

# CHRONICLE

CHRIST CHURCH GRAMMAR SCHOOL



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*The official opening of the Main School Building, September 1914.*



### *In the Scheme of Things*

Imagine the excitement and sense of achievement at the official opening of the Main Building of the fledgling Christ Church Preparatory School in September 1914.

Imagine what the School would be like today if subsequent generations had rested on the accomplishments of those School pioneers.

Well, as you know, they did not. First under the umbrella of the Church of England, then under the direction of the School Council, Christ Church has grown from nine pupils and one teacher in 1910 to 1235 pupils and two hundred members of staff in 1997. It has evolved from one classroom on half an acre of land to the sizeable Claremont campus extended by playing fields in Mt Claremont and an Outdoor Education Centre in Dwellingup.

This was not the work of a fairy with a magic wand or a wish-fulfilling genie. It resulted from the vision, hard work and generosity of successive generations of staff, parents and old boys. For over eighty years new boys entering the School have benefited from the

efforts of those who have gone before. The boys at Christ Church today benefit in this way, just as the boys of tomorrow will benefit from current developments.

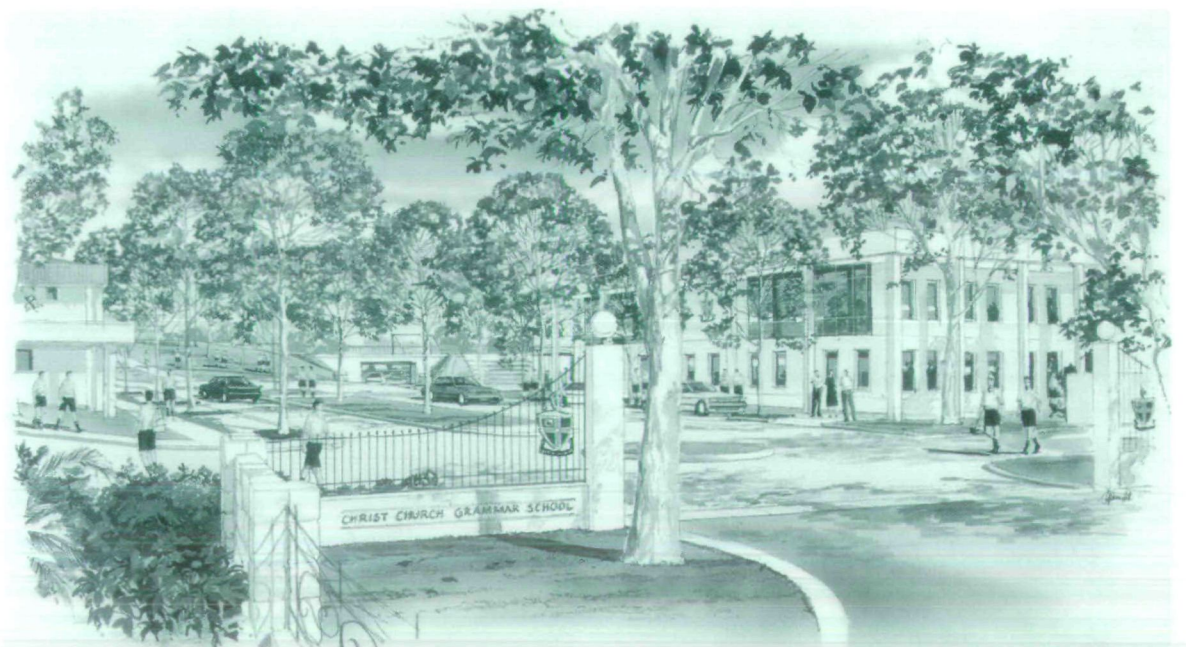
It is an on-going process. Buildings become inadequate, educational needs change. A school must meet these challenges.

For some years School facilities have developed in line with various master plans. One outcome of the widely consultative 1994 strategic planning process was a thorough review of the School's facilities and the formation of a three stage Master Plan.

School Council is committed to offering the best possible teaching and learning environment for present and future generations of Christ Church boys. While some funding for Master Plan projects will come from reserves, cash flow and borrowings, the speed of progress will depend largely upon the generosity of members of the extended School family.

**The best start in life** building campaign is explained on page 5. Please play your part in the evolving history of Christ Church Grammar School by donating to this appeal. ■

*Arist's impression of the proposed entrance to Christ Church Grammar School, showing new and extended buildings.*



# HEADMASTER

## *From the Headmaster's Desk*

### **The best start in life**

My wife and I first visited Christ Church in 1986. We were struck by two things, the warmth of the School and its purposefulness. Boys of all ages clearly liked being here. Teachers loved their teaching. Council Members and parents were excited about being involved in the life of the School.

We found a strong sense of tradition. People were proud of the story of the School, and of its friendly, loyal and far-flung network of independent-minded men and women.

We found a realism about the not inconsiderable education and social expectations heaped upon schools by an increasingly demanding society. No-one was cowed by the demands. Academic, sporting, cultural and pastoral challenges were being met head on. The place hummed.

Finally, we sensed excitement about the future. Whilst respecting past and present, everybody we talked to was thoughtful and imaginative about educational futures.

We were not surprised by the purposefulness. Before coming to visit we had been told - forcefully - that Christ Church was a great independent school.

Ten years later I can say without hesitation that it is still a great and proudly independent school. For a decade I have been privileged to be a bit player in its story. Like so many others I have come to love

- the strength of our **community**
- the invigorating level of **energy**
- the commitment to **excellence**
- the **diversity** of offerings, enabling so many young individuals to develop talents in ways that surprise themselves
- the imaginative approach to planning - an approach predicated upon adventurously defining our own **preferred future**, and to thinking laterally about how to get there.

**The best start in life** campaign is a celebration of all of these things. It is a product of the comprehensive consultative strategic planning of 1993 and 1994. Since then our strategic goals have been given physical expression by a hard-working Master Plan Working Party. Chaired by Gordon McLarty, the group consisted of Michael Croudace, John Lidbury, David Uhe, Tim Lewis-Jones, Phil Skeels, Ray House, Vince Evans, and for much of the time, boarding house Heads Dean Bowker, Graham Ferguson, Neil Siggers and Acting Walters Head Peter Wray.

The Working Party met at 7.00 am most Fridays in

1995 and 1996, breakfasting on vast numbers of pancakes! At the end of the day it proposed an educationally sound and physically imaginative vision of the School in 2010, the Centenary Year - a vision endorsed by a Council led strongly, indeed boldly, by John Saleeba until the end of 1996, and since then by Peter Hollingsworth.

The School's strategic goals are challenging. The Master Plan is particularly challenging. We are committed to Stage 1, the construction of world best practice accommodation for our boarding community and the redevelopment of our academic library and information technology resource centre. Stages 2 and 3 are also portrayed but it is important to note that they are not yet tablets of stone. As is proper, the Council of the day will consider each project on its merits in the light of emerging realities. But it will be much assisted by knowing that should finances be available each project has a place in a coherent scheme of things.

We have challenged ourselves by casting a line boldly into the future. To reel that future in we have to be courageous. We must aim to raise \$4 million over the next four years. That is a tall order.

It is pleasing to report that we have begun strongly. The generosity of Committee Chairs and members is increasingly motivating. And we know that many others are keen to help. For example, on our recent trip to South-East Asia Dean Bowker and I were heartened by the warmth of the response of members of the School family - whether West Australian old boys, expatriate parents or Asian families ... some of the latter with several generations of links to the School.

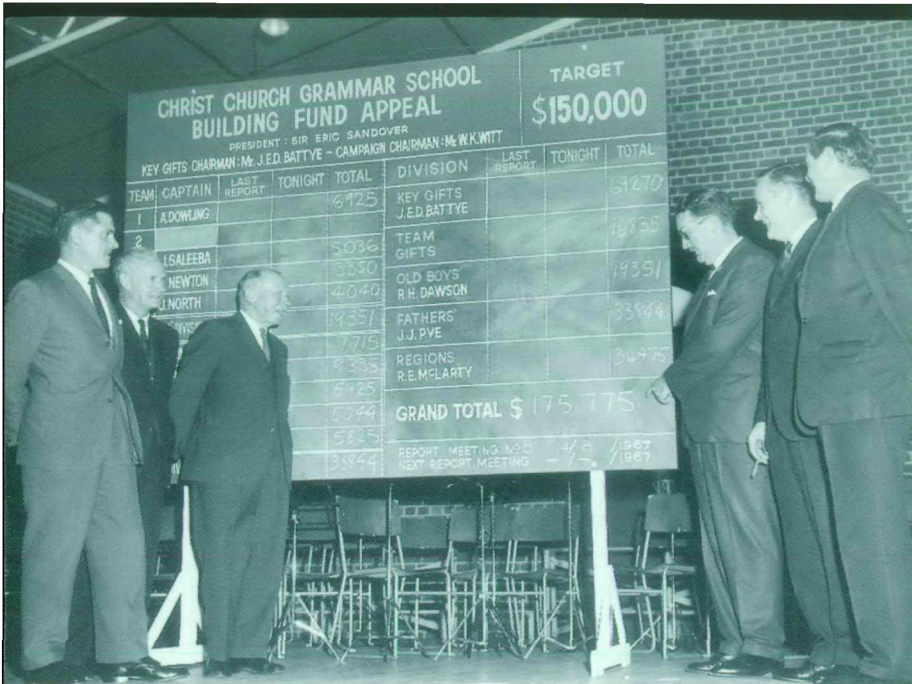
We are humbled when we consider the generosity of the School family in building this School through eighty-seven often turbulent, sometimes difficult, but always spirited years. We are determined to build our boys' future through **the best start in life** campaign.

### TOP OF THE STATE

Our congratulations to David Liaw, Beazley Medallist, 1996. Four perfect scores (in Applicable Maths, Calculus, Chemistry and Physics) ensured top marks in the State, as well as two Subject Exhibitions, Chemistry and Physics. David is the third Christ Church pupil since 1989 to achieve the highest mark in the State. ■



*Jeremy Madin, Headmaster*



There was such enthusiastic support from the School family for the 1967 Building Fund Appeal that donations exceeded the \$150,000 target.

## Gifts Helped Make It Happen

The Christ Church Preparatory School was opened on 7 February 1910. There was one classroom and an enrolment of nine day boys. The founder, Canon McClemons ran the school while carrying on as Rector of Christ Church.

Enrolments increased and boarders were accepted. At first they lived in the Rectory but in 1914 a loan was secured to finance the construction of boarding accommodation. The building cost £3,000!

Canon McClemons, who had paid for two new classrooms out of his own pocket, left in 1915 to become a chaplain in the Australian Infantry Forces.

By this time the School had 120 pupils of whom thirty-five were boarders, but during the next three decades there were many financial setbacks. Wars and economic depression made things difficult. Parents and old boys rallied from time to time to save the school from closure. They also contributed to projects to raise funds for equipment and amenities.

Interspersed with the bad years were some periods of growth when additional land was acquired and facilities improved.

In 1948 such alterations and improvements to the classrooms and boarding houses as were possible in the years of post-war austerity were carried out but 1951 proved to be the turning point in the history of the School. The Council for Church of England Schools was replaced by independent councils and Christ Church truly came of age.

This coincided with the appointment of Headmaster Mr P M Moyes. Enrolments grew from 250 in 1951 to 850 in 1967, and staff increased accordingly. Academic and sporting achievements more than kept pace with this growth. In 1956 the School was invited to join the Public Schools Association.

In 1952 the Old Boys' War Memorial Fund was opened to provide a modern classroom wing. In 1954 a drive was launched to finance the Memorial Hall. It was completed in 1955 and work commenced on the new library, tuckshop and masters' change room.

During these years the growth and modernisation of School property was spectacular. More than half a million dollars - a large sum in those days - was spent on building renovations and the purchase of land. Of this more than \$60,000 was contributed by parents and old boys

In 1967 the biggest single step in the building program was taken by beginning the implementation of the Master Plan for the modernisation of the School and the replacement of all obsolescent buildings.

The Master Plan was divided into four projects. The Sandover Dining Hall, kitchen, medical centre and luncheon service was completed in 1968, the School Chapel was opened in 1970, the physical education centre was in use by 1973, and the Administration block, the library and the redevelopment of the Senior School were completed over the next six years.

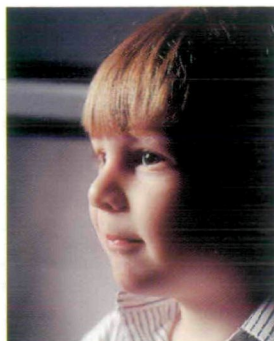
In the early 1980s the School Council established a new Computing Centre, a fine building at Koorngal, a greatly extended Music School, a well-equipped Drama Workshop in the Memorial Hall and a completely new Preparatory School. The financial support of parents and old boys enabled the School to spend over \$2 million on these new facilities in less than three years. A major appeal in 1984 yielded \$850,000.

The next project was the new Science Block and the redevelopment of the Senior School. An appeal to fund this \$4 million project was launched in June 1987. Despite difficult economic times the target was reached by October 1988.

Fundraising has been part of School life since the earliest days. It is vital that it continues as independent schools cannot fund capital projects without support. Christ Church has flourished because parents and old boys have responded to its needs. ■

There were now serious doubts about the future of Christ Church. Early in August 1919, one of the Fellows of the Council for Church of England Schools, stated that his opinion "was against any attempt to establish another Church of England Secondary School at Claremont or in the vicinity of Perth, unless you desire to court financial difficulties". A subcommittee was appointed to investigate the financial outlook of the school. Its report - "that there seems no hope of making Christ Church School a paying proposition and immediate steps should be taken to dispose of the property". The suggestion was seriously considered and for some time the fate of the School hung in the balance. Naturally enough, the offer to purchase three properties adjacent to the school was declined by the Council. It was at this stage however, that parents of boys attending Christ Church moved into the discussion. Acting through Mr R.H. Sudlow, a Committee of Parents offered to take over the management of the school rather than see it closed down. CHRIST CHURCH CHRONICLE, No.1, page 3, February 1967.

