



A MAGAZINE FORTHE SAINT KENTIGERN COMMUNITY

Old Collegians

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The 2015 SKOCA year is nearing midway, with record student numbers at all three campuses in 2015, which is a clear sign that life at Saint Kentigern remains prosperous and rewarding.

BOYS' SCHOOL SKOCA GOLF DAY

The Boys School Annual Golf Day was held again on a sunny Friday in early February and saw a full field enjoy a wonderful day. Peter Nelson and his team ran another excellent event with a handsome prize pool. This included the humorous introduction and awarding of the 'multi-coloured dream coat/jacket' for the 'most golf', which was ably won by the Principal, Mr Peter Cassie.

SKOCA ANNUAL DINNER

The AGM and Annual Dinner were held in Elliot Hall on Friday 10 April and was focused on the OC's who attended the College in the first decade 1953-63. The attendance from the Foundation decade was very strong with many also attending the tour of the College, led by Warwick Bell. This allowed them to see the extent to which the College has grown since their time when initially the campus consisted of only two classrooms. Warwick also took them to view the new Archives area that records the history of the College and stores a great many photographs and memorabilia.

During dinner, OC's Manase Latu, Lachlan Craig and Sam Downes sang a three song rendition which, with the acoustics of Elliot Hall, created a tremendous example of the incredible talents of many OC's graduating at the College today, and we thank them for the enjoyable performance.

The three Heads provided an update of life at their campuses today to an attentive audience and Head of Primary, Sandra Hastie, who departs to the UK in August, received a standing ovation for the 20 years of diligent teaching at the Boys' and Girls' Schools. Sandra has been an avid supporter of SKOCA and we will miss her but wish her all the very best in the UK, and look forward to catching up annually at the London Reunion in the future.

Guest Speaker for the Annual Dinner was OC Denis Currie, who is also a past president of the NZ Cricket Association, who spoke of his time at Saint Kentigern College in the 1950's and the lifetime friends he made. He also provided an enlightening opinion on NZ Cricket today on the world stage, and the huge future ahead for our talented sports men and women. I would personally like to thank Denis for the preparation and content of his speech which again the audience enjoyed immensely.

The Dinner Auction, performed with great aplomb by the very able OC Mike Gowan, raised funds for the pending College 1st XI UK Tour in June this year, where they will play eight games including games against Eton, Harrow and St Bedes and will join the SKOCA London Dinner after the game at Harrow on the 26th, and also attend the annual Oxford vs Cambridge match at Lords. This will be an incredible experience for the boys and we wish them every success and encourage all OC's in London to get to a game to support their Saint Kentigern team.

THE AGM

The AGM was well attended and recorded a return to surplus for the association after 10 years of ongoing contributions totalling \$1.2M of SKOCA funds invested into projects at the three campuses, under the guidance of our able and re-elected Treasurer, Mr Neville Lyne. We also welcomed our new Vice President, Tom Meek who has been on the committee for a number of years and was College Head-Boy in 2002.

I hope to see many of you attending the pending SKOCA Rowing Regatta, London Reunion & Cricket matches, the Australian Reunion in Sydney to coincide with the second and final Bledisloe match, the ROC's functions, Bruce House Reunion and the SKOCA Golf Day as listed in the SKOCA calendar as we progress proudly through the rest of 2015 at Saint Kentigern.

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Andrew Morgan, President



SKOCA Calender

FRIDAY 26 JUNE

LONDON REUNION (With SKC 1st XI)

Dinner Time: 6.45pm

Come and watch the College 1st XI play Harrow followed by dinner

in the evening. SKC v Harrow starts at 10.30am.

Price: £65 (ROCS's £40)

Venue: Overseas House, St James, London

RSVP: skoca@saintkentigern.com or dgowan@dacbeachcroft.com

FRIDAY 29 JULY

OTAGO UNI - ROC'S (Recent Old Collegians) COCKTAILS

Time: 6.00pm

Venue: Starters Bar, Frederick Street, Dunedin (Contact: James Hackett 027 7516388)

RSVP: skoca@saintkentigern.com or hacjames@gmail.com

FRIDAY/SATURDAY 7-8 AUGUST

AUSTRALIAN REUNION - SYDNEY

Dinner Friday: 6,30pm

Venue: TBA - Central Restaurant/Bar

Ticket: A\$65 (ROC's A\$40) Refreshments provided.

