# **OLD COLLEGIANS**

# From the President of the Old Collegians

As we enter the second quarter of 2018, events and occasions that the Old Collegians have been involved with are already well underway. With a very successful 2017 now behind us, the main focus of the Old Collegians early this year has been the 65th College Anniversary Celebrations.

Beginning the year, we had quite a few Old Collegians of the Boys' School playing in their Golf Day, which was organised by Peter Nelson, old boy No. 19, at the Royal Auckland Golf Course. I'm pleased to report it was a cracking day and the course was in perfect condition. Most pleasing was that after five years of trying, the eventual winners of the day were none other than your President's team!

The 65th Anniversary Weekend Celebrations started with the official opening of the extension to the Sports Centre, a truly impressive facility that only further enhances the incredible facilities available now at the College for both boys and girls.

Moving into Friday evening was a juggling act, as there was some unfinished business in the form of defending the Wirihan Cup, when the Old Collegians of the Boys' School play the current 1st XI Cricket team. I wish I could report success, but unfortunately it was a tied game and the boys deservedly won the super over playoff. Well done lads, next year us old boys will be better prepared!

Friday evening was a fantastic way to start the weekend celebrations with a cocktail evening hosted in the Jack Paine Centre. It was great to see so many Old Collegians and also past teachers attend the event, reconnecting and reliving their times at Saint Kentigern College. The Saint Kentigern Jazz ensemble were superb in setting a great background vibe to the evening and really added to the event. I'd like to thank both Suzanne Winthrop and Duncan McQueen for

Saturday evening was the main event, a formal Back Tie Dinner held in the Sports Centre. It was a great evening, especially for the number of foundation students representing the 1950's and 1960's. Mr John Maasland was our guest speaker, ably introduced by Mr Graham Little. John has had an incredible career and it was interesting listening to his views on education and how fortunate Saint Kentigern is to have the facilities and teaching staff it does in today's climate.

hosting the evening.

Another Highlight was watching the video diary and congratulations from Mana

Vautier, who currently works at NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration), provide a video diary of his working life as well as recall insights in to his time at Saint Kentigern College.

We also had a very special inaugural award created by the Old Collegians, which celebrates and recognises Outstanding Contribution to the Saint Kentigern Community. The award has been named after its first recipient, Mr Warwick G Bell, who started at Saint Kentigern College in 1957 School Number 560. Deputy Head Prefect, Head of Bruce House and Captain of Rowing, he achieved much in his school years. Rejoining the College as a Staff faculty member in 1967, He spent the next 40 years teaching, leading and motivating students in various capacities including Head of Department in English, Rugby Coach, Master in Charge of Rowing, Field Centre Master, IT & Publications, Head of Admissions. More recently, Warwick was responsible for spearheading the creation of the Archives Centre that will serve to keep the history and heritage of the College alive for students, staff and Old Collegians. He is a most worthy and deserving recipient.

To top off the night of we had Old Collegian, Manase Latu perform two incredible operatic pieces. All in all a great celebration.

Another annual sporting fixture that took place over the 65th weekend was the Old Collegian Cricket Team vs 1st XI College Team. A hard-fought game ensued with the 'OC's' coming out on top – 1 all in the annual cricket fixtures!

Looking forward to the rest of 2018, we have the traditional Australian Reunion weekend due to coincide with the Sydney Bledisloe Cup Rugby Game. Please touch base with us if you are going to be in the area for these two

played against the OC's and the Rugby 1st XV College team have a number of important home fixtures which I hope you can attend and support.

> As always, our main focus is to continue to work on our core goals of Fellowship, Scholarship support, Philanthropy, Special Grants and Graduation Celebrations.

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**Mr Hayden Butler,** President of the Old Collegians

The committee welcomes feedback from members so please keep in touch via the website.

# Have you moved? Are you moving?

People are constantly on the move and sometimes forget to let us know! Please help us to keep our database up to date so that you can continue to receive Piper Magazine and email news of upcoming SKOCA events. If you request us to do so, we will amend any personal information about you, held by us, which is inaccurate, incomplete or out of date, however, we can't do it if you don't let us know! There are many younger Old Collegians who are still receiving Piper via their parents' address. If you have moved to your own address, please let us know!

