

SESQUICENTENARY PLANNING BEGINS

Planning for the College's Sesquicentenary in 2006 has begun with the appointment of a College Alumni Relations Officer. Here, Selwyn Owen introduces himself and his plans for the position:

My prime responsibility is to help many Paulines reconnect with their College peers and to the wider Pauline community.

Since the College's centenary in 1956 numbers have increased and the complexity of the College has grown. With the prospect of sesquicentenary celebrations in 2006, it was decided that an officer be appointed to handle the planning and management of these events to ensure that they are successful, appropriate and enjoyable. Since 2002, the Sesquicentenary Committee has been working on a programme of celebrations which will serve to strengthen the sense of belonging or ownership within the whole College community.

It is natural that men leaving College will feel that a door has closed behind them as they move forward in their careers searching for new opportunities and new friendships. Many express disappointment that other distractions have led them well away from their wonderful time here, and for some a night at "Victoriana", as amazing an experience as it usually is, might well be their only contact with College.

Of all those who have signed the College Register since 1857 when the first nine men entered, perhaps half are still alive. Of these, some 800 are currently beyond our reach as we do not have their addresses. My first task has been to assess this list and track down as many as possible. By the end of March I hope to have found more than 300 of them and I intend to publish in the next edition of Boomalakka a list of "Wanted, Dead or Alive". Recent searching has sadly turned up a number of deaths, some at a comparatively early age, which had not hitherto been recorded in any College publications. They will all be listed in the 2004 Pauline.

The achievements of the College Foundation are a great success story: some \$20 million acquired by donations of all sizes (plus interest and capital gains) from hundreds – not thousands! – of devoted College men who, at the persistent and charmingly tactful encouragement from our chairmen, Robert Albert and Lloyd Waddy, have continued (repeatedly) to do what they can for College. We all need to understand that Paul's will always need our financial support. There is a limit to how much of the College's maintenance costs can be borne by men currently in residence. The upkeep of our beautiful sandstone heritage buildings does not come cheaply and there are always new calls for facilities and services to give our men an enriching and unforgettable beginning to their adult lives.

In 2004 there are to be a number of reunions for various fresher intakes and I hope they are all well attended as they are bound to be fun and you are still young enough to find them so.

It is now forty years since I entered College and though I loved every minute of my time here I have to admit that what I see today is a huge improvement on the way things were back in the sixties. The standard of scholarship has probably never been higher, the facilities are more up-to-date and comfortable, cultural and sporting activities thrive and are both valued, the food is excellent – no more puddings that can be passed upside-down the length of the table ('oh yes they can'... Warden) – and the men as impressive as in any generation.

I greatly look forward to seeing you as often as you can come to see for yourself what the Warden, Council and Foundation have achieved in the last 25 years to preserve the College and keep the Pauline tradition strong.



ROWING DYNASTY

PAUL'S WINS ROWING FOR FIFTH YEAR

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16, 17, 23, 24 July	Victoriana!
26 July	Second Semester Starts
14-28 August	College Cultural Festival
28 August	College Jazz Dinner Dance
26 September	Union AGM

SPORTING NEWS

COLLEGE VIII VICTORIOUS AGAIN

St Paul's College has continued its unbroken winning streak since 2000 by once again bringing home the Rawson Cup rowing trophy. With a younger crew, Paul's showed that its dominance in the sport has been extended to a new generation of College rowers.

Coached by crew members Andrew Wilson (3rd Year) and Nick Hudson (2nd Year) and coxed by John Blanch (3rd Year), the boat featured four freshers (Andrew Bain, Mike King, Fergus Pragnell and Mark Flower) along with the returning strength of Nick Edelman and Christopher Clyne.

This year's victory at the Olympic rowing venue was even more emphatic than in previous years, with the Pauline blades crossing the line several boat lengths ahead of the St Andrew's crew, who had to face off a serious challenge from Wesley College for third place.

The strength of the crew was underlined by the fact that several of the crew then backed up from the Intercol event to vie for national selection the following weekend.

Unfortunately, the strength of our teams in Cricket and Rugby were not able to similarly translate into Rawson Cup victories, with both sports being lost in the final rounds despite Paul's entering the competition as favourites.

In both sports, even the presence of several first grade players and easy victories against the two other Colleges were not enough to insure victory against a passionate and eager Wesley College.

These disappointing results, combined with a third place in the Intercol Swimming Carnival at Warringah behind Drews in first place and Wesley in second, has meant that Paul's faces a tough challenge to regain the lead from the Wowsers.

Next semester sees Paul's with a real chance of breaking its five year, 13 match losing streak in basketball, as well as a good chance of bringing home the Tennis, Soccer and Athletics cups.

