine making and beer brewing techniques.



**Rachel Peedom (1993-1995)** has been working in the luxury and corporate travel industry since leaving St Mark's and has had the fortune to stay in some of the most luxurious properties around the globe. So it seems fitting that 18 years later, with 3 young children living in Singapore and travelling regularly to Bali, Rachel and her husband Dave have built their dream villa, Sea Shanty, which

they rent out to family and friends. Rachel is offering a special 30% off deal to all St Mark's Collegians so check the Sea Shanty website for availability and quote "STMARKS30%DISC" in your booking [www.seashantyjimbaran.com](http://www.seashantyjimbaran.com).



Veteran of the Adelaide Fringe, **Adam Page (1997-1999)** added to his list of achievements taking out the Tour Ready Award at this year's Fringe after being noted the Best Music Act for both of

the weeks he presented "Adam Page: Chairman of the Beard". Adam's creative use of looping using sounds created from anything and everything along with his unique sense of humour makes for great entertainment. With the support of the Thyne Reid Foundation and Music Viva Adam also delivered a comprehensive music performance and education program to community schools in South Australia. [www.adampage.com.au](http://www.adampage.com.au).



**James (Mozzie) Robertson (1991-1993)** set the bar high when it comes to dining experiences! He invited Matt Moran, well known Chef and host of Paddock to Plate, to cook a feast to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Chowilla Station, one of Australia's oldest working sheep stations of which James and his family are the current custodians [www.chowilla.com.au/History.php](http://www.chowilla.com.au/History.php). Chowilla Station today occupies 94,000 hectares and the Roberson family's objective is to run the property on a sustainable basis whilst conserving its natural, historic and cultural values. [www.lifestyle.com.au/tv/paddock-to-plate/episode.aspx?id=478991](http://www.lifestyle.com.au/tv/paddock-to-plate/episode.aspx?id=478991)

**Emily Craven (2006-2008)** has developed an interactive choose-your-own adventure app that takes smart phone users around the Adelaide CBD to various landmarks.



Maybe you'll choose to become a time-traveller through Adelaide's history, or find the hidden treasure of Colonel Light, or perhaps become the captain of an

alien space-craft searching Adelaide for lost passengers. It's your adventure! "Story City" is free to download on Google Play and the App Store and relies on 'locative literature', carrying on a story based on where the user is physically standing, eg Adelaide Oval, Whitmore Square. Emily developed the app after winning a lucrative innovation prize and the Adelaide City Council has since provided funds to develop Story City which gives Emily and a raft of local artists the chance to be rewarded for producing local content. Further information about Story City can be found at <http://www.storycity.com.au>.



**Brad Newton (2010-2012)** Completed a 3 year Bachelor of Applied Science (Human Movement) degree at UniSA. In his final year of study he obtained a

Cadetship with the Adelaide Crows which enabled him to complete his undergraduate degree in Exercise Sports Science whilst having real world experience with professional athletes. At the end of the Cadetship he took up a part time role as a Physical Performance Assistant with the Adelaide Crows whilst completing a Masters of Exercises Science (Strength & Conditioning) by correspondence through Edith Cowan University, WA, the Australian Strength & Conditioning Association's (ASCA) Level 2 Strength and Conditioning Coaches Course, and the Australian Weightlifting Federations (AWF) Sport Power Coaching Olympic Lifting Course. He is now a fully qualified Strength and Conditioning Coach with the Adelaide Football Club and a nationally recognised Elite Level ASCA Strength Coach.

In March 2015 **Suzanne McCourt (1991)** was appointed Australia's Ambassador to the Republic of Zimbabwe, with non-resident accreditation to the Republic of Malawi, the Republic of Zambia and



the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Suzanne is a career officer with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. In Canberra she served in trade law and in-house

counsel positions and served overseas as Deputy Head of Mission at the Australian Embassy in Dili, and in The Hague. She holds a Bachelor of Laws (Honours) and a Bachelor of Economics from the University of Adelaide, an Executive Master of Public Administration from the Australian National University, and post-graduate qualifications from UniSA and Monash University. She is married with two children.



**Malcolm Pradhan (1983-1984)**, co-founder of Adelaide based Alcidion Corporation, was a recent recipient of the 2015 Impact Awards. Malcolm completed a

MBBS Medicine at University of Adelaide in 1989 before gaining his PhD in Medical Informatics at Stanford University in 1997. He co-founded Alcidion Corporation which provides "intelligent Health Informatics technology that empowers healthcare professionals with Clinical Decision Support Systems to ensure the highest quality of care for their patients". The prestige of the Impact Award is quite notable as "this incredible achievement means that the international leaders and influencers of South Australia consider these companies to be primed for profound growth due to world class capabilities." Further information about Alcidion and their recent award can be found at [www.alcidion.com.au](http://www.alcidion.com.au).