If your contact details have changed, please take a moment to fill in the form on the Old Collegians section of the Saint Kentigern website, alternatively, you may contact us by emailing skoca@saintkentigern.com

# SKOCA 2018 Calendar



# AUSTRALIAN REUNION - SYDNEY

### Friday 17 August

Time: 6.30pm (Friday)
Venue: TBC - Central Restaurant/Bar
Ticket: A\$65 (ROC's A\$40)
Refreshments provided.

### **Saturday 18th August**

Bledisloe Cup Rugby - ANZ Stadium Tickets available

RSVP: skoca@saintkentigern.com



# SKC V ST PETERS - 1ST XV RUGBY Saturday 26 July

Time: 12.00pm Time: 2.30pm

Venue: No 1 Field, College After match refreshments &

BBQ provided

### OTAGO UNI -ROC'S (RECENT OLD COLLEGIANS) COCKTAILS July - TBC

Time: 6.00pm Venue: TBC

RSVP: skoca@saintkentigern.com

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# SKC V AGS - 1ST XV RUGBY Saturday 4 August

Time: 2.30pm Venue: No 1 Field, College After match refreshments & BBQ provided

# SKOCA - COLLEGE GOLF DAY Monday 12th November

Time: Assemble at 11.00am Venue: Remuera Golf Club Ticket: \$100.00 per head. Refreshments provided.

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



### BOYS' SCHOOL 2013 LEAVERS - BBQ Sunday 8th December

Time: 3.30pm

Venue: SKBS Sports Centre RSVP: skoca@saintkentigern.com sue.bowskill@saintkentigern.com

# **WHERE ARE YOU?**

# WHAT DO YOU DO? EVER WONDERED WHAT YOUR OLD CLASSMATES ARE UP TO? EVER THOUGHT THEY MAY BE INTERESTED IN WHAT YOU DO?

These pages belong to you, our Old Collegians. We need your help to make these pages interesting and informative. Write a few lines to fill us in on what you've been doing since leaving school, or what you are about to do, a recent achievement, a momentous event or any other item of interest. Alternatively, we also welcome more in depth articles, as appear on these pages. Family and friends, tell us what our sons and daughters of Kentigern are up to nowadays.

Pictures speak a thousand words! In this digital age, it's really easy to provide a photo but please email all digital pictures at maximum resolution. We look forward to hearing from you.

Please direct all correspondence to the Editor: jane.kneale@saintkentigern.com Communication Manager, Saint Kentigern Trust Board

# In Memoriam

record the passing of the following students and staff.
We express our condolences to their families.

**Kevin Noel HAWKEN** 

**Lester William Eric MOLLER** 

**David Litchfield PACEY** 

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# SKOCA Boys' School Golf Day

n a fabulous summer's day bathed in sunshine, a field of almost 80 players convened at the Royal Auckland Golf Club for the annual SKOCA Boys' School Golf Day. The guests, many of them former students, enjoyed lunch and a catch up prior to play.

Principal, Mr Peter Cassie outlined the high stakes for the afternoon, notably 'The Mungo Cap' - a replica of the original grey school cap worn in earlier times - to be awarded to the top team at the end of play. At the other end of the scale was the gaudy, multi-coloured blazer, not exactly a prize to be coveted; one that would be awarded for 'blooper of the day. As the first recipient of the jacket three years ago for a less than admirable shot, Mr Cassie is always keen to see the jacket well-homed -

As the fours headed out to their starting tee, carts loaded with provisions did the rounds to keep the players fed and hydrated. Players were surprised to discover an icecream van at the midway point!

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. The winning four and recipients of the Mungo Cap was a team hosted by President of the Old

Collegians, Hayden Butler, with James Brown, Simon Rowntree and Phil Lewis. The Ron Stone Memorial Trophy is awarded to an Old Collegian displaying 'the true spirit of sportsmanship.' This year it was presented to Paul Wilkes for his continued support for the School.

And the Jacket? It was awarded to James Kidd - for a shot that didn't pass the 'Ladies tee!'