Game Saturday: 2nd Bledisloe Cup Rugby, ANZ Stadium (tickets

available)

(Contacts: Andrew Morgan/Thomas Steel)

RSVP: skoca@saintkentigern.com

SATURDAY 15 AUGUST

VICTORIA UNI / WELLINGTON - ROC'S (Recent Old Collegians)

COCKTAILS Time: 6.00pm

Venue: El Horno Bar, Courtenay Street, Wellington

(Contact: James Hackett 027 7516388)

 $\textbf{RSVP:} \ skoca@saintkentigern.com \ or \ hacjames@gmail.com$

FRIDAY 25 SEPTEMBER

BRUCE HOUSE BOARDERS DINNER - 2000-2010 LEAVERS

Time: 6.30pm

Price: \$65 (ROC's \$45)

Venue: Bruce House, College RSVP: skoca@saintkentigern.com

THURSDAY 15 OCTOBER

SKOCA - NETBALL

Premier and Senior A Netball versus Old Collegians Girls

Start: Games start at 6.00pm Venue: Gym1 and Gym2 Drinks and nibbles to follow (Contact: Kelly Alexander)

RSVP: skoca@saintkentigern.com or kelly.alexander@outlook.com

MONDAY 9 NOVEMBER

SKOCA GOLF DAY

Time: Assemble at 11.00am **Venue:** Remuera Golf Club

Ticket: \$100.00 per head. Refreshments provided. Corporate hole sponsorship available \$600 (incl. GST)

(Contact: John Howard)

RSVP: skoca@saintkentigern.com or john.howard@raywhite.com

FRIDAY 20 NOVEMBER

AUCKLAND - ROC'S (Recent Old Collegians) COCKTAILS

Time: 6.15pm

Venue: Juice Bar, Windsor Hotel, Parnell (Contact: James Bennett/Thomas Steel)

RSVP: skoca@saintkentigern.com or jamesb@brb.co.nz

SUNDAY 13 DECEMBER

SKBS - TOUCH RUGBY & BBQ FOR 2010 BS LEAVERS

Time: 3.30pm

Venue: SKBS Sports Centre & No 1 Field

 $\textbf{RSVP:} \ skoca@saintkentigern.com\ or\ sue.bowskill@saintkentigern.com$

Obituaries

It is with sadness that we note the passing of our Old Collegians. Our condolences are extended to their families.

REV. KIM FRANCIS BA BTHEOL MA(HONS) MNZAC

Kim Francis (SKC 1964 – 1971) passed away suddenly on 18 October 2014 in New Plymouth where he was Minister of St Andrew's Presbyterian Church.

Kim retained a lifelong interest in Saint Kentigern College and often talked with pride about his old school and its Headmaster. At school Kim was a keen Hockey player, gaining Colours in the 1st XI for three consecutive years and captaining the team from fullback in his final year at the College.

Kim had strong leadership qualities and his calling as Minister involved him in Military chaplaincy in the NZ Army 1984 – 1988 and also took him to parishes in Southland and Mt Roskill before his move to St Andrew's in New Plymouth.

Kim was married to Prue, a teacher, and they had three children, Rebecca, Sarah and Andrew, and three grandchildren at the time of his death.

ROBERT HUGH HOLROYD

Robert Holroyd (SKC 1971 - 1977) died suddenly on 13 December 2014 after returning to New Zealand for Christmas from his recent base in Zug, Switzerland. Robert was one of three brothers who attended the College in the 1970s and 1980s.

His family has a long connection with Saint Kentigern as Rob's son Harry is also an Old Collegian and his nieces and nephew are current students.

Rob had been a prominent hedge fund manager who founded and managed a specialist commodities funds management firm in New Zealand for many years, then more recently relocated to Europe, setting up Commodity Strategies AG in 2011, based in Zug.

Rob leaves behind his children, Sarah, Harry, Madison and Lily, and his wife Sarah.

If you are aware of the passing of an Old Collegian or former staff member, we would be grateful if you could contact us with as much information as possible. Please email: skoca@saintkentigern.com















SKOCA Boys' School Golf Day

sed to telling the boys to pull up their socks and tuck in their shirts, the tables were turned on Principal, Mr Peter Cassie at this year's SKOCA Boys' School Golf Day at the Royal Auckland Golf Club, when it was politely pointed out by the Club Captain that he would need to tuck his shirt in and change his socks to comply with the club's dress code!

In welcoming his 90 guests for the afternoon's Ambrose Tournament, Mr Cassie said he had been looking forward to this event for the last 364 days; he believed that in that time he had improved his golf skills sufficiently to better his 2014 'average' performance - and he quipped that his team members sincerely hoped so too!