*If we are to continue to provide leadership in education under modern conditions and to fulfil the aims of the Founder we must press ahead. We must get on with the game. We are members of a great fellowship and we have received "a goodly heritage" to which it should be our duty and our privilege to contribute each in his own time and according to his abilities. Let us catch the vision of our Founder, Canon W. J. McClemons, and help turn this Appeal into a reality. Headmaster Peter Moyes, referring to the 1967 campaign in CHRIST CHURCH CHRONICLE No.2, page 2, July 1967.*



## *The best start in life*

One outcome of the the 1994 Strategic Plan was a review of the School's Master Plan to provide the best possible learning resources and environment for present and future generations of Christ Church boys. The new Master Plan is in three stages.

Stage One consists of the highest priority projects:

- Redevelopment of the Boarding Houses
- Library Resource Centre
- Pre-Primary Centre
- Refurbishment of the Medical Centre
- Improvement and landscaping of some key sporting facilities

The Stage Two projects are a Multi-Purpose Sports Centre, a Performing Arts Centre and the Development of the Central Court. Stage Three includes a Sports Hall and a Mathematics and Languages Centre.

School Council is committed to carrying out these projects. Whilst some funding will come from reserves, cash flow and borrowings, progress will depend upon the generosity of the School family.

**The best start in life** is the campaign to raise \$4

million by the end of the year 2000 to supplement Stage One of the Master Plan.

The Christ Church Grammar School Foundation, the fundraising arm of the School, is administered by the Foundation Board which reports to School Council. The Foundation Board is responsible for **the best start in life** campaign which is directed by the Campaign Executive and managed by the Foundation Office. The Members of the Campaign Executive are:

Chairman of Council	Peter Hollingsworth
Headmaster	Jeremy Madin
Campaign Chairman	John Hughes
Chair of Foundation Board	David Craig
Chair of Leadership Gifts	John Poynton
Chair of Key Gifts	Rod Shea
Chair of General Gifts	Ray West
Foundation Director	Dean Bowker

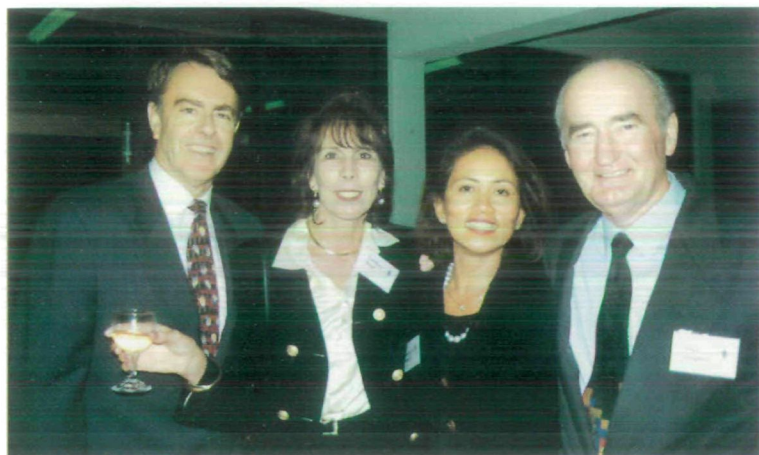
Independent schools cannot finance large building developments from revenue. Fundraising appeals are a necessity. Since the earliest years parents and old boys have supported Christ Church Grammar School in this way, enabling it to grow into a leading independent boys' school, offering quality education in a pleasing and practical learning environment.

In due course a volunteer will approach you, or you will be contacted by mail, to make a financial contribution to **the best start in life** appeal. You will be given a package containing brochures explaining the Master Plan projects, the campaign and how you can help. Please consider these carefully.

By assisting to preserve, develop and secure the future of Christ Church Grammar School you will be playing an important part in preparing countless boys to make worthwhile contributions to the world.

Please give these boys **the best start in life** by supporting the campaign. ■

*Andrew Sutherland, Year 1, features in the best start in life campaign literature. Andrew's father, Tony Sutherland (1969-75) is an old boy of the School.*



*Howard and Lindsey Read, Margarita and John Hughes at the launch of the best start in life fundraising campaign held in the School Refectory on 30 April. Howard Read (1956-60) is an old boy of the School and Lindsey is a member of School Council and of the Foundation Board. Their son Campbell Read (1989-96) is also an old boy. Well known Perth businessman John Hughes is Chairman of the best start in life campaign. John and Margarita's son Jeremy is a Year 9 pupil at the School.*

The very enjoyable Kuala Lumpur dinner was held at the Istana Hotel.



## Visit to South East Asia

Headmaster Jeremy Madin, Registrar Harold Woodall and Foundation Director Dean Bowker spent seventeen days in March visiting members of the School family living in South East Asia.

Their visits to Hong Kong, Bangkok, Kuala Lumpur, Singapore, Brunei and Jakarta provided an ideal opportunity for many overseas families and old boys to farewell Harold, who is retiring. It also allowed parents and prospective parents to chat with the Headmaster about their sons and to hear about the exciting plans for further School developments.

Dean took the opportunity to inform those who attended the dinner functions about the \$4 million **the best start in life** fundraising campaign. Every family was given a Case Statement and it was explained how gifts could be made to help the School to achieve its goals over the next four years.

Without exception Jeremy, Harold and Dean were made to feel very welcome.

The cities visited abound with people. For example both Jakarta and Bangkok are home to over twelve million. They are vibrant business centres with tremendous energy directed to infrastructure projects such as new road and rail systems, airports, schools, universities and housing developments. Many

members of the School's South East Asian family are focused on developing the region so they readily warmed to Christ Church's visionary plan to further develop the Claremont campus. ■

The Thai School family dined at the Novotel Hotel in Bangkok.



Jeremy Madin presents Brunei Old Boys' Association representative Jin Yong Lim (1982-86) with a small gift to thank him for organising the excellent Brunei dinner.



Old Boys at the Singapore dinner: Rhodes Scholar Glenn Leighton (1981-85), Executive Manager (Asia) for Westpac Bank Asian Division; Phillip Y C Wong (1958-59), Director of Magli Enterprises (Far East); and Simon Raybould (1966-70) Executive Manager of Barclays Bank (Trading Division) Singapore.

The Jakarta branch of the School family dined at the Mercantile Athletic Club in the penthouse of the World Trade Centre, Jakarta.



## New Members of Foundation Board

Two new members have joined the Christ Church Grammar School Foundation Board.

FREDERICK FAIRTHORNE is a company director with considerable experience in retail operations, property and forestry. Fred's sons Thomas and David are in Years 9 and 3 at the School.

LINDSEY READ is a Member of School Council. As a School parent she served on the Parents' Association Auxiliary. She had organised and co-



ordinated fundraising projects for the Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital Foundation and has worked in the Hospital's Public Relations Department. Lindsey also has experience in the fashion industry. Her husband Howard (1956-60) and her son Campbell (1989-96) are old boys of the School.

Brief biographies of the other members of the Foundation Board were given on page five, CHRONICLE No.19 (May 1996). They are David Craig (Chairman), Timothy Campbell, Ken Gotfried, Tony Packer, John Saleeba and Rod Shea. ■



## Council Update

John Saleeba retired from the position of Chairman of Council at the end of 1996. An Old Boys' Association nominee, John has served on Council since 1977. He was Vice Chairman in 1986-87 and succeeded Mr Justice Ian McCall as Chairman in 1988.

John's service to the School has been remarkable and it is fortunate that he will continue as a Member of Council and as Chair of the Superannuation Fund.

Former Vice Chairman Peter (Pip) Hollingsworth D.Phil. (Oxon), FRACP, FRCPA, is the new Chairman. Also a nominee of the Old Boys' Association, Pip joined the Council in 1991 and has served on the Education and the Buildings and Grounds sub-committees.

Pip attended Christ Church from 1960-64. He was Captain of School and Captain of Football in his final year and he matriculated with a General Exhibition. He graduated Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery from the University of Western Australia in 1970 and was subsequently awarded a Rhodes Scholarship. Pip gained his Doctorate in 1975, became a Fellow of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians in 1980 and Fellow of the Royal College of Pathologists of Australia in 1982. He is now Consultant Clinical Immunologist at Royal Perth and Sir Charles Gairdner Hospitals.

Pip is married to Janne and they have two sons and two daughters. Nicholas (1991-95) is an old boy and

Timothy is a Year 12 student at the School.

Andrew Edwards, B.Com., FCA, is now Vice Chairman of Council. Andrew joined Council in 1995 as one of the three Synod nominees. He has served on the Finance and Education sub-committees and chairs the Audit sub-committee.

Andrew attended Christ Church from 1965-70 and gained a Bachelor of Commerce degree from the University of Western Australia in 1973. Since then he has worked with Chartered Accountants Coopers & Lybrand in Perth, Sydney and Auckland. He has been a partner in the firm for the past twelve years. He is Chairman of the WA Education Committee of the Institute of Chartered Accountants and sits on the National Education Committee. He is also a Divisional Councillor of the Securities Institute of Australia.

Andrew is married to Mandy. They have two daughters and a son. Simon is a Year 10 pupil at the School.

The other members of Council are Timothy Campbell (Treasurer), Glenda Campbell-Evans (Chair of the Education Committee), David Craig (Chair of the Foundation Board), Michael Croudace, Denis Culley, Gordon McLarty (Chair of the Building and Grounds Committee), Lindsey Read, Ray West and David Wood. ■

## Donations to the Archives

Sue Andersson has donated a photograph of Christ Church Staff and Students, 1929. The photograph belonged to Mrs Andersson's grandmother, who was the sister of Christ Church Headmaster (1923-32) Canon Lionel W Parry.

CLAY BOWKER (1980-91) donated his Christ Church Grammar School United Kingdom Cricket Tour shirt, 1991.

PETER BROUN (1983-87) donated his Christ Church Grammar School track suit, 1987.

G RICHARD FERGUSON (1955-58) donated a collection of thirteen photographs of rowing, drama, debating and a School dance taken at the School between 1957 and 1959.

ROBERT HUNT (1969-70) donated a collection of newspaper articles, drama programs, sports programs and Parents' Association newsletters, 1968-70. ■

*Fred Fairthorne.*

*Lindsey Read.*



*John Saleeba.*



*Pip Hollingsworth.*



*Andrew Edwards.*



*Peter Tan, John Paul Olivier, Dean of Studies Peter Lewis, David Liaw, Headmaster Jeremy Madin, Richard Lilly and Kenneth Tee at Government House for the presentation of General Exhibition awards.*

## 1996 TEE Results

David Liaw, the 1996 Dux of School, went on to gain the highest TEE score in the State. With his outstanding score of 506 David earned the coveted Beazley Medal.

General Exhibitions were awarded to the five Christ Church boys who were placed in the top forty in the state. They are David Liaw, Richard Lilly, John Paul Olivier, Peter Tan and Kenneth Tee.

The Chemistry Exhibition and the Physics Exhibition were both awarded to David Liaw.

Certificates of Distinction were awarded to David Liaw and John Paul Olivier (Applicable Mathematics): David Liaw, Peter Tan and Kenneth Tee (Calculus): Pierre Giumelli, David Liaw and Kenneth Tee (Chemistry): David Liaw (Economics): Kenneth Tee (English Literature): David Liaw, Richard Lilly, Peter Tan and Kenneth Tee (Physics) and John Paul Olivier (Politics).

Fourteen boys were awarded Certificates of Excellence: Pak Hung Chen, Paul Day, Scott Gibson, Pierre Giumelli, Tim Le Souef, David Liaw, Richard Lilly, Hee Luong Ling, Peter Tan, Kenneth Tee, John Paul Olivier, Matthew Tilbrook, Rhys Waldon and Chung-Yao Yu.

These students are congratulated. The School community is proud of their achievements. ■

## Science Awards

Last year approximately one hundred Year 8-12 boys took part in the Australian Science Competition and another hundred in the National Chemistry Quiz. They performed well in both competitions, producing results above the state average in all year groups.

Tobias Locsei was awarded a gold medal in the Australian Science Competition for gaining the highest score in the state - he achieved a perfect score.

Eight students received plaques for outstanding performance in the National Chemistry Quiz, a fine effort as only 400 plaques were awarded across Australia. These students were Luke Dunlop, Tobias Locsei, Justin Ng, Peter Tan, Matthew Tilbrook, James Andrewartha, Ben Woffenden and Tony Ma.



*Tobias Locsei shows his awards.*

These boys also gained perfect scores.

Thirteen boys took part in the national qualifying examination for the Chemistry Olympiad. Luke Dunlop and David Thackaberry achieved High Distinctions and were placed in the top eleven students in Australia, Peter Andrewartha gained a Distinction and Hsien Wern Chan, Kevin Ho and Tobias Locsei were awarded Credits. During the Christmas holidays Luke and David attended a Chemistry summer school and in March they sat an examination from which four students were selected to represent Australia at the International Chemistry Olympiad in July. ■

## Curriculum Initiatives in Biotechnology

Year 10 boys at Christ Church are now involved in one of the most innovative biological curricula in Australia. The course was introduced by former Head of Biology, Kerry Clarke, who was awarded a CRA Research Fellowship in 1992 to investigate biotechnology initiatives in USA and UK.