This was a fabulous afternoon and it was great to see former students of all ages turn out to support the School. Our thanks to all who helped ensure that the day ran smoothly and to Old Collegians' representative for the Boys' School, Mr Peter Nelson for his support

### Winners:

Mungo Cap for first place: Hayden Butler, James Brown, Simon Rowntree, Phil Lewis Ron Stone Memorial Trophy: Paul Wilkes Bloopers Jacket: James Kidd

# Our special thanks to the following 'Hole' sponsors for their generosity:

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# Tai and Tasesa Lavea – Professional Rugby Coaches

ur top-level rugby players at the College could be forgiven for thinking that it was 'business as usual' on the coaching front, despite a change of leadership at the top. Former 1st XV Head Coach, Tai Lavea has stepped down and his identical twin brother, Tasesa, has taken up the coaching role!

Tai and Tasesa are both proud Old Collegians.
Both were boarders and are hugely thankful to the
College for the opportunities that were afforded to
them to excel on the rugby field and then continue
on to forge rugby careers.

At the start of this year, Tai resigned from his role as 1st XV Coach, having secured the Assistant Coach role with the Auckland Mitre 10 Cup side. We are absolutely thrilled for Tai and excited to think he will be working with Alama Ieremia, Graham Henry and Filo Tiatia in helping put Auckland Rugby back where it should be. He will also be back working with a large number of former Saint Kentigern boys who have gone on for selection at this level. The Auckland team are very lucky to have Tai on board and he has certainly earned his place in that management team. Tai had been with the College 1st XV since the end of 2009 and during his tenure had set the team on an unprecedented path to success, leading to wins

at regional and national level, as well a world title in Japan. He coached a changing team that won 52 games in a row, a record that will be difficult to match – no pressure Tasesa!

Although Tai and Tasesa are twins, they bring different qualities and strengths to the programme. Tasesa initially played professional rugby for nine years, firstly with the Melbourne Storm followed by the Manly Sea Eagles, Auckland Rugby, the Blues, the Chiefs, Counties Manukau, Clermont Auverne, Manu Samoa and English Premiership side Sale Sharks. Over the last ten years he has accumulated significant coaching experience with the Chiefs U2O, Counties Manukau U19 and most recently as Head Coach and Head of Rugby at King's College. Tasesa has now taken ownership of the whole College rugby programme, taking on the Development Group as well as Head Coach the 1st XV.

Whilst they are proud Old Collegians, we are also extremely proud of their achievements. We thank Tai for his commitment and look forward to Tasesa's contribution.







# Etene Nanai-Seturo – Commonwealth Gold Medallist

aving graduated from College only last year, young rugby sensation, Etene Nanai-Seturo, has certainly made an early mark in the world of professional rugby. The subject of a cross-code dispute between New Zealand Rugby and the New Zealand Warriors, he eventually signed with New Zealand Rugby after being released from his contract with the Warriors.

Earlier in the year, he had his first call up to an All Black side in the Seven's World Rugby series in Sydney, joining fellow Old Collegian, Teddy Stanaway, in the side, Later, there was initial surprise.

when he was omitted from the men's Commonwealth Games squad for the Gold Coast games, but he was then called up after Ngarohi McGarvey Black suffered an ankle injury in a warmup match, and travelling reserve, Caleb Clarke was forced to return to New Zealand for surgery after being diagnosed with appendicitis. This was a lucky break for Etene – and arguably the team – as the All Black sevens were the first to score in the final game when Etene was the first to touch down with a try in what proved to be a win for a Commonwealth Games Gold medal!





# Jordan Hunter – Commonwealth Bronze Medallist

Etene wasn't the only Old Collegian to come home from the Commonwealth Games with a medal, Tall Fern, Jordan Hunter, was also a medallist, winning a team bronze medal with the New Zealand Women's Basketball team!

A talented sportswoman, Jordan's skill as a basketball player became clear during her College years. Following her Saint Kentigern graduation, Jordon headed to Crowder Community College in the States to combine her academic studies with representative basketball. Strong showings earned her a transfer to Southeast Missouri State University where she completed her education, graduating in 2014. She

averaged 8.8 points and a team-leading 3.7 assists for the Redhawks in her senior year

Jordan was a stand out in the New Zealand Women's Basketball Championships (WBC) helping her team, Auckland Counties Manukau Lady Hawks, finish runners-up in 2015. Hunter led the competition in points (20.3ppg) and assists (4.5apg) that season. She was signed to Australian side, Adelaide Lightning for the 2016-17 Australian Women's National Basketball League season and currently plays for the Sturt Sabres.