**Dr Rachel Hawker (2000-2001)** is quite literally a doctor who has gone to the end of the earth! Previously a GP in Naracoorte SA, Rachel is currently the sole doctor posted at Casey in Antarctica to fulfil an exciting opportunity to gain new knowledge and skills. Not only has she experienced temperatures of -30°C with a wind chill factor of -50°C, she has detailed many of her exciting and hilarious first-hand experiences living in such a thrilling locale including how to camp and go for a swim, commemorating ANZAC Day, celebrating

## Old Collegians in the Spotlight continued



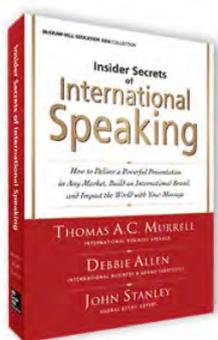
Midwinter, regular aurora sightings, relaxing and enjoying spectacular views and more, on her blog <https://eatsleepfreezerepeat.wordpress.com>.



### Kyam Maher (1991-1993, 1995-1997)

Kyam graduated from Adelaide University with Law and Economics degrees before practicing law for the Crown Solicitor's Office in South Australia. During this time Kyam spent some years on the committee of the Old Collegians Association. When Labor won State Government in 2002 Kyam started as a Chief of Staff to the then Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Terry Roberts and worked in several political roles eventually becoming State Secretary of the Labor Party before entering Parliament in 2012. Kyam increased his portfolio responsibilities in January 2016 adding Minister for Employment and Minister Science & Information Economy to his roles as Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation, Manufacturing and Innovation, Automotive Transformation in the South Australian Government. Kyam also became Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council – meaning he occasionally fills in as acting Premier when both the Premier and Deputy Premier are away.

“Speaking internationally allows professionals to strengthen their worldwide recognition and also provides unlimited



opportunities for ongoing business and professional growth”. *Insider Secrets of International Speaking* is the most recent collaboration between **Thomas Murrell (1980–1984)**, **Debbie Allen** and **John Stanley**. The book follows insider secrets, using the experiences of other professional speakers working internationally. Thomas is an international business speaker, consultant and recognised authority on public speaking, with a passion for helping others harness the power of the media. He is a Certified Speaking Professional (CSO), the highest possible qualification and accreditation for professional speakers. Thomas is the CEO of 8M Media and Communications based in WA and provides solutions to media and communication issues for Top 500 companies, Government agencies and leading Universities. Prior to establishing 8M, Tom had a distinguished 12-year career with the Australian Broadcasting Corporation. At age 28, he was the youngest ever ABC Senior Executive to be appointed to the position of Manager Regional Stations in Western Australia (1991 – 1997). He is a former Executive Producer of Rural Programs in Western Australia and presenter of a national Mining and Resources program on Radio National.

### Old Collegians competing on the World Stage in Rowing!

**Molly Goodman (2011-2013)** was a member of the Australian women's rowing eight who recently competed at the 2016 Rio Olympics following the banning of the Russia crew from the Olympics. After missing out on qualifying for the Olympics by half a boat length at the Switzerland qualifying trials in May the team were surprised to get a call up to confirm their place at the Olympics. So surprised was Molly that she was travelling in Doha and Thailand with her family when she got the call. The Australian women's rowing eight came fifth in their qualifying trials, missing out on a medal but no doubt had an experience of a life time.

**Annabel Gibson (2011-2013)** has been selected to represent Australia in the Lightweight Women's Double Sculls at the World University Rowing Championships in Poland in September. She is currently studying Physiotherapy at UniSA and is looking forward to “travelling overseas to meet other people from different universities and countries to share stories and experiences”. We wish Annabel and her Australian team mates all the best!

### Ingenuity showcase

Showcasing innovative student works, Ingenuity presents over 250 projects and celebrates student achievement in the areas of science, technology, engineering and maths. It is the largest event of its kind in South Australia and each year the College is well-represented by engineering and computer science undergraduates exhibiting their works.



Recently in Adelaide for his graduation from Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering at the University of Adelaide, **Glen Humphries (2011-2015)** spoke to us about his

2015 project titled 'Off-Road Racing Buggy Suspension Linkage System'. The project focussed on an innovative suspension system for off-road racing buggies and specifically sought to address a compromise in the systems which are currently used on these vehicles. The display at Ingenuity allowed Glen to explain the system and the progress of his project to industry and the general public. By including scale models as well as the full-size prototype audiences of all ages and backgrounds could see a practical demonstration of the linkage. The project covered the full engineering development of the system, from initial concept through to computer simulation and finally prototype field testing. Computer animations, testing data and video footage kept visitors to the booth entertained. Glen has since moved to Perth to commence working in this field and found the project and links with industry to be highly beneficial.

Another old collegian in his fifth year, **Tim Grinter (2011 – 14)**, was awarded the Santos Ltd Encouragement Award for his project 'vacuum storage systems for protecting grain from insects in subsistence farming'.

If you have some news to share please send it to [oldcolls@stmarkscollege.com.au](mailto:oldcolls@stmarkscollege.com.au)

## Where are they now?

**Dr Penny Moyle (nee Millhouse)**  
(alumnae 1985-86) and  
**Stephen Moyle** (alumnus 1983-86)

With a keen interest in Geography and Geology, Penny began studying her Bachelor of Science degree at University of Adelaide whilst at St Mark's. However, she soon discovered a passion for Psychology and subsequently transferred to a Bachelor of Arts degree and completed her Honours in Psychology in 1988.

Early in her career she was a Child Psychologist with the Tasmanian Department of Health, mostly working with pre-school children with developmental issues and their parents. When the department was restructured she recognised how much energy was lost to stress and angst about the restructure. This led her to pursue graduate studies overseas as no graduate courses in occupational or organizational psychology were being offered at the time in Australia.

