

Newsletter

AUGUST 2017



Old boy arch rivals Christ Church and Scotch College will front each other in the four winter sport codes on Sunday 13 August, as Festival of the Boot enters its third year.

Scotch Collegians have been formidable opponents in the past and with a home ground advantage this year they will be determined to hold the championship title. The Christ Church old boy teams need encouragement from

the sidelines to boost their chances in this one day challenge. Get down to the grounds with friends and family for a spectacular line up of rugby, soccer, footy and hockey.

OBA GOLF DAY

Old boys headed to Cottesloe Golf Course for the annual OBA Golf Day in July, with 73 starters braving the wet and windy conditions.

A shotgun start ensured minimum waiting time on the tee box however this was still not enough to keep some groups from calling it early as the appeal of a wine or beer inside the heated club house got the better of some players.

Back out on the course there were some great shots played, including a few (inside 1m) nearest the pins and some booming long drives, including Michael Hales' ('2000) 330m drive on 18.

Congratulations to the winning team of Aidan Cooper, Paul Coni, Ben Mansbridge, and Chris Johnson (all 2001) and to everyone else for helping to make the day one to remember.

Finally, a big thanks to Mark MacLeod ('73) for driving the event, and the support provided by Christ Church staff. Weather aside, it was a great day and we look forward to replicating the events' success in 2018.

Special mention and thanks to our sponsors:



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Peter Wallace ('00)

Golfing enthusiasts, please note that the PSA Golf Day will be held on Monday 9 October.



THE MIDNITE YOUTH THEATRE COMPANY

Celebrating three decades of joyous school drama, The Midnite Youth Theatre Company returns to the State Theatre Centre of Western Australia with the magical, musical production of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, which opened on Thursday 3 August.

Showing until 5 August, this wonderful production will appeal to the whole family but be quick, tickets are selling fast!
Click **here** for details and online booking or call the Alumni Office on 9442 1528.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

A great line up of reunions will be celebrated in the coming few months, details of which can be found on the Old Boys' Association website along with our full calendar of events including OBA sports, social opportunities, regional field days and school performances.

If you would like support in accessing this information, please call the Alumni Office on 9442 1528 for assistance. We do our best to lock in the calendar of events at the commencement of the year but timeframes occasionally change. Please check the website regularly for updates.

GALA CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

Pictures tell the story of a sensational night.

Students and old boys joined together to sing the School hymn at the centenary chapel service.

The history of the OBA was portrayed in the centenary exhibition, drinks and storytelling followed. A special night of fellowship brilliantly steered by Simon Growden ('90) as MC.

Thank you for making the centenary dinner a fantastic historical occasion and a truly great celebration.

A full gallery of pictures can be found on the **old boys' website**.







OLD BOYS' WEBSITE

In this issue, we've suggested visiting the **Old Boys' website** to access our gallery of photographs, news updates and event listings. The OBA website also provides a wide range of additional features to connect you with colleagues, access membership benefits, express interest in supporting the School, follow the history of the OBA, view past school publications, update your personal details and search for (or list) jobs.

This data is well protected and some functions are limited to registered users who require password access.

Please contact the Old Boys' office on 9442 1528 if you would like further information and assistance in using this great resource.



SCHOOL SPORT RESULTS

If you're interested in following the progress of CCGS students in the sporting arena please visit

sport.ccgs.wa.edu.au for all team and year level results or follow the CCGS
Twitter feed at

https://twitter.com/CCGSSport.

Saturday 12 August is Round 14 of Cross Country at Kings Park (Synergy playground start and finish) – 9.30am start. If Christ Church wins, it will be the first time we have won Cross Country since 1997.



FATHER FRANK SHEEHAN AWARD FOR SERVICE TO COMMUNITY

Principal Alan Jones is delighted to announce the introduction of the Father Frank Sheehan Award for Service to Community. It will be one of the highest honours the School can bestow upon a member of the Christ Church community.

The Award will recognise people who have made sustained contributions to the betterment of the community.

Father Sheehan's commitment to the boys and the broader community has been outstanding and this is our opportunity to recognise the work of a remarkable man who has inspired many through his leadership and service to our community.