In 1993 the traditional systems biology course was replaced with one in biotechnology and associated molecular biological theory. Three main areas are investigated - Plant Tissue Culture, Enzymes in Industry and Recombinant DNA Technology. The course is practically orientated but is complemented with the necessary molecular theory to enable the students to understand and interpret the outcomes they observe in practical sessions.

Plant Tissue Culture enables the development of sterile stock plants from culture stock or from seeds that have been disinfested. Aseptic conditions are created using transfer hoods and sterilants like methylated spirits, hibitane and sodium hypochlorite. This enables plant tissue to be cultured in a sterile and chemically defined environment free from air borne pathogens. The importance of this technique is emphasised in discussions on how plant tissue culture provides the basis for a number of prospering industries such as nurseries, cut flowers and in particular the replacement of native species that would otherwise prove hard to grow from seed material.

Enzymes in Industry focusses on the methods of immobilization and how enzymes, as biological catalysts, are used to improve commercial and domestic manufacturing processes, especially in the beverage industry, brewing and juices. The specific effects on improved rates of reactions, reduction in



processing and cost of production are identified.

The most exciting aspect of the biotechnology program is the examination of Recombinant DNA techniques. Theory examining the structure of DNA, 'the code of life', and its role in protein synthesis forms the basis for understanding how it can be extracted and manipulated. Bacterial restriction



enzymes are used in conjunction with gel electrophoresis to examine the genetic fingerprints of specific DNA sequences. Examination of these technological advances brings with it the responsibility for providing a forum for the discussion of the ethical issues, particularly in regard to the application and ownership.

With the rapid advances being made in this field of molecular biology it is important that the members of the community, of which students are a part, are informed about the impact it will have on their lives. What are the effects of consuming transgenic animals? Do tomatoes with arctic fish genes incorporated in to their genome taste fishy? How will the human genome project affect the lives of employees in the future? These are but a few of the questions that are related to this aspect of the curriculum.

Relevant research by the biology staff to ensure that the curriculum is as up to date as possible is an on-going process. Last year Mark Morrissy, Acting Head of Biology and Head of Moyes house, worked with the Neuromuscular Research Institute for a week, examining and trialing some of the most up-to-date genetic screening and gene therapy techniques.

The challenge exists both to keep the course as relevant as possible and to be a leader in this area of curriculum. In conjunction with the Science Teachers' Association, the Christ Church Biology Department has taken on the role of providing inservicing for staff across the state and, recently, overseas. Some seventy teachers have received in-service training over the last three years. ■

## Maths Whizzes

Last year 521,000 students from Australia and overseas participated in the Australian Mathematics Competition (AMC).

A limited number of medals are awarded each year for outstanding performance, forty-three in 1996 to those who scored in the top 0.00008th percentile!

Peter Andrewartha (now Year 12) was awarded a Medal. He flew to Canberra in November for the presentation by the Governor-General. This is the eighth AMC Medal won by a Christ Church student since 1990.

Prizes are awarded to students who score in the top one-third of 1% of candidates in each state. On a population basis a school of the size of Christ Church might expect two such prizes.

Sixteen boys were prizewinners. They are: Henry Fang, Paul Tilbrook, David Solomon, Ben Woffenden, Simon Zilko, James Andrewartha, Hsien-Wern Chan, Michael Molinari, Peter Andrewartha, David Thackaberry, Tobias Locsei, Daniel Suan, Luke Dunlop, Gareth Yeo, Kevin Ho and Matthew Tilbrook.

Twenty-five boys gained High Distinctions (awarded to the top 2% of competitors in each age group in each state), 130 gained Distinctions (awarded to the top 15%) and 162 boys were presented with Credits. ■

*Simon Prosser, Paul Salmeri, Jake Collins and Daniel Ellis preparing genetic fingerprints for specific DNA sequences.*

*The sixteen Christ Church prizewinners in the 1996 Australian Mathematics Competition : Henry Fang, Paul Tilbrook, David Solomon, Ben Woffenden, Simon Zilko, James Andrewartha, Hsien-Wern Chan, Michael Molinari, Peter Andrewartha, David Thackaberry, Tobias Locsei, Daniel Suan, Luke Dunlop, Gareth Yeo, Kevin Ho and Matthew Tilbrook. Photograph by courtesy of Post Newspapers Pty Ltd..*



Mark Morrissy, Head of Moyes House and Acting Head of Biology, with poet-in-residence Mark O'Connor.



## *The Science of Poetry or the Poetry of Science?*

In an unusual initiative the Science Department, with generous funding from the Parents' Association, hosted a poet - yes a Poet!!

Internationally known poet and author Mark O'Connor has a special interest in relating literature to the environment and the society that produces it. His subject matter is diverse, ranging from the rainforest and coral reef to the arctic birds, from the gentleness of crocodiles to Aboriginal mythology and the erotic life of common flowers.

A prolific writer, Mark has published twelve books, many containing stunning photographs that mirror the magic of his poetry. He has received numerous Australian and international awards - The Biennial Poetry Australia International Prize, The Tom Collins Poetry Prize and The South Pacific ACLALS Short Story prize, to name a few.

As Artist-in-Residence at Christ Church Mark worked closely with the Science Department examining themes in Marine Biology, technology, the environment and life. He also spent time in the English, Art and Social Science Departments.

In English and Art he looked at the creative process from his personal perspective, analysing how the seed of an idea can trigger a mechanism for collecting information and how the inspiration that follows can lead to a new work. In some English classes he examined his own poetry to provide insight and understanding. A willingness to share his knowledge with staff contributed strongly to their feeling of respect for this humble person who possesses tremendous powers of expression.

Mark sojourned with Year 11 and 12 Geographers on excursions to various centres around Perth, examining the complexities of the urban landscape and its impact on the environment. This was uniquely contrasted with the natural landscape of John Forrest National park.

Mark also visited religious studies classes to discuss another special interest, population growth and its impact on the environment.

As Vice President of the Australian Society for an Ecologically Sustainable Population Mark was well

qualified to speak to a gathering of parents and community members at the Centre for Ethics on the Ethics of Immigration and the effects of increasing population on the delicately balanced Australian environment.

Mark Morrissey, Head of Moyes House and Acting Head of Biology, spent a great deal of time with the visiting poet. He observed that Mark O'Connor's visit had a significant impact across many areas of the School and the community. In the words of the notable historian Manning Clarke, "O'Connor is the voice of a writer who can create people, and create them in memorable words. He is not the voice of a mocker or a sneerer, he is the voice of a man who is singing to those who have ears to hear, a hymn of praise to life." ■

## *Revolution in the Library*

All libraries are at a crossroads. Although the way ahead is difficult to imagine because of the burgeoning effects of technology, librarians agree that the services they provide must equip their users with the information skills they will need in the twenty-first century.

Currently the Christ Church Senior Library provides an efficient, reliable service to its users. Students and staff have access to an excellent book collection, a growing number of CD-ROMs, a wide-ranging periodical collection, and an inter-library loan service that can locate material around the world. Internet access is also available and staff and students are given information on relevant sites by the Library staff. In addition, as the need arises, library staff support teachers' curriculum-based initiatives, provide one-on-one assistance with subject searches, find that elusive video, and more.

Some proactive work is being done - the library is now open for boarders each weekday evening; there is an active Friends of the Library group; and students are learning to use such search tools as GUIDELINES.

There is, however, a revolution going on in libraries - and the Christ Church Senior Library is preparing to be part of it. In fact if Senior Librarian Jan Kaye has anything to do with it the School will be at the forefront.

High on the School's Master Plan list is the development of a new Library Resource Centre. The School aims to take the library into the twenty-first century and, in doing so, encourage all members of the School community to see that best practice in a



Jan Kaye, Senior Librarian.

school library means that information is managed in such a way that it empowers students to be lifelong learners.

Of course, a revolution does involve change and some aspects of a radically new direction for school libraries may, at first, be greeted with caution. Change, however, is inevitable in school libraries. What we at CCGS need to decide is whether the Senior Library is going to let itself be changed or whether it is going to be an agent of change.

Many of the delegates at the recent Australian Library & Information Association conference which Jan Kaye attended were of the opinion that school libraries have no choice but to be change-agents if they are to remain viable for their users. The Staff in the Christ Church Senior Library agree. They stress, however, that if the School is going to be at the forefront, it will need support from all levels of the Christ Church community. ■

## *New Members of Staff*



*Rebecca Barber*  
Koorinal  
Outdoor Education



*Megan Bishop*  
Senior School  
Science & Mathematics



*Janet Carse*  
Senior School  
English



*Michael Daddi*  
Preparatory School  
Year 4



*Gabrielle Fairclough*  
Senior School  
Drama Teacher



*Tina Kingshott*  
Senior School  
Social Science



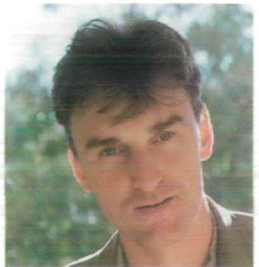
*Debbie Lynass*  
Preparatory School  
Year 6



*Robert Manning*  
Senior School  
English



*Julianne McCabe*  
Senior School  
Japanese



*Nick Pelling*  
Senior School  
Social Science



*Dean Shadgett*  
Senior School  
Mathematics



*Roger Smith*  
Senior School  
Design & Technology



*Tom Stow*  
Koorinal  
Outdoor Education

Lorraine Day.



## Lorraine Day Leaves Us

After nineteen years of outstanding commitment to Christ Church Lorraine Day has accepted the position of Deputy Principal of St Michael's Collegiate School, Hobart.

In 1978, while still a student at Nedlands Teachers College, Lorraine was asked to devise a Mathematics and Science course for the Secondary School Education Support Unit. She combined this assignment with her practice placement and was 'hooked'. She joined the staff the following year as a Science teacher, on the promise from Headmaster Peter Moyes that she could teach Mathematics full-time as soon as a position became available.

At that time Lorraine was one of only three female members of the Senior School academic staff. She became the first female to teach Mathematics at the School and later the first 'Master-in-Charge' of Rowing (1982-83), of Cricket (1984-89 and 1991-95) and manager of the 1st XI (1984-96). She was also the first woman to be appointed Assistant Head of Mathematics (1990-92) and Head of House (1992-97).

For some years Lorraine has been a very active member of the Mathematical Association of Western Australia, serving as Vice President and, at the time of her appointment to Collegiate, as President. She has attended numerous state, interstate and overseas conferences, submitted an impressive number of

papers and conducted workshops on Primary and Secondary School Mathematics.

As inaugural Head of the four-year-old Hill House Lorraine was delighted when Hill won both House cups in 1996, the Beatty Cup for Champion House and the Eagling Cup for Best Scholastic House.

Lorraine's son Kerry Day (1980-91) is an old boy of the School.

After so many years of teaching boys Lorraine may find St Michael's Collegiate School a little different. The Anglican school, established in 1892, caters for approximately 1000 girls on three campuses. Lorraine will also have to adjust to a change in teaching methods for Collegiate is a 'laptop school', the girls doing all their work on laptop computers.

Lorraine has taught Mathematics to countless Christ Church boys. They will undoubtedly join the staff in wishing her well in her new appointment.

## NEW HEAD OF HILL HOUSE

Sheryl Gardner has been appointment to the position of Head of Hill House.

Sheryl began teaching in 1978, gaining a wealth of experience in both government and Catholic schools. She has taught English and Literature at Christ Church since the start of 1992.

Sheryl has made a considerable contribution to the work of the School as Romsey House tutor (including a spell as Acting Head of House), Assistant Head of the English Department, coach of basketball and swimming and co-ordinator of School debating and public speaking. She has been heavily committed to three Year 10 Ventures, and has done much for her colleagues as Chair of the Staff Professional Development Committee.

Among Sheryl's other initiatives are the Year 12 Motivational Breakfast (now a regular fixture), the Environment Club (involved with energy audits and work with primates at the Zoo) and the popular new Year 10 Media elective, Cinema Studies.

Sheryl is to become a published writer. Her novella THE PEPPERCORN TREE is to be released soon. It is aimed at twelve-to-thirteen year old girls and Sheryl has been asked to write a novel for the same audience. ■

## Romsey Appointment

Roger Bayly is the new Head of Romsey House. He replaces John Leach who has been appointed to the position of School Registrar.

Roger joined the Christ Church staff in 1988 as



Sheryl Gardner

*The Environment Club, initiated by Sheryl Gardner, promotes caring for the earth and its creatures. Club activities include Year 11 boys working with primates and other endangered species at the Perth Zoo. The Zoo's senior bird keeper Doug Anderson and Christ Church student Jarrad Scott are pictured with Berko, a resident of the new Trill Cockatoo Conservation Centre. Photograph by Courtesy of THE WEST AUSTRALIAN.*



Head of Physical Education. He is well known to many boys, young old boys and parents for his coaching of the 1st XVIII, his leadership during the annual Year 10 Venture and as Teacher-in-Charge of Athletics. He is also known to staff for his much appreciated work as Staff Professional Development Officer. ■

## *New Registrar*

Registrar Harold Woodall retired in April after more than twenty-eight years of service to the School.

Having taught in the Goldfields, Sarawak, South Australia and Nauru, Harold joined the Christ Church staff in 1969 as a Mathematics teacher. His many extra responsibilities over the years include those of Housemaster of Craigie.

While continuing to teach, Harold became part-time Registrar in the late 1980s. Due to the increase in the demand for places at Christ Church and the escalating complexity of enrolment procedures, he was appointed full-time Registrar in 1990.