The guests, many of them former students, enjoyed lunch and a catch up before setting off in their fours under a blazing summer sun. As players walked the course, Number I Foundation Boys' School student, David Adams, along with fellow former College Head Boy and past Trust Board member, John Gilbert, kept the players fed and hydrated, doing the rounds on golf carts loaded with provisions.

Following play, the teams retired to the club house for refreshments and the prize giving. The School is grateful to the many generous sponsors who provided some fabulous prizes for those whose score cards were favourable; we thank them for their generosity.

Instituted for the first time this year, the top team was awarded 'The Mungo Cap' - a replica of the original grey school cap worn in earlier times. The inaugural winners were Warwick Kiely, Steve Richmond, Diane Moffitt and Hana Fuhiniu who are charged with entering a team again next year when they return 'The Cap' and defend their title.

The prize for the 'blooper' shot of the day was not exactly one to be coveted! Having failed to achieve the lofty heights of a Master's Green Jacket, Principal Peter Cassie found himself the recipient of a gaudy, multi-coloured blazer for a less than admirable shot – it didn't make it past the ladies' tee! For those old enough to remember, the jacket bore a remarkable resemblance to an old television 'test pattern!'

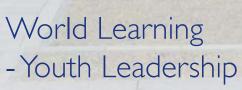
This was a fabulous afternoon and it was great to see former students of all ages turn out to support the School. Mr Cassie is once again counting the days to next year and is wondering whether he should be booking some golf lessons before then!

Our thanks to organisers, Mr Grayson Aspinall, Mrs Sue Bowskill and Mrs Karyl Kidd for their work ensuring that the day ran smoothly and to Old Collegians' representative for the Boys' School, Mr Peter Nelson for his support.

Our thanks to the following sponsors for their generosity:

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HANNAH WOOD

At the end of her final year, 2014 Head Girl, Hannah Wood was selected as part of a New Zealand contingent to attend a youth leadership course in the USA. Here, Hannah reflects on her experience:

It all started with a passing comment from my tutor teacher, Mr Fullerton who suggested I apply for a trip to the USA with an organisation called World Learning. It had an environmental theme and was about developing youth leaders. After the selection process, I was fortunate to be chosen as one of nine New Zealanders and nine Australians. Now back in New Zealand, I carry with me one of the best experiences of my life.

Our adventure began for five days at Lake Tahoe, Nevada in a log cabin on the lakefront. As it was winter, each morning we woke up to snow and a beautiful alpine glow as the sun reached over the lake mountaintops and reflected off the water. The focus of this section of the trip was largely on environmental conservation and restoration. We visited many NGOs and organisations and received informative and inspirational presentations from their leaders. Lake Tahoe is a unique place and has had a lot of money dedicated to it from the US Federal Government. For this reason, it has attracted a lot of dedicated and intelligent scientists, environmentalists and mindful people who have recognised an opportunity to be involved in a place where real progress can be made on a holistically sustainable level. All united under the banner of 'Keeping Tahoe Blue', this small part of the US has the potential to become a template for how government, residents and NGOs can all work together to preserve the environment while remaining economically viable. This really shone a light on exactly how individual people and small charity groups can have huge impacts, significantly changing a place and a people for the better.



The group then split in two and headed off to Portland and Seattle for 12 days before reuniting again in Washington DC. I, along with another student, Rachael, had been billeted with a host family in Seattle, a large progressive city on the West Coast. Being part of a real Seattle family meant Rachael and I were really able to become immersed in Seattleite culture. We spent our days attending workshops and presentations where we continued to learn about environmental initiatives taking place

around the city, as well as developing our leadership and communication skills. A highlight was attending a journalism workshop at the University of Washington. The enthusiasm from with which the presenter, Sarah Stuteville conveyed her ideas and passions was contagious. We left with a new appreciation of the media and the role that storytelling can play in getting a message to large volumes of people. As we attended more of these presentations, it was clear that we were all beginning to grow immensely from these experiences. Our self-confidence and knowledge was building and because of this, we became increasingly engaged – asking questions, bringing our own opinions to the table and having some incredible conversations.

In Washington DC over four days, we reflected on the trip and culminated the experience by making plans for the future and harnessing our inspiration. We spent most of our mornings at the World Learning Headquarters, talking, brain-storming and planning. Here, we all began to think of projects we could get involved in once getting home. A common theme that came up within the group was creating a platform for people to talk; to get the conversation started on some of the big issues we see affecting our youth and society. We all presented our ideas to each other and it was interesting to see what we had in common and the deviations we had taken on the same issues. Although our time was limited, it was a start and we all felt very inspired to go home and make change where needed.