The fight to keep Harry has just begun!

RAWSON CUP POINTS					UPCOMING EVENTS			
	Total	Cricket	Rowing	Swimming	Rugby	Soccer	11, 12, 16 August	St Paul's Oval
Wesley College	14 points	1st	3rd	2nd	1st	Tennis	24, 26, 30 August	Manning Courts, Sydney Uni
St Paul's College	12 points	2nd	1st	3rd	2nd	Basketball	13,14,15 August	HK Ward Gym, Sydney Uni
St Andrew's College	8 points	4th	2nd	1st	4th	Athletics	6 October	Homebush Athletics Track
St John's College	2 points	3rd	4th	4th	3rd			

AL BAXTER - OUR LATEST WALLABY

Al Baxter (1996-98) is the latest Pauline to represent Australia in rugby. After making his Test debut against New Zealand in 2003 at Eden Park, Al Baxter started at tighthead in the Rugby World Cup Final, having replaced Ben Darwin during the semi-final against the All Blacks.

One of the Waratahs most consistent players during their 2004 Super 12 campaign, Baxter has played in a total of ten Tests. Still only young for a prop, he is the most experienced Wallaby tighthead in the squad. Al was a graduate of Shore School in Sydney, and has degrees in Architecture and Science, while his younger brother Nick is a reserve for the Australian men's Olympic rowing team.

It is fascinating to note that **Al Baxter, Sean Oldfield (96-98),** and **Chris Joye (1995)** were all born on exactly the same day (21st), month (January), and year (1977).



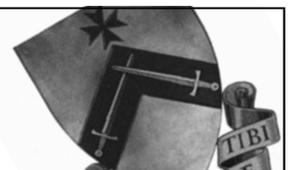
They attended the same university (Sydney), lived at the same college (St Paul's), played the same sport at the same level (Rawson Cup Rugby), and in the same position (the front row).

While Al went on to complete his Architecture degree and play for the Wallabies, Sean and Chris kept on the same path. They completed the same degree, with concentrations in the same subjects (Economics and Finance). After finishing university, they entered into exactly the same industry (investment banking), in the same countries (Australia and then the UK) and both

resigned suddenly from what were very positive trajectories. As fate would have it, they have now started an alternative investment strategy company, Rismark, together in the UK, and are now in the process of starting a hedge fund.

COLLEGE TIES

A reminder that College ties are available from the Warden's Offices. Drop in and pick one up for \$35 or get one posted for \$40 - 9550 7444.



COLLEGE NEWS

COUNCIL & UNION ELECTION RESULTS

The Returning Officer has declared the results of the poll for the recent Council Election. **Mr Martin Pitt** has been re-elected for a six year term whilst **Dr Andrew Bell** has been elected for a six year term and **Dr Michael McCredie** has been elected to the casual vacancy occasioned by the death of the late **Dr Kenneth Cable** and is eligible for re-election next year.

Mr Martin Pitt will be familiar to most in the Pauline community, having served not only on Council but as Sub-Warden and Vice-Warden of the College. He also served as the Deputy Head of Cranbrook for 15 years and manager of both the Australian Schools rugby team and the

Sydney University Colts. He is currently working as an Educational and Personnel Service and is Braidwood's representative on Synod for the diocese of Canberra and Goulburn.

Dr Michael McCredie will also be known to many Old Paulines, having been a Fellow of the College since 1972. He is currently an Honorary Consultant in Cardiology at the the Prince Henry Hospital and Prince of Wales Hospitals as well as Consultant Cardiologist and Chairman at the Eastern Heart Clinic, Randwick.

Andrew Bell (1985-89) was a dual University medalist in Economic and Law at Sydney and a member of Sydney University's World Championship winning

debating team in 1988. He then studied at Oxford as both a Rhodes and Vinerian Scholar. Following his return to Australia he has practiced as a barrister and has twice been elected a member of the NSW Bar Council.

The Chairman, **Justice Henric Nicholas**, extends his thanks to all Paulines who supported the College by standing for election.

In Union news, **Selwyn Owen** was elected at a meeting of the Union Committee on the 21st May to the position of Acting Honorary Secretary of the Union during the absence of **Rob Busby**, who will be traveling in the UK for the next five months.



AN INFORMAL GUIDE TO SUCCESS

On Wednesday 7 April, St Paul's once again played host to 1500 party-goers as the Students' Club held its annual Informal. This year's event, entitled *Surreal Sounds*, once again proved to be enormously successful, not only raising \$25,000 in profits but also in entertaining the sell-out crowd.