She was awarded a George Murray Scholarship by the University of Adelaide, designed to support Adelaide University graduates to pursue study outside Australia and attended Oxford University for doctoral studies (D.Phil) 1991-1995. During this time she investigated workplace stress during times of change and was awarded a Research Fellowship by Nuffield College which funded three years of post-doctoral research. Having enjoyed the academic role, she set her sights on applying what she had learned and so began her consulting career as a business psychologist.

In 1999 she joined OPP in the UK and worked in a number of different roles: consulting, training, research, product development, marketing and sales; and was promoted to CEO in 2011. OPP has since expanded from being a UK-based company to having offices in France, Netherlands, Denmark and the USA, as well as partners around the world. This has enabled Penny to travel extensively and be involved in various international conferences.

Throughout her career she has had a particular interest in "how an understanding of personality can be harnessed to increase the effectiveness of individuals and organisations". In February 2016 St Mark's student leaders were fortunate enough to spend time with Penny using the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator personality framework to help them better understand themselves and each other, and to be more effective – not just in their current pursuits, but something they can return to in years to come, whatever path their lives take.

Penny's research has been published in both academic journals and the wider media, including The Sunday Times and The Financial Times. She also appeared on the BBC One programme 'What are you like? The Personality Test', fulfilling her aim to make complex psychological issues accessible and valuable to non-psychologists.

Penny has strong family ties to St Mark's College as she married Dr Stephen Moyle (Alumnus 1983-1986) who completed a Ph D in Computing Science at the University of Oxford 1995-2001 and is currently the Chief Operations Officer at The Global Identity Foundation. Daughter Alice Moyle (2014-current) is a current St Mark's student studying her third year of a Bachelor of Engineering degree in Mechanical Engineering at the University of Adelaide. In addition, Penny's father, the **Honourable Robin Rhodes Millhouse**, was a Collegian from 1947-1951 studying Law/Arts at the University of Adelaide who went on to become, amongst many things, the 39th Attorney-General of South Australia, the first Australian Democrats parliamentarian, a South Australian Supreme Court Justice, and the Chief Justice of both Kiribati and Nauru. He was later Chief Justice of Tuvalu, continuing to campaign for progressive social change.

Stephen also travelled to Adelaide recently and enjoyed reconnecting with St Mark's and his home state. The son of a horticulturalist from Loxton, Stephen spent three years acclimatising to the city life as a boarder at Pembroke School. This led to his natural arrival at St Mark's in March 1982 to reside for a Chemical Engineering degree at the University of Adelaide. He said, "St Mark's had only one year earlier admitted women, and it was eventually a St Mark's woman that changed my life".

The holder of a truck license allowed him proud opportunities to drive the Gas Truck, managing to "double-de-clutch down shifts more than once without grinding the gears".

On graduation, Stephen's first job was as a training process engineer at the Tasmanian aluminium smelter. Four happy years were spent in Tasmania, including marrying Penny after meeting at St Mark's in 1986. He adds, "Penny, being the brains of the duo, always intended foreign graduate study, and in late 1991 we relocated to Oxford for a planned three years for her doctoral studies". That was 25 years ago and there they remained.

During this time Stephen has spent time as a process control engineer in North Sea Oil and Gas, worked as a machine learning academic at the Oxford University Computing Laboratory (including gaining a doctorate), founding and spinning out a computer security company from his research, growing this company as its Chief Technology Officer, and selling the business to global US IT firm Oracle Corp.

Having returned to Oxford after his weeks in Adelaide, Stephen writes, "Oxford has vibrant research and entrepreneurial communities. I continue to lecture part-time at Oxford University in machine learning and cyber security, am active at their Business School, mentor early stage technology businesses and sit on company and academic boards. I am also incubating new business ideas. I am passionate about bringing to wider adoption (either commercially or through communities) new technologies". He encourages any budding tech entrepreneurs in the St Mark's community to make contact via LinkedIn.

Stephen Moyle, Penny Moyle, Alice Moyle  
(alumnae 2014-2016)



# Fun times with Old Collegians

We have had a number of Old Collegians' events over the past year and we'd like to thank all who attended for keeping the Old Collegians' network and traditions alive!

## Old Collegians Backyard Cricket, Adelaide Test Day 2, November 2015

The Old Collegians welcomed the inaugural Day-Night Test with a game of Backyard Cricket on the Master's Tennis Court. With the first day of the Test being well celebrated numbers were good as Old Collegians relived their glory days rolling their arm over on the turf pitch while others preferred to bend the elbow at the other end. A tasty BBQ lunch and drinks were served before all headed off to Day 2 of the Day-Night Test. We look forward to this year's test as we have the challenge of finding the right pink tape to enable the tennis ball to swing without coming off.

## Tour Down Under, January 2016

The Old Collegians Tour Down Under Family Day was once again held on the final stage of the Tour. The bouncy castle proved to be a hit for the future generation of St Mark's students while the Old Collegians and friends enjoyed watching the cyclists go past from their view on Downer lawns.