The biggest highlight while in Washington DC was getting up early amidst a very cold winter wind, and bussing into the gigantic Lincoln Memorial. Washington DC is full of huge government buildings and presidential memorials but this was by far one of the most impressive and iconic ones. It was here, at the steps of a huge statue of Abraham Lincoln, at the location of a Forest Gump scene and in the very same place that Martin Luther King Junior delivered his, 'I Have a Dream' speech, that we did the same thing. All 18 students wrote and delivered speeches on our own dreams; some personal, some global, some light-hearted and some incredibly deep. Being there in that moment and hearing people share their stories, with such incredible passion brought us to tears and really seemed to symbolise the whole trip. We had all grown and learned about each other, but also ourselves and we were all different people – inspired by the possibility and conceivability of change.

I owe a huge thank you to those who made the trip possible, from where it started with Mr Fullerton, to Mr Cole, Mrs Winthrop and Mrs Shaw who all supported me and granted permission, to the people at World Learning and the US Consulate who organised everything and facilitated the whole experience. I also owe a special thanks to 2014 Head Boy, Sam Dakin, and especially Deputy Head Girl, Lucy Eden who filled in for me on those final Prefect commitments that I was unable to attend.

I'm tempted to say it's a once in a lifetime opportunity but to be honest, it's actually just the beginning. Completing a trip like this only inspires and drives a hunger to do more of it. I cannot wait to travel again, and more importantly, I cannot wait to be involved in more things and with more people as driven and compassionate as those I spent my time with in the US.



Three Generations at Saint Kentigern

A chance conversation with proud grandparents, Helen and Grant Wallace at last year's College Year 7 & 8 Grandparents' Day raised a question about how many 'third generation' families there are at Saint Kentigern. Grandfather Grant, son Cameron and now grandson Peter are all proud Saint Kentigern boys, with Grant and Cameron having attended both the Boys' School and the College in their time.

Discovering the answer to the question was not easy. If the full family relationships were not identified at the time of the enrolment, then the connections were not recorded in the database – as was the case with the Wallace family! A small number of families were identified from our records but we would love to hear from you if your family has a third successive generation now attending Saint Kentigern.

ADAMS FAMILY

David Adams was a Foundation pupil at the Boys' School in 1959 and holds the distinction of being assigned School number I-n ot because he was the first boy to enrol at the School, but because he was first in the alphabet that year! He later went onto the College in 1961. David and wife, Julie's sons, Timothy and Peter were the second generation to attend Saint Kentigern. Both boys went to the 'prep school' during Jack Chalmers and then Brian Irwin's headship, and later went on to the College. It's Timothy's son Charles who has now become the first of the third generation of the Adams family. Charles is currently in Year 4 at the Boys' School.

David says he has particularly fond memories of the Boys' School prize giving that used to be held outside in the sunshine on Roselle Lawn. This carried on until JC Chalmers Hall was built in 1982 and he said that it seemed like it never rained on the occasion!

He says that the continuing education of his family here is because Saint Kentigern is a very special family school; academically, spiritually and socially. 'The schools provide a well-rounded education that would enable any child to flourish.'



Timothy, David and Charles Adams

BEDOGNI FAMILY

John Bedogni attended the College from 1959 to 1965 along with his three brothers, Lyndsay, Keith and Andrew. His son Mathew attended from 1986 to 1989 and Mathew's late brother, Clinton was also a College student, as were his cousins, Nicoli and Pierce. Matthew's two sons are now the third generation with Edward in Year 10 and Alex in Year 8 at the College.

John said that when he joined the College in 1959, in Form 1 with Mr Hughes in the original wooden building, the College was in its infancy. Elliot Hall had just been completed, the pool did not exist and facilities were minimal compared to today. Mr MacFarlan - 'Dougs' - was the Headmaster and he knew the name of every boy in the school. Mr 'Herb' Massey was first assistant and the teachers all wore gowns to all classes while the boys wore caps and blazers to school every day. The Pakuranga Highway was a two lane concrete strip with a ditch either side. John travelled daily from Henderson by public train and bus, making for a long school day. By contrast today, Edward and Alex enjoy superb facilities, modern classrooms with full computer facilities which were unknown in John's time - as were mobile phones!



