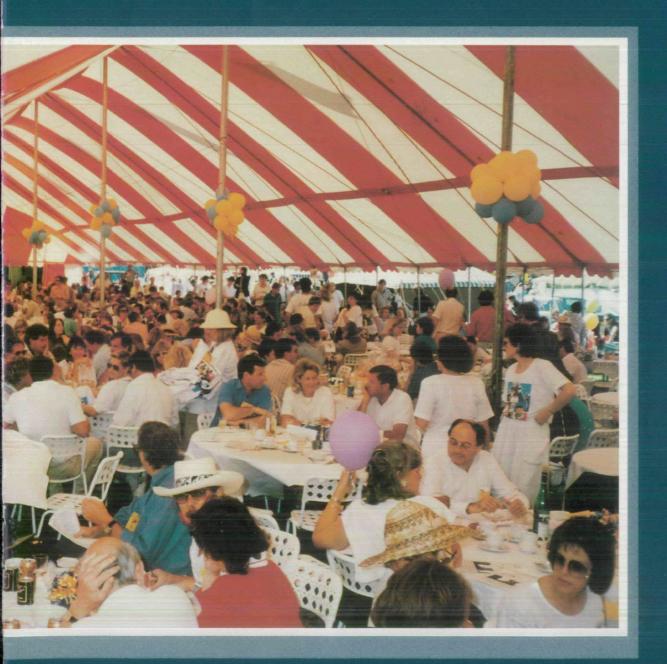
### CHRONICLE

CHRIST CHURCH GRAMMAR SCHOOL





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Members of the 1990 Parents' Association Committee: Ann Patrick, Helen Chipper, Peter Hunt, Kim Laurence, Don Smith, Ian Wallace, Jenny Campbell and Margaret Lewis. In absentia: Ted Keogh, Clive Trott, Gena Culley and Bob Lawrence.

On the cover: The Luncheon in the big tent at the 1988 Parents' Association International Affaire.

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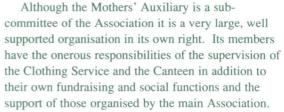
The Parent Resource Register Committee keep the records up to date: Val Lapinski (retiring member) and 1990 members Margaret Grover, Linda Herbison, Evelyn Tan and Convener, Beth Trott.



Most Christ Church parents, through subscription, are members of the Parents' Association. They have opportunities to contribute in myriad valuable ways to the spirit and substance of School life. Christ Church would be the poorer without their energy and enterprise.

Parents have been dedicated to their sons' School from the earliest days but it was not until Christ Church was thirty years old that a formal parents' organisation was established. On 22 November 1939 thirteen parents held a meeting which led to the official formation of the Christ Church Grammar School Parents' Association on 15 February 1940.

The organisation has undergone various changes since. Today's Committee comprises the elected President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, four Committee members and the Association's Representative on School Council. The Headmaster, the President of the Mothers' Auxiliary, the Country Parents' and Old Boys' Representatives, the Immediate Past President and the Mother of the Captain of School, are also members. Committee members undertake special responsibilities and head sub-committees of volunteers to organise social and fundraising functions, communications, publicity, the Resource Register and other Association activities.



The Parents' Association and Mothers' Auxiliary each hold an annual general meeting and thereafter meet monthly. Sub-committees meet as and when necessary. Funds from subscriptions and fundraisng total many thousands of dollars annually and after consultation with the Headmaster are allocated to School projects that provide benefits to the largest possible number of boys.

To be successful the Association depends on the co-operation of the parent body as a whole. An enormous amount of assistance is required, and given, for big fundraising functions such as fairs, and for less ambitions but equally important events like the annual sundowner, quiz night, cocktail party, film evening and morning teas for special groups; while the organisation of discussion evenings, fun days and special purpose functions also call for assistance. Whether helping as organisers or ensuring success by patronage all parent support is of inestimable value.

The contributions of parents are also invaluable in many other areas - help in the classroom, with sports, the arts, the libraries, careers and job experience, in the boarding houses, as guest speakers, as consultants and sponsors in specialized fields, in work bees and on Canteen and Clothing Service rosters.

Christ Church parents are remarkably generous: but this is not entirely a one-way process. The satisfaction from contributing and being part of a team is considerable. In addition to the good feelings engendered by 'jobs well done', participation brings parents into closer contact with their sons and their School, with the Staff and with other parents. Many close friendships are made that run parallel to those made by the boys and, like school friendships, they do not necessarily cease when school days are over. The School is enriched by this ever growing group of friends, and the friends are enriched by one another and by being part of a growing tradition.



### HEADMASTER

#### From the Headmaster's Desk

#### FRESH CHALLENGES

With the completion, landscaping and commissioning of the exciting Science Block we turn to other compelling planning challenges. They fall into several categories : provision of top quality facilities, review of curricula and staff development.

#### **RE-DEVELOPING THE SENIOR SCHOOL**

In bringing Senior School general teaching facilities to the same high standard as those in the Preparatory School and the Science Block we plan to focus initially on the Brooking Manual Arts/Art Centre where extensive renovation is necessary.

Staff sub-committees have reported on other Senior School re-development needs including the provision of a properly spacious canteen and refectory for pupils with, additionally, plenty of covered space for lunching and for shelter in hot or wet weather. Invaluable advice has been received from both Mothers' Auxiliary and Parents' Association via planning committee member Mrs Margaret Lewis.

We plan, too, to provide a computer studies centre large enough to satisfy the needs of our recently expanded program, a more centrally located Education Support Unit, extra Library study space, staff common room facilities suitable for the staff of a large school, necessary extra space for the Administration and the renovation of a number of general purpose classrooms.

We view this Senior School re-development as an integral part of the \$4 million Science Facility Project : a second stage made possible by School Council's bold decision to make space available by building a new Science Block rather than renovating inadequate and outmoded facilities.

#### ACADEMIC OFFERINGS

The second major set of planning challenges are curricular. The shape of the curriculum is necessarily complex in a school that aspires to academic relevance and excellence - in the broadest sense of the word - but is also committed to a non-selective entry policy. That complexity requires regular review and the Academic Committee is currently looking hard at our Senior School TEE/non-TEE options (do we offer too many?); the Social Sciences (are we being lured away from important core historical and geographical learnings?); the place of Craft, Design and Technology (as a core integrating subject? ... or as pedagogical guide informing programs and methods in several current subject offerings?); and the development of policy in that rapidly changing domain Computer Studies.

#### TEACHERS

The third significant set of planning challenges affects our teaching team. During 1988 and 1989 the elected Staff Development Committee hammered out a Staff Appraisal process that properly emphasises professional development. During 1990 appraisal will become part of life not only for new teachers but also for several experienced members of staff who are keen to consider the views of colleagues, openly accept positive criticism and challenges, and be strengthened in their work. I welcome that initiative, particularly as 1990 will be an important year Australia wide for the clarification and recognition of the professional nature of teaching. The current industrial relations scenario challenges us all to be properly generous in raising the status of good teaching, determining fair professional remuneration, improving career paths in schools and extending in-service education.

#### PERSPECTIVES

In this edition of Chronicle we include a new section, PERSPECTIVES. We expect it to become a regular feature. PERSPECTIVES gives teachers opportunities to express opinion on topical educational matters. It will reflect some of the best features of life in Christ Church common rooms : the wide-ranging educational interests of staff members, the challenging level of debate in what is, in spite of everything else that we do, essentially an intellectual community, and the generous openness to new ideas.

A recent particularly significant Parents' Association initiative - the travel and study grant scheme - supports this common room ethos. Dr Peter Lewis' PERSPECTIVES article was penned following an overseas study tour funded by the scheme, as was School Counsellor Mr John James' well-known Computer Assisted Job Selection (JIIG-CAL) project. As an 80th birthday gesture the Association generously aims this year to support four or five teachers in this way. It is, consequently, particularly fitting that the unstinting voluntary work of so many Christ Church parents is the theme of this edition of CHRONICLE.