## Old Collegians' Tennis Day, February 2016

The Old Collegians V Students Tennis Day was a major success this year with almost double the entries from the previous year. This however led to the new problem of not having enough to make it to the final but the chance to have a social hit of tennis in great company was appreciated by all. Once again this proved a great way to conclude O'Week as the old and new had a chance to meet.

## Old Collegians vs Students Football, April 2016

The Old Collegians V Collegians was held early this year due to a change in the SAAUC sporting calendar. This did however prove a valuable match for the Collegians who use it as a chance to see the talent that is present for the SAAUC football. The teams were changed around continuously to keep the game even but was enjoyed by all including great support from the sidelines.

## Old Collegians' Annual Dinner, August 2016

A fun night was had by over 80 Old Collegians and friends who enjoyed pre-dinner drinks and canapés in the Academic Centre, followed by a delicious three-course meal in the Dining Hall, an impromptu musical performance and the opportunity to catch up with old friends, make new ones and reminisce about old times. President of the Old Collegians' Association, Mr Richard Foster thanked guests for attending and encouraged them to continue connecting with the wider College community. The Master, Ms Rose Alywyn responded with an overview of the College's progress and what to look forward to in the future. It was also this year's key reunion event for Old Collegians who attended College in 1966, 1976, 1986, 1996 and 2006, with nearly 30 people celebrating their reunion of these years.

1. Backyard Cricket with Greg Halls, Andrew Ettridge, Matthew Little, Greg Sarson
2. Aimee Church, Joshua Schultz, James Angove, William Malcom, Tim Grinter, Nick Holloway, Emily Dellar, Monique Champion, Iona Skyring
3. Richard Foster, Peter Hay, Merryn Fyfe
4. Alex Hadden, Jemma Silvester, Kieren Mitchell, Tobias Miller, Robert Huddleston, Aaron Neaves, Amanda Batten
5. Kate McIntosh, Sarah Hampel, Amber Sprague



# A Taste of Mark's, September 2016

In true St Mark's style the weather didn't deter over 160 Old Collegians, family members and friends gathering on the tennis courts to celebrate the inaugural Old Collegians' Association event "A Taste of Mark's". It was a welcomed opportunity to support and promote the businesses of our Old Collegians and reconnect with old friends.

The decades were well represented with Old Collegians from the 1950's right through to current students joining in on the action, as well as some future Collegians in the making that enjoyed the children's activities and climbing aboard the Gas Truck.

South Australian wineries were well represented by Bird In Hand (Justin Nugent 1987-1989), Woodsoak Wines (Will Legoe 1990-1991), Hewitson (Dean Hewitson), Izway Wines (Craig Isbel 1996), Leconfield (Richard Hamilton 1964,1971-1972) and Whistle Post (Angus Smibert 2007-2010). A road trip to visit all of these Cellar doors would cover 1,000km however for one day they were side by side on the courts of St Mark's.

To add some variety to the day Smoothbeard Mead (Angus Smibert 2007-2010) was on hand and the much needed warmth from the Barossa Coffee Roasters (Janelle Amos 1996-1998) was a hit. Nippy's (Serina Knispel 1998-2000) provided a delicious juice selection while Murray River Salt (Ashley Morrison 1991-1992) was a favourite accompaniment to the hot crispy chips.

With all those delicious beverages to consume Sedexo provided a selection of burgers, hot chips, curries and cheese platters to tantalise the taste buds.

Old Collegian Bill Burton (1951-1955) brought along his family to celebrate wife Elizabeth's birthday at the event and they shared fond memories of their time at College during the 1950s.

Feedback from the event has been very supportive and encouraging and the Old Collegians' Association Committee has already started planning next year's event.

1. Future St Mark's students and Gas Truck Curators
2. Coffee!
3. Elizabeth & Bill Burton
4. Enjoying a patch of sunshine
5. Cheers to our Old Collegians and their successful businesses



# 50 Year Club

Just a few weeks ago we welcomed back Collegians from the first 41 years of College (1925-1966). This lively group reminisced about how their times at College were amongst the happiest of their formative adult years. Mr Ian Baker Wall OAM was congratulated on his induction to the Globalising South Australia hall of Fame for his profound impact on South Australia's economy and global markets, achieved with outstanding innovation, ambition and determination.

1. Revd William Goodes, Chris Goodes, Helen Hewitson, Harry Dean and Doug Hewitson
2. Robyn Leeson and Dick Leeson
3. John Tassie and Bill Burton
4. George Gream and Henry Glover
5. George Gream proposing the toast

Dr George Gream (alumnus 1961-1972) proposed the toast to the College, and spoke of the value of a College education, in particular as it relates to the development of the whole person and the incredible benefits of the tutorial system and peer to peer mentoring at St Mark's.

*"I spent more than ten years from late 1961 to 1972 as a resident tutor in the College and have no doubts that the College activities which included tutorials and university studies provided, and still does, a wonderful platform for students in later life. As well, the friendly environment involving students, the staff and resident tutors and the interaction of students studying different courses, and from different backgrounds, some from different countries, led to what I believe was the ideal education in the broadest sense ... May St Mark's continue to prosper by providing students with the opportunities to receive an education in the broadest sense."*

In acknowledging and thanking Dr Gream, the Master spoke about the current tutorial program at the College which boasts more than 30 tutorials each week across a range of disciplines and specific subject areas resulting in a greater depth of understanding of a student's area of study and an outstanding academic pass rate at the College.