This year, several innovations were trialled with the event, which represents a major fiscal and logistical undertaking by the students of the College. ARIA winning dance duo, *Rogue Traders*, were flown up from Melbourne for the night, to perform alongside Craig Obey, Kate Munroe and

eight other DJs from Home, Funktrust and Yu nightclubs, performing over three dancefloors throughout the night.

The event was also supported and filmed by Channel V, who aired an edited highlights package of the night on Foxtel over several weeks. This support was combined with sponsorship from SkyyBlue Vodka, Microsoft Xbox and Jeanswest to help ensure the financial success of the night.

The Students' Club made the decision to move to a higher return event based on topline DJs, rather than a traditional Uni band party in 2001. Since then the Informal

has seen increasing profits and annual capacity crowds, with tickets selling out days before the event.

The Informal is now an event that requires three months of full-time planning, close collaboration with local councils and the police and the utilisation of a staff of over 100 on the night, including 35 security guards.

Its continued success in this professionalised format is a testament to the dedication of the convenors and committee who undertake to organise the event and the continued assistance of the College in helping stage such an event.

OLD PAULINE NEWS

ABC FACES PAULINE INVASION

As the ABC faces increased questioning over perceived issues of bias from various political sources, at least Paulines can rest easy knowing that the College has a healthy representation behind the camera and microphone at the national broadcaster. **Tony Jones**, **Matt Peacock** and **David Marr** continue to attract critical acclaim as journalists and presenters, whilst **Adam Spencer** and **Chris Taylor** ensure that a Pauline voice is heard on Triple J for much of the day.

Tony Jones (1977-79) is one of the ABC's most experienced radio and television current affairs journalists. He has reported for *Four Corners*, *Foreign Correspondent*, and currently can be heard most nights as the anchor of *Lateline*. He has collected respected awards for reports such as *Horses for Courses* on the Waterhouse racing dynasty (Walkley), *My City of Sydney* on the city's development boom (Penguin), and *Frozen Asset* on the exploitation of Antarctica (Gold Medal, New York Film and Television Festival).

Possibly less well known amongst the political elite for the moment is **Chris Taylor (1992-93)**, who can now be heard along with Craig Reucassel on the *Today Today* show that goes to air during the drive time slot each weekday on Triple J. The show, which mixes written comedy and adlibbing, has proven immensely popular since its launch earlier in the year.. Chris was previously part of ABC TV's *CNNN* team and *Election Chaser* and still contributes to *The Chaser* satirical newspaper.

BIRTHS, DEATHS & MARRIAGES

BIRTHS

- Cameron Ross - a daughter, Helen Joan Ross, 29.10.03
David Reid - a son, Lachlan, 4.3.04
Chris North - a daughter, Molly Briallen Otway, 27.3.04
Timothy Horton - a son, Edwin Dugald, 4.4.04
Andrew Maple-Brown - a daughter, Annabel Emma, 10.4.04
Tom Windeyer - a son, William Jack, 25.5.04

MARRIAGES

Michael Hayes to Elizabeth Pepper 27.3.04

ENGAGEMENTS

Hamish Milne to Zoe Lenard 21.2.04
Simon Crossley-Meaties to Leah Thomas

RECENT DEATHS

Rodney Stephen Babidge (1968-71)
Theodore Valentine de Vere Tyndall (1945-48)
Brian Forster Dickens (1946-51)
(See obituary on final page)

NOTIFICATION OF DEATHS

One of the first tasks to be undertaken by Selwyn Owen as Alumni Relations Officer has to be to start an exhaustive review and updating of the Register of Old Paulines. In many instances this has been a rewarding exercise allowing many Old Paulines to re-establish contact with the College. However, sadly, the process has also led to the discovery that the following Paulines have passed away:

Frank G Carroll (1945-47) died 21.1.1995
Michael C Dickinson (1965-68) died 14.5.1994
Dick P Henry (1949) died 29.8.2003
Denver F Joyce (1930) died 26.8.1989
Lionel H Layton (1941-42) died 5.9.1997
John WA Lowick (1944) died 27.7.1989
Dr John F Marrington (1941-42) died 26.8.1994
Graham J Mylne (1930-31) died 8.5.1989
George M Rogers (1932-34) died 10.10.1985
Dr John M Verge (1947-50) died 7.12.1992
Dr John M Wilshire (1930-31) died 13.12.1994

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HONOURS

The Hon Justice Dyson Heydon (1960-64) - Companion in the Order of Australia (AC)
For service to law as eminent jurist, furthering legal knowledge and education.

Dr Grahame Murray Budd (1947-52) - Officer in the Order of Australia (AO)
For service to medicine, human physiology and acclimatisation in extreme climatic conditions, and to research in the Antarctic.