Jeremy Madin, Headmaster.

Headmaster and Prefects 1923. John (Dick) Fulton, E A Lovegrove, A Sewell, W Mitchell, Geoff Turner, Terry Corboy, Roy Gibson, Geoff Connor, Headmaster Canon Parry, J R (Dick) Giles and Charlie Mudge.



#### Where Mulberries Grew

When Mrs Constance Barrett-Lennard recently received an incorrectly addressed CHRONICLE at her Karrinyup home she advised the School but kept the magazine. Her curiosity was piqued for Mrs Barrett-Lennard was formerly Miss Constance Parry, daughter of the late Lionel Parry, the Headmaster of Christ Church from 1922 to 1932. Constance and her brother Frederick lived at the School for a good part of their childhood. In fact Constance is one of two women who could claim to be a Christ Church Old Boy for she attended a little kindergarten that was once part of the School!

In response to the request in CHRONICLE for memorabilia Mrs Barrett-Lennard contacted the Foundation Office and in February she and her brother Fred Parry joined Headmaster, Jeremy Madin, and Director of the Foundation, Dean Bowker, for morning tea, a tour of the School and a chat about 'the way things were'.

Lionel Walpole Parry was the youngest son of Henry Hutton Parry, the second Bishop of Perth. He was educated first at Hale School and later at St Edmund's School, Canterbury, where he distinguished himself in scholastics and sport and became Captain of School. He won a scholarship at St Peter's College, Cambridge and a Classical Exhibition at Exeter College, Oxford. From 1902 to 1906 he was in residence at Exeter College which he represented in cricket and football. He won distinctions in Classics and Theology, and qualified for his BA degree in 1906. He was next in residence at Cuddesdon Theological College and ordained priest in 1908. The following year he proceeded to his MA degree. After two years' work at Lowestoft in England he returned to Western Australia at the invitation of the Archbishop of Perth. For the next eleven years he was Classical Master, Chaplain and Sports Master at Guildford Grammar School. In

1922 he became Principal of St John's Theological College, and priest in charge of St Patrick's District, Mount Lawley.

In 1923 Lionel Parry was appointed Headmaster of Christ Church. There were ninety-four boys on the roll. He wrote in the Foreword of THE MITRE Vol.III No 1, May 1923: " ... I little thought I would be asked to come as Headmaster to Christ Church and take my share in building it up into the big school which I am confident it will someday become. I am confident of that, and I mean with your help and the help of the many true friends that we already have to try and do my part for our school. .... We are not an old school yet, and young schools often suffer from growing pains and other childish illness. But a boy of 14 at any rate thinks himself a man, and so a school that is on its 14th year can at least claim that the worst troubles of its infancy are already over. What strikes me most is the intense love and lovalty that the present boys and old boys have to their school ... With that spirit in us, we need not fear the future ... "

Prophetic words yet the council at that time still seemed reluctant to give full support to Christ Church and in the following year leased it to Lionel Parry for five years. For a while the School made progress, but 1926 and 1927 were bad years financially and when 1929 came Parry was not prepared to renew his lease. He did however offer to stay as Headmaster on the condition that the council showed more interest in the School. His offer was accepted. On January 1st 1930, the School reverted to full council and the council honoured its agreement to take more interest in the School. Compensation was paid to Lionel Parry for financial loss during his time as lessee; a loan for development was arranged; new land (now the top oval) and buildings (to be named in succession River House, Queenslea House and now Walters) were bought; alterations and improvements were made to existing property. It seemed that at last the School was on its way to success and financial



Canon Lionel Parry.

# FOUNDATION

stability.

Then the depression years came and they had a profound effect on Christ Church, as on all independent schools. Enrolments fell; the number of staff were reduced. Faced with the problem of keeping two schools going, the council proposed to give support to one by economising on the other. The boarding side of Christ Church was to be abandoned, and the School was to revert to preparatory school status. This was too much for Canon Parry. In 1932 he resigned. He was replaced in 1933 by Mr B W Walters. In fact the School maintained its status, and Mr Walters managed to keep the boarding side going as a private venture.

On her recent visit Mrs Barrett-Lennard sketched the School as she remembers it. The grounds were not as extensive. Walters was then the boarding house and classrooms of Girls' High School, later to become Miss Parnell's, the predecessor of Saint Hilda's Anglican School for Girls. A tree-lined pathway from the Highway separated the establishments. Cows grazed in a paddock on the site of the present Preparatory School. In an adjoining timbered paddock there grew a big mulberry tree which was very popular with the children from both schools. Overlooking the river, where the Chaplain's and McClemens Housemaster's flats and the Chapel now stand, were Romsey and Craigie Houses. The Headmaster and his family lived in Romsey, which also accommodated a master and a small dormitory for boys. Craigie was in use as the infirmary and domestic staff quarters. The Headmaster's Office, dining room, kitchen, other dormitories and classrooms were situated in Queenslea Drive near Stirling Highway; a Scout Hall was at the corner. Then, as now, the lower oval was a playing field.

The School has changed a great deal since Canon Parry was Headmaster. Although his daughter and son found few familiar landmarks they were delighted with their walk 'down memory lane'. Mrs Barrett-Lennard later wrote: "L W Parry and my mother would have been extremely happy with the improvements and the happy atmosphere".

The Parry tradition continues at Christ Church. About nine years ago the junior boarding house, acquired by the School long after Headmaster Parry's reign, was named in his honour. His grand-nephews David (1964-68) and Richard S Parry (1966-70) attended the School. His son Frederick L Parry (1933-37) is an Old Boy, as is his grandson Richard F Parry (1965-69). His great- grandson is on the waiting list to enter Christ Church in 1994.



#### A Question of Identity

A larger version of this photograph appeared in the previous edition of CHRONICLE in the hope that the boys would be identified. It elicited a response from Old Boy and former CCGS teacher John Moore (1934-43) now of South Australia, who thought the boys were reading on the Romsey or Queenslea lawn in 1948 or1949.

John believes the boy with straight blond hair on the far left is Anthony I Hibble (1947-59) and at the right back, wearing a blazer, J E Roy Parsons (1948-58): the lad almost hidden on Roy's right might be Martin C Booth (1948-59).

Can anyone identify the others? Such diligent pupils surely deserve names and a place in the School Archives!

Can you name these pupils?



Mrs Constance Barrett-Lennard and Mr Fred Parry at Christ Church, February 1990.



Academic Problem Solving	Real-Life Decision Making
one result expected	<ul> <li>multiple alternatives</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>fully defined</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>imperfectly defined</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>discipline focus</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>multidisciplinary</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>judged immediately</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>judged later</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>driven by knowledge</li> </ul>	· limited by missing knowledge
· no solution is not a solution	<ul> <li>no decision is a decision</li> </ul>

#### Perspectives: Science into the 90s

In August 1989 Dr Peter Lewis, Head of the Science Department, attended three conferences in Ontario: Chem Ed '89, the Tenth International Conference on Chemical Education and the Sixth World Conference on Co-operative Education. Generous Parents' Association support made the trip possible.

Each conference theme related to education development into the 1990s and beyond, tempered by the sobering perspective of Nobel Prize winner Roald Hoffmann that ninety percent of the knowledge to be utilised in 2010 has not yet been discovered! Similar observations are increasingly being used to justify a movement away from a "knowledge-led" curriculum.

Science educators in the United States of America and the United Kingdom are developing, or have undertaken, curriculum initiatives that emphasise processes rather than knowledge. They argue that the most valuable elements of any science education are those that remain after the facts have been forgotten.

Examination of the curriculum initiatives of the 'post-sputnik" era reveal a significant emphasis on obtaining a scientific elite to compete with Soviet Union scientists. However most students who undertake a science course do so without any particular intention of becoming scientists, so such courses are often inappropriate. The table below summarises the manner in which science educators are altering their perspective on the secondary curriculum.