Numerous members of the Christ Church Community will want to join the staff in wishing Harold many happy years in retirement.

John Leach is the new Registrar.

No new-comer to Christ Church, John arrived from New Zealand in 1958 to be a resident tutor in Romsey Boarding House and teach in the Preparatory School. Over the next six years he taught various grades, held the position of Sportsmaster and studied part-time at the University of Western Australia. After gaining his Bachelor of Arts degree, with English and History majors, he was appointed Form Master of Year 8 and began teaching English in the Senior School.

A few years later John, with his wife and baby daughter, set off for England where he taught in North Manchester and Edinburgh for the next two years. There he was contacted by Headmaster Peter Moyes and invited to return to Christ Church, fares paid, to become Master in Charge of the Middle School and a member of the School Executive. He took up part-time studies again and gained his Bachelor of Education in 1971. Following a structural change in 1984 John was appointed Head of Romsey House.

John has taught English to countless numbers of Christ Church boys. Although he misses the stimulation of the classroom he already likes his new job. His vast knowledge of the School equips him well for the Registrar's role and he enjoys meeting up with old boys and the many other interesting people who seek to enrol their sons at the School.

John and his wife Helen have three adult children - daughter Bridget and sons Stephen (1975-84) and Matthew (1981-83) who are old boys of the School. ■

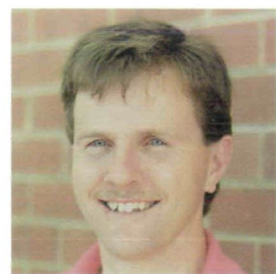
## *Music Notes*

Director of Music, Roy Rimmer, believes that the commonsense teaching of music is performance-based and that seventy-five percent of the benefit to students comes from participating in rehearsals and concerts. Consequently the School offers boys the chance to perform in more than thirty ensembles of various kinds.

Roy and Andrew Bushell, the newly appointed Head of Music at MLC, have extended performance opportunities by auditioning Christ Church and MLC students at the end of 1996 and forming a joint chamber choir and a joint symphonic wind band. Andrew conducts the chamber choir and Steve Williams (a freelance musician) conducts the symphonic wind band.

The choir and band will bring together social and musical elements for the young musicians. The boys will benefit from singing with sopranos and altos, while the girls will be complemented by tenor and bass voices, allowing full-scale choral works to be undertaken. The band will also have a more balanced range of instruments.

The March Concert in the Chapel was a showcase for the School's ensembles. The Concert opened with the confident sounds of the Concert Band and closed with the Orchestra's performances of PRELUDE TO CARMEN, SLEEPING BEAUTY WALTZ and RUSSIAN SAILOR'S DANCE under the direction of John Bates. In between the audience was treated to the Jazz Flutes, the Yahoos, Jazz I and II, the Rock Groups, the Saxophone and Clarinet Ensembles and the Classical Guitars.



*Roger Bayly.*



*John Leach.*

*Harold Woodall is farewelled by some of the Singapore School family at the Pinetree Town and Country Club during his recent visit to South East Asia with the Headmaster and Foundation Director.*



*Year 8 boys from Christ Church and Gan Eng Seng work together in a special Creative Arts class.*



In early May the Concert and Jazz Bands played at the Moondyne Festival in Toodyay. The combined Christ Church and MLC choral and orchestral Concert was performed in Hadley Hall on 16 May. The main performances were the NELSON MASS by Haydn and Rachmaninoff's 2nd Piano Concerto. There was a matinee for the pupils of local primary schools the previous day.

Visiting musicians from the Melbourne Girls' Grammar School Band, Orchestra and Choir will join Christ Church and MLC musicians in a combined Concert in the Christ Church Chapel on 18 June and there is to be a combined Christ Church-MLC production of the musical OLIVER at MLC in August.

At Concerto Night in the School Chapel on Friday 12 September six boys will play concerto movements supported by the combined Christ Church and MLC orchestras.

Exciting plans are taking shape for an overseas Music Tour in 1998 when members of the Christ Church Orchestra, Concert Band, Jazz I and II and the Guitar Ensemble will perform in China, Singapore and Hong Kong. ■



*Tony Howes spent twenty-one years cumulatively directing national radio and television programs for the Australian Broadcasting Corporation, and was Director of Drama in schools in Sydney and Perth, before becoming Director of Drama at Christ Church Grammar School.*

## *Gan Eng Seng School Visit*

Thirty-six students and four teachers from the Gan Eng Seng School in Singapore spent a March morning at Christ Church. They were members of their school's literary, debating and drama societies.

Sue A'Court and Gisela Zuchner-Mogall of the Art Department organised a marvellous Creative Arts double period for the twenty-seven Year 8 visitors and thirty-two Christ Church boys. The visitors produced carry bags which they screen printed using, among other things, one of the images of our School - falling plane tree leaves. The Christ Church boys were excellent hosts and the visitors smiled and chatted about their experiences during morning tea.

The Year 9 and 10 visitors and the four teachers attended Science, English and Mathematics lessons.

Canon Frank Sheehan spoke briefly to the group before showing them the Chapel and Deputy Headmaster Ray House presented the visitors with a plaque for their school. ■

## *A Decade on the Boards*

This year marks the tenth anniversary of the Midnite Youth Theatre Company (MYTC), the performing unit of the Christ Church Grammar School Drama Department.

The concept began in 1985 when Tony Howes was approached by former Headmaster Tony Hill to set up a Drama Department at the School. The following

year he introduced a Year 8-12 teaching program to give all the boys opportunities for performance, design and production work, regardless of whether they studied Drama or Theatre Arts.

Tony had another vision - to take a Christ Church production on an overseas tour. He soon received sponsorship from Sir Peter Gadsden, the chairman of the Britain-Australia Bicentenary Committee. After securing the performing rights to Richard Tulloch's stage adaption of Randolph Stow's classic bushranger tale MIDNITE he asked John Bates from the Christ Church Music Department to write a new score. Methodist Ladies' College was invited to join in this grand adventure. Eventually the troupe comprised about sixty actors, musicians and back stage personnel.

MIDNITE opened with energy and style at His Majesty's Theatre in May 1987. The season was a great success. Throughout January 1988 MIDNITE was performed sixteen times at venues in the United Kingdom, including seven at the Commonwealth Institute Theatre in London. The Gala performance was attended by Prince Edward who met all members of the troupe.



The Company has now made seven overseas tours, performing in the United Kingdom, Canada, Singapore and Brunei. Plans are taking shape for this year's major production ROSIE FISHMAN to tour Europe and England in 1998.

Through his vision and initiative Tony Howes has brought many young people together in the development of dramatic performance, creating a platform for youth talent across the state and providing great opportunities for MYTC members to

perform in major theatres both here and overseas. Among Tony Howes' awards the two most recent indicate the international and national recognition of



*Marcus Plato (1982-89) (seated) and Michael Ledger (1983-90) in the roles of Salieri and Mozart in the 1989 production of AMADEUS, performed in collaboration with Presbyterian Ladies' College.*

his work in drama at the School. The awards of Freeman of the City of London and The Advance Australia Award for the Performing Arts were both given for outstanding service to youth and the arts.

At the annual Drama Department Dinner the MYTC presents an award to a person considered to have done outstanding work for youth theatre. In 1996 the award was made to Mrs Ina Herman who has co-ordinated all the MYTC tours. A former concert pianist and former teacher of English, French and Italian at Methodist Ladies' College, Mrs Herman has also arranged other tours for youth organisations, including six to Asia. She recently raised money and musical instruments to the value of \$50,000 for struggling professional music training in Vietnam. ■

*Prince Edward shakes hands with Peter Broun (1983-87) after the London Gala Performance of MIDNITE.*



*Ina Herman*

Relay change-over practice at the School pool.



New Assistant Swim Coaches, who have either competed or coached at National level, included old boys James Scovell (1983-93) (Captain of Swimming 1993), Nat Benjanuvatra (1991-95) (Captain of Swimming 1995), Jonathan van Hazel (1988-95) (Vice-captain of Swimming 1995), Matthew Tilbrook (1992-96) (Vice-captain of Swimming 1996) and James Hodgkinson (1983-88) (Resident Tutor at Walters House, former member of the Aquinas Swim Team and ex Uniswim coach), Richard Monaghan (Captain of Trinity College Swim Team 1992), Mat Keys (Scotch College Swim Team 1992), and Ed Smith (Captain of Hollywood Senior High Swim Team 1992).

## Swimming 1997

There were exciting changes for the Christ Church Swim Team this season with a new coaching and management structure, new bathers and swim shirts and a revised competition program.

With assistance from the Skills Development Trust younger specialist coaches were engaged and team management was supplemented with two new staff members, enabling each age group to have an Age Group Manager. This structure, supported by the efficient and organised Team Administrator Dr Monica Mackay, resulted in tighter team management.

It was noted at the end of the season that there had been a twenty percent improvement in training attendance, a larger and more enthusiastic team, a management and coaching structure to which the swimmers related and a vocal team that could recite the Ulinga at a minute's notice!

The team was well led by Captain Jamie Rhodes, Vice-Captains Brayden West and Christopher Bingemann, and Senior Swimmers Nicholas Scealess and Seaton Meade.

Shane McGurk, Teacher in Charge of Swimming, says: "The season results were strong and although we were not blessed with a Team of Champions we ended

Some team members poolside cheer Ben Bauert (Year 9) on to victory in the 50m Butterfly Division 1 at the Inters. A few weeks later Ben came third in the final of the 200m Butterfly at the National Age Swimming Championships in Sydney.





up a Champion Team. It will be important to maintain this momentum for next year and implement further initiatives to keep the Swim Team in touch with the top."

Shane concluded: "The 1997 season was another successful year for the Christ Church Swim Team. The Team is congratulated on a fantastic performance. To ensure that the School continues to do as well as in the past (finishing no lower than third over the last fourteen years) we need to continually evaluate. Currently a feasibility study is being conducted on the possibility of heating the School pool, financed by a generous donation from the Parents' Association. This will undoubtedly be of enormous benefit to the aquatic standards of all boys at the School."

This year Christ Church came third in the BankWest Schools and Colleges Relays, first in the Quads and second in the Inters. ■

## Tennis 1996

The Slazenger Cup is awarded annually to the Champion WA Tennis School. This year, for the first time in its history, the competition changed from a knockout to a round robin tournament.

Seven metropolitan schools battled it out over three weekends of intense competition and Christ Church, led by Captain William Gleeson, came through undefeated to claim its third Slazenger Cup in the past four years.

This is a remarkable achievement following on from the School being PSA Corr Cup Champion for the past two summer seasons. It underlines the depth of tennis talent in the School Tennis Club.

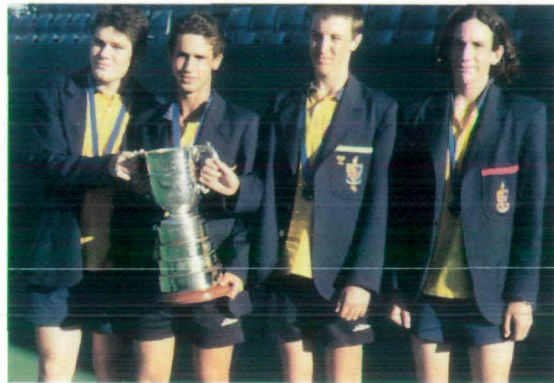
The Slazenger Cup Team - William Gleeson (Captain) Jaxon Crabb, James Dunn, Nathan Webb and Tim Morgan - travelled to Sydney in December to represent Western Australia in the National round robin. They performed creditably and gained invaluable experience, achieving several singles and doubles victories but no match wins.

The Mursell Shield is open to any school's 2nd IV, but if a school feels that its 1st IV is not going to be competitive in the Slazenger Cup then it may elect to enter it in the Mursell Shield.

This year Christ Church entered its 2nd IV in this competition and fought its way through to the Grand Final, meeting and beating several schools' top fours on the way.

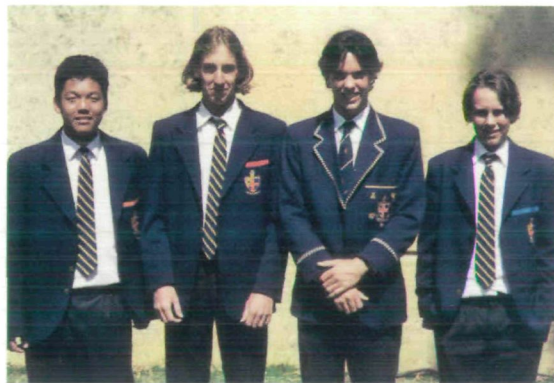
In a heart-wrenching final against the Aquinas 1st

IV the match ended in a draw at three rubbers each and so it had to be decided on games. A check revealed that Aquinas had won by one game! This



*The winning 1996 Slazenger Cup Team: Jaxon Crabb, William Gleeson (Captain) James Dunn and Nathan Webb.*

was a magnificent effort by Chris Bingemann (Captain), Toby McCallum, Matthew Bakker, Chad Van Heemst and Ryan Chua. ■



*Finalists for the 1996 Mursell Shield: Ryan Chua, Matthew Bakker, Chris Bingemann (Captain) and Toby McCallum.*

## Sailing Scholarship

Luke Paterson (Year 10) has been selected in the 1997 Junior Exchange Sailing Scholarship team. The scholarship program was established in 1989 to expose talented young Western Australian sailors to the tough European sailing scene and to give young European sailors the opportunity to experience Australian sailing conditions.