Alex, Edward, Matthew and John Bedogni

CHEESEMAN FAMILY

Brian Cheeseman attended the College from 1956 – 1960. His son Nathan started at the Boys' School in 1984, moving on to the College in 1986. The third generation, Nathan's children, currently both attend Saint Kentigern. Ryan is in Year 4 at the Boys' School and Ashley is in Year 2 at the Girls' School, having also attended the Preschool from 2011-2013.

Brian's younger brother, lan also attended the College from 1957-1962 as did lan's son, Fraser, from 1987-1990.

The Cheeseman family say that the most notable changes between generations has to be the level of resources, and the diversity offered to the newer generations which only further enhances the value today's children get from their days at Saint Kentigern.

'What hasn't changed, however, is the sense of belonging that is created by the community environment which sets our school apart. Whether it is the boys, girls, parents or grandparents, all generations remain engaged in all things 'Saint Kents.'

The education received is so much more than the one provided in the classroom. In many ways it is the personal development, enduring friendships and the challenging yet nurturing environment that Saint Kentigern provides that lays the foundation for us to succeed in both our personal and professional lives once our school days are over. It is great to be reconnecting with old friends now that Ryan and Ashley are at the school and we look forward to the 4th generation Cheesemans becoming part of the community in the future!'



Brian Cheeseman, Nathan Cheeseman, Ashley Cheeseman and Ryan Cheeseman



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Nathan Cheeseman

JORGENSON AND JONES FAMILIES

The Jorgensen family tree has two Saint Kentigern branches. Finn Jorgensen (senior) attended the College from 1958-1962. The first branch belongs to his son, Alex, who joined the Boys' School in 1976 and went on to the College from 1985-1989. His son, Finn (junior) is currently at the Boys' School in Year 4.

The second branch stems from senior Finn's daughter, Sophia who married Stuart Jones. Stuart is also a son of Kentigern, having attended the Boys' School from 1977-1984. Sophia and Stuart's twin boys, Charles and Oliver,

both joined the Boys' School in 2012 and are currently in Year 9 at the College.

Finn, Alex and Stu observe that although there have been considerable changes to the facilities and physical environment of both the Boys' School and the College (much is made of the fact that the Boys' School pool is now heated!), the benefits of a Saint Kentigern education remain the same. All agree that both the School and the College continue to provide an excellent foundation for life beyond school, regardless of what that entails.



Jorgensen Family Finn Jorgensen (junior), Alex Jorgensen, Finn Jorgensen (senior)



Jorgensen/Jones Family Stuart Jones, Sophia Jones, Charles Jones, Oliver Jones, Finn Jorgensen (senior)

WALLACE FAMILY

Brothers, Grant and Tony Wallace attended both the Boys' School and the College. Older brother Grant was at the Boys' School from 1961 and went onto the College from 1963-1967. Tony followed later in 1964 to the Boys' School and onto the College from 1969 - 1973.

Grant and Tony's sister, Diane married Bryce Hawkins and their son, Ben also attended the Boys' School and the College.

Tony married Alison who was a teacher aid at the Boys' School for a number of years. Their three boys, Timothy, Raymond and Stephen also attended both the Boys' School and the College.

The 'continuous family tree' continues with Grant's son Cameron who started at the Boys' School in 1981 and went onto the College from 1983-1987. Cameron's son Peter is currently in Year 8 at the College.

The Wallace family say the greatest differences between 1963, when grandfather Grant attended the College, and today, with grandson Peter in Year 8, are the size of the school role, the addition of girls at the College, the vastly improved facilities and the much larger range of subjects available for students to choose from.

'It is truly a credit to the work of the Trust Board over the years that so much physical improvement has been achieved and, along with it, a healthy roll growth to provide the opportunity for more pupils to experience a Saint Kentigern education.'



Grant, Peter and Cameron Wallace

Grant said, 'The College was a great school to attend in the 1960's, despite it being in the very early phases of development and, on reflection, it did a very fine job of providing us with a sense of direction for future success in life. There was a special something about the people involved in leading the school and teaching the pupils in those days that has stayed with the majority of past pupils for life and cannot help but make each one of us proud to be a Saint Kentigern Old Collegian.'

Cameron Moore - Architectural Designer

The Flat Bush architectural designer has run his own practice, Moore Architecture, since 2011. He teaches architecture to students at Unitec in Mt Albert and is writing a book about well-known Kiwi architectural firm Gummer and Ford. Cameron is also more than 12 months into a six-year PhD degree in architecture through Griffith University on Australia's Gold Coast. He has two children, aged three and six-months and a baby girl due in July, with wife Faye Moore, a former senior teacher at Farm Cove Intermediate School.