1960-1980	1990
<ul> <li>preparation of new scientists</li> <li>generation of knowledge</li> <li>focus on the discipline itself</li> <li>science in the laboratory</li> <li>mastery of content</li> <li>right or wrong answer</li> <li>the class as a unit</li> <li>individual problem solving</li> <li>building of models</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>popularisation of science</li> <li>application of knowledge</li> <li>focus on social issues</li> <li>science in the community</li> <li>ownership of content</li> <li>benefits vs. burdens of science</li> <li>small group work</li> <li>cooperative problem solving</li> <li>decision making</li> </ul>

Of particular interest is the distinction between the problem solving approach of previous science courses, and the decision making initiatives in recent developments. Peter Lewis believes that if Australian science curricula develop in the same fashion as those in the Northern Hemisphere teachers will face major school-based curriculum re-writing tasks. In addition, parents who have been brought up with a different curriculum perspective will need to adjust to the changes. The neat set of notes in the child's workbook, rigorously marked and kept up to date, may be part of another era. This is particularly true as students grapple with broad, poorly defined concepts in a co-operative environment. The factoriented test will be replaced by an emphasis on opinions about issues, adequately supported by a factual knowledge base, but also incorporating higher order cognitive skills.

Peter Lewis says his Canadian Conference experiences will remain with him for some time and will find their way into curriculum offerings at Christ Church. He is most grateful to the Parents' Association for the provision of the travel grant. He said that people with whom he spoke overseas were particularly impressed by the School's preparedness to so vigorously support his trip.

#### Senior Library Automation

The benefits of Senior Librarian Mrs Margaret Watson's proposals to automate the Senior Library were quickly recognized by the Headmaster and in 1989 the Parents' Association provided funds to implement the initial stage and promised further finance to complete stage two during 1990.

The Librarians selected user-friendly ALARM/ OASIS, one of the major systems used in Australian School Libraries. The hardware has been handed down from the School Administration and experts advise this equipment will suffice for at least two years. Any needed changes will coincide with the proposed renovation of the Senior Library.

Mrs Watson advises the data input process is now well in hand, although volunteers for this task would be warmly welcomed. Three thousand fiction items have been entered. Work prior to this is made laborious by the necessity to weed, mend, replace and recatalogue each item. It is hoped that the visual

Dr Peter Lewis points out a feature in the new Science Block to Alexander Fox, Daniel Bailey and Simon Trott.

display units for student use will be installed by June 1990.

Margaret says the Library staff is undaunted by the task, confident that the quality of the records and the greatly expanded access to information contained within the research materials will be of unprecedented benefit to the users.

#### Sisters Meet

Christ Church hosted a seminar last December for about thirty nursing sisters from metropolitan Government and Independent schools. The gathering was at the initiative of Christ Church Matron Trish Cahill and organised with help from Sister Libby Howe of the School Health Services.

School nurses usually work in isolation from one another and the opportunity to share experiences and problems proved so stimulating that it is hoped further meetings can be arranged.

Irrespective of the differences between the schools represented the nurses found they dealt with similar issues. The handling of problems facing school nurses on a day to day basis, including physical, sexual and psychological child abuse and the Health Department's new protocols in some of these areas, were discussed at length.

Changing community expectations place new demands on school nurses. Traditional medical care is still provided but medical staff are increasingly involved in preventative medicine, health education programs (in consultation with teaching staff) and counselling, particularly in a community characterised by an increase in the number of working mothers and single parent families and by declining extended family support.

A recent CCGS initiative is Medical Centre care for teachers' sick children. The scheme reduces the disruption caused by staff absenteeism.

#### A Challenge Accepted

When the MIDNITE cast toured the UK the dramatists challenged young Brits everywhere to return the compliment and bring a play to Perth.

James Allen's Girls' School and Dulwich College, London, were the first to take up the challenge. Twenty-eight girls, six boys and four teachers presented an adaption of Hardy's TESS OF THE D'URBERVILLES at the CCGS Drama Centre in April after visiting Singapore, Auckland and Sydney. The group was billeted by CCGS and PLC families and the students attended school at Christ Church - for a brief week our School turned co-ed!

James Allen's Girls' School and Dulwich College are both part of a foundation established by the great 16th century Restoration actor James Allen.

### *Tertiary Entrance Exams in* 1989



Our TEE candidates made a good fist of the 1989 examinations. 94% graduated and 75% attained the basic criteria for selection for tertiary education. The vast majority of Year 12 boys performed above expectations and a number gained places on the published State award lists.

Brian Millar was awarded a General Exhibition and Chiang Siah a Special General Exhibition. Two boys gained Subject Exhibitions: Tom Pidgeon in Physics and Captain of School, Peter Landau, in Politics. Twenty Certificates of Distinction were awarded, in Accounting, Art, Chemistry, Economics, Human Biology, Mathematics I, Mattematics II, Music, Physics and Politics: across the full spectrum of Sciences and Humanities.

One interesting statistic comes from the Science Department. Three Christ Church boys gained 100% in the Physics examination. We believe that four perfect scores were awarded: the fourth was gained by the Churchlands Senior High School Beazley Medallist. Award winners: Brian Millar, Peter Landau and Tom Pidgeon at the SEA Award Ceremony at Government House. In absentia: Chiang Siah.



Harold Woodall shows a prospective parent around the School.



Mr Harold Woodall, for many years both teacher of Mathematics and part-time Registrar, has now been appointed full-time Registrar, a position necessitated by the increase in the number of enquiries, the demand for places at Christ Church, and the escalating complexity of enrolment procedures. Some parents, anxious to ensure places at Christ Church, are putting the names of new born sons on the waiting list which now stretches as far ahead as the year 2003!

Managing the enrolment process is a painstaking task. More than two years before the stipulated commencement year parents are asked to confirm their request for enrolment. Lists are then drawn up in date of application order. Some priority is given to brothers of boys already at the School and to the sons of Old Boys, but all other offers are made strictly on a 'first-come : first-serve' basis, with the single proviso that the School must consider whether it has the facilities to cater for the needs of the boy. The Headmaster is responsible for all final decisions.

Harold Woodall stresses that it is vital for parents of applicants to keep the School informed of any change of address: if a letter asking for confirmation is returned to the School marked 'address unknown', and all reasonable searching draws a blank, the name is removed from the list.

A \$100 non-refundable application fee is charged to put a boy on the waiting list. The fee covers a deceptively large amount of paper and computer work, interviews, tours of the School and, not infrequently, considerable correspondence. Parents have about one month to make their decision after an offer has been made. Acceptance is confirmed with the payment of the Foundation Endowment fee.

Parents interested in enrolling their sons at Christ Church benefit greatly from Harold Woodall's knowledge of schooling gleaned over a long teaching career. He started with the Education Department in 1949 and taught for seven years in the Goldfields. In 1956 he was invited by the Bishop of Borneo to teach at St Augustine's School in Betong, Sarawak where he was the only European teacher on staff. He returned to Perth in 1959 to marry and then took up an appointment at St Thomas's School, Kuching, Sarawak in 1960. He left Borneo at the end of 1965, taught Mathematics during 1966 at St Peter's College, Adelaide, and from 1967-68 was Headmaster of the Secondary School on Nauru Island. Harold joined the Christ Church staff in 1969 as a Mathematics teacher and has taken on many extra responsibilities during twenty-one years at the School, including those of Tutor and Housemaster of Craigie.

Fittingly, on his retirement from teaching Mathematics, old friends and ex-pupils invited him back to Borneo. Harold and Verna Woodall spent the recent Christmas period visting Kuching, Miri and Kota Kinabalu where they were warmly entertained by his 'boys' of the 1950s and 60s, many of whom completed their tertiary education in Australia under the Colombo Plan and returned to Borneo to become prominent professional and business men. On the way back to Australia the Woodalls visited Singapore and enjoyed the hospitality of the many Singaporeans who have strong links with Christ Church.