Feeling inspired and in showing their gratitude for their time at College, Honorary Fellow Michael Shearer AM spoke, as did Liz and Bill Burton and Libby Ellis.

We thank those who were able to attend including Mr Patrick Bagot, Mrs Barbara Basheer, Mr Richard Brown, Mr Crichton (Bill) Burton and Mrs Elizabeth Burton, Dr Harry Dean, Mr David Ellis and Mrs Libby Ellis, Mr Henry Glover, Rev'd William Goodes and Mrs Chris Goodes, Dr George Gream, Dr Michael Hamilton, Mr Doug Hewitson and Mrs Helen Hewitson, Mr Richard Leeson and Mrs Robyn Leeson, Dr Craig Mudge AO FTSE, Mr Ben Oborn and Mrs Pamela Oborn, Mr Colin Palm and Mrs Christene Palm, Dr John Preston, Dr Benjamin Robinson, Mr Michael Shearer AM, Mr John Tassie and Mrs Nancy Tassie, Mr Thomas Varcoe, Mr Ian Wall OAM and Mrs Pamela Wall OAM, Mr Robin Watts.



## Pictures of our Past

When the Grenfell Price Hall was opened in 1961 there was a pressing need for further student accommodation at the College. It was always envisaged that the first floor above the dining hall would become the library, however in the interim the area was partitioned off to provide 15 new rooms plus bathroom facilities for students. It wasn't until after the western extension of the Memorial Building was completed in 1965 that the students could be moved out of these temporary quarters to make way for a new library.

The archive currently holds architectural drawings of the proposed layout for the partitioned rooms, but no actual photographic images when they were occupied between 1961 and 1965. We would really like to add photos to our archives so if you have photos of the temporary rooms to share with us please contact the Archivist, Monica Smith at [monica.smith@stmarkscollege.com.au](mailto:monica.smith@stmarkscollege.com.au) (phone +618 8334 5657).

Some photos in our photographic archive collection from the 1960's remain to be identified. Valuable assistance has been received from our Old Collegians in the past so if you can provide or confirm names in these photos please contact the Archivist, Monica Smith.

1. Who is pictured with the Gas Truck on the Burke and Wills Trip 1968?
2. Who are the people attending the second of two N.R.F.C. dinners to launch the 1966 Memorial Building Appeal held in the Grenfell Price Dining Hall on Saturday, 3rd September, 1966?
3. We would like to know the name of the team, the year it was taken and confirm the suggested names for : Back Row far left (B E Kemp ...?) and Back Row far right (T M Newland ...?)



# Philanthropy

Your donations enable us to continually enrich and enhance the College experience that prepares students for an extraordinary life.

From the very beginning, the founders of St Mark's appealed to others to give generously to St Mark's to enable their vision to come to life. It was based on the concept from as far back as the middle ages where University Residential Colleges were seen as providing a place where

*'...students who lived and worked together developed ... "a second education", the education of the students by one another which some authorities have held is the most important type of education'. (A Grenfell Price, 1966, A History of St Mark's College).*

## The St Mark's College Foundation

The St Mark's College Foundation was formed in 1983 by a group of passionate individuals who wanted to preserve the vision and tradition of our founders and Collegians in providing a highly quality university residential and life experience for the students of today and those of the future.

The Foundation continues to play a very important role in attracting and retaining the continued interest and financial support of Old Collegians and friends of St Mark's. Strong support from donors over the years has enabled the College to provide important and impactful initiatives including scholarships, renovations, library and educational resources, artwork, construction of major works such as the East Wing and The College Green.

As we continue to evolve the student's experience to develop future leaders, entrepreneurs and community minded individuals, we welcome those who want to give of their valuable time and experience to nurture our students to achieve their best, both academically and as they prepare to enter the workforce.

For many, the St Mark's community provides a lifetime connection of one generation helping the next, progressing from student to Old Collegian to mentor, through giving back to the community from which we have gained so much.

## Foundation Membership

Membership of the Foundation is attained through financial donations to the College and we proudly display the names of our Foundation life members on the Honour Board at the entrance of Downer House. We invite Foundation members to donor functions and seek their input and expertise in key Master Plan initiatives. Further information about donating can be found on our website [www.stmarkscollege.com.au/support/how-you-can-help/](http://www.stmarkscollege.com.au/support/how-you-can-help/).

We are sincerely and proudly thank all who have donated to St Mark's College over the year, be it financially or in-kind through your efforts, time and support at our many events. May the St Mark's collegiate and philanthropic spirit live on.

# 1925 Bequest Society

"... it is up to those who have been before to provide a legacy for future students ..."

## Mark Penniment (Alumnus 1975-1979)



How much the College has changed in 40 years and I expect will continue to do so into the future.

I recall leaving home in 1975 to attend the

University of Adelaide and reside at St Mark's College. It was a daunting experience though I was pleased to find the College and other students were welcoming and inclusive – I guess some of the good things do not change.

Studying Economics and majoring in accounting there was at the time no academic support provided by the College and no one in the same course and so for one who had to study to pass exams,

it was a challenging time. After three years my goal was achieved and I was rewarded with a degree and a job. I was also fortunate to receive a small Alumni scholarship in one year for which I made a donation back to the College in my second year of working to recognise the support I had received.