Cameron graduated from the College in 1994 and completed a Bachelor of Business degree with a major in Marketing at Manukau Institute of Technology in his early 20s. He held a number of jobs in various fields and worked overseas, including in the United States, France, Czech Republic, Canada and Australia, before returning home to begin his studies in architecture. He completed a Master of Architecture degree with Honours at Unitec in 2010 and has been working in the industry and teaching since 2008. Since launching his practice, he's designed homes and property alterations for customers throughout New Zealand and overseas countries including Fiji.

During his time at Saint Kentigern, Cameron was in the Premier Basketball team from 1991-1994, captaining in his senior year and winning The College Basketball Cup for Player of the Year at Prizegiving. He also enjoyed cross country and athletics. Cameron says the people and his fellow students had the best influence on him, and he has best friends from the College still today.





Campbell Hughes - Sports Promotion Producer

Following his passions for Sport and TV led Campbell to The University of Auckland to study a BA/BCom in Film and TV Studies and Marketing from 1996-2000. The following year, he managed to get his foot in the door at Sky TV doing odd jobs and was fortunate enough to find his way into the Promotions Department. Here he was trained to edit, produce and direct, and started making sports promos until heading off to London on his OE in 2003.

While he was overseas he says he was lucky enough to see a lot of the world. He worked at a Scandinavian TV company Viasat from 2004-2009, living in Copenhagen for six months and then ESPN UK from 2009-2011.



In 2011, Campbell came back to New Zealand to start a family and returned to working for Sky TV. He says he feels very fortunate to have a job that allows him to be creative, and that the ability to expand and push that creativity motivates him every day. 'Filming promos with the big sports teams are the defining moments, whether it's the All Blacks, the Black Caps or the Breakers, those are the jobs that really give the most satisfaction as there is a lot of planning that goes into producing a 30 second promotion.'

Looking back over his time at Saint Kentigern College, Campbell says that Nick Sheppard was a big influence, being coach of both the 1st XV and 1st XI in his final year, but also having coached him all the way through the grades. He also counts Bruce House as a special place that taught him a lot, and certainly feels indebted to all the housemasters like Malcolm Cowie and Jim Wyatt. Likewise, Nigel Toy was an inspirational leader to Campbell growing up, and he says he is most certainly indebted to him too.

Campbell says he enjoys seeing how Saint Kentigern continues to evolve and excel, especially in the 1st XV, and gets along to games when he can.

STUDICS

Successful Entry to Medicine

ongratulations to 2013 College graduates, Amy and Jessica Aspoas, Ali Hooshyari, Oli Lyons and Daniel Lowe, who have all gained successful entry into second year medicine at The University of Auckland after their first year of study.

Each year there are only a small number of students who are accepted onto this course after one year, so we're very proud of you! In the case of sisters, Jess and Amy, it's even more remarkable – not many families can boast two top scholars in one household!

Faculty of Medical & Health Sciences



Simon Gentry - Director of Strategy and Business

 \mathbf{S} imon attended the Boys' School from 1983-1984, followed by the College from 1985-1989. After \mathbf{S} graduating, he completed a Bachelor of Commerce majoring in Marketing at the University of Otago. Simon then worked in various marketing roles in New Zealand and the United Kingdom, and was a Board Member of Diabetes Auckland for three years.

Along with his Prefect role in his final senior year, Simon was a keen sportsman with a passion for cricket and athletics while at the College. He captained the 1st XI Cricket team which toured to Australia in January 1989. He was a member of the Senior Cross Country team, winning 3rd overall in the School Cross Country Senior event, a member of the Senior Athletics team where he placed 2nd in the 1500 metres at the Athletics Championships. At the end of year Prizegiving, Simon was awarded with the Cricket 1st XI 3rd Captain Award along with the Caisley Cricket Cup.

Today Simon is Director of Strategy & Business at Global Media Co, an independent media and marketing house and a partner in data company, MIME Analytics. The company was set up four years ago together with co-founders Clive Reed and Bernard Braithwaite. Bernard is married to Boys' School teacher, Dilys Braithwaite, with a son, Liam, at the College.

MIME specialises in technology solutions for businesses who want their advertising to be accountable. The business has recently developed a software solution that analyses the effectiveness of advertising and media strategies on business performance. It also takes part in 'smart partnering' – one of the latest business trends, which works by linking growing companies with universities and other business experts for help and advice. MIME has worked with the University of Waikato and government agency, Callaghan Innovation in developing their product, which recently won its first overseas client in Britain.