Luke will travel to Europe in late June and will compete in the Youth Spa Regatta, Nieuwpoort, Belgium; and Travemunde Week Regatta, Travemunde, Germany; the German Youth Championships and the German National Championships. ■

*Toby Masters and Tim Slatter sail their mirror in the Secondary Schools Sailing Championships at the South of Perth Yacht Club.*



## Sailing

During the first week of the Term 1 holidays a number of boys represented the School in two sailing competitions.

Christ Church was the winning team at the Secondary Schools Teams Racing Championship held at the Royal Perth Yacht Club. The team - Chris Jones, Matt Totterdell, Toby Masters, Tim Slatter,

Justin Taubman, Will Gunsberg and David Meehan - will represent Western Australia at the Australian Championships in Queensland in July.

A large number of suburban and country schools competed in the Secondary Schools Sailing Championships at the South of Perth Yacht Club. Christ Church entered three teams and two individuals. The A Team - Toby Masters, Tim Slatter, Sam Batt, David Meehan and Justin Taubman - won. The B Team - Chris Jones, Luke Patterson, David Holmes, Matt Totterdell and Dan Debnam - came third. Stephen Allen and Nick Wallace were individual competitors. Justin Taubman also won the Laser Radial Class of the Competition and came third in Division 1. ■

## Sun Comes Out for Car Designers

Six Year 10 boys breathed a sigh of relief when the sun emerged from cloud cover at the finals of the 1996 Western Power solar model car challenge.

The Christ Church entry was built by Alistair Murchison, Peter Packer, Matthew Clifton, Tristan Ward, Hsien Chan and Andrew Prosin. In the final run-off for the state title it travelled at 16.37 km/h as it cruised around the 100 metre Forrest Chase track in 21.99 seconds to fight off the determined entry from Hampton Senior High School.

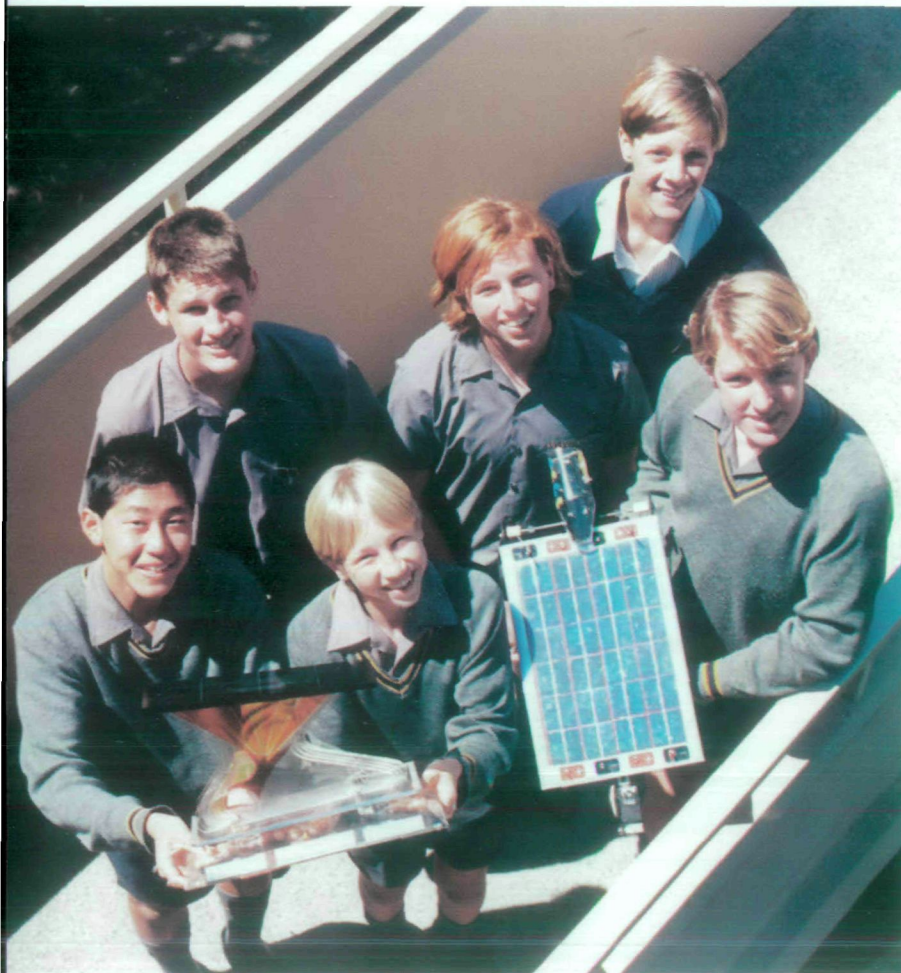
The victory made six months of hard work on the carbon fibre car worthwhile.

Andrew said the car's radical three-wheel design had made the difference between it and entries from the other eighty-four schools. "Lots of other teams had four-wheel cars but we had three wheels, which made less friction" he said.

School parent Martin Rees, who supervised the team, said he was proud of the way the boys pulled together.

"I had my doubts about this car because it was a bit

*Showing their winning solar model car: (back) Andrew Prosin, Alistair Murchison and Peter Packer (front) Hsien-Wern Chan, Tristan Ward and Matthew Clifton. Photograph by courtesy of Post Newspapers Pty Ltd.*



unstable but the boys proved me wrong and that is really good," he said. "The challenge was a good learning experience for all who participated".

The team went on to compete in the National Solar Challenge in Adelaide. ■

## Triathlon Champ

Alistair Murchison (Year 11) 'powered to victory' in the Australian Secondary Schools Triathlon Championships which were held at Portarlington, Victoria, during the Term 1 holidays. It is the second time that he has taken out a national title.

Alistair won the Under 17 section of the competition. He completed the 600m swim, 16km cycle and 4km run in 51 minutes 53 seconds.

Alistair was delighted. He said: "I was hoping for a top five place so I was pleased with the result. It was a great race and everything went to plan".

The victory added to the title he won as an Under 15 in Adelaide two years ago. ■

## Family Brain Teaser

The six boys in the accompanying photograph are first, second or third cousins. They are: (back) James Kay (Year 10), David Cowan (Year 9); (front) Scott Kay (Year 7), Iain Larkins (Year 8), Nicholas Larkins (Year 10) and Ben Hawley (Year 11). Two other cousins are 1996 School leaver Luvim Lim (1994-96) and fourteen year old Timothy Hawley (1993-96), who recently moved to the Eastern States.

Sisters Jean and Ann Goh married Bryan Morton Cowan (father of David) and old boy Trevor Kay (1967-71) (father of James and Scott) respectively, making David Cowan and James and Scott Kay first cousins. Luvim Lim is their second cousin, his mother, Patricia Goh, being a cousin to Jean and Ann. All the boys share the same great grandfather, Cheng Chye Goh, on their mothers' side.

Charles Ibbetson Kay migrated to WA in the early 1900s with his son Oliver and daughter Constance. Trevor Kay (father of James and Scott) is the grandson of Oliver. Old boy George Larkins (1965-69) (father of Iain and Nicholas) is the grandson of Constance. Trevor Kay and George Larkins are therefore second cousins and their children James and Scott Kay and Iain and Nicholas Larkins are third cousins.

As if that is not complicated enough, George Larkins' sister Vickie (granddaughter of Constance) married Bruce Hawley making Nicholas and Iain Larkins and Ben and Tim Hawley first cousins.

If you have been able to follow this complex genealogy you will realize that the Kays link both family trees and that James and Scott Kay, Iain and Nicholas Larkins and Ben and Tim Hawley share a common great great grandfather.

We think that's right! ■



*Luvim Lim.*

*Timothy Hawley.*

*Cousins: (back) James Kay and David Cowan; (front) Scott Kay, Iain Larkins, Nicholas Larkins and Ben Hawley.*





Luke Rees, Tim Fiddes, Simon Edwards and Stephen Hurley (back) and James Baker, Jon Dix and Tom Carmody sort donations for the jumble sale. Photograph by courtesy of Post Newspapers Pty Ltd.

### *Jumble Helps Fund Tours*

Thirty-eight boys helped with the jumble sale held at the School last October. The proceeds will contribute to the 1997 tour to Brunei and Indonesia and the expedition to Cape York Peninsula and the Torres Strait Islands in July.

The trip to Brunei and Indonesia is the third Business Studies Tour to South East Asia organised by the Economics and Commerce Department.

The students who have chosen to explore the top of Cape York Peninsula and the Torres Strait Islands

have a completely different experience in store. There will be a four wheel drive camping expedition which will include a boat trip around the Torres Strait Islands. One of the highlights will be community service activities at the Bamaga ATSI Community on the Jardine River. The group will also visit Aboriginal rock art sites at Quinkan, Coen and Mary Valley Station, the Palmer River goldfield and the Daintree Rainforest. ■

### *Surfing Trip to Bali*

During the second week of the Term 1 holidays teachers Simon Hunn and Shane McGurk took a group of eleven boys to Bali on what, to their knowledge, was the first overseas surfing trip organised by an Australian school.

Ostensibly the aim of the tour was to sample the plethora of surf breaks that Bali offers. It was also hoped that the "unusual group of individuals" would become a responsible cohesive social unit. Simon and Shane also believed that the trip would provide the boys with a wonderful opportunity to experience another culture.

All expectations were met. The boys enjoyed a tremendous variety of surf breaks from the beach breaks of the Kuta/Legian tourist strip to the raw 'spiritual beauty' of Uluwatu and Bingin; from the left handers of 'Airports' and Middle Reef to the left and right peaks of Canggu; from the double overhead



The Surf Tour group at Perth Airport, eager to fly off to Bali for adventures on the waves.

power of Balian to the long left walls of Medewi, the island's longest point break. The boys bonded as a unit exercising sensitivity and tolerance. Finally, almost by osmosis they gained insight into a society where the average wage for a factory worker is 5,000 rupiah a week (approximately \$3.20); where the bulk of the population live in one or two room houses and where road blocks organised by soldiers trying to supplement their meagre wages by trumped up traffic infringements are a monthly occurrence. Above all, they learnt that no one society, no one culture is superior to another; they are just different. ■

## Diving Trip

Late in 1996 eight Year 10 boys, with teachers Raymond Smith and Don Morrissy, travelled to Geraldton in the School bus.



There they boarded the 60 ft Dive Boat 'Sea Trek' and sailed to the Abroholos Islands sixty kilometres off the coast. They spent the next three days diving and fishing in the Easter group of islands while living aboard the boat. The weather was beautiful, calm with light winds.

Most boys completed the Level 3 diving course which enables them to dive to a depth of thirty metres and complete night dives.

While Ray Smith and Don Morrissy did some spearfishing some of the boys made spectacular catches of their own. Atsuhiro Muto won The Golden Hook Award for catching the most fish, Oliver Wenn caught a small shark and Samuel Batt caught a large coral trout. ■

## Share Market Game

1996 was a good year for Christ Church players in the Share Market Game. Three Year 11 teams were placed in the top ten.

James Dunn, Simon Richmond and Tobi McCallum, trading as 'The Windows' were placed third in the state and were each rewarded with a cheque for \$150 from the Chamber of Mines and Energy of Western Australia. The 'Go Getters', Luke Dunlop, Wesley Goh and Derrick Heng, came seventh and the 'Swans', Greg Swan, William Reid and Ranier Taufik, came ninth. The staff syndicate (Guru Staff) won the teachers' section of the competition. ■

## Cadets

One hundred and five cadets from throughout the state attended the Senior NCO Course in January. Two Christ Church cadets, Cpl Greg Lloyd and Cpl Arif Munshi, were among the top twenty cadets in the course. The other six Christ Church representatives finished in the top fifty. Three of these cadets, Cpl Peter Duzevich, Cpl Kingsley Edwards and Cpl Ryan Myles, were attending the course twelve months ahead of their peer group.

Four cadets from the Christ Church Unit attended the Cadet Under Officers Course. Sgt Nick Sceales and Sgt David O'Donnell finished among the top five students on the course. As a result of his performance, Nick Sceales has been selected to hold the position of Senior CUO for 1997. ■

*Callum Owen, Oliver Wenn (holding the shark he caught), Atsuhiro Muto and Adam Carrel.*

## Visit to Hong Kong and Japan

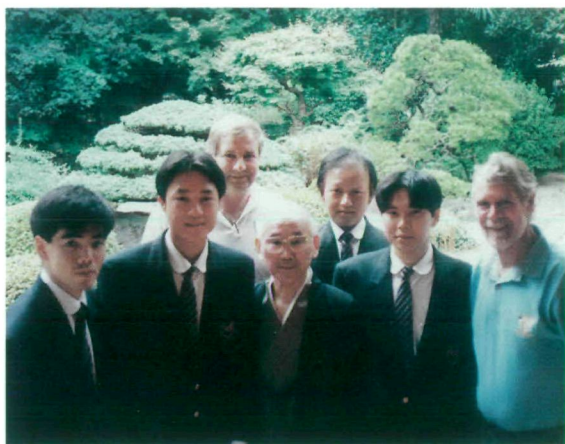
During the 1996 Term 3 vacation a group of Christ Church boys, with teachers Peter Rickey and Peter Brien, made a sporting and cultural trip to Hong Kong and Yanagawa City in Japan. In both places the group was billeted with families, giving them first hand experience of the home life of the local people.

The staff and students of King George V School in Hong Kong made the visitors feel very welcome. The competition in tennis was not strong but that was more than compensated for by the opportunity to visit the well known shopping meccas of Temple Street, Mon Kok and Stanley Markets as well as Tsim Sha Tsui and Kowloon City.