As some of you will now know I have had an active role with the College from 2000–2011 as the College Bursar and resumed that role again in 2015 along with an appointment to the Board. I have been pleased to provide my professional and business experience to the College during this period working with the late John Bannon and the current Master, Rose Alwyn along with many Board members.

I have seen firsthand at many Board and Council meetings how an idea or thought has been developed, planned, evolved and implemented whether that relates to the building programs along Kermodie Street since 2000 to the East Wing in 2015 or

to the numerous initiatives and programs to support the students. I have seen how much and how well the College supports its students in transitioning from school to university and preparing them for the workplace. While the College offers so much more these days compared to 40 years ago, it needs to do so to remain competitive and in a much more complex society.

I have a view that *it is up to those who have been before to provide a legacy for future students*. Despite the continually changing environment of the universities, students and Colleges, it is fair to say St Mark's has stood the test of time for more than 90 years and by leaving a legacy it will hopefully assist in it continuing to do so for many years. Accordingly in early 2015 I took the step of formalising that thought in my Will.

I also hope that by promoting the Bequest Society that other members of the College community will be encouraged to leave a bequest.

## Kym Jervois (Alumnus 1972-1975)



"...if an experience really means something to someone, they will want to give back in money or time ..."

Kym and partner Pamela recently spent considerable time thinking about

their wills and bequests. Wanting to support an organisation that exhibited stability, solid financial management and good governance, along with an excellent reputation for making a difference in the community, Kym thought back to his early years as a student at university.

St Mark's was a significant part of Kym's early life that provided a supportive learning environment in which he and other students were able to thrive at university. This supportive environment was crucial in Kym's formative years at university as it provided a safe and stable community with comfortable accommodation, regular meals and great social and collegial atmosphere, all of which have remained strong to this day.

As an only child of dairy farmers in Yankalilla SA, Kym lived at St Mark's from 1972-75 whilst studying Agricultural Science at the University of Adelaide North Terrace and Waite campus's. His time at College followed a significant rural depression that saw student numbers of around 100 compared to 245 currently. Kym was the recipient of the JE Jenkins Scholarship in 1974 and 1975 which covered half his St Mark's fees and provided a significant financial reprieve for his family.

Kym has experienced a very fulfilling life since graduating from Agricultural Science in 1977, working for 33 years in a variety of roles in the public sector, including two years as a rural community volunteer in the tropics of Ecuador. He continues to write for various publications and since retiring has continued to volunteer with organisations that have meaning to him and to those who are able to use his extensive experience.

Kym heartily believes that if an experience really means something to someone, they will want to give back in money or time. St Mark's provided an unparalleled experience for Kym that created a solid foundation and contributed significantly to his life and career in agriculture and energy policy. Kym wants to see St Mark's thrive for many more years to come and continue to provide an extraordinary experience for students no matter their background or financial situation. Kym has formalised this desire through a bequest to the College, in turn becoming a member of the 1925 Bequest Society.

# Investment of Donations and Bequest Monies

**Mark Penniment,**  
Bursar St Mark's College

All donations and gifts that are given to St Mark's College are perceived as a generous investment in the future for all St Mark's students and the successful and sustainable future of the College to provide a superior residential experience for many generations to come.

As an increasing number of Collegians and friends of the College are making donations and leaving bequests it is important for those donors to know that St Mark's College is managing their funds with integrity and in accordance with their wishes.

When donations are made for specific tangible purposes like the East Wing building or the Greening of the College or annual scholarships the outcome is evident. Such donations are retained in cash and paid within a year as required.

When donors leave a bequest to fund a scholarship or for a particular future purpose the College is required to invest the funds to earn income to support the purpose of the bequest and to at least maintain the capital of the bequest funds.

Following the significant bequest in 2015 from the Margaret and Harry Scott Estate the Board reviewed the management of funds held by the Foundation and the Endowment Fund. In March 2016 the Board appointed DMP Asset Management Limited (DMP) as Investment Manager for the investment funds of the College.

DMP is currently celebrating 25 years in business having started in 1990 with zero funds under management and today manages in excess of \$500m specialising in the non-profit sector with a small dedicated team of 14 staff and 4 non-executive directors. DMP is located in Melbourne and is owned by the management and staff with the founder active as the Executive Chairman and a Senior Fund Manager. The Board related to the values and principals of DMP which are:

- Putting the client first, at all times;
- Tailored customised portfolios, designed to meet individual client risk and return objectives;
- That real returns, after fees and tax is what matters to clients; and
- A strong personalised client service ethic

Key points for the College in selecting DMP, is that our funds are managed:

- in individual portfolios on the basis of generating a net return which provides consistent income returns for the Endowment Funds to pay scholarships and to at least maintain their capital base in real terms and for the Foundation funds to have some exposure for capital appreciation
- all investment securities are registered with an independent custodian, Sandhurst Trustees, a fully owned subsidiary of Bendigo & Adelaide Bank to minimise the risk of fraudulent misappropriation of securities
- fees that are very reasonable

The Board has taken responsibility to ensure that when someone leaves a bequest to the College, that it is managed cost effectively and such that the capital base is maintained in real terms and a consistent income is returned each year to distribute for the purpose for which the bequest was made.