Sian Seeley

- Prestigious Scholarship

We are delighted to hear that NCEA Dux for 2014, Sian Seeley, has been awarded yet another significant tertiary award. At Senior Prizegiving last year, Sian was not only named Dux but was also awarded a Saint Kentigern Tertiary Scholarship and The University of Auckland Faculty of Business and Economics Entry Level Undergraduate Scholarship.

Since receiving her NCEA results, Sian has reviewed her options and is excited to be awarded a Monash University (Melbourne) Scholarship for Excellence which equates to approximately \$31,250, being a grant of \$6,000 per year over 5¼ years study! Sian's NCEA score, when converted to the Australian Standard (ATAR), put her at 99.9% out of maximum of 99.95%, placing her in the top 1% of students entering University.

Sian will be studying Engineering/Commerce at Monash. Congratulations Sian, we wish you well for your studies!

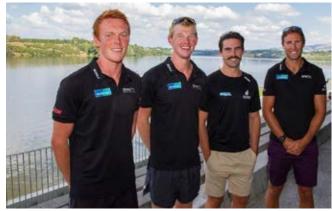
Anthony Allen - New Zealand Rower

ongratulations to Old Collegian and New Zealand Rowing representative, Anthony Allen who has recently been selected into the Elite Men's Coxless Rowing Four where he and his team mates will be trying to qualify for the Olympic Games in Rio next year.

Anthony is well remembered from his rowing days at College. After leaving school he went on to represent New Zealand in the U23 World Championships winning a silver medal in 2014.

As part of the Elite Rowing Squad, members do recieve a small subsidy to cover costs but there are a lot of other associated costs when trying to achieve the ultimate goal of gold at the Olympics. Anthony would love to hear from you if you are able to assist with sponsorship or contribute anything that may help him towards achieving his goal. He would be very appreciative.

Contact Details: Antallen I 0 I @hotmail.com Phone: 02 I 059 757 I



Anthony Allen, second from right with his Elite Coxless Rowing Four team mates.

Myron Simpson - Elite Cyclist

Litte cyclist, Myron Simpson, has been busy on and off his bike since finishing Year 13 in 2008. After graduating, Myron raced in Europe with the New Zealand team for three years and finished two Diplomas in Digital Film and Photography by correspondence. Unfortunately early in 2012, he broke his collarbone which ruled him out of the London Olympic selection but he did travel with the team as a reserve.

2013 saw Myron head off to spend the season in Luxembourg, racing for a Continental level based road racing team. All was going well until another serious crash broke his shoulder blade and he had to return home for surgery. This injury took a good six months before Myron was comfortable and strong on his bike, which disappointingly, meant missing out on the 2014 Commonwealth Games selection for Glasgow.

Myron then turned his focus for 2014 to racing with an Australian based and sponsored team - Budget Forklifts. He had good form at a tour in China in November with a few pleasing results, and was lucky to get a call up into a New Zealand training camp and gain selection to the UCI London World Cup in December, coming home with a silver medal in the Team Pursuit. He was then selected to head to Colombia in January for another UCI World Cup which, despite no results, was a good experience for the young team.

MYRON'S MUESLI

Now with the 2016 Olympic Games in Brazil in his sight, Myron's fundraising venture, 'Myron's Muesli' is helping to support his move back to Cambridge to qualify. The idea was borne from his appreciation for good food and knowledge that a healthy and balanced diet is a key ingredient to success. High in energy and protein and low GI, the fresh, handmade muesli is toasted in honey and organic coconut oil and has received great feedback. If you would like to help support Myron's achieve his goal, check out his Facebook page on how to purchase bags of his cranberry, coconut, orange and cashew or apricot, almond, date and ginger muesli

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Myron has just signed up to coach the junior cyclists at the College which he is really looking forward to, and says hopefully we can unearth some more cycling talent and results in 2015!







Back row — Hayleigh Niterl, Sam Anderson, Anthony Niterl, Jordan Drinkall, Matt Fraser, Matt Woodward, Myron Simpson, Carl Williams, Harry Lyford, Jamie King, Matt Weir Front row — Jono Hickey, Sam Lyford, Matt Hendl, Rachael Garner, Benjamin Lyford, Craig Kamins

In Memory of Niki Dow

Id Collegian, Niki Dow, was tragically killed in a car accident in Portugal, where he was living and working, in August 2013. He had been in Portugal to gain further experience as a wine maker when the accident happened. Niki graduated from the College in 2008 and is well remembered as a bright academic student who excelled on the rugby field. He received academic honours, played for the 1st XV and was made Chapel Prefect in his final year, attending to the role dutifully.