When she graduated College, Jordan said she had gained a true respect for Saint Kentigern and the opportunities it had provided her.

# Jamie France – Mechanical Design Engineer, Rocket Lab

rom my early years, playing with Lego constructions, I always wanted to be an engineer. In my final year at Saint Kentigern (1995) I focused my subjects on maths and science to set myself up for studying engineering. I went on to Auckland University, completing my Bachelor of Engineering (Mechanical) in 1998. All engineering students have to complete onsite work experience during their summer holidays and I was lucky enough to complete mine at Team NZ in 1997, just as they were starting to gear up for the first America's Cup defence in 2000.

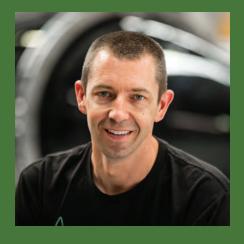
After I completed my degree, I went to work full time for Team New Zealand. I started as an engineering assistant, doing data analysis from the on-the-water testing, and went on to write some of the software for other navigation on-board systems. In 1998, Team New Zealand started to use 3D CAD (Computer Aided Design) modelling in their design process, and I was able to pick up that skill alongside my other duties. We won the 2000 America's Cup, so I stayed on for the next campaign. I continued to do some software creation, but also designed some of the simpler custom hardware for the yachts. Ultimately, however, we lost the 2003 America's Cup, and like the other team members, I was out of a job.

I decided to push for more industrial engineering experience in my career and joined Fisher & Paykel in their production machinery division. I designed machines for the production lines that make their washing machines and other appliances, including working on a new production line which manufactured 1 million SmartDrive washing machine motors per year.

After a tenure of 18 months, the lure of the America's Cup became too strong and I was shoulder-tapped to start back at Team New Zealand (now known as Emirates Team New Zealand) for the 2007 challenge in Valencia. Over the three-year campaign, I was responsible for the CAD model of the yacht, acting in a liaison role between the sailors and the design team. I designed hardware for the yachts and created tooling for the composite team to manufacture those components. The sailors were the customers of the design team, so I acted as their interface to turn their ideas into reality. It meant they had the yacht they wanted on the start line.

After the loss in 2007, the team again disestablished and I found a new opportunity at Air New Zealand. This was fortunately just as they were kicking off a development project, looking to completely reinvent the concept of long-haul air travel. I was lucky enough to spend a year working in a secret warehouse, developing seating concepts for the new Boeing 777-300 aircraft that Air New Zealand had committed to. Out of this came brand new seat designs for international air travel, including the SkyCouch, which I developed from a concept into a working prototype that could then be licensed to a manufacturer. This won a Gold Pin in the Best Design Awards for 2010, along with being a contributing factor in Air New Zealand winning Airline of the Year for the past five years in a row.

With the America's Cup back up and running in 2011, I went back to Emirates Team New Zealand. This time, my role saw me taking on more of the same responsibilities for the global CAD model, along with significant mechanical hardware design – particularly in the rudder and daggerfoil systems for the new AC72 catamarans. The R&D program was excellent, and was credited with bringing foiling to the America's Cup. However ultimately the sporting result didn't go our way and in 2013 I was once again looking at other options.



Six months spent as an independent contract designer saw me develop the daggerfoil system for the 100-foot racing yacht Comanche (current holder of the 24-hour distance record for monohulls, winner of the Sydney to Hobart in 2015 and 2017, and holder of the Transatlantic record). I also worked for the French Gitana yacht racing team developing daggerfoil and rudder systems for their 70 and 100-foot ocean racing trimarans, which were leading the development to bring foiling to a new generation of ocean racing yachts.

In early 2014, I joined a small start-up called Rocket Lab as a mechanical design engineer. At the time there were only 14 staff and the challenge of creating a small commercially-funded start-up to launch small satellites into space from New exciting. I spent three years in the vehicle design team, designing many of the custom components on the launch vehicle. 18 months ago, I changed roles to become Production Manager, leading the team of talented technicians that mechanically build the launch vehicle and complete the final assembly, before shipping out to the launch site in Mahia, Gisborne. It has been amazing helping to build this company up from its very small beginnings to the more than 200 extremely talented staff that we have today. second test flight in January, this journey is only just beginning....