Accordingly when you leave a bequest you should be assured that it is being managed responsibly on a basis to ensure the funds are held in perpetuity for their intended purpose.

If you would like more information about St Mark's investments or how to make a donation or leave a bequest to St Mark's College please see the 2016 Annual Giving article in this newsletter or contact 08 8334 5600 or [stmarks@stmarkscollege.com.au](mailto:stmarks@stmarkscollege.com.au). **All donations to St Mark's College are fully tax deductible in Australia.**

# Thank you

We are incredibly privileged to have such generous support from our donors and benefactors, a diverse blend of students, parents, Old Collegian's and friends of St Mark's College, who are all wanting to invest in the future of the College.

Earlier in the year, the College hosted a donor function to thank those who generously donated to St Mark's in the past year. Held in the Master's Gardens, President of the St Mark's College Foundation Mr James Price raised a toast to those whose generous donations continue to secure the College's future so that it can continue to provide an extraordinary educational, social and communal living experience for university students.

Having recently joined the 1925 Bequest Society, Mr Mark Penniment shared his experiences of College life and how his involvement with the College over the years led to his leaving a bequest to St. Mark's in his will.

St Mark's continues to bring together people from Australia and all over the world as they transition to university life and then into the workforce. With staff, mentors, tutors and students available to guide them through this informative stage of their life St Mark's provides a safe and secure living environment that fosters the growth and development of each individual within a collegiate community through active encouragement and support and the provision of a broad range of activities and experiences.

During 2015 donations to the College contributed to building the East Wing and The College Green, providing scholarships and bursaries to students, purchasing library books, and much more.

Every year we acknowledge our donors to say 'thank you' for the gifts they have endowed to the College. The gifts we receive throughout the year, no matter the size, are a reflection of your desire for the College to continue providing an outstanding residential environment and life-long experience for students in the years to come, and for that we are very thankful.

1. [Ann Price, Mary McLeod and Ann Irwin](#)
2. [Rose Alwyn, Mark Penniment and James Price](#)
3. [The donor function](#)
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# Annual Giving

Since launching our 2016 Annual Giving program we have received over \$44,000 in donations, \$17,000 of which has been raised for our solar energy initiative.

We warmly thank each and every one of our 50 Annual Giving donors for their generous gifts to these worthwhile causes and we encourage others to consider giving this year.

## 2016 Annual Giving

### Solar Energy Project—Help us harness the power of the sun!

This year, as we continue our focus of greening the College and implementing environmentally sustainable practices, I am seeking your support for our solar energy project.

The College and its students are committed to clean, green and renewable energy solutions and in playing an important role in reducing our carbon footprint and our energy bills!

The installation of a 150kW solar panel system on our vast roof space will generate around 231.3MWh of solar energy annually, which equates to around 30% of the College's consumption.

A commitment to sustainable environmental practices is one of our core Values and your support for this project also sets a fine example to our current and future students.

The aim of this year's Annual Giving program is to raise \$200,000 to purchase and install solar panels. I encourage you to make a donation to this valuable renewable energy project that will provide benefits for the College and our community for years to come.

Others may wish to show their support to the College by donating to our other initiatives.

### Donate a tree for the College Green

Trees will provide shade and colour and accentuate the peaceful ambiance of the College Green which was recently completed for 2015 Annual Giving campaign. Your donation of \$1,000 per tree will be recognised on a plaque at the base of the tree.

### Scholarship Fund

It is our desire to make College accessible to a diverse range of students. Your scholarship donations will enable us to strengthen existing and create new scholarships for students from all backgrounds.

### Library Fund

We will continue to enhance our collection of text books, fiction and non-fiction books, and tutoring resources for our Academic Centre.

### Buy-a-brick

Your time at St Mark's can be remembered in stone by having your name permanently engraved on a paver in the Pond Courtyard. Your donation of \$200 will provide a paver engraved with your name, or the name of a family member who has attended College, and the years at College.