#### Crumhorns and Bombardes!

The Chapel organ was donated in 1970 jointly by the Parents' Association and "boys past and present". Twenty years later, in the same spirit of co-operation, the Parents' and Old Boys' Associations have joined forces, as a Christ Church 80th birthday project, to provide substantial funds for Organ Builders F J Larner & Co. to enhance the fine instrument.

Three new ranks will be added - 8 ft Crumhorn (61 pipes), a Fourniture (a four rank mixture of 232 pipes) and a 16 ft Bombarde (12 pipes). Other technical improvements will also be made and the casework extended. The project will begin in May and take two months to complete.

John Bates, Assistant Director of Music and organist at Christ Church, says that the organ's present sound is not quite strong enough to fill the Chapel, especially when a big service is held. Improvements will give a much brighter, stronger and fuller sound.

This joint venture of the Parents' and Old Boys' Associations is a magnificent contribution to music at Christ Church. The School is fortunate to have John Bates on staff, an organist unbettered in Western Australia. It is going be even more wonderful to hear him play with the new sparkle to the chorus on the great organ and the stronger full organ sound.



John Bates

#### New Members of Staff



Peter Brien Senior School Social Science



Colin Huntly Senior School Accounting



Jody Clarke Senior School English/Drama



Elizabeth Langdon Senior School Education Support Unit



Robin Dunn Senior School Mathematics/Computing



Ian Lock Senior School Physical Education



Alwyn Gidley Senior School English



Drew McDonald Senior School Manual Arts



Beverley Oliver Senior School English/English Literature



Peter Turkich Senior School Mathematics



Timothy Andrews Senior School (part-time) Business Studies



Kathryn O'Connor Senior School (part time) German



Hilary Brooke Preparatory School Art/Craft



Jo-Anne Piller Preparatory School Education Support Unit



Nicola Bracks Kooringal Outdoor Education



Jeremy Cox Kooringal - Intern Outdoor Education

Rehearsing THE BIRDS.



Marcus Canning as 'Paul Pidgeon'.



Chris Willesee as 'Peter Pidgeon'.



Michael Ledger as 'Sprockett'.

#### Flying High

There was more behind the overseas tour and Perth season of THE BIRDS than the opportunity for thirtythree young people to present a theatrical performance.

Tony Howes, Christ Church Director of Drama, explains: "We wanted our cast and crew to have the opportunity to work directly with professional playwright and composer on the creation of an entire piece, from the birth of an idea through to the finished product. This is a unique experience for most: helping create the very characters they perform."

These things don't happen easily and Tony says: "... without the help of the Parents' Association it probably would not have happened at all! To ask a playwright and a composer to work in this way requires professional commission fees for both libretto and music. Here the Association came to our aid and, as far as I know, this is the first time such an organisation has become patron of the arts by providing funds for commissions."

THE BIRDS, an adaption of the theme of the Aristophanes' comedy, was especially written by WA playwright Tony Nicholls, the Head of Drama at Curtin University. The score was composed by John Bates, Assistant Director of Music at Christ Church, whose other compositions range from choral music and art songs to the musical score for MIDNITE.

THE BIRDS was presented by the Midnite Youth Theatre Company, the performing division of the Drama Department of Christ Church Grammar School, assisted in this production by Presbyterian Ladies' College.

The Company was launched in 1987 with the Perth season and United Kingdom Bicentennial Tour of Randolph Stow's MIDNITE which culminated in a London Royal Performance for the Prince Edward, patron of the National Youth Theatre of Great Britain. The Midnite Company is now a member of the National Association of Youth Theatres of Great Britain. It has also been invited to work in association with the Western Australian Theatre Company. Amongst other things this gives access to The Playhouse theatre and equipment and the skills of their experts.

Following the Perth preview on March 20, THE

BIRDS left for Singapore. The young Company had been invited to present the anchor production at Singapore's Youth Festival 1990 which included professional and amateur performers from all over the world. The troupe then crossed the Pacific to perform in Canada hosted by the Vancouver Youth Theatre. After a month on tour the Company will return to present the Perth season at The Playhouse in mid-May.

The talent and exuberance of the cast brings a great vitality to THE BIRDS and Tony Howes acknowledges with gratitude the contributions of playwright Tony Nicholls, composer John Bates, choreographer Trudy Johnston, costume and set designer Ann Murray, lighting designer Duncan Ord, vocal trainer and Presbyterian Ladies' College staff member Maribeth Williams, the girls from PLC, the assistance of the Australian Broadcasting Corporation with technical equipment and processes for recording the score, the support of the West Australian Theatre Company, the financial contribution of the CCGS Parents' Association, the group of parents who provided all sorts of back up for the success of the tour and Perth season, and the Headmaster who gave the venture his wholehearted support.

The story of the production of THE BIRDS is an impressive one and Christ Church has every right to feel proud of its contribution to youth theatre.

#### Designs for 'The Birds'

Art students submitted some wonderful graphic work for THE BIRDS poster competition. The Headmaster, assisted by Sue A'Court, Head of the Art Department, and Heather Norris, did not find it easy to judge the high standard submissions.

Tim Day's winning design will be used extensively for advertising the musical and the entries of Jason Brown and Marcus Canning were highly commended.

Tim's design will also feature on THE BIRDS commemorative T-shirts and mugs available for sale here and on tour in Singapore and Vancouver. Do not miss out on these. There is an order form on the reverse side of the address sheet of this CHRONICLE.

#### "In the Footsteps of Moses"

Boys attempting the Silver Award level of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme are required to complete a major Expedition.

Project planning is well advanced for a most exciting exploration for 1990 candidates: of Cairo, Sinai, Negev and Israel, for about five weeks from 14 December.

The opportunity to take part is available firstly to D of E Award Scheme candidates and secondly to upper School boys. There is a limit of fifteen student places. Those who do not participate will have every opportunity to complete their Expedition requirement within this State.

The itinerary is likely to be along the following lines. The party will fly to Cairo and have three days to explore this memorable city of 16 million people, including visits to the extraordinary Egyptian Museum, Koptic Cairo, City of the Dead, the Camel market and, of course, Giza and the pyramids.

They will then travel in all-terrain vehicles on a self-help safari with guide - "In the Footsteps of Moses" - through Sinai to Mount Sinai and on to the Gulf of Eilat, stopping at several top skin diving spots in a protected marine park, to Eilat, into the Negev, to many exotic places en route: to camel trek, swim in the Dead Sea, ascend Massada fortress, visit Sodom and Qumran: then to Jerusalem for a three day stay. There will follow ten days in a Kibbutz, working for keep, meeting other young people and trying out the Hebrew language!

The final days will be spent exploring Northern Israel, using Youth Hostel accommodation and in company with members of the Israel Youth Award Scheme.

The tour co-ordinator, Harry Clements-Shepherd, will be pleased to answer any queries.

#### Examination Stress

Last year a small group of Year 11 and 12 boys responded to suggestions from their respective tutors to attend a course arranged by the School Counsellor, John James, to learn to cope with examination stress.

The sessions, six in all, were led by Ms Zena Hanna, an occupational therapist with a special interest in stress management. Each session began with the provision of information on some aspect of stress. A combination of group discussion and activities followed where various stress managements techniques were practiced. Topics covered included the stress response, relaxation, goal setting, investigating beliefs, positive thinking, assertion and time management.

Participants completed a written evaluation at the end of the course and were uniformly of the view that it had been worthwhile and that others would benefit from attending a similar program.

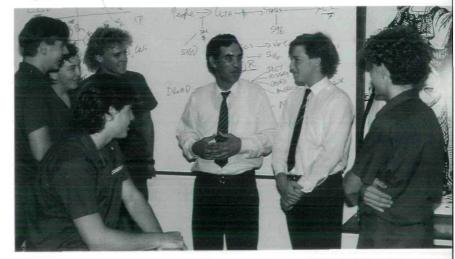
With such a positive response from the group tentative plans have been made for further courses in 1990 - one for Year 12 students in second term and another for Year 11 in third term. Details of these courses will be made available through House Tutors. Because of the nature of the program there will be a limit of twelve participants per course.