Please click **here** for more information and to download a nomination form.

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Luke Parkinson



Rick Newnham



Angus Caithness



Kim Skipworth

Jake Patmore ('16) is a promising old boy to follow in the AFL draft over the next 12 months following an invitation to undertake testing at the NAB AFL National Draft Combine in October. Jake coaches our Year 7 boys in the PSA AFL Competition.

The Gilmour brothers, Lachie ('14), Sam ('10) and David ('08) are racing against each other in the World Match Racing Tour as they head into the fourth challenge in Russia. Nothing like sibling rivalry to keep motivation high! Follow the competition results throughout the year.

Brothers **Andrew** (*12) and **George Ford** (*10), playing for Water Polo team Aussie Sharks in the Fina World Championships, defeated France 11-10 under immense pressure, followed by a loss to Serbia in the quarter-finals. The team were defeated by Italy in the semi-final, claiming 7th place overall.

Luke Parkinson ('07) recently challenged for the America's Cup in Bermuda on the Swedish Artemis racing team, going down in the finals of the Challenger series to Team New Zealand. Follow Luke **here**.

Rick Newnham ('05) joined the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of WA (CCIWA) as their Chief Economist in January 2017. Prior to joining CCIWA, Rick worked internationally as an economist for Shell.

Deputy Principal and Head of Senior School, Roger Bayly, recently caught up with **Tim Hollingsworth** ('96) in the United States. Tim has been employed by Google for 10 years and is currently working on the launch of Youtube TV (which has rolled out in San Francisco) as a lead software engineer.

Angus Caithness ('95) has returned home safely after conquering Everest on the north side. Angus started climbing in

2013 and has since reached 'the seven summits' being the tallest mountain on each continent. Angus featured in an old boys' newsletter of 2015 following his narrow escape from an earthquake at Everest.

In a life of extraordinary achievement, Angus counts amongst his quests: joining the first team to climb a peak in Antarctica, trekking through the jungles of West Papua where two German climbers were eaten by cannibals prior to his endeavour, turning back on Aconcagua about four hours from the top due to an avalanche and then returning two years later to reach the summit.

Angus is a Harvard Business School graduate, Chartered Accountant and cofounder of IARUDI.

Omar Khorshid ('91) has been elected President of the Australian Medical Association (WA). *The Post* recently reported that Omar is one of the youngest presidents in the association's history.

Marcus Canning ('91) won the Western Australian of the Year Award in the Arts and Culture category. Marcus is Chief Executive Officer of **Fringe World**, a notfor-profit cultural organisation and charity that has been at the forefront of enriching and evolving the creative arts and culture of Western Australia since 1983.

Robert Tucker (*78) worked for many years as a carpenter, joiner and brick layer. In the latter half of his life he became concerned about the environmental damage caused by outdated farming practices. After extensive research in Australia and Europe, Robert developed and prototyped many guidance systems designed to combat these important agricultural issues.

After recovering from the Yaloop fires of 2016, **Kim Skipworth** ('66) thanked the Old Boys' Association for support offered during those tough times. A case of Phoenix Rising Shiraz was handed to President of the OBA, **David Payne** ('78), in appreciation.

Geoffrey Pollock Leach (*63) has forwarded an interesting biography of his former career and community interests as he settles into retirement in Perth. As a news cadet for the ABC in his early career, Geoffrey reported on some key moments in history, later joining the Department of Foreign Affairs in Canberra and the Department of Immigration in Melbourne and Hobart.



THE PASSING OF OUR OLDEST OLD BOY AT AGE 101

We recently received the sad news that **Harry Kau** passed away. Harry attended the School from 1926 to 1930 as a Preparatory School student and generations within his family have since followed.

Vale Harry Kau

BAR AND MEAL DISCOUNTS AT THE CLAREMONT YACHT CLUB

Financial life members of the OBA have had access to the **Claremont Yacht Club** (CYC) as social members for over ten years. Recently, the OBA and CYC signed an additional agreement allowing OBA members to opt into a discount and loyalty bonus reward scheme with the CYC. For further information and a registration form please contact the Alumni Office.