Emeritus Prof Kenneth Raymond Dutton (Tutor 1965-69) - Order of Australia Medal (OAM)
For work as an academic, scholar and administrator in the area of French language and literature.

OLD PAULINE NEWS

1950s

Miles Little (1952-58), Emeritus Professor in Surgery, has had his writings compiled in a book called 'A Miles Little Reader: Restoring Humane Values to Medicine', published by the Centre for Values, Ethics and the Law in Medicine.

David Castle (1955-59) is a partner of Dibbs Barker Gosling, where he has been since about 1967 when the firm was Priddle Gosling and consisted of 8 lawyers. Formerly Deputy Chairman of Partners, David David has held office in many professional and business associations including: Chairman, Law Society Business Law Committee; Member, Law Society Australian Securities Commission Liaison Committee; Chairman of the Immigration Task Force of the Law Society of NSW and Law Council; Law Society Representative, Law Council of Australia's Taxation Committee; Member, Migration Institute of Australia; Former Principal Member, Migration Agents Conduct Advisory Panel; Former President, NSW Taxpayers Association; Former Member, Council of the Law Society of NSW.

1960s

Dr John Hogg (1962-66) Awarded OAM 17 October 2003 - For service through the provision of immediate medical assistance to victims of the bombings which occurred in Bali on 12 October 2002.

Robin Yarrow (1962) is Permanent Secretary for Foreign Affairs in Fiji and the President of the Commonwealth Veterinary Association.

Ian Roberts (1964-68) was appointed Senior Counsel by the NSW Bar Association in October 2003. His practice areas include: Insurance, Medical Negligence, Personal Injury, Professional Negligence, and Workers Compensation.

Anthony Abrahams (1964-65) has started his own firm, Anthony Abrahams Lawyers Pty Ltd. He was previously in charge of KPMG Legal's Construction and Infrastructure Group for six years, and for twenty-seven years before that worked abroad, mostly in France, as a partner in the international law firm Clifford Chance.

1970s

Adrian Keenan (1972) continues at Canberra Grammar School as Director of Development, which includes Alumni and Community Relations. Music is still a great passion and he runs the choir and is involved with the Canberra Youth Orchestra.

Jim Longley (1977) is currently Head of Government Finance at Commonwealth Bank, developing financial solutions to Federal, State, Territory and selected Local Government clients.

1980s

Peter Madew (1984-86) had a once in a lifetime adventure turn into a life and death rescue on Mt Everest. A construction engineer who owns and operates a property development business, Peter made headlines around the world in May 2003 when he and an American climber, Walid Alexander, stopped 150 vertical metres short of conquering Everest to rescue a British climber with a badly broken leg. In an heroic 10-hour trip back to the mountain's top camp at 8,200 metres, Madew and Alexander helped the British climber, hop, crawl and drag himself along in the rocky terrain for approximately two kilometres. Peter then had to continue to a camp further down the mountain at 7,800 metres, sustaining severe frostbite to all his fingers and several toes, and suffering snow blindness.

Matthew Dalco (1981-83) moved to London about four years ago and continues to jointly run Cameron Mackintosh's global musical production company. Last year they took *Les Miserables* to China. He has just signed on for another five years.

David Macarthur (1981-84) is teaching at the University of Sydney in Department of Philosophy. His teaching and research interests are in the areas of Epistemology, Philosophy of Psychology, History of Modern Philosophy, Wittgenstein, and Aesthetics. He has co-edited a book, *Naturalism in Question* - to be published in 2004 by Harvard University Press- criticising orthodox scientific naturalism and outlining the advantages of a more liberal naturalism.

Paul Condoleon (1982-84) is a GP and Director of Total Health Screening, which operates a full body scanner using advanced

computerised tomography for preventative diagnostic imaging.

Stephen Gibberd (1987-89) has been working in Phnom Penh since 1993 mainly for UNDP, with a break in 2000 in East Timor and 2002 in Afghanistan for the UN peace keeping missions.

1990s

Peter Phelps (1990-93) is Chief of Staff for Senator Eric Abetz, Special Minister of State, in Canberra.

Matt Bain (1990-92) works in IT sales for Nitto Denco in Sydney.

Alex Maroya (1991-94) is currently doing a PhD at ANU in the Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies. His thesis, 'The Legacy of the British Imperial Frontier', focuses on the institutional inheritance from the colonial era of the modern states of Sudan, Somalia and Yemen.

Laurence Brown (1991-94) is an Assistant Professor in History and Social Sciences at the American University of Paris. His area of expertise is the British-American slave trade, particularly labor relations and population movements that followed 'forced migration'.