# Shae Lightwood-Morris - Quantity Surveyor

first attended Saint Kentigern College in 2009, before leaving the College to sail around the world with my family, where I was exposed to many unique and life-shaping experiences. In 2012, I made the decision to return to the College and become a boarder at Bruce House, while completing the International Baccalaureate Diploma, as my family continued their sailing adventure. I was unsure of what I wanted to do when I left College so I decided on taking a gap year, travelling Europe and eventually working and living on Hamilton Island in the heart of the Great Barrier Reef.

Throughout my travels, I met a series of interesting people working as Quantity Surveyors, an occupation I was unaware of when I left school. The more I looked into Quantity Surveying, the more intrigued I became. Quantity Surveying, in a construction sense, is the cost management of construction projects.

I made the decision to study a Bachelor of Construction, majoring in Quantity Surveying at Massey University, a three year degree course incorporating construction, general commerce and business management aspects of Quantity Surveying In fact, the Bachelor of Construction includes many of the same papers as the first and second year Bachelor of Commerce degree. I had always enjoyed business studies but had not been interested in becoming 'another commerce student', as for the construction, this was a stab in the dark and something I had no previous experience with!

As it turns out, studying Quantity
Surveying was generally a male dominated
degree, which is also evident in the industry.
The Bachelor of Construction course is

James Wenley – 'Dr Drama'

suppose it won't be a surprise for my teachers and contemporaries to learn that I have gone on to complete a PhD in Drama at the University of Auckland. But this would be a surprise for the 2006 version of me, living my Year 13 year and wondering what life outside the college gates would hold.

Sure, I was 'Mr Drama' at school. I'd become (in)famous for a series of roles including Pharaoh in 'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat,' Hitler in Stage, Freddie Mercury In Hamilton's winning House Choir performance and the villainous Bill Sykes in 'Oliver.'

But I didn't think I'd become Dr Drama. That was never part of the plan. At College graduation I was harbouring ambitions to go to Drama School overseas and become an actor. I was shortlisted and got very close but in the meantime, I went to The University of Auckland to do my undergrad. It was there that I had the revelation that what I really loved was the behind-the-scenes aspects of theatre, of seeing a project through from conception to closing. I began putting on work – producing, directing, writing. I formed a theatre company, Theatre of Love, and I also became a theatre critic (www. theatrescenes.co.nz). But it was only after completing my Masters in Drama that I decided I wanted to do a Doctorate too. My mission is to promote a wider awareness of the theatre of Aotearoa/New Zealand. My thesis, entitled 'Finding Ourselves: New Zealand Theatre's Overseas Experience', allowed me to write a mini-history of NZ theatre by researching plays and productions from New Zealand that have travelled internationally.

While studying, I have also had many incredible teaching opportunities in the University's English and Drama department. I am in the fourth year of running a course for third-year medical students called 'Performing Medicine', where we examine the intersections between the medical and the theatrical. Last year I got to design and teach a brand-new Stage One Drama course called 'Taking the Stage: Performance and Presentation Skills', which helped 175 students develop their skills in public speaking, acting, improvisation and devised theatre making.

I am passionate about drama education: it fosters creative and collaborative skills, lets us imagine other lives and keeps us connected with our humanity. My Drama 100 course felt like the culmination of everything I've been working on up to this point, including my own performance and public speaking experiences at the College and even the Boys' School

Indeed, there's a lot that I credit to my time at Saint Kentigern, like the leadership opportunities that are on offer if you step up. Leading Hamilton House in my last year was hugely influential. Also, the excellence of the teaching staff – I have such fond memories of my English, Drama, Classics, History, Media and Photography classes. I owe a lot to my then Year 13 English teacher, Flora Mather, who sat me down at the start of the year and showed me that if I worked



hard it would be possible to become DUX. And of course, the superly performing arts programme. I was a Theatresports coach and even got to direct the Senior School production 'Pressure'.