#### From the Legals' Nest!

"From one point of view", wrote Professor Michael Coper "the work of the Constitution-makers was a magnificent achievement; from another, it saddled us with a conservative document, difficult to amend, obstructive of social change and riddled with unresolved problems, unfilled gaps and awkward compromises."



Counsellor, John James



Some of these "unresolved problems, unfilled gaps and awkward compromises" were demonstrated to Shannon Hayes' Year 12 Law class in a most informative and interesting talk on the Constitution given by Mr Jim Thomson from the Attorney-General's office.

By examining several intriguing interpretations of Constitutional provisions by the High Court in six cases the boys were able to appreciate that their nation's 'birth certificate' is not a dusty, old, obsolete document, but very much a 'living' one and part of the daily lives of ordinary people. Enthusiastic Year 12 Law students discuss the Constitution with guest speaker Mr Jim Thomson.



#### Extending Peer Support

The Peer Support program, successful in Walters House in 1989, has been extended to Noake this year, providing leadership opportunities for some Year 11 boys and support for Year 8 boys entering the Senior School.

Last October fourteen potential leaders, eleven from Noake and three from Walters, attended a leadership camp at Kooringal funded by the Old Boys' Association and run by Rose Lenzo from the Peer Support Foundation. All were very enthusiastic and keen to continue.

All Walters and Noake Year 8 boys will attend discussions and activities with their Year 11 leaders once a week for the lst semester. Gill Nicholas, Peer Support Program Co-ordinator, and John James, School Counsellor, are giving behind-the- scenes backing and the Senior Master and Walters and Noake Housemasters are very supportive.

Other Housemasters are being kept informed. Despite the heavy timetable demands on staff and boys it is hoped the program will spread throughout the School as the benefits are recognized.

#### An Overseas Experience

One of Ian Ward's lasting memories of his year as an exchange teacher at Tuakau College, just south of Auckland, New Zealand, is the strong Maori influence at the school highlighted in the welcome to new staff and students at the first assembly. The gynmasium was filled and staff and students chanted and sang songs similar to those heard in the Commonwealth Games broadcasts.

Tuakan College is a young, co-educational government school with a current enrolment of about 430 Year 6-12 students from a range of ethnic groups, including Maori (approximately 45%), Polynesian, Indian, Chinese and European.

Ian found the cultural mix made the school very interesting and he attributed the harmony to the teaching of the Maori culture and language to all junior pupils, and to the opportunity for adults to return to school as students, adding a maturity and balance to the population as a result of their workforce experience. During the year Ian was interested to observe and be involved in changes at Taukau, the result of Government policy Department of Education changes. A number of these were directed at the administration, including the requirement of a student elected student representative on the school's governing body which predominately comprised parents of current students as well as the Principal and staff representative.

Ian found the exchange challenging and thought provoking and an addition to his own education. He recommends exchanges to all teachers and hopes the Christ Church program will continue.

#### The Real Thing

When Jamie Fagan accepted British Telecom's offer for his class to plot on computer the progress of the second leg of the Whitbread Round the World Yacht Race, he had absolutely no idea that soon he would be on the high seas aboard one of the craft.

When they arrived in Fremantle Jamie took his class to Success Harbour to see the boats the boys had been following so diligently for weeks. One thing led to another. Not only were the crew members billetted in Walters House over the holiday period but two of the crew from LIVERPOOL ENTERPRISE visited the Prep School to talk to the boys. This led to the class being invited to the Harbour again, to go around to all the yachts and to give the crews copies of the maps they had made.

Then Jamie was offered a working berth on LIVERPOOL ENTERPRISE! He claims his previous sailing experience had been confined to little more than a day trip to Rottnest and back but, with a 'nothing ventured, nothing gained' attitude, he took up the challenge and a few days before Christmas he set sail for Auckland on Leg 3 of the Whitbread Race!

Fifteen days later a fitter and wiser Jamie could hardly believe he had been part of such an adventure. He now cherishes his memories: the camaraderie on board LIVERPOOL ENTERPRISE, early sea sickness, four hour watches, unbelievable tiredness, cramped conditions, fear when storms and high winds struck, emergency repairs in terrible weather, calms, a dolphin school, whale sightings, the incredible Southern Aurora and the utterly amazing welcome accorded the boats in Auckland.

Humbled and exhilarated by his experiences Jamie feels he will never be quite the same person again. One wonders what might eventuate if his class is invited to plot the course of the next space probe!



Year 11 boys attend a

discussion group at the

Kooringal Leadership Camp.

Ian Ward

#### The Computer Age

Whilst some adults are fazed by the very thought of computers, today's children will suffer no such feelings of inadequacy.

Computer familiarity begins in Year 1 at Christ Church and all boys are taught a range of skills in a program covering typing and word processing, data basing, mapping games, simulation games and electronic mailing.

This year Jamie Fagan will be sharing a Year 6 class with Jenny Vincent and teaching computer studies every afternoon. All Year 1 - 7 classes have been programmed to attend the computer lab on a weekly basis.

Simulation games integrate computer skills with other subjects, such as Social Science and Science, and there is a fascinating range of software packages in use.

BUSH RESCUE involves finding and saving an injured walker and the boys must book and plan a helicopter flight to facilitate the rescue.

In TERRA AUSTRALIS the player and four fellow 'sailors' are put in charge of a Dutch trading vessel commissioned to sail from Holland to Batavia. Along the way they have many adventures and learn about new lands and people, about ships and navigation and the history of the early days of sailing.

The boy who plays DINOSAUR DISCOVERY becomes a scientist who finds an abandoned mine filled with strange eggs and crystals. He works on these and when he finally puts them together in a special incubator a dinosaur is hatched.

Budding business entrepreneurs become Aristotle Onassis in TYCOON ITCH and are placed in charge of a modern day merchant ship with the mission to profitably trade around the world. Boys learn what commodities sell best in certain countries and that there is little profit, for example, to be made trying to sell cars in Detroit!

Jamie Fagan overcame initial difficulties with the electronic mailing program and by mid-October last year the boys were receiving and sending mail by computer to schools in British Columbia, California, Oaklahoma, Alaska and New York and learning much about these places. They also followed on a daily basis the Whitbread Round the World Yacht Race data base, plotting each boat's position on their personal world map.

Such programs widen the scope of classroom learning whilst equipping the boys with the skills necessary to manage the computers which have become so prominent in our technological society.

#### Parents Help With Enrichment

Since arriving at Christ Church in 1986 Jenny Vincent, the Student Enrichment Co-ordinator, has introduced programs which, she says, could not have operated effectively without the genuine and reliable help of parents.

One program is after-school trampolining, an activity for improving gross motor skills. Five to seven boys work for an hour. While one works on the trampoline under Jenny's supervision the others must be occupied on different aspects of the motor development program. Parent volunteers have regularly attended to assist with this.

Jenny acknowledges with gratitude the assistance of Mesdames Southcombe, Patrick, Newnham, Phillips, Sceales, Partis, Pederson, Stokes, Hohnen, and Grigg, Dr Stanley-Cary, Dr Hellmuth and Mr Norvilas.

In another program Jenny again works on a oneto-one basis while a mother takes the remaining boys on a class oriented program requiring considerable teaching skill. Mrs Sue Ruse and Mrs Mary-Jo Alvarez have assisted with this work since 1986. The boys enjoy their sessions and both mothers have established excellent relationships with them.



Bronte Phillips works with a pupil on the motor development program.



Prep School boys learn computer skills with Jamie Fagan.



#### From the President

The Association is well ahead with plans for an exciting 1990, our School's 80th birthday.

The Sundowner, held the evening before school commenced, was most successful and well attended by new and current parents. This was an exceptionally exciting occasion as the Mothers' Auxiliary presented a bus to the School. The Headmaster received this on behalf of the School and had the honour of the first drive.