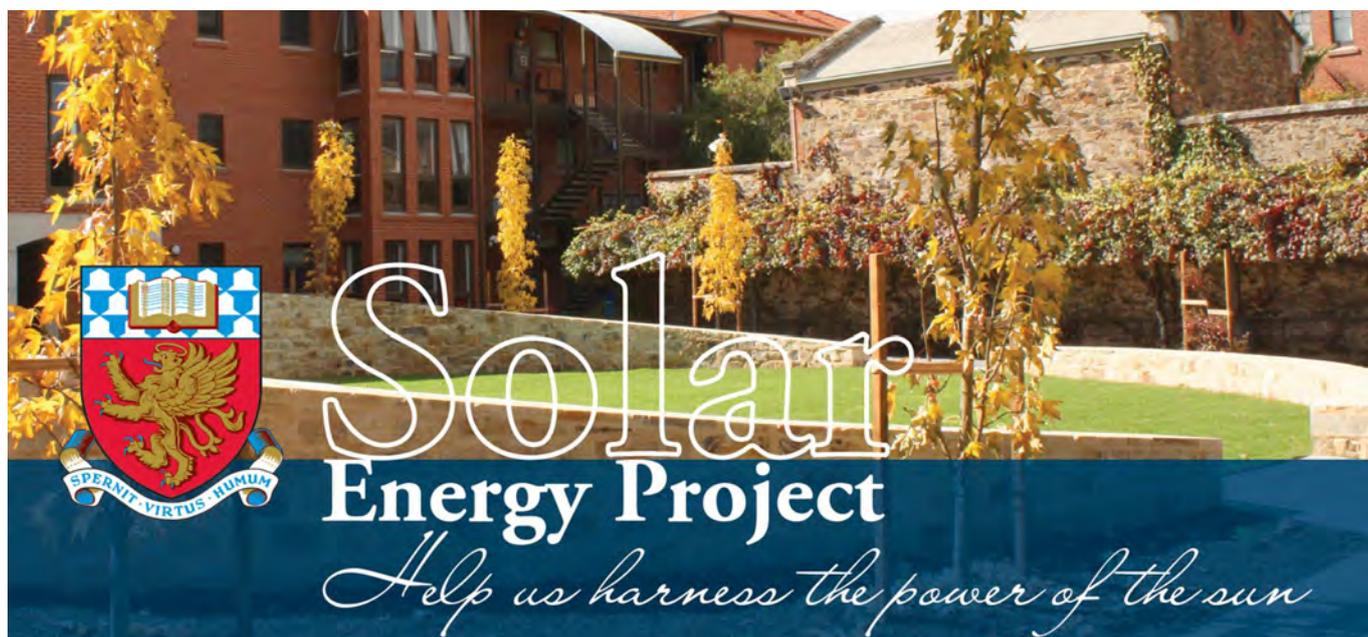
### Bequests

Many people like to leave a gift to a charity or organisation in their will to show their support for causes important to them. A bequest to the St Mark's Community will help ensure that the College continues to provide a progressive, supportive, educational and community based environment for future generations to thrive.

Your annual gift, no matter the size, enables the College to flourish. It is a tangible demonstration of your desire for the College to do its best in providing a sustainable living environment and experience for students in the years to come.

Together, let's continue the proud St Mark's tradition of one generation looking after the next and support the students of tomorrow.

*If you wish to make donation to the St Mark's College 2016 Annual Giving program please complete the payment slip at the back of this newsletter and return it in the reply paid envelope or contact us on 08 8334 5600. All donations to St Mark's College are fully tax deductible.*



### 2015 Annual Giving – The College Green project completed

An enormous thank you to all the generous supporters of last year's Annual Giving 'Greening of the College' campaign.

The bitumen car park in the North West corner has been transformed into 'The College Green', an accessible and visually pleasing space for students to enjoy. This unique circular green space, using locally sourced stone from Basket Range, defines the specific space yet provides some unity and cohesion from the flats through to the Lodge and Hawker Annex.

We had the pleasure of raising a toast in Benedictine on The College Green to commemorate Founders' Day with students, Old Collegians and friends of the College and have received an overwhelming positive response about the area and welcome you to view it for yourself.

We would like to thank the staff, Board and Council members, along with external partners, who were involved in the concept, design and building of this significant space.

We truly appreciate your enthusiasm for supporting the College by donating to this project. It is a reminder that your annual gift, no matter the size, contributes to investing in an extraordinary College experience.

Photos and a time-lapse vide of the College Green can be viewed on St Mark's College website <http://www.stmarkscollege.com.au/news/the-green-2015-annual-giving-project-completed/>



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### Events & Functions

St Mark's College offers a unique venue for your next corporate or private event. Conveniently located in North Adelaide and situated in beautiful surrounds, our facilities deliver both convenience and style.

Our flexible spaces mean we can cater for small functions, such as board meetings, right through to grand receptions for up to 300 people or even events just like *Sculpture For Sight* on our grounds.

Imagine a cocktail party on the front lawn, a three course conference dinner in our Ballroom, a presentation in one of our meeting rooms or a wedding reception on the grounds?

The possibilities are endless...

### Summer Break Accommodation

Situated just a 10 minute walk from the CBD and University Campuses and only 5 minutes from North Adelaide's popular restaurant precincts, St Mark's is an ideal location as we offer a high standard of budget accommodation, from 10 to 200 people. It's perfect for youth and school groups or university conferences and catering options are also available.

For more information on our facilities, please contact the College on (08) 8334 5600 [stmarks@stmarkscollege.com.au](mailto:stmarks@stmarkscollege.com.au)

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### 2017 Events

**Donor Function**  
Tuesday 7th February

**Annual Giving Launch**  
Tuesday 7th February

**Opening Service**  
Sunday 26th February

**Founders' Day**  
Sunday 30th April

**Open Day**  
Sunday 20th August

**Marksfest**  
Sunday 8th October

## St Mark's Old Collegians' Association

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### 2017 Events

**Tour Down Under**  
Sunday 22nd January, Downer Lawns

**Old Collegians vs Students Tennis**  
Sunday 26th February, St Mark's Tennis Courts

**Old Collegians NSW Reunion**  
Friday 31st March, Sydney

**Old Collegians vs Students Football**  
April, Park 10 University Sports Fields

**Annual Dinner**  
Saturday 12th August, Grenfell Price Dining Hall

**A Taste of Mark's**  
Sunday 22nd October, St Mark's Tennis Courts

**Backyard Cricket Club**  
November, Master's Tennis Court

**50 Year Club Luncheon**  
November, Ballroom