Henry Gordon (1991) is working for CSFB in London.

Patrick Joyce (1992-94) has returned to Australia after a stint with AMP Malaysia as group operations and systems manager to take up a position with Austereo as General Manager of its Sydney operations.

Andrew Sandes (1992-94) has been working in Tokyo for over two years.

Hamish Milne (1992-2003) is establishing a Professional Standards Unit for the Anglican Diocese of Perth. He is developing policies and protocols for managing complaints of clergy sexual misconduct and abuse.

Charlie Butcher (1993-94) is working in Beijing for the global public relations and public affairs firm Burson-Marsteller.

Gerard Hurst (1993-95) is back living in Perth and is the physiotherapist at the University of Western Australia's Recreation Centre.

Alex Pope (1997-99) competed in the 2003 Maui Ocean Channel Swim as part of the Tattersalls Swimming Club. The swim from Lanai Island to Maui is approximately fourteen kilometres.

BRIAN FORSTER DICKENS OBE AM MBBS

1922 - 2003. IN COLLEGE 1946 - 1951.

Brian Dickens was born into a family with a strong tradition of community service on both sides. His father, Canon Clive Dickens, was for many years the Diocesan Registrar for the Diocese of Armidale, serving also as a member of the Board of The Armidale School. Thus it was from TAS that Brian matriculated in 1940, enlisting immediately in the Royal Australian Navy. During his active service, which he began at the age of 17, he served on three ships, the *HMAS Napier*, *HMAS Diamantina* and the *HMAS Launceston*.

At the conclusion of hostilities he resumed the career path that would lead to his description in the *Dubbo Daily Liberal* as "a giant of a man". He fought hard to be allowed to study Medicine, and completed his studies whilst resident in College, graduating in 1952. His Valet in *The Pauline* of that year noted that 'Long' Dickens's country schooling and Navy service in postings as diverse as Trincomalee and Japan "had lent a broad mind to his narrow form". By the time he graduated (like many of his contemporaries, in his late 20s) he was engaged to Ula George, a nurse at RPA.

Brian commenced practice as a GP in Dubbo in the mid-'50s, in partnership with two contemporaries, Warwick Adams (a fellow Pauline) and John Beith (St Andrew's). Theirs was to be a record-breaking partnership, continuing for over 35 years.

In 1957 Brian's interest in society's needy resulted in his founding the Westhaven Foundation, which provided special needs education for the intellectually disabled, and he soon persuaded the Dubbo community to make Westhaven one of the city's most important charitable causes. As a result, its charter was later extended to provide a workshop in Dubbo employing intellectually disabled people who had completed their education. Westhaven has in the years since provided training, employment and accommodation for people with an intellectual disability. He also became active in Dubbo Legacy, serving as President for two terms, and involved himself yet more widely in the Dubbo community, serving two terms on the City Council. He was made an Officer of the Order of the British Empire in 1970.

Not content with his work in Dubbo, he deployed his powers of persuasion further afield, inducing the authorities to allow him to spend a period in Vietnam as a civilian doctor, helping to re-establish the nation's medical infrastructure after the war.

For all his involvement in community life, family life was no less important to him – and it brought more than its fair share of sadness. His only daughter, Susan, died at 23, and his brother (also a graduate of this University) who suffered from a mental illness, also died young.

Brian's unstoppable commitment to serving his community was further recognised in 1986, when he was again honoured, as a Member of the Order of Australia.

Physically disabled by a fall several years ago which left him in a coma for some time, he never lost his interest in his many friends, and particularly those Legacy widows he had befriended in his later years as a Legatee.

He is survived by Ula (who has taken over the care of 'his' widows) and sons Peter and William.

THE INAUGURAL CABLE LECTURE

The Parish Church of St James' has established an annual lecture to commemorate the life and work of the late

Dr Kenneth Cable AM

Distinguished Historian, Anglican Scholar and Fellow of St Paul's.

The Inaugural Cable Lecture will be held on Friday 10 September at 6.30pm in St James' Church, King Street, Sydney.

The lecturer is Emeritus Professor Brian Fletcher, former Bicentennial Professor of History at Sydney University, who will be speaking on:

'AUSTRALIAN ANGLICANISM AND AUSTRALIAN HISTORY: THE NEED FOR A SYNTHESIS'

Historians of Australia have for the most part ignored the role of Anglicanism when writing about the history of the nation. This is at once a disservice to the Anglican Church and to the understanding of Australian history. The lecture seeks to show how the two can be related and to bring out the importance for church and nation of establishing these links.

The lecture is free and all are welcome. Further details are available on the St James' website: www.stjameschurchsydney.org.au