*Sam Batt with his magnificent coral trout.*

*Christ Church teachers Peter Rickey and Peter Brien with hosts from Yanagawa High School.*



The boys met their match in Japan. The host school Yanagawa High School, which has a sister school relationship with Christ Church, is a specialist tennis school. The games were hard, with neither side willing to concede a point, but they were played in the friendliest atmosphere. The host students belonged to an international group. All had spent time out of Japan and knew some English which greatly help with communications. They had tremendous good humour and were warm and generous in every way. The Christ Church boys' introduction to Japanese culture included visiting a Japanese museum of ancient crafts, partaking in a tea ceremony and an evening trip by gondola around the city canals. Together with a boisterous welcome party and a sincere farewell, the group left Japan having made many friends and with a strong desire to return. ■

*Sons and fathers Nicholas and Craig Turner, Mark and Ross Ireland and Fred and David Fairthorne talking to Mrs Susan Shvnen.*



## *All Well Covered*

Since the beginning of last year all Christ Church boys have been covered world-wide, twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year, by a comprehensive student personal accident insurance policy designed to financially assist families should their son be seriously injured.

In addition the School has a standard policy for all student travel which protects the boys in the event of lost or stolen bags or money, loss of travel deposits through illness and a range of other covers including public liability.

The policies are reviewed regularly by Christ Church insurance brokers Willis Corroon Richard Oliver who are generous supporters of the School. By coincidence the account comes under the direction of old boy Mayne Pegus (1978-81).

School staff are protected under Workers Compensation which has been extended to cover travel to and from work and all other authorised School travel including excursions and attendance at conferences. Under the recently negotiated enterprise bargaining agreements the salary package also includes accident cover and income protection in the event of serious illness. ■

## *Perfect Hosts*

Cooking is an integral and enjoyable part of the Preparatory School Education Support Unit (ESU) program. The boys prepare a variety of recipes including muffins, sandwiches, fruit salad, cakes, French toast, slices, biscuits and pizza. Cooking eggs is a lot of fun because they may choose to make scrambled, fried, boiled, poached or omelette eggs, often with innovative results! Mostly the boys cook for themselves but sometimes they host special events.

Last August they invited their fathers and grandfathers to morning tea. The boys had a busy time preparing and decorating the classroom and cooking anzac biscuits, chocolate slice and chocolate cake. All were perfect hosts, making and serving coffee and tea and offering plates of food.

On Black Friday, 13 September, the boys hosted another morning tea for all the wonderful parents who come to help them. Guests and hosts dressed in black and, after another busy morning of preparation, the boys served their guests with slices and cakes, tea and coffee, which they had made themselves. ■



## *Prep Boys Answer Call*

Towards the end of last year the Preparatory School received an urgent call from Anglicare to say there were many people in need and a shortage of food in their warehouse.

The Prep School held a 'bring a can' day and collected 932 cans of food. The House pyramid building competition, won by Stirling, added impetus to the boys' enthusiasm for the project.

House leaders loaded Headmaster Geoff Matthews' van and he delivered the goods to Anglicare.

The Preparatory School was presented with a Certificate of Thanks for donation to The Emergency Relief SOS Appeal 1996. ■

*Headmaster Geoff Matthews, Alexander Fisher and Chris Heyes receive the Certificate of Thanks on behalf of the Preparatory School.*

## *Hijack Over Hygenia*

The 1996 production of HIJACK OVER HYGENIA, performed by Year 6 and 7 boys, ran for three nights to full houses in the Memorial Hall, and was very well received.

The story was about the imaginary Kingdom of Hygenia (the cleanest Kingdom in the world) where disease was unknown. One day the villainous Measle (Reece Carey) enters illegally and starts bringing the inhabitants out in spots. It is all the plot of Dr Spicknspan (George Grover) who, owing to the pervading healthiness in Hygenia, is always out of work. The King (Peter Birmingham), Queen (Cameron Boys) and Princess Spotless (Ben Kahan) get infected. It is left to the Royal Staff of Duster (Iain Larkins), Gadget (Richard Edwards) and Auntie Septic (Alex Mossop) to foil the plot and restore peace, health and cleanliness to Hygenia. Other main characters were Aerial (David English), Weathervane (James Nicholls), Grim Minister (Tom Carlton), Stainless the Cat (Alex Fisher) and the TV announcer (Hugo Rudd).

The play was directed by Mr Geoff McPherson with Ms Helen Wilson as Musical Director. The lighting and sound engineers were Nic Rohrlach and Douglas McLarty of Year 11. ■



*A scene from the Years 6 and 7 production of HIJACK OVER HYGENIA.*

Although it was Casuals Day Year 6 boys Christian Harris, Alastair Forward, James Baker (Recorder/Secretary), Stefan Paterson (Chair), Jock Craig and Nic Turner followed formal meeting procedures.



## Learning Meeting Procedures

Year 6G teacher Debbie Lynass enjoys encouraging her pupils to explore various types of meetings as part of their Oral Language program. Class, individual and editorial meetings feature significantly in her democratic classes.

Whole class meetings are conducted approximately each fortnight. All boys are free to list an agenda item and they take turns occupying the roles of chair, note-taker, timer and observer.

Debbie says: "There are three major advantages in

running these meetings. They extend oral language skills in the classroom and I am impressed with the boys' standard of involvement. They also provide opportunities for the boys to focus on developing social skills such as turn-taking, active listening and disagreeing agreeably. Finally I have found meetings to be a good way to create a two-way feedback dialogue. Thus I am able to tailor the classroom program much more to the boys needs and interests."

The boys are involved in individual meetings with one another and their teacher. These one-to-one meetings are often conferences about writing tasks, collaborative projects or negotiations of contract or goal details. Each boy has a personal goal towards which he is working. These vary in their scope and details but must be achievable within the classroom and contain concrete criteria against which they can be measured. Goal setting provides a framework for individual achievement and makes the learning aims of the class more explicit. Debbie's 1996 class collectively reached the goals of all boys submitting homework books daily and controlling the noise in the room. That class also produced its own newspaper, the 'Prep Express'. It was sold to the Prep boys, the money raised going to charity.

Regular editorial meetings with the seven subeditors of the newspaper were also held in class. They brainstormed ideas for the paper and assigned tasks to their staff members. The subeditors then met to put the paper together. Finally, the whole class discussed the positive and negative aspects of the paper before beginning the next edition. ■

Theo Thamrin, Christopher Nissen, Justin Teng, Simon Kusel and Tom Cordery practice their meeting skills.





## Artists Win Flight

The World Aerospace Education Organisation (WAEO) is dedicated to educating the public - particularly children - in all aspects of aviation. As a means to this end the Organisation conducts an annual Young Artists contest on behalf of the Federation Aeronautique Internationale. It is open to primary and secondary school students and last year all the boys in Hilary Brooke's Preparatory School 70 art class submitted entries on the 'Airfield' topic.

The competition was supported by The Royal Aero Club of WA which provided a flight over the city in a light aircraft to the first three place getters in each category.

Ross Scotland and Richard Edwards (now Year 8) won the first and third prize respectively. ■



Ross Scotland about to embark on his flight over the city with pilot Mr Randall Brink

## IT Appointment

School Council recently supported the employment of a full-time teacher of computing in the Preparatory School.

Jamie Fagan, who joined the staff in 1977, is well

known as a driving force in the introduction and expansion of information technology in the Prep School. He will now devote his time fully to the support of all classes and teachers, working shoulder to shoulder with each of his colleagues in classrooms and IT laboratory as they meet the challenges implicit in the implementation of IT to their specific teaching programs and their boys' learning needs. ■



Jamie Fagan.



Year 7 boys on camp at Kooringal supported Canteen Day in aid of teenagers with cancer. The boys wore the bandannas which were used to signify the day.



Valerie Glover, Cheryl Box, Jeremy Madin, Julie Lourie, Ash Donna, Christine Wright and Ray House at the Auxiliary President's Lunch.

## Parents' Association Report

The Parents' Association Annual General Meeting and Christmas Party, held in the Refectory in November, was again well attended and most enjoyable.

Suzie Martin, announcing her retirement after two years as President, paid tribute to the many parents who had given support and reflected on some of the Association's 1996 activities:

- The successful February Sundowner
- Staff Development and Capital Grants, on-going commitments such as scholarships and bursaries, Drama and Media Awards and the Year 12 book.
- The continuation of the project where individuals or groups may purchase teak bench seats for the School for \$1685.
- Support of the library inspired by Ray West with Chris Heavens co-ordinator of the flourishing Friends of the Library
- The Combined Careers Expo at the Edith Cowan Claremont campus in July, hosted with Scotch College, Methodist Ladies' College and Presbyterian Ladies' College, when seventy presenters gave students the opportunity to explore career possibilities.
- The total update of the Resource Register under the guidance of Anne Hawksworth. Anne was thanked for her extraordinary effort over the past five years. Sue Wilson is the new Co-ordinator.
- The contribution of overseas boarders' representative Joseph Tan whose assistance is highly appreciated by parents.
- Guest speaker Dr Whalen from the United States who spoke to parents and boys about Communication.
- The combining of the skills and energy of both Parents' Association and Parents' Auxiliary which made the Stardust Ball such a success.
- Changes to the Constitution giving the Auxiliary the autonomy needed under the umbrella of the objectives of the Parents' Association.
- The success of the Association Raffle.

Old boy David Fardon (1969-73) is the new President of the Parents' Association. David is the immediate Past President of the Christ Church Grammar School Old Boys' Association. His son Thomas is a Year 3 pupil at the School. ■



Suzie Martin.



David Fardon.

## Auxiliary Report

A thoroughly enjoyable President's Lunch, held in February in the beautiful garden setting of Sue Wenn's home, enabled committee members to meet some new members of the Auxiliary and to welcome some Year 13 Mothers who returned to farewell retiring President Kerry Chandler. Kerry received special thanks for all her work over the last two years at the helm of the Auxiliary - an enormous effort, appreciated by all.

The 1997 Auxiliary committee is:

President	Sue Wenn
Vice President	Caroline Olivier
Secretary	Caroline Carlton
Treasurer	Sally Woods
Refectory Convener	Alison Foley
Clothing Service Convener	Sally Woffenden

The committee has planned a fun-filled year of activities. A warm welcome will be extended to any parent who wishes to join the Auxiliary during the year or who can help with any of the functions listed below. Involvement offers wonderful opportunities to meet other parents and contribute to the School community. Telephone Sue Wenn 9384 5622 if you would like to join in.

**ARTS AWARDS COCKTAIL PARTY:** 11 June. View the high standard of art work achieved by the boys and enjoy a drink in convivial company. This year's theme is 'Communication'.

**MEDIAEVAL BANQUET:** 21 June. Wonderful mediaeval food and entertainment. Watch for ticket sales as many people were disappointed last year when they missed out on the Italian Night.

**BOARDERS' PARENTS' AFTERNOON TEA:** 4 July. An informal occasion for boarders' parents to meet with one another and the boarding staff.

**YEAR 12 MOTIVATIONAL BREAKFAST:** 21 August. Timed just before the exams, the speakers are well qualified to stimulate the boys with great ideas to help them get through their exams. A morning with a lot of humour and not to be missed.

**YEAR 13 BREAKFAST:** 18 September. Open to all parents with a son who has left school (even if brothers are still at CCGS). A good opportunity to catch up with old friends.

**HEADMASTER'S SUPPER:** 24 September. An opportunity for parents to hear Mr Madin speak and to pose questions both on notice and from the floor.

**YEAR 11 DANCE:** 30 September. The last chance for parents to work together before Year 12. A large committee of helpers is required to organise a successful evening.

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**MARQUEE:** 31 October. A huge event is being organised in conjunction with MLC. Watch for details.

**NEW PARENTS' MORNING TEA:** 7 November. An important introduction to the School for new parents. ■

## Chances to Catch Up

Last September more than sixty Year 13 mothers met for breakfast in the School Refectory. It was a very warm and happy occasion as mothers of old boys met again and swapped memories and news.

While guests enjoyed scrumptious breakfasts they learned about School events from three speakers - Year 13 mother Mrs Sue Crombie, Headmaster



Jeremy Madin and Foundation Officer Andrew Baird. They also enjoyed the display mounted by School Archivist Wendy Hillman and quite a few took the opportunity to tour the campus with Andrew. Mrs Betty Chisholm and her team did a wonderful job organising this event.



In fact the breakfast was such a success that the committee, with the help of Chrissie Hunt, organised a film morning at the Windsor Theatre in April. Tea, coffee and sandwiches were served on arrival and everyone enjoyed ONE FINE DAY starring George



*Chris Muhling, Carol Stawell, Kerry Grover, Betty Chisholm and Suzie Martin at the film morning.*

Clooney and Michelle Pfeiffer.

All former Christ Church mothers are welcome to join the Year 13 group - the more the merrier. Please contact Mrs Betty Chisholm (60A Riley Road, Dalkeith 6009, Tel: 389 9639) if you would like to be included on the mailing list. ■

*A scene from the Year 13 breakfast in the Refectory.*



*Patricia Verman, Stella Stuart-Wynne, Sue Long, Deanne Beck and Joan Fisher at the Windsor Theatre.*

## Fundraiser

Wolsey House secured the most orders in the Parents' Auxiliary Bakery Fundraiser. The House received a cheque for \$50 from the Auxiliary in recognition of the boys' support.

The \$731 raised from all Houses will be used to support various groups in the School and will help fund functions such as the Year 10 and Year 11 Dances, the Year 12 Father and Son Breakfast and the Koorring Picnic. ■

*(Back) Leila Hood, Muriel Stanley, Dorothy Ransom, (front) Joy Price, Isla Lord, Kay Dawson and Dixie Gunning enjoying morning tea before the film.*



*John Chilvers.*

### *Bequest for Scholarship*

JOHN CHILVERS (1925-28), who died in April 1996, left a generous bequest for an Old Boys' Association Scholarship.