I think I benefited a great deal from the College becoming coeducational, which ushered in a cultural change and a greater emphasis on the arts. In my final year, I felt accepted for the course I had been charting.

It's been great to venture back to the College from time to time, whether it's to see a production, take part in a Theatresports competition, or more recently, to use my academic credentials to talk to the drama students about 'Epic Theatre'.

Recently, I was asked if I wanted to sponsor a cup for the Performing Arts Awards. I know how much it will mean for the recipient to have what they do recognised and validated.

experience while studying full time. At the beginning of my second year, I was offered a cadetship at Watts & Hughes Limited, a main contractor for commercial construction projects throughout New Zealand. I began working full time with Watts & Hughes while studying full time. This was ideal as I was able to gain first hand industry knowledge alongside experienced Quantity Surveyors, complete my degree, get paid and have my university tuition covered!

I am now 21, have completed my degree and continued my position with Watts & Hughes Limited where I have two years experience behind me and an starting take on greater responsibility, although I still have years of learning ahead of me. I spend time on site, in the office and work in teams alongside construction and project managers, engineers, architects and clients. I am starting the process of becoming a registered Quantity Surveyor, which is recognised internationally. Being a Quantity Surveyor isn't only limited to the traditional 'on site' contractors construction, you can work on projects representing banks and clients to assist with niche construction cost management. I would recommend this career path to anyone looking for something a little bit different, in an ever changing and fast paced industry.



# Elizabeth Fletcher- Gap Medic

knew for my last few years at school that that nursing would be my career of choice but how could I know what it's really like? It is very hard to get hands-on, real-life experience in New Zealand to discover if this was the career I really wanted to pursue. About half way through my final year at College, I came across an advertisement that said 'Want to become a Nurse?' through a group called Gap Medics. I spent some time researching and trying to find out as much as I could before I showed it to my parents!

Gap Medics is a UK-based organisation that helps students gain international medical work experience through shadowing doctors, nurses, midwives or dentists in a hospital environment. Placements can be anything between 1-8 weeks and are in a variety of countries worldwide with opportunities for 16 - 17 year olds, or 18-25 year olds.

I applied for the pre-nursing internship in the Spanish-speaking Dominican Republic for a two-week placement. It took three flights from Auckland to get to Santo Domingo, all up around 30 hours travelling time. I arrived at the Gap Medics house on New Year's Eve to share with nine other students from the USA and Canada. By the second week, this had grown to twenty, including another New Zealander, Australians and a 'Brit', as well as a chef, a security guard to keep us safe, a handyman, placement co-ordinators and a female night supervisor. So we were well looked after!

In the first week, we shadowed our mentor during her normal working day as an intensive care nurse. From day one, she was enthusiastic and eager to show us what she does and how they cope in public hospitals, as compared to private hospitals. We learnt that many patients in Santo Domingo are victims of motorbike accidents. Of course, not all of them survive. I spent a day in the intensive care ward where one of the male patients had been shot at least nine times trying to save his possessions

from a robber – a sad side of life that was previously outside my realm of experience. I also saw a dislocated shoulder being put back into place; an amputation, due to diabetes, where the surgeon had to deal with multiple power outages during the operation; and babies being born - two beautiful boys, one full term and one who needed help from a neonatal intensive care unit.

For the second week, I had requested to spend my time in a paediatric and maternity hospital. There were many parents who brought in their babies and children simply seeking reassurance as parents. Often the babies just needed 'winding.' Different to New Zealand, when a baby was born in the hospital, it was taken away from the mother and not returned for 2-5 hours.

Our group visited a disability orphanage one day. The majority of the children had either Downs Syndrome or microcephaly. These children are usually abandoned to the orphanage by their parents regardless of their financial situation, as having a disabled child is seen locally as a bad reflection on them personally. It was so heart-breaking, as the conditions the children live in are very basic and they appear to have very limited interaction with the carers in the orphanage.

This was honestly a life-changing experience, it has made me see things in a different way and that being a nurse is greater than I originally thought. It has certainly confirmed my initial thoughts about what type of nursing I want to end up doing. In addition, I have formed some great new friendships with like-minded people from other parts of the world and have gained a new appreciation of the country in which we live. I highly recommend Gap Medics if you are interested in a medical career and want to experience real-life before committing to a university degree.