During First Term the Association will run a raffle and tickets will be sent to all parents. I would ask you all to buy some please and try to sell any leftovers to your friends. The proceeds, together with other funds raised during the year, will be allocated for special items and requirements the School cannot normally provide. Areas to which funds will be allocated include: commissions for the musical drama THE BIRDS, library automation, staff development, enhancement of the Chapel organ, sailing cutters, Archives, boarding house facilities and the Parents' Association Scholarship.

Later in the year our usual Quiz Night, Art Exhibition and Cocktail Party will be held and in Term 4 a major event with our 80th birthday as the theme. There will be more news about this later.

We are most appreciative of the support parents give to the Association and we wish to hear from newcomers who would like to be involved. Peter Hunt

#### Books for Boarders

As Boarders' Representative on the Parents' Association, Jenny Campbell sees it her responsibility to promote the boarders' interests. At the monthly Association meetings financial, school and social matters are discussed and city parents are kept aware of boarders' needs and the difficulties inherent in being country parents.

Jenny is especially interested in the proposal to upgrade Walters House when funds become available.

Recreational facilities, encyclopaedias and furnishings were provided to the boarding houses last year by a generous allocation from Association funds and it is hoped that improvements can be made to increase the range of reading material available to the boys.

Jenny asks CHRONICLE readers to consider donating to the boarding houses good novels, literature and educational publications which they no longer require. Please telephone Graham Ferguson, the Senior Boarding Housemaster, on 383 1044 if you can help.

#### Train Trip

The Mothers' Auxiliary Hotham Valley train trip to Toodyay on October 28 is shaping up as one of the most exciting social functions of the year.

Organiser Robbie Stevenson reports that Hotham Valley will supply a steam train, which will bring back memories for some and will be a new excitement for many children.

The train will pick up passengers at Claremont, Perth and Midland. On arrival in Toodyay passengers will walk the short distance to the town oval and showgrounds for a barbecue of locally-grown sucker lamb. There will be plenty of entertainment for adults and children, rides, races and a tug-of-war competition.

Prices will be less than normally charged by Hotham Valley and the barbecue, rides and games will be included in the cost to be confirmed by the next issue of CHRONICLE.

#### Hands-on

Towards the end of 1989 the Mothers' Auxiliary allocated funds to the Preparatory School Education Support Unit for the purchase of a BBC computer, word processor and printer, compatible with those used in the School.

The boys are delighted to have their own computer in the classroom and are becoming very adept at using it, both for educational programs and for producing their own written work on the printer.

At present mainly mathematics and spelling programs are used. The maths program encourages students to develop speed with basic fact recall,

Margaret Lewis, President of the Mothers' Auxiliary, takes great pleasure in announcing at the 1990 Sundowner the Auxiliary's gift of a bus to commemorate the School's 80th birthday. Her announcement is warmly applauded by the Parents' Association President Peter Hunt and Headmaster Jeremy Madin. The bus is for general use and a special feature is that all seats are equipped with seat belts.



Robbie Stevenson, organiser of the Hotham Valley train trip.



Jenny Campbell.

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telling the time and developing logical thinking. The spelling program caters for individual needs by allowing students to enter their own spelling lists on to disk and then having practice with the use of those words.

The boys also use a program designed to give them keyboard familiarity, encouraging the use of both hands on the keyboard, an ideal reinforcement for hand-eye co-ordination.

The ESU is very grateful to the Mothers' Auxiliary and invites anyone interested to visit the class to observe the boys at work.

#### Parent Resource Register

The idea of a parent resource register was conceived following the very successful fundraising function, AUCTION '85. Having assembled a large group of parents with the variety of skills to organise or contribute to such a major event, it seemed a good idea to record the information, keep it up to date and add to the list new parents who could be called upon to assist with Parents' Association activities or provide general or specialised help to the School.

The development and distribution of the initial questionnaire began in 1986. For the first two years all information was sorted and compiled by hand. In 1988 the Parents' Association purchased a computer and the information was transferred onto a database.

A small committee of mothers keep up to date the information on about 950 parents. With the computer lists names of parents can be very quickly extracted for a particular requirement. Areas in which assistance is available range over a very wide field, from specific ones like being a guest speaker or having boys for job appreciation, to more general ones like helping in the Drama Department, with sport, extra curricular activities, arranging chapel flowers, having a boarder out for the weekend or assisting with the Canteen, Clothing Service or other Parents' Association activities.

A measure of the vision of the instigators of the Register is the fact that not only is it a successful part of Christ Church today, but that the committee has helped parent associations in several others schools to set up similar registers.

All parents new to the School, or with boys starting in Year 8, are sent a Resource Register questionnaire early in the school year in the hope that they will find the time to complete and return it to be available to help the School or the Parents' Association in some capacity.

#### Honorary Life Membership

The Parents' Association occasionally grants Honorary Life Membership to a parent who has made an outstanding contribution to the School. The honour board in the Association room lists twentyseven such awards.

At the last Parents' Association Annual General Meeting Beverley Martin was nominated for, and subsequently accepted, Honorary Life Membership .

An entrepreneurial and tireless worker, Bev injected an added spirit of enterprise and endeavour into the Parents' Association. Always warm, friendly and leading by example, her special gift was to inspire others. She co-ordinated a major fundraising stall at the 1983 Fair and the following year masterminded and began organising AUCTION '85, setting a new trend in school fundraising functions and marshalling hundred of parents and friends of the School to help in what turned out to be an outstandingly successful function.

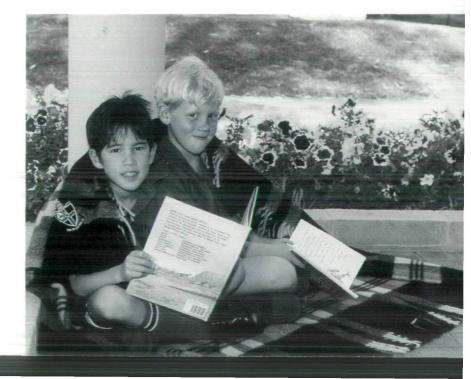
Bev was a member of the Parents' Association Committeee for four years during which she headed various sub-committees and served as Vice President and Parents' Association delegate to School Council. She was the motivator behind cocktail parties, quiz nights, sundowners and morning teas for new parents, a major force behind establishing the Parents' Association Resource Register and an important influence in the development of the Association's Newsletter.

Honorary Life Membership of the Christ Church Grammar School Parents' Association is a fitting acknowledgement of Beverley Martin's' contribution to the School.



Beverley Martin.

Year 2 boys Jeremy Hughes and Tom Watson look snug and happy in a Christ Church tartan rug. These lovely fringed rugs, in the School colours and embroidered with the School Crest, are available in wool or mohair from the Clothing Service.





John Tucker, George Gibson, George Larkins, John Murton and Richard McNeil enjoy a chat over a drink before the Adelaide Dinner.



Eugene Phoa.



Peter Nixon.

#### Adelaide Dinner 1989

The second Adelaide Dinner was held at the White Hart Restaurant on Friday November 10. The only formality was John Moore's toast to the School and his reference to some notes supplied by the Headmaster concerning recent academic successes, enrolments, the building of the new science facilities and the Christmas Day telecast from the Chapel.

Those who attended were JOHN TUCKER (1938-43), JOHN MURTON (1939-46), HARRY HUTCHISON (1934-38), GEORGE GIBSON, JOHN MOORE (1934-43), DAVID HOOPER (1937-41), GEORGE LARKINS (1965-69) and RICHARD MCNEIL (1970-77), some of whom were accompanied by their wives.

Apologies were received from LAURIE JUPP (1926-1931), who was celebrating his 50th Wedding Anniversary, RICHARD THOMAS (1982-85) and GREG THOMAS (1981-85), CHARLES SOUTHWOOD (1964-68), FRANK BRADY (about 1916) and TAFFY MILLER (1920-26).