The John Chilvers Old Boys' Association Scholarship will commence in 1998. It is one of five scholarships which provide half the academic fees for the son or grandson of a Christ Church old boy to attend the School from Years 8 to 12.

The Chilvers family came to Western Australia from Queensland in 1923. After leaving School John gained qualifications and experience in wool classing. He left this career to study metallurgy at the Kalgoorlie School of Mines. After graduating he moved to Port Pirie where he was in charge of the blast furnace for about thirty years. When he retired in the early 1980s he returned to Perth.

John was a very practical man with many hobbies. He enjoyed making things including woodwork, jewellery, his own clothing, canvas work and flower presses. As a result of his travels in the middle east he became an authority on oriental rugs and even turned his talents to rug making. The School now has some

of the equipment John used for these pursuits.

After returning to Perth John regularly attended old boy functions. He will be remembered by many for his capabilities and generosity, especially by those boys who will benefit from the scholarship he has endowed. ■

### *Prestigious Award*

Old boy Dr CHING-HOWE CHAN (1978-79) has been selected as one of ten recipients, world wide, for The Most Outstanding Young Overseas Chinese Annual Award. Selection is based on personal achievement and contributions to profession and community.

Ching-Howe, with his family, migrated to Perth from Malaysia in 1970. After leaving School he attended the University of Western Australia and graduated in Dental Surgery in 1984. In 1988 he obtained the Primary Fellowship of the Royal Australasian College of Dental Surgeons and was accepted for three year post-graduate Orthodontic training at Guy's Hospital, London. He received the Diploma in Orthodontics and Membership in Orthodontics through the Royal College of Surgeons and the Master of Science in Orthodontics through the



University of London in 1991.

Ching-Howe is in Orthodontic practice in Perth. In 1993 he was the Scientific Officer for the WA branch of the Australian Society of Orthodontists. From 1994 he served for three years as a State Dental Councillor for the Australian Dental Association (WA).

Elected to the City of Melville Council in 1996, Ching-Howe has served on the Planning and Development Committee and Multicultural Committee. As a member of the Bullcreek Rotary Club he is active in many fund raising and community service projects. He is married to lawyer Gaiklin Chan, an old girl of Methodist Ladies' College. They have a son and a daughter: Joshua is in Year 4 at Christ Church. ■

## *Design Excellence*

Old boy MICHAEL COATE (1958-69) has designed and built four golf courses in Western Australia, one in South Australia, three in Indonesia, two in Malaysia and one in China. Further projects are underway in Australia, Burma and Malaysia.

Michael says there is a good interface between the creative and technical side of his work. He finds it very satisfying to study a piece of land, to lay out the flow of the hole, then to 'put the golf into it', firstly in the design room and then constructing the course.

After leaving Christ Church Michael studied Civil Engineering at the University of Western Australia, graduating in 1973. He worked in Canberra for a year then set off for a working holiday in Europe and the United Kingdom, returning in 1978.

Michael spent the next five years learning golf course design with Peter Thomson and Michael Wolveridge in Melbourne before opening his own

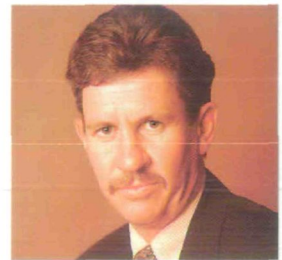
business, Michael Coate and Associates.

He says the international market place for course design is busy and competitive and he is delighted with the associations he has built with old boy ROGER MACKAY (1962-73) and Ian Baker-Finch.

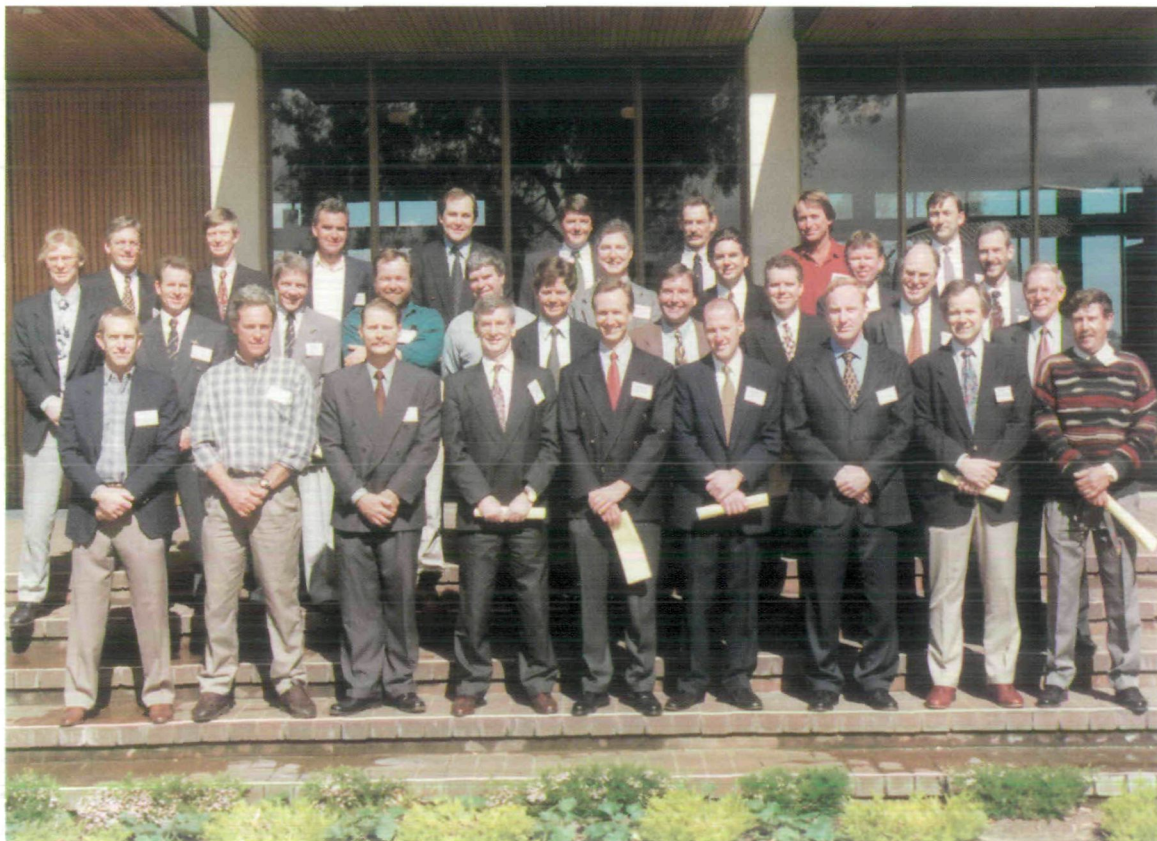
According to Michael, the perfect golf hole must have something for everyone. Technology has revolutionised design over recent years and computer generated models have become an integral part of the design process.

Due to his busy schedule Michael does not get to play golf as often as he would like but he hopes to remedy this. When in Perth he swims every morning, plays tennis and is keen on cricket and football.

The many positive memories Michael has of his twelve years at Christ Church have been reactivated now that his son Nicholas is a Year 2 pupil at the School. Michael and his wife Marie also have two daughters. ■



*Michael Coate.*



### *THE CLASS OF '71*

*To mark their 25th Anniversary thirty-four 1971 School Leavers reunited for a celebratory luncheon in Sandover Dining Hall on 16 August 1996. Apologies were received from another seventeen. A great time was had by all. Each old boy received a booklet of mini-biographies accounting for the past twenty-five years in the lives of their former classmates.*

## International Moot

The University of Western Australia (UWA) has won the Australian Jessup International Law Moot Competition for the first time.

The team - Alicia Campos, Adrian Chua, Gavin Douglas, Devika Hovell and Christ Church old boy and 1992 Captain of School ROHAN HARDCASTLE (1985-92) - arrived back from Canberra in February with the Philip C Jessup Trophy after out-performing thirteen other Australian law schools. They beat the University of New South Wales (UNSW) in the final (argued by Rohan and Alicia) which was held in the High Court and judged by Justice Toohey (High Court Judge), Dr Gavan Griffith (Commonwealth Solicitor General) and Gillian Triggs (Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade).

Coached by Carman Yung and advised by Associate Professor Francis Auburn, the five WA law students had spent their summer holidays preparing their arguments.

In April they flew to America to represent Australia in the 1997 Philip C Jessup International Mooting Competition in Washington DC. They qualified third in the world but as only one team from each country can go on to the finals the UWA and UNSW teams had to compete for the honour. The UWA students lost that round, much to their disappointment.

The prestigious competition involves seventy teams from over fifty nations on six continents. Team

members are required to research a hypothetical problem of international law and prepare a watertight argument for both sides. They must present a written submission as well as an oral argument before a mock International Court of Justice.

Rohan Hardcastle is in his fifth and final year of an Arts-Law degree at UWA. He is President of the Blackstone Society, works part-time in the Office of the Attorney General - old boy PETER FOSS (1958-63) - and is a member of the Christ Church Old Boys' Association Committee.

Rohan's brother BRYN HARDCASTLE (1985-95) is also an Arts-Law student at UWA, while young brother Shaun is in Year 9 at Christ Church. ■

## Old Boy Heads Law School



RALPH LLOYD SIMMONDS (1959-67) is the Foundation Professor of Law and was the Foundation Dean of the School of Law at Murdoch University. He returned to Western Australia in 1990 to take up this position after an academic career spent in Canada. His academic specialisation is the law of business finance, including the regulation of stock markets and the raising of money on the security of business assets.

Ralph's strongest memories of Christ Church are of his History classes in Year 9, Mathematics in Year 11 and English in Year 12. Most vividly he recalls communing with the jellyfish at the stern instruction of Akos Kovacs, an experience, he says, that may have helped turn him into an avid cross country skier when he settled in Canada!

Ralph did his first Law degree at the University of Western Australia and was admitted to the practice of

Ralph Simmonds.

(Back) Rohan Hardcastle, Adrian Chua, Professor Auburn, (front) Gavin Douglas, Alicia Campos and Devika Hovell.



law in Western Australia. Not having got academic work out of his system, he took up an opportunity to study at the postgraduate level at the University of Toronto in Canada. That led to the two great surprises in his life. First he came to the conclusion he might make a career not as a practising lawyer but as an academic one. The other was that his Christ Church French had stuck longer than he expected, to the point where he met and later married a French Canadian. And then his Canadian teaching career took him to Montreal, in French speaking Canada, to teach for ten years at McGill University.

Ralph's keen leisure interests include French Canada, Western Australian wines and information technology. Ralph learnt to type while at the University and that led to an interest in the early forms of word processing technology which led to an interest in computer networks, and to the Internet.

Ralph was guest speaker at the final assembly for 1996 School leavers. ■

## *AO for Outstanding Service*

IAN WILLIAM PAYNE McCALL (1935-44) was awarded an Order of Australia (AO) in January for his outstanding service to the law, particularly as Chief Judge of the Family Court of WA, to legal education and to the community.

Ian commenced at Christ Church in 1935 as a young lad and finished as Captain of School in both 1943 and 1944. After leaving school he joined the Royal Australian Navy and in 1947 he commenced studying Law at the University of Western Australia.

Admitted to the Bar in 1951 Ian began practice as a barrister and solicitor and later became a partner in a Perth law firm. In 1976 he was appointed to the position of Judge of the Family Court of Western Australia. One of the highlights of his career was his appointment as Chief Judge of the Family Court of Western Australia in 1989.

Ian devoted a considerable period of his time to teaching law students. From 1957 to 1972 he was a Senior Lecturer in the Law School at the University of Western Australia and from 1972-76 he held the position of Associate Professor. His students remember him as a practical 'down to earth' lecturer who took a real interest in them.

Ian also made a marked contribution to the Christ Church community in the eighteen years that he served on the School Council. He was invited to join the Council in 1971, elected Vice Chairman in 1978

and Chairman in 1984. His legal and administrative advice was often sought and his leadership much admired. His retirement from Council in 1988 was brought about by his appointment as Chief Judge of the Family Court which necessitated frequent and extended visits to the eastern states.



*Ian McCall.* Photograph by courtesy of WEST AUSTRALIAN NEWSPAPERS LTD.

During Ian's term as Chairman of Council the School embarked on a major building program to build a new Preparatory School, refurbish the Music School, provide a well-equipped Drama Workshop and Media Studio and establish a new Computer Centre next to the Library. Plans were also drawn up to build a new Science Building which was to be a 'showpiece in Science Education'.

The School community takes pride in the achievements of one of its greatly esteemed old boys and congratulates Ian McCall on his award. ■

*The 1974-75 1st Hockey Team: (back) Roger Nottage, John Kernot, Mark Gunning, Peter Reynolds, Peter Moran, Brian Matthews: (front) David Stephenson, Eric Silver, Patrick Matthews (Captain), Mr Ray House (Coach), Andrew Barker (Vice Captain), Anthony Sutherland and Greg Kidd.*



## *Still Going Strong*

Last August the School 1st XI Hockey Team readily accepted a challenge from the 1974-75 1st XI.

Most of the original team were able to attend. Some of the players had not met for years. The game provided an extremely enjoyable reunion.

After an exchange of pleasantries the battle began. Although some of the old boys are still playing, others

are not. It took some time to get back that old magic and adjust to the pace of the game.

By half time the score was locked at 1-1 and even after a stirring motivational talk by their original coach, Ray House, to spur the old boys to greater heights, the end result was 2-2. The honour of both teams was satisfied.