In March this year, a group of Old Collegians rallied to organise a charity golf day in Niki's honour with the aim to raise funds to provide scholarship

assistance to Lincoln University for a student to follow in Niki's path and develop a passion for wine making. The golf was held at Whitford Golf Club followed by a function at Turanga Creek Winery, Whitford where Niki was employed during his work experience whilst studying Viticulture and Oenology at Lincoln University.

A large group of Old Collegians attended the golf day and auction which raised funds beyond expectation. Principal organiser, Myron Simpson would like to thank everyone who sponsored, donated, supported, attended and turned up on the day. Niki would have loved it!



Mitch Evans - International Racing Driver

Alot has happened since I left Saint Kentigern College back in 2010! I moved overseas to England at the start of 2011 when I was only I 6 to pursue my dream of becoming a Formula I driver. When I first moved over to Europe I was in a category called GP3, two steps below F1. I had a reasonably good year, but it was more of a learning year and to find my feet overseas while getting used to the different driving and new circuits. Come 2012, I stayed in GP3 and had a very successful year becoming GP3 World Champion. To this day, it is the best result of my career. I had won many championships before but that one felt really special, as the competition I was up against was huge.

This progressed me nicely into GP2, Formula One's feeder series. I had a very up and down year in my rookie season and grabbed a few podiums - two at Monaco which was really cool and a best result of 2nd but overall, I was quite disappointed with my first year placing 14th. I moved teams for 2014 hoping to better my chances of going for the title. I had some bad luck in the first two races but then had a really good second half of the season, picking up two wins and six podiums, finishing 4th overall in the championship. To me that was a pretty big achievement, the competition is massively tough, the cars are very powerful and not easy to drive. Most circuits are over 300kph.

In 2015 I will stay in GP2 and fight for the title. The past I 4 years have been a massive rollercoaster for me, and what I've achieved nationally and internationally is honestly something I would have never thought was possible. I've made huge sacrifices and given each step of the way 100% of my capabilities. To succeed in anything in life you need to be passionate about it and enjoy doing it, I'm so fortunate I've found that with car racing and now I am competing in one of the highest and most competitive categories in the world. I look back at Saint Kentigern with great memories, and definitely at times I miss it! Make the most of your opportunities, you're only here once!









Allie Rout - Med Student and Skater

uring her time at Saint Kentigern, Allie is remembered for her ability to juggle the demands of doing well in her academic studies, with training and competing as an ice skater. Here she reflects back:

After years as a competitor, I gave up figure skating in 2010, just as I began the International Baccalaureate (IB) in Year 12, since I knew the course was demanding and I was aiming for a pretty high score so I could get into biomed at the University of Auckland. In late 2010, desperate to have some, sport back in my life, I started speed skating as I could easily pick this up, and training required a lot less on-ice time - from 15-20 hours on-ice a week for figure to I-3 hours on ice for speed - therefore I could fit it around my studies more easily.

I fortunately did well in speed, gaining the NZ Senior Womens Speed Skating title in 2011 in my last year of school – and I also got high enough points in IB to gain entry into biomed at UoA. In 2012 I was selected to represent NZ in the Junior World Championship in Melbourne for speed skating. After this I began my first year at university doing biomed with the intention of applying to get into the medical course at Auckland which is decided at the end of the first year. That year was perhaps the hardest of my life as the standard expected of us to gain entry into med is insanely high! I was rewarded at the end of 2012 by obtaining entry into med school which has basically been a lifelong dream of mine - to become a doctor.

2013-2014 were my second and third year of med school. In mid 2014, I once again felt unsatisfied with the lack of sport in my life and so I once again began figure skating. Initially I intended to just head down to the rink once a week for some fun, however, within a couple of sessions I had rediscovered a lot of my skills and began having coaching again in preparation to compete. I skated in the 2014 NZ National Championships and gained the Senior Women's title and also scored enough points to be selected as NZ's only singles A international skater and was selected to go to the Winter University games in Granada, Spain. Currently I am still training and have the intention on skating in the 2015 NZ nationals.

Juggling my studies and skating has always been tough but I'm lucky enough to have a super supportive family who have always been ready to encourage and assist.







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