There are twenty-seven Old Boys known to be living in the Adelaide area and Old Boy dinner organiser John Moore, who was also teacher-librarian at Christ Church during part of the 1940s and 50s, is hoping for an increase in attendance for the third dinner to be held on Tuesday 14 August 1990 when Headmaster Jeremy Madin and Dean Bowker, Executive Director of the Foundation, expect to be in Adelaide.

### *The Return of Frederic the Pirate*

When EUGENE PHOA (1953-56) returned to Singapore to study Law in 1957 he had no reason to believe that it would be thirty-four years before he would see his old school again.

After graduating from Singapore University Eugene practiced Law there for a decade before deciding to migrate to Canada.

For the past thirteen years he has been a partner in the law firm of Milner and Steer in Edmonton, Alberta. In his spare time he breeds English Cocker Spaniels and employs a full staff to run his kennels at Sherwood Park. It was his interest in dogs that brought him to Australia last month to judge a series of dog shows. While in Perth Eugene contacted Dean Bowker and spent a day at the School.

There were times when Eugene was speechless. He had confessed to looking forward to a stroll down memory lane but alas, with so many new buildings and faces, memories were few and far between. Fortunately, however, he did recognise ARTHUR PATE (1948-53), now on Staff, and the front section of Queenslea (now Walters) Boarding House.

Despite being slightly confused by an almost new campus Eugene was impressed by the Chapel, PE complex, Preparatory School and new Science Block. He was stunned by the size of the School (there were 436 boys in 1956) and the quality of the boarders' smorgasbord lunch!

Eugene chatted enthusiastically with DEAN BOWKER (1948-55), now Director of the Foundation, about the Gilbert and Sullivan productions of the mid-1950s. Eugene was the tenor lead in both TRIAL BY JURY, in which Director Alan Woodend cast him as The Defendant, and THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE in which he took the lead role of Frederic the Pirate! As well as his outstanding acadamic ability, taking out the Maths, English and Language prizes in his leaving year, Eugene will also be remembered as the under age athletics champion and the fife sergeant in the School's Cadet Band.

Eugene's younger brother WELLINGTON PHOA (1953-54) is also living in Canada. He is working with IBM in Toronto, Ontario.

#### Peter Nixon 1990 Nuffield Scholar

After leaving School Old Boy Life Member PETER NIXON (1962-67) went back to the family farm in Kalannie to share the workload with his brother BOB NIXON (1959-64). Now married, with three children, Peter farms 'Glengariff', a 970 ha property in the heavy, loamy soils of Moora.

Good farming practices on his wheat and sheep property, and a burning desire to study agricultural processes overseas, have proved beneficial to Peter. In December last year he was announced the 1990 winner of the prestigious Nuffield Scholarship.

The Nuffield was first awarded in 1950. Set up to promote agriculture and to develop an attitude towards advancing the industry, the Scholarship is sponsored exclusively in WA by the R & I Bank's Land Management Service. The \$3000 provided by the R & I will go a long way to assist Peter on his six months visit to the USA. He will concentrate his

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studies on computer programs for farm management and soil conservation. Peter is convinced that WA has some of the most fragile soils in the world. Because of this, and the continued growth in world population, it is essential for farmers to develop soil management techniques to increase production.

#### Old Boy Guest Speakers

Two of the many guest speakers invited to speak at School assemblies last year were Old Boys.

GAVIN MICHAEL (1971-82) visited in August and spoke about his current studies at ANU. After graduating from UWA with honours in Science he was awarded a Shell Questacon Science Communication Scholarship and took this up at ANU in February 1989. There are ten scholarships awarded annually. As well as the theoretical aspect recipients are afforded practical experience travelling Australia with the Shell Questacon Science Circus. To fulfil his course requirements Gavin chose to investigate ways and means of measuring community awareness of the social impact of science and technology. Gavin's message to the students was brief and simple: "Science is fun."

An older Old Boy guest was former School Captain PETER KERBY (1945-55), the Sub Dean of Economics and Commerce at UWA. Peter was the speaker at the Year 12 final assembly in November. After presenting the sporting cups and trophies, two of which are named after his parents, he spoke on "life after Christ Church". His friendly manner and blend of humour, nostalgia, philosophy and sound advice, struck a chord with the entire School. He concluded with a message to all Senior School boys by pointing out to the Year 12s that if they had not enjoyed their time at Christ Church it was now too late "...for you may have missed out on the best days of your life."

#### Old Boy Recognised in New Year Honours List

The name JIM DOLLIMORE (1951-56) is synonymous with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. Jim, who has been the spokesman for the Department since 1975, was one of only nineteen public servants in Australia to receive the inaugural Public Service Medal for outstanding service and dedication to duty. He is currently on business in South East Asia where he will be having talks with his counterparts in Singapore, Kuala Lumpur and Bangkok.

#### Diary Dates for Interstate Old Boys

On route to and from conferences in Hobart Headmaster Jeremy Madin and Director of the Foundation and Secretary of the OBA, Dean Bowker, will attend Old Boy reunions in Adelaide, Sydney and Melbourne.

Old Boys living interstate please note the dates: Adelaide - Tuesday 14 August: Sydney - Wednesday 22 August: Melbourne - Thursday 23 August. Invitations giving full details will be sent nearer the time.

#### The Network Widens

At last we have been able to establish an old boy link with Tasmania, thus effectively having contacts in every state and territory in Australia.

We are also pleased to be able to announce new contacts in Malaysia and Indonesia, along with a couple of additional contacts in the United States and one in Canada.

Old boys prepared to represent the Association interstate or overseas should contact Dean Bowker at the School.

TASMANIA Alun S Jones (1963-70) 9 Plenar Street Carlton Beach via Dodge's Ferrey PO Box 7173 Tek: (002)658744

SOUTH AUSTRALIA John R Moore (1934-43) 15 Cator Street Glenside SA 5065 TEL: (08)793371

NEW SOUTH WALES Nicoll Mason-Jones (1953-57) 11 Todman Avenue West Pymble NSW 2073 TEL: (024)491599

MALAYSIA Krishna Ravi (1966-69) 255 Jalan Mahkota Taman Maluri Cheras 55100 Kuala Lumpur Tel: 9854692 CHINA Rory G Anderson (1974-80) Apartment 19D North Lodge China World Trade Centre No.1 Jian Guo Men Wai Avenue Beijing

INDONESIA Y Fye Watt (1956-60) P T Supra Matra Abadi 24-26 Jin Jend A-Yari Medan

U S A Steven J Annear (1974-78) 334 East Mulberry Street Fort Collins Colorado 80524

Dr Mark R Alderson (1968-79) Unit 3/3644 Phinney Avenue Fremont Seattle

CANADA Kerry Harmanis (1962-66) 3139 Pt Grey Road Vancouver V6K1B3



Gavin Michael.



Jim Dollimore



#### Walkabout

When Captain ADRIAN PATE (1975-81) of the RA Signals Corps was posted to Mawson in the Antarctic last December he was accompanied on the "Ice Bird" voyage by Dr NICK STEVENSON (1952-58) who was to undertake a geology research program in the region, and JONATHAN AKERMAN (1951-60) who was to take over as officer in charge of Davis Station. They arrived in a blizzard on New Year's Eve and awoke next morning to be confronted by the snow white spectacle of Mt Moyes, named after the uncle of ex-Headmaster PETER MOYES' (1951-81). Adrian is soon to be married and his brother Staff Cadet RICHARD PATE (1979-85) has just announced his engagement.