# Yi (Terry) Pu - Dentist

studied at Saint Kentigern College from 2005, graduating in 2009. During my college years, I was a member and eventually the concert master of the Orchestra and Concert Band. I obtained my Associate Diploma in Violin Recital the same year I won the Saint Kentigern College Solo Music Competition and the Music Award in 2009.

I was admitted into The University of Queensland's Bachelor of Dental Science where the leadership and artistic aspect of my college years helped me pursue my love for dentistry. During my university years, I was also the member and, for a brief period, the concert master of the Queensland Medical Orchestra. I volunteered for the Tzu Chi International Medical Association to help improve the oral health of the homeless and refugees. I was also the founder and president

of the Taiwanese Dental Group in UQ during my study.

I graduated from the UQ Bachelor of Dental Science with Honours in 2015 and started working in private practice. I am currently the Principal Dentist in Australia Dental Burpengary and my main goal is to help promote and improve the oral health of people within the community.

My next life changing step is my recent admission into James Cook University's Graduate Diploma of Dental Implantology in 2018. My ultimate goal is to contribute into the research of dental implantology while maintaining my life as a private practitioner.

My time in Saint Kentigern College was truly unforgettable. Without the help of my mentors, family and friends during those years, I would never have become who I am today.

# Crystal Sun – World Sailing Title!

Recent Old Collegian, Crystal Sun proved herself to be a strong sailor during her College years. In September 2017, during her final year at school, she and her sailing partner, Olivia Hobbs from St Cuthbert's, won the 2017 NZL Youth Trials. This win led them to selection for the New Zealand Sailing Foundation Youth Team, qualifying them to compete in the women's skiff class (29er) at the Youth World Championships in Sanya, China in December. They had both been sailing the 29er since 2015 and partnered up in 2016.

The lead up to December was a busy period for Crystal as she completed her school work towards gaining an International Baccalaureate Diploma, while training 4-5 times a week in readiness for the event. As well as training, they also attended youth clinics and other regattas. After Sanya, they travelled onto Hong Kong in January

to compete in 2018 29er Open World Championships. Racing in the same Gold Fleet as the men, they faced some tough sailing conditions with two days racing lost to gusty conditions. With racing complete, they won the Women's 29er Open World title!

Crystal now plans to go on and study physics and geophysics at The University of Auckland, starting in Semester 2. As she and her partner no longer qualify as youth sailors, they have moved into the 49er fx which is the Olympic level women's skiff. Their next major event will be the 2019 World Championships, which will be held in New Zealand at the end of next year, but for now they are spending 4-5 days a week on the water, working on the transition from 29er to 49er fx with a long-term goal to hopefully qualify for the 2024 Olympic games in France!











# Brian Rensford - Christian Missionary

Prian began at Saint Kentigern in 1959 and in is final year was made a prefect, something he said was a turning point in his life journey, having been a little 'unruly' in his younger years.

Two years later, halfway through a Commerce degree at AU, he made a commitment to Lord Jesus Christ and has followed, loved and served Him ever since

After completing his studies, he moved to Melbourne to commence training as a Christian minister and the following year, hitchhiked 900km to Sydney, drove semi-trailers and lived and served in an Aboriginal mission in the inner-city slums of Redfern; his first Christian worker assignment.

In the following years, he also worked for a large auditing firm and became company accountant for (what is now) Rivers Shoes – in their largest manufacturing plant in Australia. He also married an 'Aussie girl.'

In 1974, he and his wife, Elizabeth made a permanent move to Sydney and set out to pastor a church, whilst continuing to self-support doing contract work, saying he 'discovered he had a God-given gift for fixing up messes - financially, relationally, and organisationally.' This is something he has continued for over 49 years since he was ordained.



For the past 35 years his church has supported a ministry called 'Lifeline Ministries Southern Africa' and in the past 21 years, he has visited mainly Zimbabwe and Mozambique on 27 extended trips, teaching, training, pastoring leaders, and learning how to conduct 'real safaris' in his 4WD for the other 22 people from his church who have been 'brave enough' to accompany him! Through this work, he made the surprising discovering that the phonetics of the local language, Shona, are identical to Maori so when he speaks pidgin Shona, they think he was raised there.