The event proved to be so successful that it is proposed to make the game an annual fixture. ■

*Twenty-one years on - the 1996 players: (back) Roger Nottage (1971-75), John Kernot (1971-75), Mark Gunning (1968-75), Peter Reynolds (1969-75), Peter Moran (1972-75), Brian Matthews 1972-77, Robert Parker (1970-74): (front) Stephen Potter (1969-73), Michael Sutherland (1970-76), Patrick Matthews (1971-75), Mr Ray House, Anthony Sutherland (1969-75) and Greg Kidd (1973-75).*





## Create Your Own Pizza

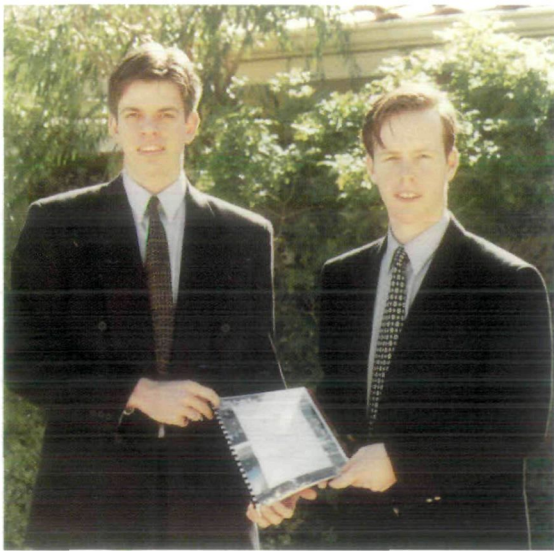
Operation Livewire is a competition which provides young people with mentors to assist them to develop comprehensive business plans.

The plans are assessed by a panel of judges and the best eight, selected on the likelihood of them becoming a success in the commercial world, proceed to an interview stage.

The competition is sponsored by Shell Australia and run by the Rotary Club of Perth. There were 190 entries from Western Australian in 1996.

The winners were announced last October and awards presented by Sir Charles Court.

The plan of old boys JAMES COLLIS (1991-93) and TOM NATTRASS (1986-93) won the third prize



of a trophy and a \$2000 cash contribution towards establishing their business.

James and Tom's plan is to establish create-your-own-pizza Cosmopolitan Pizza Cafes where customers will be provided with a base of their choice and invited to create the pizza they desire from a large selection of common and unusual toppings and sauces. ■

## In a Class of His Own

After a period of ill health 1992 Captain of Swimming William (Bill) Kirby (1990-92) has made a great come-back.

He partnered Michael Klim, Grant Hackett and Matthew Dunn to blitz the field to take out the final of

the men's 4x200 freestyle relay at the world short course championships in Gothenburg in April. They clocked a world record 7 minutes 02.74 seconds, to beat Sweden by 2.87 seconds.

William will be one of the front-runners for a berth in the Australian team to contest the world championships in Perth next January.

He showed his potential to clock 1:47.32 in finishing fifth in the final of the 200 metre freestyle. He was the second WA swimmer, behind Shelley Taylor-Smith in 1991, to win gold at a world championship.

In his international debut, William qualified fastest in the heats of the 200 metre butterfly at the 1994 Commonwealth Games in Canada. He was fourth in the final. His potential was also recognised when he was selected for the world championships in Rome later that year. ■

*James Collis and Tom Natrass.*



*The Unforgettables. Up to eight old boys from the 1940s get together every couple of months. They meet at various venues for lunch. Here they are at Jo Jo's River Restaurant, late 1996: Ian MacPherson (1942-45), Bob Walker (1939-44), John North (1941-45), Lewis Lane (1942-44), David Norrie (1938-47), Peter (Butch) Porter (1942-43).*

## Walkabout

Just three months after attending the OBA Reunion in Brisbane JOHN PAYNE (1976-84) has opted for a new posting with his employer in Penang, Malaysia. He joins CHARLES BOLT (1972-83) who, having spent ten years in the Perth office of Multiplex Constructions, has now been seconded to the Kuala Lumpur office of Multi-t-plex Engineering Sdn. Bld. Charles and his wife are the proud parents of a two year old son, Oliver. ■

We heard recently that DAVID CONNERS (1974-85) had moved to Vancouver in British Columbia, Canada, to take up a senior position with Dierra Systems, a computer consultancy. Meanwhile his younger brother PETER CONNERS (1975-86) completed a law degree at UWA in 1991 and worked in Perth for a few years before embarking on some overseas travel. Peter is now studying for a Master of Business Administration (MBA) at the Australian Graduate School of Management in Sydney. ■

After leaving School SIMON REA (1981-86) was a Resident Tutor in both Parry and Walters boarding houses while studying for a Science degree at UWA. He graduated with Honours in Chemistry in 1993 then worked in the molecular biology laboratory of the UWA Botany Department before deciding to travel overseas. On his way to London, where he had planned to share 'digs' with MAX LEIPER (COOPER) (1983-86), he stopped off in Turkey where he literally bumped into STUART SYME (1982-86) while strolling the streets of Gallipoli! After spending many months touring Western Europe Simon moved on to the USA where he intends to live (he has American citizenship). Currently he is working as a research technician with DuPont at their international headquarters in Delaware. He plans to study for a Master of Science or an MBA with the intention of applying to join the FBI to work in forensics. Simon would be pleased to hear from any of his peers. Simply shoot him an email on reas@cdna.dt.dupont.com. ■

Dr RICHARD VOS (1962-66) returned to Perth in 1993 as Exploration Manager for US oil company Phillips Petroleum. Phillips has since made a large gas-condensate discovery in the Timor Sea which is being considered for LNG development. Richard completed an honours degree in geology in South Africa, followed by a Ph.D in the USA, working on a project in the Moroccan Sahara. After a two year stint

lecturing at the University of Witwatersrand in South Africa, Richard joined the oil industry, consulting to the National Oil Corporation of Libya and working for two years in the Libyan Sahara. After joining Phillips Petroleum in 1977, he has worked in China, the USA and Australia. His three years in China, soon after China opened to Western business ventures, was associated with the discovery of commercial oil fields offshore Hong Kong. ■

Some years ago GEOFFREY BOWMAN (1973-79) took up an appointment with Arthur Andersen's in South Africa. We have now heard that he owns and runs 'Medindi Manor', a Victorian Guest House, in Mowbray a suburb of Cape Town. If you're thinking of holidaying in that part of the world why not opt for the CCGS discounted rate by faxing Geoffrey on 27-21-689 7386. ■

If you're a peer of DIRK STEENSMA (1975-80) and planning a trip to the USA (San Francisco in particular) he would be happy for you to call in for a chat. Dirk's married to Genevieve and currently studying to be a paramedic. In his spare time he earns a few bucks working as an emergency medical technician for a national ambulance company. ■

GEOFF REILLY (1980-84) would have to be the envy of most old boys. In August last year we learnt of his appointment to work for Asiatic Trust Pacific Ltd on the beautiful tourist resort of Rarotonga in the Cook Islands, Polynesia. ■

Life has been full of adventure for NICHOLAS COLQUHOUN-DENVERS (1958-66) since leaving Christ Church (and WA) thirty years ago. At that time his father was the Australian Consul in Timor. After working with the Public Service Board in Canberra for three years Nicholas resigned his post and moved to Moscow when his father was posted to the USSR. Within no time he had joined the British Army, was commissioned into the Royal Regiment of Artillery and, after a stint at Sandhurst, served in Germany, Hong Kong, Northern Ireland and the UK. Alas a knee injury put an end to his military aspirations and in 1977 he resigned his Captain's commission and joined the Saudi Arabian entrepreneur Adnan Khashoggi's Triad Corporation, a fascinating experience which lasted for eight years. He then accepted a position with the Saudi Arabian Royal family where he remained for four years. In 1990 Nicholas was approached by a Middle Eastern Group from Sharjah in the United Arab Emirates to open a



Jaymon Crabb (1993-95) playing in a first round match against Indian Leander Pael in the 1997 Ford Australian Open in Melbourne.

London office for their shipping and oil group of companies and today he is the Managing Director. Still on his honeymoon after nigh on twenty years of marriage, with no family, Nicholas has a passion for polo and, as at mid 1996, was the Chairman of one of the oldest clubs in the UK and certainly the last remaining polo club based in London. If you were a contemporary of 'Denvers' and intend being in London this year, he would love to see you. ■

Semi-professional musician and songwriter GARY BALDOCK (1967-71) is another one of our old boys who has opted to settle in the UK. Now living in Morebath, Devon, he at one stage owned a music shop before taking the position of Projects Manager for Whirlpool. We believe that Gary is currently the Operations Manager for Exeter Air Cargo. ■

SATOSHI TAKAMI (1989-91) spent three very happy years boarding at Christ Church before returning to Japan to study at Meiji University in Tokyo. He recently emailed the School to inform us that he is now employed by Japan Steel Ltd after having majored in Politics and Economics. ■

Those of you who subscribe to the BRW magazine will note with interest that many of the leading stories are written by TIM TREADGOLD (1955-67). In an August 1996 edition he wrote a fascinating story about a lifestyle shift for JULIAN WRIGHT (1957-64) who is taking a fifteen month break from his investment advisory firm Healy McKay and Wright. Julian and his family have moved to Vienna where he currently heads a WA syndicate which has bought the Cash Converters master franchise for Austria, Czech and Slovak and currently has the option for Hungary. Julian aims to develop a small business in which clients will have the option to invest, and judging by the success of Cash Converters in the UK, that should happen sooner rather than later. ■

We've had numerous emails from old boys living and working in the US. It was great to hear from DAVID STEWART (1983-88) now living in Virginia. He works for Concert Communications, which is an international telecommunications partnership between MCI and British Telecom based in Reston, just twenty-five kilometres from Washington DC. ■

Former swimming champion SUKBIN SONG (1987-88) touched base to inform us that, having graduated from Yale University with a degree in Economics, he

has a job in investment banking along with one GRAYDEN JOSEPH (1979) who spent a year at CCGS in Year 8 before his parents moved to Victoria where he finished his schooling at Melbourne Grammar. ■

We learned that RICHARD LOVEGROVE (1952-53) retired on his sixtieth birthday in October last year after having spent forty years teaching in Canada. ■

Yet another email arrived from former mathematics teacher (and assistant boarding master) TOBY MOORE who has lived in the UK since leaving us in 1990. Now living in London with his wife of six months, Ieva, Toby works for the European Bank, a huge financial organisation employing over 700 people in London, with an additional one hundred located in twenty countries in central and eastern Europe. Toby's task is to develop funds which provide equity and corporate governance to small and medium sized enterprises in Russia (US\$100 million), Latvia (US\$25 million) and Bosnia (US\$40 million). He enjoys reading the CHRONICLE and would be happy to see anyone from the School who may be passing through London, before he ultimately takes up a position with the bank in Riga, Latvia. ■

Frankland livestock carrier DUNCAN SYMINGTON (1956-63) recently purchased two new Freightliners fitted with 500 hp Cummins engines, Road Ranger, transmissions and Rockwell final drives. Country old boys should know that these 'mean machines' cart eight decks of sheep and may be used for grain or fertiliser deliveries. We feel sure that Duncan has a special price for CCGS old boys! ■

In the Foundation section of the last CHRONICLE (October 1996) we published a photograph of the School's Cadet Unit in 1936. As the result of some astonishing research by Year 8 student Gareth Moir whose grandfather, the late NEVILLE MOIR (1934-37) featured in the photo, we were able to trace the whereabouts of GERALD WEST (1933-37). It would appear that young Gareth's parents recently purchased a farming property in Borden previously owned by Gerald. Upon discovering that he was a fit seventy-seven year old living in Geelong, Victoria, the Foundation Director wrote to Mr West and sent a copy of the CHRONICLE. He has vivid memories of all his peers, and their respective nicknames, despite having worked for the CSIRO in Geelong for twenty-seven years before retiring in 1980. ■



## Coming Events 1997

9-13 June	ART WEEK Anniversary Art Awards Exhibition
19 June	Centre for Ethics 'Heart of Darkness' Chapel 7.30 pm
20 June	OBA Annual Dinner Sheraton Perth Hotel 7.30 pm
24 June	Centre for Ethics 'Young People and John Marsden' Chapel 7.30 pm
27 June	Business Studies Tour to Indonesia and Brunei
30 June	Reunion Island Exchange visit
4 July	Boarders' Parents Afternoon Tea END OF TERM 2
10 July	Torres Strait Expedition departs
12 July	Secondary School Ski Tour (Thredbo) departs
18 July	OBA Boarders' Reunion Dinner Sandover Dining Hall
21 July	Staff Seminar Day
23 July	TERM 3 COMMENCES
2 August	Hotoku Gakuen High School (Japan) visit
3 August	OBA Winter Sports Day v The School OBA New Members Sundowner Mt Claremont 5 pm FOUNDERS DAY FAMILY SERVICE Chapel 7 pm
8 August	OBA 25th Anniversary Luncheon for Class of '72
12 August	Parent Tutor Night for Day Houses 7 pm Centre for Ethics lecture, Library 7.30 pm
13-15 Aug	MLC-CCGS Musical 'Oliver', Hadley Hall 8 pm
20 August	Parents' Auxiliary Headmaster's Supper Refectory 7.30 pm
21 August	Year 12 Motivational Breakfast, Refectory 7.10 am
21-15 Aug	MID TERM BREAK
1-5 Sept	Information Technology Week
12 Sept	Music : Concerto Night Concert, Chapel 7.30 pm.
15-24 Sept	ESU Queensland Tour
26 Sept	END OF TERM 3