A number of our young old boys are working in outback regions of WA. HAL McKENNEY (1973-75) is on Limestone Station just out of Marble Bar. GREG WESTAWAY (1984-85) and his brother NATHAN (1985-88) are on the family property Inverway Station, east of Kununurra. ANDREW ALSTON (1986-88) is helping his father on Yanrey Station out of Carnarvon. CLINT MOTTER (1986) works with his parents on Cherrabun Station out of Fitzroy Crossing. ROSS NORRIE (1973-77) has been working for the Finlaysons on Melita Station near Menzies. DOUG GREWAR (1973-77) is managing Woorlba Station, near Balladonia, for his family, while WILL GRAUAUG (1980-86) has opted for the 'easy life' a little closer to Perth: he's working at Carnamah with ROGER DRING (1982-86) for Roger's father PETER DRING (1949-51).

We recently heard from MATTHEW CALTHROP (1980-86). He is studying in Rockhampton at the University College of Central Queensland for a Bachelor of Applied Science (Computing).

Recently heard that JOHN WALKER (1963-69), commonly known as "Whiskey", has taken a position as a pilot with Singapore Airlines.

DANNY GOODRIDGE (1979-83) is a flight chef (1st Class) with Qantas. He reports having met up with ANDREAS VON ALTENSTADT (1979-83) while on a recent stop-over in Frankfurt. Andreas is doing a one year bridging course in Law at Regensberg in West Germany. Danny also met CRAIG MUIR (1979-83) and ADRIAN SAGGERS (1980-83) in San Francisco just before the tragic earthquake. They hired a car and spent at week in Yosemite National Park before Craig and Adrian headed off to Camp America in Connecticut. Craig is now working as an architect in London, and Adrian is with an accounting firm in Melbourne.

KEN SMITHSON (1965-70) took out a life membership of the Association on a recent trip to Perth. Ken is a project manager in Melbourne.

We are reliably informed by JIM BARSDEN (1960-70) that his brother RICHARD (1959-70) has joined the law firm of Williams Ellison Clements and Meagher where his old schoolmate WILLIAM CLEMENTS (1959-70) is a partner. Also heard that DAVID GERMAIN (1960-71) is a lawyer with the firm Dwyer Thomas.

After leaving School some old boys choose to live as far away as possible, without leaving Australia. One such is fellow STUART HUTCHISON (1961-66) who has purchased a plot in Hidden Valley in far North Queensland.

Meanwhile there are others among us who opt for the good life in tax havens, though doubtless NICHOLAS COLLINGS (1983) did not have this in mind when his family decided to settle in Jersey, Channel Islands.

Two old boy graduates in medicine spent last year on fellowships at the Mayo Graduate School of Medicine in Minnesota, USA. DAVID RANSOM (1965-71) is specialising as a physician and GRAEME HANKEY (1970-74) is doing muscular dystrophy research.

JAMES THROSSELL (1972-79), who was married last month, recently graduated as a dentist and has joined a dental practice in Katanning.

Two of our 1989 school leavers have taken positions as Rentas in England. CHRIS LAPINSKI (1982-89) has maintained the Christ Church links with the Royal Hospital School near Ipswich in East Anglia, coaching swimming and rugby in the Phys Ed.

Ferguson (1980-85), Richard Pate (1979-85) and Chris White (1981-86) at the Graduation Ball, Australian Defence Force Academy, Canberra, December 1989.

**Officer-Cadets Mark** 

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Department. Meanwhile CALLUM WEEKS (1984-89) is flying the School flag assisting in the Drama Department at Wrekin College in Shropshire.

The 'Stragglers' cricket team spent seven days over Christmas and the New Year touring Malaysia. CHRIS STEVENSON (1968-72), GRANT RUSSELL (1967-75) and parent PAUL OLIVER played matches in Kuala Lumpur, Ipoh and Penang. While in Penang they bumped into KRISHNA RAVI (1966-69) and PHIL JOHNSTON (1965-69).

GRAHAM FORWARD (1965-69) will spend this year at the Royal Infirmary in Birmingham doing further studies in orthopaedic surgery.

MICHAEL LEARY (1970-81) is a recruiting officer (Captain) for the army. While preparing to take up an instructors position later this year he has been posted to Victoria.

Lt. Commander DAVID PLUMMER (1958-70) writes to inform us that since joining the navy in 1976 he has served in a variety of ships and establishments. After completing a course at HM Naval Dockyard Rosyth near Edinburgh in January last year he spent four months touring Europe with his wife. He is currently Officer of the Master Attendant on Garden Island (Sydney) and reports that from time to time he sees ANTHONY POPE (1966-70), an executive with Citicorp in Sydney, and STUART LUMSDEN (1963-69), a submarine Lt. Commander at HMAS Encounter in Adelaide.

MICHAEL CROFT (1971-75) has been overseas for three years driving a "Dragman" adventure safari bus in Africa, the Middle East and Asia. He is currently based in Suffolk in the UK.

JOHN THROSSELL (1972-77) recently spent a few weeks holidaying in Perth. After graduating from UWA as a hydro-geologist, John left for London to take up a position as an Environmental Consultant. He is currently living at 73 Burke Close in Putney, SW 15 and reports having often seen ANDREW BARTLEY (1975-80) who is doing a stint in London as a dentist.

Dr PHILIP HOUSE (1967-71) recently returned to Perth after completing a two year fellowship in glaucoma at both Vancouver General and University of British Columbia Hospitals. He is in the process of establishing himself as one of Perth's ophthalmologists.

It's now history that Alan Bond's supermaxi "Drumbeat" took line honors in the recent Sydney to Hobart yacht race. This victory will undoubtedly be due to the world class crew headed by top helmsman PETER GILMOUR (1968-77). JON SANDERS (1952-55) also competed in the race on his yacht "Perie Banou II".

When Ray House and Cliff Watkins encountered difficulties with their vehicle in a remote area of the South West three months ago little did they realise that an Old Boy would come to their rescue. KIM GRIFFITHS (1960-63) and his wife Karen own the Augusta Service Station and Automotive Repair Workshop. Kim was only too pleased to put his old teachers back on the right track!

DAVID CANNING (1979-85) recently gained his commercial pilots licence. He is available for charter anywhere in Australia. He tells us that KIM BEVAN (1971-75) is a State Registered Nurse at the Kalgoorlie Regional Hospital and JOHN PARKER (1981-84) has joined the army and just completed his parachute course with the SAS at Swanbourne Barracks.

When at School BILL NOTT (1967-73) devoted most of his time to cricket, hockey and golf. These days Bill and his wife Heather devote their time to people for, as the Pastor of the non-denominational, charismatic Rhema Family Church in Adelaide, Bill is faced with an exciting challenge. He established the church in Adelaide in 1988 after completing two years at Bible School and a further four years on staff in the Perth office. The Notts hope to visit Perth for a holiday in May this year.

After gaining a Commerce degree from UWA in 1973 PETER FRENCH (1967-68) worked with CSR and Elders GM in both market research and vesselchartering in Sydney and London before being appointed to a senior position with the United Nations World Food Programme in 1983. Married, with three children, Peter has been based in Rome for the past seven years. He has been responsible for chartering vessels to ship annually 2.5 million metric tonnes of food valued at US \$120 million from the western world to forty-five developing countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America. The French family recently returned to set up home in Perth.





Bill Nott

### Coming Events

15 May	Opening Night of THE BIRDS 8 pm Playhouse Theatre. Season 15-19 May
16 May	OLD BOYS OF THE 1950-59 ERA. Reunion Luncheon at School
18 May	McCLEMANS HOUSE ARTS FESTIVAL
21 May	YEAR 10 OUTWARD BOUND ten day camp commences
26 May	PSA Bye
31 May	MID-TERM BREAK
1 June	COMBINED CCGS-ST HILDA'S MUSIC CAMP commences
13 June	THE YEAR GROUP OF 1965. Reunion luncheon at School
15 June	WONGAN-BALLIDU DINNER. Guest of Honour - The Headmaster
18 June	ART WEEK. Display at Grove Plaza
22 June	COMBINED CCGS - ST HILDA'S CONCERT
30 June	WILLIAMS LUNCHEON. Guest of Honour - The Headmaster
5 July	END OF TERM 2



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