Brian says that Saint Kentigern has left an indelible mark on him and he said it was joy to catch up with fellow students at the 2009 Jubilee celebrations. He says that the impact of the School motto, Fides Servanda Est, its true meaning and call to loyalty to the essential gospel has been something he has stressed to his African friends and extended family. He says he has found that 'Keeping the Faith' must have a warm, relational aspect for there to be any genuine bonds that endure. The crying need for affection is greater than ever in our societies... St Kentigern himself understood this.

For more information about Brian's missionary life, he invites you to visit his website: http://www.hnlc.org.au/rensford



# James Fouche – Competitive Cyclist

College student from Year 7, James was a stalwart of the cycling team, taking on the captaincy of boys' cycling in 2015. Whist he started out with the Saint Kentigern College Triathlon team, he found that swimming 'wasn't my sort of thing', however, cycling was. A love of the speed of cycling channelled his energy in that direction in Year 9. Multiple successes followed during the next five years while at the College, including competing in the UCI World Championship in Richmond, Virginia in his final year.

After graduating, he gained a second place in both the 2016 Oceania Road Race Championships and the Time Trial. A few weeks later he won the U19 National Time Trial Championships. Both those results helped him to be selected for the UCI World Championships in Doha, Qatar later that year, which proved a further learning experience. In 2017, James competed in the U23 Giro d'Italia which is one of the biggest races for U23's. After competing creditably in this Italian tour, he headed to Belgium where he won two prestigious titles and placed

second twice, along with winning the National U23 Road Race. These top placings meant James was awarded the NZ Cycling Corp Memorial Trophy the first recipient of this special award. The trophy is made from a cobblestone from the Kemmelberg Climb in Belgium and is mounted on a piece of timber from a WW1 trench where the NZ Cycling Corps fought - a significant trophy and memorable achievement. James said that it was special to be the first recipient and that he gained increased motivation for racing the event after learning about the history behind the trophy.

Because of his performances over the last year, he received a contract to ride for Team Wiggins in 2018. James says he is thankful for the support he received at the College, having Rick Faulding as the Triathlon and Cycling coach was definitely a big influence. At the College he also met his current coaches, Patrick and Tammy Harvey who coached at the College for the first few years he was there and have remained his coaches ever since.





# OCA v 1st XI Cricket

Beautiful weather set up what was a fantastic day for a cricket game between the College 1st XI and the Old Collegians XI.

The Old Collegians went to bat with some very handy cricketers, including New Zealand U19 cricketer, Sandeep Patel and Auckland Ace, Jamie Brown.

The Old Collegians started nervously with the College's Simon Keene picking up 2 key wickets early. Devon Jones top scored with 31 and Ashwyn Herwels added a handy 20 to anchor the innings. The Old Collegians went along at a steady run rate until Ryan Phizackerly came out and blasted 29 from 13 balls with plenty of lusty blows. This finished the innings at a respectable but gettable 126/9.

The College team started slowly losing wickets at regular intervals but with Connor McKenzie steadying the ship for the College with 21, they managed to maintain a steady run rate. Spin twins Ashwyn Herwells and Rob von Elling picked up two wickets each which set back the College's run chase restricting them to 105 all out. The end of the innings was followed by a BBQ with valuable time to chat.

Thank you to Hayden Butler (President of the Old Collegians), Hamish McGregor (Old Collegian Head Boy on the BBQ), Hilary Low (Scorer) and Sandeep Patel and Ryan Phizackerly for organising the Old Collegians team. Also a massive thanks to member of staff, Malcolm Cowie who organised and set up the event.



Now an annual fixture on the calendar, a team of Old Collegians played against the Hockey Boys 1st XI as part of their pre-season preparations. The Old Collegian's team, made up of a mixture of recent, and not-so-recent graduates of the College, put the current 1st XI through their paces. Greg Chadderton, Mike Hook and Cameron Wilson led the team well through the midfield, with the Old Collegians holding the lead for a significant portion of the match. As always, players enjoyed some time to catch up and share stories following the final whistle. The final score of the match was 4-2 to the current team.

Special thanks to Mr Ramesh Patel, Mr Paul Bennett and Mr Malcolm Cowie for their organisation of the event.







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